



RESOURCE 28: 4-H Camp Teen Counselor Job Description

4-H CAMP TEEN COUNSELOR JOB DESCRIPTION

Responsible to:

- The Extension Agent or other Extension faculty/staff in charge of the unit 4-H camping event/participating campers.

Responsible for:

- Supervising children during the entire 4-H camp session, providing for the safety and well-being of each camp participant at all times;
- Assisting with 4-H camp classes, programs, and activities and being on-time and present for all assigned activities;
- Being able and willing to treat each camper, staff person, and peers with respect and dignity at all times;
- Showing a genuine concern for children by communicating, advising, assisting, and establishing a warm, friendly relationship with them;
- Demonstrating a willingness to work as a member of a team with other staff persons, teens and adults, summer camp staff, and under the supervision, guidance, direction, and leadership of the Extension staff in charge of the 4-H camping program;
- Being able and willing to accept and perform leadership roles (i.e. be a “leader”) as a 4-H camp teen counselor, and being able and willing work as a member of the team when others are in the leadership position (i.e. be a “follower”);
- Learning the objectives of the 4-H camping program;
- Following the Virginia 4-H Standardized Code of Conduct at all times;
- Being able and willing to (a) understand, accept, and live by certain “living standards” and a code of conduct that are necessary in a community made up primarily of young children, and (b) become familiar with the 4-H camp rules and policies and communicating and enforcing these rules and policies to others;
- Being familiar with the needs and interests of the specific camp age groups represented in the 4-H camp setting and work to assist young children in meeting these needs and interests;
- Being able and willing to associate with campers, realizing that the camp is designed for these camp participants;
- Setting a positive role model (i.e. example) for boys and girls at all times during 4-H camp, as well as for the staff working with the 4-H camping event; and,
- Performing other duties as assigned by the Extension Agent in charge of the 4-H camp.

Signed: _____

Date: _____