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Dear Camp Counselor Candidate,

It's time to start thinking about the 2019 4-H Camping Program! The 2019 Logan County 4-H Camp will be held **June 9-13 at 4-H Camp Clifton with Shelby County**. Youth in grades 9-12 can apply to spend the week serving as a 4-H Camp Counselor.

4-H Camp Counselors provide care and coordinate activities for campers during the camp week. Being a 4-H Camp Counselor is a unique, amazing experience; however, because you are in care, custody and control of minors, serving as a 4-H Camp Counselor requires a great deal of commitment, responsibility, maturity and accountability. Counselors are **required** to attend 24 hours of mandatory training, held over the course of multiple meetings from the time of their selection to camp week. 2018's trainings are scheduled for the following dates:

- Sunday, November 18 from 2 to 5 p.m.
- Sunday, December 16 from 2 to 5 p.m.
- Monday, January 21 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Sunday, February 17 from 2 to 5 p.m.
- Sunday, March 3 - Time TBD
- Sunday, March 17 from 2 to 5 p.m.
- Sunday, April 28 from 2 to 5 p.m.
- Sunday, May 19 from 2 to 5 p.m.
- Sunday, June 2 from 2 to 5 p.m.

**\*Note:** In addition, planning committees will meet independently with Justin in May to finalize camp program details.

Our selection process for counselors is designed to mimic a real-life job selection process. As when applying for a real job, you should complete and provide all requested items for the camp counselor position. Additionally, I kindly ask that you only apply if you know that you are willing and able to commit the time and energy required to be a 4-H Camp Counselor. While it is certainly fun, it is also work.

**COUNSELORS:** Those individuals wishing to apply to be a 4-H Camp Counselor should complete **Sections A, B, C and D of the Camp Counselor ONLINE Application NO LATER THAN Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 11:59 p.m.**

- A. Application – Candidate should complete the online application at [go.osu.edu/logancounselorapp](http://go.osu.edu/logancounselorapp)
- B. Reference Contact Information – Two references should be acquired on the candidate's behalf. **Names, emails and phone numbers for the acquired references should be submitted via the online application.** References should not be family members or other youth. Potential references: Club advisor, teacher, employer, pastor, etc.
- C. Essay – Candidate should complete a one page essay on the following topic: *"How I Would Incorporate the Four H's in 4-H Camp as a Counselor."* **The essay should be submitted as part of the online application.**
- D. Interviews – **Call or visit the Extension Office to schedule an interview time.** Interviews are scheduled for Wednesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Extension Office (15-minute intervals). Dress is business casual. CANDIDATES must contact the Extension Office to schedule their appointment **NO LATER THAN Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup>.**

I wish all candidates the best in their efforts to be selected as a 2019 4-H Camp Counselor. I look forward to working with those that are selected. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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**NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS ONLINE FOR 2019 4-H CAMP COUNSELORS**

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**DETAILS:** Male Counselors – approximately 15 positions available  
 Female Counselors – approximately 18 positions available

\*Alternates will be selected in the event that camper numbers increase and additional counselors are needed or if a selected counselor does not meet their requirements.

**DESCRIPTION:** Immediate openings available for older youth wishing to be involved in the 2019 4-H camping program. Responsibilities include serving on at least one committee to plan and implement specific portions of a camp program; teaching workshops; and assignment to a cabin providing round-the-clock care for the campers living in that cabin. Campers will have completed grades 3<sup>rd</sup>– 7<sup>th</sup>. Position reports directly to the Camp Director; supervision by other adult camp staff.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Candidates must currently be in high school (9<sup>th</sup>– 12<sup>th</sup> grade) and at least 2 years older than the youngest person in their cabin. Candidates MUST enjoy working with younger children. Camp counseling can be and is encouraged to be taken as a 4-H project. Selection based upon application, recommendations, interview, teaching activity /demonstration, previous leadership and camping experiences, and ability to be a role model. Candidates must satisfactorily complete ACA requirement of 24 hours counselor training prior to camp. It will be the responsibility of the candidate to make-up loss hours; however, if training requirements are not met, an alternate will take the position of counselor. Candidates enrolled in 4-H will get preference over those not enrolled. If selected and not currently enrolled in 4-H, candidates MUST sign up for 4-H, join a club, and complete a project.

**BENEFITS:** Develop leadership skills, gain self-confidence, assist in personal development of younger campers.

<p><b>Online application due no later than October 25<sup>th</sup>:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Application (<a href="http://go.osu.edu/logancounselorapp">go.osu.edu/logancounselorapp</a>)</li> <li>• Names, emails and phone numbers of two (2) references</li> <li>• Essay (via file upload in online application)</li> <li>• NEW applicants only – Call Extension Office to</li> <li>• schedule an interview time for Wednesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Come to scheduled interview on time and dressed in business casual attire</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>2019 FEES:</b>  <b><u>\$178 cash or check</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Teen counselors who will be 18 years of age before or during camp:</u></b>          You will be required to complete an Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) background check. BCI reports cost \$35 per person. Counselors will be reimbursed for this cost AFTER the check is complete. This is an Ohio 4-H regulation and will be enforced.</p>
<p><b>Letters will be mailed out 1-2 weeks after the selection process (approximately November 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>).</b></p>	
<p><b>The first meeting is scheduled for:</b>          Sunday, November 18 from 2 to 5 p.m.</p>	