

Tuscarawas County Older Youth Opportunities Coversheet

This form must accompany all applications due by November 8, 2021.

Print clearly. All information required.

ALL APPLICANTS
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Name _____ Age (as of 1/1/22) _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell _____

Applicant's Email Address _____

Parent's Email Address _____
(if different from applicant's)

Parent/Guardian Name(s) _____

Club _____ T-Shirt Size _____

Years in 4-H (including current) _____ Grade in School _____

School District _____
(DISTRICT NAME ONLY – not school building name)

I certify that the information provided on this coversheet and enclosed applications is correct and accurately reflects abilities and performance.

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Interest Areas

Check **all** opportunities you wish for consideration. **More** county, state, national, and international 4-H Older Youth opportunities located at: <https://go.osu.edu/olderyouth>. *If interested in a trip, please include a brief one-paragraph statement why you should be selected and what you hope to gain from the experience (space provided on back).

- Making eXtreme Counselors (MXC) (Dates TBA) <https://www.ohio4h.org/camp/mxc-workshop>
- *Leadership Camp (Dates TBA) (for youth ages 15-18) <https://ohio4h.org/camp/leadership-camp>
- *Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) (Dates TBA)
<https://ohio4h.org/families/just-teens/citizenship-washington-focus>
- *Sea Camp (likely July 2022) <https://ohio4h.org/camp/sea-camp>
- *Leadership Washington Focus (LWF) (Dates TBA) (for youth entering grades 7-9)
<https://4-h.org/parents/leadership-washington-focus>
- Food and Fashion Board (for youth currently in 8th grade and up)
- Camp Counselor (Camp is **tentatively** June 26-30, 2022)
- Junior Fair Board (Tuscarawas County Fair is September 19-25, 2022)
- Other (use additional sheet if necessary): _____

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Use this space to explain why you should be selected for a state trip.

Tuscarawas County 2022 4-H Camp Counselor Application

Date Received at Extension Office _____

This application – along with the Older Youth Cover Sheet and two camp counselor reference forms – must be received **on or before November 8, 2021**, to the Tuscarawas County office of OSU Extension to be considered for selection. **NO LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED FOR ANY REASON.**

Applicant is to schedule a 15 minute one-on-one interview via SignUpGenius at <https://go.osu.edu/2022OlderYouthInterview> for one of the following dates: Monday, November 15, 5-8 p.m.; Wednesday, November 17, 1-5 p.m.; or Thursday, November 18, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

All counselors must complete a minimum of 12 hours of counselor preparation training as required by the Ohio 4-H Program. Any counselor not having at least 12 hours of documented training prior to leaving for camp will not be permitted to serve as a counselor.

Camp Counselor meetings and training dates will be announced after counselors are selected.

All first-year counselors are required to attend – and returning counselors are highly encouraged to attend - a residential training at Camp Piedmont tentatively scheduled for May 27 - 28. Individuals with a valid conflict made known during the time of application may attend alternate residential trainings pending pre-approval. The alternate training dates are to be determined.

Name (First, MI, Last)

Date of Birth
(mm/dd/yyyy)

Age
(as of 1/1/22)

School Building (**not district** name) and Current Grade

Years in 4-H
(including 2022)

Phone Number

Cell Phone

Applicant's Email

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name(s)

Parent's/Guardian's Email (if different from applicant's)

I understand that in addition to this application and interview, I must complete a minimum of 12 hours of training to be eligible to serve as a camp counselor, and if chosen as a counselor I must remain at camp the entire time.

Applicant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

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4-H EVENT/OPPORTUNITY: 4-H Camp Counselor

DATE/DEADLINE: Applications are due to the OSU Extension Office no later than November 8, 2021.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The 4-H Camp Counselors are a group of 4-H teens selected to assist in being responsible for campers ages 8-14 during 4-H camp. As a result of participation, counselors will develop knowledge, skills, attitudes and aspirations needed for adult success, and the Tuscarawas County 4-H program will be strengthened and expanded. Roles and Responsibilities of 4-H Camp Counselors include:

- Attend required trainings prior to camp.
- Market and promote camp.
- Serve in a leadership and teaching role to other counselors.
- Serve on committees or other groups to plan programs at camp.
- Conduct self in an appropriate manner before, during, and after camp while serving as a role model to campers and peers.
- Assist staff and other counselors with camp activities; work as a team to implement the activities.
- Know and understand all safety guidelines, including emergency procedures, associated with the camp and program areas.
- Follow and enforce camp rules.
- Assure for safety of campers at all times including in cabins, sessions, and large group activities.
- Be aware of child protection regulations and report any child abuse, sexual abuse, or neglect in accordance with university policy.
- Identify and respond to camper behavior issues.
- Ensure campers' health and hygiene, e.g., brushing teeth, eating meals, taking medication, etc.
- Promote camper participation during camp.
- Lead and supervise campers in activities at camp including but not limited to songs, teambuilding challenges, group activities, challenges, etc.
- Teach and lead campers at workshops or during other components at camp (table setting, song leading, etc.).
- Mentor and give guidance to campers to encourage positive youth development and enhancement of life skills.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Must be at least 14 years old by the start of camp.
- Must be able to get transportation to meetings and events as needed.
- Must complete a minimum of 12 hours of training (12 hours of on-sight training for first time counselors).
- Must complete Child Abuse Awareness training.
- Must sign Standards of Behavior, complete the Code of Conduct form, and have a current Ohio 4-H Health History form on file.
- Must provide two references NOT RELATED to you.
- If the individual is 18+ year old at least two months prior to camp, the individual must have their background check conducted.

MEETING DATES/TIME/FREQUENCY

4-H Camp Counselors typically meet once every other week. Counselors are expected to notify the Extension office if an absence is unavoidable.

TO APPLY:

- Complete the application in its entirety.
- Turn in reference forms from **two non-family members**.
- Read and sign the Standards of Behavior and Camp Counselor Code of Conduct forms.
- Return all materials to the Tuscarawas County office of OSU Extension Office by November 8, 2021.
- Participate in a one-on-one interview.

Desirable Traits of a Camp Counselor

- Responsibility and prior leadership experience
- Ability to speak in front of a group
- Enthusiasm
- Ability to work with younger 4-H'ers and look out for their safety/well-being
- Planning and organizational skills
- Interest in outdoors
- Sincere interest in providing a rewarding camping experience.
- Ability to lead songs, teach crafts, supervise games, share skills, etc.

4-H Camp Experience

Number of years as camper _____ Number of years as counselor _____

List your responsibilities as camper (i.e., helped with flags, vespers, campfire skit, etc.).

List your responsibilities as counselor.

Other Camp Experiences

Please list any other camping experiences. Examples may include State Leadership Camp, Carving New Ideas, Scout camps, school camps, band camps, sport camps, etc.

Camp Name	Describe Experience/Responsibilities/Year Attended
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Examples of typical camp activities are listed below. Rank your areas of interest from 1 to 9 with 1 being the activity in which you have the **greatest** interest and 9 being the activity in which you have the **least** interest.

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|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| _____ Flags & Citizenship | _____ Vespers & Candle Lighting |
| _____ Campfire Activities | _____ Hill Games |
| _____ Pool Games | _____ Night Games |
| _____ Song Leading | _____ Announcements |
| _____ Skits | |

My Camp Plan

*Each year the counselors and adult staff select a timely and fun camp theme and plan all of the camp activities around this theme. Select a theme to be **considered** for this year's camp program then develop a camp plan based on the categories below.*

Camp Theme:

Group Name Ideas:

Craft Ideas:

Special Program (may or may not be related to theme):

Recreation Ideas:

Other Suggestions:

Additional Information

List any special training or experiences that would make you a positive addition to our camping program (i.e., first aid, life guard, babysitter's course, YMCA course, Red Cross course).

List any activities/organizations in which you participate (i.e., sports, band, FFA, year book, church, youth group, choir).

Describe your experience working with children/youth.

Explain why you want to be a camp counselor and what you want to learn from the experience.

How will you promote camp and encourage 4-H members to attend?

Are there any activities that will conflict with counselor camp or meetings? If yes, what is (are) the dates of these conflict(s)? Be as specific as possible.

References

List two adults, **not related to you**, who are knowledgeable of your leadership and teaching skills, responsibility, and character. One of those listed should be your 4-H advisor. Ask the individuals you listed to complete one of the attached recommendation forms and return the form to the Tuscarawas County office of OSU Extension by November 8, 2021. Note that these individuals may be contacted for additional reference information.

NAME	TITLE	PHONE
1.		
2.		

Please include a brief paragraph why you should be selected as a Camp Counselor.

4-H CAMP COUNSELOR CODE OF CONDUCT

I, _____, agree that if selected, I will participate in the 4-H Camp Counselor Training Program. I understand that this is a training period and only once I complete my certification am I permitted to be a counselor at 4-H Camp.

I understand that I am taking on a different role at camp. I am applying to serve other, not to go purely for my own enjoyment. By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read and agree to abide by the above responsibilities if selected as a camp counselor. I understand and agree that I will be asked to call my parents/guardian immediately to pick me up if I conduct myself in an irresponsible manner, which includes being out of my cabin after hours and/or the possession or use of tobacco, alcohol, illegal drugs or fireworks.

I will be expected to:

- ✓ Attend the required number of counselor training sessions. I understand I will be dismissed if I am not able to complete the required training.
- ✓ Abide by the No Cell Phones at Camp Policy (note: unless otherwise authorized by Extension staff)
- ✓ Treat other peers with respect.
- ✓ Not bully fellow counselors or participate in goat-play or hazing.
- ✓ Conduct myself as a positive role model and be responsible.
- ✓ Set a good example by not using profanity or telling off-color jokes, and stories.
- ✓ As a 4-H member, not have in my possession tobacco, alcohol or illegal drugs.
- ✓ Not have possession of harmful objects without specific authorization from the camp director, including but not limited to: knives of any kind (pocket, utility, etc.), lighters, matches, fireworks, explosives, firearms, weapons, etc.
- ✓ No pornography or other sexually oriented materials including nudity in visual or written materials including similar content.
- ✓ Be a responsible cabin counselor and ensure campers are provided guidance towards a safe and fun week.
- ✓ Ensure that all campers are supervised by counselor staff at all times. Be sure that all campers know that they must remain on the camp grounds at all times and are responsible for their behavior at all times.
 - Get to know each of the campers personally and by name.
 - Have all campers, including myself check in any of their medications with the nurse.
 - Make sure each camper uses personal hygiene.
 - Make sure that all of my campers are familiar with camp facilities and camp rules
 - See that all campers are involved in all activities. Make sure no one is excluded.
- ✓ Check for illness or injury, but don't make much of a "fuss" about ***minor things***. Go with hurt or sick campers to the nurse no matter how minor the ailment.
- ✓ Follow guidelines for lights out, and cabin supervision. Be in my cabin with my campers at all times between the hours of "Lights Out" and "Rise and Shine."
- ✓ Never discipline a camper by ridicule or physical punishment; patience and understanding works best.
- ✓ Urge safety at all time. Take time to explain how and why to do something safely.
- ✓ Work as a team to plan, organize and conduct all camp activities.
- ✓ Be flexible with counseling and adult staff.
- ✓ Participate in camp promotion.
- ✓ Follow leadership of camping program through adult advisors/volunteers/staff.
- ✓ Remain at camp for the entire duration of camp.

I certify that the all the information submitted is correct, and understand that failure to comply with these rules could result in probation or loss of counseling position for the year.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/ Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Standards of Behavior for Minor Participants Participating in Activities and Programs with Minor Participants

Minors participating in activities and programs with minor participants sponsored by Ohio State are required to conduct themselves according to the following standards of behavior. These standards operate in conjunction with the guidelines and regulations of the specific activity or program.

Minor participation expectations:

- Be responsible for own behavior and uphold high standards for the group and accept consequences for inappropriate behavior
- Support and abide by the group's designated leader
- Practice good citizenship, leadership and self-control
- Follow the direction of activity or program staff and/or leaders
- Demonstrate positive sportsmanship and attitudes at all times which is becoming of a leader
- Show respect to others, be courteous and respectful
- Use appropriate language at all times

The following behaviors and actions are not permitted at The Ohio State University in activities or programs with minor participants:

- Unsportsmanlike conduct, unethical, immoral conduct
- Improper language, e.g., profanity
- Possession or consumption of alcohol and illegal drugs, including the use of tobacco by a minor
- Possession or use of harmful objects with the intent to harm or intimidate others, e.g., weapons, fireworks
- Boys in girls' rooms/restrooms and vice versa
- Destruction of property
- Violation of established curfew, when applicable
- Disrespect of adults, other participants, volunteers, staff and/or those in leadership positions
- Belittling others/putting others down and being disrespectful of individuals' differences
- Aggressive physical behavior, e.g., fighting
- Taking property that belongs to others
- Other conduct determined to be inappropriate for youth development by the event chair or designated Ohio State faculty/staff

Violations of the standards of behavior will be handled as follows:

1. If a chaperone is present for the minor involved in the violation, this person will be made aware of the violation.
2. The parents will be notified of the incident and actions taken. When necessary, arrangements will be made to remove the minor from the activity or program.
3. The minor can/may be barred from participating in future Ohio State activities and programs with minor participants.
4. When warranted (e.g., violation of law) the situation may be turned over to the appropriate law enforcement authority.

I, _____, as a participant in an activity or program with minor participants, 4-H Camp,
(name of minor, print) (name of activity/program, print)

have read these standards of behavior and agree to accept and follow them. I also accept the consequences for my actions if I choose not to follow the standards of behavior.

Minor Signature_____
Date

I, we _____ have read the standards of behavior and support my minor's participation in the
(parent/guardian, print) activity/program.

Parent/Guardian Signature_____
Date

Advisor Recommendation for 4-H Camp Counselor Position

Name of Applicant (please print): _____

The camping staff would like your input regarding the above-named applicant's ability to fulfill the responsibilities of a 4-H Camp Counselor. Please complete this reference form and return it by **November 8, 2021**, to OSU Extension Tuscarawas County, 419 16th Street SW, New Philadelphia, OH 44663. **Person completing this form cannot be related to the applicant.** This form must be on file for the application to be considered complete. Thank you.

Please check (✓) the response that best matches the applicant's abilities in the following areas.

1. Interacting with Club Members

Leadership:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Courtesy:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Cooperation:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Confidence:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Overall interaction:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor

2. Club Responsibility

Office(s) Held: _____

	Enthusiastic and independent	_____ Good, needs some direction	_____ Average, only with direction	_____ Very little or no participation
Club participation:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Organizational skills:	_____ Yes	_____ No		
Has completed project(s):	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Project quality (in terms of time, commitment, and skill involved):	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor

3. Other Attributes

Public speaking:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Overall attitude:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Self-confidence:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Trustworthiness:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Commitment:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor

Additional Comments: _____
(Use back of form if needed.)

Printed Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Club _____



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Please check (✓) the response that best matches the applicant's abilities in the following areas.

1. Interacting with Others

Leadership:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Courtesy:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Cooperation:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Confidence:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Overall interaction:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor

2. Responsibilities

Office(s) Held: _____

Participation:	_____ Enthusiastic and independent	_____ Good, needs some direction	_____ Average, only with direction	_____ Very little or no participation
Organizational skills:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor

3. Other Attributes

Public speaking:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Overall attitude:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Self-confidence:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Trustworthiness:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Commitment:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Leadership:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Work Ethic:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor
Creativity:	_____ Excellent	_____ Good	_____ Fair	_____ Poor

Additional Comments: _____
(Use back of this form if needed.)

Printed Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Association with Applicant _____

