

4-H Youth Development





### **POSITION DESCRIPTION:**

Warren County 4-H Youth Development Program The University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service

**POSITION TITLE:** 

Adult Leader

SUPERVISOR: Warren County 4-H Agents

## TIME REQUIRED / DURATION OF APPOINTMENT:

**During Camp Session** 

## LOCATIONS:

West Kentucky 4-H Center, Dawson Springs

## **GENERAL PURPOSE:**

To supervise 15-20 youth, ages 9-13, in a camp setting. Join other volunteers in the planning of the camp program. Support 4-H professionals, volunteers and members in conducting meaningful educational experiences to help youth develop social skills.

## SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES:

Cabin Leader

- Responsible for health, safety and well-being of each camper in their cabin and/or group.
- $\circ$  Responsible for seeking aid from proper sources when the need arises.
- Provide leadership and direction while working closely with teen volunteers.
- Move with campers in cabin, whatever grouping used in a camp week when attending classes or other group activities.
- See that campers carry out responsibilities, such as flag or meditation program, cabin cleanup, grounds cleanup, dining hall, etc.
- Assist class instructors where needed in teaching or in maintaining control of campers so learning can occur.
- Help develop camping philosophy with other leaders and youth in the home county.
- Attend and participate in Camp Staff meetings.
- Report discipline or possible child abuse to county agents, deans, Camp Program Director, and/or Camp Manager.
- Problems with permanent Camp Staff must be handled through Camp Manager and through the Camp Program Director.

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#### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Must complete the Kentucky 4-H volunteer application and screening process and be accepted by the Youth Protection Committee.
- Must provide own transportation to meetings and activities.
- Self starter; be able to work with minimal supervision from professional staff.
- Effective communication skills.
- A sincere interest in working with extension staff, volunteers, parents, and youth.
- Organizational skills; ability to organize information and materials in a timely manner.
- Must be 18 years old or older
- Complete Health form
- A willingness to become familiar with and work with the philosophy and guidelines of the University of Kentucky CES, Kentucky 4-H program and county 4-H program

#### **BENEFITS:**

- o The opportunity to work with youth and/or adults providing support and growth experiences
- o Receive intrinsic rewards at volunteer recognition events
- o Volunteer development opportunity
- o Opportunity to share your skills, talents and interests
- o Orientation provided by Extension staff
- o Research shows that volunteering promotes improved health
- $\circ$  The opportunity to make a difference in the life of the child.

### SALARY:

Unsalaried; volunteer.

# **MENTOR/SUPERVISING PROFESSIONAL:**

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"I have read, understand and agree to fulfill the purpose and responsibilities of this volunteer position and further agree to accept guidance and direction from the supervisor. I am committing to involve individuals regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability or national origin in educational experiences in cooperation with other Extension volunteers and Extension personnel. I also understand that failure to fulfill the purpose and responsibilities of the volunteer position and to accept guidance and direction from the supervisor could result in suspension of my position. I also understand that this volunteer position is renewable annually; I will notify the supervising professional if I am no longer interested in serving."

Signature of Volunteer

Date

Signature of Extension Professional

Date