



**Shelby County 4-H Camp  
June 5-9, 2023  
Lake Cumberland 4-H Camp**

## **Teen Counselor Application**

**Must be age 16 as of June 5, 2023 (CAMP)**

**TWO WRITTEN REFERENCES ARE REQUIRED WITH APPLICATION  
(references cannot be from family members)**

**Return Deadline: March 13, 2023**

*Applicants may be interviewed prior to selection.  
Interviews will be conducted at the Extension Office.  
You cannot sign up for an interview unless your application,  
enrollment form and two letters of recommendation  
are on file at the Extension Office prior to March 13.*

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AS OF JUNE 5, 2023 (CAMP)**

4-H CAMP TEEN LEADER APPLICATION ----- *(please print clearly)*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Age (as June 5, 2023) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ (Month/Day/Year)

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Is texting an option? Yes  No

School Attending \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade in School \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever attended 4-H Camp? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, how many years as a camper? \_\_\_\_\_ As a Teen Leader? \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Size (check one):      S        M        L        XL        2X        3X   

\*\* If selected, counselors will be asked to purchase a 1<sup>st</sup> day of camp T-shirt. Approximate cost \$10 \*\*

**EXPERIENCES**

<b>CAMP</b> List camps you have attended and any leadership experiences you had at them.
<b>4-H</b> Give a brief background of your 4-H experiences, especially leadership roles you have held.
<b>OTHER</b> Describe other leadership experiences you have had with youth (church, school, etc.).

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**What is your main motivation for applying to be a camp counselor?**

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**List 2 personal goals and how you would imagine achieving them as a counselor (be specific)**

*(Ex. I want to improve my leadership skills by getting up in front of campers and giving instructions for an activity.)*

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

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**In 2-3 sentences, describe the main responsibilities of a camp counselor as you see them now?**

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**If I talked to a good friend of yours, what are three words they would use to describe you?**

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**Complete one of the two areas below with your ideas for interesting and exciting camp classes and activities. You may ask your family, 4-H club members, do a web search and/or ask advisors to help generate ideas.**

- Workshop/Class Ideas:

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- Alternatives/Games for Afternoon or Evening Programs:

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**What skills or contributions will you add to the counselor team in making sure camp is successful?**

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**List or describe any talents, skills, (including certifications such as CPR, First Aid, etc.) or interest you have that may be of benefit as a teen leader:**

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# *Teen Counselor Contract*

## AGREEMENT BETWEEN TEEN COUNSELOR & SHELBY COUNTY 4-H

*This contract contains the responsibilities and duties of the camp counselor while at 4-H camp. By signing the contract, the counselors agree to accept and carry out these responsibilities.*

### **CAMP COUNSELOR GENERAL RESPONSIBILITY**

*Assume responsibility for a group of campers for 24 hours a day during camp.*

### **SPECIFIC DUTIES**

- Counselor Job Description, Code of Conduct, and Counselor training material apply.
- Participate in camp counselor training session
- Know where your campers are at all times (including free time) and be present at critical times.
- Promote a helping relationship by interacting with your cabin's campers at all times during camp.
- Be aware of health, safety and well-being of your campers. Check for illness or injury.
- Report major health problems to camp health professional.
- See that you, your campers and fellow counselors know and observe camp rules.
- Help your cabin group follow the daily camp schedule.
- Be sensitive to camper's personalities, differences and needs.
- Be aware that your campers will copy your behavior.

Counselor agrees to accept the above responsibilities and support their peers, volunteers and agents while at camp. If a serious infraction occurs, Teen Counselors may be dismissed from camp. It is the parent's responsibility to pick up any counselor that is dismissed for disciplinary reasons.

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Counselor's Signature

Date

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Parent's Signature

Date