



2022 RETURNING CAMP COUNSELOR APPLICATION

Position Applicant is Applying For:

Youth Director (16-18 years of age with 2 years' experience as a Counselor) _____
(only check if you are eligible and interested in applying)

Assistant Youth Director (16-18 years of age with 2 years' experience as a Counselor) _____
(only check if you are eligible and interested in applying)

Counselor- includes cabin leaders, activity leaders, etc. (15-18 years of age) _____

* Please note – Due to the pandemic and previous camp cancellations, if you are 17 or 18 and only have one year of experience as a Counselor, you may apply to be a Youth Director. This also applies to the Assistant Youth Director position.

Name: _____

Age as of **June 1, 2022**: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Cell Phone or Home Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian E-mail Address: _____

Applicant's Cell Phone: _____

Applicant's E-mail Address: _____

School Applicant Attends: _____

Race Data: This information is requested on an optional basis. Your cooperation in providing it is appreciated. Please check the box that indicates your race, this information will be used for reporting purposes.

Native American _____

Asian _____

Hispanic _____

Black _____

White _____

Other _____

Number of years attended Harford County Junior Camp as a Camper _____

Number of years attended Harford County Intermediate Camp as a Camper _____

List the number of times you have served in each of the following positions:

Youth Director:

Junior Camp _____ # of Times _____

Intermediate Camp _____ # of Times _____

Assistant Director:

Junior Camp _____ # of Times _____

Intermediate Camp _____ # of Times _____

Counselor:

Junior Camp _____ # of Times _____

Intermediate Camp _____ # of Times _____

List other camp experiences and your role (Day Camp, Sports, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Specialty).

List any Work (paid) Experience and your position.

4-H and Extra-Curricular Activities: Include Leadership positions held with each activity listed, i.e. Officer, Captain, Co-Captain, Group or Committee Leaders, Assistant positions held with an adult.

School:

Community:

4-H other than Camp (Club, County, State):

Service Learning – Community Service:

Hobbies/Hidden Talents:

Describe any experiences working with younger youth, other than Camp. Include what you like the most when working with younger youth and with what age group you prefer to work.

What are some of the reasons for conducting 4-H Camp, besides 'FUN'?

What do you hope to gain from your experiences as a Camp Counselor that will help you in future endeavors?

**What is your camping philosophy in regard to campers, counselors and adult staff?
Do you think you are a good role model? Why? What could you improve upon?**

Define each of the Camp Counselor qualities listed below and how you would apply them at camp this year.

Good Listener:

Team Player:

Cooperative:

Awareness of the Environment:

Positive Attitudes:

Encourager:

Willingness/Helpful:

Work Well with Other Counselors:

Respect:

What do you feel is the role of ALL THE ADULT VOLUNTEERS AT CAMP, not just the Adult Directors? How does your role as a Counselor relate?

If you are chosen as a Counselor, list at least four personal goals you hope to accomplish at Camp this year.

What is your favorite part of 4-H Camp and why do you think it is important?

What way did you help the Campers have a memorable experience at Camp last year?

What areas do you feel you need to work on in order to become a better Counselor this year?

What subject matter do you feel needs to be addressed in counselor training that would better prepare you for the counselor role at camp? Explain why this should be added.

What part of on-line training did you enjoy? What part of on-line training did you not enjoy? Do you think on-line training was successful as a training tool?

Being a Camp Counselor can be physically, mentally, and emotionally stressful. How do you handle your stress/pressure at camp? What do you think contributes to the stress at camp? Do you have any suggestions on how to alleviate some of this stress?

If you are accepted as a Camp Counselor, which activities would you like to assist with?

Crafts _____ Marksmanship _____ Camp Newsletter _____

STEM _____

Archery _____ Drama _____ Hiking _____

Nature _____ Robotics _____ Outdoor Cooking _____

Training and/or Certificates you already have:

Red Cross First Aid Certification _____

Red Cross Certified Lifeguard _____

CPR Certification _____

Basic Sign Language _____

I can swim _____

I cannot swim _____

Other _____

Please list one idea as a Camp Theme, plus 3 activities that support the overall vision of the theme. Activities can range from skits to decorations to workshops, etc.

Theme Idea: _____

Activity

#1 _____

Activity

#2 _____

Important Information:

Director Applicants Only: Applicants interested in being considered for a Youth Director position (make sure you checked off), will receive a Youth Director Application once this application has been received. Applicants are required to give a presentation to a panel of experienced judges. Previous camp counselor performance will also be considered.

Applicants will also be interviewed prior to the Youth Director Interview by the Harford County 4-H Camp Directors – see Counselor Applicants below.

Counselor Applicants:

Returning counselor applicants may be required to complete an interview with the Camp Directors and Staff. The interview process will be determined by rules and regulations in regard to Covid Safety.

Submitting an application and submitting all necessary paperwork does not automatically make you a Camp Counselor. You must complete all requirements successfully. Your training hours are of extreme importance and you must complete those hours successfully. Each applicant must give their undivided attention and focus to each training class. Successful completion of those hours will be based on instructor observation of the applicant.

Recommendations:

Letters of Recommendation are not required by applicants for 2022 Camp Counselors unless you did not submit them in 2021. If you are unsure, please contact Ms. Dar. They will be due by February 1, 2022. Please return to Darleen N. Binns via email campdirector.hc2022@gmail.com or send to:

Harford County 4-H Office
Attn: Darleen Binns, Camp Director
3525 Conowingo Road, Suite 600
Street, Maryland 21154

Camp Dates:

Please check if you are available to be a counselor for these camps.

_____ Junior Camp:

Thursday, June 23 – Tuesday, June 28

_____ Intermediate Camp

Thursday, July 7 – Tuesday, July 12

_____ Clover Camp

Wednesday, June 29 – Friday, July 1

Camp Fees:

Counselor Fees: \$95.00 payable to Harford County EAC

In completing and submitting this application, I understand that there is an obligation to attend and PARTICIPIATE in the planned camp staff trainings. I also understand that my selection to participate as a Camp Staff Member is based upon many criteria as stated in the Camp Counselor Applicant Agreement.

Teen Applicant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF THIS APPLICATION IS DECEMBER 30, 2021. APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THIS DATE WILL BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION AS TO WHETHER THEY WILL BE ACCEPTED ON A CASE BY CASE BASIS. ACCEPTANCE IS NOT GUARANTEED.

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