

March 8, 2024

To: Tipton County 4-H Junior Leaders and high school students  
Re: 4-H Camp Counselor applications  
From: Brian Howell, Extension Educator

Summer is right around the corner! As a 4-Her in high school you have the opportunity to participate in 4-H Camp as a counselor. This year 4-H Camp will be held at Camp Shakamak on June 6-8, 2024. Kids from Tipton, Boone, Hendricks, and Montgomery counties come together for this three-day camp. Did you ever attend 4-H Camp and look up to the counselors? Now is your chance to be a counselor!

Enclosed is an application to be a 4-H Camp counselor. It can also be found online as a google form using the QR code at the bottom of this page. If you are interested please complete the form and return it to the Purdue Extension Office or online by **Sunday, April 14**. (It will be here before you know it.) To be a counselor you must currently be in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade or above and show past or potential leadership skills.

\*\*\*In addition to attending camp, counselors will also be required to attend **at least** three trainings, and preferably all four:

- Monday, April 29; leave at 6 pm, return around 10 pm
- Monday, May 6; leave at 6 pm, return around 10 pm
- Tuesday, May 21; leave at 6 pm, return around 10 pm
- Thursday, May 30; leave at 5 pm, return around 10 pm, dinner will be served

Trainings will be held at the Boone County Fairgrounds. Depending on how many counselors we have, there is a chance some youth will need to drive and follow me to the trainings. It is important to attend the trainings so counselors can learn safety procedures and work with other counselors to plan a fun camp for the campers!

I encourage you to fill out this application if you are serious about being a counselor, are a responsible **young adult** that is willing to be responsible for several kids for three days, and can commit to attending at least three of the four trainings (all four are preferred!) and three days of camp. Many past counselors have said that this is one of the most rewarding experiences of their 4-H career. You will be notified by April 17 if you were selected to be a camp counselor.

Again, applications are due back to the Purdue Extension Office or online by Sunday, April 14, **NO EXCEPTIONS** (I'll even accept applications early ☺). We have a lot of great 4-H members, and I encourage you to consider being a counselor!!!

<https://bit.ly/2024shakamakcounselor>



(To clarify, this is not for Mini 4-H Day Camp Counselors, this is for Shakamak State Park 4-H Camp Counselors. Mini 4-H Day Camp will be held June 5-7. Unfortunately 4-H Camp Shakamak and Mini 4-H Day Camp overlap. We need great counselors for both!!)

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