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Dear 4-Her:

Walworth County 4-H Camp is set for June 21-24 at Upham Woods near Wisconsin Dells.

Walworth County UW-Extension is now accepting applications for 2017 4-H Camp Counselor positions. We are looking for responsible, energetic, enthusiastic teens to serve as outstanding role models for this year's campers. Whether you've served as a counselor in the past, or are giving this idea brand new consideration, you are welcome and encouraged to submit your application! Three counselor roles are available: **Junior Director, Cabin Counselor, and Resource Counselor.**

The positions of **Cabin Counselor** and **Resource Counselor** are open to youth in grades 9-13, who will be at least 15 years old by camp. **Cabin Counselors** work primarily with a small group of campers for the duration of camp week. **Resource Counselors** are largely responsible for planning and conducting the fun workshops and activities campers participate in on a daily basis. All counselors will enjoy sleeping in the camp cabins and have shared responsibility for campers overnight.

Two cabin counselors will be chosen to work with campers participating in a short-term Outpost '17. Before and after the outpost experience (which will require a blend of cabin and resource counselor duties), these individuals will serve as the cabin counselors for same gender outpost campers at base camp. Please express your interest in serving as a counselor for this adventure in the appropriate place on your counselor application.

The role of **Junior Director** is open to candidates who served as counselors in 2016, are presently in grades 11-13, and who are able to attend all of the scheduled counselor trainings (below) and regularly meet with the UW-Extension staff (between February and June) to coordinate the trainings and camp week itself.

Completed counselor applications are due in the UW-Extension office by 5:00 p.m. on February 6. Applications must be supported by two reference letters. These reference letters will be accepted until 9:00 a.m. on February 13 and should be submitted in sealed envelopes with the signatures of the reference providers across the seal. References mailed, faxed, or scanned and emailed directly to the UW-Extension office by the reference provider are also acceptable. The mailing address is shown at the left of this letter. The fax number at the UW-Extension office is 262-741-4955. Emails should be sent to deborah.moser@ces.uwex.edu.

Counselor interviews will occur on Wednesday evening, February 15 at the UW-Extension office. A time will be assigned to you. You will be contacted with that time immediately following the application deadline.



An EEO/AA employer, University of Wisconsin-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming, including Title IX and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements.

Camp counselor trainings are on the dates that follow. It is important that you attend all trainings. Your service as a camp counselor is a very IMPORTANT job. Please respect the fact that campers' parents would appreciate you being as prepared for the camp experience as you possibly can. Training dates are:

Day	Date	Time
Wednesday	March 22	5:30-7:30 p.m.
Thursday	April 20	5:30-8:30 p.m.
Wednesday	May 3	5:30-8:30 p.m.
Tuesday	May 30	5:30-8:30 p.m.
Thursday	June 15	5:30-8:30 p.m.

If you miss multiple meetings, you may be asked to step off the team. Additionally, if you miss a meeting, it is your responsibility to set up a time with the UW-Extension staff to go over missed material.

All of these meetings will be held at the County Government Center. "Meet-the-Counselor Night" will be a part of the May 30th training. This is the evening when campers and their families can come and meet members of the counselor team.

Thank you for giving the camp counselor role your serious consideration. We look forward to a fantastic camp experience for our campers and counselors in 2017!

Sincerely,



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