

Volunteer Service Description: 4-H Camp Chaperone

Purpose: The 4-H Camp Chaperone works cooperatively with Georgia 4-H camping staff and local Extension faculty and staff to deliver a fun, educational, and safe 4-H camping experience. Volunteers serving at camp extend opportunities and the capacity for more 4-H youth participants to experience the benefits of camp. The top priority of the 4-H Camp Chaperone is to maintain the safety and well-being of 4-H campers.

Duration: Five days and four nights

Expectations:

- Actively supervise youth constantly, during day and overnight, along with a coleader.
- Enthusiastically participate in and contribute to all camp programs, activities, and leader assignments and support additional camp needs as presented.
- Foster environments for youth belonging and positive youth development, including but not limited to waterfront and nature environments, arts and crafts, and all other camp activities.
- Serve as a positive role model for youth, modeling healthy choices and behavior.
- Promote and support fun, informal, experiential learning in line with the Georgia 4-H mission.
- Serve with a positive attitude in moderate to strenuous environments, including assisting with loading luggage, negotiating terrain (including uneven and rough terrain), and navigating emergency situations to support 4-H youth safety. Prolonged standing, walking long distances, some bending, stair-climbing, swimming, and hiking may be required to supervise youth and maintain safety in various environments.
- Promote and enforce the 4-H Youth Code of Conduct and safety procedures. Observe camper behavior and enforce safety and behavior regulations. Recognize and report possible harassment, discrimination, sexual violence, and/or request for disability accommodations.
- Be aware of and reinforce any safety and/or medical needs of youth, by also upholding all Georgia 4-H safety protocols by monitoring and recording the administration of necessary medications.
- Available all five days and four nights for service at camp. Reside in camp settings with proximity to wildlife and work irregular hours.

Qualifications:

- Desire and ability to work with youth, providing mentoring, coaching, supervision, encouragement, and accountability.
- Completion of the Georgia 4-H volunteer screening process (including passing a UGA background investigation and obtaining two positive references) and a registered volunteer with Georgia 4-H.
- Compliance with the UGA Extension Volunteer Agreement and Adult Behavior Guidelines.
- Completion of the current year's UGA Extension and Georgia 4-H Working with Youth and Managing Risk (risk management training), including obtaining 100% score on quiz.
- Awareness of and compliance with UGA Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy and Sexual Misconduct Policy.
- Responsible adult, at least 3 years older than the oldest campers.
- Visual, auditory, and physical ability to identify and respond appropriately to hazards and emergency situations.
- Ability to work and communicate with a variety of skill levels and age groups, including adults and youth.
- CPR, AED, and First Aid Certification preferred, but not required.

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