



**Extension Service Morrow County**

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Dear Potential Camp Counselor – grades 8-12,

I invite you to apply for the position of camp counselor at the 2018 Tri-County 4-H Camp. Working as a camp counselor is an opportunity to increase your leadership and marketable job skills. It is an opportunity to work with an enthusiastic staff of teens and adults from three counties (Morrow, Gilliam and Wheeler) to provide a positive camping experience for young 4-H members. We need excellent counselor staff to be able to conduct an excellent 4-H camp for 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade students.

No dates are without conflicts. If you have a potential conflict on the weekend of February 18-19, please discuss it with your parents and the source of the conflict and explain the importance of the leadership skill building opportunity you have to serve as a camp counselor. Many times knowing that you will be missing an event due to this leadership opportunity will be enough to be counted as an excused absence.

**The Camp Counselor Training Retreat will be held February 18-19 (Sunday/Monday of President's weekend) at Condon High School.** Attendance is mandatory for the following reasons:

1. We are building a counselor team! Every year we have new counselors join our team and time together is needed to build trust in each other.
2. Practice helps us be better. Having the opportunity to lead activities and teach our peers before we teach campers makes for better counselors.
3. This is part of the application process and serves as an informal "job interview" where you demonstrate that you have the skills necessary to work with others to provide a positive camp experience for 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade campers. As with any job, not all candidates may be offered a position.
4. Input from all counselor candidates is very important for planning activities for camp. A large part of the counselor retreat is time allowed for planning for the 2018 4-H Camp. Campers selected "**Country/Western**" as this year's theme. If you have slogan/catchy phrase, ideas to accompany the theme, please submit them with your application and/or bring them with you to the training.
5. Everyone needs to be present to accept responsibilities for various duties at camp.

Carefully look over the job description, application and training requirements. If you can meet the time requirements, please submit a completed job application to the Morrow County Extension Office, PO Box 397, Heppner, OR 97836, by February 2, 2018. A fillable application form can be found on our website (see web address above in heading). The counselor fee of \$50 will be covered by your County's 4-H Association. This fee will cover meals at the retreat, meals at camp and a counselor T-shirt.

We are looking forward to a terrific 4-H camp this year!

Sincerely,

Brett Milligan  
Morrow County Office Specialist