



## 2010 Maryland 4-H Military/ Operation: Military Kids

### Teen Leader Application

*Please type or print legibly.*

#### Part 1: General Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth (day/month/year): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please be sure this is an account that is checked on a regular basis, as e-mail will be a primary method of communication.)

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

#### T-Shirt Size:

Adult S \_\_ Adult M \_\_ Adult L \_\_ Adult XL \_\_ Adult XXL

**When:** 16 – 20 August, 2010 (Monday - Friday)

**Where:** Harford County 4-H Camp at the Rocks (8 Cherry Hill Rd Street, MD 21154-1641.)

#### ***Mail Applications to:***

The Maryland 4-H Center (Maryland 4H/OMK Camp)

Matthew Mundy

8020 Greenmead Drive

College Park, MD 20740-4000

**For questions, please contact: Matthew Mundy at (301) 314-7319 or [mmundy@umd.edu](mailto:mmundy@umd.edu)**

## Part 2: Camp Experience and Military-Related Information

\_\_\_ I have been a 4-H camp counselor.

- County/City: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of years: \_\_\_\_\_ (not including the 2010 camping season)

\_\_\_ I will be a 4-H camp counselor in my county in 2010.

- County/City: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ I have been a camp counselor for a camp other than a 4-H camp.

- Name of camp: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of years: \_\_\_\_\_ When: \_\_\_\_\_
- Name of Sponsoring Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ I am a 4-H member but have never been a camp counselor.

- County/City: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of years: \_\_\_\_\_
- List other leadership experiences you have had in 4-H:

\_\_\_ I am a member of a youth organization (besides 4-H) or school organization.

- Name of organization: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of years \_\_\_\_\_
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- List leadership experiences you have had in these organizations:

\_\_\_ I have participated in other Operation: Military Kids or Maryland 4-H Military sponsored events.

- Please describe:

\_\_\_ I have a family member serving in the military.

- Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_ Branch of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Part 3: Your Interests**

1. Please describe why you are interested in serving as a counselor for Maryland 4-H Military/Operation: Military Kids.

2. Describe any special interests or skills or any certifications that you have that might be applicable to the camp setting.

3. Describe any sessions you would like to teach.

## Part 4: Personal References

**References:** List non-family members who have knowledge of your skills and personal qualities. Individuals should have worked with you on projects or activities and/or have direct experience with or knowledge of your qualifications. You should let the individuals know that you have listed them as a reference, but you do not need to obtain a letter from them. Be sure to list complete and accurate information so that we can make follow-up contacts.

### Reference #1

\_\_\_\_\_

Name

\_\_\_\_\_

How do you know this person?

Please indicate one or more of the following phone numbers:

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Street

Town

State

Zip Code

### Reference #2

\_\_\_\_\_

Name

\_\_\_\_\_

How do you know this person?

Please indicate one or more of the following phone numbers:

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Street

Town

State

Zip Code

## Part 5: To Be Answered by Applicants 18 Years Old or Older

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor or a felony?

If yes, please give the date, nature, and disposition of the offense:

**Note:** Once your application has been accepted, all volunteers who are 18 years of age or older must provide a state background check (annually) and FBI background check (every 5 years) that is current as of the date of the camp for which you will be a counselor. You will receive more information about this when you complete the application process.

## Part 6: Signature

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Signature

Date

### **Please return completed application AS SOON AS POSSIBLE to:**

Because we are accepting applications on an on-going basis this year, please return the completed application **as soon as possible** so you do not miss out on this great opportunity. Applications may be sent via e-mail (type in this application form or scan a handwritten copy and submit as an attachment) or through postal mail. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have questions concerning the application process.

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# Volunteer Position Description

**Position:** Camp Counselor for Residential Camp, Operation: Military Kids

Camp is a 24-hour responsibility during the period of service.

**Expectations:**

- Follow all guidelines and policies of Maryland Operation: Military Kids, Maryland 4-H Youth Development.
- Complete a minimum of 24 hours of training prior to the camp dates. Counselors must participate in on-site training before the camp date (training on 16 August, 2010).
- Agree to abide by University of Maryland Extension 4-H Youth Development Behavioral Expectations.

**Responsibilities:**

- Foster the development of knowledge, attitudes, skills, and aspirations of campers by applying youth development principles, being a positive role model, and facilitating non-formal, hands-on learning experiences.
- Make sure that each camper has the most positive, educational, and fun youth development experience as possible during their stay at camp.
- Apply appropriate behavior management strategies in handling behavior challenges that occur.
- Serve as a cabin counselor and conduct daily cabin meetings to assist in making campers' experiences positive and to identify what is going well and what may need improvement.
- Facilitate program activities and groups as assigned throughout the camp program and as determined by the camp directors.

**Qualifications:** An individual serving as a Maryland 4-H Military/Operation: Military Kids Youth leader will possess the following:

- Personal qualities including initiative, responsibility, integrity, flexibility, and patience.
- A sincere interest in working with youth in an outdoor education setting.
- The ability to exercise good judgment and solve problems as they arise, while knowing when to ask for help when needed.
- The ability to exercise personal responsibility and work with minimal direct supervision from staff.
- The ability to manage time and organize information and materials to achieve program goals.
- The ability to motivate youth to assume leadership roles.
- The ability to work as a team with other counselors and staff to accomplish the program objectives.
- The ability to manage stress associated with group living and 24-hour supervision responsibilities.

**Maryland 4-H Military/Operation: Military Kids agrees to:**

- Provide training opportunities and program resources that will help the volunteer counselor to be successful in accomplishing the above responsibilities.
- Provide professional supervision and support during the period of service.

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**Signature**

**Date**