

## Important Dates

### January

17th Lunch with counselors & Steering Committee  
Ada County Extension Office, 11:00-2:00

### February

10th First Year Counselor Interviews  
Ada County Extension Office, 5:30-7:00 pm

12th First Year Counselor Interviews  
Canyon County Extension Office, 5:30-7:00 pm

28th Basics Training (first year counselors)  
Ada County Extension Office, 9:00 am -2:00 pm

### March

7th First Planning Meeting & Training  
Canyon County Extension Office, 9:00 am-2:00 pm

### April

11th Second Planning Meeting & Training  
Ada County Extension Office, 9:00am -2:00 pm

25th Third Planning Meeting & Training  
Canyon County Extension Office, 9:00 am -2:00 pm

### May

9th Fourth Planning Meeting  
Ada County Fairgrounds, 9:00 am-2:00 pm

### June

14-16 Counselor/Adult Planning Retreat

19-22 June Kids Camp

### July

6-10 July Teen Camp

### August

2-5 August Kids Camp

### 4-H ADVENTURE CAMP

Ada County Extension Office  
5880 Glenwood  
Boise, ID 83714  
Phone: 208-377-2107

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## 4-H ADVENTURE CAMP

### Camp Counselor Certification Program



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4-H Adventure camp counselor certification program:

This is your personal invitation to join a leadership program where you can enhance your leadership skills, be a role model for youth, plan and carry out daily camp activities, and be a valued part of a 4-H team. This is not an easy job, and not one you should take lightly.

The 4-H Camp Steering Committee wants you to be an integral part of this year's camping staff. As we hire a new director to guide the 2009 camping program, we depend on you to be the consistent, fundamental strength for the campers. Your responsibility begins with completing the application, mail it to the Ada County Extension Office, and plan on attending all the training and meetings. We are looking forward to working with you to create an awesome camping experience for all campers.

4-H Adventure Camp Steering Committee

Application Checklist!

- Camp Counselor Application, page 5 (due January 30th)
- Parent Consent/Participant Agreement, page 4
- References (first time counselors only), page 4
- Health Form (enclosed)

## Interviews

Interviews will be conducted in two counties for your convenience. You need to interview only once, call Ada County Extension Office at 377-2107 for a specific time and place. Be prepared to discuss the talents you can bring to our program. If you are not accepted, the counselor fee will be refunded.

## Basics

The training is offered each year for those new to the District II Camp Program. The 4-H Basics camping philosophy will be explored through discussion and activities. See the schedule for specific details.

## Planning Meeting & Training

These meetings focus on the development of the camp theme, t-shirt design, scheduling for all camps, camp fire, flag ceremony, and evening session planning. We will explore teamwork activities. We will complete the "Step Up to Leadership Camp Counseling 4-H Project". You must attend all Planning Meetings (absences must be approved by the director) See the schedule for specific details.

## Retreat

This training is highly recommended. We go to camp at Lake Cascade in June. This is your opportunity to gain leadership skills and practice leading workshops and campfires. We will use Challenge Team Building activities to create a united team ready to provide for campers. See schedule for specific details.

### Counselor in Training

- Ⓞ Age: completed 9th grade by camp dates or first year in our program.
- Ⓞ Enroll in "Step up to Leadership" project & completed a Camp Counselor Focus Area Checklist.
- Ⓞ Display record book and counselor binder at local fair.
- Ⓞ Complete requirements listed in "Steps to Completing Camp Counselor Certification Program".
- Ⓞ Agree to perform duties on the "Responsibility List".
- Ⓞ Attend Basics Training and all planning meetings
- Ⓞ Attend camps and be an active participant.
- Ⓞ Be familiar with emergency procedures.

### Junior Counselor

- Ⓞ Age: completed 10th grade by camp dates or second year in our program.
- Ⓞ Enroll in "Step up to Leadership" project & completed a Camp Counselor Focus Area Checklist.
- Ⓞ Display record book and counselor binder at local fair.
- Ⓞ Complete requirements listed in "Steps to Completing Camp Counselor Certification Program".
- Ⓞ Agree to perform duties on the "Responsibility List".
- Ⓞ Instruct a workshop at one of the planning meetings (consult with director on topic)
- Ⓞ Attend camps and be a positive participant.
- Ⓞ Be familiar with emergency procedures.

### Senior Counselor

- Ⓞ Age: completed 11th or 12th grade by camp dates or third year in our program.
- Ⓞ Enroll in "Step up to Leadership" project & completed a Camp Counselor Focus Area Checklist.
- Ⓞ Display project at local fair.
- Ⓞ Complete requirements listed in "Steps to Completing Camp Counselor Certification Program".
- Ⓞ Agree to perform duties on the "Responsibility List".
- Ⓞ Instruct a workshop at planning meetings/retreat (consult with director on topic)
- Ⓞ Lead a team of counselors in a successful campfire/workshop/evening session.
- Ⓞ Attend camps and be a positive participant.
- Ⓞ Be familiar with emergency procedures.

## Responsibility List

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete all requirements in "Steps to Completing the Camp Counseling Certification Program"</li> <li>• Follow all University of Idaho &amp; 4-H Camp Policies and Procedures</li> <li>• Be prepared and on time for all meetings and activities</li> <li>• Attend all planning meetings (absences must be approved by director)</li> <li>• Live in a cabin with a group of eight to ten campers, creating a worthwhile and happy camping experience for everyone</li> <li>• Understand the importance of being a positive role model to others</li> <li>• Be able to meet the campers needs with the help of other counselors and adults at camp</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Help campers understand and follow camp policies</li> <li>• Promote camp to 4-H clubs and at least two other organizations</li> <li>• Understand the age characteristics of campers</li> <li>• Be honest in measuring your success as a counselor through camp evaluation</li> <li>• Be patients and kinds to campers, other counselors, and adult staff throughout the camping session</li> <li>• Actively participate in leading a workshop, class, campfire while at retreat and camp</li> <li>• Respect adults in authority</li> <li>• Accept guidance from adults</li> <li>• Be familiar with emergency procedures</li> </ul> |
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Counselor application due January 30, 2009 to Ada County Extension, 5880 Glenwood, Boise, ID 83714

**Parent Consent:**

I hereby grant permission for \_\_\_\_\_ to attend the Counselor Training activities at the time and place indicated and release the University of Idaho Cooperative Extension employees, sponsors and volunteers from any liability connected with attendance.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian's signature Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Work Address \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Participant Agreement:**

I understand that any of my behavior that jeopardizes the health, safety, or social well-being of any/everyone attending all functions of the 2009 4-H Adventure Camp will result in my being dismissed from the activity, forfeiture of fees, and prompt return home at my expense. I also understand and agree to fulfill all requirements on the "Steps to Completing the Camp Counselor Program" and the "Responsibility List".

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participants signature

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**First time applicants only:** List three persons other than relatives who can speak for your qualifications for this counseling position. **Give complete address and phone numbers.** These references will be contacted.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

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University of Idaho Cooperative Extension Camp Program

**4-H Adventure Camp Counselor Application**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Years 4-H Member \_\_\_\_\_ Years Teen Leader \_\_\_\_\_

Year in School \_\_\_\_\_ Name of School \_\_\_\_\_

# of Sisters \_\_\_\_\_ Ages \_\_\_\_\_

# of Brothers \_\_\_\_\_ Ages \_\_\_\_\_

- Application** - \$75.00 enclosed (due January 30th to Ada County Extension, 5880 Glenwood Ave., Boise, ID 83714)
  - 4-H Enrollment**
  - January 17th**, lunch with counselors & Steering Committee
  - Basic Training**, February 28th (for all 1st year counselors)
  - March 7** - Planning meeting
  - April 11** - Planning meeting
  - April 25** - Planning meeting
  - May 9** - Planning meeting
  - Retreat** - June 14 - 16
  - Sweatshirt** (optional) - \$25.00 (due by May 1st)
- It is very important that you  
Plan to participate in all planning meetings**

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, those requesting reasonable accommodations need to contact Brian Luckey by at least one week prior to the event at 208-377-2107, 5880 Glenwood, Boise.

