

Nicodemus Educational Camps Senior Mentor/Counselor Camp Application

Application Due Date: Friday, March 27, 2015

Senior Mentor Training - June 12, 2015

Switzer/KSU Ag Camp –June 8-12, June 15-19, June 22-26, 2015

Email applications to: johnella@ksu.edu or send to address listed below

The Switzer/KSU Agricultural Camp is designed to give 5th – 10th grade student the chance to experience Agriculture and it may differ facets and how it affects their everyday life. Our goal is to provide our youth with an outdoor experience and teach them sustainable/conservation tips. Another goal is to expose youth to Kansas' rich history and activities that will provide them with exercise, good nutrition, and community gardening, cooking and eating healthy tips, team building, and good citizenship.

Paid Position Available (please mark your order of preference from 1st to 2nd)

_____ Senior Mentor (undergraduate or graduate students may apply). Duties include participating in the daily camp activities, staying with campers overnight (need a male and female), and assisting in content sessions. You must be available the entire week. \$500.00

_____ Overnight Senior Mentor (undergraduate or graduate students may apply). Duties include staying in the dorm with the campers and participating in camp night activities. We need a male and female; hours are 8 pm – 6 am (**Mondays, June 8, 15 and 22, 2015 ONLY**). \$100.00 per night!

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ KS ZIP: _____ COUNTY: _____

PHONE: _____ CGPA: _____ Gender: F ___ M ___

AGE: _____ BIRTH DATE: _____ Email: _____

Class Standing: _____ Major: _____ High School _____ Hometown _____

Short Answer Questions

1. Describe your interest in becoming a Senior Mentor for Nicodemus Educational Camps, Inc.

2. What would you bring to the position (related experiences, strengths, ideas, etc.)?

3. As a Senior Camp Mentor you will also help supervise the Jr. Camp Mentors, what experience have you had in a supervisory position/leadership?

4. Describe any experience you have had in working with small groups of youngsters.

5. What Senior Camp Mentor responsibilities would you like to learn more about in training?

6. As a Senior Camp Mentor, there are activities that mentors become involved in, listed are some of those responsibilities. Check the following categories in which you have special abilities that you would share and take a major responsibility with campers. List any "other skills" you have on the lines provided below:

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| a. <input type="checkbox"/> Singing | <input type="checkbox"/> Group Games | <input type="checkbox"/> Musical Instrument |
| b. <input type="checkbox"/> Talent Show | <input type="checkbox"/> Storytelling/drama | <input type="checkbox"/> Cooking |
| c. <input type="checkbox"/> Gardening | <input type="checkbox"/> Farming | <input type="checkbox"/> Animal care |
| d. <input type="checkbox"/> Hikes | <input type="checkbox"/> Camp Fire Activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Team Building |
| e. <input type="checkbox"/> Ropes Course | <input type="checkbox"/> Horseback riding | <input type="checkbox"/> Planting Trees |
| f. <input type="checkbox"/> Fishing | <input type="checkbox"/> Crafts | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (list) |
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References (one professional and one personal – no family members please)

7. Name: _____ Name: _____
 Title: _____ Title: _____
 e-mail: _____ e-mail: _____
 Phone: _____ Phone: _____

8. Senior Mentors will be provided a camp shirt, please circle your t-shirt size:

- a. Adult size: Small Medium Large 2XLarge 3XLarge

9. VIP Application: All Senior Mentors are required to fill out the VIP – Volunteer Information Profile form, which is available from our office. The Mentor Training will be the VIP orientation required to be certified in VIP. **If you are selected** to be a Nicodemus Senior Camp Mentor, you will be required to provide proof of health insurance, valid driving license and copy of shot records.

SENIOR MENTOR RELEASE/AGREEMENT FORM

Message to Mentors

All reasonable efforts are made by the Nicodemus Educational Camps to provide a safe, secure environment at the Switzer/KSU Agriculture Camp.

MENTOR CODE OF CONDUCT

Camp provides a wonderful opportunity for youth to explore new interests, making new friends and learning to make decisions as a member of a group. To maximize this experience, each counselor is expected to abide by the camp rules and conduct themselves in an appropriate manner. Please read and sign this agreement at bottom of the page.

As a camp Sr. Mentor, I agree to:

- Follow the guidance of the CAMP administration.
- Attend all scheduled camp activities and be on time. I will communicate with a staff if problems arise.
- Use language and manners that will bring respect to Nicodemus Camps and myself. Bad language will not be tolerated.
- Treat all housing facilities, i.e. KSU dorms, Nicodemus lodging, property, including the animals with respect.
- Follow and enforce curfew and quiet time hours.
- Not bring water guns, water toys, radios, tape players, electronic games, weapons (knives, guns, et.) matches, lighter, or offensive magazines.
- Cell phones are to be used for business from 8 am – 9 pm during the camp.
- Abide by the Nicodemus Camp dress code:
 - ✓ Items of clothing advertising alcoholic beverages, tobacco products or drugs, or that have vulgar, obscene or offensive messages are NOT appropriate and should not be worn.
 - ✓ Undergarments should be worn but not seen.
 - ✓ Hats, caps and visors are not appropriate inside buildings and at meals.
 - ✓ Shorts should be appropriate for school (i.e. 3-5 inches inseam)
 - ✓ Shirts, blouses, tops and t-shirts cannot expose the midriff, the back, or cleavage. Tank tops are allowed as long as they are not revealing. See through shirts are not acceptable. Shirts cannot be altered.
 - ✓ One piece swimsuit is preferred.
 - ✓ When leaving the swimming pool area everyone must have a shirt on.
 - ✓ All wardrobes are subject to approval by Camp administration.
- Forfeit my camp Mentor experience, if I am arrested and/or convicted of a DUI, MIP and/or other drug or alcohol-related offense after being selected as a camp counselor.
- Contact my Extension Agent to let them know I have been arrested and or convicted of a DUI, MIP and/or other drug or alcohol-related offense.
- Attend Sr. Mentor training and fulfill my camp Mentor time commitment.

PHOTO RELEASE

I hereby give my permission to Kansas State University College of Agriculture Diversity Office and Nicodemus Educational Camps to use any photography of my child taken by the official KSU and Nicodemus Camp staff or Camp photographer for programs, promotions or for any other use by KSU College of Agriculture Diversity Office and Nicodemus Educational Camps. I also recognize that these photographs are the property of KSU and Nicodemus Camps.

Signature

Date

I have read the Sr. Mentor Agreement and completed the application to the best of my ability. I also understand that the decision to not behave acceptably or carry out my responsibilities in the accepted format could result in my being sent home at my own and parent's expense, i.e., transportation.

(Sr. Mentor's Signature)

Date