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Spring has officially SPRUNG and we are glad to wave Winter goodbye.

For us here at Camp, this winter turned out to be a little different to the norm and required some flexibility. Jaymie travelled home to Australia after 19 months on US soil. The main task at hand was to apply for a new visa, however seeing family, catching up with friends and soaking in the summer weather was definitely a welcomed and much needed bonus. Due to visa requirements, wait times and time-lines, Jaymie was in Australia for a month. We are excited that she will be with us for years to come.

Anthony held down the fort here on-site and even managed to get started on giving the office a little facelift, with some help from our work crew. He is now ready and raring to go for a busy year ahead and one that is sure to be full of adventures.

Looking ahead at 2023, the camping industry is projected to be hit the hardest with food costs and availability. Staffing is also continuing to be a challenge. However, in true 4-H Camp Ohio form, we are committed to and will continue to provide a quality camping experience to all of our participants throughout the year.

We are excited to see more youth come through the iconic front gates than the year before, to provide them the opportunity to experience, learn and grow and to inspire a **new generation of camp-lovers**. There are also some exciting things in the works behind the scenes, providing a solid foundation for our future as a youth development facility.

Enjoy your read of the updates and reach out if you are interested in giving back, in any capacity!

Don't forget to visit our website and follow us on Facebook & Instagram for the most up-to-date news and announcements: www.4hcampohio.org

Yours in camping,
 Anthony & Jaymie



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

HIGH ROPES IS COMPLETE:

This course is most certainly worth the wait! We are so excited to be able to reintroduce High Ropes back into our programming for 2023 with new challenges and a new zip-line to explore. Over the next couple of months we will be completing instructor training and some landscaping/clearing up to make this new program area user friendly. We will be sharing some more visual content on our social media pages as we spend more time over there, so keep your eyes peeled! A very big thank you once again to everyone who donated to the "High Hopes for High Ropes" fundraiser—it is because of camp-lovers like you who have made this new challenge and opportunity a reality for current and future campers.



WINTER 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS TRAINING:

A great turnout for the 2023 Ohio 4-H Shooting sports Winter Workshop in February. 71 participants and 20 instructors dedicated their weekend to teaching and learning the fundamentals of shooting sports in youth development. These volunteers are now equipped to shape the teachable moments and learning experiences for the youth in their counties through 4-H clubs, camps and more.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

We've been working hard this winter season recruiting for 2023. It's no secret that staffing in the camping industry is tough at the moment. We have some exciting people joining us from all around the world this year, however we are still looking to fill the following positions: **Program Instructors**, **Cooks** and **Dishwashers** for this year! We are accepting applications for seasonal positions (April-November) and summer positions (May-August).

For more information and to complete an application, please visit our website:

4hcampohio.org/employment



4-H Camp Ohio

Now Hiring Cooks



- 12 week and 26 week positions available
- Training/experience in cooking for large groups
- Preparation, cooking and serving of meals
- Includes some weekends
- Experience as cook or assistant cook
- Ability to work well with others
- Must be able to lift/unload/move food cases and supplies
- Supervise dishroom personnel
- Check food shipments and deliveries against orders and invoices
- Maintain kitchen and food storage areas in clean and orderly manner

Apply online: www.4hcampohio.org/employment.html

Please indicate if you are applying for 12 week or 26 week position

Employer conducts background check
Must be 18 or older to apply

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CAMP OHIO STAFF

APPLY NOW

4-H Camp Ohio

Now Hiring Dishwasher



- Desire to work in a camp kitchen
- Ability to learn to do tasks as assigned
- Ability to accept supervision
- Rinse/wash dishes, glasses and silverware with machine
- Sweep/prop dining room prior to group arrival
- Take out trash from kitchen/dining room
- Set-up dining hall tables/chairs
- Be in dining hall 1/2 hour before meals
- Clean dining hall area & dumpster; clean/supply restrooms as needed
- Recyclables to recycling shed
- Lift, unload and move food cases/supplies
- Operate mechanical dishwasher safely; monitor temperature
- Assist cooks as needed

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HOW TO SUPPORT CAMP

Kroger Community Rewards

Each quarter, we see a return of over **\$1,000** from the Kroger Community Rewards program. Every purchase makes a difference!

To **sign up** in Kroger rewards, log onto the Kroger website www.kroger.com and search for 4-H Camp Ohio under the Community Rewards tab. Enter in the access code **BC060**. Every time you use your Kroger card, Camp receives money back! Simple!



UPDATE: Amazon Smile program has been discontinued

We are disappointed to report that the Amazon Smile program has been discontinued. To continue to support 4-H Camp Ohio on Amazon, jump over to our Wish List and have items shipped direct to Camp!

Please find our 2023 Wish List on Amazon by using the following link: <https://a.co/6VCqJOH>



NEW THIS YEAR! "CULTURAL CONNECTIONS AT 4-H CAMP OHIO"

As a part of the J-1 Cultural Exchange visa program that we hire our international summer staff through, we are required to provide a number of different cultural activities and experiences to satisfy visa requirements. This is not a new requirement, but the way we are approaching it is!

What better way than to have our 4-H Camp Ohio Community get involved in these Cultural Connections with our Camp Staff. Whether you can facilitate the day out yourself or donate some money to our designated Staff Fund, we are looking for your help to make some of these experiences possible.

Please contact Jaymie if you want to know more and get involved.

CULTURAL CONNECTIONS

Cultural Exchange @ 4-H Camp Ohio

About

Did you know that our international staff are required to have at least 12 cultural experiences during their employment at 4-H Camp Ohio?!

Camp staff have very limited access to transport to get outside of camp during their time here. Administrative staff often don't have the opportunity to coordinate and facilitate these experiences around camp schedules.

Benefits

- Satisfying visa requirements
- Boost staff morale
- Sharing your culture with an international staff member
- Learn about another culture yourself!
- Making new friendships & connections

Donor Tiers

Tier 1 Donate to the Staff Cultural Experience Fund for an outing for 1-2 staff members (\$50-\$150)

Tier 2 Organize an outing for a member of Camp Staff. Pick them up and take them out for the day!

Tier 3 Donate to the Staff Cultural Experience Fund for an outing for all staff members (\$250+)

Contact Info

To contact Jaymie or for more info, see below:

- programs.campohio@gmail.com
- (740) 745-2194
- www.4hcampohio.org

Get Involved!

- Must be 19 yrs or older
- Approved 4-H volunteer
- Present idea to Camp Office ahead of time and manage schedule.

Examples:

- Columbus Zoo & Aquarium/The Wilds
- Columbus Clippers game
- Amish Country
- County Fair visits
- A meal at your favorite American restaurant
- National Airforce Museum (Dayton)
- Hiking at Hocking Hills

WHAT'S TO COME

SPRING GROUPS:

Camp sprung back into action earlier this month where we welcomed back a large group from the Youth to Youth organization from Licking Valley School District. Having 200+ people back onsite after a quiet winter had us feeling warm & fuzzy inside!

We are also looking forward to welcoming back some of our Spring outdoor education groups that haven't been able to stay here since 2019. Along with school groups, we have an array of weekend retreats, training days, work days, job fairs and 4-H camp counselor meetings to keep us on our toes until our Summer (reinforcements) staff arrive for staff training in mid-late May.

Spring is most definitely in the air and we can't wait to share the magic of 4-H Camp Ohio to both old and new!

FACILITIES: SPRING PROJECTS

Our dedicated Facilities Volunteer Team hasn't let the winter months slow them down—instead, they moved some of their focus indoors and took full advantage of that unseasonably milder weather when we did get it! Goals for this Spring include:

- Finish painting the exteriors of the final 4 buildings.
- Finish with the clean-up of the area around the new high ropes course. This includes removal of stumps, installing stone paths, removing tree debris and seeding the area.
- Install four steel entrance doors on cabins 1, 2, 3 and 5
- Work to complete a wide variety of small maintenance and improvement projects around camp.

NOTE: We are having a Volunteer Work Day on **Monday May 1**, with a rain date of Monday May 8.

Please contact Ken at klafontaine@twc.com if you are available for the May work day or if you would like to participate in a future work day in 2023!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

Do you ever feel inspired to give back to 4-H Camp Ohio but you're not sure how? There are so many ways that you can "give back" or "pay it forward" when it comes to our campers. One invaluable way is by volunteering your time. We have many opportunities throughout the year where we need help with programming and general facilities. Please reach out to Jaymie if you are able to help out on any of the following days this Spring:

- Saturday April 1st—Camp Ohio Spring Clean; opening camp for 2023!
- Thursday April 20th—Zipline & Team Challenge instructors needed (12pm-5:30pm)
- Friday April 21st—Craft instructor needed (10am-12pm)
- Monday April 24th—Tower & Team Challenge instructors needed (10am-3pm)
- Tuesday April 25th—Nature instructors needed (9am-11am)

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