



Dear 4-H Member:

We hope you will join us for an exciting week at the "4-H Camp: The Color Wars" at the Richland Rural Life Center June 16-20, 2025. As a 4-H camper you will experience outdoor living, meet new friends, learn some new crafts/hobbies, enjoy water activities, and participate in many other exciting group activities (i.e., singing, skits, recreational dancing, games, nature hikes).

Junior Camp can only hold a limited number of boys and girls; therefore, campers will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Campers shall be no more than 14 years or less than 8 years and in the third grade as of January 1, 2025. To make your reservation for Junior 4-H Camp, complete the attached application, gather appropriate camp fees (by check or money order **ONLY**; payable to **Richland County 4-H Committee**), and return to the OSU Extension Office – Richland County, 1495 West Longview Avenue, Suite 206, Mansfield, Ohio 44905 by Friday, May 30, 2025.

The camp fee will be **\$115** per camper. This price includes lodging, meals, crafts, special activities, camp T-shirt, and group medical insurance. Additional optional expenses to be **purchased at camp check only** include: a) camp group photo - \$3.00 – to take home, and b) family/friends breakfast - \$1 per participant – to be held on the last day of camp with reservations and payments accepted at camp check-in only. For families with more than one immediate family camper attending Junior Camp, the camp fee to be paid for the second and additional immediate family member camper (not including counselors) is \$100. Note: Camp fees post marked (if mailed) or received (in person) after May 30, 2025 will also require a \$30 late enrollment fee. NO REFUND OF ANY CAMP FEES IF APPLICATION/RESERVATION IS CANCELLED LESS THAN FIVE (5) DAYS PRIOR TO THE START OF 4-H CAMP. Participants outside Richland County will incur additional fees. Camp fees should be made payable to the *Richland County 4-H Committee* (camp in the memo line).

Continued for 2025: Sleeping arrangements will be assigned in the order they are received at the Extension Office. Individuals with group or specific requests are encouraged to stop by early at the Extension Office. Campers wishing to bunk together should bring their forms in **TOGETHER** with their request (name of other camper) written on the application form. The office staff will **NOT** place campers together without the proper forms/requests/payments. We cannot hold spots for individuals or groups. **CALL-IN PREFERENCES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.** Mailed applications will be assigned sleeping arrangements on the date they are received in the Extension Office.

Possession/use of any electronic devices, including, but not limited to, cell phones, iPods, iPads, and mp3 players, can impact campers' active participation, cause miscommunications and create risk management concerns. Therefore, these electronic devices will be prohibited for camper possession/use throughout camp week. By state mandate, possession of a cell phone at camp will be an automatic "send home" offense for campers and counselors. Devices should not be brought to camp. Only in the case of an emergency or special need – as determined by the camp director - will these devices be permitted for use by the counseling staff.

Please complete the enclosed camp enrollment application and return by May 30, 2025 to the Extension Office with the appropriate fees. The check for the camp fee should be made payable to *Richland County 4-H Committee*. Hope to see you at 4-H camp this summer!



Sincerely,

Judy Villard Overocker, Ph.D.

Associate Professor

Extension Educator, Richland County

4-H Camp Director

Crafts/Special Activities: Please rank ALL selections in EACH of the Groups A, B, and C:

GROUP A (Rank all listings in order of preference for selections in Group A)			
Cookie Decorating (limit 15)		Fishing (limit 15)	Tie-Dye (bring white items)
Volleyball		Dodgeball (limit 30)	(tye dye limit 20)
GROUP B (Rank all listings in order of preference for selections in Group B)			
Painting (limit 12)		Soccer	Shooting Sports (limit 15)
Line Dancing		Finger Knitting (limit 12)	Whiffle Ball
GROUP C (Rank all listings in order of preference for selections in Group C)			
Scavenger Hunt (limit 20)		Glamour & Glitz (limit 10)	Kick Ball (limit 12)
Nature Walk		Friendship Bracelets (limit 12)	Tie Pillows (limit 15)
Public Speaking (limit 12)			

PARENT/GUARDIAN REQUEST/PLEDGE & LIABILITY RELEASE: I wish to register my son/daughter in the 2025 Richland County Junior 4-H Camp to be conducted at the Richland Rural Life Center, June 16-20, 2025, I shall not hold the camp, OSU Extension or my local 4-H club, responsible in case of accident. NOTE: An insurance policy covers participants for 24 hours afterward. In case of accident, I prefer you call:

DOCTOR: _____ DOCTOR'S PHONE # _____

I take full responsibility for any damage my son/daughter may initiate while participating at 4-H Camp. I understand that unruliness, inappropriateness and delinquent behavior will not be tolerated and my child may be asked to forfeit their campership (including all fees and participation privileges) in case of serious and/or repeated situations. My child may also be dismissed from camp if observed using/possessing alcohol, tobacco products, weapons, illegal drugs, or any other item/substance deemed illegal by law or inappropriate for possession at camp. In addition, if my child is suspected by the camp medical staff of carrying a contagious disease or other serious medical symptom, I agree to remove my child from camp immediately. In case of serious offenses, I agree to remove my child from camp upon immediate notification from the Camp Director. Additionally, I understand that there is no admittance of parents and/or relatives to camp for any reason, unless previously arranged and approved by the Camp Director. Cell phones and excessive amounts of food and drink ARE NOT to be brought to 4-H camp. **Continued state 4-H policy - Possession of a cell phone will be a mandated automatic "send home" offense.** I understand that my child is not required to participate in this activity, but I grant permission for him/her to do so, despite the possible risks. I recognize that by participating in this activity, as with any activity involving interaction with unfamiliar surroundings, my child may risk personal injury. I hereby attest and verify that I have been advised of the potential risks, that I have full knowledge of the risks involved in this activity, and that I assume any expenses that may be incurred in the event of an accident, illness, or other incapacity, regardless of whether I have authorized such expenses. I understand that there may only be a percentage refund after the sign-up deadline up until seven (7) days prior to the opening of camp. There will not be a refund available within seven days of the start of 4-H camp. I have explained appropriate behavior guidelines to my child and the expectations for positive behavior throughout 4-H camp. All camp participants and parents shall sign a Code of Conduct before participation.

Date: _____ Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Enrollment Deadline: May 30, 2025 (NO REFUND IF CANCELLED < FIVE DAYS BEFORE CAMP BEGINS)

RETURN APPLICATION WITH FEES TO: O.S.U. Extension, Richland County, 1495 W. Longview Ave., Suite #206, Mansfield, Ohio 44906. (NOTE: Cash or checks payable to **Richland County 4-H Committee**)

List SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS/OTHER NEEDS: _____

Email address (used for camp confirmation and "what to bring" list): (sent week before camp begins)
