

Camp Aide Application 2016

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Day Camp aides assist counselors with day camp activities. Aides will be doing volunteer work with the day camp for parts of daily programs, and will have the opportunity to participate in recreation activities and field trips during other portions of the week. The Aide program encourages leadership and skill building with opportunities to both teach and learn within quality day camps.

Age: Youth entering grades 7-10

Location: Camp Canwita – 2807 Duff Avenue, Ames, IA, 50010
Discovery – Plymouth United Church of Christ- 4126 Ingersoll Ave. Des Moines, IA 50312
Southwoods- Fred Maytag II Scout Center- 6123 Scout Trail, Des Moines, IA 50321
Pioneer Columbus Community Center – 2100 SE 5th Street, Des Moines, IA, 50315
Riverview – Oak Park Elementary School, 3928 6th Ave, Des Moines, IA 50313

Please refer to the day camp brochure for drop off and pick up locations and hours.

Dates: Weekly sessions; Camp Canwita, Camp Discovery, Camp Southwoods - June 6th to August 19st; Pioneer Columbus and Riverview- June 6th to August 12.

Hours: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. Youth may also help with drop off and pick up times. Please see brochure for the drop off and pick up hours for each site.

Fee: \$135 per week. Adventureland Week will have an additional activity fee assessed.

Supervision: Youth will be supervised by the Site Director and the Camp Counselors. Aides receive an orientation each Monday morning, with ongoing supervision and training during the week.

Conduct: Youth volunteering as Aides are to assist in facilitating Camp Fire Day Camp programs. Acceptance of the volunteer is based on exemplary behavior and modeling correct conducts for younger campers. **If the Aide is disruptive or distracting to the program, the Program Director reserves to option to ask an Aide not to return.** Parents/Guardians will be informed of the decision.

Expectations: Camp Fire expects Day Camp Aides to work and learn to the best of their abilities within the Day Camp staff team. The function of the Aide in Camp Fire Day Camp is to facilitate program delivery between youth and adult staff. A job description will be sent with specific expectations.

Additional Information: A health form, rules, and more information will be sent upon receipt of the application form. If the youth is accepted as an Aide, families will receive a confirmation sheet which will include balance for payment. If you have questions, call Camp Fire at 274-1501 or e-mail us at campfire@campfireiowa.org.

Please complete the application form and mail it to the address at the top of the page.



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The Aide program is an application process, acceptance is not guaranteed into the program. Once selected for an Aide Position, you will be contacted for additional forms, information, and payment information.

Please do not send payment with the application, as acceptance is not guaranteed.

Please fill out the following. Please print clearly.

Name _____ Grade in Fall _____ Age _____ School _____

Address _____ City/State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Parent E-mail (for confirmation) _____ T-shirt size _____

Mark the weeks that you would like to volunteer. Use the following abbreviations so we can tell which camp you are applying for.

DDC = Discovery, SDC = Southwoods, CAN=Canwita, PC=Pioneer Columbus, RDC=Riverview. If you wish to volunteer for more than one week, number the weeks in order of preference (1-4 with 1 being your first choice).

June 6-10 _____ June 13-17 _____ June 20-24 _____ June 27-July 1 _____

July 5-8 _____ July 11-15 _____ July 18-22 _____ July 25-29 _____

August 1-5 _____ August 8-12 _____ August 15-19 _____ (No RDC or PCCC)

____ Check here if you are willing to be a Day Camp aide for more than four weeks, if space allows and upon approval from the Program Director and Site Director.

Check your interest(s): Animals _____, Crafts _____, Games _____, Fishing _____, Nature activities _____, Sports _____, Musical Instrument _____, Working with kids _____, Other (please list) _____

For the following questions please complete using complete sentences and be as descriptive as possible.

What do you think some of the responsibilities of a Camp Aide will be?

Please list experiences you have had working with younger kids:

