**Cabarrus County 4-H**

**Junior Leader Role Description**

**Major Objective:**

Train youth to take an active leadership role in a younger age group within the county 4-H summer programs.

**Major Responsibilities:**

Junior Leader will work to assist Adult Volunteers or 4-H Staff during summer fling programs.

Junior Leader may

* lead small activities with participants
* supervise down time activities
* assist with lunches and supervise restroom breaks
* assist with clean up
* work with 4-H Staff or volunteers to plan, organize or prepare for camps.

A Junior Leader will NOT

* be left alone with participants for long periods of time
* be expected to lead entire camp or large activities
* deal with registration, payments or purchases associated with camp
* transport youth

**Qualifications:**

* All applicants will need to complete a satisfactory face to face interview with 4-H Agent.
* Must have reliable transportation
* Must have flexible scheduling to attend trainings and summer programs.
* Prior experience working with youth is preferable, but not necessary.

**Training and Preparation:**

Junior Leaders must attend training session. During this session, Junior Leaders will learn educational strategies and leadership activities necessary for the summer programs. Junior Leaders will also work to plan Summer Programs and prepare a “Leader Toolkit”.

To earn **Junior Leader Gold Status**, youth must:

* Be 14 years of age by June 1 of the application year.
* Complete an application and interview with 4-H Staff
* Attend Junior Leader Training in June
* Complete 60 volunteer hours during Summer Fling Programs

**Youth earning Junior Leader Gold Status will earn 4-H credits towards 4-H events such as 2025 Teen Retreat and Winter Enrichment.**