4-H CONNECT ADULT CHAPERONE
Position Description

Expectations of Chaperones:
- Serve as a role model for participants and work to ensure a positive learning experience.
- Attend and/or complete offered and/or required chaperone orientation or training.
- Supervise youth participants as needed during the trip, including assisting program staff move the group efficiently.
- Enforce and follow the rules and code of conduct.
- Follow the same dress code as the youth, which is casual dress. Jeans or shorts and t-shirts, sweatshirts, depending on the weather. Closed-toed shoes such as sneakers for all activities. See the packing list for more information.
- Monitor health of assigned participants and keep event coordinator informed of needs.
- Participate in all activities with the group.
- Assist the event staff with program and logistical support as needed. Work cooperatively with fellow chaperones.
- Encourage delegates to think about ways to use the event experience to strengthen other 4-H or community programs.
- Do not possess or consume alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, electronic smoking devices (including but not limited to e-cigs, vapes, or juuls), illegal drugs, or explosives.

Chaperone Criteria:
- Adult chaperones must be out of high school a minimum of two years, and preferably 21 years of age or older.
- There should be a same-gender chaperone for every 10 youth.
- Successful completion of volunteer background check.
- Completion of the registration process online, which includes medical information, code of conduct and other important information.
- Chaperones must be motivated by a genuine desire to assist participants, attending to their welfare and education.
- Good health and ability to withstand potential physical and mental rigors related to event chaperoning activities:
  - Movement on hard surfaces, sometimes uneven ground.
  - Possibly carrying supplies, personal luggage or personal items.
  - Sharing a sleeping room, or receiving less sleep than usual.
  - Handling a variety of weather conditions in indoor and outdoor settings.

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