



Standards of Behavior for Minor Participants Participating in
Activities and Programs with Minor Participants

Minors participating in activities and programs with minor participants sponsored by Ohio State are required to
conduct themselves according to the following standards of behavior. These standards operate in conjunction with
the guidelines and regulations of the specific activity or program.

Minor participation expectations:

- Be responsible for own behavior and uphold high standards for the group and accept consequences for inappropriate behavior
• Support and abide by the group’s designated leader
• Practice good citizenship, leadership and self-control
• Follow the direction of activity or program staff and/or leaders
• Demonstrate positive sportsmanship and attitudes at all times which is becoming of a leader
• Show respect to others, be courteous and respectful
• Use appropriate language at all times

The following behaviors and actions are not permitted at The Ohio State University in activities or programs with minor
participants:

- Unsportsmanlike conduct, unethical, immoral conduct
• Improper language, e.g., profanity
• Possession or consumption of alcohol and illegal drugs, including the use of tobacco by a minor
• Possession or use of harmful objects with the intent to harm or intimidate others, e.g., weapons, fireworks
• Boys in girls’ rooms/restrooms and vice versa
• Destruction of property
• Violation of established curfew, when applicable
• Disrespect of adults, other participants, volunteers, staff and/or those in leadership positions
• Belittling others/putting others down and being disrespectful of individuals’ differences
• Aggressive physical behavior, e.g., fighting
• Taking property that belongs to others
• Other conduct determined to be inappropriate for youth development by the event chair or designated Ohio State faculty/staff

Violations of the standards of behavior will be handled as follows:

1. If a chaperone is present for the minor involved in the violation, this person will be made aware of the violation.
2. The parents will be notified of the incident and actions taken. When necessary, arrangements will be made to remove the minor
from the activity or program.
3. The minor can/may be barred from participating in future Ohio State activities and programs with minor participants.
4. When warranted (e.g., violation of law) the situation may be turned over to the appropriate law enforcement authority.

I, _____, as a participant in an activity or program with minor participants, _____,
(name of minor, print) (name of activity/program, print)

have read these standards of behavior and agree to accept and follow them. I also accept the consequences for my
actions if I choose not to follow the standards of behavior.

Minor signature

Date

I, we _____ have read the standards of behavior and support my minor’s participation in the
(parent/guardian, print)
activity/program.

Parent/guardian signature

Date

4-H Camp Ohio Rules

Please review the rules listed below prior to coming to camp. Talk to your child about the behavior that is expected during their participation in the Delaware Co. 4-H Camp. Campers that are not able to follow the rules listed below may need to call home, explain their behavior and may need picked up from camp.

1. Report all sickness & injury to the camp nurse at once.
2. Youth arriving late or leaving early should sign in or out at the Cow Palace/Nurse's Station. All visitors must check in with the camp director.
3. No swimming or canoeing when lifeguard is not present. Wading in the stream is only allowed during stream study sessions. Swimming in the pond is prohibited.
4. Shoes must be worn at all times (except when showering, sleeping or swimming.) Flip flops are not acceptable shoes and can be worn only to the bathroom for showering and to the swimming pool.
5. No running on trails or hills.
6. Respect others and their property. Use language and manners that are respectful. No fighting.
7. Remain in your own cabin. Boys are prohibited from entering the girls cabin areas; girls are prohibited from entering the boys cabin areas.
8. Everyone must be in their own cabin and quiet between lights out and 6:00 AM. If you are someplace other than in your cabin, the bathroom or the nurse's station after lights out; we will call your parents to let them know you are missing and you will be sent home.
9. A raised hand means to listen. When you see someone with a raised hand, you also raise your hand, be quiet and listen for instructions.
10. Possession of alcohol, tobacco, drugs, and fireworks are not permitted at camp. Anyone in possession of such items will be immediately sent home. Only firearms needed for program purposes, which are kept under lock when not in use, are permissible.
11. Fires must be built only in designated areas with the approval of the Camp Ohio management and supervised at all times. Flammable liquids and explosives are prohibited from being brought to camp.
12. Camp Ohio discourages bringing valuable personal equipment to camp. Camp Ohio is not liable if such equipment is lost, broken or stolen.
13. As a means of risk management, **4-H Camp Ohio and Ohio 4-H prohibit the use of cell phones and other electronic devices with internet capabilities by campers or counselors.** If brought, all of these devices must be turned in to adult staff at time of registration and will be held by adult staff in the Cow Palace until the end of camp. 4-H Camp Ohio staff maintain the right to confiscate cell phones during camp and turn them into the visiting camp director.
14. Campers and staff must be transported only in passenger seats. Transporting campers or staff in the beds of trucks or outside any vehicle, except for authorized hayrides, is prohibited.
15. Campers are not permitted to leave camp at any time without consent of the visiting camp director and parent/guardian.
16. Camp Ohio's speed limit is 15 mph.
17. Campers and visitors are not allowed on the car bridge at any time. This is not a program or recreation area. People on foot must use the footbridge.
18. Only Camp Ohio staff are permitted behind the serving counter in the kitchen or in staff housing.
19. Proper attire is to be worn at camp. Strapless and spaghetti strap tops are not allowed to be worn. Shorts should have an inseam of at least 3 inches. **Tank tops, halter tops, swimsuits and hats are not permitted in the dining hall.** Modest swimsuits are required; one-piece are best for camp. Old t-shirts must be worn over a swim suit on the slip-n-slide.
20. Writing on buildings and walls is prohibited. Any posters, lists, etc. to be put on walls in buildings must be attached with tape - no staples, nails, etc. There is a \$25 fine per incident charged to the person(s) responsible.
21. Water balloon and shaving cream fights are prohibited in or around buildings.
22. Ball playing is prohibited in the Rec. Hall and Multi-purpose Building. The Multi-purpose building is not designated for active recreation or dancing.
23. No pets are permitted on camp property at any time. There will be NO exceptions. Any animals to be used in programs must be approved by the Camp Ohio executive director prior to arrival.
24. Teasing and handling of the animals in the nature center or shelter is prohibited.
25. Football playing is prohibited. It is not covered by insurance. Ball playing is prohibited in the rec. hall and dining hall.
26. Vehicles must be parked in designated parking areas. Driving into the central camp or beyond is permitted ONLY with the expressed consent of the Camp Ohio Executive Director.