

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Livingston County
Position Description
4-H Shooting Sports Instructor

Purpose of Position

To provide structured safety training to youth from grades 3 through 12 in all disciplines of Shooting Sports following guidelines detailed in the New York State and the National 4-H Shooting Sports Programs

The individual disciplines include:

- Rifle/Air Rifle
- Shotgun
- Muzzleloader
- Air Pistol
- Archery
- Hunting

Responsibilities:

- To complete the Basic State 4-H Certification Workshop for the chosen discipline
- To understand and support the 4-H Shooting Sports Curriculum
- To accept and abide by the National 4-H Shooting Sports Code of Ethics
- To agree to the conditions outlined in the Cornell Cooperative Extension Volunteer Agreement, and to abide by the Cornell Cooperative Extension Code of Conduct
- To follow the general curriculum outlined in the New York State 4-H Shooting Sports Program
- To maintain accurate records of membership, events, and equipment as required by the Shooting Sports Coordinator of Livingston County, and to submit them to the Shooting Sports Coordinator when requested
- To understand first and foremost that the goal of the 4-H Shooting Sports Curriculum is to teach youth shooting sports safety and life skills, as opposed to teaching shooting skills (only after safety skills are demonstrably learned should the instructor begin to focus on shooting skills)
- To be aware of and implement risk management procedures as established in CCE-Livingston County
- To maintain communication with the 4-H Program Educator responsible for Shooting Sports.

Expected Results:

- Youth from grades 3 through 12 will learn how to handle and operate in a safe manner the various forms of firearms, including archery equipment.
- These same youth will be exposed to the variety of recreational uses of Shooting Sports, including hunting and target-shooting.

Training and Support:

- Satisfactory completion of the Basic New York State 4-H Certification Workshop for the chosen discipline is required
- Printed project materials are available from the 4-H Office in Livingston County
- Opportunities for refresher training and/or additional basic training for other disciplines are available at least twice a year in New York State
- This position is supervised by the Livingston County 4-H Program Educator with Shooting Sports responsibilities

Time Commitment:

A minimum of 10 hours a year

Qualifications:

- Enjoys working with youth and has a sincere interest in their growth and development
- Has satisfactorily completed the New York State 4-H Shooting Sports Certification Workshop
- Is dedicated to teaching safe and responsible firearm use
- Possesses effective communication, interpersonal, and firearm-safety skills
- Willingness and availability to attend training programs

Length of Term:

Renewable annually