



## 2026 YOUTH CAMP VOLUNTEER APPLICATION FORM

Mahaffey Camp and Conference Center

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### TO SUBMIT THIS FORM:

Please mail this application and clearances to the camp office via mail or by email. You may also fill this form out [online](#):

### Volunteer Checklist:

- Completed Volunteer Application Form
- Two Letters of Recommendation: <https://mahaffeycamp.wufoo.com/forms/zh0q3oc1x1skd1/>
- Pastor Recommendation: <https://mahaffeycamp.wufoo.com/forms/zdm2b9918xmtt5/>
- Copies of all clearances required

**PERSONAL INFORMATION** *Please print clearly. Thank you!* Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: M / F

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

H.S. Grade Completed: \_\_\_\_\_ College Years Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Employment Status (circle one): Full Time Part Time Not currently employed

Specialization(s) (ie art background, engineering, science, trade, culinary training...)

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### CHURCH INFORMATION

Current church you attend: \_\_\_\_\_ For how long? \_\_\_\_\_

What area(s) of ministry are you serving in currently? \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Pastor Recommendation Letter:**

1. Please request a recommendation from your Pastor.
2. Recommendation letters can be attached, emailed, or submitted via this link:

<https://mahaffeycamp.wufoo.com/forms/zdm2b9918xmtt5/>

*Wording needed for the recommendation can be as simple as:*

*"The above-mentioned has the recommendation of their church and pastor to be involved in ministry to children and youth at Mahaffey Camp." Signed Pastor \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_*

**CAMP BACKGROUND**

Have you ever attended Mahaffey Camp? Yes / No When? \_\_\_\_\_ For what camp(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever served as a volunteer at Mahaffey Camp? Yes / No

Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever served on staff at another camp? Yes / No Which Camp? \_\_\_\_\_

What position(s)? \_\_\_\_\_ Camp Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Please indicate your preferred volunteer positions:**

Youth Camps:

- Dean
- Counselor
- Jr Counselor
- Seminar Leader
- Wrangler (Horse Camp)
- Snack Shop helper
- Kitchen Helper
- Nurse
- Dishroom
- Wherever Needed
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**REFERENCES** *(Please do not list relatives.)*

- Please list two references below.
- **Two letters of recommendation** can be attached, emailed, or submitted via this link:  
<https://mahaffeycamp.wufoo.com/forms/zh0q3oc1x1skd1/>

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

**CHARACTER INFORMATION**

*Please answer the following questions in detail. If you need more space, please feel free to use the back of this form.*

1. Why are you interested in serving at Mahaffey Camp and Conference Center?

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2. Briefly describe your testimony of how you came to know Jesus as your personal Savior:

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3. Please describe any ministry or leadership positions you have had in the past:

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4. What personal character strengths could you bring as a volunteer to camp?

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**What weeks would you like to serve in 2026?**

<b>Youth Camps</b>	<b>2026 Dates</b>	<b>Counselor Age Requirement</b>	<b>Jr. Counselor Age</b>
_____ Teen Camp	June 14-19	College or Adult	N/A
_____ Kids Camp	June 21-26	16 years or older	15 years or older
_____ Soccer Camp	June 21-26	17 years or older	N/A
_____ Junior Camp	June 28-July 3	17 years or older	16 years or older
_____ Young Explorers' Camp	July 5-7	16 years or older	14 years or older
_____ Basketball Skills Camp	August 2-7	17 years or older	N/A
_____ Horse Camp	August 2-7	18 years or older	N/A
_____ Adventure Camp	August 2-7	College or Adult	N/A

**CAMP COUNSELOR REQUIREMENTS FOR YOUTH CAMPS**

All Counselor and Junior Counselor positions are limited. Interested applicants should submit this form as soon as possible to be considered. As part of the application process, all applicants will be required to complete an interview, either in person or over the phone.

Please indicate your preference below (a specific time and date will be confirmed via email):

In person    Over the phone

Best days of the week: \_\_\_\_\_ Best times: \_\_\_\_\_

Age as of June 1, 2026: \_\_\_\_\_

- Applicants who are accepted into the summer program will be notified by email in late March. Those placed on the waiting list will also be contacted.
- **A mandatory Counselor Training Weekend will be held May 15-17, 2026, for all counselors, junior counselors, and teen wranglers who have been accepted.**
- Graduating high school seniors or younger who wish to serve are strongly encouraged to attend one week of Mahaffey Youth Camps for their own age group in addition to serving as a counselor. Please attend at the discount rate.
- For Counselors who are college-aged or older, attending Counselor Training is strongly recommended. This weekend of preparation is important to develop relationships as a team, grow in your faith, and receive important youth camp updates.
- Positions will be awarded based on past service, timely response, camper enrollment, interview performance, and the successful completion of the camp’s counseling standards during Counselor Training. Submission of this form does not guarantee acceptance into the summer program.

**HEALTH INFORMATION**

Describe any condition, preference, or belief that might restrict you from performing certain activities involved in the volunteer position for which you are willing to serve. (i.e. lifting, handling, an emergency, driving, participating in sports, medical restrictions, etc.)

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Have you ever committed an act of domestic violence? Yes No

If yes, please explain:

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Have you ever been convicted or incarcerated for an offense involving a minor, or endangering the welfare of a child, such as child pornography, child abuse (physical, emotional, verbal, or sexual), child neglect, corruption of minors, etc.? Yes No

If yes, please explain:

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Have you ever taken illegal drugs or substances? Yes No

If yes, please explain:

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Have you ever been convicted of anything other than a traffic violation? Yes No

If yes, please explain:

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Have you ever been asked to resign a position working with youth or children? Yes No

If yes, please explain:

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**AGREEMENT STATEMENT**

I, (print name) \_\_\_\_\_ have a heart for God’s children and desire to volunteer my services to the Mahaffey Camp and Conference Center. I understand the importance of providing the safest possible spiritual, emotional, and physical environment for children of all ages (0-18). I will endeavor to comply with the camp's Biblical doctrines, policies, programs, and procedures as approved and required by the camp's leadership. I seek to live and model a Christ-centered life so that those attending Mahaffey Camp may come to know Jesus Christ as their Savior and see God’s glory reflected through my life and this ministry.

**Volunteer’s Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

*By signing the above statement, I attest that all information stated in this Volunteer Form is correct and true to the best of my knowledge. I hereby authorize the Mahaffey Camp to make inquiries concerning this information in connection with evaluating the information I have provided. I understand that Camp Staff Personnel will hold the information provided in strict confidence.*

**If the applicant is under the age of 18:**

I (print parent’s/guardian’s name) \_\_\_\_\_ support my child’s desire to serve as a volunteer at Mahaffey Camp and Conference Center and will do my best to assist and guide them in this endeavor.

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MAHAFFEY CAMP AND CONFERENCE CENTER VOLUNTEER DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

*Required by the Child Protective Service Law 23 Pa. C.S. Section 6344.2 (relating to volunteers having contact with children)*

As a volunteer applicant for Mahaffey Camp & Conference Center, I am aware that I must provide the following clearances before serving: Pennsylvania State Police Clearance, a Pennsylvania Childline Clearance. A Federal Bureau of Investigation report is not required if I have lived in Pennsylvania continuously for the past 10 years. I am aware that any prior act of child abuse will permanently disqualify me from employment or volunteer status.

I am aware that a past conviction of certain crimes and offenses also permanently disqualifies me from volunteer status. I swear/affirm that I have not been convicted of one or more of the following crimes reportable under Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes or equivalent crime in another state, territory, commonwealth, or foreign nation:

- Chapter 25 (relating to criminal homicide)
- Section 2702 (relating to aggravated assault)
- Section 2709.1 (relating to stalking)
- Section 2901 (relating to kidnapping)
- Section 2902 (relating to unlawful restraint)
- Section 2910 (relating to luring a child into a motor vehicle or structure)
- Section 3121 (relating to rape)
- Section 3122.1 (relating to statutory sexual assault)
- Section 3123 (relating to involuntary deviate sexual intercourse)
- Section 3124.1 (relating to sexual assault)
- Section 3124.2 (relating to institutional sexual assault)
- Section 3125 (relating to aggravated indecent assault)
- Section 3126 (relating to indecent assault)
- Section 3127 (relating to indecent exposure)
- Section 3129 (relating to sexual intercourse with an animal)
- Section 4302 (relating to incest)
- Section 4303 (relating to concealing the death of a child)
- Section 4304 (relating to endangering the welfare of children)
- Section 4305 (relating to dealing in infant children)
- Section 5902(b) (A felony offense relating to prostitution and related offenses)
- Section 5903(c)or(d) (relating to obscene and other sexual materials and performances)
- Section 6301(a)(1) (relating to corruption of minors)
- Section 6312 (relating to sexual abuse of children)
- Section 6318 (relating to unlawful contact with a minor)
- Section 6319 (relating to solicitation of minors to traffic drugs)
- Section 6320 (relating to sexual exploitation of children)
- A felony offense under the Act of April 14, 1972(P.L.233, No.64), known as the Controlled Substances Drug Device and Cosmetic Act

I swear/affirm that I have not been involved in the attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy to commit any of the above offenses. I understand that I will be dismissed if I am named as a perpetrator of a founded report of child abuse or convicted of any of the crimes listed above, after providing the required clearances.

I swear/affirm that I have not been named as a perpetrator of a founded report of child abuse as defined by the Pennsylvania Child Protective Services Law.

I am aware that I am also prohibited from prospective volunteer status if I have been convicted of ANY felony of the first, second, or third degree not listed above for a period of ten (10) years after the expiration of the sentence. Further, conviction of ANY first-degree misdemeanor will prohibit employment for five (5) years after the completion of the sentence.

I swear/affirm that I have lived in Pennsylvania continuously for the past 10 years.

I understand that Mahaffey Camp & Conference Center retains the right to refuse permission to serve as a volunteer for any reason that, in its judgment, renders the applicant unsuitable to serve in that capacity.

I hereby swear/affirm that the information as set forth above is true and correct. I understand that the penalty for false swearing is a misdemeanor of the third degree pursuant to Section 4903(b) of the Crimes Code.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

*(please print)*

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **REQUIRED CLEARANCES for Volunteers (Ages 18+) – Required to be presented along with the Volunteer Form**

Clearances are required by law for all volunteers age 18 and older at Mahaffey Camp who are involved in the supervision or care of children or youth. If you do not have the required forms on file, you will not be permitted to serve until they are received.

These clearances must be obtained through the state of Pennsylvania. Volunteers from other states must provide comparable documentation from their home state. Original forms must be presented so copies can be kept on file, or an affidavit must be completed indicating where the originals are maintained. All information submitted will be kept strictly confidential.

### **1. PA State Police Request for Criminal Record Check (Form SP4-164)**

- **Cost:** Free (when registering as a volunteer)
- **Online Option:** [PA State Police ePatch](#)
- **Paper Form Download:** [SP 4-164 Criminal Record Check PDF](#)

### **2. PA Child Abuse History Clearance (Form CY113)**

- **Cost:** Free (when registering as a volunteer)
- **Online Option:** [Child Welfare Portal](#)
- **Paper Form Download:** [CY113 Child Abuse Clearance PDF](#)

### **3. FBI Fingerprint-Based Criminal Background Check**

- **Cost:** \$27.50 – \$28.50
- **Required if:**
  - You have **not** been a PA resident for the past 10 consecutive years, **or**
  - You are **not** a PA resident.
- **Note:** Non-PA residents must also submit comparable Child Abuse and Criminal Record Clearances from their home state.

### **Registration & Process for FBI Clearance:**

1. Register online: [IdentoGO Registration](#)
  - For volunteers, enter code: **1KG6ZJ** and select **“Go.”**
2. Choose **“Church Volunteer”** unless you are also in the education field (then select **“School Employee”**).
3. Print the registration confirmation and follow the instructions.
4. Bring the required paperwork and a valid photo ID to a fingerprinting location.
  - The IdentoGO website provides available locations by PA county with hours of operation.