



Interested in being a **Volunteer Counselor** at the **Wisconsin Lions Youth Exchange (WLYE) Program**?

Great idea! The Lions Youth Exchange Camp, or “Camp Vista”, is the favorite week of the year for many past and current counselors. As a world renowned Lions Youth Exchange Camp, Camp Vista will host around 20-40 youths in 2025 (ages 17-20) from roughly 15 different countries. Our camp is run exclusively by generous volunteers, including our group of 8-14 counselors. Our counselors tend to be within the age range of 18-29 (younger ages can apply to be a camper and older has the option to instead be in a staff position, if preferred). As leaders at the camp, counselors work as a team under the direction of two experienced Head Counselors to run the camp’s activities, lead their team of campers in the UnOlympic Games, represent their respective countries, and make lifelong friendships with people from all over the world. Our camp is free to all that attend. Your meals, lodging, and fun are all covered by the Lions in Wisconsin. Carpools to and from camp can be arranged with fellow counselors, though you will be responsible for your transportation to and from camp.

For our 2025 camp key dates, counselors will arrive at Camp Vista in Campbellsport, Wisconsin at 4pm on Saturday, August 9 for a counselor orientation and to get to know the other counselors before camp starts. Camp setup will start around mid-day on Sunday, August 10 with campers beginning to arrive in the afternoon. Camp will run through Sunday, August 17. Counselors should expect to head out from camp mid-day on the 17th after camp cleanup is complete.

Application Deadlines: Please fill out the application via our Google Form by June 15. If you have certification and experience as a lifeguard, please let me know that as well. Our camp has a lake, so we are in need of a lifeguard or two at camp each year. If you are not lifeguard certified but are willing to get certified, our program can cover the cost of certification (message Lion Melissa for more details).

2025 Counselor Application: <https://forms.gle/PGQDBQakuC866zGH8>

Please see the attached Counselor Handbook (includes more details about counselor qualifications and responsibilities), Counselor Application, and sample Camp Schedule.

For more info about becoming a counselor or to stay in touch for future years if you’re unable to volunteer for the current summer, please submit your info in the following form and our Camp Direction Lion Melissa Tweedale will reach out:

<https://forms.gle/ETm1F4Pv4ZjB54Te7>

WLYE Camp Website:

<http://www.wisconsinlionsyouthexchange.org/>

Sample Camp Schedule

Sun 7/28/19	Mon 7/29/19	Tue 7/30/19	8:00 AM	Wed 7/31/19	Thu 8/1/19	Fri 8/2/19	Sat 8/3/19	Sun 08/04/19
COUNSELOR SET UP	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	8:00 AM	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	BREAKFAST	Sleep Late !	1. PACK SUITCASES
	Kitchen: 1&2	Kitchen: 7&8	8:30 AM	OPEN LOCK UP	Kitchen: 5&6	Kitchen: 3&4		2. SUITCASES OUTSIDE
	Weather Safety Swimming Rules - Nurse Info	NETHERLANDS	9:00 AM	BUSES LEAVE AT 8:30 to Madison	BRAZIL	AUSTRIA	Breakfast + Lunch = BRUNCH	3. SWEEP FLOORS
		USA	9:30 AM		ISRAEL	JAPAN		4. REMOVE NAME TAGS
	Blanket Service Project	FRANCE	10:00 AM		CHINA	TURKEY	5. TAKE TRASH OUT ***BREAKFAST***	
	Craft barn tour ICE BREAKER GAMES	CRAFT BARN FREE TIME	10:30 AM	LIONS EYE BANK YOUR	COUNSELOR ACTIVITY!	CRAFT BARN FREE TIME	GOODBYE TIME! BUSES DEPART ~10am	
		11:00 AM				Kitchen: Volunteers		
		11:30 AM				WORLD CHATS Current Events		
Counselor Lunch	LUNCH/Team Name	LUNCH	12:00 PM		LUNCH	West Allis Cookout	LOST & FOUND TABLE OUTSIDE	
Counselors greet early arrivals	Kitchen: 3&4	Kitchen: 1&2	12:30 PM	SHOPPING ON STATE STREET & LUNCH	Kitchen: 7&8	TAIWAN	FREE TIME & TALENT SHOW PRACTICE	
	MEXICO	WORLD CHATS	1:30 PM		HUNGARY			
	GERMANY	Current Events	1:30 PM		MONGOLIA			
REGISTRATION CAMP BOOK PHOTO	SPAIN	DESIGN TEAM POSTERS	2:00 PM	UNOLYMPIC GAMES	Counselors' Choice	Talent Show		
Camper Setup Swim Tests TABLE TALKS Beach Closed	Beach Open CANOE RACES	WATER/FIELD GAMES	2:30 PM				GROUP PHOTO AT CAPITAL @ 2:30 TOUR OF STATE CAPITAL @ 3PM	
			3:00 PM					
			3:30 PM					
			4:00 PM					
		4:30 PM	LOAD BUSES			Craft Barn Closes 4pm	Unolympic Awards	
		5:00 PM	DINNER Marshall Lions	Photo w/DGs	Evaluations	Thanksgiving Dinner		
		5:30 PM		Guest Intras DINNER	Kitchen: 5&6			
DINNER-Lock up	DINNER	DINNER		6:00 PM	FISH FRY-Birthday	Post Camp Skit		
Kitchen: Teams 7&8	Kitchen: 5&6	Kitchen: 3&4	6:30 PM	Kitchen: 1&2	Kitchen: Counselors	Solstice Gifts		
FLAG CEREMONY Lions Intro/Skit Counselor Intro/Skit Talent Show Info Solstice Info	Native American Presentation	ITALY	7:00 PM	Leader Dog Presentation	FREE TIME Talent Show Practice	Camp Video		
FREE TIME		POLAND	7:30 PM				FINLAND	DISCO
		DENMARK	8:00 PM					
	CRAFT BARN FREE TIME	CRAFT BARN FREE TIME	8:30 PM	CRAFT BARN FREE TIME		Camp Books		
			9:00 PM					
			9:30 PM					
Cabins Quiet	Cabins Quiet	Cabins Quiet	10:00 PM	Cabins Quiet	Cabins Quiet	Cabins Quiet	Cabins Quiet	