



## 2019 Huron Safety Town Teen Counselor Application

### **For those who have never volunteered for Safety Town before...What is Safety Town?**

Safety Town is a program that allows children entering into Kindergarten to learn safe ways to approach school and everyday situations. The children are taught the basics of fire, water, traffic, playground safety, as well as poison control, bus behavior and seatbelt importance. These concepts are taught through songs, projects, movies and games. On average there are 80-plus children attending Safety Town each year.

### **What is a Safety Town Counselor?**

Safety Town Counselors are one of the most important parts in running a successful program. The typical age of a Safety Town counselor is between 7<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grades. We do have some older, experienced Safety Town counselors who are in 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade. ***Safety Town Counselors must have completed 6<sup>th</sup> grade before Safety Town begins.***

These counselors are vital in the day-to-day operations of Safety Town. Each counselor could be assigned to assist in a classroom, help on the blacktop outside, be an office assistant, or help with snacks. Please note that you could be assigned to any one of these areas and each assignment is vital and important to Safety Town. These counselors help the teacher and help the kids, because we all know, when we were 5 or 6, we couldn't do everything ourselves!

More importantly, a Safety Town Counselor is responsible for bringing excitement and energy to the participants. Many children in Safety Town are nervous the first day and it is the role of the counselor to make sure they feel comfortable. Counselors make sure the kids are safe and have fun!

**Note: Counselor service is limited to three years for an individual.**

### **When is Safety Town?**

2019 Safety Town will take place from **June 10<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> – from 9 am-11:30 am, at Shawnee Elementary School**. Counselors are expected to arrive 15 minutes early each day. Counselors must also attend a meeting on **Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup>** which includes helping with set-up.

### **Community Service Hours for HHS students**

Safety Town is a great way to help your community and gain Community Service Hours. ***You must bring the required paperwork from your guidance counselor to the counselor meeting prior to the start of Safety Town.*** Forms will be completed after completion of Safety Town and **you will be responsible for picking-up these forms at our office (110 Wall Street).**

As you can see being a Safety Town Counselor is a big responsibility. If you would like to take part in this wonderful experience please fill out the attached papers. If you have any questions about becoming a Safety Town Counselor, please call Huron Parks and Recreation Department at 419-433-8487. You can also email us at [hprd@cityofhuron.org](mailto:hprd@cityofhuron.org)

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**PLEASE READ THIS FIRST!**

**If you are interested in being a Safety Town Counselor, you must complete this form and give it to your adult reference along with a stamped envelope addressed to:**

Huron Parks and Recreation  
417 Main Street  
Huron, OH 44839

**We typically have more applications than available counselor positions – so the sooner you return your paperwork, the more likely you are to be considered.**

Name\_\_\_\_\_ Email\_\_\_\_\_

Age\_\_\_\_\_ Grade (Must be entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade or higher in Fall 2019)\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_ Phone\_\_\_\_\_

School Now Attending\_\_\_\_\_

Shirt Size (These are Adult Sizes) S M L XL XXL

Have you had any experience working with children?  
(Babysitting, younger brothers or sisters etc)

Why do you want to be a Safety Town Counselor?

Select one adult reference (not a relative) and ask them to complete the recommendation on the back. (Your reference can be a teacher, scout leader, minister, someone for whom you have done babysitting, etc.)

Adult Reference:\_\_\_\_\_

*I understand that if I am selected to be a Safety Town Counselor, which is a volunteer service, I will be on duty a total of 9 days (8 days of classes and the first day for set-up and instruction.) I will perform my assigned duties and I will be on time and appropriately dressed.*

Signature of Applicant:\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian:\_\_\_\_\_

Are you interested in additional volunteer opportunities with Huron Parks & Recreation? \_\_\_\_\_  
*If you answer Yes, we will contact you with details if there are additional opportunities.*



## **Recommendation Form**

Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_

Have you had the opportunity to observe this person with young children? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your relationship with this student? \_\_\_\_\_

Please rate this student on the following qualities:

Reliability	High	Average	Low
Promptness	High	Average	Low
Following Directions	High	Average	Low
Neatness	High	Average	Low
Courteousness	High	Average	Low
Safety Conscious	High	Average	Low

How would you recommend this person to assist with pre-school children during Safety Town?

Highly Recommended

Recommended

Not Recommended

Additional Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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