April 10 and 11, 2027

Community Hours at the Sunderland Maple Syrup Festival

The organizers of the Sunderland Maple Syrup Festival require student volunteers to help with manning the roadblocks, assisting with vendor tear-down and various other duties. We ask that you be at the Masonic Lodge (5 Albert Street S., Sunderland) for 7:00 am on Saturday, April 10 to receive your assigned role and required instructions. The roads are closed to traffic no later than 7:30 am and remain closed until approximately 5:00 pm. Sunday, April 11 we would need you to again meet at the Masonic Lodge at 7:00 am and stay until 5:00 pm. Please bring a lawn chair and dress appropriately for the weather … warm clothing, rain gear and boots required.

Please complete this form and email to Jonathan.SMSF@gmail.com as soon as possible.

Student Name: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Would you be available: Saturday _____ Sunday _____

Preference will be given to students who can volunteer both days.

Thank you for your interest! For more information, please contact Jonathan Thompson at (705) 934-1827 or jjthompson1417@outlook.com.

Waiver Form for Student Volunteers

WELCOME!
On behalf of the Festival Committee, we welcome you to the 30th annual Sunderland Maple Syrup Festival (SMSF) and hope for a successful event, both for our visitors and also for our amazing volunteers! Below are some basic rules and regulations that we all need to understand and abide by.

1. The SMSF shall exercise reasonable efforts to provide a safe, healthy environment for volunteers.
2. While all precaution will be taken to safeguard our volunteers, the SMSF will not assume responsibility for any personal liability, loss or damage that may result from the volunteers' participation at this event.
3. Volunteers are required to attend the orientation talk before the start of any planned volunteer work/activity.
4. Volunteers are required to provide a minimum standard of safety equipment for themselves including but not limited to: appropriate footwear and warm clothing, sun screen, hat, rain gear (if needed), or any other items an individual might require while being outdoors for an extended period of time.
5. Volunteers must report all injuries, no matter how slight, to the Volunteer Coordinator.
6. SMSF provides evidence of volunteer hours for high school students.
7. SMSF reserves the right to refuse participation to any volunteer who does not adhere to SMSF policy on volunteer work day events as per 8).
8. SMSF volunteer requirements:
    a. Be polite, courteous and cheerful at all times. You are the first one to greet people to our Festival so please greet them with a smile and leave them with a good impression.
    b. No foul language. Please remain positive, even if the public doesn't.
    c. Please treat everyone with respect!!!
    d. Wear your vest on the outside all day long so everyone knows you have been designated as an important committee member and you have our support.

e. You are not expected to take any abuse from anyone. If someone is being "very determined", then just ask them to please wait a moment and you will confirm with your Supervisor. Call your Supervisor on your radio and ask for advice.
f. The radios are to be used for pertinent questions or in an emergency only. Use only when necessary. Please leave them on the same channel as when given to you.
g. There will be floaters available to give you breaks. Breaks will be organized by the Supervisor and in a rotational manner.
h. You will receive a food voucher each day for a pancake breakfast at the Legion OR peameal on a bun from the Lions OR hot dog OR hamburger OR sausage from the Firemen. Each meal includes a drink. You must present your voucher to get the meal.
i. Please see your Supervisor at the end of your shift on Sunday to have your community hours sheet signed.

Thank you very much for volunteering your time to help us! You are very much appreciated!

As the parent of _____ (student's name), I will not hold the Sunderland Maple Syrup Festival Committee, Durham District School Board or the Township of Brock responsible or liable for any loss or damage to persons, property or any bodily injuries which may occur during the Sunderland Maple Syrup Festival.

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____