Overview: Camp T.U.R.F. is a 2-week, residential academy at Oklahoma State University – Stillwater. Students will interact with professors and explore a variety of careers in horticulture and landscaping, with hands-on activities at botanical gardens, field research stations, a turfgrass research center, greenhouses, research laboratories and design laboratories, as well as special OSU facilities such as the Insect Zoo. Evening and recreational activities are also planned.

A few activities planned for 2017:
- OSU Challenge Course (experience a ropes course with zip line if you want to try it!)
- Creating concrete pervious pavers
- Insect Adventure (Exotic insect petting zoo, Maggot art, Termite NASCAR, etc.)
- Landscape architecture activities (making models, etc.)
- Filming a segment of the TV show Oklahoma Gardening (to be aired)
- Making dish gardens to take home
- Grafting different plants together
- Cloning African violets in a laboratory

Plus evening/weekend activities such as:
- A group painting class
- Bowling
- Swimming
- Volleyball
- Meals out each night at places like Eskimo Joe's, Hideaway Pizza, etc!!!

Place and Time: Camp T.U.R.F. will be conducted from the evening of Sunday, June 4 to the evening of Friday, June 16, 2017. Accepted students will be housed in residential suites on campus (with roommates). The academy is free for students. All expenses (food, transportation during the academy, suites) are paid by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education. Attendees are only required to provide their own transportation to and from the academy.

Supervision: Male and female counselors will reside in the suites with the academy students. They will be responsible for the participants in the evenings and overnight. During the day, the camp director and professors will accompany the students to all classes and field trips.

Selection criteria: Students must be Oklahoma residents entering their freshman or sophomore year of high school in the fall of 2016. Applications will be accepted beginning March 15, 2017. Selected applicants will be notified starting April 1, 2017. For more information, contact Dr. Shelley Mitchell, shelley.mitchell@okstate.edu, 405-744-5755.

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2017 Camp T.U.R.F. Summer Academy Application

Name (Last, First) ________________________________________________________

* Are you (circle one): male female

Home address ___________________________________________________________

City________________________________________________Zip _________________

County of Residence ______________________________________________________

Phone (____) __________________________

Email: ________________________________________________________________

Date of Birth ____/_____/____

High School __________________________________________

City that high school is located in ___________________________

* Graduating class of (circle one): 2020 2021

* Have you previously attended an OSRHE summer academy? Yes No

* Are you applying to other OSRHE summer academies for 2017? Yes No

The name of a teacher who will recommend you: _____________________________________

Teacher’s phone number: ____________________________________

Teacher’s email: __________________________________________________

* Are you an Oklahoma’s Promise (OHLAP) participant? Yes No

* Do either of your parents have a college degree? Yes No

* (Optional) Please circle your ethnic group(s): African American, Asian, Caucasian, Hispanic, Middle Eastern, American Indian/Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander,
Other: ____________________

What are your hobbies/interests?  __________________________________________________

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Why are you interested in attending Camp TURF?

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Please do not send transcripts, letters of recommendation, or other attachments with this application. They are not used in the selection process. Thank you!

Send completed application to: Dr. Shelley Mitchell, 358 AG Hall, OSU, Stillwater, OK 74078 or attach to an email and send to: shelley.mitchell@okstate.edu