Dear Parents,

Your child’s class is participating in the Delaware 4-H Embryology Project, a 4-H School Enrichment Program, sponsored by Delaware 4-H and the University of Delaware, Cooperative Extension. Embryology, or the process of hatching chicks from eggs, is a fun, hands-on learning experience for children. This program teaches children about science and respect for life. Students will hatch chicks in their classroom and witness the exciting miracle of life. Throughout the week, students take the responsibility of caring for the fertilized eggs and then the chicks, once they have hatched. Following each program, the hatched chickens are given to local Delaware, Maryland and Pennsylvania farmers or 4-H’ers that maintain a poultry project in Delaware.

The 4-H Embryology Program is only a small portion of the Delaware 4-H program. 4-H encompasses many different project areas including topics in animal science, plant science, robotics, coding, clothing/textiles, foods/nutrition and many more. If you are interested in learning more about what 4-H has to offer, including day camps, afterschool programs, traditional clubs, etc., please e-mail me at kristin@udel.edu or contact the Kent County Cooperative Extension Office at (302) 730-4000.

Yours in 4-H,

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