A Letter From Your State 4-H Program Leader

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I pledge
My head for clearer thinking,
My heart for greater loyalty,
My hands to larger service, and
My health to better living,
For my club, my community,
my country, and my world

SUBJECT: Weeklong State 4-H and Environmental Camp - MODIFIED CAMP THIS YEAR !!!
With plans ongoing for an in-person 2021 Delaware 4-H State Camp and Environmental Camp experience, we felt it important to share the following revisions to the attendance policy in light of in-person safety restrictions and compliance with State and University health guidance.

1. Any camper of 4-H age who attended Delaware 4-H State Camp, either virtually or in-person before 2021, is eligible to register for Delaware 4-H State Camp in 2021.
2. Any camper who did not attend Delaware 4-H State Camp prior to 2020 and will be a first-year camper between the ages of 10-12 will be required to register for 4-H State Environmental Camp in 2021 before being able to register for State 4-H Camp in subsequent years.
3. Campers will be notified of their camp enrollment for 2021 once a review is made of past camp attendance.

Weeklong STATE 4-H CAMP (10-19 years old—Open to RETURNING campers and first-year campers 13 and older):

• The date for WEEK ONE is June 14-19 and WEEK TWO is June 21-26. This camp officially starts with lunch on Monday and ends after breakfast on Saturday.
• State 4-H Camps (Week 1 and Week 2) are held at Camp Barnes located in southeast Sussex County on beautiful Miller’s Creek.
• You will be assigned to a people group for afternoon and campfire activities.
• Bus transportation will be available for New Castle and Kent County campers.
• The camp fee for this year will be $325.00.

Environmental Camp at Camp Barnes (8-12 years old):

• This is an experience you won’t want to miss that allows you to explore basic soil and environmental science information. Getting your hands dirty, exploring the forest, and looking for critters was never so much fun.
• The date for this camp is June 11-13. Camp officially starts at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 11. Dinner will not be served this night so please bring a bagged meal. Camp will conclude at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 13.
• A variety of classes related to the environment will be available for your participation, and classes are taught by University of Delaware undergraduate and graduate students. Previous camp classes have included topics such as “Is River Water Safe to Drink?” and “Digging Up the Dirt on Soil Microbes.” New classes are added each year. Each afternoon provides time for recreation, such as swimming and canoeing. You will be assigned to a group for afternoon and campfire activities.
• Bus transportation will be available for Kent and New Castle County campers.
• The camp fee is $125.00.

How to Register for Camp:

Registration opens APRIL 1 (10 a.m.) for “ACTIVE” 4-H MEMBERS
There are two ways to register for camp—online https://www.pcsreg.com/delaware-4-h-state-camps2021 or paper form (attached). If registering online, you must pay the full amount either by credit card or check. If registering by paper form, the entire camp fee is required to accompany your application. A health form is mandatory for this camp. 4-H members are required to update their health form at 4-H Online.

If you have any additional questions about State 4-H Camp, contact your local county 4-H office (New Castle: 302-831-8965; Kent: 302-730-4000; Sussex: 302-856-7303) or the State 4-H Office at 302-831-2509. Camp scholarships may be available to enrolled/active 4-H members through your county 4-H office.

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**Code of Conduct Violations**

Anyone breaking the Code of Conduct during the 4-H year will not be put in a leadership role at State 4-H Camp. If the offense is severe enough, the 4-H'er will not be allowed to attend State 4-H Camp.

**Cell Phone Policy**

Cell phones are not permitted at camp. The use of cell phones has become a distraction and takes away from the ability of campers to stay focused on camp. Any camper that brings a cell phone to camp will be required to turn in their phone on Monday morning at registration, and it will be returned on Saturday morning at dismissal.

**Mean I Have to Wear a Mask?**

Campers, counselors, and staff will be required to wear a mask. Hand sanitizers will be located throughout the camp.

**Scholarships**

Each county will collect camp scholarship applications beginning on January 1. All scholarships will be awarded prior to April 1 and recipients notified. Each club and county is encouraged to obtain local funds to make participation in the overnight State 4-H Camps a possibility for every 4-H member.

**So you were wondering...**

**What if camp is full?**

If the week of camp you have chosen is full when you apply, you will be given the opportunity to go to the other week, space permitting. If both weeks are full, you may go on the waiting list.

**Where will I stay?**

You will sleep in cabins of 7-8 campers, including a counselor. A central bath facility is nearby. All meals are served cafeteria style, and there is also a canteen for snacks. A variety of classes are available for your participation. Each afternoon provides time for recreation, such as swimming and canoeing. You will be assigned to a group for afternoon and campfire activities.

**What is the early dismissal policy?**

Normal dismissal time for overnight camp is 10 a.m. No one may leave camp until 5 a.m. on Saturday morning. Any exception must have prior approval of the camp staff.

**May I have a friend visit?**

Please do not invite anyone to visit you at any time during camp. Our camp is closed to all visitors during the week.

**Can I bring medicine to camp?**

Yes, prescribed and over-the-counter medicines must be turned in upon arrival at camp in the original container with the camper’s name printed on the bottle. See page 4 for Mandatory Camp Medicine Form.
Come and make a memory at State 4-H Camp!

Questions about camp may be directed to your local county 4-H office or the State office.

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Photos from 2019 camps:
2019 Environmental Camp
2019 Week 1 State Camp ~ 2019 Week 2 State Camp

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