TO: All 4-Hers

SUBJECT: Weeklong State 4-H and Environmental Camp

I am pleased to send you an application for the 2016 State 4-H camps. State 4-H camps are held at Camp Barnes located in southeast Sussex County on beautiful Miller’s Creek. For those not familiar with 4-H camp, we invite you to join us for learning, making new friends, and having fun. Bus transportation will be available for New Castle and Kent County 4-Hers.

**Weeklong STATE 4-H CAMP (9-19 years old):**

- The date for WEEK ONE is June 13-18 and WEEK TWO is June 20-25. This camp officially starts with lunch on Monday and ends after breakfast on Saturday.
- You will be assigned to a people group for afternoon and campfire activities.
- The camp fee for this year will be $310.00.

**Environmental Camp (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 9-11.** The camp officially starts at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, June 9, and ends at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 11.
- The camp fee is $110.00.
- 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 “Healthy Soil,” “Super Stream Keepers,” and “Life in the Marsh: It’s a Fish-Eat-Fish World.” 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.

**How to Register for Camp:**

**REGISTRATION OPENS MARCH 1.** There are two ways to register for camp—online ([www.extension.udel.edu/4h](http://www.extension.udel.edu/4h)) or paper form. If registering online, you may pay the full amount by an online check or credit card. **If paying by paper form, a $25 deposit per camper 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 are available through your county 4-H office.

Please consider making one of the State 4-H Camps part of your busy summer.

Sincerely,

C. Douglas Crouse
State Program Leader
4-H Youth Development

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.
Camp Policy

Attendance
All 4-H’ers age 9 by 6-1-16 and older will be eligible to attend weeklong 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.

Voice and Echo Selection
The selection of the Voices and Echoes for State 4-H Camp will be the responsibility of the One Voice. The One Voice will provide an opportunity for the County and State Staff to provide input. The selection will be made on the basis of what will be best for that particular State 4-H Camp weeklong educational program.

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.

Scholarships
Each county will collect camp scholarship applications beginning on January 1. All scholarships will be awarded prior to March 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 the other week, space permitting. If both weeks are full, you may go on the waiting list.

What is the refund policy?
Cancellations for a verified emergency will receive a full refund up to Monday, June 1. No refunds will be issued after this date.

May I leave camp?
You must attend camp full time. The exception is a family emergency.

What does the camp fee cover?
The registration fee includes camp photo, class costs, snacks, meals, and lodging.

What is the early dismissal policy?
Normal dismissal time for weeklong camp is 9 a.m. No one may leave camp until 5 a.m. on Saturday morning. Any exception must have prior approval of the camp director.

SPECIAL DEPARTURE REQUESTS MAY BE MADE WITH THE STATE 4-H OFFICE ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE START OF CAMP, AND APPROVAL MUST BE GRANTED BY THE CAMP DIRECTOR.

Where will I stay?
You will sleep in cabins of 10-12 people, including a counselor. A central bath facility is nearby. All meals are served family 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.

May I have a friend visit?
Please do not invite anyone to visit you anytime during camp. Visitors are disruptive to the camp program.

DELAWARE 4-H FOUNDATION
The Delaware 4-H Foundation offers one $25.00 scholarship per family with two or more children attending overnight 4-H camp.

In addition, the Delaware 4-H Foundation provides $3000 in scholarships to the counties to support attendance.
Enroll Now!

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

Come and make a memory at State 4-H Camp!