Extension UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON SHEBOYGAN COUNTY

# Sheboygan County 4-H Camp Newsletter April 2020

## Gauging Your Child's Readiness for Camp Answering these questions will help you determine when your child is ready for camp.

- What is your child's age? Children under age 7 may not adjust easily to being away from home. Consider the day camp experience to prepare them for future overnight camp. Consider 4-H Cloverbud Day Camp!
- How did your child become interested in camp? Does your child talk about camp and camp activities on a sustained basis? How much persuasion is necessary from you?
- Has your child had positive overnight experiences away from home? Visiting relatives or friends? Were these separations easy or difficult?
- What does your child expect to do at camp? Learning about the camp experience ahead of time allows you to create positive expectations.
- Are you able to share consistent and positive messages about camp? Your confidence in a positive experience will be contagious.

# Monitoring the Situation

UW-Madison, Division of Extension will continue to share information in real time so that you can make informed decisions about your child's participation in 4-H Camp. We will strengthen the healthcare system and processes we have in place and stay vigilant. We are used to dealing with both the expected and unexpected challenges that come with running a camp; coronavirus is no different.

Both viruses and guidance for dealing with them can change over time. We will keep your families and our staff in the loop on all our health and safety-related efforts at camp; this is the best way to alleviate fears and to do our best to ensure that everyone has a safe and enriching camp experience this summer.

# Adult Staff Needed!

Sheboygan County 4-H base Camp is still in need of one-two capable male **adult camp staff.** If you are interested in joining us for five days, unlike you will ever experience anywhere else please complete the Adult Camp Staff Application at <u>http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/</u> <u>current-programs-registrations/</u> and submit it to **sarah.tarjeson@wisc.edu** A committee of educators, past camp staff and adults will extend invitations and help to place adults according to their strengths.



Jack Parrish, a role model like none other!

Important Dates for Staff:

- April 16, May 21, & June 18 (3rd Thurs) 6:30-8:30 pm Planning and Training
- July 31, 2020 6:00-9:00 pm 4-H Camp Staff Bust -up Party @ Sarah's House



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# Register by May 1<sup>st</sup> and receive \$15 off each camper's registration!

## Camp is open to ALL youth . . . Invite your friends!

#### **IMPORTANT CAMPER DATES!**

April 23rd BASE CAMP FAMILY AND CAMPER ORIENTA-TION 6:30-8:00, via Zoom

May 1st EARLY BIRD DEADLINE FOR \$15 DISCOUNT

June 1st SUMER CAMP REGIS-TRATION DEADLINE

July 9th OUTPOST CAMP ORIEN-TATION MTG 5:30-8:00 pm, 4-H Camp Riversite



Make new friends but keep the old!





## **"THE IMPACT OF CAMP LASTS FOREVER"**

Thursday, April 23, 2020 6:30-8:00 pm https://uwextension.zoom.us/j/901024473

Join 4-H Youth Development Educator and 4-H Camp Director, Sarah Tarjeson to learn all about 4-H Summer Camp and how you can get involved!

#### Who should come? This Program Is For EVERYONE!

- Past and future hopeful camp counselors
- Experienced and new campers
- Parents who are thinking about sending their child to camp
- Campers who aren't sure if they'd like to come to camp
- Experienced and new adult staff and volunteers

#### What Is It?

- Learn about the impact of camping programs
- Play camp games that teach living in the moment and creativity
- Gauge your child's readiness
- Sing songs and learn how campfire teaches responsibility and independence
- Learn how every family can afford camp
- Make a camp craft and learn how camp teaches an appreciation of differences

## 4-H Camp Fun for Everyone: Registration is OPEN!

Don't miss this year's 4-H camping opportunities! We will be heading to Base Camp July 12-16, 2020 and Outpost Camp July 23-26; learning, friendship and fun are at the heart of both Sheboygan County 4-H Camps. Take a look at the brief descriptions below and decide which one best fits you. <u>Parents, please register</u> and send fees by the deadlines noted!

### Outpost Camp, Wyalusing State Park Grades 7-10, July 23-26, 2020

The wilderness is calling...are you up to the challenge of **three** nights and **four** days of outdoor adventure and fun! Tent camping, fire cooking, canoeing, rock climbing and hiking are just a few of the exciting experiences that await campers at Outpost Camp. There will also be team building and leadership development along with fun and games throughout camp...don't miss out! Outpost Camp is open to the first 30 campers grades 7-10. First priority will be given to 4-H members. Transportation to and from camp is provided. Cost: \$200.

#### Base Camp, Upham Woods, WI Dells Grades 3-7, July 12-16, 2020

Travel to beautiful Upham Woods in Wisconsin Dells for **four** nights and **five** days of adventure, fun and learning. Upham Woods features cozy cabins, a quality nature center, archery, main lodge, craft center and more! Programs in recreation, crafts, canoeing, nature exploration and swimming are offered for all youth. Base Camp is open to the first 100 campers in grades 3-7. Transportation to and from camp is provided. Cost: \$200

Details for camp (packing lists, health forms and behavior expectation forms) will be sent at about two weeks after the registration deadline. For more information on camp or 4-H in Sheboygan County, contact the Sheboygan County Extension Office at 459.5903.

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