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4-H CAMP

Students from Harlan County will be attending 4-H Summer Camp at J. M. Feltner 4-H Camp in London from July 6 – 9. Campers will have more than 20 classes from which to choose. Each camper will select four classes for the week. Classes include: basketball, volleyball, cheerleading, swimming, shooting sports, archery, canoeing, fishing, ropes challenge, sewing, crafts, line dancing and environmental education classes, just to name a few.

Nights and afternoons will be filled with many special events. These may include swimming, Water Olympics, special movies, board games, and carnival games. Polar Bears swims will be scheduled for brave campers at 6:30 am on several mornings.

Campers will sleep in new bunk beds for this summer with real mattresses. Campers are reminded to pack a sleeping bag or bring sheets and pillows. Bathhouse facilities include clean showers, toilets, sinks and plentiful hot water. Extra spending money may be brought for sodas, t-shirts, crafts, snacks and other Country Store items. One carton of milk is provided with each meal and extra cartons are usually twenty five cents each. No camper should bring more than 15 dollars to camp.

Besides bedding, all campers will need to pack soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, washcloth, towels, comb or brush and other personal items. We will be walking a lot so make sure you pack shoes that are comfortable and sturdy. You might bring two pair in case of rain and mud. Jeans, shorts, t-shirts, tops, rain gear, sweat shirt or light jacket, swimsuits (no cutoffs for swim wear, please). Socks and underwear are the remaining items to pack.

Please do not bring expensive cameras, watches, jewelry, and a lot of money or other items, which might get misplaced. No cell phones or pagers, please. Tape players, jam boxes, personal CD players taken to camp will be the responsibility of the camper. We will not replace any item lost, and the best place for these items is at home. Campers, please remember only one suitcase per person.

The 4-H Camping Program teaches campers leadership skills and responsibility while campers are experiences the time of their lives. All campers will have different responsibilities each day, including tidying up cabins, help with serving meals and clean up of bathhouses and cafeteria.

Camp Orientation will be May 23 and June 2 at 6:00 at the Extension Depot, 110 River Street in Harlan. Each camper and his or her parent or guardian must attend one of these sessions to be able to attend. If a camper or parent fails to attend Camp Orientation, that camper will not be allowed to attend camp. Attendance at Camp Orientation is mandatory. Rules will be discussed at orientation and questions from campers and parents will be addressed. Please bring your medical insurance card if you have one.

Each camper must have the Health Form filled out completely on the second page of the application. The school nurse, health department, or doctor may fill these forms out and sign them.

Campers will meet at 8:00 a.m. at the James A Cawood Elementary School parking lot on July 6. Buses will return to the James A Cawood Elementary School parking lot at 12:30 p.m. on July 9. Parent and Guardians must be on time to pick up their campers.

J. M. Feltner 4-H Camp is located in London, across from Levi Jackson State Park just off KY 229.

Directions to camp from Harlan are: US 119 to Pineville, take US 25E North to Barbourville, take KY 229 to J.M. Feltner 4-H Camp on the right at Levi Jackson State Park. The camp is approximately one and a half hours from Harlan.

Anyone interested in contributing to the 4-H Camp Scholarship Fund may do so by contacting the Harlan County Extension Service at 573-4464. The camp fee this year will be 145 dollars for each camper. Checks may be made to the Harlan County 4-H Council Camp Scholarship Fun.

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