

April 1, 2024

HELLO 4-H MEMBERS! It's that time of year to register for 4-H Camp!

The 2024 4-H Camp theme is **"GOING FOR THE GOLD"**. We will host a best dressed contest! The Thursday night theme is "Olympic Athlete" and the Friday night theme is "USA: Red, White and Blue". You will want to participate each night, so make sure to bring those special clothing options with you!

4-H Camp dates are May 30 - June 2, 2024 at the Historic Santa Claus Campground. The camp cost this year is **\$120 per camper** and includes lodging, meals, camp T-shirt and crafts; **\$160 per camp counselor** and also includes Wednesday night cost and additional T-shirt. Your Camp Counselors are currently planning exciting things to do such as field games, canoeing, fishing, volleyball, skits and many more fun-filled activities.

As last year, we will have a 2-part registration process. First, complete the enclosed Registration Form and Health Form and return the same to the Purdue Extension Office. Make sure to include payment for 4-H camp. Your registration cannot be processed without payment. Make checks payable to: Warrick County 4-H Clubs, Inc. Secondly, you will **ALSO** need to register for camp in 4-H online. You will sign up under the EVENTS tab in your 4-H profile.

You are responsible for arranging your own transportation to and from camp. The Historic Santa Claus Campground is located near Holiday World in Santa Claus, Indiana. Camper check-in time is between 1:00PM and 1:30PM (CDT) on Thursday, May 30, 2024 and check-out time will be promptly at 12:15PM on Sunday, June 2, 2024. **NO EARLY BIRD CHECK-INS! Do NOT arrive before 1:00 PM.**

The 4-H Camp Committee strives to maintain an affordable camp for Warrick County families. Camp is financially self-sufficient by generating income only from collecting attendee registration fees. A breakdown of the camp cost per person includes: campground rental \$68, 9 meals \$37, T-shirt \$8, other miscellaneous costs \$7 = \$120. Need based scholarships are available for 4-H families and funded by the 4-H Council. Contact the Extension Office for more information.

NOTE: You will NOT be considered registered and approved for Camp until ALL paperwork is completed and returned to the office, camp registration fee is received and registration through 4-H online is complete. Once you have been approved in 4-H online, you will receive a confirmation email from RegMax. Make sure to check your SPAM if you do not see it. All applications are accepted on a "first come, first served" basis. SPACE IS LIMITED...therefore you will want to complete the registration promptly to assure your bunk at 2024 4-H Camp. **Applications WILL NOT be accepted after 4PM on May 9, 2024. Campers MUST be an approved 2024 4-H member to be eligible to attend. Camp Counselors must have been "pre-selected" at Camp Counselor Overnight.**

GPS Address: Historic Santa Claus Campground; 16670 N 625 E., Santa Claus, Indiana. If you have a true emergency during camp and cannot reach 4-H Camp personnel, please call the campground manager at (812) 489-0038. Only 4-H members officially enrolled in the 2023-2024 year are eligible to attend camp.

****ATTENTION PARENTS OF FIRST YEAR CAMPERS****

Being away from home for the first time can be an exciting experience. For many children, it can be difficult emotionally especially at nighttime and during meals. Please speak to your child ahead of time and make sure he/she is ready to be away from home. Please use your own judgment to determine readiness for camp.

We ask your child to not be allowed to bring cell phones. We have found when a child calls home often, feelings of homesickness increase. If your child does call home, encourage he/she to participate in camp activities and making new friends. If your child is unable to adjust to being at camp and adamantly wishes to return home, we will contact you to pick up your child.

What NOT to bring: Cell Phone
Due to allergens, please do not bring snacks that include tree nuts

What to bring:

Clothes for an Olympic Athlete	Clothes for USA: Red, White and Blue
Flashlight	Insect Repellant
Sunscreen	Toothbrush, toothpaste
Soap, personal hygiene items	Washcloths, towels
Sleeping bag, sheets and blanket	Swimsuit, swim towel
Pillow	Jeans, athletic pants, shorts, t-shirts
Sweatshirts	Jacket (for rain and cool nights)
Plenty of socks and underclothes	Hat
2 pairs of shoes; you might want 1 pair for walking/hiking	
Water bottle/labeled with your name on it	

Extra money - snack items will be for sale. (\$5 - \$10 should be plenty for camp). Please do not bring large bills or bring more than \$10.00. Please note that the Purdue Extension Office will not have information regarding the Camp menu.

See you at Camp!

Adult Camp Committee