THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION
College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences & Family and Consumer Sciences

Georgia 4-H Base Programming

Georgia 4-H Summer Camping
Senior Camp

Description of Learning Experience:
Georgia's 4-H summer camping program, administered through the county offices of University of Georgia Cooperative Extension, offers a 4-H summer camping experience unparalleled in the nation. Enthusiastic and well-trained camp counselors, Extension employees, certified volunteers and teen leaders work together to provide campers with unforgettable memories to last a lifetime.

Senior Camp is offered to high school-aged 4-H'ers and its activities are typically designed to promote a greater understanding of leadership and development of leadership skills and social interaction among students from across this state, who develop greater relationships through the residential camping experience.

Learning Outcomes:
- Cultivate an increased understanding of leadership and practice leadership skills
- Develop a greater appreciation for people from diverse backgrounds
- Develop positive relationships among students and adult leaders
- Develop self-confidence and experience self-discovery
- Promote individual responsibility as part of a successful collective effort

Georgia Performance Standards:
Pending implementation of GPS in health and physical education and character education, we offer these examples of QCC standards in these two areas relevant to the summer camp setting:

Physical Education – 5.4, Physical Fitness; and, 5.10, Self-Management
Character Education – 5.12, Respect for Others; and, 5.14, Respect for Self

Essential Elements:
Primary: Independence and Belonging; Secondary: Generosity and Mastery

Mission Mandates:
Citizenship; Healthy Lifestyles; Science, Engineering and Technology

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4-H helps young people experience: An increased desire to make a difference in their communities – High levels of leadership, self esteem, public speaking, communication and planning skills – Improved School Performance – Motivation to help others – Overall improvement in civic identity and civic engagement.