

Georgia 4-H Environmental Education



2012 - 2013 School Year Program Review

Georgia 4-H Vision

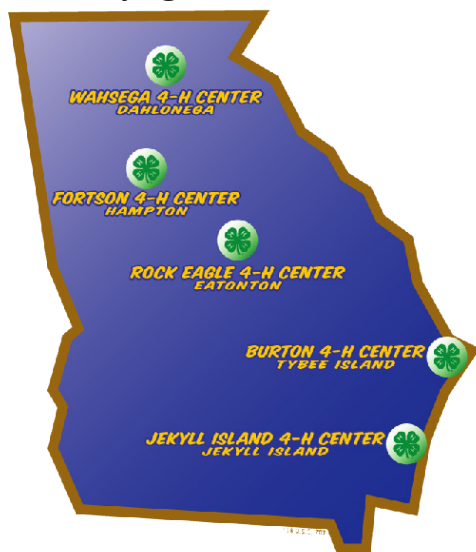
A world in which youth and adults learn, grow, and work together as catalysts for a positive change.

Georgia 4-H Mission

The mission of Georgia 4-H is to assist youth in acquiring knowledge, developing life skills, and forming attitudes that will enable them to become self-directing, productive and contributing members of society.

Georgia 4-H Environmental Education Goals

- To make the school program more meaningful by applying knowledge and skills acquired in the classroom to real life situations
- To cultivate curiosity, critical reasoning and evaluation
- To develop positive relationships among students and teachers
- To develop self-confidence and physical fitness
- To develop an awareness, knowledge and appreciation of the environment
- To develop appreciation for the local and natural history of an area
- To provide experiences in using scientific processes, such as observing, measuring, and classifying



Georgia 4-H Environmental Education
From the Mountains to the Sea, there is a Georgia 4-H Center for You

Naturally gets students outside and connected with the environment

Aligned with the current state curriculum standards

Taught by well-trained and college educated instructors

Uses the outdoors as a classroom without walls

Reaches students through physical and active classes up to 8 hours a day

Excellence: A tradition since 1979

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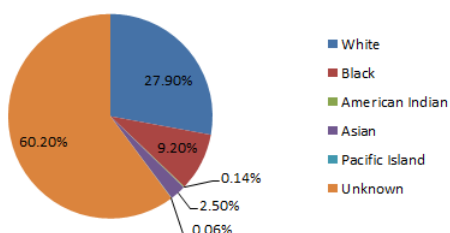
Historical Usage of EE Program

	Rock Eagle	Jekyll	Wahsega	Burton	Fortson	Tidelands (EE)	TOTALS
2012-13 EE Participation	13,204	12,747	4,054	8,136	2,919	3,488	44,548
Year Program Initiated	1979	1983	1986	1987	2005	2001	
Total EE Participation Since Inception	458,525	263,005	91,401	130,980	16,938	31,972	992,821

Total Participants Served Since 1979 = 992,821

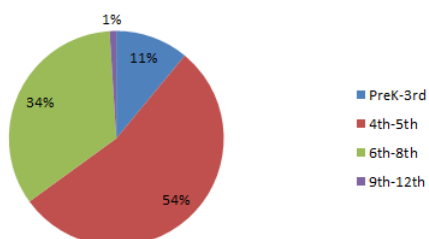
Diversity

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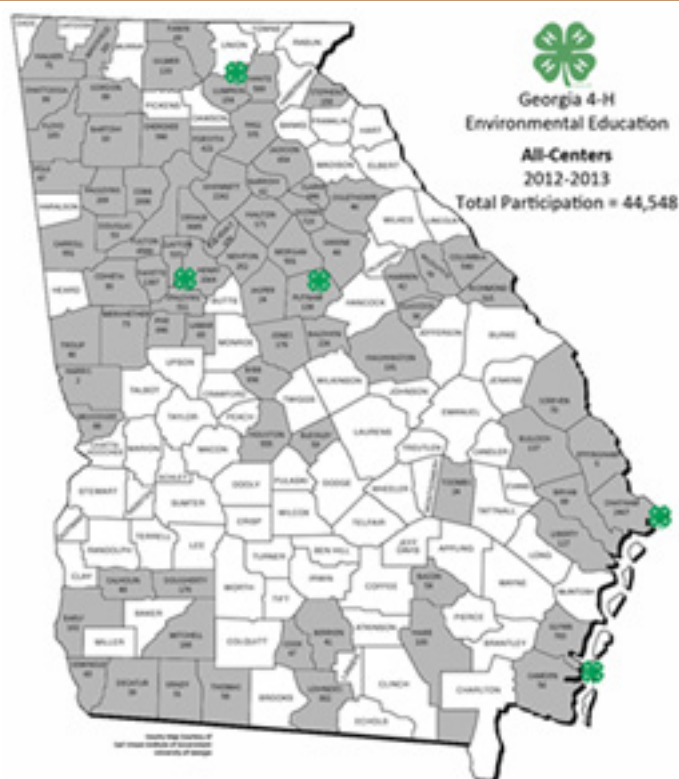


Grade Levels Served

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Participants from Six States: GA, AL, FL, MO, SC, TN
Participants from 78 counties





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Impact & Evaluation

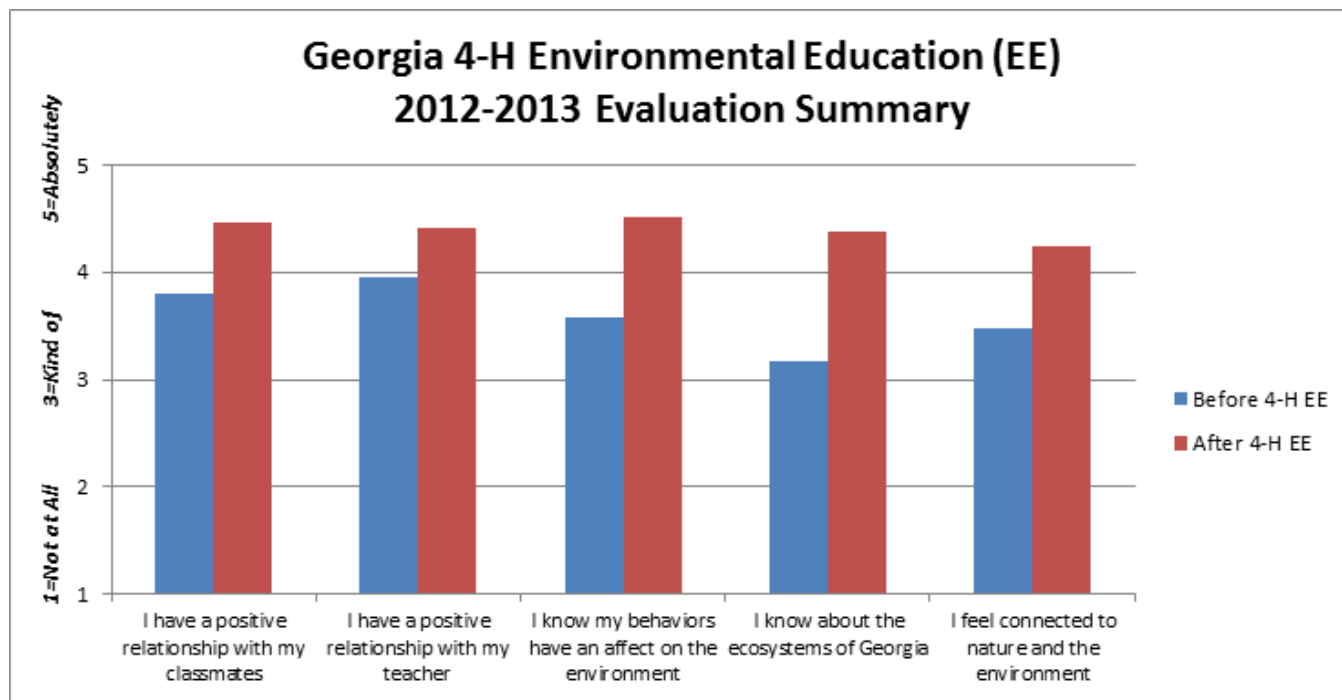
"Staff was friendly & accomodating without doing everything for the kids - prompting them to be problem solvers & taking ownership of camp, each other, etc." - 5th Grade Teacher

"I'm so impressed with the classes. All of our instructors were so knowledgeable and good with the kids. It was so hands on; they let the kids get dirty and touch everything! They were all really patient and fun. Thanks so much!" - Elementary Chaperone

"All instructors were great. Extremely knowledgeable of the topics/subject. They were able to answer questions and go farther in depth when needed. They provided excellent classes and kept everyone interested." - Homeschool Parent

"I had a BLAST! I can't wait to come back next year!" - 4th Grade Student

A sample of participating students completed a retrospective post-then-pre questionnaire to evaluate their change in the following qualities





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Wahsega 4-H Center

www.wahsega4h.org
15 acres located in North GA Mountains
Capacity 220
Offers Forest and Stream Ecology, Team Building, Pioneer Life, and more



Fortson 4-H Center

www.fortson4h.org
77 acres in South Atlanta Piedmont
Capacity 180
Offers Ecology, Living History, Team Building, Survival Skills, and more



Rock Eagle 4-H Center

www.rockeagle4h.org
1428 acres in Middle GA Piedmont
Capacity 950
Offers Forest and Lake Ecology, Living History, Survival Skills, Team Building, and more



Jekyll Island 4-H Center

www.jekyll4h.org
9 acres on a Pristine Barrier Island
Capacity 220
Offers Marsh, Beach and Forest Ecology, Invertebrate Studies, Orienteering, and more



Burton 4-H Center

www.burton4h.org
6 acres on Tybee Island
Capacity 150
Offers Marsh and Beach Ecology, Invertebrate Studies, Hydrology, and more

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