

TEXAS 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

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TO: All CEA's – 4-H, ANR, FCS, 1890 Agents

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SUBJECT: 2018 Leadership Lab – Sandcastles, Pinecones & Clovers

District 5 4-H Leadership Lab will be held June 21 – 22, 2018. The event will be held at the Pine Springs Baptist Camp in Laneville, Texas. The address is 3386 FM 1798 W, Laneville 75667. All participants must pay the registration fee in advance of the event. Agents listed below are asked to assist with Lab and registration expenses for these agents will be covered. Chaperones will be based on the participation so the list could change as more or fewer are needed. We will visit about responsibilities.

Trevor King	Kate Marshall
Ryan Merrel	Alyssa Puckett
Willie Arnwine	Jennifer Pearman
Grant Davis	Claudann Jones
Preston Sturdivant	

What is Lab

Leadership Lab is held annually in June for 4-H members who are in or are entering 8th grade through high school including those just graduated seniors. The event is designed to prepare District 5 4-H members for various leadership roles at the county, district, and state levels. Participants gain valuable project knowledge and skills they can take home and implement in their local county 4-H program. By combining work and play, activities are designed to explore creativity in leadership roles, enhance teambuilding skills, and develop communication and public speaking skills. Members are encouraged to attend and participate in the District 4-H Council business meeting as well as be involved in the selection of the officer team for the next 4-H year. Encourage your members to come ready to have a great camp experience!

Cost

There will be a \$50.00 fee per 4-H member participating in Leadership Lab. Council officers will pay only \$25.00 per person. No fees will be charged for assigned Lab staff members. All fees must be submitted through 4-H Connect. If paying by 4-H check mail to the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Texas 4-H Program, 1470 William D Fitch Parkway, College Station, Texas 77845. Assigned staff members do not need to register via Connect. I already have your name on the list!

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Registration

No reimbursements will be made after registration has been confirmed. However, substitutions of the same gender may be made at any time. All changes will be made through the District Office. Please note that confirmations will not be made until late in the registration process so that changes, if needed, can be made. The 4-H Connect registration process will be open until May 25 with the fee of \$50.00 and will remain open until May 29 with the cost of \$75.00.

Quotas

What is a quota?!?! Counties are encouraged to send everyone interested in learning leadership while having fun. We encourage a diverse group of youth from each county.

Required Forms

The forms that each delegate will need to submit on arrival are attached for your convenience and can also be found on the District web page.

- 1 copy – Code of Conduct
- 1 copy – Consequences of Misbehavior
- 1 copy – Authorization to Dispense Medications
If there are no medications that are needed, please right none across the page with the participants name.
- 1 copy – Waiver and Indemnification Form
- 2 copies – Health Statement
 - One copy submitted at registration; the second copy is kept by the agent for travel purposes.

District Council Election

The District 4-H Council officer election will be held during Leadership Lab. 4-H members running for an office must meet certain eligibility requirements and submit the appropriate forms to reach the District office by June 11, 2018. Along with the application form a leadership history will be required and scored. There will also be an on-site interview conducted which will be scored. These scores along with the popular vote will be used to select the 2018-2019 District 4-H Council officers.

All interested candidates must submit the attached forms (both are two page forms):

- 4-H Council Officer Application/Nomination form
- Texas 4-H Council Membership Requirements and Contract

What To Bring

Casual, camp-type clothing will be appropriate for 4-H members and agents. We would expect the group to wear suitable clothes that will reflect a favorable 4-H image at all times. Any clothing that shows too much skin is not acceptable (i.e. short-shorts or exposed undergarments are considered inappropriate). Lab officials will make the final decisions concerning whether or not certain clothing is allowed.

Closed-toe shoes (not sandals or flip-flops) are not mandated but may be better suited for some of the activities. All campers are asked to plan accordingly.

Linens are not provided at camp. Everyone should bring their own bedding including sheets (need to be twin size for bunk bed accommodations) and blankets, if desired. A sleeping bag would work too. Campers should also bring a

pillow, towels, washcloths, water bottle and toiletry articles. Participants should remember to pack a flashlight, sun screen, and insect repellants.

Departure Time From Lab

June 22 – 3:00 p.m. Parents and/or agents should be ready to pick up delegates and luggage at this time.

CC: Shelia Lewis
Larry Pierce
Paula Butler