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Dear Camper,

We are so excited you are joining us for Preble County 4-H Camp. Our theme this year is Castaway Island. In this letter, you will find important information to help you get ready for camp. Please review the information in this letter with your parents and we will see you at camp!

Date: Camp will start on Wednesday, June 28 at 3PM and last until Sunday, July 2 at 10AM.

Registration: Wednesday, June 28 at 3PM. **Please come at this time and do not arrive early**. (We will not begin registration early because of the other things we are doing to prepare camp for you!)

What to Bring: A suggested packing list is also posted online to help you pack for camp.

What Not to Bring: Please do not bring anything valuable – radios, jewelry, excessive money etc. We also ask that you do not bring fireworks, water guns, water balloons or anything else that could be a distraction or a danger to yourself or other campers.

Cell phones are also **not permitted** at camp. Ohio 4-H policy prohibits cell phones at camp for campers and counselors. This is a zero tolerance policy.

A Special Note about Food/Snacks and Camp Canteen: Please do not bring food/snacks. Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner and Snacks are provided as part of the camp schedule. Camp Clifton provides a canteen for campers to use. Snacks and drinks will be available for a small cost at designated times during the day. Campers may bring money to use for the canteen. Please do not send a large amount of money and send money in an envelope with your child's name on it.

Camp Program: We will have activities such as swimming, crafts, campfire, outdoor recreation, fishing, workshops and more.

Camp Location: The Camp is located at Camp Clifton 4-H Camp, 2256 Clifton Rd, Yellow Springs, OH 45387. The phone number is 937-767-7552.

Camp Rules: Posted on our website, you will find a standards of behavior form that outlines the rules you are expected to follow at camp. Please read these rules with your parents (You and your parents need to sign the form).

Health Form/ Emergency Medical/Medications: We have a full-time nurse with us at camp. All medication – including over the counter – must be turned in to the camp nurse. Please bring the medication in a zipper type bag, in the original container with the child's name clearly marked on the bag. Please only bring enough medication for the time your child is at camp, if possible. Also, it is very important that we have a complete health history so that we can best take care of your child.



Tribes/Cabins/Activity Groups: If you requested to be in a cabin with someone, we will do our best to make that happen. You will also be divided into tribes and activity groups at camp. Your nametag will help you remember what groups you are assigned to. These groups will allow you to meet new people. That is what camp is all about!

Parent Checklist: A helpful checklist for your parents is also posted on our website. Please share it with them − sometimes parents get worried about camp and we thought this might help.

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We are looking forward to spending time with you at camp. Our counselors have been working very hard to plan lots of fun activities for you. We will see you at camp!

Enthusiastically, Melinda Ryan Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development