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Dear Unit 4-H Camper Parents,

We hope that your child has had a great week of camp! The Unit 4-H Office and Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center take pride in making camp a place where your child can grow and learn while having an amazing experience. Over the years studies have been conducted that suggest that your child participating in camp provides him or her an opportunity to develop more independence, more responsibility, and better decision-making skills, all while having fun.

Your 4-H Center has been in operation since 1940, serving as a 4-H Camp each summer and providing specialty camps during the rest of the year. We are working to ensure those services are available to you and your family for another 70 years! However as with any business or agency, the current recession has forced the 4-H Center's administration and Board of Directors to scrutinize budgets, debt load and future plans.

After this assessment of current cost and educated projections of future cost for 4-H camp, we realize that the 4-H Center is currently subsidizing each camper at the Center \$40 per week. The conclusion has been made that camp fees will be raised in order to continue offering the wonderful youth development experience that is 4-H camp. Increased costs for food, electricity, fuel and upkeep of the existing facility must be addressed.

We ask that you take a few minutes to complete the attached questionnaire, either on-line or by mail, to help the 4-H Center Board of Directors determine the best course in closing the cost gap. To do so online, please go to [web address](#). To mail it in, simply fill it out the attached questionnaire and mail it to the address at the bottom of the questionnaire.

We appreciate your time and assistance in continuing the 4-H Camp experience and tradition.

Sincerely,

John G. Thompson
Chairman, Administration and Finance Committee
Holiday Lake 4-H Center

Unit 4-H Agent Name/ Title

**Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center
2010 Parental Questionnaire on Camp Fees and Support**

Thank you for taking the time to support the efforts of the Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center's Board of Directors to maintain the outstanding camp experience in a financially responsible manor. This questionnaire may also be filled out electronically at [web address](#).

1. In order for the Center to be financially stable and continue to offer a high quality camp experience, could you support/pay a \$40 per child increase for the summer of 2011?
 Yes No

2. If not what would you see as a reasonable increase for five days of programs and meals and four nights of lodging?
 \$30 \$25 \$20

3. Would you be interested in receiving a newsletter, either by email or in the mail, that highlights the 4-H Center's programs and services?
 Yes No

4. If yes please provide the following:
 Please send me the electronic newsletter: (email) _____
 Please send me the newsletter through the mail:

Name: _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

5. Please list any suggestions, comments or concerns here:

If mailing this questionnaire, please send to:
Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center
1267 4-H Camp Road
Appomattox, VA 24522