



4-H SUMMER CAMP

Crafting Leaders, Innovators, and Citizens

Florida 4-H Camping uses a learn-by-doing approach to help youth gain the knowledge and skills they need to be responsible, productive citizens. 4-H camps create safe and inclusive environments, involve caring adults, and utilize the expertise and resources of UF/IFAS.

2,065 YOUTH
(ages 8-18)

82 ADULT VOLUNTEERS

4-H CAMPS

focus on three essential elements of positive youth development:

Belonging

93% of campers felt "accepted for who I am."

89% of 2017 campers agree/strongly agree that counselors, staff, or adult volunteers "took an interest in me."

Generosity

92% of campers agree/strongly agree that they were encouraged or helped by counselors, staff or volunteers.

78% of campers feel 4-H camp helped them learn to enjoy, appreciate, and care about nature; including plants and animals.

Resulting in **74%** expressing a desire to "reuse or recycle things before throwing them away"

Independence

80% agree/strongly agree that as a result of attending 4-H camp they learned to "make my own decisions instead of going along with the group."

93% of counselors reported that they agree/strongly agree as a result of being a camp counselor they are more likely to "be responsible for my own actions."



4-H Camps builds leaders:

85%

of counselors reported improvement in at least

1 of 18

leadership or group management skills measured...and

53%

improved in

9

or more skills.