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4-H CAMP BRISTOL HILLS
YOUNG MEN'S ADVENTURE CAMP
2021 APPLICATION PACKET

July 4-9

July 11-16

July 18-23

July 25-30

Aug 1-6

Aug 8-13

Boys have limited opportunities to discuss the special challenges facing them and to build the necessary resources to achieve a happy and productive adulthood. These challenges include relationships with family and friends, academic pressures, concerns over body image, dating and pre-marital sex. The Young Men's Adventure Camp (YMAC) will provide a safe and engaging program that will allow boys to participate in traditional camp activities that have been intentionally sequenced to generate discussion that will build resources and skills to address challenges.

4-H Camp Bristol Hills is pleased to offer this six-day/five-night residential camp program for at-risk* boys going into 6th through 9th grades this summer. Enrolled YMAC campers will participate in a week of Resident Camp, while working with a 4-H Camp Staff Mentor to have camp be a successful experience. Boys will have the opportunity to experience traditional Camp classes and activities, participate in all-camp evening programs, meals, and cabin activities. YMAC is offered each week of summer camp

The Young Men's Adventure Camp is funded through the New York State Office of Children and Families Services, in cooperation with the Ontario County Youth Board. The program is available at no cost for eligible Ontario County boys going into 6th through 9th grades.

We are asking your assistance in recruiting participants for this FREE program. Agency staff who would like to refer a boy for this program should work with the family through the process. Let them know that their son will be attending a traditional residential summer camp program, like over 900 other boys and girls this summer. Assure them that they will be treated like every other camper; and confirm that this is a great opportunity for their son to have a fun summer experience. Camp should not be considered a treatment or as disciplinary action.

We believe that this type of a program depends on collaborations between the camper and his family, and social service agencies. To that end, the application process requires both parties to complete a part of the application form. Agency staff should complete the yellow section, titled Application Supplement-Agency and the family should fill out the blue section, titled "Application Supplement- Family, as well as a standard Camper Application (found in the 2021 Summer Camp Brochure, available online at 4-hcampbristolhills.org). All questions on the application must be completed to be considered for participation in the program. Boys will be selected based on the date we receive their application and the perceived benefits of participating in this type of program.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding the Young Men's Adventure Camp.

Sincerely,

James A. Hooper
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**At-Risk boys may include one or more of the following: consideration for placement outside the home, presently receiving community-based intervention services, limited English language skills, and/or in need of employment supports.*

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