We will still be waiting a few more weeks to see what the national developments and healthcare realities are looking like before we make any final decisions regarding the summer season, as we continue to examine and pursue any and all avenues to provide your camper with a safe and beneficial summer camp experience. This could include the possibility of an adjusted summer schedule, if that was deemed prudent, and/or a new virtual Camp program we’ve got up our sleeves to keep your camper connected to their LG Cook 4-H Camp family.

However, we wanted to let you know that if the healthcare realities prevent us from offering your camper a week at Summer Camp in 2020 we will have the following options available:

**Contribution**

4-H Camp is supported almost entirely by our summer camp tuition, and the fees for 2020 have already gone toward a variety of institutional costs, as well as initiatives to maintain and improve our facility. Families who elect to contribute a portion of their 2020 Camp fees to 4-H Camp would be greatly appreciated. Contributing a portion of your fee to 4-H Camp will also enroll your camper in our online Camp program we’re building (and we’re actually pretty excited about). Like REAL Summer Camp it will be based on interaction, making new friends, developing supportive relationships with our Camp Staff, and hopefully having a lot of fun and laughing a good deal. We hope this program would eventually culminate to in-person events for our virtual camp groups. Any families who choose to contribute would also receive the same benefits that come along with crediting their payment.

**Credit**

As we look at the financial realities that would accompany any canceled summer sessions, families who credit their camp fees for a future program would also be helping the stability of our 4-H Camp institution. If we are able to offer any Camp sessions at the end of August or leading up to the start of school, campers who credit would get first chance to sign up for those new sessions. Campers who credit will also be able to sign up for 2021 in advance of open enrollment for first selection of all camp sessions and classes. (If your camper is 16 and aging out this summer, we WILL have plans to get them their final week as a camper…at some point.) No decision is needed on your part at this time! We will be in touch with further details soon. We would potentially anticipate a decision on our July sessions before our August sessions.

We’d be more than happy to speak on the phone if you’d like to call the Camp Office – like a lot of folks, we now find ourselves with some unexpected time on our hands. As is the “Campy” way, we will endeavor to make the very best out of whatever situation we find ourselves in.

Thanks for your patience as we sort this out, and please let us know if there is any way the Camp Family can help support you and your family.

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Rutgers University has currently suspended in-person summer programming. In accordance, we have paused our planning and preparation for the Summer 2020 season at 4-H Camp as we continue to monitor this crisis, coordinate with the University, and correspond with State Public Health Officials.