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4-H YOUTH LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE TO BE HELD AT RUTGERS UNIVERISTY

Twenty-four (24) 4-H members representing 10 counties and eight teens from Russia will be participating in the New Jersey 4-H goLEAD Youth Leadership Institute on June 29-30 at Rutgers University in New Brunswick.

The NJ 4-H goLEAD Youth Leadership Institute will provide an opportunity for middle school age youth to develop leadership and community service knowledge and skills. The theme this year is goLEAD for 4E and the workshops and guest speakers will focus on environmental topics.

goLEAD (generationOn Leadership, Education, and Development) is an innovative approach to equip middle and high school aged youth with invaluable 21st century skills that will allow them to change themselves and the world through service and is a program of Generation On, a global youth service movement igniting the power of all kids to make their mark on the world.

4-H members participating in the New Jersey 4-H goLEAD Youth Leadership Institute include:

Bergen County - Leah Welch
Burlington County - Brenna Beebe, Cody McBride and Shannon McBride
Camden County - Brittney Albarran and Savannah Brannan
Hunterdon County - Taylor Lengen and Jeffrey Staudt
Middlesex County - Kyle Handojo and Riya Shah
Monmouth County - Mary Bryant, Shawn Hill, and Sarah Ou
Salem County - Sarah Bayous, Allie Gieswein, Mikaela Gieswein, and Maya Martin
Somerset County - Laura Amerman, Tatiana Garcia, Ashlee Gibbons, and Allison Yin
Sussex County - Will Teitsma
Warren County - Lynds Westermann and Tabi Westermann

“Citizenship is one of the 4-H Mission Mandates so community service is an integral part of every 4-H member’s experience. The goLEAD curriculum will enhance 4-H members knowledge about how to go about planning and conducting service projects in their own communities, as well as reflect on the impact they are having on their community.” says Jeannette Rea Keywood, 4-H Agent, Department of 4-H Youth Development.

The 4-H Youth Development Program is part of Rutgers, New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station - Cooperative Extension. 4-H educational programs are offered to all youth, grades K-13 (one year out of high school), on an age-appropriate basis, without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, disability, atypical hereditary cellular or blood trait, marital status, domestic partnership status, military service, veteran status and any other category protected by law.

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