District 9 4-H Leadership Lab Guidelines June 26-28, 2018 Texas A&M Galveston

EVENT INFORMATION	Leadership Lab is a three-day, two-night leadership training for 4-H youth. Leadership Lab is designed to prepare District 9 4-H members for various leadership roles at the county, district, and state level. Participants gain valuable knowledge and skills they can take home and implement in their local county 4-H program. By combining work and play, activities are designed to explore creativity in leadership roles, enhance team building skills, and develop communication and public speaking skills.
LOCATION	District 9 4-H Leadership Lab will be held at Texas A&M Galveston in Galveston, Texas.
THEME	The theme for Leadership Lab 2018 is "The 4-H Files". Activities will be coordinated around this theme.
COST	\$200.00/person for 4-H members, adult leaders, and county Extension agents. No refunds will be given. The cost covers lodging, meals, a t-shirt, and activity fees (unless otherwise indicated). Counties are responsible for transportation to and from Leadership Lab facilities.
REGISTRATION	All participants, chaperones, and agents MUST register on 4-H CONNECT (https://texas.4honline.com/) by May 30, 2018. Late registration will be accepted June 6 through June 16 for an additional \$30.00 (Late fee total – \$230.00).
AGE REQUIREMENT	All senior aged youth (grades 9 th - 12 th as of August 31, 2017) may participate, including graduating 2018 seniors. Youth that have completed the 8 th grade as of Leadership Lab dates may also participate.
DRESS CODE	Attire for Leadership Lab is casual but 4-H appropriate. Items not allowed: *tops with spaghetti straps, halter type tops, shirts that reveal the midriff, excessively loose fitting pants or jeans, short shorts or skirts, clothing advertising or referencing alcohol, drugs, violence or having sexual content. * Two-piece swimsuits are allowed, but should adequately cover all body parts.

WHAT TO BRING

- Bedding (pillow, sheets, and blankets), towels, washcloths, shower shoes, and any personal items needed. All participants (youth and adults) will be housed in dorm facilities.
- Clothes and shoes for active sports, swimsuits, water shoes, outdoor recreation and nightly dances. We are going to Schlitterbahn so plan accordingly.
- Light jacket or sweater in case of inclement weather or cold classrooms.
- Tennis shoes, boots or some other closed toe shoes that can get WET and DIRTY.
- Beach towel, sunscreen, hat, and mosquito spray
- Please do not bring valuable electronic equipment.

MEDICAL INFORMATION

Each participant (youth AND adults, including CEAs) is required to bring the following forms with them to Leadership Adventure:

- Release, Waiver, and Authorization for Medical Treatment (Camps Waiver Form)
- Health Statement
- Medication Dispensing Form (if taking medications)

Forms should be completely filled out, including ALL SIGNATURES

Two – three sets will be needed. One for the District office to keep on file, one for TAMU-G to keep on file and one for the person you are traveling with provided that person in not a parent/guardian.

OFFICER ELECTIONS

- Elections will be conducted at Leadership Lab on Thursday, June 28, 2018
- All nominees must complete and submit the officer nomination form (application), through their County Extension office, to the District Office by 5 p.m. May 30, 2018.
- Criteria for District 9 4-H Council nomination is on the form; please note the eligibility, age and enrollment requirements
- Each County may submit only 3 candidates, and have only 2 voting delegates (if they have 2 or more participants attending Leadership Lab)
- Everyone should be familiar with the District 9 Council By-laws.
- Any nominee running for a District officer is strongly encouraged to attend Pre-lab (June 18, 2018) to be considered as a teen leader during Leadership Adventures. Those running will be notified of location and time

 Nomination form and by-laws can be found on the D9 Council Officer website page.