

# 2018 FFA-FCCLA Summer Leadership Camp

*Camp John Hope FFA-FCCLA Center – Fort Valley, GA*

*Georgia FFA-FCCLA Center – Covington, GA*

<b>2018 Dates &amp; Rates</b>		<b>Early Registration Student &amp; Advisor*</b>	<b>Post-deadline Registration</b>	<b>Advisor Children</b>	<b>Deposit per Student</b> <i>(required for students only)</i>
Week 1 – <b>BOTH CAMPS</b>	May 21-25	\$165	\$185	\$95	\$80
Week 2 – <b>BOTH CAMPS</b>	May 28-June 1	\$165	\$185	\$95	\$80
Week 3 – <b>GFFC ONLY</b>	June 4-8	\$165	\$185	\$95	\$80
Week 4 – <b>GFFC ONLY</b>	June 11-15	\$165	\$185	\$95	\$80
Week 5 – <b>GFFC ONLY</b>	June 18-22	\$165	\$185	\$95	\$80
Week 6 – <b>GFFC ONLY</b>	June 25-29	\$165	\$185	\$95	\$80

- **\*Advisor Special:** One free advisor per 10 students from a single chapter. This applies only to individual chapters. You must have 10 students actually attend in order to get the free advisor.
- **Chaperone Special:** Registration is free for non-advisor adult chaperones (such as a parent) that are needed to supervise a gender of students if there is not an advisor for both genders. The chaperone must stay in the cabin with students to qualify. **All chaperones must be at least 21 years of age.** They must be approved by your school administration and follow your school's chaperone policies. Chaperones must sign the Advisor Expectations form and follow all camp policies.
- **Advisor Children:** Children of advisors age 4 and up may receive the reduced rate only if they are not FFA or FCCLA members. They will not be allowed to compete in "Team of the Week" competitions during the week. Children 3 and under are free.
- **When money is due:** The deposit per student is required to register. Deposit must be received within two weeks of online registration form submission. Balance is due upon arrival at camp. Advisors may send the advisor's registration balance after camp.
- **Explanation of Early Registration Price:** If you submit your Registration *and Deposit* before the Early Registration Deadline then the early registration fee applies. If you register or add students after the deadline then students pay the increased rate.

## Web Links:

**SLC Website:** [GeorgiaSLC.org](http://GeorgiaSLC.org)

**Camp John Hope FFA-FCCLA Center Facebook:** [Facebook.com/CampJohnHope](https://www.facebook.com/CampJohnHope)

**Georgia FFA-FCCLA Center SLC Facebook:** [Facebook.com/GeorgiaSLC](https://www.facebook.com/GeorgiaSLC)

# Who can you bring to camp?

- **Members:** Any dues-paid member of your FFA or FCCLA Chapter who you believe will be a good representative of your chapter and school. All students must attend with their chapter - no individual registrations are accepted.
- **Advisors of FFA and FCCLA chapters.**
- **Adult Chaperones:** Advisors are responsible for ensuring at least 1 adult per 10 students. If you bring more than 5 students of a single gender, you **MUST** arrange an advisor or chaperone to stay with them. If you do not have enough chaperones, contact another advisor before camp to make arrangements. **All chaperones must be at least 21 years of age.** They must be approved by your school administration and follow your school's chaperone policies. Chaperones must sign the Advisor Expectations form and follow all camp policies.
- **Graduated Seniors:** Graduated senior FFA or FCCLA members who graduated in the current year may attend. Anyone who graduated high school before the current year may **NOT** participate as a member.
- **Advisor Children:** Children of advisors may attend. They may receive a reduced rate only if they are not FFA or FCCLA members. If they are not members, they will not be allowed to compete in "Team of the Week" competitions during the week. Check with your school system to ensure that there are no additional restrictions on bringing your child to camp. Children age 3 and under are free. Children age 5 and over cannot stay in the cabin of the opposite gender.

# Deposit Policy

- No deposit required for advisors, chaperones, or children of advisors (if non-members)
- The deposit is part of the total cost.
- Deposits equal student slots for you chapter.
- You **MUST** send a deposit for the number of students that you registered online. If you send a deposit for less than you registered, you will be invoiced for the remaining deposits.
- Deposits are non-refundable and forfeited if you cancel or if your number of students decreases. Deposits for a cancelled student will not be applied to the balance for your chapter. Forfeited deposits will not be applied to advisor or child payments.
- You **CAN** substitute another student from your chapter for a cancelled student from your chapter prior to arrival.
- Deposits can be transferred to another chapter only if the chapters are in the same system **AND** payment for the two chapters is being made with one check.
- If your chapter pays the full registration fee prior to camp, and a student cancels, you may receive a refund for that student's fee less the deposit for that student.

# To Register

Step 1:	<p><b><u>At Camp John Hope FFA-FCCLA Center:</u></b></p> <p><b>Complete the Online Registration Form_</b> <b>Registration opens 7:00 AM on Tuesday February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018!</b> Note that some weeks will reach capacity within minutes of registration opening. Note that you must send a deposit for the exact number that you submit online. We will provide a sample of what the form looks like.</p> <p><b>**NEW FOR 2018:</b> Due to the demand for a Middle School Week at CJH, we will be doing a soft opening of registration on January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 to determine if we have the numbers to justify a middle school-only week of SLC. If confirmed, the Middle School Week will be held during Week 2 (May 28-June 1). If you are a middle school chapter who would like to attend a middle school-only week at Camp John Hope FFA-FCCLA Center, please register during the soft opening on January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 at GeorgiaSLC.org.</p>
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Step 2:	<p><b><u>Send your Deposit check</u></b> We must receive your deposit within two weeks of completing the online Registration Form. The deposit must match what you submit online or you will be billed for the difference.</p>

Step 3:	<p><b><u>Make changes as necessary through the online system</u></b>  Submit an updated Registration Form if you have changes. Rules for making changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>To make an even swap</b> (substituting one student for another student) - there is no change to the price.</li> <li>• <b>To add a paying adult or child</b> - if the week is still open, you can simply add an adult or advisor's child at the current price. No deposit needed.</li> <li>• <b>To add a student</b> - (if the week is still open) if you add them AND send a deposit for them before the early registration deadline, add them at the early price. If you add them after the deadline, add them at standard price.</li> <li>• <b>To drop an adult or child</b> - no penalty.</li> <li>• <b>To drop a student</b> - you forfeit the deposit for any dropped student.</li> </ul>
Step 4:	<p><b><u>Complete the Online Final Registration Roster</u></b>  Complete this step by Wednesday at 2:00 PM on the week prior to your week of camp. Even if you anticipate some changes may occur, it is important that you complete the Roster.</p>
Step 5:	<p><b><u>Check In at Camp!</u></b>  Students are asked to remain outside during check-in. You will need to have the following items at check-in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Completed “Advisor/Chaperone Expectations” for every adult attending SLC</b></li> <li>• <b>Accurate Final Registration Roster</b></li> <li>• <b>Full payment.</b></li> <li>• <b>All “Parental Consent Forms, Medical Forms, and Code of Conduct Forms.”</b> No camper will be allowed to stay at camp without these. Make a copy of these for you to keep during the week and for travel back home.</li> <li>• <b>Door Prize (optional).</b> We ask that chapters bring a door prize of \$10 value.</li> </ul>

# There is even more information online at GeorgiaSLC.org, including...

- **A Student Page with links and info**
- **Overview of SLC for first timers**
- **Forms and Vital Info Available to Download:**

## **Advisor Information**

- Preparation Checklist
- Advisor/Chaperone Expectations (must be signed and turned in by every adult attending SLC)
- Parental Consent / Medical Information / Code of Conduct (Give to students - required at check-in)
- Camp Policies and Dress Code (Give to students)
- What to Bring (Give to students)
- Letter to Parent (Edit and give to parents)
- Tentative Schedule
- Advisor's What to Bring
- Safety Procedures
- Directions to the camp
- Camp Map
- Golf Cart Policy (if you plan to bring a golf cart)
- Scholarship Letter (for you to edit and give to potential sponsors)
- Check-In Instructions (step by step info to make check-in easier for teachers)

## **Leaders in Training Information**

- Optional information regarding an opportunity for students who are not eligible for Summer Staff but want to work a week of camp

## **Promotional Tools**

## **Team of the Week Information**

# Preparation Checklist

## January - February:

- Obtain approval from your school administration
- Check Summer Camp dates with your schedule to determine which week you can attend
- Post the Summer Camp Promotional Information and Sign-Up Sheet
- Recruit students
  - Use promotional materials on the website (Video, PowerPoint's, etc)
  - Get students to "Like" the GeorgiaSLC Facebook page for updates and pics
  - Set a deadline for registrations to be received
- Line up transportation
- Plan for fundraisers to help pay for camp. We also recommend asking for local businesses and individuals to sponsor a student.
- Distribute information to parents and students
  - Letter to Parents
  - Parental Consent Form/Medical Form/Code of Conduct
  - Camp Policies/Dress Code
  - What to Bring
- Collect deposit from students

## March - April:

- Submit Online Registration and send Deposit (See online advisor guide for exact dates)
- Line up chaperones as needed. If you do not have an advisor for both genders, line up a chaperone OR contact an advisor from another school who is coming to camp for the same week.

## April - May:

- Make any changes in your numbers
- Discuss policies and expectations with students
- Collect any remaining money from students
- Collect Parental Consent Form/Medical Form/Student Code of Conduct
  - Make copies for you to have during camp and for travel after camp.

## One Week prior to Camp:

- Submit Online Final Registration Roster by Wednesday 2:00 PM

## Bring With You to Camp:

- Signed Advisor/Chaperone Expectations form for each adult attending
- Check for balance due
- Accurate Final Registration Roster
- Signed Parental Consent Form/Medical Form/Student Code of Conduct for every person
- Door Prize (\$10 value)

## After Camp:

- Turn in Feedback Forms before departure
- Send a press release to local newspaper

# What's New at Camp John Hope FFA-FCCLA Center?

- **Due to the demand for a Middle School Week at CJH, we will be doing a soft opening of registration on January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 to determine if we have the numbers to justify a middle school-only week of SLC.** If confirmed, the Middle School Week will be held during Week 2 (May 28-June 1). If you are a middle school chapter who would like to attend a middle school-only week at Camp John Hope FFA-FCCLA Center, please register during the soft opening on January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 at GeorgiaSLC.org.
- We will plan to have 2 weeks of camp! We now offer 2 weeks to help accommodate the growth in numbers.
- As a reminder, last year we made some changes for chaperones. **All chaperones must be at least 21 years of age.** They must be approved by your school administration and follow your school's chaperone policies. Chaperones must sign the Advisor Expectations form and follow all camp policies.
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# What's New at the Georgia FFA-FCCLA Center?

- Dr. Al Snyder will return to perform a hypnotist show.
- The new Dining Hall is projected to open for SLC!
- Registration change: We will limit the number of people that can register for a week during Large County Registration. No more than ½ of capacity can be filled on Large County Registration.
- Pre-Camper Program: If there is enough demand, we will offer a daily program for Advisor Children for weeks 5 and 6. We hope that some advisors with young children will opt for these later weeks which will help balance the weeks.
- The Thursday afternoon event will be a special team event instead of the mud course. We will continue to rotate the mud course with a different team challenge every other year.
- Remember that the first 3 weeks will likely fill in minutes. We strongly recommend that chapters consider the last 3 weeks to avoid having to change plans due to a week that is full. If you plan to come for one of the first 3 weeks, we recommend having a backup plan for one of the later weeks.
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- To avoid potential issues, we are reminding teachers that if you are attending SLC during your post planning, you may not use those days for extended year days.
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# Summer Staff

If you have outstanding students who graduated in May 2017 or earlier, they may be eligible for 2018 Summer Staff! Application and information is online, and positions fill quickly! Interviews begin in February! Spots are available at both camps.

## Leaders in Training (LIT)

The Leaders in Training (LIT) Program is designed to allow a small number of students to take a greater leadership role with the Summer Leadership Camp programs. The goal is to develop and practice intensive leadership skills in these students that will impact the camping experience and their lives after camp.

### Qualifications:

- Completed 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade
- Been to camp at least 2 years
- FFA or FCCLA member in good standing
- Proven leadership skills and/or potential

Application and full information is online now!