

# Q and A for Lake County 4-H Summer

**COST:** A week of 4-H Camp costs \_\_\_\_\_ to be determined, this includes meals, insurance, lodging, snacks & program materials for 5 days & 4 nights. This reduced rate, compared to other Florida youth camps, is made possible because this 4-H Camp is an IFAS Extension sponsored activity with the support of Florida 4-H Foundation.

**SCHOLARSHIPS:** You may qualify for a discount of from 25% to 75% if you meet certain scholarship criteria which includes completing a record book, participating in county events day, & entering share the fun &/or fashion revue.

**CLOTHING CANTEEN:** Campers may bring money to buy souvenir items at the canteen. Please see list of items attached. Parents you may send money or a check payable to "Florida 4-H Foundation" for the cost of clothing canteen. This will be the only opportunity to buy clothing during the week of camp. Items may also be purchased Friday after camp adjourns.

**ARRIVAL:** Plan to arrive at 4-H Camp Ocala between 10:30 & 11:00 a.m. on the first day. You must arrange your own transportation. The camp is located approximately 9 miles north of Altoona on Hwy 19 in Lake County. Turn left at the sign "Fire Control Station"/4-H Camp Ocala. Go 1 mile. Unload at semi-circle parking area.

**RETURN:** Camp will close at 11:00 a.m. on the last day. Parents should arrive between 10:30 & 11:00 a.m. to pick up campers. Campers are not allowed to leave until cabins are inspected & have been given permission by Agent in charge.

**MAIL:** You can write to: 4-H Camp Ocala, 18533 NFS Road 535, Altoona, FL 32702. Parents, we suggest you mail on Monday so it will arrive before we leave camp.

**EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER:** The phone number to the office at Camp Ocala is 352-759-2288, this number can only be used for emergency purposes. Parents a can be provided, cell phones are not allowed to be used by campers while at camp.

**DAY TIME PROGRAMS:** All campers will participate in recreational activities each day. Late afternoons will be organized free time for swimming, canoeing, crafts, & games.

**EVENING PROGRAMS:** Could include--Dutch Auction/Flag Retirement by camp fire, Wacky Olympics, A Varsity Show, Dance, Quite Recreation/Alternative, Mock Legislature, Candle Light Ceremony

**OUT TRIPS:** Many campers ages 11 & over will be going on an out trip. The campers, according to age, will be going swimming at Alexander Springs. Campers will be transported by buses & vans.

**SUPERVISION:** Campers will be busy learning, recreating & making new friends. They will be well supervised by Extension Agents, county adult volunteers & camp staff. There will be a trained youth counselor in each cabin.

**CAMP DRESS CODE:** NO half shirts  
NO spaghetti straps  
NO underwear showing at any time  
NO T-Shirts with questionable messages  
NO open toed shoes outside of cabin, except to waterfront

Only one piece swim suits allowed or dark colored T-Shirts over two piece suits. Only casual attire may be worn to the dance. Shorts must be pinky length see: <http://lake.ifas.ufl.edu/4-H/camp.shtml>.

If you break the dress code you will be asked to change. If you do not abide by the rules you will be sent home & your parents will be responsible for coming to get you.

**CAMPER'S PACKING LIST:**

√swimsuit * NO two-piece	√Flip flops for shower	
√2 bath towels	√2 pairs of closed toe shoes	√casual clothes for 5 days
√grooming articles	√non aerosol insect repellent	√rainwear & /or umbrella
√pillow & sheets,	√blanket or sleeping bag	√soap, shampoo, etc
√flashlight	√water bottle, labeled with camper name	

**Optional items:** \*fishing gear \*swim mask & snorkel, advance swimmer only \*alarm clock \*camera

**DO NOT BRING:** Boom Box, jewelry or other valuables, tobacco products, alcohol, drugs, fireworks, weapons, or shaving cream. There is NO tolerance policy for possession of any substance.

Campers are not allowed to bring cell phones or any other electronic devices to camp.

**REMINDERS:** Label everything, including sheets & shoes. Your parents don't want you to lose anything. You have to carry all your gear a long way to your cabin, so pack as lightly as possible. Two small bags are better than one large bag.

**DAMAGE POLICY:** There is a damage police at camp. If you damage any equipment, buildings or facilities you will be charged a minimum of \$25 or the cost of fixing it. This means if you write your name on a wall it will cost \$25. We want our camp to remain in good shape for everyone to enjoy.

**CAMP OCALA & FLORIDA 4-H HAS A ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY FOR BRINGING ANY ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES.**