Area 7 FFA Leadership Camp — Chapter Advisor Letter June 18-20, 2024 — Schreiner University, Kerrville

Advisors,

We are very excited that your students are interested in joining the 2024-2025 Area 7 Officers at ALC '24! The Area Leadership Camp is designed for those students that have a passion for the FFA and want to expand their leadership skills and make connections outside their home chapter & district.

The price per camper is \$175 and participants will receive a t-shirt, camp padfolio and all meals included. All applications and money are due to the Area Camp table at Area Convention on Saturday, May 11th by 10 am (this includes all district and area officer applications as well). The Area VII FFA Camp Application must have ALL parts completed, including requested signatures, and be submitted with payment for each camper by the deadline. Each chapter must also submit a single Chapter Ranking Form that corresponds to the applications the chapter submits. Advisors must rank their chapter members in the order they would like them to be considered for ALC selection. Please do not submit any applications for students who are not in good conduct standing in your FFA program or school.

The number of campers is not guaranteed. Camper numbers depend on the number of chapters applying for camp, the ratio of males to females, and sleeping accommodations available, as well as consideration for required chaperones.

Area and District Officers elected for the 2024-2025 school year will automatically be selected to be part of ALC, but please mark on the chapter ranking form their names in the appropriate section. A chapter advisor for EACH Area Officer will be required to attend camp in its entirety. Please indicate who this advisor will be on the Chapter Ranking Form in space at the bottom of the form.

Students elected to an Area Officer position will have their camp fee paid for by the Area 7 Association and payment submitted by the chapter will be returned/reimbursed.

District Officers camp fees are typically paid for by their respective districts, however, it is up to the chapter advisor of the District Officer to verify that the District Association is paying the fee.

Camp fees for students not selected to attend ALC will have a reimbursement check issued to the payee of the check, or if it was an individual payment (personal check) the check will be returned to the school the student attends. **Students** selected to attend camp who cannot attend will NOT be issued a refund. The spot will first be offered to another student of the same gender at that school first. If there is not another student of the same gender from that school able to attend ALC, a student from another chapter will be selected.

A list of items that should be brought to camp (bedding, sunscreen, etc) by each student attending ALC can be found in the Student ALC Letter. Students must be in school appropriate clothes at all times while at camp.

The Area 7 Leadership Camp expectation is that the chapter advisor is dropping off and picking up the students that are attending the camp. If a chapter advisor is not able to do so, an authorized parent/guardian of the child that will be attending is allowed to drop off/pick up the student, but notification of this special situation must be sent by email to Ms. Weller. This email must include the name of the student, the name of the parent/guardian picking up/dropping off, and the chapter. Students are NOT allowed to drive their own vehicles to the camp for any reason; they must be accompanied by an Ag Teacher or Parent/Guardian to and from camp, with the exception of the Area Officers who are required to arrive a day early. Any Area Officer driving to ALC will be required to relinquish their keys to Ms. Weller after arrival. If special arrangements need to be made for any camper after camp has begun, please text that information to Ms. Weller.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. In the event that you need to contact one of your students during camp, please text me, Kari Beth Langbein or Josh Anderson. Students will be expected to keep their phones put away for much of the camp.

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