

# 4-H<sub>2</sub>O CAMP

## Educating Today's Youth on Georgia's Water Resources

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### WHAT IS 4-H<sub>2</sub>O CAMP?

**4-H<sub>2</sub>O Camp is a three-day camp** for Southwest Georgia 4-H members that teaches the importance of irrigation and water conservation for agriculture, as well as the importance of a clean water supply for recreational purposes.

Participating counties have included Baker, Calhoun, Colquitt, Crisp, Decatur, Dougherty, Lanier, Tift, Mitchell, Randolph, Sumter, and Terrell.

#### Activities include:

- **Educational and fun hands-on activities** presented by scientists, researchers, and field-related personnel focusing on water quality, water conservation, water usage, and global water issues.
- **Visits to relevant locations** like Flint RiverQuarium (Albany, GA), George Andrews Lock and Dam (Jakin, GA), Water World (Dothan, AL), and Stripling Irrigation Research Park (Camilla, GA).

### WHY 4-H<sub>2</sub>O CAMP?

**Water plays a vital role in South Georgia agricultural production.** With the ongoing water wars between the states of Florida and Georgia, it is critical to educate our youth about the importance of water conservation and quality.

### IMPACT of 4-H<sub>2</sub>O CAMP

**4-H<sub>2</sub>O Camp began in 2008** as a collaboration between Mitchell County 4-H and C.M. Stripling Irrigation Research Park in Camilla, Georgia.

#### ATTENDANCE

2008  
**15**  
participants

2019  
**252**  
participants

**>\$54,000**  
funding secured  
(grants/donations/fees)

**Point of Pride:**  
Several participants  
have gone on to careers  
in agriculture and/or  
water-related fields.

**>2000**  
youth & adult  
participants since 2008



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