2023 Avery County 4-H

Summer W.O.W. Program Rules and Policies

The Avery County 4-H Summer "W.O.W." Program stands for "Wonderful Opportunities Waiting" for you and your child. We pride ourselves in offering a fun and safe learning environment. We hope by planning a sensational summer enrichment program, your child/children can learn and grow through these unique opportunities.

Youth that are 5-12 years of age can participate. Children must have completed Kindergarten to enroll.

Operating Hours:

The Avery County 4-H Summer W.O.W. Program hours of operation will be Monday through Friday from 7:30am-5:30pm.

Location:

The 2023 4-H Summer W.O.W Program will be located at Newland Elementary School. Please plan to drop your youth(s) off and pick them up at this location.

Sign-in and Sign-out Procedure:

Your child/children must be signed in and out daily by W.O.W. staff; youth will only be released to individuals listed on the child/children's pick-up sheet.

If there is an existing legal custody document you MUST attach a copy to the registration form. Please make the Avery County 4-H Staff aware of any custody issues or special arrangements. The program strives on ensuring each participant's safety.

Cost:

The cost of the program is $25 per youth/per day. The cost includes all activities, materials, breakfast, lunch and snack.

All program fees must be paid in full at time of registration, unless a payment plan has been approved. *No family will be allowed to register unless outstanding accounts from WOW in previous year(s) have been settled.*

Child Care Subsidy:

The 4-H Summer W.O.W. Program is licensed through the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and Division of Child Development.

If you have youth between the ages of 5-12 years of age, you may qualify for financial assistance. To inquire, call Amy Trivette-Greene at the Avery County Department of Social Services at (828)733-8230.

Scholarships:

If you do not qualify for financial assistance through the Department of Social Services, you can contact the Avery County Cooperative Extension Center, (828)733-8270, to request a scholarship form. A limited amount of scholarship funds are available if you meet the criteria.

Late Fees:

Late fees will be enforced and apply to everyone; five to thirty minutes late for pick up will result in a $10.00 late fee charge, per youth/per day. During this 30-minute period, emergency contacts will be called, after this period the staff will contact the proper emergency agency for further instruction.

Late fee(s) must be paid before the next scheduled activity or your youth(s) will not be allowed to participate.

Registration:

The following forms need to be completed prior to your youth's participation:

- ☐ **Enrollment/Membership**
- ☐ **Insurance/Medical Consent (MUST BE NOTARIZED)**
- ☐ **Release Form**
- ☐ **Identification Form**
- ☐ **Sunscreen Form**
- ☐ **Code of Conduct**
- ☐ **Discipline and Behavior Management Policy**
- ☐ **Receipt of Program Rules & Childcare Laws**
- ☐ **Aquatic Form**

Please mail payments to:
Avery County Cooperative Extension Center
661 Vale Road
Newland, NC 28657

Please make checks payable to:
WAMY Community Action

You may drop off forms and payments at the Avery County Cooperative Extension Center, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm (located at Heritage Park behind Ingles). All forms need to be submitted by 12 pm, 2 days prior to attending.

Daily participation is limited and on a first-come-first-serve basis only. No telephone registrations will be accepted.

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Refund Policy:

No refunds will be given for missed days, arriving late, or being suspended from the programs. We also regret we cannot give or switch registration fees to another activity or child.

Dress Code:

The Avery County Program takes great pride in representing our county, and therefore how we are dressed is important. Please dress respectfully. No halter-tops, tube/belly, strapless, low-cut shirts, mini-skirts, and clothes advertising alcohol, drugs, tobacco, hate/racist groups or bad language. Bathing suits must be conservative.

Dress code violations will result in youth being asked to change or leave the program for the day. No refund will be given.
For safety reason, please No Flip-Flops! Youth should wear shoes that fit securely on their feet.

Self-Care Policy:

Participants are expected to follow rules of safety and interaction, have independence with toileting, feeding, and personal care needs and easily understand and follow directions.

Participants should be able to physically feed themselves.

No diapering is allowed at our camp, all campers must be completely "potty trained", and able to clean/wipe themselves with no assistance.

Tobacco Policy:

NO TOBACCO IS ALLOWED ON SCHOOL PROPERTY. THIS APPLIES TO ALL PARTICIPANTS IN THE PROGRAMS, STAFF, AS WELL AS PARENTS AND GUARDIANS.

Do Not Bring:

Youth are asked not to bring any of the following items to W.O.W:

No electronic devices, cell phones, video games, knives (including pocket knives), cigarette lighters, tobacco, drugs, non-prescription medications, alcohol, guns (including play guns), fireworks, weapons of any kind, gum, pets, or any large sums of money.

Items can easily be lost, broken or dropped in water. 4-H will not reimburse any child or parent for lost, stolen or broken items.

Sunscreen:

The Avery County 4-H Program is happy to provide sunscreen for your child; 30+ SPF is provided on days the activities will be outside.

The program uses Equate or No-Ad Brands from Wal-Mart. If your child would like to bring their own, please clearly label the bottle with the youth(s) name. Please give this to a staff member immediately upon arrival.

Due to the fact this program is outside for an extended period on most days, we recommend that youth wear a hat or light T-Shirt if they are sun sensitive or a 24-hour sunscreen that is applied before they leave home.

A child refusing to use sunscreen will not be allowed to continue to stay in the extreme heat for an extended period and may have to be picked up at the program site by a parent or guardian.

Water Safety Policy:

If your child is a non-swimmer, it is now required that you provide a life jacket or use 4-H water wings for them to participate in water related activities. Please see that your child's name is clearly marked on these items and brought each time an event offers water related activities. Children will also be required to pass a swim test to determine if they can swim in the deep end.
A child must be able to swim back and forth across the pool two full times without stopping or holding on to the sides, tread water for one full minute and float on their back or stomach for three minutes in order to qualify for a green band. A green band entitles a child to swim in the deep end, and use the diving board.

Phone Calls:

To contact Avery County 4-H Summer WOW staff or your child/children, during the day, you will need to contact the Avery County Cooperative Extension Center at: (828)733-8270. Messages will then be forwarded to the Summer Program staff. Avery County 4-H will not permit youth to carry cell phones.

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4-H Summer W.O.W. Contact Information

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The 2023 4-H Summer WOW Program information will be located on the Avery County Cooperative Extension Center web site: http://avery.ces.ncsu.edu

For updated information regarding the 4-H Summer W.O.W. Program please check us out on Facebook at: *Avery County 4-H Youth Development*

FOOD SAFETY PROCEDURES:

The Avery County 4-H Summer WOW Program agrees to follow the HACCP food safety procedures and guidelines as established by the Summer Feeding Program and provided by the Avery County Child Nutrition Director.

***Food Recovery Procedures will be as follows:**

- **Whole fruit will be inspected and rewashed prior to redistribution**
- **Milk that is not consumed and unopened will be placed in a pan of ice and may be redistributed to youth as requested; any unused & unopened milk will be placed in the cooler marked as 'Avery County 4-H Summer WOW'.**
- **Staff will be responsible for checking the date(s) of any milk and/or other recovered food placed in the 4-H cooler.**
- **4-H Summer WOW staff will be responsible for checking and recording the temperature of the '4-H Cooler' each day.**

NC State University and N.C. A&T State University are collectively committed to positive action to secure equal opportunity and prohibit discrimination and harassment regardless of age, color, disability, family and marital status, gender identity, genetic information, national origin, political beliefs, race, religion, sex (including pregnancy), sexual orientation and veteran status. NC State, N.C. A&T, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and local governments cooperating."

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Subsidized Child Care Assistance Program
Federal Poverty Level & State Median Income
Effective July 1, 2022

	133% FPL	200% FPL	85% SMI
Family Size	Monthly Income Limit	Monthly Income Limit	Monthly Income Limit
1	$1,506	$2,265	$3,114
2	$2,029	$3,052	$4,072
3	$2,552	$3,838	$5,031
4	$3,076	$4,625	$5,989
5	$3,599	$5,412	$6,947
6	$4,122	$6,198	$7,905
7	$4,645	$6,985	$8,085
8	$5,168	$7,772	$8,265
9	$5,691	$8,558	$8,444
10	$6,214	$9,345	$8,624
11	$6,738	$10,132	$8,804
12	$7,261	$10,918	$8,983
13	$7,784	$11,705	$9,163
14	$8,307	$12,492	$9,343
15	$8,830	$13,278	$9,522
16	$9,353	$14,065	$9,702
17	$9,876	$14,852	$9,882
18	$10,399	$15,638	$10,061