



Rocky Mountain Farmers Union Cooperative Leadership Camp

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Cooperative Leadership Camp**

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Greetings! It's that time of year again — camping season! We are gearing up for another great season with new programs and activities. You are not going to want to miss this one!

There are many places you can send your child for a great camping experience, but our smaller size and breathtaking mountain setting makes RMFU Camp a natural choice. Our camp offers an unique environment where kids have the opportunity to feel good about themselves, through the friendships that they make with counselors and fellow campers, their accomplishments in new and exciting activities, and their involvement in an atmosphere of mutual respect and caring.

At Rocky Mountain Farmers Union Cooperative Leadership Camp, we create a place where campers feel part of the camp community and the even larger Farmers Union family! While camp is about having fun, learning new skills, making new friends, growing existing friendships, and spending time in a beautiful natural setting, it also develops life skills and offers memories that will last a lifetime.

Our camp staff has a passion for mentoring young people and helping them achieve their very best through a safe, educational, and exciting time. As camp director, I challenge the staff to heighten the experience for all campers. Great camp memories, start with outstanding and engaging staff!

Feel free to contact me if you have questions or comments. You can reach me by phone (303.283.3550) or by email (jennifer.bahr@rmfu.org). We look forward to seeing you in June!

Jennifer Luitjens Bahr
Camp Director

Join in the fun—See you in June!





The Harvest Moon Gala is the RMFU Foundation's annual fundraiser for its education programs. The festive evening starts off with lively games and a chance to win some fabulous prizes, followed by a scrumptious dinner and lively bidding on many unique items featured in both a silent and live auction. All funds raised at this "night for education" benefit our education programs, including our cooperative leadership camps, Fellows program, college scholarships, camp scholarships and many other

programs that build leaders.

By bringing in the bounties of the harvest, our education programs are able to grow and reach more people each year. Through this event we are able to keep our camp costs down, allowing more families to be involved and offsetting costs for activities that normally we wouldn't be able to offer.

Thank you to our Harvest Moon sponsors who make this happen!



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Why RMFU Cooperative Leadership Camp?

- ◆ We are a small camp in terms of campers, but we have at least 15 staff members on site. This allows us to get to know each other quite well and to build our camp community,
- ◆ We are committed to the physical, emotional and mental development of all campers,
- ◆ All staff go through an extensive application process which includes written and verbal interviews, background checks and reference checks. They receive extensive hands-on training in first aid/CPR, child development, behavioral guidance and emergency procedures,
- ◆ An on-site registered nurse is available 24 hours a day. The nurse accompanies campers on all outings and field trips,
- ◆ We offer a variety of programs for all campers at all sessions,
- ◆ Camp life is a balance between scheduled activities that everyone does together and free time to choose your own activities,
- ◆ We are committed to leadership development and learning life skills,
- ◆ Our camp is located on 386 acres of Rocky Mountain wonder,
- ◆ Camp is fun—we all strive to make camp an active, learning experience for everyone!

As a result of the camping experience, your child will:

- ◆ Feel like part of their camper community and the Farmers Union family,
- ◆ Have an authentic Rocky Mountain experience,
- ◆ Develop leadership and life skills,
- ◆ Nurture friendships with fellow campers and staff, and
- ◆ Be safe and feel free to act naturally and define themselves as they want to be seen.





What the Campers Say...

RMFU camp was the best thing about my summer. If you asked me what I liked the most, it would be hard to list just one. One memory that really stands out in my mind was looking out over the camp and seeing the A-frame from the top of the mountain at the end of our hike. It was great to see my old friends again and to make new ones. Another interesting activity was "Growing Good Taste." I loved trying all the exotic fruits and vegetables. I hope RMFU camp doesn't change at all, from the awesome counselors, to the scavenger hunt, to the last dance before we leave.

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I've experienced a lot of fun in all my summers, but put all of those things together and it's still not as fun as Rocky Mountain Farmers Union Camp. We have so much fun and enjoy each other through learning, dancing, art, skits, talents shows and healthy foods. We are like a really huge family. I love Farmers Union camp so much that I want to go to camp for the rest of my life.

Bryson

RMFU camp is such an amazing program and I plan on going for many years to come. I'm always counting down the days from when I leave camp to when I can come back again next year. There's always great activities, field trips, group sports, fun hikes, and awesome staff that make the camp experience like no other. Plus, I always make special new friendships with people from all over. I absolutely love Rocky



Farmers Union Camp will be more than happy to have you with them. Being a vegetarian isn't hard at all at camp—the cook will just make you a different meal! And you can buy yummy treats at the Co-op shop. One of the best things about the camp is that you really get to know your counselors because you do so many things with them every day. Right when you think there is no more fun to be had, you have more fun! In fact, it is so much fun you'll never want to leave. I can't wait to go back next summer!

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Who We Are

Rocky Mountain Farmers Union promotes and protects family farmers and ranchers in Colorado, New Mexico and Wyoming. For more than 100 years, RMFU has led the fight to see that agriculture and rural areas get the same advantages in education, representation, and economic opportunity available to their fellow citizens in urban America.

RMFU has been at the center of our nation's development of cooperative businesses and instrumental in landmark legislation that protects the rights of family farmers, ranchers, and our rural communities. We stand firmly on three principles: legislation, cooperation and education.

The **Rocky Mountain Farmers Union Foundation** provides educational and cooperative services to communities in our three-state region. The mission of the foundation is to strengthen rural economies through education and grassroots empowerment.

Education is vital to sustaining our way of life, maintaining leadership and service in rural communities, and ensuring that we have a safe, secure food supply. Through educational efforts including leadership camps for youth, adult programs and community initiatives, the RMFU Foundation fosters education. We are dedicated to protecting the sustainability of rural families, family agriculture and rural communities.



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Transportation Schedule

All pick-ups and drop-offs will be at the same time and place for each camp. Please note that the pick-up/drop-off times listed are when the bus will leave from that location. Please arrive at your bus stop 10 minutes prior to stated time.

TO CAMP		RETURN
Saturday, June 6	Junior Camp	Tuesday, June 9
Wednesday, June 10	Middle Camp	Sunday, June 14
Monday, June 15	Senior Camp	Friday, June 19
8:00 AM	Holyoke-- Bus Barn, E. Hwy. 6	6:50 PM
8:30 AM	Haxtun--Supers Grocery Store, Hwy. 6	6:30 PM
9:10 AM	Sterling--Ramada Inn, Exit 125	5:50 PM
9:50 AM	Brush--McDonalds, Exit 90A	5:10 PM
10:25 AM	Wiggins--Rest Stop, south side of I-76	4:30 PM
11:05 AM	Hudson--Pepper Pod, Exit 31	3:50 PM
12:00 PM	NE Denver--Sonic Drive-in, I-70 & Chambers	3:15 PM
1:30 PM	Bailey--NFU Education Center	2:00 PM

The bus driver has a listing of campers riding the bus from each stop. If there is a change in camper travel plans or you do not indicate on the registration form that you plan to use the bus, please call Jennifer Luitjens Bahr at 303.283.3550 through June 2 or at 303.816.1595 or 303.638.6745 after June 3.

CAMPERS NOT RIDING THE BUS: Check-in at the Education Center in Bailey is scheduled from 1:00—2:00 p.m. on your arrival date. **Please do not arrive any earlier than 1:00 p.m.** Parents should pick up campers between 1:00—2:00 p.m. on the departure date.

NEED TRANSPORTATION FROM OTHER PARTS OF COLORADO OR WYOMING? If you are interested in car pooling or have campers from a community with no bus service, please contact Jennifer Luitjens Bahr at 303.283.3550.

DIRECTIONS TO CAMP: Bailey is approximately 40 miles west of Denver on Highway 285 (Hampden Avenue in metro Denver). It is the town after Pine Junction and at the bottom of Crow Hill. Once you travel down Crow Hill into Bailey, take the first left between the restaurant and propane dealer. Follow the road ½ mile to the entrance of the NFU Education Center. Drive through the large wooden entrance and proceed to the A-frame building.

This is who we are! For more than 70 years, young people have been developing self-confidence, leadership skills and cooperative skills by attending Rocky Mountain Farmers Union Cooperative Leadership Camps in Bailey, Colorado.

We have a proven track record. We enable kids to be themselves, make lasting friendships and learn leadership skills in a fun environment.

We have the best staff! Experienced staff lead our campers in exciting and new challenges. A full-time nurse is located on the premises and accompanies campers on all hikes and outings. A full-staffed kitchen prepares scrumptious meals, that even the pickiest eaters will enjoy. All staff have undergone extensive reference and background checks.

A full selection of activities that everyone can enjoy! Just a few of the activities are hiking, cooperative games, field trips, singing, crafts, dancing, team building activities, theme nights, leadership workshops and cooperative store. There is something for everyone!

You need your rest to be at your best! Sleeping accommodations are in staff-supervised dormitory-style bunkhouses. Bunkhouses are separated between female and male. Bring a sleeping bag and pillow.

A camper incentive? First time campers who register by April 30, will save \$10 on their registration fee.

Returning campers can receive \$5 off registration for each new camper they recruit. To receive the discount the returning camper and the new camper must submit their completed registration and medical form by the May 28 deadline.

A returning camper will receive one KP-Free pass for each recruitment. The pass can be used during camp to skip one KP duty such as serving meals, washing dishes, hall clean-up, etc.

Everyone deserves a camp experience! Scholarships are available for families who have a financial need. Contact the RMFU office for more details on scholarship guidelines and availability.





What Should I Bring to Camp?

- ◆ A positive and cooperative attitude
- ◆ A sleeping bag and pillow
- ◆ Towels, washcloths, soap, shampoo and other toiletry items
- ◆ Robe and slippers/flip flops for shower house
- ◆ Warm fleece jacket or sweatshirt for cold mountain weather
- ◆ Comfortable clothes for everyday wear
- ◆ Dress-up outfit for camp banquet
- ◆ Appropriate shoes for hiking and playing sports
- ◆ Theme night outfits
- ◆ Swimwear and sunscreen
- ◆ Reusable water bottle with lid
- ◆ Camera
- ◆ Money for cooperative store and field trips

Theme Nights

Bring an outfit/accessories that will fit the following themes:

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- ◆ **Around the World:** Explore a diverse range of cultures and heritages from across the globe. Tap into your family's roots or a place you would like to visit!
- ◆ **Super Hero:** Help save the day with your unique powers by creating your own Super Hero! What is your super power??

Details

- ◆ While at camp, you can receive calls and/or make calls to your parents and family. The camp phone number is 303.816.1595.
- ◆ Campers are allowed to bring personal cell phones, but may only be used during free time. Cell phones are to remain in the bunk area during sessions and organized activities.
- ◆ During camp you can contact Camp Director Jennifer Luitjens Bahr on the camp phone number, 303.816.1595, or on her cell phone, 303.638.6745.
- ◆ To receive letters or packages at camp, your mail must be sent to our Denver office. Mail will be brought to camp within 24 hours. Please address the package to RMFU Camp, 7900 E. Union Avenue, #200, Denver, CO 80237.
- ◆ Under Colorado law, each child attending camp must have a completed registration and a medical form. The health history form and immunization record must be signed by a doctor. Forms that are not completed in their entirety will be returned for completion. **ENROLLMENT IS NOT COMPLETE UNTIL ALL FORMS ARE SUBMITTED AND REVIEWED BY THE EDUCATION DIRECTOR.**
- ◆ In compliance with the Minimum Rules and Regulations for Children's Camps, you are notified that in case of complaints, child abuse or other problems, you may contact:
 - Park County Social Services
Joe Homlar, Director
59865 US Highway 285
Bailey, CO, 80421
303.816.5939 (after hours: 719.836.4121)
joseph.homlar@state.co.us
- ◆ **Completed registration, medical forms and payment are due by May 28, 2015.** After this date, all registrations will be charged a **late fee of \$25.00.**

Please mail completed forms and payment to:

**Rocky Mountain Farmers Union Camp
7900 E. Union Avenue, Suite 200
Denver, CO 80237**

**Questions? Call 303.752.5800
or email camp.director@rmfu.org.**



RMFU COOPERATIVE LEADERSHIP CAMP REGISTRATION FORM

Camp Registration Options:

- a)** current member—must include RMFU member # for this rate **RMFU Member # _____**
- b)** non-member—includes a \$45 "Friend of Farmers Union" membership
- c)** non-member who does not wish to purchase a "Friend of Farmers Union" membership
 - Junior Camp – June 6-9 (completed grades 2-4) a)\$195 b)\$245 c)\$295
 - Middle Camp - June 10-14(completed grades 5-7) a)\$220 b)\$270 c)\$320
 - Senior Camp - June 15-19 (completed grades 8-12) a)\$220 b)\$270 c)\$320
 - Bus (round trip) – Rural \$30 Metro \$20

CAMPER INFORMATION

This form, except for the "Health History and Care Recommendations by Licensed Medical Personnel," is to be filled in by parent/guardians of minors. **The registration form and the health form must be complete for attendance.**

Name _____ Phone () _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Camper Email _____ Birth Date _____

Grade Completed _____ Gender _____ County _____

Parent's/Guardian's Name _____ Phone Number() _____

Parent's Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Parent's Email _____

Employer's Name _____ Work Phone Number() _____

Work Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Other Parent's/Guardian's Name _____ Phone Number() _____

Parent's Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Employer's Name _____ Work Phone Number() _____

Work Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

If not available in an emergency, notify: _____ Phone () _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Employer's Name _____ Work Phone Number() _____

Work Address _____ Relationship _____

TRANSPORTATION RELEASE

My child will arrive at camp by: _____ bus _____ personal vehicle.
My child will leave camp by: _____ bus _____ personal vehicle.

Indicate which bus stop (see attached document for listing) _____
Secondary pick up/drop off person _____ Phone () _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Employer's Name _____ Work Phone () _____
Work Address _____ Relationship _____

This camper will not be allowed to leave with anyone not listed above. A bus driver or camp staff member may request identification.
Please indicate if there is a specific person the camper is not to go with at any time _____ Yes _____ No
If yes, name that person _____

RESTRICTIONS/PERMISSIONS

The following restrictions apply to this individual (please list both activity and dietary restrictions): _____

I understand and agree to abide by the restrictions placed on my camp activities.
Camper Signature _____ Date _____

I hereby give permission for my child to go on trips away from camp premises, whether on foot or by vehicle. I give permission for my child to participate in all camp activities except for those noted above.
Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

I allow for my child's contact information to be shared with other campers.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

I allow for my child's photo to be taken and used in camp promotional and/or educational purposes.
Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Recruiter: _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

Our child will attend the Rocky Mountain Farmers Union Cooperative Leadership Camp in June 2013. In consideration of his or her attendance at the Camp, we agree that that Rocky Mountain Farmers Union, National Farmers Union and Rawhide Fly-Fishers, LLC are not responsible for any accident or injury affecting my child or children during the time spent at camp or while being transported to or from the camp or camp activities. We agree to hold harmless and indemnify Rocky Mountain Farmers Union, National Farmers Union and Rawhide Fly-Fishers, LLC and their staffs, representatives and employees from all liability in relation to our use of the premises, travel to and from the camp, engagement in Camp activities, use of materials or equipment, buildings and/or operations of the Rocky Mountain Farmers Union Cooperative Leadership Camp. We hereby agree to release the above entities from all liability for any economic and non-economic losses due to bodily injury, death, and/or property damage sustained by me and/or my minor child or legal ward. We understand that Rocky Mountain Farmers Union, National Farmers Union and Rawhide Fly-Fishers, LLC will take all reasonable precautions to ensure the safety, health and well-being of my child by exercise of due care and by following all Colorado Department of Human Services/Division of Child Care regulations and guidelines.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

T-Shirt Size: _____ Child's small _____ Child's medium _____ Child's large _____ Adult's x-large _____
 _____ Adult's small _____ Adult's medium _____ Adult's large _____

Health History and Care Recommendations by Licensed Medical Personnel
(A school or sports physical performed within the preceding 24 months of the camp dates may accompany this form)

Child's Name _____ BP _____ Weight _____ Height _____

In my opinion, the above child: _____ is _____ is not able to participate in an active camp program.

This child is under care of a physician for the following condition/s:

Current treatment at the time of report includes:

Treatment to be continued at camp:

Medications to be administered at camp (name, dosage, frequency):

Any medically prescribed meal plan or dietary restrictions:

Known allergies and/or drug reactions:

Description of any limitation or restriction on camp activities:

Additional information for health care staff at camp:

Vaccine	Enter date each immunization was given (mo/day/yr)	
DTaP	Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis	
Td/DT	Tetanus-Diphtheria	
OPV/IPV	Polio	
Hib	Haemophilus influenzae type b	
Measles	Measles	
Mumps	Mumps	
Rubella	Rubella	
HB	Hepatitis B	
Varicella	Chickenpox	
Other		

To the best of my knowledge, the person named above has received the above immunizations and is in the stated medical condition noted.

Signature of Medical Personnel _____ Title _____ Date _____

Medical Personnel Printed Name _____ Phone () _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

INSURANCE INFORMATION—Must include a copy of your medical card, front and back.

This child: _____ is _____ is not covered by family medical insurance.

Carrier/plan name _____ Phone () _____

ID # _____ Group # _____

Carrier address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Name of insured _____ Relationship _____

PARENT AUTHORIZATION FOR EMERGENCY CARE

I hereby give permission to the medical personnel selected by the camp director to order X-rays, routine tests, treatment; to release any records necessary for insurance purposes; and to provide or arrange necessary related transportation for my child. In the event I cannot be reached in an emergency, I hereby give permission to the physician selected by the camp director to secure and administer treatment, including hospitalization, for the person named above.

Signature of parent/guardian _____ Date _____

Witness _____ Date _____

If for religious, medical or personal reasons you do not desire to sign this, contact the camp for a legal waiver which must be signed for attendance.

At Camp Screening Record

Screened by _____ Date _____ Time _____ am pm

Medications received: _____

Updates/additions to health history noted _____ Yes _____ No _____ Current health needs identified

General observation notes: _____