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To: Maryland FFA Advisors

From: Terrie Shank, MD FFA Executive Director Naomi Knight, MD FFA Program Coordinator

RE: Chapter Officer Leadership Training (COLT)

Date: August 2, 2016

The Maryland FFA Association invites you and your Chapter officers to attend the Chapter Officer Leadership Training (COLT) program. The conference will be held this year at the North Bay Adventure Camp on **Friday**, **October 7 through Sunday**, **October 9**, **2016**. The camp is conveniently located just 9 miles south of Interstate 95 in North East, MD. The address of the camp is: 11 Horseshoe Point Ln, North East, MD 21901

Phone (443) 967-0500 www.northbayadventure.org

This is a great opportunity for your chapter officers to enjoy the beautiful outdoors as they get to know other chapter leaders in Maryland, develop their personal leadership skills, build team unity and create a master plan for their chapter activities.

Through the generous support from the Maryland Agricultural Education Foundation and CSX, the cost to attend COLT is only \$65 per member and \$90 per advisor and/or chaperone, which includes:

Five meals (Friday Dinner through Sunday Breakfast)
Lodging in heated cabins (sheets, pillow, pillow case, one towel, one blanket provided)
All conference materials- outdoor recreational activities, including a bonfire!

We must provide one adult chaperone or Advisor/10 students to be Kitchen Staff (KS) by assisting in preparing food 1 hour ahead of each meal, serve meals, and clean up the dining hall and clean dishes for the entire stay of the conference. We also must provide 4 Adventure Challenge (AC) proctors on Saturday and Sunday. Be sure to designate that person and duty they wish to volunteer on your registration. There is no cost for that adult to attend the conference. First ones to register will receive the free discount.

Note: Transportation and meals to and from the camp is the responsibility of each chapter/participant.

Please find attached with this letter: a promotional flyer to be shared with your students, a chapter confirmation form, MD FFA Waiver, North Bay Guest Form, and a tentative schedule.

Please complete the confirmation form by Thursday, September 15, 2016 by saving it to your computer, then log onto the following site, https://mdcte.wufoo.com/forms/maryland-ffa-registration/ Go into the wufoo.com account and upload the confirmation form, the MD FFA Waiver, North Bay Guest Form. The website will then send a report back to you, confirming your registration. Please submit full payment by Thursday, September 29th to: MD FFA Association, Attn: Mrs. Terrie Shank, 925 North East Street, Frederick, MD 21701

Everyone needs to bring their own personal care items, an extra towel, wash cloth, warm clothing, jackets, sturdy shoes and a flashlight. A sleeping bag is optional. Members may also want to bring a camera and extra money for snacks and gifts. Meals are served family style. *There are no provisions for special diet requests*.

The Maryland State FFA Officers and staff look forward to seeing many of you with your officers at COLT. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 301-491-5686 or tshank@maefonline.com.