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University of Maine Summer Activities Plan

In light of the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, a group of UMaine leaders including representatives from academics, athletics, 4H, Cooperative Extension, CLAS, fine art units, campus recreation, engineering, among others, met on several occasions to discuss the delivery of public events, conferences, courses and K-12 camps during summer 2020. The UMaine representatives of the Summer Planning Group are listed below:

UMaine Summer Program Group

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Recommendation: All face-to-face summer programs including, but not limited to, UMaine operated camps and clinics for K-12 students, as well as all UMaine organized public events will be canceled for May and June. The university will continue to discuss face-to face programing and make a determination for July 2020 by June 1st. Units that provide summer programs for youth will explore the creation of virtual summer offerings, when feasible and appropriate. Programs may be offered through recorded YouTube online activities and other means of distance learning. Also, under consideration are

virtual experiences tailored to K-12 audiences that would be offered to parents on a possible pay per session basis.

Informing the above recommendation are the following considerations:

- There are significant concerns from UMaine camp operators regarding potential liability risks to the System should a child or staff member contract COVID-19 while engaging in UMaine's varied summer programs.
- There would be difficulty in determining if children from out of state have complied with the 14-day quarantine requirement.
- UMaine and the System would be subjected to significant negative publicity if a camp employee or child contracts COVID-19
- There are still many unknowns related to the *Governor's Restarting Maine's Economy* order and the safe operations of these programs.

In addition, the University of Maine will not offer its facilities (for rental or otherwise) to outside organizations to conduct camps, conferences or other educational programs and special events during May, June and July 2020.

If the conditions surrounding COVID-19 have improved, as determined by the Maine Center Disease Control, Governor's Office and the University of Maine System, UMaine will consider offering a select number of face-to-face educational programs and public events in August. The face-to face offerings are contingent upon the ability to execute the activities/programs safely and in accordance with evolving public health guidelines. A decision related to the possibility of face-to-face youth programming for August including camps and clinics, as well as courses and events will be announced by COB on June 15, 2020.

The University will craft an optimistic and forward-looking message tailored to participants, parents, and citizens that underscores UMaine's continued service to Maine families. This message will be disseminated through the University's summer web portal.

Summer K-12 Programming presented by UMaine Units (partial list)

A partial list of the UMaine summer program offerings and the estimated number of students impacted is shown below:

Athletics: 21 summer camps serving approximately 1,100 students.

UM Campus Recreation: Offers summer day camps, which serve as a childcare option for children ages entering K through 5th grade. We have capacity for 75 kids per week. This year, we had also planned a middle school camp for 4 weeks, which would meet T/W/Th and include up to 18 campers in 6th-8th grades.

Summer Options Program -Outdoor experience for incoming first year UMaine students, with up to 10 students per group and 2 instructors. We scheduled 3 trips in early/mid July, 3 trips in early/mid August and then two larger group programs (one with a capacity of 70, the other 40) the Wednesday through Friday before school starts in the Fall.

Zillman Art Museum: Seven weeks of art camp for youth beginning on June 22 and ending on August 15. Approx. 12 attendees each week. Total participants: 76 children

Cooperative Extension: *100s of events/programs that serve 1000s of individuals across the state. See below:*

4-H Camps and Learning Centers

20 + 1-3 day school program sessions in months of May and June

1-week Day camp sessions, and residential camp sessions x 4 (Blueberry Cove, Bryant Pond, Tanglewood, Greenland Point) for each week starting June 21- July 31 = (48 individual 1-week sessions)

Becoming an Outdoors Woman (adult women's weekend, May)

Junior Maine Guide encampment week (teens)

Camp North Woods (partnership with IF&W; 1-week session for youth)

Acadia National Park Trip-12

Penobscot Paddling Trip-18

Tour of New England Trip-15

Androscoggin Paddling Trip/Cookout-20

Movie Nights x 4-25 each time

Garden Volunteering x 3-15 each time

Various other day programs TBD 6-10 x -15 each time

Beach Days x 2- 15 each time

TOTAL program sessions: **90**

TOTAL youth served: **2060**

4-H Summer Programming & Events:

- Maine 4-H Days- 400 youth and 50 volunteers
- Summer of Science- At 50 sites in 10 counties- 3,600 youth, 700 volunteers
- June Jamboree- multiple counties 600 participants
- 4-H Clubs in 16 counties- 1,368 youth enrolled in 176 clubs (or as independent members)- so essentially 176 club meetings per month
- Maine 4-H Teen Dance- 60 participants
- Science Saturdays 40 participants
- Make & Take at Topsham Fair- 150 youth
- Somerset County 4-H Fun Day 35 participants
- Sportsman's Alliance summer programs: 25 youth, 5 adults- monthly
- Northern Maine Fair - 120 youth and adults
- Farm to Fair Program at Union Fair- 2,000 participants
- Washington County Summer Garden and Afterschool programs- 100 participants
- Knox and Lincoln Counties Summer library and garden programs- 150 participants
- Acton Fair - 120 youth, 20 volunteers
- Maine 4-H Foundation - Golf tournament July - 2-4 Youth Trustees - 36 team players.
- Maine 4-H Foundation Concert Fundraiser - August- 100+
- Houlton 4-H Horse Show - 45 youth and adults

- Skowhegan Fair 4-H Day 50 participants
- Ossipee Valley Fair - 100 participants
- Topsham Fair Horse Show- 25 youth, 8 volunteers
- Topsham Fair Sheep Show- 45 youth, 10 adults
- Aroostook Valley Baby Beef Show and Auction- 100 youth and adults
- Cumberland Summer 4-H SPIN Clubs 50 youth
- 4-H at Monmouth Fair- 175 participants
- 4-H at Pittston Fair- 175 participants
- 4-H at Windsor Fair- 175 participants
- 4-H at Clinton Fair- 175 participants
- Maine Farm Days- 175 participants
- Topsham Fair Goat Show- 25 participants
- Eastern States 4-H Horse Tryouts- 60 participants
- 4-H Teen Leadership Camp at Tanglewood- 20 participants
- STEMPorts Game Day- 12 youth
- Aroostook County Summer STEM workshops - 35 participants
- Franklin 4-H Fair and Auction-75
- Franklin County Horse Camp 31
- Franklin County 4-H Day Camp 18,
- 4-H STEM Hong Kong group 25
- Upward Bound STEM Experience 80
- Franklin County Annual Meeting 75
- Androscoggin/Sagadahoc Annual Meeting- 50 people
- York County Kids can grow - 50 participants
- Skowhegan Fair 4-H animal shows. Beef-30 participants, Dairy-30 participants, Horse-50 participants, working steer-15 participants, Sheep- 30 participants
- Waldo County SPIN clubs/programs: 20 participants
- Aroostook County Adopt a Block Boy's Camp - 45 youth 15 adults
- Camp POSTCARD- 125 youth
- Cumberland County True Leaders in Service Event 35 Participants.
- Cumberland Fair Cleanup Meeting 40 participants.
- Monthly 4-H Leaders Meetings - 15-25 volunteers per county.
- Oxford County School summer camp programs 60 youth
- Oxford County Teen leadership program 45 youth
- 4-H Boston Trip 60 people
- Waterford Fair set up 20-25 people
- Monthly oxford county workshops 12-30 participants
- Ag Ed Day at Waterford Fair- 500 participants
- Cumberland Teen Teachers training, 25 participants
- 4-H Community Central - 20 participants
- York County summer library program - 60 participants
- Androscoggin Teen Teachers Training, 30 participants
- Lewiston Adult Ed program for youth and families: 20 youth
- Union Fair: Horse show 15-20 youth, 2 vol; Rabbit show 15 youth, 2 vol; Pet show 8 youth, 1 vol; Working steer 8 youth, 1 vol; Cloverbud demo 3-4 youth, 1 vol; exhibition 10 vol;
- Franklin County 4-H Boston Aquarium Trip- 40 participants

- Hancock County Kids Can Grow - 25 participants
- Hancock County 4-H Aquaculture- 15 participants
- 4-H at Blue Hill fair - 200
- 4-H at Bangor State Fair-Goat 50, Sheep 20, Horse 15, Dog 20, Beef 30, Dairy 20, Exhibit Hall and Old MacDonalds 30, and other events 50.
- Kennebec County June Library Archery- 15 youth

CLAS Maine Summer Youth Music: Two, week-long residential camps in July. The junior camp with 100 participants and the senior camp with approx. 115 participants.