

4-H Campers Get Scoop on Soil

Issue (Who cares and why?)

Impressing on youngsters at a teachable age the importance of protecting the environment engenders life-long interest in and commitment to safeguarding our precious resources of soil and water.

What has been done?

Basic soil and environmental information was the focus of a three-day summer 4-H camp co-sponsored by Delaware's Institute of Soil and Environmental Quality and Delaware 4-H. University of Delaware graduate students taught lessons about fertilizers and water contamination, leaching and soil, soil profiles, rainfall, runoff, and scavenging through ecosystems to find diversity,

Impact

Fifty-five 8- to 10-year-olds from throughout Delaware and 10 Delaware high school and college counselors attended the environmental camp.

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