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To: N.C. Cooperative Extension Employees
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Subject: Situation Involving Former 4-H Camp Counselor

IMPORTANT – READ THE ENTIRE MESSAGE BELOW

Extension colleagues,

I'm writing to inform you of a situation involving a Franklin County teacher and former 4-H camp counselor at Betsy-Jeff Penn 4-H Educational Center who has been arrested for statutory rape.

We have limited information at this time, but the alleged incident is said to involve a student, not a camper. However, as this person was a seasonal 4-H camp employee as recently as this year, we want you to be aware of the situation and prepared to handle questions.

Should you receive inquiries or media interview requests, please do not attempt to answer questions or address the situation yourself at this time, but refer to the following guidance:

Refer 4-H camping-related questions to:

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We will keep you informed as more information becomes available. In the meantime, we appreciate your support and all that you do.

Best,
Mike Yoder

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