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Dear Georgia Middle School Guidance Counselors & Science Teachers,

Do you know a student who is interested in learning more about forest resources; would like to meet new friends from across the state; and deserves a scholarship for academic achievement to a fun summer camp?

This is your opportunity to nominate such a student to represent your school at the 2009 Billy Lancaster Forestry Youth Camp. Students who have previously attended the Camp are not eligible.

For the 21st year, the Georgia Division of the Society of American Foresters is pleased to offer a four-day camp to help Georgia's youth become more aware of the value of forest resources to Georgia's environment, economy and everyday life. The Camp is for 12 and 13-year old girls and boys from throughout the state who will enter the 7th or 8th grade in the fall of 2009. This outdoor/indoor experiential camp is for energetic, inquisitive students eager to learn about forestry, wildlife, ecology, map skills, tree identification and the people who manage these vast resources in Georgia.

The Camp will be held **June 14-18, 2009** at the Georgia FFA/FCCLA facility located south of Covington on Lake Jackson.

We can accommodate 80 campers, on a first-application received, first-registered basis. One or two students per qualifying school will be selected. For each nominee, please provide an alternate student in case the nominee is unable to attend. While the camp is supported by donations from forestry businesses and individuals, there is a nominal registration fee of \$25.00 for each camper. If financial concerns would prevent your student(s) from attending, there are opportunities to find sponsors to help with the registration fee.

To nominate students, please complete the enclosed application, ensure the commitment of the students' parent or guardian support for their attendance, and return form with a \$25.00 registration check for each to the designated mailing address by **Friday, April 17**. Acceptance notices and additional camp information will be mailed back to the nominator during the first week of May for delivery to the students.

A brochure with more information about the Camp's recreational activities, instruction, and accommodations is enclosed. Questions may be directed to Kassie Keck at the Georgia Forestry Commission in Macon (phone 478-751-3530 or FAX 478-751-3559) between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

We appreciate your efforts in nominating a deserving student for this unique opportunity and encourage you to recognize the student(s) at your school's honors program.

Sincerely,

Becky Watson
2009 Camp Coordinator

STUDENT CAMPER APPLICATION

BILLY LANCASTER FORESTRY YOUTH CAMP June 14-18, 2009

To nominate a student please complete the application below and return by Friday, **April 17**. Notification of selections will be mailed back to the school for delivery to the students during the first week of May. Please make a photocopy of your application before returning.

Mail application to: **Myrt Phillips**
Georgia Forestry Commission
P.O. Box 819
Macon, GA 31202-0819

Please type or print legibly.

Student Name: _____ Age: _____ Gender: _____

Student's Home Mailing Address: _____

City/Zip Code: _____ County: _____

Student's Home Phone Number: Area Code (_____) _____

Birth Date: _____

T-Shirt Size: Circle one: Small Small Medium Large X Large XX Large (These are adult sizes)

Parent or Guardian Name: _____

School Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/Zip Code: _____

School Phone Number: Area Code (_____) _____

Student's Nominating Science Teacher or Counselor: _____

Registration Fee of \$25.00 is enclosed: Yes____ No____ (please include explanation)

*Please make checks payable to **Billy Lancaster SAF Forestry Youth Camp**.*