

Community Engagement Report for April 2020

On April 8, 2020, the difficult decision to cancel the Adair County SB40 eight-week Summer Youth Employment Program was made and families informed. With the health and safety of every person as our top priority, we believe that it was the correct decision to make. SB40 cares deeply about all of the youth and wonderful staff we hire throughout the summer and believe that as our community continues to move forward through this pandemic, the safest and healthiest place for everyone is at home.

Since the Summer YEP is unable to come together to do the regular camp program, Melissa is working diligently to develop some fun and educational, digital/virtual options to partially replace some of the opportunities that would be missed without the Summer YEP. Some of these include classes aimed at employment skills, social/communication skills, among potential others. Once the classes are ready to go, notification will be sent with instructions on how to join the classes. These activities and classes will be offered through Google Classroom and Zoom. Both of these platforms are secure and HIPAA-compliant.

We are also developing other trainings and classes that will be offered through Google Classroom. We've purchased the newest edition of Circles Intimacy and Relationships and are currently in the process of adapting it to an online class. We continue to offer activities and lessons through Facebook Live videos.

For everyone's safety, we decided against sponsoring a Kirksville Parks & Recreation softball team this summer. If there is a fall league, we will consider participating at that time.