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Dear Summer Camp Families,

I hope you and your families are doing well and staying healthy! As you might imagine, we have been thinking a lot about summer camp these past weeks and in fact, you may be wondering yourself in what capacity Fernbrook Farms will choose to operate this summer. It has been our goal to gather as much information as possible before we make a final decision. We recognize that time is of the essence but we believe that we have the obligation to our camp families to explore every option and pursue every possible solution before deciding on what form summer camp will take here on the farm.

Our final decision will be largely based on the determination of Governor Murphy and the NJ Department of Health. Once Governor Murphy makes his announcement about the viability of running camp and what guidelines must be followed, we will finalize our decision to what our program looks like and communicate that with you. In addition, we are closely monitoring the American Camp Association's evolving guidelines for operating a summer camp during this pandemic, as they have partnered with the CDC and the Environmental Health & Engineering, Inc. to develop a comprehensive list of best practices for camp organizations. From the webinars we have attended with these experts, we feel that our camp programs are well suited to be able to adhere to these guidelines. Whether or not the camp experience we provide is here on the farm or in a virtual landscape, know that our staff have been busy brainstorming creative programming to bring you a fun and positive summer camp experience!

Thank you for your patience and support as we navigate this uncharted territory. As our camp motto says: Be Safe, Have Fun, Help Each Other!

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