



Dear Community Members,

The Cooperative Council of NC's mission is to educate, connect and promote cooperatives. For generations, high school students from across the state of North Carolina have been attending a 5-day, 4-night overnight Cooperative Leadership Camp. Cooperative Leadership Camp (CLC) is an opportunity for high school students to learn about the cooperative business model and develop leadership skills before entering the workforce.

Based on feedback and current needs, we are excited to announce that CLC will shift from a single, overnight camp to multiple 2-day "pop-up" camps throughout North and South Carolina. To clarify, this will **not** be an overnight camp. This will be a full-day camp for two consecutive days. These regional camps will allow us to reach a wider group of quality participants, increase accessibility, and reduce costs.

Our goal is to make CLC more relevant and impactful, providing students with the skills they need to become tomorrow's cooperative leaders. The application process for the camp is completely free and a camp fee of only \$45.00 will be required from each camper prior to attending. **Thanks to cooperative organizations, there are full camp scholarships available to those in need of financial assistance.**

Campers will continue to work and play while learning the value and benefits of the cooperative movement with hands-on workshops led by cooperative businesses in various regions such as cooperatives in the following industries: credit unions, agriculture, electric/utility, food/grocery, communications, worker-owner, and more! The curriculum will continue to focus on the Cooperative Principles and afford the student attendees the opportunity to work together to produce a commemorative t-shirt.

All students who attend Cooperative Leadership Camp will continue to be eligible for CCC's Jim Graham \$1,000 Scholarship following high school graduation. This scholarship is offered to a recipient that demonstrates an understanding of the cooperative movement, leadership, extracurricular activities, community involvement and demonstration of self-motivation.

The Cooperative Council of the Carolinas takes pride in molding future cooperative leaders and meeting our youth where they are today. All information about camp dates, locations, registration, sponsorship and volunteer opportunities can be found on the CCC website below. Thank you for your interest in Cooperative Leadership Camp. We look forward to meeting you!

In cooperation,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Sara Coats'.

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