

Candle Lighting Ceremony

Camp Spirit: I am the Spirit of 4-H Camp. Each year the light of my candle glows brightly when 4-H members come to camp. All of you who have come to camp have helped to light this flame. By bringing your skills, strength, your friendly smiles, your readiness to try new things, you brought the glow of 4-H Spirit to Harbor Point 4-H Camp. You have made this camp what it has been.

Each activity of each day has added light. Will each of you who represent the campers come forward and add your light to mine? You have a candle that you can light from the Camp Spirit's light.

What does your candle represent?

Cabin 1: I bring the skills I have learned. Maybe this is how to make a new craft or play a new game.

Cabin 2: I bring the quiet reflection time of vespers and signature. The times I could think about the meaning of friendship.

Cabin 3: I bring the silly fun that we have had during camp. The skits, the campfire, and the songs we sang at meals.

Cabin 4: I bring the hard work it took to make camp run smoothly. There were dishes to wash and cabins to clean. When we all did our part, it was easy.

Cabin 5: I bring the beauty of this place-the trees, the woods, the lake, and the rustic buildings. We have learned to feel at home in the outdoors.

Cabin 6: I bring the appreciation we have for our camp. The neat feeling knowing that our camp has such rich history and is located in our county.

Cabin 7: I bring the planning we have done together. We have had a part in planning every part of camp.

Cabin 8: I bring the joy of working with each camper and being in a group together.

Cabin 9: I bring the feeling of tired satisfaction, knowing we worked hard, had fun, and did a good job.

Cabin 10: I bring the memory of laughter, thinking, about all the crazy things we did at each meal.

Cabin X: I bring the friendship of camp. We have met new friends we will always remember. We know old friends better because we have camped together. The fun and fellowship of being friends has made our camp light the brightest of all.

Camp Spirit: These are the things we have done at camp. Tomorrow we will be going home. What we have done at camp should help us live up to the 4-H pledge. Now the campers will use their light to make the 4-H glow just as each of us do at home in our community. We all share in this light from the Camp Spirit.

The candles we lit will just last a little while. The light you carry in your heart from this camp can last your whole lifetime. It is a flame that never goes out as long as we keep sharing it with others.