

## **?FC 4-H offers communication tools for families with deployed military members**

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During the Floyd County 4-H Fair, July 7-12, the Floyd County 4-H Program will offer families, that have a deployed military member, the tools to communicate. A mobile technology lab that include lap tops, a camcorder, digital camera and the Hallmark Card Program, will be available.

Anyone that wants to communicate with someone that is deployed will have access to the equipment. Use of the equipment is free and trained volunteers will assist users. The hours of availability are six to nine starting Monday, July 7. The equipment will continue to be available throughout the week based on the response.

Recently during 4-H summer camp, Floyd County 4-H members helped to assemble 500 "Hero Packs" which is another part of the OMK program. The Hero Packs, which are back packs, were filled with pencils, children's books, coloring/activity books, stuffed animals, disposable cameras, journals, and more. They also included a hand written note from the 4-H member that expressed their appreciation for the sacrifices that a child experiences as the result of having a parent deployed. Prior to camp, Floyd County 4-H clubs donated coloring/activity books and wrote personalized notes to be included in the Packs. The Hero Packs were delivered to the armory in Floyd County and other southern Indiana counties.

For additional information, you may contact the Floyd County Extension Office by calling 812-948-5470.