What is It?
The Robinson Center NRESci Academy is a three-year experience designed to help youth explore our environment and discover more about our water, forestry, and wildlife resources in the Appalachian region.

When Is It?
The Academy meets each fall for a 3-day stay at the UK Robinson Forest. For 2015, we will be meeting October 7-9.

Youth, also known as ‘scholars,’ will also take part in quarterly, one-day field trips throughout the year. Scholars are not counted absent from school to attend these events according to KRS 159.035

Who Can Attend?
You must be enrolled in the 7th or 8th grade in the fall of 2015 and reside in or attend a school in the following counties:

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Scholars must have a passion to learn about the environment and our natural resources and be willing to participate in the three-year program, including annual 3-day camps at UK Robinson Forest and quarterly, single day trips during the year.

How Do I Register?
Contact your county’s 4-H Youth Development Agent, school science teacher, or counselor for an application.

Sign Up Today!
If you are interested in becoming a scholar with the University of Kentucky Robinson Center Natural Resource and Environmental Sciences Academy, contact your county’s 4-H Youth Development Agent for an application or to answer any questions.

Forms must be returned to your County Extension Office by August 28.

Only 16 youth per year are accepted into Academy.

For More Info:
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You may also contact your county’s 4-H Youth Development Agent
What Will We Do As Part Of The Robinson Center NRESsci Academy?

Being selected to be a part of the Academy is a great honor and involves a commitment to attend yearly 3-day camps at UK Robinson Forest and to participate in quarterly field trips throughout the year.

- **Learn about Kentucky’s native wildlife!**
- **Explore the forest industry in a whole new way!**
- **Be a scientist and test water samples!**
- **Collect and learn about different kinds of insects and creatures that live in our streams!**

Where Do We Stay When at Camp?

Each year, scholars will spend 3 days at the University of Kentucky Robinson Forest Camp located in Clayhole, KY (Breathitt County).

Boys and girls will stay in separate cabins with trained and screened employees of the University of Kentucky.

The camp also includes a dining hall, hiking trails, and an abundance of other resources all located in UK Robinson Forest.