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February 4, 2009

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The University of Georgia Leadership Day and 4-H Day at the Legislature will be held on February 11 at the State Capitol in Atlanta. This annual event is significant in that it honors 4-H'ers who have demonstrated the ability and leadership necessary to serve as representatives of the young people of Georgia. This is an official function of the University of Georgia College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences.

Selected 4-H'ers who are students in your school will represent your county at Leadership Day and 4-H Day at the State Legislature. Youth will have the opportunity to visit and interact with legislators and community leaders, as well as observe the General Assembly in session during the day. We have also arranged for a group photo with Governor Perdue.

I understand class attendance is very important, but hopefully the educational and citizenship opportunities this activity provides for youth visiting our state capitol will warrant your consideration for an excused absence and allowing these students to make up any missed work.

Please call me if I can answer any questions. Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bo Ryles". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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