In 2016, 9 counties participated in evaluation of their camps and asked teen staff about their experience. This report summarizes the results of the evaluation statewide.

After camp ended, teens reported on their skills before (“pre”) and after (“post”) camp.

Results show that teens felt they grew in all the skills assessed.

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Youth-Adult Partnerships
Teens reflected on the youth-adult partnerships they experienced as a camp staff. Presented are the means for each question.
Teen staff responded to 4 open-ended questions about their experience. Word clouds below summarize what the teens said; words that appear larger were said more frequently in responses.

What was the most important skill you developed as a teen staff?

What was the best part of participating as a teen staff in this program?

How do you feel you have changed as a result of being a teen staff?

What could be done to make your experience as a teen staff even better?

“I have learned how to work together with a team and help kids to reach a goal on their own, with my guidance.”

“The most important skill that I feel like I got better at through this camp program is adaptability. When activities weren’t working or we were being schedule, we had to work as a team to quickly have an alternative option available. Very valuable skill, I soon realized!”

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