

Focus - Engage - Take Action



Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) Summer 2020

What?

Approximately 90 Wisconsin 4-H Youth register annually to attend this citizenship and leadership program held in Washington, DC. Through a series of participatory workshops, speakers, committee work, field trips and social events, participants learn the importance of social responsibility and what it means to be a civic leader.

Why?

- **Only for 4-H'ers** – CWF is the only national citizenship/leadership program offered exclusively to 4-H members.
- **More than just monuments** – CWF isn't just another sightseeing trip to Washington DC. Our "focus" is life-long civic engagement, and delegates leave with a plan of action to tackle issues facing their own communities.
- **Diversity and friendship** – CWF is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to exchange ideas and share experiences with those from all across the country.

Who?

- 10th-12th grade at time of selection. Minimum age 15 during trip.
- Register during registration periods
- Carry county approval throughout program. Check with your local office about scholarship opportunities.
- Delegates may only attend once as a youth.

When?

Wisconsin delegations participate June 13-21 and July 4-12, 2020. (Dates listed include travel days on Saturday and following Sunday.)

Where?

National 4-H Center, Chevy Chase, MD; nearby Washington D.C.; and Virginia

How Much?

- The total cost for the program is approximately \$1,400.
- The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation sponsors a portion of the cost.
- Many county 4-H Youth Development programs provide partial local sponsorships
- The remaining amount is the responsibility of the delegate and his/her family.

For more information:

Check out these websites:

<https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hedopp/citizenship-washington-focus/> and <http://www.4hcnw.org/>

Questions? Contact the State 4-H office at 608-263-5971.

What Are Others Saying?

"CWF has been the highlight of my 4-H Career."

-- 4-Her from Oklahoma

"What I enjoyed the most about CWF was the fact that I got to interact with people from different communities with different backgrounds than my own."

-- 4-Her from Ohio

"I didn't have the faintest idea what a good citizen was before I came here, and now I know it's what I strive to be."

-- 4-Her from Colorado



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