

Connecting, learning, engaging, leading, impacting!



National 4-H Conference

March 28-April 2, 2020

Purpose: Provide an opportunity for you as a 4-H member to increase your knowledge, resources, and skills to empower yourself to make an impact on your community in a meaningful and genuine way.

What? As the premier 4-H civic engagement national opportunity for youth, National 4-H Conference provides young 4-H adults the chance to increase their professional and leadership development by focusing on civic engagement, civic education, and personal development. The Conference will provide participants a broad-based learning experience in which they will acquire practical knowledge and skills to reinforce the attitudes and motivation that will give them a heightened sense of responsibility and capacity to connect as active members of their communities, nation and world. Participants will practice, apply and master existing and newly developed skills and knowledge through hands-on educational activities and real world problems as they develop leadership skills using their voices, work, ideas and/or behavior to make a difference in their community, country and world.

Who?

- Must be in 10th-12th grade during the program. Minimum age 15 and maximum age 18 as of January 1, 2020.
- Apply through an application to the state office.
- Eight to ten youth are selected to attend this working conference held at the National 4-H Center. Each participant selects an issue and works with other youth from across the country to develop plans that help direct future 4-H programming. Delegates spend the majority of time contributing to stimulating, task-oriented groups. One day is spent on Capitol Hill meeting with legislators and touring.

Where? Washington D.C. area

How Much?

- The total cost of the national 4-H Conference program is approximately \$1,300.
- The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation sponsors a portion of the cost.
- Many county 4-H Youth Development programs provide partial local scholarships.
- 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/national-4-h-conference/> and <http://www.4-h.org/4-h-conference/>

Questions? Call the State 4-H office at 608-263-5971 or e-mail justin.lieck@wisc.edu



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