WISCONSIN 4-H

2023-2024 PROGRAMS & EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES







A LETTER TO YOU!

Dear Wisconsin 4-H members, leaders, and families,

Welcome to the 2023-24 Wisconsin 4-H year! We are so excited to have you as part of this growing, thriving, and passionate community, and hope you have the best 4-H year ever!

As a 4-H member, you have many opportunities to find your "spark" through experiences at the club, county, state, and national level (a "spark" is something that inspires curiosity, feels exciting, and you'd like to learn more about). Sometimes, there are so many choices in 4-H that it can be difficult to learn about them all. That's where this "4-H Opportunities" booklet comes in! We are excited to provide this one-stop shop for you to explore and dream about all the educational experiences available to you as a Wisconsin 4-H member.

Are you ready to take the next step in 4-H? From attending national trips, joining statewide teams, to exploring the world, the possibilities are (almost) endless. You may not be old enough for all of these experiences yet, but I encourage you to plant the seed of "what could I do in 4-H?" now and watch it grow in the years to come. Many 4-H alumni share inspirational stories about how much they gained (such as new friends, independence, and travel in new communities) from their statewide experiences.

Enjoy learning about all of the amazing opportunities available to you in Wisconsin 4-H.

Time to explore!

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4-H CAMPS

Most Wisconsin counties offer 4-H Camp program opportunities in the summer! Summer camps allow youth to interact with other inviduals their age while experiencing a variety of project rotations, outdoor activities, and most importantly . . . camp songs!



Camp Opportunities:

- Base Camp
- Outpost Camp
- Counselors





For more information about the specific programs offered, please reach out to your local County Educator or visit <u>go.wisc.edu/4HCamp</u>

SUMMER CAMP 2024 AT UPHAM WOODS

Upham Woods will bring exploration, discovery, and fun to your summer. Partnering with 4-H County programs and other organizations to host summer camps on-site, they combine recreational activities, environmental science, programs designed to develop leadership skills, and fun! So, if you are looking forward to swimming, canoeing, exploring Blackhawk Island, and making new friends, sign up for one of our summer camps!

Summer 2024 Open Enrollment dates will be announced in early 2024!





To learn more about the programs offered by Upham Woods, please visit go.wisc.edu/UphamWoods.



Previous projects have included:

- Book Clubs
- DIY Horticulture Box
- Brain Reframe
- Global Exploration Series
- Art Activism Workshop
- Animal Showmanship Sessions

VIRTUAL 4-H PROJECT OPPORTUNITIES

4-H Connects online! Follow Wisconsin 4-H on Facebook and Instagram, watch the <u>calendar</u>, or visit <u>go.wisc.edu/4hvlc</u> for more information on dates of specific meetings. Registration can be completed in <u>4HOnline</u>.

Virtual events occur at varying dates. Watch the 4-H Newsletter and online calendar for specific dates and sessions!



WILDLIFE WHEP WISCONSIN 4-H & WISCONSIN 4-H FORESTRY



Wildlife WHEP (Wildlife Habitat Education Program) Wisconsin 4-H and Wisconsin 4-H Forestry provide hands-on learning experiences for 4-H members in grades 3-13 and their families. By participating in the various workshops, contests, projects, and more led by 4-H youth leaders and adult volunteers, youth can gain a better understanding of forestry and wildlife as well as learn different skills and habits they can use throughout their life.

The possibilites are endless! Both in-person and virtual opportunities are available to help youth explore their interests of wildlife and forestry.



For more information please visit <u>go.wisc.edu/4hwildlife</u> or contact Norb or Barb Yogerst at wi4hwildlifeforestry@gmail.com.



Welcome to 4-H Shooting Sports!

Shooting Sports in 4-H offers year-round training and fun competitive events for youth members in grades 3-13 and adult volunteers. Training programs available are: **archery, muzzleloading, pistol, rifle, shotgun, and wildlife**.

Adults who complete their Shooting Sports Certification teach the youth training classes in your county. Youth in training are eligible to participate in the fifteen 4-H competitive events offered statewide throughout the year. For information on opportunities specific to your area, please reach out to your local 4-H County Educator.





For more information, contact Doug Thompson, Coordinator of Wisconsin 4-H Shooting Sports at douglas.thompson@wisc.edu or 920-391-4657 or visit <u>go.wisc.edu/4hshootingsports</u>.



AREA ANIMAL SCIENCE DAYS

GRADES 3-12 SUMMER 2024 LOCATIONS TO BE ANNOUNCED

Area Animal Science Days is a series of day-long events held around the state in June where youth in the beef, dairy, horse, sheep, and swine projects increase their decision-making skills and knowledge of animals through judging and grading experiences.

Wisconsin Youth Livestock Program

> DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SCIENCES University of Wisconsin-Madison



ANIMAL SCIENCE JUDGING

STATE DAIRY JUDGING

GRADES 3-12 SUMMER 2024 LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED

County 4-H teams compete at district dairy judging contests during regional Area Animal Science Days for the chance to attend the State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest. State winners in the senior division go on to represent Wisconsin at the All-American Dairy Show in Harrisburg, PA, World Dairy Expo in Madison, WI, and the North American International Livestock Exposition in Louisville, KY.

STATE LIVESTOCK JUDGING

GRADES 3-12 SUMMER 2024 LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED

The State Livestock Judging Contest selects our state winners for National Competition. The top senior team travels to Louisville, KY. The second-place senior team travels to Denver, CO. The teams that compete at State Livestock Judging previously qualified at the district Area Animal Science Days throughout the state.

MEATS JUDGING

GRADES 3-12 SPRING 2024 LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED

For more information on the Dairy Project, please visit <u>go.wisc.edu/4hdairy</u>.

To learn more about WI Youth Livestock, please visit <u>go.wisc.edu/youthlivestock</u>.

This contest tests the knowledge of youth in the placement of carcass and retail cut classes, carcass grading, retail cut identification, and a quiz. This contest occurs annually with the top teams traveling to Kansas City, MO and Denver, CO for national competition.

4-H LIVESTOCK QUIZ BOWL & SKILLATHON

GRADES 3-12 DATES TO BE ANNOUNCED LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED

Livestock Quiz Bowl is a quiz competition with questions about beef, sheep, swine, and meat goat topics. Teams of students buzz in to orally answer questions given by a moderator.

The Skillathon contest includes a written quiz and learning stations such as breed identification, feed identification, equipment identification, and team activities such as demonstrating evaluation skills. The top senior level 4-H team will represent Wisconsin at the National 4-H Skillathon Contest, held each Fall in Louisville, KY.

AG SUMMIT GRADES 9-12 DATES TO BE ANNOUNCED WASHINGTON, D.C.

The National 4-H Youth Summit for Agri-Science brings together teen agriculture and science leaders from across the country to focus on learning about and solving current agri-science issues. Students work with each other and experts in the agricultural community to develop a community change project to initiate in their state. Members are nominated for this experience locally by staff and then selected to attend through a state level process.

4-H DAIRY QUIZ BOWL GRADES 3-12 DATES TO BE ANNOUNCED LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED

This contest provides an educational dairy program for all dairy project members, including those who may not own a dairy project animal, and provides a way to develop alertness, self-confidence, teamwork skills, and mastery in the area of dairy science.

Teams of four members compete with each other in giving oral answers to questions posed by a moderator.



STATE 4-H DOG AGILITY SHOW GRADES 4-12 AUGUST 26, 2023 CANINE SPORTS ZONE, MIDDLETON, WI

This show includes competitions in agility for dogs and their people. This event is open to youth enrolled in the 4-H Dog Project. Dogs of different levels of abilities and training are welcome.

STATE 4-H DOG OBEDIENCE AND SHOWMANSHIP SHOW THERE WILL BE NO SHOW IN 2023, HOWEVER WE HOPE TO BRING BACK AN AMAZING SHOW IN 2024!

The show includes competitions in obedience and showmanship for the dogs and a variety of other activities for their people such as public speaking and demonstrations, art shows, and a Dog Quiz Bowl. The show is open to youth enrolled in the 4-H Dog Project.





Love horses? Want to learn more? In this project, you will have the opportunity to take your love of horses to the next level: **the 4-H level.**

STATE 4-H GYMKHANA GRADES 6-13 SEPTEMBER 9-10, 2023

STATE FAIR PARK, WEST ALLIS, WI

Gymkhana is an annual horse and pony competition, featuring speed pattern racing events including: Cloverleaf Barrels, Flag Race, Plug Race, Pole Bending, LT Special, and Key Races.

4-H HUNT & DRESSAGE SHOW GRADES 6-13 DATES TO BE ANNOUNCED

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

4-H Hunt and Dressage Show is a 3-day event featuring dressage clinics and show, over fences clinics and show, and flat and pleasure classes. Youth can attend educational clinics and showcase their skills in a variety of individual and group dressage classes.



STATE 4-H HORSE EDUCATION DAYS, HORSE BOWL, & HIPPOLOGY CONTEST GRADES 3-13

DATES TO BE ANNOUNCED DODGE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

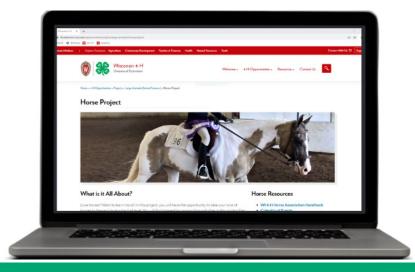
State Horse Education Days occurs annually in June and provides an opportunity for youth in grades 3-13 enrolled in the 4-H Horse Project to demonstrate their knowledge of equine-related subject matter in a competitive setting. Youth answer questions in teams of 3-4 members and compete against other teams in the same class. These events consist of quiz-style questions about the following topics: Nutrition and Feed, Health and Diseases, History, Evolution and Breeds, Reproduction and Genetics.

STATE HORSE EXPO GRADES 3-12

SEPTEMBER 15-17, 2023 STATE FAIR PARK, WEST ALLIS, WI

State 4-H Horse Expo is an annual event for all youth enrolled in the 4-H Horse Program and draws crowds of over 900 youth and 700 horses. Youth participate in a wide variety of competitions and projects including a live horse show, horse judging, and different arts and educational projects about horses.

Visit <u>go.wisc.edu/4hhorseproject</u> for more details on registration and contest information!





Wisconsin 4-H offers a variety of **Arts Programs for youth in** grades 3-12! WI 4-H Ants Camp

GRADES 6-8 NOVEMBER 18-19, 2023 UPHAM WOODS, WISCONSIN DELLS, WI

4-H Arts Camp, an overnight experience for grades 6-8, features six different diverse art tracks. Possible topics include music, photography, communication, theater, culinary arts, and art in nature. Arts Camp provides older youth and adults with leadership development opportunities and offers middle school youth the fun of a 4-H camping experience focused on arts.

GRADES 3-5 MARCH 15-17, 2024 **UPHAM WOODS, WISCONSIN DELLS, WI**



4-H ArtBEAT! is the introductory program for Wisconsin 4-H Arts Programming, created for 4-H members in grades 3-5, their parents, and leaders. ArtBEAT! provides an opportunity for youth and their parents to experience a variety of art forms in a camping environment at Upham Woods in Wisconsin Dells.

The weekend features a look at a diverse arts projects including music, drama, visual arts, art in nature, and more! Both youth and adult participants stay in the cabins on Cabin Hill. Parents are not required to attend, but are invited.

YOUTH AS PARTNERS IN CIVIC LEADERSHIP (YPCL)

YOUTH GRADES 9-12, ADULTS 19-20, 21+ OCTOBER 20-22, 2023 UPHAM WOODS, WISCONSIN DELLS, WI

The mission of YPCL is to advance youth voices in Wisconsin by increasing the capacity for youth and adults to share civic leadership in local schools, communities, and organizations.

Team Member Registration

Opens September 1, 2023 in <u>4HOnline</u>. Each team member listed on the Team Registration Form must also complete individual online registration in <u>4HOnline</u>.

Workshop Submissions

Participating teams are encouraged to lead workshops and roundtables. To submit your workshop idea, please visit this <u>link</u>. Priority will be given to workshops that are (co) led by youth.

If you have any questions, contact Joe Maldonado, Community Youth Development Program Manager, at joe.maldonado@wisc.edu or visit <u>go.wisc.edu/YPCL</u>.

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE SUMMIT GRADES 9-12, ADULTS 18+ SUMMER 2024 LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED

Restorative Justice Summit is a statewide educational forum that brings together young people and youth-serving professionals to collaborate in advancing equitable, evidence-based restorative justice and peacemaking practices that aim to transform youth services, programs, and communities in Wisconsin.

Participants will hear from a keynote speaker as well as engage in various breakout sessions and collaborative activities to learn more about restorative justice, inequalities, and more, in order to create positive change in their communities.

To learn more about this event, please visit go.wisc.edu/RJS.





STATE ARTS TEAMS

4-H DRAMA COMPANY

creates a stage performance incorporating acting, song, and dance. Show content is a collaborative effort between company members and their director. Each Drama Company member contributes ideas for the show and works with the group to problem solve issues on the set and in the script, which is culminated into a final performance during Summer Academy. There are also many in-person opportunities to connect and rehearse.





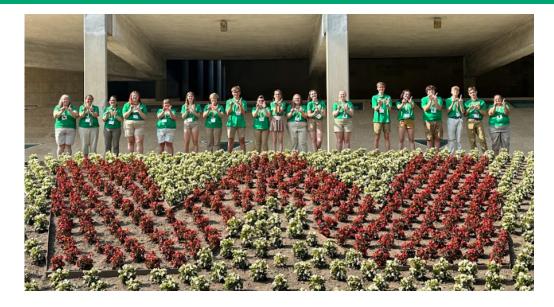
4-H ARTS TEAM

creates a collaborative piece of artwork and works to artistically support statewide programming opportunities. The team members also teach seminars and train to be peer leaders for county and regional events, as well as create an Art Show display for Summer Academy. The 4-H Arts Team is led by a professional artist who teaches team members artistic techniques using a variety of mediums.

Applications for State Arts Teams open in Fall in <u>4HOnline</u> and are due January 15, 2024. Please review the position descriptions for more information on application requirements.

For more information on State Teams, visit go.wisc.edu/4hstateteams.





The Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council (WLC) is made up of youth and adult leaders from across the state. WLC is an amazing example of youth-adult partnership in action as they work together to shape 4-H Youth Development on the state, county, and local levels.

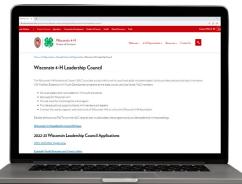
WLC Members:

- Serve as leaders and role models for 4-H youth and adults
- Advocate for Wisconsin 4-H
- Plan statewide opportunities like Fall Forum
- Work with Extension leadership to enhance the 4-H program
- Build personal leadership and communication skills
- Connect the county, regional, and state levels of WI 4-H

YOUTH IN GRADES 9-11 ARE INVITED TO APPLY FOR STATE TEAMS

APPLICATIONS OPEN IN AUGUST WITH ELECTIONS IN NOVEMBER AT FALL FORUM

VISIT go.wisc.edu/4hwlc FOR APPLICATION DETAILS



FALL FORUM

GRADES 7-13 NOVEMBER 4-5, 2023 GREEN LAKE CONFERENCE CENTER, GREEN LAKE, WI

Fall Forum is an opportunity for youth in grades 7-13 and adult leaders to attend the statewide training weekend with county and state staff. Planned by a team of youth and adult volunteers from the Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council with the support of county and state staff, our hope is that 4-H youth and adult leaders will come together to connect, collaborate, celebrate, and continue building excitement and energy for a new year of 4-H learning.

Fall Forum includes:

- An inspiring keynote address by Tim Talen
- Opportunities to participate in dozens of youth- and adult-led workshops on Saturday
- Choose your own adventure interactive activities on Saturday
 night
- Introductions for WLC Candidates AND WI 4-H Hall of Fame Laureates

To learn more about Fall Forum, visit go.wisc.edu/4hfallforum.





SUMMER ACADEMY GRADES 7 AND UP JUNE 24-28, 2024 UW-MADISON CAMPUS

This program will return for the second year to help youth discover pathways to their futures. During the conference, youth will experience life in a residence hall, learn about higher education options, speak with professionals about future careers, and engage in personal exploration. Youth will have the opportunity to choose from various career tracks as well as have fun opportunities to build networks and friendships with folks from across the state of Wisconsin.

Summer Academy will be held at the UW-Madison Campus, where youth and adult chaperones will stay at Chadbourne Residence hall. Youth will be participating in a wide variety of track-based activities and seminars. They will be able to visit different locations on campus and in Madison. They will also have the opportunity to hear from speakers, watch a performance from the 4-H Drama Company, and participate in a variety of fun hands-on activities!

Tracks from previous years include:

- STEM
- Human Services
- Arts & Communication
- Trades
- Culinary and Health
- Leadership & Civic Engagement
- Agriculture & Animal Sciences



Registration will be open in <u>4HOnline</u> in April. For more information, please visit <u>go.wisc.edu/4hsummeracademy</u>.





GRADES 10-12 SUMMER 2024 WASHINGTON D.C.

CWF is the premier week long 4-H citizenship and leadership experience, bringing 4-H delegations from all over the country to stay in Washington D.C., our nation's Capitol!

Experiences Include:

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Gettysburg and Mount Vernon Tour

National Museum of African American History & Culture

Meetings with Wisconsin State Senators

Capitol Hill and National Mall Tour

Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery

Workshops with 4-H Members from all across the U.S.

Delegate Workshops Include:

Citizenship Toolbox: By exploring what it means to be a good citizen, delegates identify their own skill set to become active citizens and leaders in their communities back home.

Congressional Issues: Delegates will have open discussions with different perspectives on real national issues in the government today.

Bill Writing: Delegates learn the process of writing a bill in the House of Representatives and then write one of their own. They will then hold a mock House of Representatives meeting where they will discuss and either pass or deny said bills.

Action Planning: By combining all of the skills they have learned at CWF, the entire delegation will discuss what issues are prominent in their communities. They will then develop a plan to take back and implement positive change into their hometowns.

> The following experiences tend to fill up quickly and will be available on a first come, first serve basis: CWF, National 4-H Congress, National 4-H Conference, American Spirit East, Space Camp, and Advanced Space Academy.











GRADES 8-10 JUNE 14-23, JUNE 21-30, JULY 5-14, 2024 VARIOUS LOCATIONS ON EAST COAST

American Spirit East provides the opportunity for youth to experience history and heritage through a 10-day bus journey to the East Coast! Participants will increase their knowledge of American history while experiencing where it occurred, have dynamic exposure to diverse cultural experiences and perspectives of the foundation of our nation, and further develop skills in leadership and personal expression of values. Registration will open in <u>4HOnline</u> October 1, 2023.



For more information, please visit go.wisc.edu/AmericanSpirit.

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SPACE CAMP

GRADES 6-8 APRIL 18-22, 2024

U.S. SPACE & ROCKET CENTER, HUNTSVILLE, AL

Registration opens in <u>4HOnline</u> November 15, 2023.

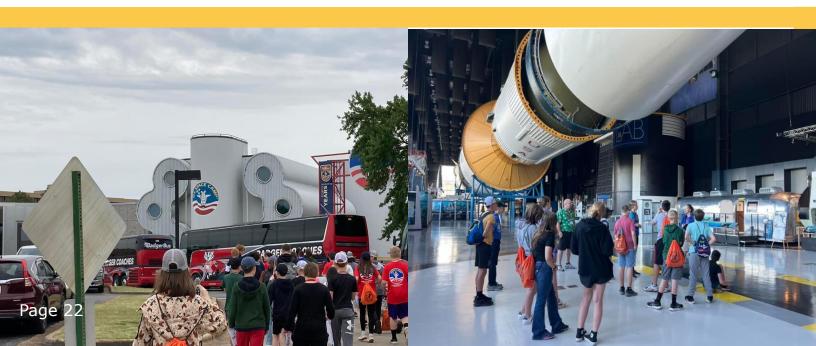


Learn about and experience the different aspects of life as an astronaut, working for NASA, and exploring places beyond Earth! Youth get the opportunity to venture away from home to meet new friends, develop leadership and teamwork skills, and learn all about space.

Experience the Pathfinder Program! A 3-day experience with activities including:

- a simulated space mission
- a variety of space simulators
- building and launching your own model rocket
- on-site meals and sleeping habitats simulating a real space training experience
- learning about space exploration and astronaut life in guided museum tours
- a team quiz bowl at the end of camp

Visit <u>go.wisc.edu/SpaceCamp</u> to learn more!





GRADES 10-12 JANUARY 2025 U.S. SPACE AND ROCKET CENTER, HUNTSVILLE, AL

Advanced Space Academy explores college and career preparation through an immersive experience in science, technology, engineering, and math. Trainees undergo a variety of astronaut training exercises, engineering challenges, and team-building activities, all culminating in an extended duration simulated space mission.

Experiences Include:

- High/Low Ropes Course
- NASA Simulators
- Russian Language Lessons
- Scuba Diving
- Fighter Jet Simulators
- International Space Workshops

- Advanced Rocketry
- Meeting NASA Engineers
- Land, Air, and Sea Robotics Training
- STEM Challenges
- Simulated Space Mission

Visit go.wisc.edu/AdvancedSpace for more information!



NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE

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NATIONAL 4-H

GRADES 10-12 APRIL 19-24, 2024 WASHINGTON D.C.

National 4-H Conference annually brings 4-H youth and adults from around the nation to work towards strengthening and expanding the 4-H Youth Development program at the local, state, and national levels. National 4-H Conference is the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture's premier youth development opportunity to engage youth.

National 4-H Conference delegates will:

- Participate in a round table topic of their choosing that will focus on key topics such as: leadership, agriculture, crime, and more
- Participate in professional workshops
- Meet with legislators from their State to discuss important issues relating to 4-H
- Have a chance to network with youth and adults from across the country
- Develop an action plan that will be put to use in their own communities

For additional information, visit <u>go.wisc.edu/NationalConf</u>.





NATIONAL 4-H CONGRESS

GRADES 9-12 NOVEMBER 24-28, 2023 ATLANTA, GA

National 4-H Congress is a five-day Educational Experience held in Atlanta, GA. Congress is the premiere nation-wide event for 4-H'ers to network with others from around the country, Canada, and Puerto Rico. While at Congress, 4-H'ers engage in leadership, citizenship, global awareness, and inclusion.

Registration will opens June 1, 2023 in 4HOnline.

Additional information can be found at go.wisc.edu/4HCongress.

EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS EXPLORE ATLANTA INTERNATIONAL EVENTS COMMUNITY SERVICE WORLD-RENOWNED SPEAKERS



INTERNATIONAL & GLOBAL

You don't have to travel the globe to become a global citizen. Wisconsin 4-H offers a variety of programming opportunities to allow you to experience our world, learn about different cultures and perspectives, and gain leadership skills along the way.

Whether you welcome an international young person into your home or set-out for your own global travel experience, international exchange programs offer lifelong learning outcomes.

Participants will:

- Build connections with new people and grow their understanding of other people and their perspectives
- Increase their own personal cultural awareness while teaching others about the culture in which they live
- · Engage others in learning new experiences by teaching, sharing, and showcasing
- Identify what they'd like to learn, what they'd like to share, and how they can plan aspects of the experience
- Recognize the impact of this experience by gaining invaluable insight about life from another cultural perspective; newfound knowledge can impact the way they learn and lead within 4-H and throughout their life

INBOUND PROGRAMMING

In partnership with the <u>States' 4-H International Exchange Program</u>, Wisconsin 4-H families have welcomed youth from across the world to experience Wisconsin as host families in our Summer Inbound Exchange Program. International students travel to Wisconsin to reside with 4-H families– host families showcase their everyday life and learn from their international participants; families develop lifelong connections without leaving their home! Visit our Global Citizenship site to learn more about becoming a host family.

OUTBOUND PROGRAMMING

States' 4-H also supports international travel opportunities for Wisconsin youth to explore the globe. Historically, Wisconsin youth have traveled to Japan, Korea, Norway, and more for 4- or 8-week long experiences.

CITIZENSHIP PROGRAMS

GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP

Becoming a global citizen starts with understanding the issues and perspectives that impact your community, your country, and your world. Wisconsin 4-H offers programs that encourage participants to explore global and world issues, family traditions, worldwide connectivity, and community service learning. Discover global citizenship through the following activities:

- Explore the "Traveling Beyond your Culture" online course
- Participate in our Global Exploration Series (Winter 2024)
- Joing the Pen Pal Program (Spring 2024)









Please visit <u>go.wisc.edu/4hinternational</u> for more information on 4-H International & Global Citizenship Programs.

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS KEY AWARDS



The Wisconsin 4-H Key Award Program is one of the highest recognitions a 4-H member can receive. This award recognizes a select group of 4-H participants who have demonstrated consistent growth in their 4-H involvement, developed and applied their leadership skills, and actively participated in the functions of their 4-H club and community. To be eligible, candidates for this award must be in grade 9 or older, and must have completed at least three years of 4-H and one year of youth leadership.

CROWLEY DAIRY LEADERSHIP AWARD

The 4-H Dairy Leadership Award provides recognition to youth who have excelled in their Dairy Project. Eligibility for this award includes: current enrollment in the 4-H Dairy Project and have at least two previous years of membership, must be in grades 10-13 as of January 1, and should have an outstanding record of involvement and accomplishments in the 4-H Dairy Project.

Fifteen (15) state-level awards are to be presented annually to outstanding 4-H Dairy Project members. Award plaques will be given to the top fifteen and the top three youth will each receive \$1,000 cash awards. Youth that have received a plaque only are encouraged to apply again.

Additionally, the top 4-H member that is a Junior in high school as of January 1, 2024 will be offered a \$5,000 scholarship to attend the University of Wisconsin-Madison and enroll in the Department of Dairy and Animal Sciences.

WISCONSIN 4-H FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation awards scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin 4-H members and alumni pursuing higher education in 2024. Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships are awarded to students based on demonstrated personal growth through 4-H, development and leadership in 4-H, academic performance, and future educational goals. Applicants who are awarded scholarships will be notified by postal letter and email in May.



ENDLESS OPPORTUNITIES FOR VOLUNTEERS

To volunteer, you don't need previous experience working with youth. The most important qualifications are:

- a desire to work with young people to help them learn new things and gain life skills
- · want to provide youth with positive experiences in a safe and welcoming environment

For additional information on volunteering in your county, contact your local 4-H County Educator or visit <u>go.wisc.edu/4hvolunteer</u>.

Interested in volunteering for a Statewide Educational Experience? Fill out this <u>form</u> to connect with the State Office!

Volunteer Opportunities

- Activity/Event Volunteer
- Adult Advisor/Chaperone
- Club Enrollment Coordinator
- Club Leader
- Committee Volunteer
- Project Leader

Volunteers in Preparation Training - Are you interested in learning about volunteering for Extension and the 4-H Program? Learn all about volunteer roles and resources by joining us for a VIP session by Zoom. This is a 1.5-2 hour training that expands on volunteer roles and responsibilities, best practices for working with youth, and available resources for volunteers. Find upcoming dates and register at this <u>link</u>.

Supporting Youth Mental Health Training - Adults who volunteer with young people, care about young people. One way to show we care is to give help and support when someone is feeling down. That's what the Supporting Youth Mental Health for Volunteers Training - Supporting YMH, for short, is all about: knowing how to support youth when they're down, whether it's a bad day or it's more than that. Various training dates are set each month. Visit this link to sign up.





