



FORMATION ON WISCONSIN STATE 4-H YOUTH LEADER COUNCIL

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Wisconsin State 4-H Youth Leader Council is sponsored by a grant from the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation.

Council Purpose:

To strengthen 4-H Youth Development programs by addressing youth issues, promoting 4-H, providing leadership at Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference, and communicating needs between local and state levels.

Expectations of Wisconsin State 4-H Youth Council Members:

1. Attend and participate in all Wisconsin State 4-H Youth Council meetings (Fall Forum & Spring Retreat, Pre-Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference Weekend, Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference in June).
2. Participate in any other activity in which the Wisconsin State 4-H Youth Council is present. Represent 4-H youth at selected statewide events, including but not limited to auction at WI State Fair, Farm Bureau of WI annual meeting, WI 4-H Foundation fundraisers.
3. Fulfill committee work and other mutually agreed upon responsibilities.
4. Communicate regularly with Wisconsin State 4-H Youth Council advisors and members.
5. Communicate with other counties in the district on Wisconsin State 4-H Youth Council work.

Qualities Expected of Wisconsin State 4-H Youth Council Members:

1. Leadership in club and county
2. Good communication skills
3. Good public relation skills
4. Responsibility
5. Positive role model
6. Positive attitude

Wisconsin State 4-H Youth Council Eligibility:

1. Youth should have completed 8th and not exceeded the completion of the 11th grade to enable their completion of the two terms while in high school.
2. Youth are elected to represent one of the six Extension districts. Total members per district based on the total 4-H membership in the district.
3. Wisconsin State 4-H Youth Council members are elected at the Fall Forum. New terms will start at the Spring Retreat following the Fall Forum they are elected.

Wisconsin State 4-H Youth Council Member Election Process:

1. Complete the Wisconsin State 4-H Youth Leader Council application form. Send it to a county 4-H Youth Development staff member for their signature and recommendation. Each county may have a maximum of two candidates.
2. County 4-H Youth Development staff forwards your application to Sue Pleskac, State 4-H Volunteer Leaders Specialist, by September 1.
3. Officers and Advisors of Wisconsin State 4-H Youth Leader Council select a slate of candidates by district. Applications are reviewed by YLC members and notification of candidates for election will be done shortly after.
4. Candidates need to attend the Fall Forum.
5. There will be district caucus for the candidates to give a short presentation and answer questions before the election. Attending this caucus will be voting delegates/county plus current Wisconsin State 4-H Youth Council members. Results will be announced at the Fall Forum.
6. Newly elected Wisconsin State 4-H Youth Council members will take office at the Spring Retreat.
7. Candidates should be present to be elected. If not present, only the application will be read to represent the candidate.



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