

## STATE-WIDE EVENTS

At the state level youth have the chance to meet 4-H members from other counties. The following events may be awarded to members 14 and older who fill out ME forms. They may also be attended by some members who do not receive the award but are willing to pay their own expenses.

**Arts Leadership Lab**  
(December) This is open to adults and youth in grades 9-12 who are interested in leading arts activities in their clubs and counties. Participants develop a plan of action to carry out in their local areas. Workshops include communication, music, photography, theater arts, video and visual arts. A total of six youth may attend from our county.

**Winter Camp**  
(January) Members in grades 8 and above may attend this district-wide camp to meet youth from other northern counties. Activities include snowshoeing, skiing, inner tubing, hiking, music and leadership activities.

**Co-op Youth Educational Summit**  
(April) This is a youth leadership conference designed to provide members with a better understanding of the scope and role of business cooperatives in Wisconsin and the United States. A combination of speakers, role plays, cooperative games, small group sessions, case studies and panels will be used to present information to students. Youth in grades 10-12 are eligible to attend.

**Wisconsin 4-H and Youth Conference**  
(June) Over 700 4-H members attend this educational event in Madison each summer. Participants take part in educational seminars and assemblies. They are encouraged to take what they learn and share it with others in their home communities. Youth must be in grades 8-10 to attend.

**State Fair**  
(August) The Wisconsin State Fair is held in West Allis, near Milwaukee. 4-H'ers must be 14 years of age to attend. 4-H members can participate only if they are selected to represent Douglas County. This selection is not based on ME (Member Evaluation Form) performance, but rather on their 4-H performance in county events, such as the Demonstration Contest and Clothing Revue.



The following activities are not awarded trips, but rather youth may apply for a position in these groups:

**Showcase Singers**

Showcase Singers is one of Wisconsin's premier youth performing organizations. They perform at the State Fair and Wisconsin 4-H Youth Conference after practicing for a weekend in April. High school youth are eligible to apply for positions as singers/dancers, instrumentalists and choreographers.

**State Art Team**

This is an exciting leadership opportunity for high school youth and adults interested in learning more about leadership in the visual arts and crafts. 4-H'ers meet four times a year to work with a professional artist in designing public art pieces, tour museums and interview curators, and teach art sessions to other youth.

**State Drama Company**

The 4-H Drama Company is made up of adults and high school teens from all over Wisconsin. Included in the Team are Actors, Adult Members and Assistants to the Director. Youth and adults will work with the Extension Youth Theatre Specialist to learn directing and teaching techniques for utilizing curriculum as well as improvising a show around the theme of leadership to be performed for delegates attending State Conference. Members will be strongly encouraged to share their knowledge at local club and county levels.

