

State Opportunities

Additional information on these opportunities can be found on the Wisconsin 4-H website: www.uwex.edu/ces/4h

LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

State 4-H Youth Council

Youth in high school can apply for a two year term on the State Youth Leader Council. Nominations are sought in the spring of each year. Elections are held at State 4-H and Youth Conference. The Council is responsible for helping with State 4-H and Youth Conference. They lead recreational activities, assist at assemblies and assist small groups going to different sessions. The Council also meets in the fall with the State Leaders Council.

State 4-H Adult Leader Council

Each county sends one representative to the State Leader Council meeting held each fall. The Leaders Association has designated the Vice President to be our county's representative. The annual Council meeting includes an update new opportunities, small group discussions and district caucus time. Participants at this meeting can run for the State Leader Council board.



Wisconsin 4-H Volunteer Leaders Conference



Adult and youth leaders participate in a two day conference in March every other year at UW-Oshkosh. Sessions focus on project related topics, program management and personal growth. Each conference features a motivational keynote speaker.

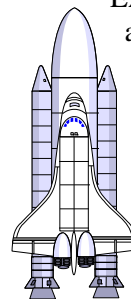
Regional Leaders Forum

In the years opposite the Wisconsin 4-H Volunteer Leaders Conference, leaders can attend the North Central Regional Leaders Forum. Sessions offered are similar to the State Conference. Participants meet volunteers from neighboring states and share ideas.

PROJECT RELATED OPPORTUNITIES

Space Camp

Boldly go where other 4-H'ers fear to tread...



Explore the fascinating world of aerospace, astronomy and technology! 4-H Missions in Space program is a fun-filled weekend in April at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama: where participants will complete a simulated Space Shuttle mission, experience training simulators, tour the U.S. Space & Rocket Center and learn about becoming an astronaut. 4-H members in grades 6-8 may apply with a maximum age of 15 at time of trip.

Youth Plant Science Day

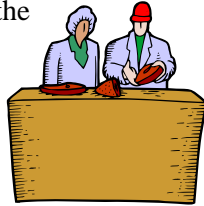
This event is held annually in July at the Hancock Agricultural Research Station. 4-H members in third grade and up can compete in the contest. The three events offered are plant identification, plant judging and a written botany exam. Workshops and tours of the gardens and research fields are offered. The top four senior competitors (age 15 and older as of December 31 of the current year) become members of the state



Horticulture team that competes in a similar competition at the National Junior Horticulture Association Annual Conference.

Area Animal Science Days

Waushara County participates in the Northeast Area Animal Science Days. This event, held in late June, features educational and competitive events for dairy, beef, sheep, swine and horse project members. Some hosting counties also offer sessions for other animal project members such as dog and rabbits.



State Horse Expo



Youth in grades 6 and up can qualify to show at the Wisconsin 4-H Horse Expo. This event is held at the Wisconsin State Fair Park the weekend following the week of Labor Day. Those entering competitive

State 4-H Horse Hunter/Dressage Clinic

This school and show is typically held in June or July. Members who wish to compete in hunt seat competition over jumps or perform a dressage test in competition can do so at this show. Members in grades 6 to 13 at the time of annual enrollment are eligible to participate. Competitors are not required to qualify to compete at this show.

State 4-H Horse Leaders Conference

This annual conference, held in November, offers adult and youth leaders an opportunity to attend seminars on a variety of topics and interact with horse members and leaders from across the state.

State Dog Show



This event is held a weekend in late summer. Dog project members compete in obedience and showmanship classes. The location rotates around the state.

State Dog Leader Workshop

events must have received a blue ribbon in one event at the County Fair. The youth must enter in one class they received a blue in and may enter as many additional classes regardless of their placing or participation in that particular class at county fair. Youth wishing to enter educational events (leathercraft, clothes horse, demonstration, public speaking, drawing, posters, woodworking, photography, art, etc.) must have shown the item at a county fair. A model horse competition is open to those who have previously participated in another 4-H Model Horse Show during the project year.

State 4-H Horse Gymkhana

The 4-H Gymkhana consists of competition for 4-H members interested in speed events. It is usually held in September. Members in grades 6-13 at the time of annual enrollment are eligible to compete. Competitors are not required to

Held in the fall of the year, this workshop provides adult leaders with an opportunity to exchange ideas and learn new techniques for working with project members.

Art Beat

Created for 4-H members in grades 3-5 and their 4-H volunteer parents and leaders, 4-H Art-beat features a look at a variety of arts projects including music, drama, visual arts, arts and crafts, juggling and more! 4-H members will explore their own creativity while discovering the great variety of 4-H Arts & Communication experiences available to them now and in the near future.

Arts Camp

Middle school youth learn about photography, music, drama, communication and visual arts from older 4-H members who are under the guidance of adult leaders. The camp is held at



Upham Woods Environmental Education Center on a weekend in late October. Partial scholarships to cover registration costs can be applied for from the Waushara County 4-H

Leaders Association.

Arts Leadership Lab

The weekend of leadership training for high school youth and adults focuses on communications, music, photography, theatre arts, video and visual arts. It is held the first weekend in December at Upham Woods Environmental Education Center. Partial scholarships to cover registration costs can be applied for from the Waushara County 4-H Leaders Association.

Art Team

The State Art Team creates artwork around a theme for the Wisconsin 4-H and Youth Conference. They design and organize the art display at the Conference and provide tours. They also teach seminars about what they have learned. Applications are due in February. Team members have a work weekend in April and arrive at conference the weekend before conference begins. Some years the group has done an art related community service project. High school youth can apply. The Leaders Association gives each team member a predetermined scholarship amount towards the costs.



Showcase Singers



High school youth can apply to become a member of Wisconsin 4-H's Show Choir doing performances at State 4-H and Youth Conference and the Wisconsin State Fair.

Interested youth must complete a written application (due in February) and audition. Applicants must have singing and dancing ability. The group meets during State 4-H and Youth Conference, rehearses for a week in July and performs seven days of the Wisconsin State Fair. The Leaders Association gives each member a predetermined scholarship amount towards the costs.

Drama Team

High school youth develop their performing skills by presenting a performance at the State 4-H and Youth Conference. Team members also teach seminars and share their experiences with others. Applications are due in February. Team members have a work weekend in April and arrive at conference the weekend



Press Team

Press Team is four to six youth photographers who take digital photos of State 4-H and Youth Conference events. They prepare a computerized slide show for the delegates and the Wisconsin 4-H Website. High school youth can apply. Applications are due in February. Team members spend five days at Conference. The Leaders Association gives each team member a predetermined scholarship amount towards the cost.

