

Jefferson County 4-H Educational Travel Opportunities Application 2018-2019

Space Camp: Due October 1, 2018
Citizenship Washington Focus: Due October 1, 2018
Wisconsin Youth Conference: Due March 1, 2019
National 4-H Congress: Due March, 2019

The Jefferson County 4-H Leaders Association sponsors the opportunity for youth to attend four state organized trips each year: Space Camp, Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF), Wisconsin Youth Conference, and National 4-H Congress. To be considered, you must complete the Jefferson County Trip Application. The Jefferson County 4-H Leaders Association contributes a set amount of the cost for one leadership experience per member per budget year. Some clubs or community organizations may also help finance your educational experience; so, check with your leader and the 4-H Office for ideas.

Space Camp:

- Delegates participate in hands-on mock space missions and other activities in this NASA program at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama while exchanging ideas with youth from across Wisconsin.
- Participant must be in 6th to 8th grade with a maximum age of 15 at time of trip.
- Approximate cost: \$625. **The county will award up to two scholarships for 50% of the cost.** Additional youth can attend by paying the full cost.
- Trip Dates: April 25-29, 2019
- Online registration: November 7-January 1
- Youth may only attend once during their 4-H career.
- This is a VERY popular and competitive educational experience.
- Application due to UWEX Office by 4 pm on October 1, 2018.

Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF):

- This leadership program is held at the National 4-H Center in Washington D.C. Youth learn the importance of civic and social responsibilities as they relate to the development of better citizens and leaders.
- Youth must be in 10th to 12th grade with a minimum age of 15 at time of the program.
- Approximate cost: \$1,400. **The county will award up to two scholarships for the 50% of the cost.** Additional youth can attend by paying the full cost.
- Applicants for this trip may be required to participate in an interview.
- Trip Dates: June 15-23 or July 6-14, 2019
- Online registration: October 15-November 15, 2018
- Youth may only attend once during their 4-H career.
- Application due to UWEX Office by 4 pm on October 1, 2018.

Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference:

- This educational event is at the UW Madison Campus each summer. Youth take part in educational seminars and assemblies and meet people from across Wisconsin.
- Participant must be in 7th to 10th grade at the time of selection.
- Approximate cost is \$300. **The county will award up to ten scholarships for 50% of the cost.** Additional youth can attend by paying the full cost.
- Trip Dates: June 24-27, 2019
- Online registration: April 2-15, 2019
- Youth may attend more than once during their 4-H career.
- Application due to UWEX Office by 4 pm on March 1, 2019.

National 4-H Congress:

- Delegates participate in self-development seminars, tours and a service project, while exchanging ideas with youth from across the country in Atlanta, Georgia.
- Youth must be in 10th to 12th grade at the time of selection with a maximum age of 18 on January 1 of 4-H program year.
- Approximate cost \$1,200. **The county will award up to two scholarships for 50% of the cost.** Additional youth can attend by paying full cost.
- Applicants for this trip will be required to participate in an interview.
- Trips Dates: November 29-December 3, 2019
- Online Registration: May 1 – June 1, 2019.
- Youth may attend once during their 4-H career.
- Application due to UWEX Office by 4 pm on March 1, 2019.

All Trips Fee Agreements:

- If you are selected to represent Jefferson County 4-H Program on an educational experience, you will be:
 - You will be notified by the UW-Extension Office prior to online registration opening.
 - You must complete the Educational Opportunity Agreement form that will be sent to you by the UWEX Office
 - You must include your deposit of the Educational Opportunity upon returning your signed agreement. Deposits are non-refundable.
 - You must register through 4honline
 - You must complete any state required forms and attend required orientation sessions (online or in-person)
- If you need to cancel, you must notify the County as well as the State in writing.
- If you need to cancel and an alternate cannot take your place, you will be responsible for the total cost of the trip. If you received a trip scholarship from the Jefferson County 4-H Leaders Association you will also be responsible to cover this cost.

General Application Guidelines:

- Appearance, accuracy, grammar and spelling are IMPORTANT.
- Make your form readable. Single spaced typewritten (use of computer) is required. A PDF fillable form is available on the UWEX website.
- Clarify terminology - say EXACTLY what you mean/describe exactly what you've done. "Great" doesn't help readers know what you did or accomplished or how you have "grown." Give specific examples of things you have done in 4-H to answer the question. Tell a story with each answer.
- Be selective in what you write AND avoid repetition – but be complete.
- **Write the statement question before your answer.**
- Answer each question with a minimum of one paragraph.
- The next page is the “cover” to your application, it must be included. Do not create your own.
- Submit your application to the UW-Extension Office by the trip application due date. Late applications will not be accepted.
- Do not add pages to the Leadership and Participation Page; only use the space provided. You may need to be selective to provide only the relevant facts.

Application Point System:

- Questions 1-7 - 10 possible points for each question.
- Leadership and Participation Page – 10 points.
- Photo Page – 5 points.
- Neatness/Grammar – 5 points.
- Total Points = 90.

Selection Announcement:

- Recipients will be notified by the UW-Extension, Jefferson County of the application deadline date after the Leader’s Association Board meeting.
- For trips that require interviews, they will be scheduled within the 1-2 weeks of the application deadline.
- After you have completed your leadership trip, **it is required that you give a presentation of your experience at both a club and county event.** Following is a list of example places at the County Level that you can give your presentation: Awards Celebration, Jr Leader Meeting, Leaders Association Meeting or an Association Board Meeting.

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TYPEWRITTEN APPLICATIONS ARE REQUIRED

Name of trip you are applying for: _____

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Age: _____ Grade: _____ (as of application date) Male: ___ Female: ___

Date of Birth: _____ Years in 4-H: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____ Parent/Guardian Name: _____

4-H Club: _____

Evaluation of My 4-H Program

List projects you have been enrolled in; indicate years and if presently enrolled. Do not exceed the space allowed. Be selective if necessary.

Project	Years In Project	Check if Currently Enrolled

On 8-1/2 x 11 plain white paper answer the following seven questions. Please use 12 pt font (Times New Roman, Arial or similar font is encouraged) and one inch margins. The photo page should have typed captions. Remember to state the question before your answer. Answer each question with a minimum of one paragraph.

1. 4-H provides opportunities for developing leadership. Explain your most meaningful 4-H leadership experience.
2. Discuss how the skills and experiences you have gained from 4-H are different from your classroom education.
3. Describe how you have given back to your community through your 4-H involvement.
4. Talk about the biggest lesson you have learned through your 4-H involvement.
5. Explain what being a 4-H member means to you.
6. Identify why you want to attend the trip you are applying for.
7. If selected to attend this trip, discuss how you will share your experience with others?
8. Attach one page of 2 to 3 photos of you with captions that demonstrate what you have accomplished and learned through your 4-H projects and activities.

Leadership and Participation

4-H Leadership –offices held, committee chair, events you planned, projects led, etc.

Year	Description	Location

4-H Club Participation –community service, demonstrations, committees, trips, tours, recreation, etc.

Year	Description	Location

4-H County/District/State/National Participation – committees, fair, MAP, trips, tours, events, etc.

Year	Description	Location

Non-4-H Activities – school, church, community, sports, work, FFA, livestock associations, etc.

Year	Description	Location