WISCONSIN DELEGATION OVERVIEW

JULY 2016

Leadership Washington Focus (LWF) is a 4-H leadership program for youth currently in grades 6-8 (2015-16 school year). The program will take place at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center, just 1 mile from the Washington, D.C. border. For more than 50 years, thousands of 4-H'ers have participated in our high school program, Citizenship Washington Focus and now we are happy to introduce its precursor for middle school 4-H'ers, LWF.

Middle school 4-H delegates will:

- Build confidence in their ability to motivate and direct others in meaningful action
- Practice effective communication with others through group discussion and public speaking
- Work with others to create and accomplish goals
- Develop an understanding of their own personal leadership style
- Exchange ideas, practice respect, and form friendships with other 4-H'ersfrom across the nation.
- Experience hands-on learning using the historical backdrop of Washington, D.C.

PARTICIPANTS WILL ENJOY:

- Round-trip transportation previous trips have utilized Amtrak Train travel but budget and availability will determine final mode of travel.
- Educational workshops that increase individual leadership capability and build lifetime skills for success
- Activities that encourage and form new lasting friendships with other 4-H youth
- An enthusiastic staff of young adults that work directly with them

Participants are immersed in the culture and history of our nation through on-site workshops at D.C.'s most spectacular sights.

DESTINATIONS INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- White House and Lafayette Park
- National Archives
- Presidential and American Leader's Memorials
- Smithsonian museums
- and more!

One of the week's signature events, called "Nightview," is a spectacular evening tour where delegates will reflect on the different types of leadership conveyed through the symbolism of our national monuments and memorials.

In between tours, youth can relax at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center, Washington, D.C.'s premier youth and leadership hotel. The hotel is situated on a 12-acre campus, minutes from downtown D.C., featuring a hotel café all-you-can eat buffet, 24-hour uniformed security, a fitness center, full-court basketball and volleyball court, recreation room with pool tables and arcade games, free parking, and more.

**Some aspects of the program are subject to change.*

TRIP DETAILS

- Total trip cost is approximately $1100 per youth participant. Individual county 4-H Leader's Groups and 4-H Clubs may offer financial support, check with your 4-H Agent or club leader for more information. Registration includes: Round-trip transportation. Leadership Washington Focus program registration (includes lodging and meals), and some incidentals. *Taylor County Federation of 4-H pays 75% of the cost. Each youth pays $275.*
- Chris Viau, Wood County 4-H Agent, is the trip coordinator
- Youth and parents will participate in an orientation session in the Wisconsin Rapids/Stevens Point area prior to the trip, in person or via technology.

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