



National 4-H Conference Application Information



THE APPLICATION

The application form is available through your county Extension office or on our web site: <http://www.utah4-h.org>. Note that you must be either 10th or 11th grade to apply.

The application is due at the State 4-H Office on September 15. Your County Agent's signature is required.

Once applications are received, they are reviewed by a panel and selections for interviews are made. A letter will be mailed to each applicant to let them know if they have been selected for an interview or not.

THE INTERVIEW

Interviews will take place right before Teen Leadership Training – during UEA. They will take place on the Utah State University campus. This is the only time that interviews are scheduled. If you are not able to be there for the scheduled interview time, you will not be considered to represent Utah at National 4-H Conference.

A panel of volunteers, Collegiate 4-H members, 4-H staff and USU personnel will interview you. Your interview time will be included in your letter. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to your interview.

For your interview, please be prepared with a broad knowledge of 4-H on the local, county, state and national levels. You should know what National 4-H Conference is, be aware of current events, know who represents Utah in Congress and how the US Government works and what role it plays in 4-H.

Also, be prepared to give a 3 to 4 minute talk geared toward what you would tell our Utah Congressional Delegation if you were to meet them. Include why 4-H is important to you and why they should support it.

THE SELECTION

Selections of the delegates to represent Utah at National 4-H Conference are made based on the composite scores of the application and interview. All applicants are notified as to whether or not they were selected.

THE TRIP

National 4-H Conference is a full week of learning, participating in focus groups and meeting new people. The conference usually takes place the last week of March or the first week of April. A portion of the cost of the trip is sponsored by Utah 4-H. In addition, your county is expected to contribute \$150 toward the cost of the trip and you are expected to pay \$400 toward the cost of the trip. We encourage you to get sponsors to help you pay your portion of the cost. You will also be expected to pay for some meals and any extra days spent touring.

The Conference is held at the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland. Just minutes from downtown Washington, D.C., the center offers guest rooms with bunk beds, dining facilities, indoor and outdoor recreation and a computer lab to stay up to date with your family back home.

Utah State University is committed to providing an environment free from harassment & other forms of illegal discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age (40+), disability, & veteran's status. USU's policy also prohibits discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in employment & academic related practices & decisions.

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