



2024 4-H AWARD TRIPS!

The Wyoming County 4-H Leaders' Association is pleased to sponsor the 4-H award trips. We will require youth who apply to sell at least \$100 in product - as proceeds from our annual 4-H Fundraising Sale help to fund these trips and other awards. 4-H award trips provide a wonderful opportunity to visit interesting places, do exciting things, meet fascinating people, spread the word about Wyoming County 4-H, and make great memories!!!

Enclosed you will find a 4-H Award Trip Application. Use your 4-H Achievement Book or record sheets to help you fill out the application. 4-H members ages 13-18 before January 1, 2024 are eligible for these **GREAT TRIPS!!** Please note minimum age requirement for certain trips. **Applications will only be accepted if submitted in the 4-Her's own handwriting!!** Completed applications should be sent or brought to the 4-H office by **Monday, March 18th**. Note: Award trips are subject to change without notice. In the event of a canceled trip, efforts will be made to provide another trip opportunity for participants.

State Teen Action Representative Retreat (STARR): May 3rd - 5th 2024

Want to be a STARR? The State Teen Action Representative Retreat (STARR) is a three-day, fun-filled event where 4-H teens participate in a variety of workshops and activities meant to challenge, excite and further develop life skills. The event is planned by teens and adults serving on the youth/adult STARR planning committee. Location TBD in NYS.

****Eligibility requirement:** Youth ages 13 and over, from any 4-H program area are encouraged to apply.



CAPITAL DAYS: May 19th - 21st 2024

Travel to Albany, NY for the 4-H Capital Days program! The purpose of this trip is to help youth achieve a better understanding of the scope of New York State Government, to create an awareness of career opportunities in State government, and to meet and exchange ideas with State Legislators and 4-H delegates from other counties. In addition to meeting your legislators, you will view the Senate/Assembly in session, tour the Capitol, visit the NYS Court of Appeals, the NYS Museum, and various state agencies.

**** Eligibility requirement:** 4-H members 14-19 years old with an interest in Leadership or government career opportunities are especially encouraged to apply.



4-H CAREER EXPLORATIONS: June 26th - 28th 2024



Career Explorations is a three-day event for youth on the Cornell University campus. The purpose of this program is to provide youth with exposure to academic fields and career exploration, to develop leadership skills, to provide hands-on experience in a college setting and to introduce you to Cornell University. Last year, over 450 youth from all over NY State participated in this program! The event is made up of two grade specific tracts: University U for youth entering grades 8 - 9 and Focus for Teens for youth entering grades 10 - 12.

UNIVERSITY U

Welcomes “U”!! This program offers a series of workshops addressing issues and questions important to “U”. This program also offers an introduction to science and technology career opportunities. This past summer, youth involved in the University U program attended six of the following ten tours or workshops: Breaking Bonds and Changing Color; How We Control the Flow of Light; Polymer Chemistry; Breathing Life into Robots; Careers and Climate; Medical Devices: How Your Body Works; Rockets!; Nano Engineering; Gist and the Brain; and Synthetic Biology. Participants also have the opportunity to discover Cornell University and the excitement of college life.

****Eligibility requirement:** Students entering the 8th and 9th grades (or the equivalent) in the fall of 2024.



FOCUS FOR TEENS

Focus for Teens is a program where teens spend three days with a specific department or program at Cornell University. The program allows you to have fun while learning about such topics such as Exploring the Solar System and the Universe; Fossil Collecting and the Science of Paleontology; League of Coders; Learning to Program Robots with Baxter; Masterminds in our Midst (Art Museum); Media Corps; 4-H Geospatial Sciences (GPS, GIS, Remote Sensing, UAVs); A Tour of Human Development Across the Lifespan; Cardiac Engineering; Dress Code (parallels between computer coding and fashion); Engineering the Microbiome; Environmental Engineering; Our World of Polymers and Nanoparticles; Rockets, Boats, and Bridges (applications in mechanical and aerospace engineering); So you want to be a Food Scientist (building your own ice cream company); Vet for a Day, Women in Science; and more. Pick the topic you want to focus on and learn what Cornell has to offer!



****Eligibility requirement:** Teens must be entering their sophomore, junior or senior year of high school (or the equivalent) or freshman year in college in the fall of 2024.

AGRI-BUSINESS CAREER CONFERENCE: October 2024 (Thurs. - Fri.)

4-H members will be selected to attend this two-day conference in the fall of 2024. This career exploration trip is held at SUNY Cobleskill and is open to all youth ages 14 and over who are interested in becoming more aware of the great diversity of agri-business related careers available in New York. It will feature mini-tours to farms and operations in the Cobleskill area, as well as seminars, guest speakers, and guided tours of the SUNY Cobleskill's agriculture facility. 2023 tours included:



Hessian Hill Farm (diversified family operation)	Speaking with a Vet
Schoharie Valley Farms (fresh produce)	Milk Quality Lab
Delavale Farm	Thistle Hill Weavers
Osborne Family Farm	Sunny Knolls Farm (horses)
Sweet Tree Farm (beef/hogs/poultry/maple)	For the Love of Bacon (retail)

Weatherstop Farm (culinary & medicinal herbs) Jack Miller Garage (tractors)

****Eligibility requirement:** Youth ages 14 and over who are interested in becoming more aware of the great diversity of agri-business related careers.

CORNING EXPERIENCE: April 26th - 27th 2024

An opportunity for our younger 4-H'ers to have a one night stay close to home! We will visit Corning Museum of Glass and participate in a glass making activity. Weather dependent, we may include other activities.

**** Eligibility requirement:** Youth ages 12-14 from any 4-H program area are encouraged to apply.



Award trip selections will be made, and recipients notified in late March. If you have any further questions, please contact Sarah Clark in the Wyoming County 4-H office at 585-786-2251 or email sac347@cornell.edu.

Please return completed application to the 4-H Office by **Monday, March 18, 2024!**



WYOMING COUNTY 4-H TRIP APPLICATION

**** Applications will only be accepted if submitted in the 4-Her's own handwriting!! ****

NAME: _____ Phone #: _____
ADDRESS: _____ Club Name: _____
_____ Birth date: _____ Age as of 1/1/2024: _____
Grade in School: _____ Age you joined 4-H: _____ Years in 4-H: _____
List previous award trips attended through 4-H: _____

4-H award trips are sponsored by the 4-H Leaders' Association, with funds raised from the annual 4-H Fundraising Sale.

There is a \$100 sale minimum for youth to attend award trips for 2024

Did you participate in the 2024 4-H Sale? _____ Have you participated in past 4-H Cookie Sales? _____

What was your dollar value of sales for the 2024 fundraising sale? _____

If you did not sell for yourself, did you help sell for a family/club member? _____

4-H LEADERSHIP

Please list your **4-H Leadership Experiences** and indicate year(s) participated in activities.

Examples: Club Offices/Leadership (president, secretary, junior leader, etc.), County/State Leadership (teen evaluator, junior superintendent, teen rep. on advisory committee, etc.)

YEAR(S)	4-H LEADERSHIP

Tell about a **4-H leadership role** you have held. What did you gain from this?

4-H PROJECTS COMPLETED

Years in 4-H: _____

List the **4-H Project** areas you have enrolled in during your 4-H career and the number of years you have completed in each:

EXAMPLE:

Project Area: **# Year(s):**

Horse	7 yrs.
Foods	5 yrs.
Community Service	3 yrs.
Photography	2 yrs.

Project Area: **# Year(s):**

Describe your major **4-H project(s)** and the most important accomplishment(s) in this project?

4-H COUNTY WIDE ACTIVITIES AND PARTICIPATION

Provide the number of years involved by each activity that applies.

ACTIVITY	COUNTY	DISTRICT	STATE
<i>Example: Clothing Revue</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>
Public Presentations			
Public Presentation at Fair		XXXXXXXXXX	
Clothing Revue			
Produced in NYS Food Contest		XXXXXXXXXX	
Animal Showmanship			
Quiz Bowl Contests			
Judging Contests			
Livestock Skill-a-thon/Dairy Challenge			
Teen Leaders/Teen Press Corp.		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
National 4-H Week		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
Community Service		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4-H Cookie Sale		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
Fair Exhibits (list by project area): ie. Sheep, Clothing, Vegetables,...		XXXXXXXXXX	
OTHER:			

What **4-H activities** have been most valuable to you and why?

What **goals** do you still want to accomplish through your 4-H project(s) and activities?

List **special awards and honors** you have received in 4-H (county medals, memorial awards, scholarships, master showmanship, state or national competitions):

List your **Community Service** – include both 4-H and community involvement:

List **community and school activities, hobbies or interests**, other than 4-H: _____

How has **4-H impacted you** as an individual? _____

In your own words, briefly but clearly, indicate why you decided to apply for an award trip and what you hope to experience through your participation. Also, briefly explain how you plan to share the information you've learned from participating in a 4-H trip and/or how you would recruit others to take advantage of this opportunity.

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Please indicate the Award Trips you would like to be considered for, in order of preference, ie. 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc. This year the following trips will be awarded:

_____ Cornell Career Explorations (University U or Focus for Teens)

_____ Capital Days (Albany)

_____ STARR Retreat (Location TBD)

_____ Agri-Business Career Conference (Cobleskill)

_____ Corning Experience (Corning)

To be completed by applicant

I confirm that the information that is submitted on this application is a true and accurate profile of my 4-H, school, and community involvement and accomplishments.

4-H'er signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

To be completed by 4-H Leader (N/A for independent members)

As a 4-H Leader, I verify that, to the best of my knowledge, the applicant has submitted a true and accurate account of his/her 4-H involvement and accomplishments.

Leader signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

To be completed by Parent/Guardian

As a parent/guardian, I verify that, to the best of my knowledge, my child has submitted a true and accurate account of his/her 4-H, school, and community involvement and accomplishments. I support my child's decision to submit this application for a 4-H award trip.

Parent/Guardian signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Any comments or questions regarding this year's award trip application, please contact Sarah in the Wyoming County 4-H Office.

Please return completed application by **Monday, March 18th** to:

Wyoming County 4-H Program
Wyo. County Ag & Business Center
36 Center Street, Suite B
Warsaw, NY 14569

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