

Leadership Washington Focus

The 7th Annual Leadership Washington Focus (LWF) will be held July 27-31, 2020 at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center in Chevy Chase Maryland. There will be 4-H members representing several states across the nation at Leadership Washington Focus. LWF is a 4-night/5-day event (Monday-Friday) for 4-H members in grades 6-8 as of September 2019 and entering 7-9 at time of conference. The program will provide an opportunity for youth to listen to motivational speakers and participate in workshops that will develop communication skills, increase leadership capacity and build lifetime skills. The program utilizes Washington, D.C. as a working classroom to learn about leadership and provides hands-on opportunities for our younger teens to promote "*Learn to Lead Now - Better Leaders Tomorrow.*"

Activities during the 4-day conference will help delegates to:

- 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 leadership styles and identify personal style.
- Exchange ideas, practice respect and form friendships with other 4-H'ers from across the nation.
- Visit some of D.C.'s most spectacular sights and learn about the different types of leadership conveyed through the symbolism of our national monuments and memorials.

The cost for the conference is \$800 per person which includes all expenses – registration, lodging, meals, transportation and activities. The Somerset County 4-H Association will offset some of these costs. Scholarships are available. For more information, please contact Lisa Rothenburger rothenburger@njaes.rutgers.edu.

Applications are due to the county 4-H office by November 1.

**LEADERSHIP WASHINGTON FOCUS
APPLICATION FORM**

A completed application form must be received on or before **November 1** in the County 4-H Office. The County 4-H Office will send the original application plus two copies and your photo along with the County Reservation Form to the State 4-H Office postmarked or received on or before **November 10**. County 4-H Faculty/Staff must complete a short recommendation on the last page of this application. (PLEASE ATTACH A RECENT PHOTO)

(Please Print or Type)

Name _____ Name for Name Tag _____

Cell _____ Home Phone _____ Parent Cell _____

Current Grade (as of September 2019) _____ Sex: ___ M ___ F Date of Birth _____

Address _____
(Street) (Town) (Zip)

Email _____ Parent's Email _____

Adult T-shirt size S M L XL XXL

Parent's Signature _____ Leader's Signature _____

1. What leadership activities have you been involved with in 4-H, school and/or community organizations? Please describe each activity.

2. What is a leader?

3. What does leadership mean to you?

4. What are some qualities of a good leader? What makes a good leader?

5. Why do you think you should be selected to attend Leadership Washington Focus?

6. What do you hope to learn while attending Leadership Washington Focus?

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4-H Faculty/Staff Recommendation

____ YES ____ NO I verify that this 4-H member is a "Member in Good Standing" in my county and has met all the event criteria, including was registered in my county program as of January 1, attended a minimum of 70% of club meetings; gave a club, county or state presentation and has done a community service activity within the last year.

4-H Faculty/Staff Signature _____ Date _____