

NATIONAL 4-H CONGRESS 

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Program Description: The purpose of the National 4-H Congress experience is for youth in 10th-12 grades to gain life skills and leadership experience through hands-on activities, workshops, large group seminars, and youth networking time. This experience begins with travel via airplane on **the Friday after Thanksgiving every year, returning to Wisconsin the following Tuesday.** The event is held in Atlanta, GA with lodging in the Hyatt Regency. Health staff consists of volunteers who have first aid and/or nursing training. Youth will be under the direct supervision of older youth leaders and/or adults. The ratio of adults to youth participants is 1:10 or less. Adult Advisors are active 4-H volunteers that have completed Wisconsin 4-H Youth Protection. Adult Advisors assist by monitoring youth activities, conducting meetings and assisting with operational committee work. Participants will eat in a public cafeteria or dining room; share a hotel room with two queen beds and private bath with 2-3 roommates of the same gender. Adult Advisors are assigned to rooms on the same floors as their assigned delegates. During the conference, adults and youth will participate in large group activities which may involve any of the following: discussion, writing, reading aloud, arts and crafts; role plays or skits, running, dancing, climbing stairs, standing or sitting for long periods, or having personal contact with other participants; they will walk distances of up to approximately ½ mile on sidewalks, walk up stairs, and ride escalators and public trains to various activities; for community service activities or other events they may ride coach buses to off-site locations up to 50 miles away and may do physical activities such as working with carpentry or garden tools.

PARENTS/GUARDIANS: Requests for reasonable accommodations for disabilities or limitations should be made prior to the date of the program or activity for which it is needed. If you need an interpreter, materials in alternate formats or other accommodations to access this program, activity or service, please contact the Educational Programs Specialist at (608) 262-1557 as soon as possible preceding the scheduled event so that proper arrangements can be made in a timely fashion. Note that meals are prepared in institutional kitchens where cross contamination of nut, wheat, or other food product residue could occur, making it impossible to guarantee certain food-allergen-free meals. All requests are kept confidential.