



## **CITIZENSHIP WASHINGTON FOCUS**

### **June 27<sup>th</sup> - July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

#### **Program Overview**

Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) is a citizenship program conducted by the National 4-H Council for high school youth. Throughout the summer, delegations of 15-19 year-olds from across the country attend this weeklong program at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center, just outside Washington, D.C. This program gives participants hands-on opportunities to learn and practice skills that promote "Better Citizens Today, Better Leaders Tomorrow". Participants learn by attending workshops, committees, field trips, and social events.

#### **Program Objectives**

1. Strengthen your communication, leadership, and other citizenship skills on a national level.
2. Understand the importance of civic and social responsibilities as they relate to the development of better citizens and leaders.
3. Exchange ideas, practice respect, and form friendships with other youth from diverse backgrounds.
4. Experience hands-on learning using the historical backdrop of our nation's Capital City, Washington, D.C.

#### **Learn More**

Learn more about Citizenship Washington Focus and read testimonials from previous attendees by visiting the website at: <http://www.citizenshipwashingtonfocus.org>. Also, delegates will stay at the National 4-H Conference Center, you can check it out at: <http://www.4hcenter.org/>.

#### **Registration Cost**

***The cost of registration for the successful applicant(s) will be shared by the 4-Her and the Lake County 4-H Club Committee (County Committee).*** Registration cost for CWF is \$1500 per delegate. The successful applicants will be asked to pay \$500 out-of-pocket, and the County Committee will pay the remaining \$1000. (Each delegate will need approximately a minimum of \$100 for out-of-pocket expenses during the weeklong trip.)

Through the following application process, County Committee will select Lake County 4-H members to represent our county at this national 4-H event. The number of delegate(s) will depend on available funding.

Once selected, the successful applicant(s) must submit their \$500 registration fee to the Extension Office. **Any individual who agrees to attend, and then backs out, will owe the entire \$1500 registration cost.**

#### **Transportation**

The selected delegates will be responsible for their own transportation to Purdue University in West Lafayette or a destination (TBD) in Indianapolis where they will join the rest of the Indiana delegation on a Purdue motorcoach that will transport the group to the greater Washington, DC area. There is also a possibility the coordinators might choose for the delegation to fly to DC. Please be open to all options.

#### **Application Process**

Current Lake County 4-H members who are high school students and will be 15 years of age or older at time of the trip are eligible to apply. Previous participants in the CWF trip are not eligible to reapply. Please apply by completing the following application and submitting it to the Extension Office no later than Friday, March 6, 2020.



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**Lake County 4-H**  
**CITIZENSHIP WASHINGTON FOCUS**  
**Application**

*Application due by Friday, March 6, 2020*

*Instructions:* Please complete the following application. This application will be considered along with your past efforts and achievements in 4-H.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Year in 4-H: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Polo Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Home telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of parent(s) or guardian(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer the following questions utilizing the space needed to tell your 4-H story. Written responses should not exceed two typed pages. (Font size no smaller than 10 point, please.)

1. Tell about your 4-H leadership and citizenship experiences; include things that contributed to the welfare of your club or group members, other individuals, or community. (Be specific as to what you did.)
2. Describe two to three of the most important things you learned through 4-H that will or has affected your life.
3. Why do you want to participate in the CWF Program?

**Member/Parent Statement**

By signing this application, you attest that the 4-H member has personally prepared this application and that it accurately reflects his/her work. In addition, you understand that if selected to attend, you will be required to pay \$500 of the registration cost. Further, you understand that your family will owe the Lake County 4-H Club Committee up to the full registration amount of \$1500 if your 4-Her is selected, agrees to attend, and then backs out.

Signature of 4-H Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

***Applications are due by 4:30 pm on March 6, 2020.***

***Completed applications should be returned to:***

Purdue Extension – Lake County, 2293 N. Main Street, Crown Point, IN 46307

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