

Mission of Virginia 4-H State Congress - DRAFT

The mission of the 4-H Congress is to provide non-competitive and competitive educational experiences to Virginia teens and the adults that work with them, helping them develop life skills and leadership abilities as they grow as contributing citizens in their communities.

Goals of Virginia 4-H State Congress - DRAFT:

1. To provide a high-quality educational experience for 4-H youth ages 14-18;
2. To continue to build the reputation of 4-H as the premier statewide youth development program;
3. To provide educational, social and recreational experiences for youth that would not be available at a county or district level;
4. To provide life skill training;
5. To enhance a sense of personal and social responsibility through an environment that fosters independence, accountability, decision-making and time management;
6. To provide educational experiences that support 4-H project work;
7. To improve delegates knowledge of current youth issues through educational experiences such as speakers, discussion groups, workshops, etc.;
8. To develop and exercise leadership skills and motivate their use in 4-H clubs and in the community;
9. To foster the strengthening of Senior 4-H involvement in the Unit 4-H program
10. To provide delegates exposure to service learning in order to motivate their involvement at the local level;
11. To provide 4-H members the opportunity through competitive events to compare the skills they have gained with those of other members and with their own previous performances;
12. To provide recognition for winners of judging and project events, presentations, and scholarships;
13. To recognize the support of volunteer adult 4-H leaders;
14. To expose delegates to the resources of VCE, VT and VSU;
15. To broaden social interaction experiences of delegates with people from different places and backgrounds;
16. To provide recreational experiences for delegates.

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