

Michigan 4-H Pre-College Opportunities

4-H Capitol Experience

Dates & Location: March or April each year in Lansing

What: Up to 120 teens from around the state focus on civic engagement and public policy and experience state government in action as they interact with legislators, state agency staff, lobbyists and other resource people to learn how policy is made.

Open to: High school students at least 14 years old and adult participant-chaperones.

More at: https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_capitol_experience/



World Food Prize Michigan Youth Institute

Dates & Location: TBD at Michigan State University

What: Youth participants will have the opportunity to join their peers and mentors from across the state for an exciting one-day program to interact with Michigan experts, state leaders, and other teens around every aspect of the food system from production and advocacy, to access and policy. Join us on campus at Michigan State University to present your research and solutions while exploring the topics of global food security, food systems, hunger, and poverty. .

More at: https://www.worldfoodprize.org/en/youth_programs/global_youth_institute/michigan/

Open to: MI 9th-12th graders (in the 2017-18 school year)



4-H Exploration Days

Dates & Location: June each year at Michigan State University



What: Approximately 2,500 participants get a chance to experience college life, learn new ideas and skills, and meet people from across Michigan. More than 200 action-filled classroom and field trip sessions are offered throughout the MSU campus and at various off-campus locations.

Open to: Youth aged 11 and up and adult chaperones.

Registration period: Mid- March to Late-April, register early for best session selection.

More at: https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_exploration_days/ or from county MSU Extension offices.

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4-H Animal & Veterinary Science Camp

Dates & Location: June each year
at Michigan State University

What: Teens that are accepted into this program will focus on exploring animal and veterinary science related projects and activities. Participate in lots of hands-on learning activities and gain animal handling experience while also having the opportunity to visit and explore MSU farms and facilities.

Open to: Youth (13 to 17 years of age), have to apply in spring

More at: https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_animal_veterinary_science_camp/



4-H Renewable Energy Camp

Dates & Location: July each year at Michigan State University

What: This program gives young people a chance to explore ideas, research and opportunities in the field of energy as it relates to natural resources and agriculture. Youth meet with scientists and industry leaders, tour state of the art facilities and make their own biofuel.

Open to: Youth 13 to 19.



More at: https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_renewable_energy_camp/

4-H Great Lakes & Natural Resources Camp

Dates & Location: July or August each year at Camp Chickagami in Presque Isle County

What: Teens learn about Michigan's diverse natural resources, environmental science, the Great Lakes ecosystems and management issues, and related career exploration. This camp has received three national awards for science education excellence in the past four years!

Open to: 70 teens who are aged 13 to 15 by July 1st, or will be in grades 8-10 in the fall.



More at: https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_great_lakes_natural_resources_camp/

Michigan 4-H Youth Conservation Council

Dates & Location: fall to spring each year, meetings held in multiple locations across the state

What: Teens from across the state explore solutions to statewide environmental policy issues and provide state legislators with recommendations based on research, providing "youth voice" in public policy-making.

Open to: Youth aged 13 to 19.

More at: https://www.canr.msu.edu/4h_youth_conservation_council/

Michigan 4-H State Youth Leadership Council

Dates & Location: two year term, monthly meetings held via zoom and at 4-H Exploration Days

What: Teens from across the state serve as representatives to the Michigan 4-H program, promoting 4-H through state and local activities, and can provide youth voice and perspective on the development of 4-H programs and curricula.

Open to: Youth aged 15 to 19.

More at: <https://www.canr.msu.edu/sylc/>