Be a part of this exciting opportunity for 4-H dairy youth!!

The Dairy Youth Academy is for youth in grades 10=12 (as of September 1, 2018) who are interested in pursuing a career in the dairy industry.

The program consists of a series of hands-on workshops that focus on specific facets of the dairy industry, including veterinary science, dairy nutrition, and production management.

The Dairy Youth academy exposes participants to progressive and profitable agriculture businesses and helps prepare them for employment as managers, technicians, and other agri-service professionals.



Objectives of the Academy:

- Expose young people herd management, crop management, and farm business management techniques on farms in the Midwest.
- Explore career opportunities through interaction with dairy industry leaders and professionals.
- Enhance teamwork approaches to problem solving.
- Develop and improve communication skills.
- Develop the leadership skills to make positive changes and contributions to the dairy industry.

Youth Academy Schedule*:

National 4-H Dairy Youth Conference

September 30 – October 3 2018 Madison, WI

Leadership, Careers, Resumes

November 16-18, 2018 Indianapolis, IN

Industry Promotion, Finances & Nutrition

January 4-6, 2019 Fair Oaks – Rensselaer, IN

Reproduction, Technology & Canadian Dairy Industry

March 8-12, 2019 Michigan & Ontario, Canada

Indiana Dairy Youth Conference

February 16, 2019 Central Indiana

Farm & Industry Tours

June 9-11, 2019 Indiana

Indiana State Fair

Action Demonstration & 4-H Junior Skillathon August 10, 2019 Indianapolis, IN

"One of the most important things I learned from the academy was to learn how to change. Our world is changing everyday and so is the dairy industry, so in order to be successful in anything we do, we need to be flexible and educator ourselves to be better!"

-Kylei Klein – Class 4 Graduate

If you require auxiliary aids and services due to a disability or have special food needs, please contact us by June 15 at 765-647-3511

Eligibility Requirements:

- 1. To be eligible to participate in the academy you must be in grades 10-12 by September 1, 2018.
- 2. Be currently enrolled in the 4-H program.
- Are able to reasonably commit to the Dairy Youth Academy from September of the current year to August of the following year.
- 4. Are not exhibiting dairy animals at the World Dairy Expo during the current year.
- 5. Are not participating in the National 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging Contest during the current year.

Applications available at:

http://www.extension.purdue.edu/dairy/

Due: June 15, 2018

The top 14 delegates will be selected based on their leadership and written application by a panel of industry and extension representatives. Upon acceptance in the Academy, delegates must pay a fee of \$150. Most expenses will be generously covered by our sponsors.

Each delegate will be required to evaluate how dairy industry conferences and agricultural tours have enhanced the development of their career opportunities in the dairy industry. These reports will be compiled and delivered in an oral presentation to the local extension groups, Indiana 4-H representatives, dairy industry leaders, and agri-service professionals.

BE A PART OF THE PASSION!

The livelihood of the dairy industry depends on knowledgeable professionals and an educated public.



Have you ever wanted to be part of a program that:

- Provides hands-on leadership?
- Allows you to meet people with similar interests from around the state?
- Introduces you to potential future professors and employers?
- Ignites your passion for the dairy industry?
- Looks great on the resume you develop during the program?

If so, the Indiana 4-H Dairy Youth Academy is for YOU!

"The most valuable thing I have gotten from my participation in the 4-H dairy youth academy is a network in the dairy industry that I will be able to use as I continue my career. Also, opportunities for careers in dairy besides becoming a vet. I had no idea what I would do before becoming a part of this academy."

Kendra Arnholt, Class 2 Graduate

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