

64th National 4-H Dairy Conference

September 30 – October 3, 2018



University of Wisconsin-Madison Campus

**Delegate and Adult Advisor
Registration Materials
& Handbook**

Plan to arrive no later than 3:00 p.m.

Tentative Schedule

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Registration and Delegation Photos
11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Guest Room Check-In
2:00 p.m.	Opening Assembly
3:30 p.m.	Get Acquainted
4:30 p.m.	Leadership Team Orientation Meetings
5:15 p.m.	Break
6:00 p.m.	Pin Exchange
6:30 p.m.	Dinner
8:30-9:30 p.m.	Recreation
8:30	Adult Advisor Orientation
9:30	Refreshment Break
10:00	Herd Meetings – followed by state/province meetings
11:00	Lights Out

MONDAY, OCTOBER 1

6:30 a.m.	Breakfast
7:40 a.m.	Busses depart
8:30 a.m.	ABS Global tour
10:00 a.m.	Busses depart from ABS
11:00 a.m.	Lunch, Fort Atkinson Congregational Church
12:20-4:00 p.m.	Hoard's Dairyman Registered Guernsey Farm, Hoard's Dairyman Publishing, National Dairy Shrine Museum, and Nasco International, Fort Atkinson
4:00 p.m.	Busses depart Fort Atkinson
5:30 p.m.	Free time or UW Campus tour
7:00 p.m.	Dinner
8:30 - 10:30 p.m.	Recreation
8:30 p.m.	Adult Advisor Meeting
10:20 p.m.	Herd Meetings
11:00 p.m.	Lights Out

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2

7:00 a.m.	Breakfast
8:00 a.m.	Busses depart for UW-Madison Ag Campus
8:30 - 9:20 a.m.	Seminars – Session 1
	How to Artificially Inseminate Dairy Cattle
	Dairy Foods Evaluation
	Marketing Dairy Products
	Farm Finance
	Developing a Comprehensive Herd Mating Strategy
	Feeding Calves to Reach Their Full Potential
	Lactation Lab
	Goat and Sheep Dairy Production
	Genomics
	Exploring Careers in Agriculture
9:30 – 10:20 a.m.	Seminars – Session 2
10:30 – 11:20 a.m.	Seminars – Session 3
11:30 a.m.	Busses depart for Lowell Center
11:45 a.m.	Lunch
1:00 – 1:35 p.m.	Round Robin Session 1
1:40 – 2:15 p.m.	Round Robin Session 2
2:20 – 2:55 p.m.	Round Robin Session 3
3:10 p.m.	Busses depart for Crave Brothers Farm
4:00 – 4:20 p.m.	Group Photo
4:20 p.m.	Farm Tour and Action Stations

6:00 p.m.	Wisconsin Tailgate and Sponsor Career Fair
7:15 p.m.	Assembly
8:00 p.m.	Barn Dance
9:00 p.m.	Busses depart for Lowell Hall
10:00 p.m.	Adult Advisor Meeting
10:30 p.m.	Herd Meetings
11:00 p.m.	Lights Out

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3

7:00 a.m.	Breakfast
8:00 – 9:15 a.m.	Seminars – Session 1 Yellow Nametags: Science Fun with Dairy Foods Green Nametags: Advocating for Dairy by Telling Your Story
9:15 a.m.	Break
9:30 – 10:45 a.m.	Seminars – Session 2 Yellow Nametags: Advocating for Dairy by Telling Your Story Green Nametags: Science Fun with Dairy Foods
10:45 a.m.	Break
11:15 a.m.	Busses leave for World Dairy Expo
12:00 p.m.	PDCA Luncheon
1:00 p.m.	Tour World Dairy Expo
3:30 – 5:30 p.m.	Meet where busses dropped off at arrival for return to Lowell Center Busses leave at 3:30 p.m., 4:00 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 5:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.
7:00 p.m.	Dinner
8:45 p.m.	Herd Meetings
9:00 p.m.	Adult Advisor Meeting
9:30 p.m.	Farewell Dance
12:00 a.m.	Lights Out

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4

6:30-8:30 a.m. Complimentary continental breakfast & departure
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What is National 4-H Dairy Conference?

Background and History of the National 4-H Dairy Conference

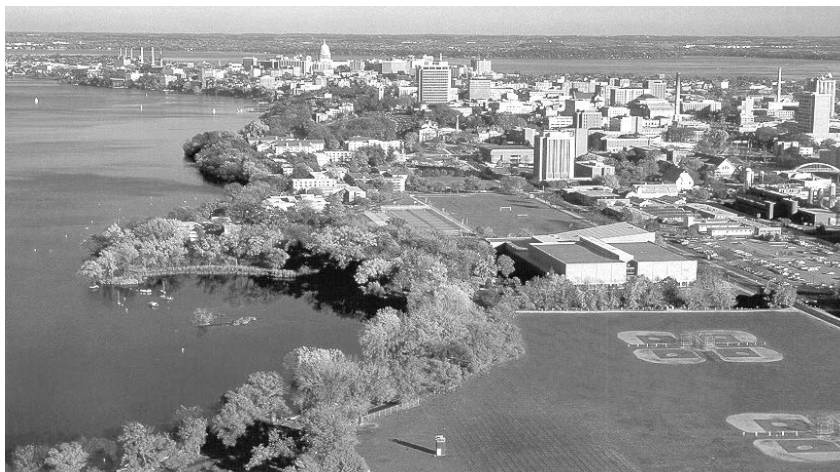
The first 4-H Dairy Conference materialized after Guy C. Noble proposed to the International Dairy Show Committee in 1954 that a program should be specifically designed for 4-H youth involved in dairy achievement projects. Several state 4-H leaders and other Extension staff members, and an American Guernsey Cattle Club Secretary developed the first agenda in 1955. Eighty-five 4-H members and their leaders representing Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, New York, Ohio, and Wisconsin gathered for the first conference at Chicago's historic Conrad Hilton Hotel.

The educational strength of the program was apparent from the very beginning. High standards were set at that first meeting that have been maintained in the years to follow. Respected authorities representing all areas of the dairy industry were present as speakers and for informal question-answer sessions. Tours of dairy processing plants, the Chicago Stockyards, numerous exhibits and the International Dairy Show broadened delegates' knowledge. The early days even featured a Dairy Show Parade down the Windy City's famous State Street.

After 15 years in Chicago, the 16th Annual 4-H Dairy Conference opened in Madison, Wisconsin in October 1970 in conjunction with the World Dairy Expo. Madison, famous for its four lakes, scenic beauty, long-standing tradition as the state capitol, and excellent University of Wisconsin College of Ag and Life Sciences, has become the official meeting place for the National 4-H Dairy Conference.

Since its beginning in 1955, approximately 11,000 young people have attended the National 4-H Dairy Conference. This year the tradition continues as 4-H youth from 30 states and provinces meet for educational tours and seminars as well as networking opportunities with national leaders in the dairy industry and with youth from around the U.S.A. and Canada that share similar interests.

The National 4-H Dairy Conference is sponsored and presented by University of Wisconsin-Extension, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Cooperating Friends of 4-H and the Dairy Industry, World Dairy Expo, and the National 4-H Dairy Conference Planning Committee.



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Purpose of the National 4-H Dairy Conference is to:

- provide a means by which various individuals and groups interested in the dairy industry and youth can cooperate to achieve educational objectives based on the developmental needs of youth;
- promote and sponsor an educational program which will provide a better understanding of the operations involved in the production, processing, marketing and use of dairy products, as well as related areas; and
- provide a broader understanding of careers available in dairy production, processing, marketing and other selected areas.

Educational Objectives are to help selected 4-H youth:

- increase their understanding of the dairy industry;
- learn about additional vocational and professional opportunities in the dairy industry;
- practice good citizenship, group participation and leadership responsibilities; and
- develop additional individual initiative and competence in areas of special interest and aptitude in the dairy field and related areas.



National 4-H Dairy Conference offers an excellent opportunity to interact with leaders in the dairy industry, UW-Madison dairy science professors, dairy specialists from around the country, 4-H volunteer dairy leaders, corporate representatives and new friends with similar interests from across the U.S. and Canada.

Comments from Past Delegates

- *Having been a part of 4-H my whole life, I love to get to come to a place where people actually understand my language.*
- *Loved the biotechnology, marketing and advocacy seminars.*
- *Dr. Bob Horton and the speakers were beyond amazing!!*
- *I found a new interest for my future.*
- *Tours helped me gain understanding of dairy production and issues.*
- *My knowledge of leadership and all the dairy careers was just expanded.*
- *I really, really enjoyed visiting the large and small scale dairies.*
- *Thank you for the opportunity to be a part of this huge family. I met new friends that I will have forever.*

Who can attend?

Youth delegates should be selected from outstanding 4-H Dairy Program members who:

- have participated at least three years in the 4-H Dairy Program, including the current year;
- are at least 15 but not more than 18 years of age before January 1 of the conference year;
- have outstanding records of 4-H Dairy accomplishments;
- have abilities and talents that will enable them to make a real contribution to the conference;
- have an interest in the production, marketing, processing and use of dairy products;
- are capable of bringing the inspiration and information back to their state and passing it on to others through talks, reports, news stories, etc.;
- have not attended the National 4-H Dairy Conference more than one year;
- are **not exhibiting** dairy animals at this year's World Dairy Expo; and
- are **not participating** in this year's National 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging Contest.

Delegate Responsibilities

Youth selected to participate must be willing to:

- participate fully in all activities of the program;
- meet each day with their delegation; and
- abide by Youth Expectation Statement.



Adult Advisors attending must:

- be at least 21 years old at the time of the Conference;
- be selected and approved by a state/province dairy leader; and
- abide by the expectations set forth in the National 4-H Dairy Conference Adult Expectation form.

Adult Advisor Support & Responsibilities

Adult Leaders and Adult Advisors selected to participate must be willing to:

- participate fully in all activities of the program;
- ensure their delegates participate fully in the program and attend all scheduled events;
- guide their delegation through the day's scheduled events;
- meet each day with their delegation;
- help their delegation discuss the programs they attend; and
- supervise and discipline any delegates as needed.

Registration

Adult and Youth Delegates must complete the “Registration and Lodging Reservation Form” and return it to their state or province contact person. It is the responsibility of the state or province contact person to electronically register the delegation **by August 21**. (All reservations must be submitted to UW-Madison, CALS Conference Services, via on-line registration since the Lowell Center staff CANNOT accept reservations.) No rooms can be held later than August 21 due to hotel reservation restrictions. As a consequence, **no registrations can be accepted after August 21.**

Mail or scan/e-mail your signed expectation and field trip waiver forms directly to the on-site coordinator (University of Wisconsin-Madison, CALS Conference Services, 640 Babcock Drive, Madison, WI 53706 or conference@cals.wisc.edu) postmarked no later than August 29. **Please note the expectation forms contains two (2) pages!** Sorry, no faxed copies can be accepted.

States/Provinces are responsible for collecting health forms for their own delegates and assume responsibility for their delegates’ health care. No health care services are provided by UW-Extension or the conference. Each State/Province may use their own health form.

Registration and Lodging Fee

The registration fee of \$375 for each youth and adult delegate covers the costs of conducting the conference, lodging for Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights in the Lowell Center, bus transportation, recreation, and meals. Participants should contact their state or province coordinator regarding payment arrangements.

Cancellation Policy

All cancellations must be **in writing** and sent to University of Wisconsin-Madison, CALS Conference Services, 640 Babcock Drive, Madison, WI 53706; fax: (608) 262-5088; or e-mail conference@cals.wisc.edu. The late cancellation penalty is the full registration fee of \$400 per person if the cancellation notice is received by University of Wisconsin-Madison, CALS Conference Services after noon CDT on August 29, 2018.

Special Needs Arrangements

If any youth or adult in your delegation has special needs, please contact the CALS Conference Services for any special transportation or other needs at conference@cals.wisc.edu or call (608) 263-1672. Accommodations will be made to the best of our abilities.

General Information

Lodging information

All delegates, youth and adult, are required to stay at the conference lodging facilities. The lodging facility is the Lowell Center, 610 Langdon Street, Madison WI 53703, tel (608) 256-2621. Lodging reservations are made by submitting the “Registration and Lodging Reservation Form” to your state or province contact person who will register the entire state or provincial delegation electronically by August 21. Dairy judging teams may NOT stay at the Lowell Center due to space limitations.

If a roommate preference is not listed, roommate(s) will be randomly assigned. Rooming assignments will be made by the planning committee. Each room will house three to four delegates of the same sex. We will do our best to keep delegates from the same state together. Youth from small delegations may be housed with delegates from other states. If you have an odd number of delegates, they may also be housed with delegates from other states. Adults will be housed 2 per room when possible and will be assigned to rooms on the same floors as their delegates. If someone has special needs, please let us know and we will do our best to accommodate them. Plan to arrive no later than 3:00 p.m. on Sunday. Check out by 11:00 a.m. on day of departure.

Parking

Very limited parking is available on-site to registered guests at the Lowell Center at the cost of \$10 per day. For special parking needs such as buses or large trailers, contact UW Transportation Services, 21 North Park Street, Madison WI 53704 (tel 608-263-6666). Parking is not guaranteed and is assigned on a first-requested, first-served basis. Please indicate your parking requests on the Registration Summary & Payment Form found in the Coordinator Handbook.

Room Check-in upon Arrival and on-site registration

When you arrive, you may temporarily park in the rear parking lot of the Lowell Center while you check in at the front desk. If you have pre-arranged for parking as part of your on-line registration, be sure request a parking permit to place inside your vehicle. After room check-in, delegations should come to the Lowell Center Upper Lounge between 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Sunday to register, collect conference materials, and have State/Province photos taken.

Getting Acquainted Opportunities

Many delegations arrive on Saturday in order to have time to tour area farms and become familiar with the conference setting. Groups often congregate in the Lowell Center Upper Lounge/lobby area, offering an excellent opportunity to become acquainted with other delegations.

Representing Your Local 4-H Program

During the Conference you may be asked many questions about 4-H, in interviews or in conversation with sponsors and guests at meal functions. Therefore, you should have at your fingertips such information as:

- the 4-H Pledge;
- 4-H enrollment in your county/state/province;
- who conducts the 4-H program nationally and locally;
- how you earned your trip; and
- the name(s) of your sponsor(s).

Reporting Back

Take notes during Conference so you can report to clubs or civic groups and prepare news articles. Those at home will want to share your National 4-H Dairy Conference experience. Seek ways to use the benefits of your experience to aid fellow club members and your community. Your delegation may also use free time and the evening delegation meetings to discuss what they are learning and how it can be shared back home.

Sponsors

Don't forget to write a letter of appreciation to your own sponsor when you return home. Your trip didn't "just happen"; someone was interested enough in 4-H to make the funds available. That "someone" is your sponsor. Don't forget to express your appreciation to your local Extension personnel and volunteer leaders as well.

Corporate sponsors provide over \$40,000 to help defray conference costs for delegates. They include: ABS Global; Accelerated Genetics, AgStar Financial Services; Agropur; American Dairy Science Association; AMPI; Cargill, Inc.; Crave Brothers Farm, Crave Brothers Farmstead Cheese, LLC; Culvers; Dairy Farmers of America; Datamars; DeLaval; Farm First Co-op; Foremost Farms; Hoard's Dairyman; IBA; John Deere Co.; Milk Specialties; Mycogen Seeds; Nasco International, Inc.; National Dairy Shrine; PDCA; Select Sires, Inc.; SEMEX; SMS; Stan Erwine, DMI; Star Blends; SunOpta; Udder Tech, Inc.; Vita Plus; WinField United; Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board; and World Dairy Expo.

State/Province Photos

Individual state/province photos will be taken while you are at Conference. After the conference, you will receive a link to download the pictures. You may wish to provide a copy to your local newspaper or state/province dairy leader to include with his/her press release for publication.



Meals

Most meals will be in the Lowell Center Dining Room on the lower level. Sponsors will be present at most meals and will have an opportunity to interact with delegates and Adult Advisors. A few meals will be served off-site while on tour. Generous portions and a variety of foods are offered at every meal.

Special Diets

Vegetarians will find a vegetarian entrée and several options offered at most meals. Please contact CALS Conference Services for any special dietary needs at (608) 263-1672 or conference@cals.wisc.edu. Accommodations will be made to the best of our abilities.



Behavior at Sponsored Meals and Events

As a guest of various donors, you will be served several large meals. It is impolite not to eat when you are someone's guest at a meal. If you are not hungry, at least eat some of the basics such as soup, fruits or vegetables. As a guest of various donors, you will be expected to attend all seminars and meals. It is impolite not to attend a function or a meal because you want to do something else.

Room and cell phones

Telephones are available in each guest room; however, room telephones will be turned off between midnight - 6:00 a.m. during quiet time. You will still be able to call the front desk in case of emergency. You may bring your cell phone but please respect all speakers and turn off your cell phone during all scheduled activities.

Check-out Policy

Check out time at Lowell Center is at 11:00 a.m. Ask at the front desk about luggage storage if you must leave later.

Weather

Wisconsin's weather is highly variable in early autumn. First frost usually occurs between September 15 and October 1. (Peak season for fall colors around Madison is approximately October 7-15.) Expect evening temperatures of 30°-60° F. and daytime temperatures of 50°-70°F. Rain is possible but snow is unlikely. A light jacket will be necessary and layered clothing is recommended.



Scheduled tours

A visit to the World Dairy Expo is included in the conference schedule from 1-4 p.m. on Wednesday. If you prefer to spend more time at the Expo, you may wish to extend your visit in Madison. Several farm tours are also scheduled during the Conference. For bio-security reasons, plastic boots will be supplied for you to wear while at those farms.

Transportation during Conference

Transportation to off-site locations will be provided via school bus or coach. Vans are also available for transportation between seminar sites on the ag campus upon request. For special needs, please contact CALS Conference Services in advance of the Conference to make arrangements.

Free time options

Tours or special arrangements for your delegation may be possible if arranged beforehand. Your delegation may have some extra time prior to and after the closing of National 4-H Dairy Conference to schedule a group activity at one of the following interesting sites:

- Allen Centennial Gardens, Babcock & Linden Dr. (Horticulture Dept.)
- Babcock Ice Cream (made & sold on campus), 1605 Linden Dr. Also at the Wisconsin Memorial Union.
- Chazen Museum of Art, 800 University Ave.
- Kohl Center (UW Badgers' sports arena), 601 W. Dayton St.
- Memorial Union Terrace, Langdon & Park St.
- Monona Terrace Convention Ctr. (Frank Lloyd Wright design)
- Shopping on State Street
- State Historical Society Museum, 30 N. Carroll St.
- UW Arboretum, 1207 Seminole Hwy.
- UW Botany Dept. greenhouse, Birge Center, left side of Bascom Hill between Langdon St. & University St. on Park St.
- UW Geology Paleontology Museum, 1215 W Dayton St.
- UW-Madison campus (see visitbucky.wisc.edu for info and reservation)
- Vilas Park Zoo, 702 S. Randall Ave.
- Walk along the Lakeshore Path (Lake Mendota)
- Wisconsin State Capitol, east end of State St.
- Wisconsin Veterans' Museum, 30 W. Mifflin St.



What to Bring

Money



All meals from Sunday dinner through Thursday breakfast and off-site transportation during Conference are included in your registration fee. However, you may need money for airport parking or taxi service in your home state or province, meals during travel days, shuttle service between Dane County Regional Airport and the Lowell Center, souvenirs, snacks, or for pre- and post-conference expenses if you are coming early or staying late.

Cameras

If you bring a camera, please label it with your name and state or province. We advise you not to bring expensive equipment. Never leave your camera or valuables unattended in your room.



Packing tips

- A rolling suitcase is handy but you won't need to carry luggage very far so duffels, carry-ons or garment bags will not pose problems.
- Put nametags on all luggage.
- Place bottles that might leak (shampoo, lotions) in zip-lock bags. Don't bring glass bottles.
- Don't bring valuable jewelry or cameras.

Checklist

- ☐ camera (not expensive), labeled w/your name & state/province
- ☐ cell phone or telephone calling card (optional)
- ☐ comfortable but nice shoes for walking outdoors (plastic bio- boots will be supplied on farms)
- ☐ contact solution, if needed
- ☐ jacket
- ☐ money or traveler's checks
- ☐ nightwear, lightweight bathrobe and slippers or flip-flops (2-4/room lodging; private bath)
- ☐ pen or pencil for making notes
- ☐ personal business cards for trading (optional)
- ☐ personal toiletries
- ☐ prescriptions (if applicable)
- ☐ raingear or umbrella
- ☐ sheet music if you like to play piano for fun during free time (optional)
- ☐ small trade items that are provided or you make, buy or solicit locally (for Pin Exchange)
- ☐ snack or sack meal for flight
- ☐ wristwatch (alarm clock and wake-up calls available on-site)

What not to bring:

You do not need to bring an alarm clock, iron, blow dryer, linens, or towels all of which are provided by the Lowell Center. Don't pack anything sharp in your carry-on bag, such as nail file, nail clippers, scissors, pocket knife, tweezers with sharp points, or razors which will be confiscated by airport security personnel. Electric shavers are acceptable in carry-on luggage.

Definitions of appropriate attire:

- **Casual:** *well maintained jeans, plain T-shirts without logos, slogans, etc.*
- **Conservative casual:** *t-shirts & blue jeans are not acceptable; other colored jeans are ok; polo shirts or shirts w/collars & slacks recommended; nice slacks for girls. Skirts might not be your preferred choice for daytime. Comfortable but well maintained shoes recommended for walking outdoors.*
- **Conservative dress-up:** *slacks or colored jeans, and dress coat and tie for boys; dress, or top and skirt or dress slacks for girls (blue jeans are not acceptable, but other colored jeans are ok).*

Activity and appropriate attire:

Sunday afternoon	<i>Casual</i>
Sunday delegation photo	<i>Conservative dress-up, optional. (per state delegation)</i>
Sunday evening recreation	<i>Casual</i>
Monday all day & evening	<i>Conservative casual (Plastic bio-boots supplied for farm tours.)</i>
Tuesday all day & evening	<i>Casual (Plastic bio-boots supplied for farm tours.)</i>
Wednesday breakfast	<i>Casual</i>
Wednesday Expo & lunch	<i>Conference t-shirt over casual</i>
Wednesday dinner	<i>Conservative dress-up</i>
Wed. farewell dance	<i>Casual</i>



National 4-H Dairy Conference Dress Code

A dress code is in effect during the conference. You should be well groomed and appropriately dressed for all occasions. You will be in contact with sponsors/donors throughout the conference and will want to represent 4-H in the best possible way. Our best advice is to select a complimentary wardrobe with individual pieces that can be worn several times.

Bring comfortable shoes, light jacket, and raingear. You can bring a swimsuit but you would swim at your own risk in the indoor pool available at the Lowell Center; there is no lifeguard on duty.

What is not allowed?

Caps or hats are not allowed to be worn inside a building or a tent. Spaghetti straps, bare midriffs, bare shoulders and other revealing attire is not allowed. Skirts and shorts must be longer than finger-tip length when arms are at your sides. Tops and bottoms must meet when arms are raised overhead. Clothing printed with objectionable logos, language and inappropriate, tobacco or alcohol advertising is not allowed, nor is torn and very faded clothing. Jackets identifying other youth organizations and awards received from other organizations are not appropriate. Adult Advisors, at their discretion, may ask delegates to change clothing if attire is inappropriate.

Dress Code Violations



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Seminars and Leadership Teams

Seminar Descriptions and Registration

Tuesday and Wednesday mornings will be filled with fun, educational hands-on, interactive seminars taught by dairy or biotechnology leaders, specialists and professors. All delegates and Adult Advisors must participate and attendance will be taken.

Several seminars will be held concurrently Tuesday morning and will be offered three times (8:30-9:20, 9:30-10:20 and 10:30-11:20) so participants will attend three different seminars. Seminar titles and descriptions follow. Rank these nine seminars in the order of interest on your registration form, with the most preferred seminar being #1 and the least preferred seminar being #10. Every effort will be made to accommodate preferences to the best of our ability considering space allotments.

A. How to Artificially Inseminate Dairy Cattle

Basics of cattle reproduction and artificial insemination (AI) will be introduced. Participants will have a hands-on opportunity to practice AI techniques. Participants will learn to perform AI using bovine reproductive systems from a local slaughterhouse. If you object strongly to participating in this seminar, it should be noted as your last preference on your registration form.

B. Dairy Foods Evaluation

Participants will experience a hands-on style workshop by tasting dairy products to study quality. They will compare the relationship of the quality of what they produce on the farm and the final consumer product's quality.

C. Marketing Dairy Products

What happened to the clever "Got Milk?" ads on TV? Why spend advertising money on research? innovation? analysis of market trends? You'll find the answers to these and other marketing questions you may have in this seminar. Then you'll be given a marketing challenge and time to develop and present a creative solution to it. Tasting new products is a MUST in solving your challenge!

D. Farm Finance

This seminar gives practical examples to teach the importance and understanding of the following:

1. Balance sheet (debt and asset evaluation).
2. Profit and Loss statement (and cash flow statement).
3. Partial budget building to help with farm business decision making.

E. Developing a Comprehensive Dairy Herd Mating Strategy

Presentation of the basic concepts and elements needed to devise a successful dairy herd mating program. This seminar will include interactive discussion using the Holstein Association USA Red Book Plus and hands-on computer experience with Multi-Mate software programs.

F. Feeding Calves to Meet Their Full Potential

Calves are the future of every dairy farm, and it's important to get them off to the right start for lifelong success. This workshop will focus on do's and don'ts of raising healthy calves and heifers and why many of the traditional ways calves are raised may have become outdated. Remember, there aren't any second chances to raise your calves right!

G. Lactation Lab

Have you ever wondered what the inside of the cow's udder looks like? This workshop will provide an opportunity to dissect an udder to learn how it functions and what happens when a cow gets a mastitis infection. Culturing milk samples can provide valuable information for mastitis treatment and for developing strategies to prevent infections.

H. Goat and Sheep Dairy Production

This seminar will focus on the differences between goat, sheep, and cow milk, goat and sheep dairy practices from farm to consumer, and niche marketing of goat and sheep dairy products.

I. Genomics

Genetics is one of the fastest changing fields in the dairy industry because of genomics. It has enabled the industry to make huge improvements in production over the past 10 years. This improvement has been accomplished through more accurate information using DNA to improve pedigree information to predict progeny performance.

J. Exploring Careers in Agriculture

Participants will learn how personality-type relates to career choice and job satisfaction using the highly acclaimed Self Directed Career Finder test. Participants will then examine their results to determine likely career choices in the dairy industry, agriculture and beyond.



Leadership Team Participation & Preferences

While at National 4-H Dairy Conference, you will be a member of a Leadership Team comprised of delegates. As a team member, you will take an active part in the operation of the conference and work closely with an Adult Advisor and other team members to provide daily news and weather updates, recognize and introduce sponsors, assist with hospitality and transportation details, lead recreational activities, or host meals.

Four leadership teams will work together to ensure a smooth running conference. Leadership team titles and descriptions follow. Rank these four teams in the order of interest on your registration form, with the most preferred team being #1 and the least preferred team being #4.

1. Transportation
2. Head Table
3. Sponsor Appreciation
4. Hospitality

Following is a description of each team's duties.

1. Transportation

Responsibilities

- Busing instructions at assemblies
- Serve as Assistant to Bus Coordinator
- Introduce tour schedule and background on the bus
- Help load snacks/water on busses when leaving Lowell and unload snacks/water left over when returned to Lowell
- Assist and communicate health and safety tips, including dispensing sanitary hand wipe to delegates following agricultural tours held during the conference
- For off-site activities, communicate to delegates on buses of water and healthy snacks available

Desired interests and skills

- Interest in health and food safety
- Interest in meeting and interacting with people
- Organizational, planning and people skills
- Physically able to lift up to 20 pounds (boxes of apples and cases of water)

2. Head Table

Responsibilities:

- Master of Ceremonies(MC)
- Lead 4-H Pledge and Pledge of Allegiance
- Lead Invocation
- Announcements of Conference Activities
- Interview and introduce sponsors/speakers
- Provide participants with daily weather forecasts and current events reports, especially those events specific to the conference

Desired interests and skills:

- Interest in meeting and interviewing people
- Public speaking and professional meeting skills
- Interest in current events

3. Sponsor Appreciation

Responsibilities:

- Prepare thank you packets for delegates
- Prepare thank you card information at the delegation orientation meeting Sunday evening
- Make sure thank you cards to our generous sponsors are completed by all conference delegates
- Be available to help other delegates with their thank you cards if need be
- Approve acceptable thank you cards
- Greet sponsors when they arrive to conference prior to each meal
- Present sponsors with gifts of appreciation
- Welcome sponsors/speakers
- Place sponsorship signs prior to each meal
- Invite sponsors/speakers to join selected delegates for photo w/ sponsorship sign

Desired interests and skills

- Interest in meeting and interacting with people.
- Organizational, planning and people skills.
- Good public speaking skills
- Good composition and writing skills
- Work well without constant supervision
- Willingness to help others

4. Hospitality

Responsibilities:

- Greet delegates at the dining room door
- Check name tags and dress code of delegates when greeting them at the door
- Work with your state on selected nights to arrange recreation space
- Hand out and collect evaluations and pencils for workshops and seminars

Desired Interest and skills:

- People and organizational skills
- Positive attitude to motivate others and work as a team.
- Have physical ability to move tables and chairs
- Clear understanding of dress code and of need to have name tags

Safety and Security

Insurance

Individual delegates and their families and/or states and provinces are responsible for obtaining health and accident insurance. UW-Extension provides minimal insurance for youth delegates attending 2018 National 4-H Dairy Conference. From September 30 – October 3 (the dates they are on site). Coverage is primary to State liability insurance and the camper's personal insurance for covered medical expenses up to \$10,000 per student, but is intended to target injuries incurred related to camp activities. Visit <https://www.wisconsin.edu/risk-management/manual/camps-and-clinics/> for more information.

Safety and Security Issues: Although the UW-Madison campus and Madison, in general, have low crime rates, we encourage delegates to stay in groups of at least three whenever walking off-site. State Street, only one block from the Lowell Center, is a popular hangout and shopping area for young people. It's fun to visit during free time, but we strongly discourage youth from being there after dark.

Keep your hotel room door closed and locked at all times even when you are in your room. Keep the key with you at all times.

A swimming pool is available on the lower level of the Lowell Center between the hours of 6:30 a.m. and 10:30 p.m. Please note that there is no life guard on duty at any time. You use the pool/sauna area at your own risk and **MUST NOT** swim or sauna alone for safety reasons.

In Case of Emergency at Home

In the event of an emergency at home, any Conference participant may be reached 24 hours/day by calling the Lowell Center front desk (608-256-2621) whose staff will relay a message or locate the Conference Coordinator upon request.

In Case of Health Emergency at Conference

State/Province Adult Advisors are responsible for monitoring the health of their delegates and seeking appropriate medical assistance. Health care is not provided by conference.

A basic first aid kit is available in the WI 4-H Youth Development Office at 436 Lowell Center or upon request from a Planning Committee member.

For prescription or over-the-counter medications, both a pharmacy and drugstore are located on State Street within walking distance of the conference site. Ask the front desk staff for directions.



If a Conference participant is in need of emergency medical treatment while at Conference, he/she can be taken to the University Hospital emergency room.

Health service is offered at University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics, 600 Highland Ave. 608-263-6400 (hospital general information). General Information telephone number for the clinic is 608-263-8580 and the hospital emergency room is 608-262-2398. For transportation to the hospital or clinic, ask a Planning Committee member for assistance or call Campus Security at 608-262-2957.

Planning Information

Airport/Travel Safety and Security

Following are some new guidelines that are being strictly enforced at airports. Please read them carefully so that you are prepared when you get to the airport.



Arrive at the airport a minimum of two hours prior to departure. You will need to present a government issued ID (such as a passport, or State ID card, or drivers' license) at check-in. Only ticketed passengers are allowed beyond the security check-points.

- Airlines are restricting carry-on luggage to one bag, plus purse. Fasten luggage tags to all bags.
- Airlines are now charging for checked baggage of any size. There is a large surcharge for overweight or extra bags. See your airline's website for specific information. Plan ahead!
- Be prepared for the security check. Wearing metal items (jewelry, belts, etc.) will detain you and your group. Please be considerate of others' time.
- No liquids can be carried on, except in containers of 3 oz. or less which must be placed into one clear quart-sized zipper bag.
- Remove your shoes at the security checkpoint. (Wear nice socks!!!)
- Remove jackets to place on the conveyor to go through x-ray screening.
- Remember, all conversation is taken seriously by airport security – no jokes or comments about illegal substances, weapons, etc.
- You will not be able to leave your seat for one-half hour before landing. Be prepared for that announcement and use the restrooms prior to that time.
- For up-to-date flight safety information, visit www.faa.gov.

Travel (Price information current as of 6/1/18)

Travel dates: Please plan to arrive at the Lowell Center by 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 2. Note for delegates traveling with National Dairy Judging Contest contestants: their event is scheduled for Monday, October 1, 2017.

Flight arrangements: You have several choices of destination airports: Dane County Regional Airport is located on the north side of Madison, 25 minutes from the Lowell Center. It may be more economical to fly into Chicago or Milwaukee than into Madison, making the connection via bus.

Van Galder Bus from Chicago: Van Galder Bus Company offers shuttle buses from O'Hare Airport and Midway Airport to Madison. The bus stops at O'Hare and Midway terminals and at 800 University Ave. during Memorial Union summer/fall construction or the Memorial Union in Madison, 800 Langdon Street, just 1½ blocks west of the Lowell Center. The bus ride takes about three hours. For schedules and tickets, visit their website at <http://www.coachusa.com/vangalder/ss.tickets.asp>.

Badger Bus from Milwaukee: Badger Bus Company offers shuttle buses from Mitchell International Airport to Madison for approximately \$46 round trip when fare is purchased on line. The bus departs every two or three hours daily for a 1½-2 hour ride to the stop at 700 Langdon Street, just a block from the Lowell Center. Visit their website at www.badgerbus.com for schedules, airport boarding site, and other information.

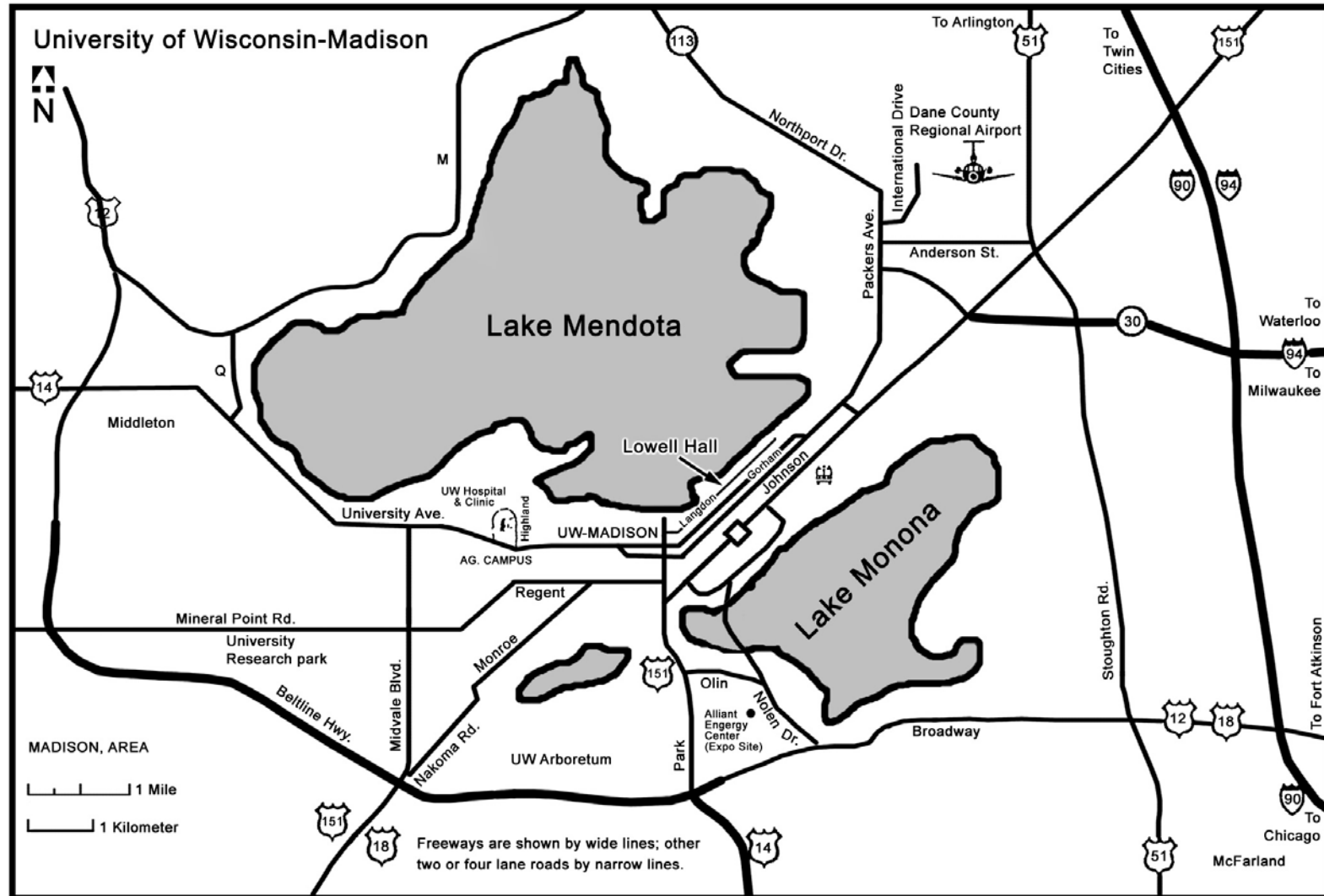
Greyhound bus: If you arrive by Greyhound bus, disembark at the Madison Greyhound drop-off point, which is in the process of finding a permanent location, and take a taxi to the Lowell Center. Call 1-800-231-2222 for current schedules and fare information or visit their website at www.greyhound.com.

Shuttle Between the Madison Airport and Lowell Center

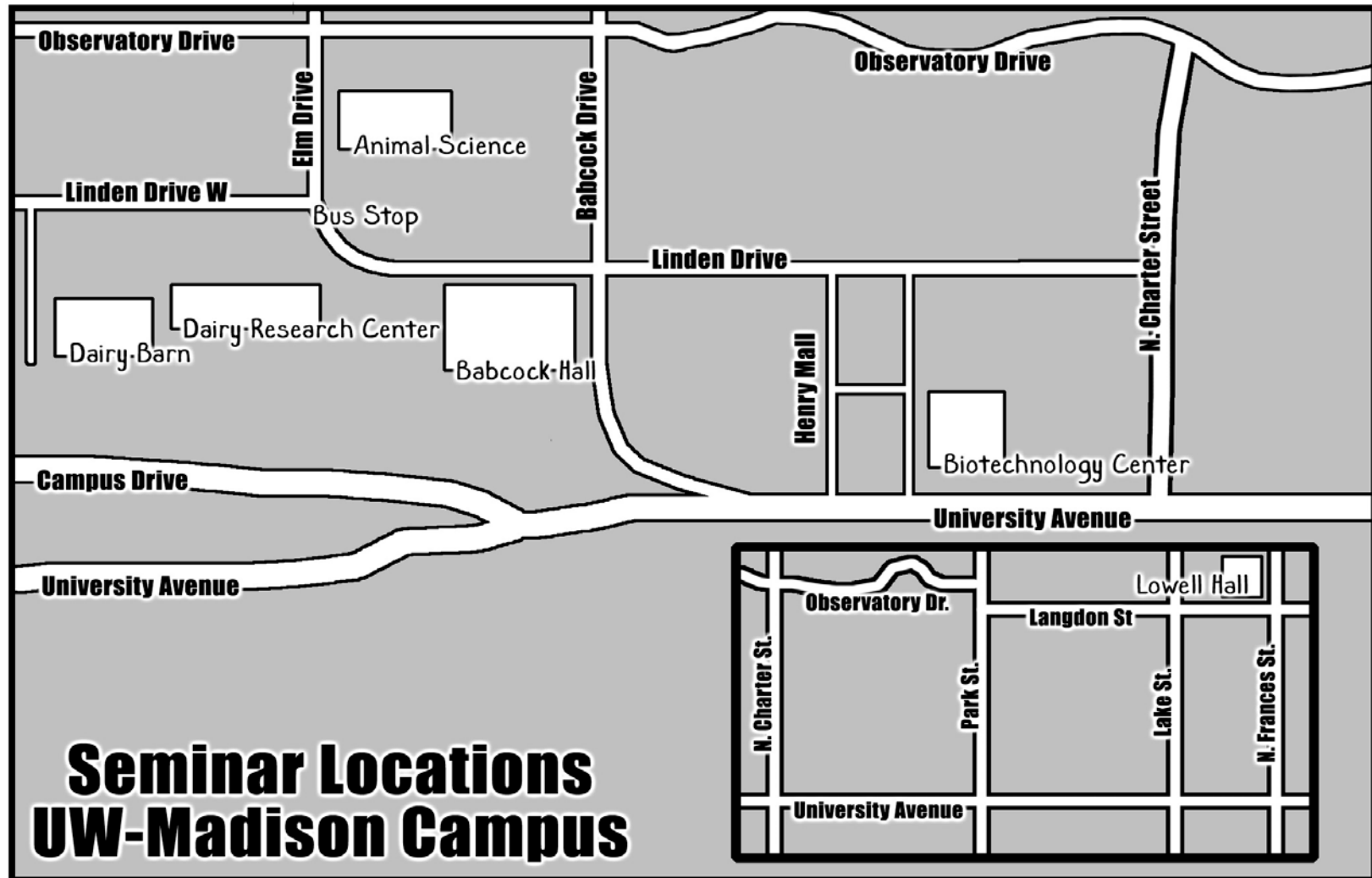
States/provinces must make their own travel arrangements between Dane County Regional Airport (Madison) and the UW-Madison campus conference site. You may wish to coordinate your trips with other states/provinces. Listed below is information regarding some available taxi/shuttle service options. All costs are approximate and are subject to change.

1. Madison Taxi: 608-255-8294 or book online at <http://www.madtaxi.com> This taxi service will accept reservations for airport and bus terminal service. Taxi cabs will be standing by for small groups at the airport. Up to four persons may ride in a single cab, otherwise a minivan will hold up to 6 passengers. A full sized van will hold 14 passengers (needs to be reserved at least 1 day ahead.) Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover cards accepted.
2. Union Cab of Madison: 608-242-2000 or book online <http://www.unioncab.com> – Standard meter service. Four (4) person per car maximum. Would be able to accommodate larger groups if called a day in advance. Also, a van service is available (6 people maximum per van) at the standard meter cost Accepts all major credit cards including Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover.
3. Green Cab of Madison: (608) 255-1234 – or book online <http://www.greencabofmadison.com> Inexpensive shared rides.
4. Badger Cab Shared Ride Service: 608-256-5566 or book online at <http://www.badgercab.com> To use Badger Cab service, when exiting the Madison Airport go to Door 7, where there is a taxi stand. If there are no Badger Cabs available there, then call the service to request one. Badger Cab does not have any vans. They accept debit cards and all major credit cards, including Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover. NOTE: “Shared ride” indicates that if the cab is not full, the cab may stop and pick up additional passengers on the way to your destination.

Madison Area Map



University of Wisconsin Madison Campus Map



Name _____ State/Province _____

(Print clearly.)

EXPECTATION STATEMENT FOR ADULTS ACCOMPANYING YOUTH TO NATIONAL 4-H DAIRY CONFERENCE

September 30 – October 3, 2018

University of Wisconsin- Madison

Capable caring adults play important roles in the lives of youth involved in UW-Extension Programs. This expectation statement acknowledges the need to provide the safest environments possible for youth.

This form applies to all adults, paid staff and volunteers, accompanying youth on an UW-Extension trip or event. The adult, by signing this form, agrees to conduct herself/himself in a responsible manner and abide by all expectations as stated below.

Adult Responsibilities:

1. The adult agrees to accept supervision and support from salaried Extension staff or designated management volunteers.
2. The adult will consider herself/himself the youth's support person.
3. The adult will enforce all written and signed behavior expectations established for youth participation in the event. This will include room checks, when appropriate.
4. The adult will keep health and insurance information available as may be needed in handling emergency situations.
5. The adult will not dispense medication, or anything relating to the physical or mental health of the youth, unless specifically directed in writing by the parent or guardian. The adult should be aware of any medications to be taken by youth.
6. In an emergency situation, the adult will act in the best interest of the youth. Seek assistance from an event coordinator, professional staff, medical and/or law enforcement personnel as needed.
7. The adults should provide the youth with information on how they can be reached, and should be accessible to consult with youth participants when needed.
8. In the case of inappropriate youth behavior, the adult will consult with local and/or home county contacts in determining appropriate disciplinary action.
9. The accompanying adult will participate in assigned activities and assist with tasks as needed.
10. The adult will not ignore situations involving bullying, hazing or harassment, or fail to intervene if youth are being threatened, humiliated or intimidated by other youth or adults.
11. The use of illegal drugs is not allowed during the entire trip or event.
12. The possession and/or use of alcohol is not allowed during the entire trip or event.
13. The use of any form of tobacco should be avoided in the obvious or known presence of youth.
14. Sexual contact of any type with youth is strictly forbidden. Any behavior considered in violation of the Wisconsin child abuse and sexual assault laws are grounds for suspension of affiliation until investigation is completed.
15. Swearing, cursing and abusive language is not condoned.
16. Operate motor vehicles (including machines or equipment) in a safe and reliable manner when working with youth, only with a valid operator's license and the legally required insurance coverage.
17. The adult will observe the curfew hour. The adult is expected to remain in the dormitory during curfew hours.
18. The adult will make contact with each youth he/she has assumed supervision responsibility for at least twice a day.

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Enforcement:

1. Allegations should be written and signed.
2. The person or group responsible should investigate the charge to determine what type of action is needed.
3. An executive committee of National 4-H Dairy Conference Planning Committee members will determine action for failure to meet expectations.
4. Home state/province 4-H staff will determine action for failure to meet the expectations for volunteer staff.
5. The county office chair will receive complaints and determine action for state/province staff.

Support for Adults Accompanying Youth on UW-Extension/4-H Trips/Activities:

1. Orientation will be provided.
2. Youth taking part in overnight activities will submit a signed Expectation Statement that they understand the rules and the roles of the accompanying adult(s). Youth will be required to submit a health form that includes information on any special needs, medication to be taken, and how to contact a parent or guardian.

Adult Leader's Statement of Agreement

I have read and understand the rules and penalties in this agreement and agree to be bound by them. In addition, I understand that participants of this event are occasionally photographed and/or videotaped for 4-H promotional or educational materials. I also understand that no personal information about the participant, such as name, age or address, will be used with photos or videos in state promotional program materials. However, photos may be released to county Extension staff for local publication where participants may be identified. I give my permission to U.W.-Extension and/or the National 4-H Dairy Conference Planning Committee to use such images of this participant without any expectation of compensation.

Signature of Adult Leader

Date

Postmark by August 29, 2018 to
University of Wisconsin-Madison, CALS Conference Services, 640 Babcock Drive, Madison, WI 53706
Or scan and e-mail to conference@cals.wisc.edu

Name: _____ State/Province _____

NATIONAL 4-H DAIRY CONFERENCE YOUTH EXPECTATION OF CONDUCT FORM

September 30 – October 3, 2018

University of Wisconsin- Madison

This form applies to all youth on UW-Extension trips or events. The youth, by signing this form, agrees to conduct him/herself in a responsible manner and abide by all expectations as stated.

Youth responsibilities:

1. Attend and participate in program orientation; prepare for the program in advance.
2. Be on time and participate in all scheduled sessions including workshops, recreation, evening activities and delegation meetings. Those not feeling well or having a schedule conflict must inform an adult leader.
3. Bring back ideas and experiences to share with county's youth and/or adult leader groups.
4. Cooperate with the adult advisors' and program staff's leadership. Contact the adult advisor in regard to any conflict or problems during the event.
5. Show respect and courtesy for programs and speakers in progress by remaining for the entire program and be courteous when taking flash photos during speeches and entertainment.
6. Be respectful of public property and the facilities used during the activity or event. Be responsible for your own property.
7. Behave in accordance with applicable federal, state and municipal laws.
8. Behave in ways that are acceptable to other delegates, adult advisors and hosting organizations and uphold high standards for the group by respecting the ideas, abilities and bodies of others. Use of language and gestures found to be objectionable to others is not permitted.
9. Refrain from participating in initiation ceremonies, hazing, harassment, and other behaviors that involve humiliation or embarrassing another person. Such activities will not be tolerated.
10. Remain on the premises or assigned program area throughout the program; unauthorized absence is not permitted.
11. Visiting or leaving the premises with non-registered persons is discouraged. Adults in charge must be notified in advance by the participant's parent/guardian if guests are expected.
12. Refrain from driving any vehicle during the event without expressed permission of the group advisor.
13. Wear program nametag to all program activities unless removal is specified. Use good judgment in selecting clothing appropriate for weather and occasion, abiding by any established dress code. Clothing that is revealing or with obscene language/pictures or with drug, tobacco or alcohol advertising is never allowed.
14. Abide by the lodging assignments for the entire event for easy location in emergency. No room switching is allowed.
15. Abide by established written curfew and quiet times or by adult advisor's spoken word. (Curfew means being in the assigned room with the lights out.) Be quiet and considerate of others when they wish to sleep. Do not order food to be delivered after curfew.
16. Respect the privacy of others. Visiting sleeping rooms of any member of the opposite sex is forbidden.
17. Youth are encouraged to interact with all members of the group and not pair up with another person. Necking, kissing and other displays of personal affection are in poor taste and will not be tolerated. Refrain from all sexual activity during the program.
18. Possessing, using and/or being in the presence of alcohol, tobacco, fireworks, weapons, illicit drugs or medication(s) unapproved by program staff will result in disciplinary action for the offender(s). Adult advisors must be informed of all prescription medications present during the program.

Participants and their families understand the Adult Advisor's role is:

1. To serve as an advocate for the participants;
2. To maintain regular contact with participants to monitor health, attitude, problem situations, behavior, etc.;
3. To be aware of all prescription medication but do not dispense medication;
4. To make appropriate decisions in emergency situations to enhance the health and well-being of the participants;
5. To have responsibility to determine the occurrence of inappropriate behavior and take appropriate actions as follows.

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Adult Advisors will take the following steps for violations of this Expectation Agreement:

1. Counsel involved participants to reach an understanding and stop the inappropriate behavior;
2. Take disciplinary actions at the time of occurrence. This will not include physical punishment but might consist of restriction of privileges, restriction to an assigned area, apology to the group, additional duties, etc.;
3. Inform parents and local Extension personnel of misbehavior at time of occurrence if Adult Advisor feels severity of situation warrants such immediate notification; and
4. When the infraction is serious, decide as part of a committee of at least two adults to remove a participant from the program and send him/her home immediately. (Participants removed from the program will wait for transportation at the General Headquarters or other area designated by program representatives.)
5. Write a letter describing disruptive behavior to be sent to the participant's parents, the National 4-H Dairy Conference Planning Committee and the county 4-H office within ten (10) days after the event concludes.

Consequences of disciplinary action:

1. Families of participants removed from the program will be responsible for the participants' transportation, including bus/plane fares and supplemental "Unaccompanied Child" fares or expenses for an Adult Advisor. Event registration, lodging or other participant fees will not be reimbursed.
2. If damage/destruction of property occurred, participants will be assessed for the cost of damages and repairs.
3. Participants removed from the program may be required to relinquish all funds donated to help meet his/her financial obligations for the event.
4. Youth who do not follow the guidelines in this Expectation Agreement while participating in a 4-H event may be required to appear before a county Disciplinary Review Committee in addition to consequences that occur during the event.
5. Disciplinary action may result in restricted opportunity to participate in future 4-H related activities for the involved members.
6. Youth who break public laws will be dismissed from the program and will be subject to legal action by law enforcement authorities.

Youth Statement of Agreement:

I have read and understand this Expectation Agreement and will abide by it.

Youth Participant's Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian/Youth Statement of Agreement:

I have read and understand the rules and penalties in this agreement and agree to be bound by them. In addition, I understand that participants of this event are occasionally photographed and/or videotaped for 4-H promotional or educational materials. I also understand that no personal information about the participant, such as name, age or address, will be used with photos or videos in state promotional program materials. However, photos may be released to county Extension staff for local publication where participants may be identified. I give my permission to U.W.-Extension and/or the National 4-H Dairy Conference Planning Committee to use such images of this participant without any expectation of compensation.

Signature of Parent/Guardian (or Youth if 18 or older)

Date

Address and telephone where parent or guardian can be reached during this program:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Daytime phone: _(_____)_____ Night phone: _(_____)_____

Postmark by August 29, 2018 to

University of Wisconsin-Madison, CALS Conference Services, 640 Babcock Drive, Madison, WI 53706

Or scan and e-mail to conference@cals.wisc.edu

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN SYSTEM UNIFORM STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY, RELEASE, AND AUTHORIZATION TO PARTICIPATE IN A FIELD TRIP

I _____ desire to participate in the 2018 National 4-H Dairy Conference field trips arranged by the University of Wisconsin-Extension ("University") and the University has approved my participation in the field trips during the period of September 30 – October 3, 2018. I hereby agree as follows:

1. I assume full legal and financial responsibility for my participation in the field trip.
2. I grant the University, its employees, agents and representatives the authority to act in any attempt to safeguard and preserve my health or safety during my participation in the trip including authorizing medical treatment on my behalf and at my expense and returning me home at my own expense for medical treatment or in case of an emergency.
3. I understand that accident and health insurance, medical evacuation, and repatriation insurance are recommended for my participation in the field trip. I understand that the University encourages me to have appropriate insurance coverage for the entire time of the field trip.
4. I agree to abide by and shall conform to all applicable policies, rules, regulations and standards of conduct as established by the University to ensure the best interest, comfort and welfare of the field trip. I understand that violation of applicable policies, rules, regulations and standards of conduct may result in my removal from the field trip and may subject me to discipline pursuant to the University's non-academic student disciplinary code. I shall accept termination of my participation in the trip by the University with no refund of fees and accept responsibility for transportation costs home if I fail to maintain acceptable standards of conduct as established by the University;
5. I understand that the University reserves the right to make changes to the field trip at any time and for any reason, with or without notice, and that the University shall not be liable for any loss whatsoever to program participants as a result of such changes. Any refund, if appropriate, shall be issued pursuant to the University's policies.
6. I agree for myself, my heirs and my personal representative, to hold harmless and forever release, discharge and hold harmless the University, Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System, their respective officers, employees, and agents from any and all liability, loss, damages, costs, or expenses (including attorney's fees) on account of damage to personal property, personal injury, or death which may result from or arise out of my participation in the field trip and which do not arise out of the negligent acts or omission of an officer, employee, and agent of the University and/or Board of Regents while acting within the scope of their employment or agency;
7. I acknowledge that I have read this document and understand and accept its terms.
8. I agree that this Release and Authorization to Participate in a Field Trip shall be construed in accordance with, and governed by, the laws of the State of Wisconsin. Any litigation regarding this Release and Authorization or arising out of my participation in the field trip shall be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction located in the State of Wisconsin.

Participant's Signature

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian (if Participant
is less than 18 years of age)

Date

**Postmark by August 29, 2018 to
University of Wisconsin-Madison, CALS Conference Services, 640 Babcock Drive, Madison, WI 53706
Or scan and e-mail to conference@cals.wisc.edu**

2018 NATIONAL 4-H DAIRY CONFERENCE

REGISTRATION AND LODGING RESERVATION FORM

The National 4-H Dairy Conference is designed for youth in 10th – 12th grades to enable them to gain and share knowledge of the various aspects of the dairy industry through hands-on activities, workshops, large group seminars, off site experiences, and opportunities for networking. This event begins Sunday, September 30 and ends at midnight, Wednesday, October 3. The event is held at the University of Wisconsin-Madison with lodging in the Lowell Center. No health care is provided by the University of Wisconsin-Madison or the National 4-H Dairy Conference. 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 or staff. Adult Advisors assist by monitoring youth activities, facilitating meetings, and assisting with operational committee work. Participants will eat in several venues including a private dining room, a church hall, and a farm picnic; share a hotel room (with private bath) with a queen bed, or one or two single beds (and possible rollaway). If a roommate preference is not listed, roommate(s) will be randomly assigned. Rooming assignments will be made by the planning committee. Each room will house three to four delegates of the same sex. We will do our best to keep delegates from the same state together. Youth from small delegations may be housed with delegates from other states. If you have an odd number of delegates, they may also be housed with delegates from other states. Adults will be housed 2 per room when possible and will be assigned to rooms on the same floors as their delegates. If someone has special needs, please let us know and we will do our best to accommodate them. During the conference, adults and youth will participate in large group activities which may involve any of the following: discussion, writing, reading aloud, 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 approximately ½ mile on sidewalks or uneven ground while touring farms or dairy-related companies; will view and perhaps have contact with live animals during tours or seminars; they may ride school buses and/or coaches to off site locations up to 50 miles away.

Youth must be at least 15 but not more than 18 as of January 1, 2018; Adult Advisor must be 21 or older at Conference.

Delegates: Complete this form and return it to the Contact Person for your State or Province.
Please TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY. The address you provide will be printed in the conference roster.

Last Name	First Name	
Nickname for Nametag (if different from above)	E-mail address	
Address (Street/Rural Route/Box Number)		
City ()	State/Province	Zip/Postal Code
Daytime Telephone		

T-shirt size (subject to availability): ☐ Small ☐ Medium ☐ Large ☐ XL ☐ 2X ☐ 3X

Roommate Preference: _____
(If no preference is indicated, a roommate will be randomly assigned.)

Role: ☐ Adult Advisor ☐ Planning Committee ☐ Youth Delegate

Birth Date _____ Gender: ☐ Female ☐ Male

Adult Advisor's Name: _____ from _____ state/province.

ARRIVAL /DEPARTURE INFORMATION:

(Conference registration begins at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday; conference ends at midnight, Wednesday)

Arrival at Lowell Center: ☐ Saturday, Sept. 29 ☐ Sunday, Sept. 30 ☐ other: _____

Approximate Time of Arrival: _____ ☐ a.m. ☐ p.m.

Departure from Lowell Center: ☐ Thursday, October 4 ☐ Friday, October 5 ☐ other: _____

Approximate Time of Departure: _____ ☐ a.m. ☐ p.m.

Name _____

DIETARY RESTRICTIONS: ☐ Gluten Free
☐ Dairy Free
☐ Vegan
☐ Vegetarian

LIFE THREATING FOOD ALLERGIES OR OTHER ALLERGIES: _____

SEMINAR PREFERENCE: Please refer to the Delegate and Adult Advisor Registration Materials and Handbook for seminar descriptions. Rank in order of your preference (1 being first choice and 10 being last choice).

- _____ A. How to Artificially Inseminate Dairy Cattle
- _____ B. Dairy Foods Evaluation
- _____ C. Marketing Dairy Products
- _____ D. Farm Finance
- _____ E. Developing a Comprehensive Herd Mating Strategy
- _____ F. Feeding Calves to Meet Their Full Potential
- _____ G. Lactation Lab
- _____ H. Goat and Sheep Dairy Production
- _____ I. Genomics
- _____ J. Exploring Careers in Agriculture

LEADERSHIP TEAM PREFERENCE: Please refer to the Delegate and Adult Advisor Registration Materials and Handbook for committee descriptions. Rank in order of your preference (1 being first choice and 4 being last choice).

- _____ 1. Transportation
- _____ 2. Head Table
- _____ 3. Sponsor Appreciation
- _____ 4. Hospitality

RETURN COMPLETED FORMS TO YOUR STATE/PROVINCE DAIRY LEADER

Postmark by: _____

To: _____

(Coordinator: please register delegates on-line between July 17 – August 21, 2018)