

## **National 4-H Leadership Links**

Maryland 4-H are selection through the Senior Portfolio Program and are registered by the State 4-H Office.



National 4-H Conference is the pinnacle experience in 4-H Citizenship, providing the opportunity for young people to connect, learn, engage, lead and impact their communities, their nation and their world. Conference is held at the National 4-H Conference Center in Chevy

Chase, MD from in late March-early April each year.

Additional information about this event can be found on the National 4-H Conference webpage.



National 4-H Congress is a five-day event that engages high school aged 4-H members in leadership, citizenship, global awareness, and inclusion. Participants not only have the opportunity

to participate in state-of-the-art educational workshops and hear from world-renowned speakers, they also have the opportunity to network with other 4-H members from across the United States. Congress is held in Atlanta, GA starting the day after Thanksgiving each year.

Additional information about this event can be found on the National 4-H Congress webpage.



Camp Miniwanca: Camp Miniwanca is a leadership development camp that offers a week-long program aimed at developing character, leadership skills, personal and group effectiveness, and nurturing balance within your life. This trip takes place in June in Shelby, Michigan. Youth interested in attending Miniwanca are required to apply for the "I Dare You Award."

Additional information about this event can be found on the American Youth Foundation webpage.



Virginia 4-H Congress: The Virginia 4-H Congress' mission is to provide competitive and non-competitive educational experiences to Virginia teens and the adults who work with them, helping them to develop life skills and leadership abilities to become contributing citizens in their communities. A commitment to serve as an at-large delegate to Maryland 4-H Teen Council for a year following the trip is encouraged. This trip takes place in June on the campus of Virginia Tech.

Additional information about this event can be found on the Virginia Tech Extension webpage.

West Virginia Older 4-H Members Conference: The West Virginia Older Members Conference's mission is to develop leadership among older 4-H members by giving them an opportunity to participate in discussion of timely issues and problems, and teach new skills which can be used in their local clubs and communities. A commitment to serve as an at large delegate to Maryland 4-H Teen Council for a year following the trip is encouraged. This trip takes place in mid-June, normally the third week of June at West Virginia University, Jackson's Mill State 4-H Camp.

Additional information about this event can be found on the West Virginia Extension webpage.