

Name: _____, _____ County,
(Print your name) (Print name of county)

Wisconsin State Fair

Youth Expectation Statement for 2009 Wisconsin Junior State Fair

This form applies to all youth on UW-Extension sponsored trips or events. The youth, by signing this form, agrees to conduct himself/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 chaperone'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 not to 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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Chaperones 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 chaperone 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 Wisconsin State Fair Agriculture Department 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 a chaperone. 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 Wisconsin State Fair 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 County 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 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 Wisconsin State Fair or 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 to use such images of this participant without any expectation of compensation.

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Date

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

Name: _____

Address: _____

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

Verified By County Agent

Date

A copy of this form must be submitted no later than June 30.

ALL youth participants must complete this form.

Failure to submit this form may result in denial of participation privileges at State Fair.