

# THE CITIZENSHIP DIMENSION IN 4-H



## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

The objectives of the workshops and seminars are to:

- ◆ explore the concepts of citizenship
- ◆ practice communication skills
- ◆ increase understanding of global inter-dependence
- ◆ promote awareness of the 4-H extension system as part of the executive branch of government
- ◆ simulate a congressional hearing and review how a bill becomes law
- ◆ increase knowledge of 4-H programs offered throughout America

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How Do I Sign Up?

Contact  
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Valentine, NE 69201

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# 2025 CITIZENSHIP WASHINGTON FOCUS TRIP

MAY-JUNE 2025

Sponsored by  
Nebraska Extension - Cherry County

## DESIGNED FOR

All youth that will be age 14-19 when arriving at the 4-H Center in 2025.

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## WHAT

The Citizenship Washington Focus trip is a living and learning experience in citizenship. Seminars and field trips combine to provide a unique opportunity for using the nation’s capital as a classroom. The program supplements the ongoing 4-H citizenship education programs and stimulates youth to search for solutions to contemporary issues, practice leadership skills, and plan for meaningful involvement with 4-H and community programs when they return home. Prior to the trip, participants will attend workshops to learn about all levels of government and other topics to prepare them for the trip.

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## TOUR SITES

Some of the sites that previous trip participants have seen include: Chicago, Museum of Science and Industry, Sears Tower, Lake Michigan, Professional Baseball Game, Shedd Aquarium, Hershey’s Chocolate World, Amish Country, Gettysburg, Niagara Falls, New York City, Radio City Music Hall or a Broadway Play, United Nations, Statue of Liberty, Independence Hall, Liberty Bell, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Arlington Cemetery, Mount Vernon, Lincoln Memorial, Capitol, White House, Washington Monument, Vietnam Memorial Monument, National Cathedral, and the Kennedy Center. While in the Washington, D. C. area, participants will stay at the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, MD.

## ESTIMATED COST

The previous trip \$3,000 estimated cost will include transportation, lodging, tours, and shows. Previous trips have been a bus trip that lasted 12-14 days.

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## POSSIBLE OPPORTUNITY TO EARN THE COST OF THE TRIP

In past years, Cherry County CWF has formed an organization of potential CWF trip participants and their parents that actively work at money-raising projects over three years under an established set of policy guidelines. Money earned by the participants is held in an account for each individual to help pay the cost of the trip. Previous CWF attendees have earned anywhere from several hundred dollars to the entire cost of the trip. This fund raising aspect of the trip will be available only if several parents are willing to serve on an Executive Board, parents are willing to organize and assume responsibility for the various fund raising activities, and one parent will volunteer to be the Treasurer who is willing to work under UNL and local CWF guidelines to record earnings for each participant, make deposits, pay bills, submit reports, etc. for the entire three year period.

Examples of past fund raising activities have included:

- running concession stands
- participating in individual incentive sales of food items, and evergreen Christmas items



## REGISTRATION

To receive information about the trip, fund raising projects, and activities for the CWF trip, fill out the form below, save and e-mail, or USPS mail it to:

**CWF**

Nebraska Extension-Cherry County  
365 N. Main St., Suite 3 Valentine,  
NE 69201  
cherry-county@unl.edu

or just call 402-376-1850 to register.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date and Year \_\_\_\_\_

Male or Female \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Parent e-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

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The 4-H Youth Development program abides with the nondiscrimination policies of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the United States Department of Agriculture.