To: Youth Group Leaders

On behalf of the 2017-2018 State 4-H Council, we are writing to share with you about this year’s Iowa 4-H Youth Conference and encourage you to share our invitation to members of your youth group. The Conference will be held June 26-June 28, on the Iowa State University campus in Ames, Iowa. We hope that you will encourage all high school youth to attend this amazing experience. This year’s theme is “Your Passport to Adventure,” and we hope that teens will discover opportunities in their local communities with the ideas they bring home from this year’s conference. This conference is not only for 4-H’ers, but any Iowa teen that will be completing 8th grade through high school this spring. Below is a list of this year’s council goals and features at this year’s conference.

2018 Conference Goals - Iowa 4-H Youth Conference delegates will get their passports to adventure by:

- Figuring out what they are passionate about and learn more about it.
- Making new friends of all ethnicities and backgrounds
- Branching out in their own communities through service and leadership.
- Learning important leadership and citizenship skills by making an impact in their community.
- Learning more about 4-H.
- Getting a taste of college and residence hall life.
- Celebrating accomplishments of youth on state and national levels.

Highlights of the conference include:

- Motivational speakers
- Hands-on fun and inspirational workshops dealing with a variety of topics
- Dances, formal banquet, talent show, and other recreational activities
- Participation in community service activities
- A conference for teens planned by teens
- Opportunity to experience residence hall living and college life on the ISU campus
- Animal Science Round-Up track choice

Financial

- Conference fee $180 for registration, meals, housing, workshops, and t-shirt. It’s a great deal for 3 keynote speakers, 3 workshops, 2 overnights, and all of the meals included! Transportation determined by area or county.

For more information contact your local county Extension and Outreach office.

Thank you,

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2018 Conference Co-Chairs