NATIONAL 4-H DAIRY CONFERENCE

Again this year, Vermont is planning on participating in the annual National 4-H Dairy Conference held in Madison, WI. The 4-H Dairy Conference will provide a varied learning experience for four Vermont 4-H Dairy project teens and one adult chaperone.

The National 4-H Dairy Conference is for 4-H Youth ages 15-18 who are interested in the dairy industry and who carry out dairy and dairy-related projects under adult leadership in their community.

Educational Objectives:
To help selected 4-H youth:
* Provide a way for the dairy industry to meet the developmental needs of youth.
* Provide a better understanding of the production, processing, marketing and use of dairy products.
* Provide a broader understanding of careers available in dairy production, processing, marketing, and selected areas.

APPLICATIONS FOR VERMONT DELEGATES

Delegates will be selected by a subcommittee of the State 4-H Dairy Committee from applications of outstanding 4-H Program members with consideration of the following.

Eligibility/Basis of Selection--Youth Delegates

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

1. Have participated at least three years in the 4-H Dairy Program, including the current year.
2. Are at least 15 but not more than 18 years of age by January 1st.
3. Have outstanding records of 4-H Dairy accomplishments.
4. Have abilities and talents, which will enable them to make a real contribution to the conference.
5. Have an interest in the production, marketing, processing and use of dairy products.
6. Are capable of bringing the inspiration and information back to their state and passing it onto others through talks, reports, news stories, etc.
7. Have not attended the National 4-H Dairy Conference before.
8. Are not exhibiting dairy animals at this year’s World Dairy Expo.
9. Are not participating in this year’s National 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging Contest.
10. Delegates must be available for travel from late September to the beginning of October.
11. Cost to each member for the trip will be approximately between $900 and $1200. Payments will be due May 1, June 1 and final payment on July 1. Amounts due will come in the mail prior to their due date.