



Wisconsin Agriculture Youth Council

OVERVIEW

Purpose

The purpose of the Wisconsin Agriculture Youth Council is to encourage young people to engage with state government and increase their awareness of DATCP's interactions with Wisconsin's agriculture industry.

Goals

The four goals of the Wisconsin Agriculture Youth Council are:

- Highlight the agricultural-related career opportunities available in state government
- Share the state tools available to support Wisconsin farmers
- Provide insight on how to effectively engage in state agricultural policy development
- Increase networking opportunities for participants across the agricultural industry

Structure

The Wisconsin Agriculture Youth Council will be comprised of 15 Wisconsin high school seniors. Students will serve a one-year term and receive a certificate at the completion of their year.

Recruitment

Students will nominate themselves for the Council during the designated recruitment period and utilize the application available on DATCP's website. Council members will be selected based on their submitted materials and plan to meet the determined goals. Members will be representative of the state's geographic and agricultural diversity.

Expectations

Council members are expected to attend eight monthly 90-minute virtual sessions and one final all-day event involving the DATCP Board. Members must prepare at least one question prior to each session, and complete a survey after each session. All Council members will also complete a final written reflection about their experience.

Meeting assignments

For each session, members will rotate serving in three leadership roles. The schedule for the rotation will be determined at the first meeting. They are:

- Chair: Introduce and thank the speakers
- Vice Chair: Initiate the question and answer period and encourage others to ask questions
- Secretary: Take notes and provide a summary to DATCP for distribution to the membership

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