Kentucky 4-H Members,

You are about to experience one of the best weeks of your life. You are going to spend this week as a college freshman on the University of Kentucky campus. Prepare yourself to experience the life of a student at the greatest college in the world!

The past year has been a long one and a great one! I have met new people, done new things, seen new places, and gained new experiences. To say that I am thankful for this opportunity is a huge understatement! We have worked very hard as an Officer Team and as a Teen Council to make this year’s conference as amazing and memorable as possible. When you look around and see how much fun you and others around you are having, be sure to thank a council member!

Again, I can't tell you enough how much it personally means to me and the State Teen Council as a whole that you are all here with us this week. I hope you have a wonderful week, an amazing experience, and leave with a million memories. ~ Jordan Stone

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Hi Kentucky 4-Hers! Welcome to the 2015 Kentucky 4-H Teen Conference! It has been an honor to serve as your State 4-H Vice President this past year. This year has flown by and I've made so many wonderful memories and new friends along the way. Being a state officer has taught me so much about our amazing 4-H program and about myself, as well. Thank you to all of the Kentucky 4-Hers for making this year the fantastic experience it has been. I'm looking forward to continuing to get to know you all this week and finish out serving as your State 4-H Vice President.

This year’s Teen Conference is expected to be a great week for all of us. Our Kentucky 4-H State Teen Council has been working hard all year to make this conference the best one yet. Whether this is your first Teen Conference or last conference, I hope you learn something new, make new friends and create lifelong memories. Your experience this week all depends on what you make of it, so make it great! I am so excited for this upcoming week and hope everyone has an amazing Teen Conference. ~ Haley Coppage

Hey Kentucky 4-H'ers! My name is Bre Howell and I have had an amazing year serving as your 2014-2015 State 4-H Secretary. I have made tons of memories and met many amazing 4-H'ers. This has been one of the most rewarding years of my life. If you haven't had the chance to meet me yet, be sure to say hello this week! I would love to meet all of you.

While at Teen Conference this week, I challenge you to make new friends, create new memories, and grow as a person. The State Teen Council and this year’s officer team have worked diligently to plan a wonderful conference for you to enjoy! From the dances to tracks to workshops and everything else, take every chance offered to you, because you definitely will not regret it. Teen Conference is one of my favorite 4-H events and I hope that you enjoy it as much as I do! The memories that you make this week will last a lifetime. Have a great week! ~ Bre Howell

Hey y'all! The state officer team is excited that you are in attendance at this year’s Teen Conference! As every year, we have such a crazy awesome week planned for you to enjoy! The State Teen Council has worked very hard to plan and promote this week so please have fun! Make new friends, leave your comfort zone, and grow as an individual.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my time as State 4-H Treasurer and I am pleased to have met so many of you throughout this year. It is with mixed emotions that I attend this conference where I know I will officially retire my green jacket. I want to
The Rules . . . don’t forget them!

1. No guys and girls on the same floor or same room!
2. Please be courteous and turn off your cell phones during assemblies.
3. Don't be in the basement without an adult (check with your chaperone first!)
4. No use of tobacco, alcohol, or drugs.
5. Please be considerate of the dress code.
6. Watch the Dancing! Let’s keep it appropriate and considerate
7. Buddy System!!
8. NO PDA...really it's gross!
9. Talk like you’re talking to your momma (keep the language clean)!
10. Have a Great Week!

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thank you all for positively contributing to my year as an officer and also thank you in advance for helping me say goodbye to the jacket this week.

“Be more concerned with your Character than your reputation, because your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are.” -Coach John Wooden

~Julia Scott

Things to bring

Teen Conference is a lot of excitement, entertainment and a great way to meet new friends. However a week on campus and away from home can really affect your life! It’s possible to “survive” if you know exactly what you need to bring and what can make Campus life easier while at the University of Kentucky. The Kentucky 4-H State Teen Council recommends the following to make your stay as enjoyable as possible (dress code is on the last page):

- Bed Linens
- Pillow
- Soap & Shampoo
- Toiletries
- Towel and Washcloth
- Sandals for the Shower (Trust me, Athlete’s Foot is awful!!)
- Alarm Clock
- Medications
- Any Snack Food (ex. Chips, Cookies, Canned Drinks, Crackers)
- Money (Starbucks, Drinks, County Night Out, Travel)
- Clothes (See dress code)
- COMFORTABLE SHOES
The University of Kentucky places the highest priority on the safety of its students and visitors. They are launching the LiveSafe app - a new app that will help police locate you quickly and allow your adult chaperones to locate you if lost or missing. Everyone is asked to download this app and familiarize yourself with it before Teen Conference.

1) Open Google Play or the Apple App Store on your phone. Search for "LiveSafe" and download the option with the blue shield.

2) Tap "Sign up." Fill in your profile information and create a password.

3) The University of Kentucky may pop-up if you are close to campus. If so, tap "Yes." Otherwise tap "Change" to select your school.
Meet the 2015-2016 State 4-H Officer Candidates!

We would like to extend our appreciation and praise to each of these outstanding 4-H'ers for their willingness to run for a state 4-H office. They are the "best of the best" and regardless of the outcome of the election they are already WINNERS! We are behind them as they strive to reach their goals. We encourage all of those not elected to remain active and involved in 4-H in their county, district and state. 4-H needs ALL of us to be successful!

President

Calvin Andries
Franklin County, D-4

Hey everyone, and welcome to State Teen Conference! I am Calvin Andries from Franklin County in District 4. You’ll see me this week running for your next 4-H State President. In case I don’t get to talk to you, I’d like to share a little about myself.

Over the past 8 years, I have participated in many 4-H projects, but my main projects are Shooting Sports, Communications and Leadership. Some of my leadership experience comes from serving as the President of my county Shooting Sports Club and the District 4 Teen council. As well as serving as a delegate on the State Teen Council and as a National Shooting Sports Teen Ambassador. My experiences in 4-H have shown me how to be a dedicated, hardworking leader. I hope to use this experience to represent Kentucky 4-H, and to help the youth in our state as your next 4-H State President.
Hi All! Welcome to the 2015 State 4-H Teen Conference, and “May 4-H Be Ever in Your Future”. My name is MacKenzie Jones; I’m from Franklin County and D-4 and I can’t wait to be your next Kentucky State 4-H Vice President. I’m so excited to meet all of you this week!

I love 4-H and have been active in it for the past 9 years. My participation varies. I have been involved in livestock judging and skill-a-thons, shown hogs, entered projects in the state fair, and participated in the Country Ham project, 4-H camp and more. I have served as president of my county teen club, Teen Council secretary, and Kentucky State Teen Council Marketing Chairman. 4-H has provided me with a place to learn and develop into the person I am today.

Please vote for me, our next State 4-H Vice President!

Join the UK Campus Community on your iPhone by downloading the “UKMobile” App. This app has a map of the campus to help you find your way around during 4-H Teen Conference!
Hi ya’ll! My name is Amelia Ilohan and I’m from Madisonville, KY. This coming year I will be attending the University of Kentucky and majoring in Community and Leadership Development. I have participated in 4-H for 11 years and have loved every minute of it!

I have held a multitude of offices throughout my time in 4-H, including: numerous offices in elementary and middle school, Vice-President of my county teen club, Vice President of our District Teen club, and been a member of the State 4-H Teen Council. 4-H has given me the chance to participate in a variety of community service activities, which is one of my favorite aspects of 4-H. Outside of 4-H I love watching movies, am a huge UK basketball fan and love meeting new people. Please consider voting for me as your next State 4-H Vice President!

Hello everyone! I’m Shelby Strong, and I’d like to welcome you to the 2015 4-H State Teen Conference! This conference is one of my favorite events to attend, and I hope you all have a great time this week.

4-H is a major part of my life. I joined when I was six, and over the past twelve years, I’ve been a member of four different county clubs, held an office in three of them, and served as Secretary for the District Four Teen Council. I’ve been a counselor at 4-H Camp, a member of the 4-H Issues Conference planning committee, and this past year, was selected as one of thirty Kentucky delegates to attend National 4-H Congress.

4-H has made me the person I am today, and I’d be lost without 4-H. With that in mind, I’d appreciate it if you’d vote for me as State 4-H Secretary!
Kiernan Comer

Montgomery County, D-1

I’m Kiernan Comer from District 1. I love art, poetry, music, and having meaningful conversations with new people. I’ve been heavily involved in 4-H since I turned nine years-old. I’ve participated in many years of leadership, speaking, foods, art, consumer education, and many outdoors activities. I’ve both worked in setting up 4-H events and attending them. The program has allowed me to build many of my most cherished friendships and has always been a constant source of positivity in my life.

Because 4-H has done so much for my development, I want to do all I can so that it does the same for others. This means being a friend to everyone I meet, informing people of the many areas of interest within 4-H, and being a role model for those who need one. Vote for me to be your next 4-H State Treasurer.

Jessica Conn

Fleming County, D-1

I’m from the back roads of Fleming County, KY, where you learn very fast, that life is what you make it, and the road will lead you to where you take it. With dreams and knowledge in my head, God in my heart, a show stick in my hand, and a passion to drive my health, I’ve became who I am today and I am proud to be running for your State 4-H Treasurer. Through all my experiences in life I have learned that in order to be successful you must learn to be a leader, patient, understanding, hardworking, and dedicated.

As your State 4-H Treasurer I promise to fulfill my duties of being a leader, being 100% dedicated, giving it 110%, and giving back to the organization who has given me so much. “Grow em’ Farmers, Show em’ 4H, Vote em’ Jessica Conn”
New in 2015!

New Dorms

This year we are staying in the newly opened Central I, II and Haggin dorms. These are four bed suites with a shared bathroom. Each room comes equipped with a refrigerator and microwave. All participants at 4-H Teen Conference will be issued identify cards that act as passes to enter the building, the elevator and your sleeping room. Each dorm has a laundry facility, game room and kitchenette. Study rooms on each level will host the nightly floor meetings.

4–H TEEN CONFERENCE – DRESS CODE

Note: All tops must cover waist band when arms are raised above your head. Skirt length should be mid-thigh. T-shirts should not display any profanity, sexual innuendos, obscenities, or advertise beer, liquor or tobacco products or have racial/gang overtones. T-Shirts with 4-H logos are recommended. Shirts or blouses should be tucked in at all times (when appropriate to shirt type). Hats (cowboy, baseball caps, visors, bandannas) and Sunglasses should NOT be worn inside buildings (guys and girls). This is an educational conference, in which you represent your district and county. Please keep this in mind when selecting your clothing.

Casual – Jeans or khakis (with belt), T-shirts (T-shirts should not display any profanity, sexual innuendos, obscenities, or advertise beer, liquor or tobacco products or have racial/gang overtones. T-Shirts with 4-H logos are recommended), tennis shoes (clean). Does not include cut-offs or worn jeans with holes. Dress shorts should be fingertip length or longer (cheerleading shorts or other short shorts are not permitted). No spaghetti strap tops or halter tops for females or tank tops for males.

Professional – Males – dress slacks (with belt) with a shirt and tie or polo shirts, jackets are encouraged, clean dress shoes. Females – dresses, suits with skirts or dress slacks, blouses, clean dress shoes. No denim clothing or tennis/athletic shoes.

Semi-formal—Males – dress slacks (with belt) with a shirt and tie, Jackets are preferred. Banded collar shirts without a tie are acceptable when worn with a jacket. Females – dresses from knee to floor length, pants suits appropriate for a prom or similar dress-up activity. This could include a dressy outfit worn to an event at your church, synagogue, or mosque.

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