

JUNIOR HIGH 4-H ACADEMIC CONFERENCE

Academic Conference can best be described as a “Junior High Roundup.” 4-H members receive intensive training in their project area under the supervision of university scientists and specialists and explore related career opportunities. The purposes of the conference are:

- To recognize outstanding 4-H members and leaders
- To provide academic training related to the participants' 4-H project area
- To offer special opportunities for career exploration in agriculture and home economics
- To meet other 4-H members with similar interests
- To experience campus life and facilities first hand

Location and Date

Academic Conference takes place at The University of Tennessee Knoxville. It generally takes place the 2nd week of June. Check the Region Calendar each year for specific dates.

Eligibility

Any Junior High member (7th-8th grade as of January 1 of the current year) enrolled in one of the following 12 project areas is eligible to attend the conference:

Beef	Horse
Cats	Line and Design
Consumer Education	Petroleum Power
Dairy	Poultry
Dairy Foods/Food-Nutrition	Sheep
Dog	Swine
Field Crops/Plant Science	Veterinary Science
Garden/Home Horticulture	

Delegates will be selected on the basis of the State Academic Conference Application and a Form 305 in that project area. Winners will be selected on the Region level; then all applications will be forwarded to the State Office to fill any vacancies that other Regions may have. Applications and forms are available from the county Extension office. Delegates may attend the conference only once in a given project area. Selected state 4-H council members, volunteer leaders and Extension personnel will attend to assist with the program.

See the following Scorecard.

Transportation

Agents will receive a transportation schedule from the State office prior to the event. This schedule will inform agents as to when and where delegates are to meet the bus.

**TENNESSEE JUNIOR HIGH 4-H ACADEMIC CONFERENCE
APPLICATION SCORE CARD**

PROJECT: _____										
JUDGE: _____										
I. Written Summary from Application Form										
A. Reasons for Attending	15									
B. Plans for Sharing Experiences	10									
TOTAL- PART I	25									
II. Project Experience (Form 305)										
A. Size and Scope	30									
B. Project Participation	35									
C. Awards and Recognition	10									
TOTAL- PART II	75									
GRAND TOTAL- PARTS I AND II	100									

Programs in agriculture and natural resources, 4-H youth development, family and consumer sciences, and resource development.
University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture and county governments cooperating.
UT Extension provides equal opportunities in programs and employment.