Conference Chaperone Positions
WIU-ICC Cooperative Youth Conference
June 4 and 5, 2015 - Macomb, Illinois

What: Conference Chaperones needed for the Illinois Cooperative Council Youth Conference

Position Description: 10 college students are needed to chaperone the Youth Conference June 4-5, 2015 at WIU-Macomb campus. One college student will be assigned to each HS student group (seven group’s total) as a leader and will help the ICC industry presenters in the classrooms. Two or three college students will be conference assistants to assist the conference coordinators with general issues and errands throughout the conference. Conference chaperones will also coordinate and lead the “ice breaker” right after registration check-in on the first day so all the HS students get to know each other. Chaperones also assist with distributing snacks, leading HS students to meals, and general supervision. Chaperones will be subject to background checks. Two male and two female college students will be required to stay overnight in the dorm to supervise HS students throughout the night and serve as a point of contact for issues or emergencies. The overnight chaperones will also help with making sure campers are up and ready to go in the morning and that everything was packed up and put in the university vans.

Stipend: $50 and the opportunity to network with ICC Board Members and Officers

Deadline: Submit a cover letter and resume to Jolene Willis via email JS-Willis@wiu.edu by May 1.

Background: The School of Agriculture at Western Illinois University and the members of the Illinois Cooperative Council are working together to provide a fun and exciting educational opportunity for high school sophomores and juniors! For the first time, these students will be able to visit the Macomb campus to learn about the cooperative way of doing business. Each student will receive a free t-shirt commemorating their experience at the two-day conference. For nearly 25 years, this conference was held on the campus of Southern Illinois University. Each year, about 75 students attend and learn how cooperatives began in Illinois, how they are governed and led, to whom they benefit, and the importance they play in our everyday lives. In order to make attending the conference more convenient for northern Illinois students, the Illinois Cooperative Council decided to begin a rotation between WIU and SIU, and we are excited that 2015 will be the first year of that new schedule! This event improves awareness of cooperatives and plants the seed to develop future cooperative leaders. Please visit www.illinois.coop for more information about the Illinois Cooperative Council.

Questions? Contact Jolene Willis at 298-2835 or JS-Willis@wiu.edu.

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