



4-H State Youth Leadership Council

Program Summary:

Considered the highest leadership opportunity in Michigan 4-H, SYLC members serve as representatives of the Michigan 4-H program, promoting 4-H through state and local activities, and provide youth voice and perspective to inform statewide programs and goals.

Target Audience

Any 4-H participant, age 15-19 by January 1, 2024, can apply for a council position. They must be currently enrolled in a 4-H program, in good standing in their local 4-H club, or unit, and have completed at least the previous year of 4-H work. Youth are selected for the council by application and interview with a committee. SYLC member terms are two years, running September 1, 2023– August 31, 2025.



More Info and Apply:

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/sylc/>

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-Mia Krause

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When and where do SYLC members meet?

The council meets monthly as a full group and monthly in regional groups using Zoom online video conferencing. If possible, SYLC will hold two in-person meetings annually including an overnight training in the fall and a gathering during 4-H Exploration Days in June.

Why would youth be interested in SYLC?

SYLC is Michigan's highest youth leadership opportunity and is a goal that older youth can aspire toward. SYLC members receive training and experience in public speaking, advocacy, communication, and leadership skills. Members are invited to represent Michigan 4-H at events across the state. In addition, SYLC members form friendships and a professional network with other 4-H members from across Michigan, and have fun!



"Before joining SYLC I did not know people outside of my county. Since joining SYLC I have met so many great people and have had great opportunities."

- David Casto

"I've learned new leadership and public speaking skills and have found a great group of people who are very supportive of one another thanks to SYLC."

-Isabelle Plamondon