

Summer 2020



Academic UN-Conference is ...

... a challenging, virtual, three-day event led by University of Tennessee faculty, staff and Extension Specialists that focuses on 4-H project work

(you know ... You get to learn cool, knowledge stuff – like college kids do -- but it's about your 4-H project!)



Who Can Attend?

If you are a Tennessee 4-H member in the 6th-8th grade as of January 1, 2020, then you are welcomed to attend! No application is needed.



What Does it Cost?

\$0.

Yep ... that's right! Because we can't be faceto-face right now, this UN-conference will be hosted virtually. No cost to you!



How do I sign up?

You are going to need your 4-H agent's help with this one! Please contact them and let them know that you want to go! They will get you registered. The deadline to register is June 1! Hurry!

Which project areas can I register for?



There are 16 4-H project areas that are part of Academic Un-Conference. You may pick from ONE of the following:

- Beef
- Citizenship
- Companion Animals
- Consumer Education/Economics
- Dairy
- Dairy Foods/Foods and Nutrition Swine
- Forestry
- Garden/Home Horticulture

- Horse
- Line and Design
- Meat Goat
- Poultry
- Sheep
- Veterinary Science
- Wildlife and Fisheries



After I am registered, what do I do next?

Just sit back and relax! We will take it from there. Before June 9, you will get an email from a 4-H specialist who will give you specific instructions – like a link to an application (like Zoom) and a day and time to log on.

But What About Dollywood?



So, if you know anything about Academic Conference, then you know that one of the highlights is the trip to Dollywood.

Because of COVID-19, we can't take that trip this year. (Get it? This is why it's an Academic UN-Conference.)

Yeah ... we know. We are disappointed too!

So, what's going to be fun?



Okay ... so Dollywood is a bust. And you've been doing on-line classes for most of the spring. We get it! So, this year, we are offering a number of prize packages. All you have to do is play along, engage in a little learning and you win the basic package. If you are an overachiever (and we know that you are), you can compete for bigger prizes!

SHHH! It's a secret! I can't tell you about those yet!

Will there be homework?



Probably not.

If there is, it will be something that you can handle and something that you will enjoy!

BUT ... you will have an hour or so each day of online classes with your instructors. You will get a schedule later so that you know exactly what to expect!

What am I going to learn?



Every project area will be different. Some will have hands-on learning experiments. Some will have virtual tours. Some will have demonstrations. Some will have other types of online learning experiences or a combination of all of the above!

Whatever it is, it's gonna be a lot of fun! We can't wait to see you there!