

FOCUS ON YOUR FUTURE
4-H Citizenship North Carolina Focus
June 15-17, 2020 – Zoom

*How wonderful it is that no one need wait a single moment
to improve the world. ~Anne Frank*



Monday, June 15, 2020: Advocacy and Telling YOUR Story

1:00 – 2:15 pm

Opening Session

Welcome to the opening session of this year's 4-H Citizenship North Carolina Focus!

- **Let's Get Started!**
 - Emily Worth, State 4-H Council President
- **Welcome & Greetings**
 - Ms. Jennifer Heiss, Communication and Social Media Specialist, North Carolina Association of Electric Cooperatives
 - Dr. Mike Yoder, Associate Director and State Program Leader, 4-H, NC State Extension
- **F3 – Fast, Focus, Fun**
 - Eric Rowles, Leading To Change

2:15 – 2:30 pm

Stretch Break

Take a few minutes, walk around and come back ready to engage!

2:30 – 3:45 pm

Passing the Mic: Telling your 4-H Story

Dr. Maru Gonzalez, Nyawira Nyota

Storytelling is a powerful tool for raising awareness about important issues and motivating social change. Using the NC State Extension program #PassTheMicYouth as an example, participants will learn what makes a story effective and begin creating their own 4-H story to share with policy makers and elected officials.

Learn More: <https://passthemicyouth.ces.ncsu.edu/>

3:45 – 4:00 pm

Stage Setting For Day 2

It has been a fun day and tomorrow will be great as well! Enjoy your evening and get ready for Day 2!

- Jessy-Kate Glenn, State 4-H Council Vice President

Unless someone like you cares an awful lot, Nothing is going to get better. It's not. ~Dr. Seuss, The Lorax

Tuesday, June 16, 2020: Local Government and YOU

1:00 – 1:20 pm

Opening Session

Welcome to Day 2 of Citizenship North Carolina Focus! We are so excited to have the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC) join us today!

• **Welcome & Stage Setting**

- Leah Jackson, State 4-H Council Secretary/Treasurer
- Dr. Rich Bonanno, Director of NC State Extension and Associate Dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at North Carolina State University

1:20 – 2:10 pm

Local Government 101

Jason King, Director of Education and Conferences, and Kylie Ogburn, Digital Communications Assistant, NCACC

Why do counties exist? How are counties governed? What exactly do counties do and what don't they do? In this session we will have a fast run down of what counties do, how they respond in a variety of situations and why county government is so important. Get ready...here we go!

2:10 – 2:20 pm

Stretch Break

Take a quick run around your home, grab a snack and come back ready to continue our discussion.

2:20 – 3:00 pm

County Governance

NCACC Executive Committee: President Kevin Austin, Yadkin County; President Elect Ronnie Smith, Martin County; First Vice President Frank Williams, Brunswick County; Second Vice President Tracey Johnson, Washington County; and Past President Brenda Howerton, Durham County

Serving in county government is very rewarding, but also a lot of work! In this session we will explore how the governing board gets along, reaches consensus and learns to work with a variety of people and personalities all while operating in the public eye. This session is sure to engage and maybe even showcase some "what not to do" scenarios.

3:00 – 3:05 pm

Stretch Break

Quick! Grab a glass of water! You don't to miss this next session!

3:05 - 3:45 pm

Intergovernmental Relationships : County & State

Members of the NC Legislature's County Coalition: former county commissioners now serving in the General Assembly

County Government and State Government don't operate in a vacuum. They must work together to provide for the citizens of North Carolina. Together they can champion problems and create solutions whose benefits can be felt beyond county lines.

3:45 – 4:00 pm

Final Thoughts & Wrap Up

- **Why Public Leadership?**
 - Mr. Kevin Leonard, Executive Director, NCACC
- **Setting The Stage for Day 2 (Part 2) and 3**
 - Kyler Glover, State 4-H Council Reporter

7:30 – 8:30 pm

Games, Music and More!

Bring your best night time snack and get ready to play games, dance, and hangout!

The backbone of success is hard work, determination, good planning, and perseverance. ~Mia Hamm

Wednesday, June 17, 2020: State Government and Action Planning

1:00 – 1:10 pm

Opening Session

We have learned a lot, but still have more ground to cover! Let's work hard and give today 110%!

- Emily Worth, State 4-H Council President
- Jessy-Kate Glenn, State 4-H Council Vice President

1:10 – 1:40 pm

Local Government, State Government and YOU!

North Carolina State Treasurer, Dale R. Folwell, CPA

Treasurer Folwell was first elected to public office as a member of the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Board of Education. He brought his problem-solving skills to the North Carolina General Assembly in 2004, where he served four terms in the House of Representatives including one term as Speaker Pro Tempore. Treasurer Folwell began his career as a blue collar worker and became a Certified Public Accountant and investment advisor after earning Bachelor's and Master's degrees in accounting from UNC-Greensboro.

1:40 – 2:00 pm

Stretch Break

Hang out and listen to some music or take a quick break and give your eyes a screen time break. Either way, be back here ready to start at 2:00!

2:00 – 3:00 pm

Action Planning: Serving YOUR Community

- **Nuts and Bolt's**
 - Dr. Sarah Kotzian, NC 4-H
- **How We Made A Difference**
 - Sydney Loflin, Davidson County 4-H'er
 - Trailblazers 4-H Club, Forsyth County 4-H
- **Next Steps and Moving Forward**
 - Lauren Winslow, NC 4-H Summer Intern

3:00 – 3:40 pm

Moving Forward with a Focus on YOUR Future

Eric Rowles, Leading To Change

3:40 – 4:00 pm

Conference Wrap Up

Together we have learned so much over these last three days! We wish for you good health, safety, and lots of positive energy as you continue to Make The Best Better!