

# GEORGIA COOPERATIVE COUNCIL YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE



**July 17-21, 2023**

***Georgia FFA/FCCLA Center, Covington, Ga.***

## OBJECTIVES:

The objectives of the conference are to make available valuable leadership development opportunities for youth while heightening awareness of cooperatives and exploring the cooperative way of doing business.

## ACTIVITIES:

- ▶ Take a field trip to a working cooperative. Plans for the coming program include a visit to a dairy farm and an electric cooperative to see how they operate and learn why they are a cooperative.
- ▶ Personality Assessments: Participate in a two-part activity to assess your personality and explore how to work with people with different styles and outlooks.
- ▶ Co-op Encounter Sessions: Meet with representatives from cooperatives to hear about their purpose, services and community involvement and the types of career opportunities available.
- ▶ Create a Cooperative: Learn about the cooperative way of business and work with fellow campers to create your own cooperative using the "7 Cooperative Principles."
- ▶ Participate in activities that teach leadership skills and get to know your fellow campers through lighthearted group and individual projects and competitions.
- ▶ Recreation: Enjoy group activities like a pool party, the Blob and a mega water slide as well as optional activities like a challenging high ropes and a mud obstacle course. Spend your downtime with new friends relaxing by the lake shore or at the canteen playing miniature golf, ping pong, basketball or volleyball.

## WHO MAY ATTEND:

Youth with the following qualifications:

- youth with leadership abilities
- must have completed freshman year of high school but not yet attending college
- have NOT previously attended the conference
- sponsored by a cooperative which pays the registration fee
  - \$400 for in-state Council Members
  - \$450 for out-of-state cooperatives

## SPONSORED BY:

The Georgia Cooperative Council, Inc.

## WHO SELECTS YOUTH PARTICIPANTS:

Applicants must be recommended and sponsored by a local cooperative or be nominated for a Council camp scholarship through the state offices of Georgia 4-H or Georgia FFA. Other state Co-op Councils that participate and send students determine their own applicant's requirements.

## DEADLINE:

Completed applications must be received no later than JUNE 19, 2023.

Application forms are on line. A link to the form will be sent to member cooperatives as requested by contacting:

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