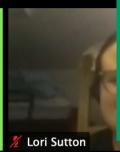


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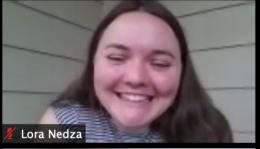




WEEKEND IN
THE CLASSIC
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PANDEMIC RESPONSE

Shawn Sutton





WEEKEND IN THE CLASSIC CITY

JENNA DANIEL

Conceptualized over 20 years ago, the University of Georgia (UGA) Collegiate 4-H chapter began a weekend-long program, Weekend in the Classic City (WICC), that gave youth from across the state a firsthand experience of attending college while simultaneously providing knowledge that situated them to make crucial decisions for higher education. This event was created with the understanding that higher education decisions and pathways are unique to each youth, and works to provide broad and diverse seminars and show youth a comprehensive picture of the career options that are provided in the state of Georgia. Extension programming during the COVID-19 pandemic provides the opportunity for innovative and non-traditional delivery methods. As a response to provide educational opportunities during this time, this event was transitioned to a day-long virtual event.

On November 7, 32 youth along with 10 collegiate 4-H'ers who served as group leaders signed into a daylong virtual conference to learn more about the college admissions process, UGA, and other elements of higher education. The theme for the event was "Everyone Has a Place" in order to highlight the importance of finding a college that is right for the student. This event featured collaborative workshops with the Office of Undergraduate Admissions, the Office of Student Financial Aid, and UGA's Arch

42 PARTICIPANTS GAINING
ACCESS TO HIGHER
EDUCATION RESOURCES



Society, and was generously supported by the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences (CAES) Eterna Fund. The event also featured meetings with ambassadors from CAES as well as the College of Family and Consumer Sciences. After a day full of engaging and informative sessions, the collegiate 4-H'ers serving as group leaders participated in a student-life panel where they answered questions from the youth about their college experiences.

"WICC works to provide broad and diverse seminars and speakers that show youth a comprehensive picture of pathways to higher education in Georgia," said Jenna Daniel, Extension 4-H Specialist. "As a virtual event this year, we are encouraged to provide access to admissions and financial aid experts, perspectives from current Collegiate 4-H'ers, and resources that will help youth identify options, and make decisions that set them up to be successful as they consider higher education." At the conclusion of the event, participants were provided with a resource document containing a glossary of common college terms, financial aid definitions, and contact information for all University System of Georgia institutions.



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THE PROGRAM

Each fall, this event is held in the "Classic City" of Athens at the University of Georgia and exposes youth to higher education through engagement and experience. Students are separated into groups based on their grade level to provide information tailored to their current stage of life.

OBJECTIVES

Through Weekend in the Classic City, youth:

- recognize the current opportunities, challenges, and pathways to higher education
- identify the steps to planning, assembling, and submitting a college application
- identify how to apply for financial aid to help defray the cost of higher education
- assess aspects of campus life including transportation, residence halls, and campus housing

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THE SCOPE



EXPANSIVE REACH

Engaging more than 30 youth from over 25 different counties.



COLLEGE DECISIONS

100% of participants responded that 4-H has helped them in their decision about college.



EXPLORING COLLEGE MAJORS

Highlighting more than 20 college majors and interacting with student ambassadors.



INTERACTIVE TOURS

Viewing video tours of a variety of residence halls led by current students.



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