

To: 4-H Volunteer Leaders

From: Kyle Worthington

Date: January 24, 2012

Re: 2012 4-H Day at the Capitol

4-H Day at the Capitol will be held Wednesday, April 4, 2012. Due to space limitations in the Capitol meeting room we are limited to 100 youth participating. For this reason, we are inviting 4-H members who are from the OKC Urban Community, hold a district office, statewide leadership position or have been selected to represent their county to be a part of the distinguished 4-H Day at the Capitol. The 2012 event will be held at the State Capitol and begin tentatively at 8:15 a.m. and conclude by 3:30 p.m.

4-H Day at the Capitol is an excellent opportunity for Oklahoma County 4-H Members, State Council Members, District Officers, Ambassadors and county appointed members to meet with State Representatives and Senators, to share their 4-H story. Dress for the event will be green blazers or a green button-down 4-H Capitol Day shirt from previous years. We have 6-7 shirts at the office of various sizes available. If your member does not have access to a jacket or Capitol Day shirt, we ask that they wear a long sleeve white button down professionally pressed shirt and khaki pants or skirt. Members or counties will have the opportunity to purchase a green long sleeve embroidered 4-H Day at the Capitol shirt for \$20.00

The 2012 4-H Day at the Capitol event will focus on the “*Revolution of Responsibility*”. This revolution comes to life everyday across Oklahoma as 4-H'ers make an impact in their communities. 4-H youth are a living, breathing, culture-changing revolution for doing the right thing, breaking through obstacles and pushing our country forward by making a measurable difference right where they live. As you begin working with your delegate(s) on their “Revolution of Responsibility” visit <http://www.4-h.org/about/revolution/> for more information.

As mentioned above, we would like all communities in our county to have the opportunity to be represented. Our County has the majority of the Senators and Representatives along with a few other urban counties (example: Oklahoma, Tulsa, Cleveland, Comanche, etc.) we need to recruit additional 4-H members to meet with legislators from our area. Ideally at least 2-4 members per club.

We would like to provide opportunities for as many youth as possible, so, this year we are extending an opportunity for counties to apply to showcase their “Revolution of Responsibility” efforts. We will be selecting 4-6 county displays that will be staffed from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. by

two to four 4-H members. Display applications are due February 1. Counties selected will be notified by February 15th. Youth selected for this activity will not attend general sessions with the total group, but will play an important role by showcasing local 4-H impacts. See the attached application for additional information.

Educators will complete the attached file for any participant representing your county; including State Council Members, District Officers, Ambassadors. There is a section to note legislators who represent the area where the member lives. If there is a particular Senator or Representative that the member wants to meet with, list his/her name and district # on the first line. On the lower lines, list others who represent your county. This will assist us in making assignments, **please understand it may not be possible to match all requests**. Urban counties may add additional lines if needed to list all legislators.

Please e-mail the attached 4-H Participant Contact document to Kyle Worthington kyle.worthington@okstate.edu or fax to 405-947-1199, no later than January 31.

Participants will be expected to participate in one of the training sessions listed below:

February 26, 3:00 p.m. (face to face training) OSU Campus; 123 Animal Science Bldg,

March 14, 4:30 p.m. (centra)

March 22, 1:30 p.m. (centra)

As soon as assignments are made, participants will receive additional information from our office.

Below I have provided links to legislative districts for your use:

<http://www.oklegislature.gov/> are useful tools.

<http://www.capitolconnect.com/oklahoma/>

<http://www.okhouse.gov/Research/HouseDistricts.aspx>

<http://www.oksenate.gov/Senators/maps.htm>

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Kyle Worthington at kyle.worthington@okstate.edu or 405.713-1125.