

WHEREAS; guided by the principles of the four “Hs”—head, heart, hands, and health—4-H programs across Wisconsin feature inclusive programming for kids and teens, prioritize hands-on learning in the areas of health, science, agriculture, and civic engagement; and

WHEREAS; delivered by the Cooperative Extension System, 4-H programs are offered through in-school and after-school programs, school and community clubs, and 4-H camps, serving nearly 6 million youth, including more than 26,000 in Wisconsin, employing over 3,500 educators, and engaging a network of over 500,000 volunteers nationwide; and

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin boasts over 1,100 4-H clubs and groups across the state, with students engaging in various projects, such as art, photography, woodworking, animal sciences, shooting sports, food and nutrition, and more; and

WHEREAS; 4-H helps connect young people and adults to their communities, preparing them for work and life experiences through experiential and inquiry-based learning while providing emerging research for positive youth development; and

WHEREAS; supporting future leaders in science, agriculture, and community leadership, research finds that participation in 4-H programs greatly influenced students’ confidence, ability to develop a positive network, and participation in community service; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins dedicated 4-H professionals, volunteers, students, families, and community partners in celebrating the work of 4-H programs across the state and commends everyone involved for their dedication to leadership, growth, and the success of Wisconsin’s youth and families;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim
October 5 through 11 2025 as

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance
to all our state’s residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 3rd day of October 2025.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State