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Hello Potential Science Matters Candidates and Families,

Do you like science? Maybe you like plants, cooking healthy meals, or learning new ways to take care of your pets or livestock. Perhaps you are involved in a leadership program or like to work with your community. If so, the Science Matters project is for you!



#SCIENCEMATTERS

We are looking for 15 teen leaders who will participate in the Science Matters program to help positively impact the health and lives of people, plants and animals in Johnson County. The National 4-H Council and Bayer partnered to offer this program to five key markets and Johnson County was selected as one of them! If selected:

- We will start meeting in October 2018 to establish 3 teams that will identify an issue in the community.
- You will go on an all-expenses paid trip to attend the 4-H National Youth Summit on Agri-Science in Washington, D.C., where the teams will learn more about their area of interest.
- Your team will have until May 2019 to plan a solution, implement the action plan, and showcase the knowledge and skills gained throughout this process.

Your team won't be alone. There will be trained adult volunteers/staff and local Bayer employees helping with each team throughout the process. This is an amazing opportunity to meet other teen leaders across the United States, learn about the community, and practice your leadership skills.

Who: Teens age 14 – 18 (do not need to be a current 4-H member)

When: November 2018 – May 2019

Cost: **FREE!** This is a grant funded program brought to you by National 4-H Council and Bayer

Expectations:

1. Your time committed to the project
2. Dedication to your team members
3. Willingness to research, read, attend meetings, help with planning and actively participate in the program

The trip to the National Youth Summit on Agri-Science from January 10 – 13, 2019 is a required part of the program. January 9th and 14th may be additional travel days.

If you are interested in taking part in this program please fill out the application at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h and click on "Science Matters." The application process will be open until October 5, 2018. Applicants will be notified of their status between October 15-17, 2018.

If you have any questions please let me know. We are looking forward to this new and exciting program.

Thank you,

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