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**Memo To:** National 4-H Congress Delegates

**From:** Jenny Jordan, Extension 4-H Specialist  
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**Re:** National 4-H Congress November 25-29, 2011

National 4-H Congress is not that far off. Before we know it we'll be through October and within weeks of Congress. Please read this letter carefully as it will help you with your continued planning for Congress. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or your county Extension agent for help. You will your final note with a lot more details the first part of November. This letter does have lots of details and dates you will need to respond by.

- Enclosed are **delegate summaries**. This can help you if you would like to carpool to National 4-H Congress. For planning purposes **you will need to arrive between 2:30-3:30 p.m. on Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup>** at the Hyatt Regency in downtown Atlanta. **If you will arrive at a time different from this, please let me know before November 1<sup>st</sup>.**
- National 4-H Congress **concludes Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m.** You will be checked out from the hotel lobby. Please be sure that you plan your transportation so that you can check out with Georgia no later than 11 a.m. If you do plan to drive yourself (or ride with a fellow 4-H'er) to Congress you will need to complete the enclosed transportation waiver. **If you are departing differently from this time, please let me know your plans before November 1<sup>st</sup>.**
- During Congress, **you have the opportunity to participate in a group tour. Tours are optional.** Those not participating in a tour will have some free time in the hotel area. Tours are a great way to see Atlanta, though. If you would like to participate in a tour, it is at your cost. Please refer to the attached list and send me your choice via email (to reserve your spot) and then also drop your reservation and check payable to the Georgia 4-H Foundation to my attention. Tours are limited and first come, first serve, so let me know as soon as possible if you would like to reserve a spot.
- You will receive \$50 in cash (this is the deposit you paid) for spending money during the week. We will ask you to chip in \$5 for lunch one day. A continental breakfast and dinner are provided during the Conference. You will need spending money for lunch every day. Other than spending money, this is all the additional funds you will need.
- A National 4-H Congress tradition has become the Habitat Building project. Each delegate is asked **to bring or collect \$20 to make a change and contribute to the Habitat House.** You will be asked to turn this in at registration & our state will present their total contribution on Saturday morning. You may bring dollars or change or a check payable to Georgia 4-H Foundation. The contributions are for the Clover House being built by Habitat for Humanity. A flyer with more details is online. This is optional but has been a terrific project with National 4-H Congress. In fact, this week we have been building the second Habitat House from funds raised.

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- We will have a small bag of **trade items** for you to swap with delegates. You may also want to bring your own items for the trade. While trading begins on Friday, it does continue throughout Congress and is a longtime tradition. Trade items are things like stickers and pins from your community. Please do not contact statewide commodities asking for donations. We have made many of these contacts already and will have those items for you.
- If you are still in need of a note for your teachers or principals to **excuse your absence**, please let me know. We can send a letter from our office explaining Congress and its educational benefit.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions. We will continue to send notes to our Georgia National Congress Facebook Group (if you want to join, just send me a note). We also post copies of all the letters, maps and forms on the Georgia 4-H website. The website is [www.georgia4h.org](http://www.georgia4h.org) Click Activities & Events and then Project achievement. The direct link is:

<http://www.georgia4h.org/public/coreprograms/projectachievement/NationalCongress/default.html>

This note is there and was also sent via email If you did not receive it over email and I have an email address for you please let me know.

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4-H Program Development Coordinators  
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