



This section defines state/statewide, multi-county events, activities and competitions, hereafter known as “event”.

Any 4-H unit, VMO, group or staff member may propose to have the California 4-H YDP participate in a national competition or host a state/statewide or multi-county event, with the following conditions:

1. Approval:

For national and state/statewide events the Associate Director of 4-H Program and Policy gives approval based on a recommendation from the appropriate body (e.g., committee) or staff responsible for the event.

For county or multi-county events the county director or designee where the event is being held gives approval. The 4-H YDP staff in the other counties should be notified that the event will be open to youth in their county.

2. Registration is open to:

A state/statewide event must be open to all counties.

A multi-county event registration must be open to all counties in that group of counties.

3. Proceeds:

A state/statewide and multi-county or county 4-H event may not be a fundraiser, and should strive for a zero-balance budget. If there are proceeds they should be used in support of the event in subsequent years. If the event is not offered again, the proceeds should be used in support of a similar event with similar goals.

An event may hold fundraiser activities at the event if they follow all 4-H financial policies. The groups conducting these fundraising activities may keep the total sum of the net proceeds.

4. Qualifying and invitational events:

An invitational event requires no qualifying event prior to participation.

If it is a state qualifying event, there must be prior approval of and collaboration with the State 4-H Office, and if applicable, the state group hosting it.

