January 16, 2024

TO: COUNTY FARM BUREAU PRESIDENTS
COUNTY OFFICE SECRETARIES
COUNTY FARM BUREAU WOMEN’S LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Dear County Leaders:

Tennessee Farm Bureau is pleased to be a major sponsor of the Tennessee Leadership Summit to be held June 23-29, 2024, on the campus of Tennessee Tech University in Cookeville. This leadership program is a valued partnership with TTU College of Agriculture and Human Ecology and brings together energized high school student leaders from across the state. Your Farm Bureau staff has worked closely with TTU staff to develop a dynamic program focused on leadership, cooperation, service and developing an understanding of the critical importance of Tennessee’s agriculture industry.

We encourage your county to select and sponsor up to two outstanding local high school students who will be entering the 11th or 12th grade in the fall of 2024 to attend this leadership program. The cost is $250 per delegate and covers all expense associated with the event. This leadership program is limited to 100 delegates. We encourage each county to sponsor at least one delegate.

To confirm your approved delegates, please enter your selected delegates’ names on SharePoint at this link http://tinyurl.com/2024TNLeadershipSummit and complete the registration form at this link https://tnfarmbureau.org/leadership-summit by Monday, March 25. Send payment by Friday, April 5 directly to TTU College of Agriculture and Human Ecology. If you prefer to pay online, a payment link can be provided. Mail check to:

Tennessee Tech University
College of Agriculture
Attn: Lisa Rice
PO Box 5165
Cookeville, TN 38505
We are enthusiastic about the Tennessee Leadership Summit and the opportunity to invest in the youth of Tennessee. If you have any questions, please contact Kristy Chastine, TFBF Special Programs Division, at 931-388-7872, ext. 2216 or kchastine@tfbf.com. You may also contact Shea Booster, TN Leadership Summit Director, 541-771-1177 or sheabooster@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Eric Mayberry,
President

Bryan Wright,
Executive Vice President

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TN Farm Bureau Women's Leadership Committee  
TFBF Board Members  
County Agency Managers  
Regional Agency Managers  
YF&R State Committee
REQUIREMENTS

1. **County Farm Bureaus:**
   A. **Each county is allowed up to two delegates.** We are searching for the best of the best from each county. There are 100 spots available. We must have applications submitted and payment received by **Friday, April 5** in order to reserve a spot.

   B. You may use any method of selection you wish; however, **delegates must be entering either the 11th or 12th grades in high school in the Fall of 2024.** They should also be outstanding students who have demonstrated good leadership and citizenship qualities.


   D. Provide the **$250.00 registration fee** for each county delegate. A payment link can be provided if you prefer to pay online. **Payment should be mailed to:**
   - Tennessee Tech University
   - College of Agriculture
   - Attn: Lisa Rice
   - PO Box 5165
   - Cookeville, TN 38505.

   E. **Parents are responsible for delivering and picking up your delegate at the designated location on Tennessee Tech University’s campus in Cookeville.** Drop off and pick up instructions will be mailed with the delegate’s information packet.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

1. **Cancellations** made before May 15 will receive a full refund; **otherwise, the registration fee is non-refundable.** Substitutions can be made. Please contact Kristy Chastine, TFBF Special Programs, at kchastine@tfbf.com or (931) 388-7872, ext. 2216 **as soon as possible** to notify of your cancellation.

2. We ask that each county make every effort to work closely with your delegate(s) to prevent **NO SHOWS** on the **day of arrival.** Please let us know if they are not able to attend. If for any reason you have a delegate who has to cancel on the weekend of arrival due to an emergency, **Saturday, June 22 or Sunday, June 23,** a cell phone number will be provided in final leadership summit information.

3. Tennessee Tech University has advised us that they do not carry Health or Accident Insurance to protect participants. **Family Health Insurance coverage could be important in the event of personal injury or sickness.** **The enclosed release forms are required.** Notarized release forms may be returned with payment or emailed to Kristy Chastine (kchastine@tfbf.com).

4. The University has also advised us that they **will not accept any applications that have not been signed** by the delegate, their parents, and the sponsoring County Farm Bureau.