

## **Global Youth Institute**

Earlier this year, Ag In the Classroom-Manitoba (AITC-M) and Manitoba 4-H Council (M4HC) looked for 2 exceptional high school students with an interest in Global Food Security and Agriculture to represent Manitoba at the Global Youth Institute (GYI). It is held in conjunction with the World Food Prize and the Borlaug Dialogue International Symposium October 19 - 21, 2017, in Des Moines, Iowa.

This year, representatives from M4HC and AITC-M interviewed three strong candidates and chose 4-H member Taylor Carlson of Elm Creek and Alexandra Skwarchuk from Winnipeg. Taylor and Alexandra will each be accompanied by a Teacher/Mentor who will also take away valuable information about food security and agriculture. Before the conference starts, they will need to complete a 5 page research paper on a global issue, and present a summary of it at GYI.

The girls will be among 200 high school students from around the world, interacting with Nobel and World Food Prize Laureates and discussing pressing food security and agricultural issues with international experts. They will also tour innovative industrial and research facilities and be involved in hands on projects.