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Dumpling Workshop

Dec. 17 | 5:30–7:00pm



<https://go.illinois.edu/dumplings2019>

Are you ready to make delicious dumplings just like grandma's? Grandma Martha Bauman will be helping you learn the basics to dumpling making.

Youth ages 5-18 (those 5-8 will require an adult to attend) can join us at the Franklin County office on Dec. 17 for this hands-on workshop.

Enjoy a taste testing and take home enough dumplings to cook for at least four! Free for 4-H members or \$4 other youth.

Learn more or register at: <https://extension.illinois.edu/events/2019-12-17-dumpling-workshop>

Take the next step in your leadership journey

February 22 & 23 | Effingham, IL

You'll laugh. You'll make new friends. You'll even learn cool ideas to take back to your own 4-H Club at this year's Illinois 4-H Junior Leadership Conference. The conference is open to 4-H members in 7th and 8th grade. Registration closes when we reach 100 participants, so don't wait to the Jan. 24 deadline. Do it now! **REGISTER:** go.illinois.edu/4Hjlc. This year's conference will be held at the Holiday Inn in Effingham!

In addition to cool things to do, you'll each participate in these fun workshops:

Flying into the Virtual World: Explore STEM with 4-H! Take a trip to Europe, South America, and Africa through the world of Virtual Reality. Put your problem solving skills to work and help solve international problems in the form of fun engineering challenges! Come work with 4-H to explore the world of technology that surrounds us and those in other countries.

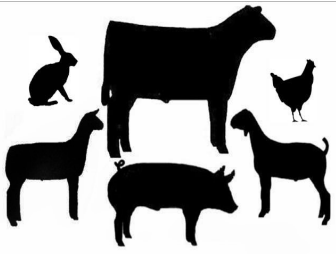
Tacky Tourist Trivia: Explore the world of trivia with your tacky tourist guides. Throughout the trivia tour, you will test your knowledge of the world, 4-H, pop culture, and more as you work with your team to win the Tacky Tourist Trivia Tournament.

Weathering the Storm of Agriculture: Are you experiencing the calm before the storm? Do you know how weather and agriculture affect one another? Come and see the impact of both agriculture and weather across the globe.

Follow Our Lead: Follow our lead as we take a trip to India to learn and practice dancing fusion style. On our journey, we will experience the culture and rich history this dance has to offer.

Pass the Plate: This workshop is your gateway to nutrition around the world. We will be exploring international diets, learning about the components of proper nutrition and completing a food science experiment.

Everyone will also help package meals as they learn more about food insecurity in Illinois.



Livestock Meeting

A meeting will be held on **January 20 starting at 6:00 pm**, Franklin County Extension office.

Not mandatory (but only because I don't like that word) but highly recommended for every 4-H member and or parent to attend. Those showing horses only should not attend.

4-H will be discussing class changes in all categories but horses.

The Support committee will have Auction rules and agreements available.

The Jr. Fair will have updated move in and move out times.

PLEASE PLAN ON ATTENDING

Livestock Deadlines

All livestock must be owned and on the stated address, being cared for by the 4-H member by the dates listed below for each species. Forms must be turned in to the Extension Office by the required date.

February 1, 2020—Beef & Dairy

April 15, 2020—Swine, Sheep & Goats

June 1, 2020—Rabbits & Poultry & Horses

For animals born after those dates, they are automatically included. Random farm visits will be conducted without notice.

New certification required for youth exhibiting livestock

I have scheduled two training dates and you can chose to attend on one of those dates. You do not attend both training, just one.

February 10 at 9:00am

or

February 22 at 1:00pm

YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS (YQCA)

The YQCA is a new livestock quality assurance program that is replacing PQA which no longer exists. It also replaces the Quality Assurance & Ethics (QAEC) program for youth in the following species; dairy cattle, beef cattle, swine, sheep, and goats. All 4-H exhibitors of these animals will be required to certify in the YQCA program yearly starting for the 2020 show season. Youth must either attend a face to face class or certify on-line via the website. The YQCA program is for youth ages 8-21. The online version is broken into age divisions as follows: juniors 8-11, intermediate 12-14, senior 15-18, and young adults 19-21. This certification is annual with test out options of 1-3 years. Youth exhibiting swine at the Illinois State Fair and 4-H fairs are no longer required to be PQA plus certified. The estimated cost for the face to face training will be \$3 and \$12 for the online version.

All youth showing any of these animals at the county show must complete this training by May 1, 2020. The YQCA must be done every year.

QUALITY ASSURANCE & ETHICS (QA&E):

The Quality Assurance and Ethics training is required for all youth that enroll in horses, rabbits, poultry, dogs, and cats. Members must take the training whether they own a live animal or not. It is advised that they complete this one time as soon as they are enrolled in the project area. Counties will monitor completion of this. Failure to complete QA&E will result in the member's animal science project enrollment being cancelled and they will be ineligible to exhibit at county fairs. The website is open year round @ <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/>

The QAEC is done only 1 time. This quiz will be in effect for your entire 4-H career.

Think summer and make plans for 4-H camp

Camping at 4-H Memorial Camp will open February 3. Spaces fill up immediately, so save the date on your calendar! There are 5 weeks of youth camp this year.

Week 1: June 2-6
Week 2: June 7-11
Week 3: June 14-18
Week 4: July 5-9

Change lives, be a 4-H camp counselor

It may be cooling off now, but summer will return, and we need you to help mentor the campers at 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello. Applications will be available in January on the state 4-H website. We're looking for certified lifeguards and young adults interested in fishing, shelter building, tree and wildlife identification, and other outdoor adventures. We also need counselors interested in STEM programming. For information, contact Andy Davis @ ardavis1@illinois.edu or call 217-762-2741.



Explore the nation's capital

For over 50 years, thousands of 4-H members have traveled to Washington, DC to participate in Citizenship Washington Focus, a life-changing week that empowers 4-H'ers to take their leadership skills to the next level for themselves and their communities. The trip is July 4 – 11, 2020. You must be at least 14 by May 1, 2020. During the week, you will explore the federal legislative process through workshops and hands-on sessions, tour historical sights and museums, give your voice on issues, visit federal legislative offices, and meet teens from other states. The 2020 cost is estimated to be \$1,305, with financial assistance being provided from the Illinois 4-H Foundation. **Registration deadline is Friday, January 3, 2020.** Register at <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/citizenship-washington-focus>



Be a true leader in service

Join 4-H members and clubs across Illinois and the nation on **Saturday, April 25** as part of **True Leaders in Service!** 4-H clubs serve their communities all year long however the month of April has been selected as a time for ALL 4-H clubs to join together to roll up their sleeves in service to local communities. This could mean helping a person or family in need doing yard work or minor home repairs, cleaning up streets or parks, planting trees or gardens, supporting your local food pantry or any other project that supports a local need.

Make your plans now on how you'll help others. Find resources @ go.illinois.edu/4Hdayofservice. Later in 2020, you can register your projects there! The goal of the 4-H True Leaders in Service day is to encourage 4-H members in every county to make a positive difference. Service projects can be done by individuals, by 4-H clubs, or as a countywide service project. No matter what the project is, this will be a day to make a difference.

Save the date for 2020 Illini Summer Academies

The college exploration event of the year is set for 2020. Illinois 4-H Illini Summer Academies will be held June 21 – 27 on the University of Illinois campus. Registration opens March 16 and runs through April 17 for participants. Youth requesting financial assistance should apply January 31 thru March 1. Look for new information soon.



**INSPIRED TO LEAD
CALLED TO SERVE**



Take a trip across the globe

Visit exciting new places as part of the 2020 States' 4-H International Exchange program. Check out this line-up:

Costa Rica: June 18 – July 17. Cost \$1,775 (plus airfare \$800 to \$1,300). Ages: 15 – 18.

Japan: July 8 – August 6. Cost \$2,725 (plus airfare \$1,700 to \$2,600). Ages: 12 – 18.

Japan: June 18 – August 6. Cost \$3,875 (plus airfare \$1,700 to \$2,600). Ages: 12 – 18.

Norway: June 24 – July 24. Cost \$2,200 (plus airfare \$1,300 to \$2,000). Ages 15 – 18.

South Korea: July 15 – August 13. Cost \$2,430 (plus airfare \$1,300 to \$2,300). Ages 12 – 18.

Taiwan: June 28 – July 28. Cost \$2,200 (plus airfare \$1,300 to \$2,300). Ages 12 – 18.

Romania: June 24 – July 24. Cost \$1,775 (plus airfare \$1,300 to \$2,000). Ages 15 – 18.

IAA Foundation Scholarship Program Announcement

The 2020 IAA Foundation Scholarship Application Period is **NOW OPEN!** The lineup includes 76 scholarships totaling \$118,000 in tuition support.

Apply Online

Application link and all supporting materials including eligibility can be found at www.iaafoundation.org. Please read all instructions carefully and refer to the FAQ document on the website to help answer any questions.

Watch the Deadline

Students can apply between now and February 1, 2020. All required information must be submitted by that date, no exceptions.

Supporting the Future of Agriculture

As the charitable arm of the Illinois Farm Bureau, our Mission is to fund education, research, and charitable activities that benefit Illinois farm families and agriculture. We proudly offer scholarship opportunities for students pursuing degrees related to agriculture, and those with family farming backgrounds.

Here's help to pay for college

FARM CREDIT ILLINOIS SCHOLARSHIPS

High school seniors planning careers in agriculture may apply for a \$2,000 scholarship. Farm Credit Illinois will provide 30 scholarships to youth who live or farm in one of the 60 counties in their service area. The first \$1,000 will be distributed for the Fall 2020 semester, and the second \$1,000 will be applied during the Fall 2021 semester. Apply online at farmcreditIL.com before March 1. Are going to University of Illinois College of Agricultural, Consumer, and Environmental Sciences? The college is MATCHING this scholarship, dollar for dollar! Double your money while getting a great ag education!

TEACH OUTDOOR SCHOLARSHIP

A \$500 Scholarship will be awarded to a student who will be a freshman or sophomore in college or trade school during the 2020-2021 school year. Applicants must be a current high school or home school student. Applications are due January 1 and can be downloaded @ <http://www.teachoutdoors.org/scholarship.html>.

JOYCE BETZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

A \$1,000 Scholarship will be awarded to a 4-H member who will be a freshman or sophomore in college or trade school during the 2020-2021 school year. Applicants must be a current high school or home school student. Applications are due January 1 and can be downloaded @ <http://www.teachoutdoors.org/scholarship.html>. Joyce was a 4-H club leader in Will County.

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Coming Events

2020 Dates

December 14	Support committee Smoked Pork Loin pickup
December 17	Dumpling workshop
December 24-	Office Closed for Holiday Break
January 2	Office Closed for Holiday Break
January 1	DEADLINE: Teach Outdoor Scholarship
January 1	DEADLINE: Joyce Betz Scholarship
January 3	DEADLINE: Citizenship Washington Focus registration
January 9	DEADLINE: Salute to Excellence
January 20	Livestock Meeting
February 1	Beef & Dairy Ownership Deadline
February 10	1st YQCA training and testing date
February 22	2nd YQCA training and testing date
February 22 – 23	Junior Leadership Conference, Effingham
March 1	DEADLINE: Farm Credit Scholarship
March 14	2020 Awards Banquet by invitation only
March	Regional Horse Bowl/Hippology contest
April 15	Swine, Sheep & Goat Ownership Deadline
April 25	National 4-H Day of Service
June 1	Horses, Rabbits & Poultry Ownership Deadline
July 9-16	Franklin County 4-H Fair

Happy
Holidays!