



Coles County

Newsletter

Keeping You Informed

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Find other Extension program areas at

<https://extension.illinois.edu/ccdms/staff>

- Family Life
- Horticulture, Natural Resources
- Illinois Nutrition Education Programs

2024 Coles County 4-H BBQ

Thank you to 4-H volunteers, members, parents, & the Coles County Extension Foundation members for making the 2024 Coles County 4-H BBQ a success! We made over 2938 meals.

This event was sponsored by the Coles County Extension Foundation.



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Calendar

April

- 6 - 4-H Pork Chop BBQ
- 11 - Fair Entry Open
- 11 - RSVP Food Forest Tour & Garden Day
- 13 - 4-H Food Forest Tour & Garden Day
- 21-27 - National Volunteer Appreciation Week
- 27 - Goat Check-in, 8 am- 9 am, FG
- 27 - IL State Public Speaking Contest
- 27 - National Day of Service

May

- 1 -Deadline Project Add/Drop (in ZSuite)
- 1 - Deadline Horse Ownership & Lease Papers Due (see Coles 4-H Website)
- 2 - Sheep weigh- in/ Registration
- 6 - RSVP Youth CPR Workshop
- 18 - Youth CPR Workshop, 10:30 am, *RR

June

- 1 - Deadline QAEC Training
- 1 - Deadline YQCA Training
- 1 - ISF Horse Entries Due
- 1 - Deadline Fair Entry Closes
- 24 - Deadline Fair Eligibility Information Due from Leaders

EO -Extension Office *RR= Registration Required
 FG - Fairgrounds



SPIN Club



Check the Shooting Sports Facebook Page for updates.



Shooting Sports: Air Rifle

Meeting at 9:00 a.m.

- Check Facebook Group for updates

Shooting Sports: Archery

Meeting at 1:30 p.m.

- April 28
- May 26

Weather Permitting

Watch the Shooting Sports Facebook Page for Updates.



All Things PAW-sitive

Meeting Thursdays at 6:00 p.m.

- April 18
- May 16
- June 13
- June 27

If you missed the registration, let us know you are coming by calling the Coles Extension Office.

Contact the Extension Office at 217-345-7034 to get involved in a SPIN Club!



ZSUITE

Project Add/Drop Deadline

April 1, 2024



Senior Spotlight

Calling all Seniors!! Please send the following information to Jessica at jnhays@illinois.edu by April 26.

- 1.) A photo of the Senior
- 2.) Name of Member
- 3.) 4-H Club Name
- 4.) Years in 4-H:
- 5.) Favorite Project:
- 6.) Favorite memory:
- 7.) Future Plans:

Congratulations!



YQCA

In-Person Training
Coming Soon

4-H Members
age 8-18

IMPORTANT

QAEC

Training required for youth ages 8-18 exhibiting in cats, dogs, horses, poultry, and rabbits.

Online Training

<https://yqcaprogram.org/>

In-person \$3

Online \$12

Required for Youth exhibiting in
beef, dairy, goats, sheep, & swine.

The QAEC training can now be accessed in the Clover Academy section of the ZSuite Enrollment System. ZSuite can be accessed at <https://4h.zsuite.org/>.

Find the QAEC directions at <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/media/3634/download?inline=true>.

Contact Jess at JNHays@illinois.edu or call the office at 217-345-7034 with any questions.

National Day Of Service

Club Community Service (L)

Saturday, April 27, 2024

4-H members and clubs continue to demonstrate they are True Leaders in Service, as they work to support both their personal and club goals of making a difference in their community while focusing on the 4th "H" and pledging their HANDS to larger service!

Register your clubs activity at:

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/participate/4-h-community-service>



2024 4-H Fair

Find the below items at <https://extension.illinois.edu/ccdms/4-h-coles-county>
Under the Coles County Fairs/Shows section.

- Fair Book
- Fair Schedule
- Fair Entry New Family Log-in Info Sheet
- Fair Entry Log-in Info Sheet for Returning Exhibitors

IMPORTANT
See 4-H Fair Eligibility on page 5

Horse Ownership & Lease Papers

Visit the Coles County 4-H Website at

<https://extension.illinois.edu/ccdms/4-h-coles-county>



IMPORTANT

See calendar for due dates!!

Reminder

4-H Fair Eligibility

- 1.) To be eligible to exhibit at county 4-H shows and to receive premiums, a 4-H'er must have been enrolled on ZSuite by March 1 of the current year.
- 2.) The member must meet attendance requirements to exhibit in any project area, receive 4-H premiums or other 4-H awards, and recognition. To meet attendance requirements, members must attend a majority (more than half) of their Coles County 4-H club's meetings.
- 3.) All projects, including livestock animals, must have been owned, personally cared for, and completed by the 4-H member within the current 4-H year.
- 4.) The member must have completed a talk or demonstration within their club, school, or other organization.
- 5.) Participate in at least one county activity.

Workshops & Events

Rabbit Showmanship Workshop

Sunday, April 28, 2024
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
4-H Center

For Youth
age 8-18

Free

For
4-H Members
&
Non Members

Registration Closes 4/26/24

Find details & register at

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

County (C)

Health: Youth CPR

For Youth
age 8-18

Saturday, May 18, 2024
10:30 a.m. - Noon
4-H Center

Free

For
4-H Members
&
Non Members

Find details & register at

https://go.illinois.edu/Coles_HealthYouthCPR

Registration Closes 5/6/24

County (C)

University of Illinois * US Department of Agriculture * Local Extension Councils
Cooperating College of Agricultural, Consumers, and Environmental Sciences
University of Illinois Extension provides equal opportunities in programs and
employment. If you need reasonable accommodation to participate in this program,
please contact your local Extension Office. Early requests are strongly encouraged to
allow sufficient time for meeting your access needs.

Record Corner

April 2024 Events

- 4-H BBQ
 - County (C) 4/6/24
 - Note: This will go under the Community Service section.
- Rabbit Showmanship Workshop
 - County (C) 4/28/24



Don't forget to update your records!

Illinois 4-H Camp

Website:

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/event/4-h-memorial-camp>

Fees:

- \$340 4-H Member
- \$375 Non 4-H Member

Employment Opportunities

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/4-h-memorial-camp/employment-opportunities>

Registration begins:

- 4-H Members - Monday, January 22, 2024.
- Non-Members- Monday, February 5, 2024.

Dates:

- June 2-6
- June 9 – 13
- June 16-20
- June 30 – July 4

Check this out

Go to <https://extension.illinois.edu/ccdms/4-h-coles-county> for scholarship applications.



What has your 4-H Program Coordinator been up to?

Key highlights

Program Coordination & Development

- 4-H BBQ
- 4-H Fair Livestock/ Fair Book
- CPR Workshop Planning
- Planning of Tri-County College & Career Day
- Planning of Photo Contest
- School Programming: Welcome to the Real World & Educate Corse.
- Swine Workshop Planning Meeting
- Lead YQCA Training

Volunteer Recruitment/Training/ Development

- 4-H Volunteer Interview
- Workshop planning
- Foundation Board Meeting (BBQ)
- Fair Entry Training
- Title IX Training
- Club Leader Check-in

Marketing & Networking

- Reminders & Updates for YQCA & QAEC Training
- Manage County Facebook Page & Check in on club page/ groups.
- Southern Region 4-H Showcase
- Workshops

Professional Development

- Monthly Staff Meeting
- Weekly Unit 4-H Program Coordinator Meeting
- DISC Discussion with Staff

Local Extension Newsletter

Serving Coles, Cumberland, Douglas, Moultrie and Shelby Counties

https://go.illinois.edu/LocalExtensionNewsletter_April

Illinois 4-H Newsletter

Check out Illinois 4-H State Events at

https://go.illinois.edu/ILState4HNewsletter_April

Find Information About:

- All Things Camp
- College Road Trip
- Graphic Design Virtual SPIN Club
- Speaking for Illinois 4-H Training
- Save the date for Illini Summer Academies!
- Eclipse 4-H Camping Opportunity!
- & More

Check it Out

Find State Events (S)

