

Super Saturday 2026



Saturday, March 7, 2026

9:00 am - 2:30 pm (check-in begins at 8:30 am)

DeKalb County Farm Bureau located at:

1350 West Prairie Drive, Sycamore

Participants must be ages 8-18 years old as of September 1, 2025

Register online at: <https://go.illinois.edu/SuperSaturdayReg>

The registration site will open on: February 10 (class sizes are limited so register early!)

Registration Deadline: February 23

Payment will be due the day of the event. You will receive an email confirmation with your class schedule and payment due prior to Super Saturday.

**Pizza lunch at noon will be provided by the DeKalb Choreboys & Choregirls 4-H Club

Class Descriptions (in alphabetical order)

Bass Lures (limit 20, No Fee)

In this class we will learn about America's most popular sportfish, the largemouth bass, while building homemade lures including poppers, spinners, and plastics. Presenter is Frank Sladek, Natural Resources Education Program Coordinator.

Bead Bedazzling (limit 5, Fee \$5, Age 10+)

In this class, kids will learn basic sewing skills while working with sparkly, eye-catching beads. Design your own beaded artwork and turn it into a fun key chain or a dazzling design to wear on a shirt. Presenter is Jelina Martinez from Green Meadows.

Chocolate Around the World (limit 12, Fee \$5)

Make your day sweeter, as we explore different cultures through chocolate treats. You'll make delicious treats to take home, learn more about other countries, and have lots of fun! This class will take two session slots. Presenters are Abigail Nelson, 4-H Youth Development Educator, and Katie Williams, 4-H Program Coordinator.

Clay Gnomes (limit 12, Fee \$10)

In this hands-on class, students will design and sculpt their own polymer clay gnome using colorful Sculpey clay. We'll start with a simple gnome base and learn how to create details like noses, beards, hats, and accessories. Students can also create a little place for their gnomes to stand. Baking instructions will be sent home if needed. No prior experience needed to have a good time! Presenter is Lauren Peterson from Shabbona Pioneers.

Creative Color Science (limit 10 , Fee \$1)

Get ready to experiment with colors! Make unique coffee filter flowers. Create fizzy, colorful reactions with baking soda and vinegar. Watch colors swirl in magic milk. Explore how colors move, mix, and react in fun, hands-on science activities! Presenters are Lisa Anderson, Emily Groezinger, & Jessica Pinion.



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Design a Grow System (limit 8, Fee \$3)

Youth will design and build a self-watering planter while learning how plants absorb water and why wicking systems work. Using recycled materials, participants will plant seeds, customize their planter, and explore simple engineering concepts. Each youth will create a basic plant care plan to take home and use. This hands-on 4-H workshop connects plant science, sustainability, and creativity in a fun, interactive way. Presenter is Tally Lalor, 4-H Program Coordinator.

Duct Tape Creations (limit 10, Fee \$1)

It's time to make something amazing with duct tape! Create a wallet, coin purse, bookmarks, flowers, and more! Learn easy tricks to turn colorful tape into impressive creations. Presenters are Lisa Anderson, Groezinger & Jessica Pinion.

Friendship Bracelets (limit 8, Fee \$1)

Come and spend some time making fun friendship bracelets that you can keep or give to a friend. The bracelets will inspire & encourage people to be kind to themselves & to pay that kindness forward. Presenter is Katie Espy.

Goat Explorer Challenge (limit 6, Fee \$5)

Join the Goat Explorer Challenge for a fun, hands-on adventure into the world of goats! In this engaging session, participants will rotate through interactive stations to learn key goat facts like breeds and their uses, body parts, proper nutrition, and basic care. Get ready for an experience that builds real 4-H knowledge while sparking curiosity and teamwork. Come ready to explore, play, and become a goat expert! Presenter is Chelsea Huss from Somonauk Haymakers.

Goofy Colorful Glass Plant Stakes (limit 6, Fee \$15)

Explore your creativity and create a plant stake that shows off your personal taste! Learn to work with colorful glass by nipping and layering. Fused glass is the process of "melting" glass pieces in a kiln to create one stunning piece of glass art. You will create two silly plant stakes. Once you're finished, your items will be taken off-site to be fired in a kiln and can be picked up at a later date. (Disclaimer: The glass and wire we will be using is sharp. If you have safety glasses, please bring them.) Presenter is Kris Stark.

Lego Gear Bots: (limit 20, No Fee)

Build STEM driven models, such as DJ Bubbles (an octopus spinning records), a pterodactyl, a yeti, and much more! Kinetic sculptures, or automata, are mechanical engineering bots that move when you crank the handle on the side. They move through a series of axles, cams, and cranks that work like the pistons in an engine. Participants will have an opportunity to create and build a gear bot during this lesson! Presenter is 4-H Program Coordinator Jodi Baumgartner.

Make Your Own Notebook (limit 6, No Fee, Age 10+)

During this workshop, you will be able to select the cover for your handmade notebook, cut out your pages, bind them together, and finally, decorate the cover! Decorating will include using stamps & inks, markers/colored pencils, paper stamps, and an embossing stylus with stencils. Presenter is Ellen Marie Austin from Hinckley Harvesters.

Mini Macrame Hanging Plant (limit 6, fee \$5)

Create a Macrame plant hanger and plant a Pothos in a small pot. Presenter is Aubrey Szymankski DeKalb Choreboys & Choregirls., assisted by Lena Akers from Green Meadows.

Needle Felting (limit 10, Fee \$7)

Get ready to poke, create, and have fun! In this 4-H needle felting class, kids will use soft, colorful wool and special felting needles to make a 2D felted picture. Along the way, they'll learn the basics of needle felting, safe tool use, and how to turn their ideas into a cool handmade project. No experience needed—just bring your creativity! Everyone will go home with their own felted artwork to show off. Presenter is Karie Gutknecht-Sabin from Genoa Little Gems.

Piping Perfection (limit 12, Fee \$3)

In this workshop come learn how to pipe a variety of designs used for cake decorating such as borders, flowers, and other motifs. Participants will also learn how to color the buttercream, fill their piping bag, and pipe correctly. Get ready for this amazing class of cake decorating. Presenter is Danielle Walter from Green Meadows.

Safety Pin Key Chains(limit 5, Fee \$3)

In this class participants will be able to make cute key chains, with different colors and shapes, from flowers to pearls and stars to bows. This unique sparkly design can also be put in shoes, bags, shirts, or as necklaces! Presenter is Anthonella Martinez from Green Meadows.

Scratch Foam Printing (limit 8, No Fee)

During this workshop you will create a beautiful picture using watercolor paper, foam paper, a pen, and markers. This is done by making an outline indentation in the foam, coloring in your pen outline with markers, and then flipping the foam onto the wet watercolor paper to produce a mirror image of what you have colored. Presenter is Ellen Marie Austin from Hinckley Harvesters.

