4-H Checklist
2023-2024

Enrollment

- ○ Complete online **enrollment** for 2023-2024 at 4h.zsuite.org

- ○ Pay the annual **Program Fee** ($20/member; financial assistance is available)

- ○ Read the weekly **Eblast emails** for important information. Sign up at go.illinois.edu/WeeklyeBlast

- ○ Members in grades 8-12 are encouraged to join Federation. Contact Brittany Smith

Project Work

Cloverbud 4-H members do their project work as a group. Older members do their project work independently.

- ○ **Choose at least 1 project** April 1 - deadline to add/change projects ✳

- ○ Order **project books by April 15th** through the Extension Office. After April 15, it is the member's responsibility.

- ○ Watch the eblast for updates and information on live animal shows

- ○ If exhibiting a live animal project, complete **ethics training.** Due July 1.
  - YQCA required <u>annually</u> if exhibiting Beef, Dairy, Goats, Sheep, or Swine - yqcaprogram.org
  - QAEC required <u>once</u> if exhibiting Cats, Dogs, Horses, Poultry, or Rabbits -

  web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec

- ○ For large animals Health Papers are required. Its your responsibility to make sure you have them at check-in. No ✳ papers - You will not show.

Participation

- ○ Attend at least 3 club meetings ✳

- ○ Complete 2-3 hours of community service.

- ○ "Like" Edgar County 4-H (and your club) on **Facebook** to see announcements and reminders

- ○ Keep track of what you do during the year for 4-H **Records**

- ○ Give a talk/demonstration at a meeting

- ○ Participate in the 4-H BBQ on June 22 ✳

- ○ Participate in the Edgar County 4-H Show (July 13& July 19-24, 2024) ✳

Exhibiting

- ○ **July 13 & 19-24, 2024- Edgar County show date.** Specific dates/times will be in the show book and mailed to families

- ○ Read the **Exhibit Requirements** for projects in the **<u>Show Book</u>** ✳

- ○ **<u>Register</u>** projects you plan to exhibit in Fairentry.com. *(Being enrolled in a project does not automatically register you to exhibit. Registration is required.)*

- ○ **Prepare exhibits** *(Parents can guide and assist with project work, but members are expected to complete their exhibits themselves.)*

- ○ Check <u>Requirements</u> if you plan to go to State Fair

*Items marked with an asterisk are required expectations of ALL Edgar County 4-H members. Other bullet points/items are support that help you engage in a successful 4-H year.

4-H Calendar 2023-2024

County Opportunity | Unit/Regional Opportunity | State Opportunity | National Opportunity

October 2023
4-7- National 4-H Spirit Week
5- Family Fall Festival/Awards

November 2023
1- Illinois 4-H Scholarships Due
4-5- JR. Leadership Conference
Happy Thanksgiving- OFFICE CLOSED 23 & 24

December 2023
Happy Holidays- Office CLOSED Dec 22-Jan 2

January 2024
20- Officer Training
22-4-H camp registration opens
24- Livestock Superintendent Meeting

February 2024
1-Enrollment Deadline
Beef weigh in/ID-TBA
19- Speaking for Illinois 4-H Training

March 2024
2- Clark County Public Speaking Contest
13-Food Challenge @ fairgrounds (6pm)
18-Unit food challenge @ Clark Club
13-17- Ignite Youth Summit
30- YQCA training

April 2024
1- Deadline Add/Drop Projects
16- YQCA Training
19- Federation College Visit
Date/Location TBD-State Robotics Competition
19-24- National 4-H Conference, Washington, DC
27- National Day of Service- County Wide
27- State Public Speaking Contest

May 2024
1-Horse Ownership/Lease Papers Due
1-Livestock Ownership Deadline
15-Goat/Sheep/Swine ID Paper Due
15- Fairentry.com opens

June 2024
7- Federation Field Trip
15- YQCA Deadline
15- QAEC Deadline
15-DEADLINE for Fairentry.com
20- BBQ Bash
22- 4-H BBQ
TBD Illini Summer Academies

July 2024
18- 4-H Show Set-up
13- Edgar County rocket launch
19-24 Edgar 4-H Show

August 2024
10- Edgar County Day at State Fair
8-18-Illinois State Fair
31- Records/Award Applications Due

September 2024
Secretary/Treasurer Reports Due
(after August statement)

October 2024
Acheivment Night date TBA

State Leadership Opportunites:

Youth Leadership Team
Shooting Sports Ambassador
Livestock Ambassadors Team
Change Makers
Healthy Living Ambassadors
Illinois 4-H Influencers
4-H Camp Counselor

Where do I find...

Enrollment (ZSuite)
- 4h.zsuite.org
Animal Ethics Training
YQCA- (Beef, Dairy, Goats, Sheep, Swine)
- yqcaprogram.org
QAEC -1 Yr ONLY (Cats, Dogs, Horses, Poultry, Rabbits)
- web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec
Show Registration
-FairEntry.com
Announcements & Reminders
All important information is sent via email and
posted on our website and on Facebook.
Awards & Records
- go.illinois.edu/Edgar4Hawards
Project Books
- go.illinois.edu/ILShop4H
Edgar County 4-H Website
-go.illinois.edu/edgar4H

Do you have questions?
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