

4-H Checklist 2023-2024

Enrollment

- Complete online **enrollment** for 2023-2024 at 4h.zsuite.org *
DEADLINE: January 1, 2024, for Incentive April 1, 2024 to participate in fair
- Pay the annual **Program Fee** (\$20/member; financial assistance is available) *
- Read the weekly **Eblast emails** for important information.
- Members in grades 8-12 are encouraged to join Federation. Contact Jennifer Bishop

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 June 15.
 - YQCA required annually if exhibiting Beef, Dairy, Goats, Sheep, or Swine - yqcaprogram.org
 - QAEC required once if exhibiting Cats, Dogs, Horses, Poultry, or Rabbits - web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec
- For large animals Health Papers are required. It is your responsibility to make sure you have them at check-in. No papers - You will not show.

Participation

- Attend a minimum of 3 club meetings*
5 for an award
1 for college students
- Complete 2-3 hours of community service. *
- "Like" Clark 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 & Awards**
- Give a talk/demonstration at a meeting *
- Participate in the Clark County 4-H Show (July 18-25, 2024) *
- Read 4-H Handbook-found in Zsuite Dashboard

Exhibiting

- July 18-25, 2024- Clark County show date.** Specific dates/times will be in the show book and mailed to families
- Read the **Exhibit Requirements** for projects in the **Show Book** (comes out in March) *
- Register** 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 State Fair Requirements if you plan to go to State Fair

***Items marked with an asterisk are required expectations of ALL Clark 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

6- Achievement Night

1-7- National 4-H Spirit Week Week

November 2023

1- Illinois 4-H Scholarships Due

4-5- JR. Leadership Conference

Happy Thanksgiving- OFFICE CLOSED 23 & 24

December 2023

1- Casey Christmas Parade

2- Marshall Christmas Parade

9- Martinsville Christmas Parade

19- Santa Workshop

Happy Holidays- Office CLOSED Dec 22-Jan 2

January 2024

1-4-H Enrollment Deadline (to receive incentive)

20- Officer Training (held in Edgar County)

22-4-H camp registration opens

31- Livestock Superintendent Meeting

27- 4-H Carnival in Casey

February 2024

3- Beef weigh in/ID

10- Volunteer Training

Date TBA- JR. Livestock Conference

19- Speaking for Illinois 4-H Training

March 2024

2- Clark County Public Speaking Contest

12- Clark County Cooking Challenge

18- Unit Wide Cooking Challenge

13-17- Ignite Youth Summit

25- Dog Obedience Meeting

April 2024

1- Deadline Add/Drop Projects

1- Enrollment Deadline to participate in fair

19- College Visit (Eastern Illinois University)

25- YQCA Training

19-24- National 4-H Conference, Washington, DC

27- National Day of Service

27- State Public Speaking Contest

May 2024

1- Horse Ownership/Lease Due

1- Livestock Ownership Deadline

4- State Robotics Competition

15- Goat/Sheep/Swine/Rabbit ID Due

15- FairEntry.com opens

22- Mock Fair

June 2024

7- Federation Field Trip- Fair Oaks

8- Showmanship Workshop

15- YQCA Deadline

15- QAEC Deadline

15- DEADLINE for FairEntry.com

TBD Illini Summer Academies

TBD Fun w/ 4-H @ Martinsville Ag Fair

July 2024

9- Cicut Workshop

18- 4-H Show Set-up

18-25- Clark County 4-H Show

26-4-H Show Cleanup (6 PM)

TBD- Digital Agriculture Training

August 2024

8-18- Illinois State Fair

TBA Fun w/ 4-H @ Clark County Fair

10- Clark County Day at State Fair

31- Records/Award Applications Due

TBD- Casey Popcorn Festival Parade

September 2024

Secretary/Treasurer Reports Due

(after August statement)

21- Autumn Fest Parade & Project

Showcase

October 2024

Achievement Night date TBA

State Leadership Opportunities:

Youth Leadership Team

Shooting Sports Ambassador

Livestock Ambassadors Team

Change Makers

Healthy Living Ambassadors

Illinois 4-H Influencers

4-H Camp Counselor

Dates can change, view events on Zsutes for current information

Do you have questions?

We are happy to help!

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Where do I find...

Enrollment (Zsuite)

- 4h.zsuite.org

Animal Ethics Training

YQCA- (Beef, Dairy, Goats, Sheep, Swine)

- yqcaprogram.org

QAEC -1st 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, Zsuite

Dashboard, and Facebook.

Awards & Records

- go.illinois.edu/Clark4Hawards

Project Books

- go.illinois.edu/ILShop4H

Clark County 4-H Website

- go.illinois.edu/clark4H