

2024-2025 Winnebago County 4-H Calendar of Events

10-28-2024

Month/Day	Time	Event Details
OCTOBER 2024		
31		Winnebago County YLT Applications Due
NOVEMBER 2024		
1		Illinois 4-H Scholarship Application Deadline
1		Sustaining the Future Award Application Deadline
2-3		Junior Leadership Conference, Springfield
7, 14, 21	6:30 pm	4-H Horse Bowl Practices, Pecatonica Library
11	4-5:30 pm	Wee Nats, Fallen Log, Pecatonica Library
18-20		2024 Extension Annual Conference
23	10-2:30 pm	Youth Leadership Conference: Youth in Action, Freeport
24	3:00 pm	Winnebago County 4-H Recognition Event, The Twisted Tulip
28-1		EXTENSION OFFICE CLOSED
30		Deadline to re-enroll in Z Suites (for previous 4-H members)
DECEMBER 2024		
4		Unit 1 Staff Meeting (OFFICE CLOSED)
5, 12, 19	6:30 pm	4-H Horse Bowl Practices, Pecatonica Library
9	4-5:30 pm	Wee Nats, Turtles, Pecatonica Library
10		4-H Regional Training
24- Jan 1		EXTENSION OFFICE CLOSED
JANUARY 2025		
2		Extension Office Open
2, 9, 16, 23, 30	6:30 pm	4-H Horse Bowl Practices, Pecatonica Library
13	4-5:30 pm	Wee Nats, Sensational Snow, Pecatonica Library
20		EXTENSION OFFICE CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY
21		4-H EPC Share Day
29	5:30 pm	4-H Leaders Meeting
FEBRUARY 2025		
1		Deadline to enroll in Z Suites (for new 4-H members); Project Add/drop Deadline
1		Deadline for 2025 Program Book Cover Contest Artwork
1	9:00 am	4-H Beef Weigh-In at Peterson-Daly Farms *PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED
6, 13, 20, 27	6:30 pm	4-H Horse Bowl Practices, Pecatonica Library
8		Beef Weigh-In Bad Weather Date
10	4-5:30 pm	Wee Nats, Groundhogs, Pecatonica Library
18		4-H Regional Training
23		Fair Entry opens for Public Speaking participants ONLY
MARCH 2025		
6, 13, 20, 27	6:30 pm	4-H Horse Bowl Practices, Pecatonica Library
8	7:00 pm	4-H Night at the IceHogs *TENTATIVE
10	4-5:30 pm	Wee Nats, Trees, Pecatonica Library
12	6:00 pm	Winnebago County 4-H Public Speaking Contest

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APRIL 2025

6		Dog Spin Club Meeting
12		State Hippology Competition
14	4-5:30 pm	Wee Nats, Birds, Pecatonica Library
15		Deadline for premiere barrows to be weighed and tattooed
26		State 4-H Public Speaking Contest
27		Dog Spin Club classes start

MAY 2025

1		Fair Entry opens for ALL SHOWS
1		4-H Horse ownership/ lease forms due to the office (with two photos each)
12	4-5:30 pm	Wee Nats, Wetlands, Pecatonica Library
15		Sheep market wethers & market ewe lambs ownership date
26		EXTENSION OFFICE CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY

JUNE 2025

1		YQCA/ QAEC Deadline- certificate to Extension Office
		Regular barrows must be on the property of the exhibitor
		Premiere barrows (carcass class) must be on the property of the exhibitor
9		Deadline to register in Fair Entry for 4-H summer shows
19		EXTENSION OFFICE CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY

JULY 2025

4		EXTENSION OFFICE CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY
12	9:00 am	4-H Clothing & anything sewn, non- sewn textile show, Extension Office
15		4-H Club Banners due to the Extension office
18	9:00 am	4-H Dog Show- Forest City Dog Training Club
19	8:30 am	4-H Rabbit & Small Pets Show
21	10:00 am	4-H Cake/Cookie Decorating Contest- Food Demonstration to follow
22	1:30 pm	YLT Meet- prep judge's boxes- fairgrounds
23	5:30 pm	Set up the 4-H Building
25	9:00 am	4-H General Projects Judging Day – Fairgrounds – Buildings 3 & 4
26	8:30 am	4-H Cat Show 4-H Cat Show, Fairgrounds- St. Mary's Building (Building 10)
30	3-6 pm	4-H State Fair Project Pick Up, Winnebago County Fairgrounds, Building 4

AUGUST 2025

2		Winnebago County 4-H Horse Show, Fairgrounds
9		Illinois 4-H State Fair- Winnebago County Day- IL State Fairgrounds, Springfield
12	10-6pm	Set the 4-H Building, Return State Fair Projects to display- Building 4
13	Noon	Deadline for hay bales to be decorated by clubs (clubs can decorate between 8/10-8/13)
13		4-H Day at the Winnebago County Fairgrounds
13	8:30 am	4-H Rooster Crowing Contest
13	8:30 am	4-H Beef Show- Livestock Arena
13	10:00 am	4-H Poultry Show- Barn #3
13	11:00 am	4-H Dairy Show- Livestock Arena
13	1:00 pm	4-H Sheep Show- Sheep Arena
13	2:00 pm	4-H Goat Show- Goat Tent
13	5:00 pm	4-H Swine Show- Swine Barn
15	6:00 pm	4-H Live Performing Arts Contest, Moss Hall

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16		Fur & Feather Auction/ 4-H Livestock Auction, Livestock Arena
16	5:00 pm	4-H Family Fun Night, Livestock Arena & Ice Cream party following in building 4
17	3:00 pm	General Projects released from the 4-H Building- NO EARLIER
17	4:00 pm	4-H Building Clean-up begins
17	5:00 pm	4-H Animals released from the fairgrounds
13-17		Winnebago County Fair, Pecatonica
7-17		Illinois State Fair
XX		Illinois State 4-H Dog Show, Dixon *Must qualify at county level