

Coles County Newsletter

May

Keeping You Informed

Illinois
Extension

University of Illinois Coles County Extension

809 Broadway Ave. Mattoon, IL 61938 | Phone: 217-345-7034 | extension.illinois.edu/ccdms

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8 am ~ 4:30 pm Closed Noon-1 pm

Jessie McClusky
County Director
mcclusk2@illinois.edu

Kim Morrison
Extension Educator
4-H Youth Development
kamorris@illinois.edu

Jessica Hays
4-H Program
Coordinator
jnhays@illinois.edu

Deadlines/Dates:

- May 15 – Deadline to add and Drop projects for fair
- May 10 – In-Person YQCA Training **CANCELLED**
- May 13 – Horse Ownership & Lease Papers Due to Extension office
- May 15 – Spring Photography Contest Photos Due
- June 30 – Aerospace Show

Coles County 4-H T-Shirts: (Large photo below)

Youth Small – Adult Large are \$11.75 each.
Adult 2XL \$13.75 each, and A3XL \$14.75 each.
Order your shirts today at
https://go.illinois.edu/Coles_4-H_T-Shirts

Pay by cash or check at the Coles County Extension Office.
Checks are to be made payable to University of Illinois
Extension. Include 4-H members' names and "4-H shirts"
in the memo line.

Checks can be dropped off or mailed to Coles County
Extension at 809 Broadway, Mattoon, IL 61938



Graphic Description:

Tree with Roots

Order registration will close on **May 27, 2022**.

"Coles County 4-H Our Roots Run Deep."

Coles County

YQCA

All 4-H exhibitors exhibiting in *beef, sheep, goats, swine, and dairy beef* **must** complete the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals training (YQCA) yearly. Go to <https://yqcaprogram.org/> to register. Instructions for registering is attached.

Deadline to complete YQCA is June 1.

YQCA Training Options:

Coles: Online only- \$12

Note: May 10 meeting has been canceled.

Shelby-in-person -\$3

Thursday, May 12 at 6:30 p.m.

If you would like to attend one of the in-person YQCA trainings. Please let me know by emailing me at JNHays@illinois.edu .

NOTE:

- Once you have completed your training email a copy of your certificate to Jessica at JNHays@illinois.edu. In the Subject line put “Members Name – YQCA Certificate”.
- You must have a certificate on file to show at the 2022 4-H Fair.

QAEC

All 4-H exhibitors exhibiting in *horse, dogs, cats, rabbits, and poultry* **must** complete the on-line Quality Assurance and Ethics Certification (QAEC) at <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/>

This is completed once in a 4-H career. **Deadline to complete QAEC is June 1.**

NOTE:

- On slide7 there is a registration. Please register to insure you receive your certificate. Once you have completed your training, email a copy of your certificate to Jessica at JNHays@illinois.edu. In the Subject line put “Members Name – QAEC Certificate”.
- If you have already completed this certification, please send your certificate to Jessica at JNHays@illinois.edu . In the Subject line put “Members Name – QAEC Certificate”.
- You must have a certificate on file to show at the 2022 4-H Fair

2022 4-H Fair Book:

You can find a copy of this years 4-H Fair book at <https://extension.illinois.edu/ccdms/4-h-coles-county> under fairs and shows.

Horse Papers

All 4-H Members participating in the 2022 County or State 4-H Horse show will need to turn in horse lease or ownership papers and photos by May 13. *Photo instructions:* must have both sides of the horse, including the head. If you have any questions or need a copy of the forms, please email Jess.

All lease or ownership papers and photos are due by **May 13th** and must be emailed to JNHays@illinois.edu or a copy can be dropped off at the Extension Office.

Stat Fair Livestock Papers

4-H'ers planning to attend the 2022 Illinois State Fair livestock shows will need to complete the Illinois State Fair Livestock Forms. Find forms at: <https://www2.illinois.gov/statefair/competitions/premium-books/Pages/default.aspx> .

Forms must be completed and sent in by you. Just a reminder, this form must also be signed by an Extension Representative.

Note the **postmarked date, mailing address and fees on each form**. If you have any questions or need any help reach out by email or call the Extension office at 217-345-7034.

2022 Seniors

Coles County 4-H Extension wants to recognize and celebrate you on our Coles County 4-H Facebook Page!!!! If you would like to participate, please see email sent to you previously with “4-H Seniors” as the subject line.

4-H Online/4-H Project:

Deadline to add/drop project is **May 15**. If you need help, please contact Jess at the Coles County Extension Office at 217-345-7034 or email JNHays@illinois.edu .

The following club has outstanding members who need to turn in a Risk Management form. Forms are also Due May 15. Contact the Extension office if you have any questions.

- Above & Beyond 4-H Club

Project Books:

If you are still in need of project books. Fill out the “2021-2022 project selection” PDF attached and send it to Jessica at JNHays@illinois.edu.

Find an electronic version of the Project Guide here:
<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/project-resources>

Spring Photography Contest: (Flyer Below)

Open to 4-H Members ages 8 to 18 in Coles, Cumberland, Douglas, Moultrie, and Shelby Counties!! Entries due May 15th.

Contest Rules and Information:

- Photos must be taken by 4-H member
- 4-H'ers may submit one entry.
- Cash prizes for each age group.
- The entries will be reviewed & critiqued by a photography judge.
- Email entries to Yolanda at nation2@Illinois.edu
- Entries must be in PNG or JPEG format
- Non-4-H members in the photo must have a photo release submitted with the entry

Record Code: Multi-County (M)

4-H Photography Workshop:

We had such a great time with photographer and photo enthusiast Jerry Brown at the Coles and Cumberland 4-H photography workshop on April 30.



Record Code: Multi-County (M)

New 4-H SPIN Club!! (Flyer Below)

Coles County 4-H and Douglas-Hart Nature Center have partnered to bring you a new 4-H Special Interest club!!

This free 4-H SPIN Club is open to children 8 to 18 years old who would like a hands-on experience with gardening. Participants will meet once a week to learn something new about community gardens and spend time in the gardens at Douglas-Hart Nature Center.

If you would like to register for this program, please contact the Coles County Extension Office at 217-345-7034 or email Jessica Hays, Coles 4-H Program Coordinator at JNHays@illinois.edu.

There are four meetings left: May 16 & 23, June 6 and 13. Meetings are 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Come join the fun!

Volunteer Opportunities:

Tree Watering:

Calling all 4-H Clubs! We need your help!

This past April we had a few 4-H families help plant 25 trees out at Charleston Lake for the 4-H Tree Program. We are needing volunteers to help water the trees! We are partnering with Coles County Soil and Water, and with the City of Charleston to water the trees once a week during the summer months. If your club is interested in volunteering, please register at <https://go.illinois.edu/VolunteerTreeWatering>.

Petting Zoo:

Coles County 4-H and Heritage Woods of Charleston are working together to bring a community 4-H Petting Zoo to Coles County! This event has been moved to sometime in the fall. If you are interested in participating in this event let us know! A few ways to participate is by providing animals, set up or clean up, and much more. If you are interested in helping with this 4-H community event, please contact the Coles County Extension office at 217-345-7034 or email Jess at JNHays@illinois.edu to be added to the participants list.

“To Make the Best Better”

Shooting Sports/Environment

4-H Shooting Sports Leaders Wanted!

Spend a fun day learning range management and leave ready to safely lead 4-H Shooting Sports activities in your county!

Contact your local U of I Extension office 4-H professional and they will process your registration. Certifications in Archery, Shotgun, Rifle, Pistol, Coordinator, and Hunting/Outdoor Skills (May 7 only) offered. One discipline per day/per person. All programs run 9am-6pm and are active range time instruction.



Sat., July 16, 2022, Bi-State Sportsman's Club, Colona, IL (N.W. Illinois)

Questions? Contact Jess Hays at JNHays@illinois.edu

National 4-H Council

Shop 4-H

Did you know you can shop Illinois 4-H branded apparel? Head to our [Illinois pop-up shop](#) and scroll to the bottom of the page!



4-H at Home

How do you teach kids what data is? Show them. In the latest 4-H at Home activity, kids can learn exactly what the internet is with the help of augmented reality to visualize all those bits and bytes. [Get started here.](#)



State:

Facebook: www.facebook.com/illinois4h

Instagram: @illinois4h

Twitter: @illinois4h

County:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ColesCounty4H>
(@ColesCounty4H)

State Events Calendar

June

- June Channel Catfish 4-H State Tournament
- June 5-9 Memorial Camp
- June 12-16 Memorial Camp
- June 20 State 4-H Livestock Judging Contest: U of I Stock Pavilion

July

- July 5-9 Memorial Camp
- July 16 Shooting Sports Adult Certification Bi-State Sportsman's Club, Colona,
- July 17-21 Memorial Camp
- July 24 – 30 Illinois State Fair Junior Horse Show

August

- August 10 SYPA General Livestock
- August 12-14 State Fair Junior Livestock Shows
- August 13 – 15 Illinois State Fair
- August 20 State Superior Young Producer Contest Dairy
- August 20 State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest
- August 27 State 4-H Dog Show: Granny Rose K-9 Enrichment Center



SPRING HAS SPRUNG
PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

OPEN TO 4-H MEMBERS IN
COLES, CUMBERLAND, DOUGLAS,
MOULTRIE AND SHELBY
COUNTIES

Deadline:
May 15

- Photos must be taken by 4-H member
- 4-H'ers may submit one entry.
- Cash prizes for each age group.
- The entries will be reviewed & critiqued by a photography judge.
- Email entries to Yolanda at nation2@Illinois.edu
- Entries must be in PNG or JPEG format
- Non-4-H members in the photo must have a photo release submitted with the entry

Illinois Extension

3 Age Divisions
(age as of 9/1/2021):
Cloverbuds, 8-13, 14-18

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 the Extension Office.
Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time for meeting your access needs.







DOUGLAS-HART COMMUNITY GARDEN

4-H SPIN CLUB



Meeting Dates:

May 9, 16, & 23 June 6 & 13

4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.



Want to Join?

FREE

**COME JOIN
THE FUN!**

- Ages 8 to 18
- Hands-on gardening activities
- Learning made fun

Contact us



Phone

217-345-7034



Email

JNHays@illinois.edu



Address

809 Broadway Ave. Mattoon



Illinois Extension
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

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 the Extension Office. Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time for meeting your access needs.

