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4-H Newsletter

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Clay County 4-H



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Calendar of events

(Dates are tentative and subject to change)

December

14Livestock & Foundation meetings

23-31Office closed-Holiday

January

1Office closed-Holiday

20Office closed-MLK Holiday

The new 4-H year is here!

Register online at il.4honline.com



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Livestock Committee & Foundation Meeting

Saturday, December 14

5:30 PM

Brad & Cathy Rudolphi's home

Clay County 4-H



Over 300 items were collected at the Achievement Celebration! They were donated to the Clay County Food Pantry.



Thank you to Alan Dunahee and family for selecting Clay County Extension & 4-H to receive this generous donation through America's Farmers Grow Communities!

Stop by the office to purchase or pick up raffle tickets!



LAWN MOWER RAFFLE

Sponsored by: Clay County 4-H Foundation
Proceeds benefit Clay County 4-H

\$20 Per Ticket!

Drawing will be held on March 14, 2020

Join us for our Chicken Noodle Dinner

North Clay Commons, Louisville

Serving 4-7 p.m.

Purchase tickets from Clay County 4-H families



John Deere

Z540M

Zero Turn

54 inch mower deck

24 hp

Contact 618-783-1080 or 618-838-9416 with questions or to purchase tickets.
You do not need to be present to win.



Celebrate



Effingham County 4-H



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Effingham County 4-H Illinois



Calendar of events

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December

7..... Youth for the Quality Care of Animals Certification

23-Jan. 1 .. Christmas Holiday, Office Closed

February

1..... Beef Weigh In

May

1..... Project Enrollment Deadline

2..... Sheep Weigh In

June

6..... Boer & Dairy Goat Weigh In

July

25..... 4-H General Projects Show

August

2-8..... Effingham County Fair

1..... 4-H Tractor Driving Contest — 4-H Boer Goat Show

2..... 4-H Beef Show — 4-H Master Showmanship

3..... 4-H Swine Show— 4-H Poultry & Waterfowl Show

3..... 4-H Sheep Show

4..... 4-H Dairy Goat Show — 4-H Dog Show

5..... 4-H Rabbit Show— 4-H Cat Show

5..... Auction

6..... 4-H Dairy Show— 4-H Pygmy Goat Show

7..... 4-H Llama Show

8..... 4-H Horse Show

15..... Effingham County Exhibits at State Fair

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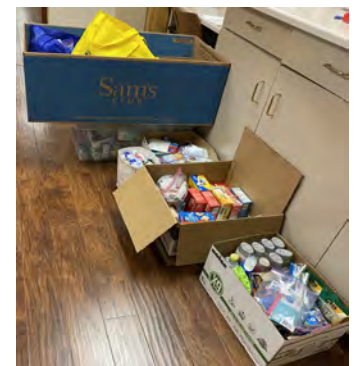
4-H...INSPIRE KIDS TO DO...



Effingham County 4-H

WOW! AMAZING WORK Lawrence County Fair Queens and Shelby County 4-H members! Jr. Miss Makinzie Gaither worked to promote Elizabeth Weidner's Crown for Cancer drive throughout the month of October. She visited area churches and spoke with the local newspaper to ask community members to bring travel-size items and snack items to the Tackle for the Cure football game. This game was also their homecoming game against Oblong, inspiring Crawford County to also become involved. Both counties collected items and brought them to the game. The Lawrence County Queens led this community service project and had their local 4-H office as a drop-off location. Sumner Attendance Center (school) also collected items for Jr. Miss Makinzie as their community service project and challenge for the grades. Take a look at what can be done when we all work together!

Shelby County 4-H Federation sponsored a Crowns for Cancer drive at their recent 4-H Achievement Night. All 4-H clubs in Shelby County participated collecting over 250 items! Several families expressed knowing the appreciation they had when they received the items while staying at the Ronald McDonald house. Again GREAT WORK EVERYONE!!!



December 7, 2019

Registration starts at 9:30 a.m.

Program starts at 10 a.m.

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1209 N. Wenthe Dr, Effingham, IL 62401

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)

Alan Kollmann, Instructor

- The YQCA is a new livestock quality assurance program that is replacing PQA which no longer exists. It also replaces the Quality Assurance & Ethics (QAEC) program for youth in the following species; dairy cattle, beef cattle, swine, sheep, and goats. All 4-H exhibitors of these animals will be required to certify in the YQCA program yearly starting for the 2020 show season.
- Youth must either attend a face to face class or certify on-line via the website <http://yqca.org>
- The YQCA program is for youth ages 8-21. The online version is broken into age divisions as follows: juniors 8-11, intermediate 12-14, senior 15-18, and young adults 19-21. This certification is annual with test out options of 1-3 years.
- Youth exhibiting swine at the Illinois State Fair and 4-H fairs are no longer required to be PQA plus certified.
- The estimated cost for the face to face training will be \$3 and \$12 for the online version.

Register online at

<https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login>

Register by
December 5

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Effingham County 4-H

Minutes from Easy Riders

The first meeting of the Easy Riders 4-H club was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Watson Civic Center on Thursday October 10, 2019. The President Hayden Wendling called the meeting to order. The pledges and 4-H prayer were led by the flag leaders Melia and Jessie. The roll call of October 10, 2019 was answered by 9 members. There was no secretary's report to read. The treasures report was read by Asha with \$832.56 and it was approved. There was no old business. New business was election of officer, Achievement night November 9, and move the meeting from the November 14 to November 7 because we are in charge of achievement night and we wanted to practice what to do. Brandon Walls motion to move the meeting up to November 7 and Melia Wendling second it. The motion was carried. Melia Wendling motion to end the meeting and Rosco Davies second it and the motion was carried. Refreshments were served by the leaders. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 7 at Watson Civic Center.

Officers

Treasure-Asha Walls

President-Hayden Wendling

Secretary-Brandon Walls

Vice President-Jesse Davies

Flag leaders-Melia Wendling-Trey

Phone Callers-Lucas Wilson-Rosco Davies

Face booker-Gwen Ishmael-Selma Pulsfort

Photographer-Addie-Sidney Pulsfort

Secretary,

Brandon Walls

Easy Riders



4-H ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

Reminder for ALL 4-H families, superintendents, or volunteers that you will need to go to the 4-H Online website to register your children for the current 4-H year. If you don't remember your password, select "I Forgot My Password", use the email address that you gave last year and it will prompt you to create a new password. Follow the step-by-step enrollment process and submit enrollment at the end. If you have more than one child you will have to do one for each of them. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Effingham County Extension Office or email Patti Logan at logan1@illinois.edu in regards to the enrollment process. The link to 4-H online is:

<https://www.4honline.com/>



BEEF WEIGH IN

FEBRUARY 1, 2020

***at Effingham County Fairgrounds
from 9 AM to 11 AM***

Effingham County 4-H

Birthday Corner

**Those celebrating birthdays in the month of
December and January are:**



Jayden Goers	Dec 03	Elizabeth Weidner	Jan 02
Norah Frost	Dec 03	Bailey Brummer	Jan 02
Easton Wendling	Dec 03	Sidney Pulsfort	Jan 06
Alexander Gordon	Dec 04	Elaina Meinhart	Jan 07
Aisley Hill	Dec 06	Kateleigh Zeigler	Jan 08
Ethan Hoopingarner	Dec 06	Dana Grupe	Jan 10
Alyson Alwardt	Dec 08	Joseph Tegeler	Jan 10
Michael Klepzig	Dec 08	Lynn Huber	Jan 11
Cleo McManaway	Dec 09	Rusty Jones	Jan 11
Emma Hewing	Dec 09	Ada Roberts	Jan 13
Rodney Lidy	Dec 10	Briley Bohnhoff	Jan 13
Eric Weidner	Dec 11	Elliot Huber	Jan 14
Gentry Sefton	Dec 11	Camden Polanin	Jan 14
Colby Haynes	Dec 12	Elizabeth Kreke	Jan 15
Hannah Tappendorf	Dec 14	Wade Voelker	Jan 16
Jennifer Hecht	Dec 15	Todd Zeigler	Jan 17
Treyton Schackmann	Dec 15	Aden McManaway	Jan 17
Brady Heuerman	Dec 15	Liam Teets	Jan 17
Alan Kollmann	Dec 16	Makayla Ellis	Jan 17
Norah Wente	Dec 16	Lydia Wohltman	Jan 18
Addison Flinn	Dec 18	Kenley Moore	Jan 20
Noah Tyler	Dec 18	Braden Grunloh	Jan 21
Tanner Niemerg	Dec 19	Brandon Walls	Jan 21
Alexis Hetzer	Dec 20	Luke Wohltman	Jan 23
Angel Harrington	Dec 21	Ty Totten	Jan 24
Garridan Stallings	Dec 21	Sydney Feldkamp	Jan 25
Katelyn Jansen	Dec 28	Madalyn Stead	Jan 26
Kortland Burry	Dec 28	Evan Meier	Jan 29
Ali Kollmann	Dec 29	Daiy Miller	Jan 31
Madilyn Haarmann	Dec 31		

**The University of Illinois Extension staff would
like to wish you a very happy birthday
and may all your birthday wishes come true!
Have a great day!**

Fayette County 4-H



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Enrollment Deadlines

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deadlines to show. Please contact the office for help registering!

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Livestock Committee Meeting

Thursday, December 5

7 PM

Fayette County 4-H



Thank you to Amanda Cole for leading a Visual Arts Paper Workshop on November 8!

These participants left with projects ready for the fair!



Thank you to everyone that helped with Foundation Soup Supper!!
Your support is greatly appreciated!



Jasper County 4-H



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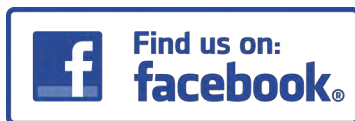
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Calendar of events

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December

- 2..... Federation meeting
- 6..... Federation shopping for Toys for Kids
- 10..... Afterschool Adventures
- 12-13..... Toys for Kids distribution
- 20..... Federation Christmas party

January

- TBD..... 4-H Ambassador training
- TBD..... 4-H Bowling

Toys for kids

There is still time to help with the Jasper County HCE Toys for Kids program.

Local clubs have been a very important part of this program. Either by making monetary donations or assisting with the shopping.

We will be needing assistance again this year .

Feel free to discuss with your club if you would like to assist.

All gifts and monetary donations need to be delivered to the Extension office by Friday, Dec. 6. Distribution will begin Thursday, Dec. 12.

The Jasper County HCE appreciates everyone's efforts to ensure all the youth in Jasper County have a cheerful Christmas.

Call the Extension office if your club or your family would like to help with this worthwhile program.

4-H Enrollment

Thank you to everyone who has already enrolled by the December 1 deadline! If you haven't been able to yet, please enroll as soon as possible. The first order for project books will be placed on December 6. If you are unable to access the internet, please contact the Extension office for a paper copy to enroll.

Jasper County 4-H

Jasper County 4-H Federation

The next 4-H Federation meeting will be held on Saturday, Dec. 2 at 6 p.m. at the Sunrise Youth Center & Community Building.

All 4-H members high school and post high school age is welcome to join the 4-H Federation. Members do not have to sign up or do anything special, simply come to the meetings.

Upcoming events:

Dec. 6-Shopping for Toys for Kids

Dec. 10-Afterschool Adventures

Dec. 20-Federation Christmas party

Afterschool Adventures-December

December 10 will be our next Afterschool Adventure. We will be making candles, decorating cookies, and creating crafts! We will meet at the **Sunrise Youth Center from 3:45 to 5:30 p.m.**

This year, with the help of volunteers and the 4-H ambassadors, we will be making and creating a variety of different treats and crafts for kids to take home.

Register online at <https://go.illinois.edu/holidayfun4h>

Upcoming Afterschool Adventures

The Afterschool programs target 3rd-6th grade youth, but any 4-H member wishing to participate is welcome to participate, just remember it is geared for 3rd-6th. Register online or call the Extension office

The 4-H Ambassadors will be assisting with each of the programs as it fits into their schedules. Adult assistance is also needed so if there are any parents who are free to assist, just give us a call, we never turn down good volunteer assistance.

Please note sessions are tentative and subject to change due to availability of volunteers.

Following are the scheduled sessions:

December—Holiday Fun

February—Around the World

March — Leather Stamping

April — Thyme to Eat!

May —Nature Discovery

All programs are held afterschool at the Extension Office, unless otherwise stated.



Jasper County 4-H
Making a difference for life



Jasper County 4-H

Continue Collecting 4-H Project Books

Thank you to everyone who has brought in their slightly used/never been used 4-H project books.

We would still like to encourage any 4-H members who are no longer using 4-H project books to return them to the Extension office. Project books will then be recycled for other 4-H members to use, or will be taken to the Newton Public Library. The Newton Public Library has offered to provide a section for 4-H project manuals for the public to rent!

Also, if any 4-H member or club is interested, we would like to partner with the Newton Public Library in constructing the popular trend of a “Free Library”. The Free Library would be placed somewhere easily accessible such as Peterson Park. If you or a family member is interested in helping with this project, please contact Katie at the Extension office 618-783-2521.



Take the next step in your leadership journey

February 22 & 23 | Effingham, IL

You'll laugh. You'll make new friends. You'll even learn cool ideas to take back to your own 4-H Club at this year's Illinois 4-H Junior Leadership Conference. The conference is open to 4-H members in 7th and 8th grade. Registration will open in November at go.illinois.edu/4Hjlc. This year's conference will be held at the Holiday Inn in Effingham!

4-H Club meetings

The 4-H year has started and is already flying by! For clubs who have started meeting, please send your club minutes or have your Reporter send in something for the next 4-H newsletter. It's a great way to share ideas and let everyone know what's going on throughout the county! We love seeing pictures, too, so be sure to snap a few at club meetings or events!

Make your 4-H Club meetings MATTER

Need agenda templates? How about role descriptions for new officers?

Check out

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/clubs/meeting-resources>

for these items, as well as meeting ideas, parliamentary procedure, and more!

Jasper County 4-H Awards Celebration

Congratulations to all the 4-H members who turned in records and received awards for the 2018-2019 year! Thank you to everyone who was able to join us for the Awards program, and to the 4-H Ambassadors and 4-H Federation for hosting the program.

The Chili Cook-off made our evening even more fun and special! Thank you to all who participated and congratulations to the following winners:

Best Traditional: *Young Achievers*

Most Creative: *Vanderhoof Producers*

Tongue Burner: *Fox's Southern Farm Kids*

Judge's Choice: *Helpful Little Hands*

A few 4-H awards given that day were:

Outstanding Projects Awards were presented to:

Achievement

8 – 11 Michael Shamhart

12 – 14 Melanie Dion

15 – 19 Alex Osborne

Mechanics & Technology

8 – 11 Weston Bierman

12 – 14 Grant Ochs

15 – 19 Toby Schmidt

Small Animal Science

8 – 11 Nathan Lidy

12 – 14 Nick Shamhart

15 – 19 Jenna Goebel

Home and Family

8 – 11 Brooklyn McCaslin

12 - 14 Melanie Dion

15 - 19 Emily Dion

Large Animal Science

8 – 11 Turner Tarr

12 – 14 Grady Bergbower

15 – 19 Toby Schmidt

Personal Development

8 – 11 Tieler Long

12 – 14 Clay Bergbower

15 – 19 Alex Bergbower

Community Involvement & Global Awareness

8 – 11 Allison Brummer

12-14 Nick Shamhart

Plants & Soils

8-11 Nick Bierman

Food Nutrition & Health

8 – 11 Beth Broschious

12 – 14 Emma Rauch

15 – 19 John Johnson

Environment & Natural Resources

8 – 11 Madilyn Brummer

12-14 Nicholas Zwilling

To see the rest of the Awards program results, go to the Jasper County 4-H webpage:

<http://web.extension.illinois.edu/cefj/>

Unit 4-H News



Crutcher speaks up for the Spirit of Lincoln

When asked what part of 4-H has made the biggest impact on him, Shawn Crutcher said “showing cattle.” Crutcher, age 13 from Jasper county, has taken his 4-H beef project from showing in the local 4-H shows to competing at the national level. And now, he wants to take what he learned at the LEAD: The Spirit of Lincoln Youth Academy to the next level.

LEAD: The Spirit of Lincoln Youth Academy is a program for emerging leaders. Seventh grade youth are selected to participate in this program based on their potential to be leaders. During the week-long program, participants are empowered to develop leadership qualities. The youth spend time exploring the qualities that made Abraham Lincoln such a great leader. They learn why those same qualities are still important in the leaders of today, and how to apply those qualities as they develop their own leadership skills.

Specifically, these emerging leaders:

- ★ Explore Lincoln’s life and times by visiting various historic sites to see how individuals were able to make a difference in their communities and affect change in their state and nation.
- ★ Examine how people in today’s world face many of the same challenges as those faced by Lincoln and other leaders of his day – including issues such as racism and slavery.
- ★ Discuss the leadership qualities of honesty, empathy, humility, and perseverance and develop a plan for incorporating those qualities into their own lives.

As a Jasper County 4-H Ambassador, Extension staff saw leadership potential in Shawn and presented him with the opportunity to attend the LEAD: Spirit of Lincoln Youth Academy. To be accepted into the academy, Shawn had to submit an essay explaining why he wanted to be part of this academy and how he will use what he learns. In his essay, Shawn stated one of his goals is to be the president of the Junior National Hereford Association. He feels the skills learned from the academy not only will help realize this goal; but, will help him be successful in whatever path he chooses to follow.

Attending the academy taught Shawn about the civil war, slavery, the leadership skills of Abraham Lincoln, and how to be a better person and leader. Of the skills learned, Shawn says honesty and integrity were the ones that impacted him the most. In Shawn’s words honesty is “telling the truth even when it’s hard”, and integrity is “to be known as someone who does the right thing.” These are skills Shawn wants to continue working on and to be known for.

Shawn says he would recommend other youth attend the LEAD: Spirit of Lincoln Youth Academy because it is a really good experience, you have a lot of fun, learn a lot about leadership skills in a fun way, learn about 4-H from other parts of the state, and meet other youth from across the state. Participating in the academy taught Shawn things about Abraham Lincoln he didn’t already know and helped with his social life, he is more talkative and comfortable speaking with others. Shawn is hoping the information he learned about Abraham Lincoln and government will help him when it comes time to take the constitution test during his eighth grade year.

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Shawn, son of Craig and Brenda Crutcher, is a five year member of the Harmon 4-H Club. What he likes best about 4-H is meeting new people. To parents of youth not involved in 4-H, he would say it is a really good experience, gives you lots of opportunities, and you get to meet other kids from across the state.

Jasper County 4-H is lucky to have Shawn as an emerging leader. We look forward to seeing, and helping, Shawn develop his leadership skills through 4-H.



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Illinois 4-H

Save the date for 2020 Illini Summer Academies

The college exploration event of the year is set for 2020. Illinois 4-H Illini Summer Academies will be held June 21 – 27 on the University of Illinois campus. Registration opens March 16 and runs through April 17 for participants. Youth requesting financial assistance should apply January 31 thru March 1. Look for new information soon.

Create a winning video

The World of 7 Billion video contest challenges you to think critically about some of the planets most pressing issues and to come up with solutions. Share what you've learned in a 60-second video. The contest is currently open for the 2019-2020 school year! The contest is open to all middle and high school students worldwide, and the deadline for submissions is February 27, 2020. Up to \$1,000 in cash prizes will be awarded to 80 student winners.

Change lives, be a 4-H camp counselor

It may be cooling off now, but summer will return, and we need you to help mentor the campers at 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello. Applications will be available in January. We're looking for certified life-guards and young adults interested in fishing, shelter building, tree and wildlife identification, and other outdoor adventures. We also need counselors interested in STEM programming. For information, contact Andy Davis @ ardavis1@illinois.edu or call 217-762-2741.



Get cash to help improve your community



Looking for funding support to conduct community service outreach in your community? Farm Credit Illinois is ready to help Illinois 4-H clubs and FFA chapters bring positive and visible change to Illinois communities! Fifty \$500 Community Improvement Grants are available. Clubs must be located in one of the 60 central and southern Illinois counties served by Farm Credit Illinois. Check if your club is eligible at farmcreditIL.com.

Getting a jump on the 4-H dog project!

Get a jump on all that's possible in the 4-H dog project at a NEW workshop 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 18 at the Granny Rose K-9 Enrichment Center in Dixon. The workshop will include a live agility demonstration, hands-on grooming lessons specific to your breed, health and nutrition tips, and a live rally demonstration. The event is sponsored by the Illinois State 4-H Livestock Ambassador Team. Pre-registration is not required.

Think summer and make plans for 4-H camp

Camping at 4-H Memorial Camp will open February 3. Spaces fill up immediately, so save the date on your calendar! There are 5 weeks of youth camp this year.

- Week 1: June 2-6
- Week 2: June 7-11
- Week 3: June 14-18
- Week 4: July 5-9
- Week 5: July 26-30

Here's help to pay for college



FARM CREDIT ILLINOIS SCHOLARSHIPS

High school seniors planning careers in agriculture may apply for a \$2,000 scholarship. Farm Credit Illinois will provide 30 scholarships to youth who live or farm in one of the 60 counties in their service area. The first \$1,000 will be distributed for the Fall 2019 semester, and the second \$1,000 will be applied during the Fall 2021 semester. Apply online at farmcreditIL.com before March 1. Are going to University of Illinois College of Agricultural, Consumer, and Environmental Sciences? The college is MATCHING this scholarship, dollar for dollar! Double your money while getting a great ag education!

TEACH OUTDOOR SCHOLARSHIP

A \$500 Scholarship will be awarded to a student who will be a freshman or sophomore in college or trade school during the 2020-2021 school year. Applicants must be a current high school or home school student. Applications are due January 1 and can be downloaded @ <http://www.teachoutdoors.org/scholarship.html>.

JOYCE BETZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

A \$1,000 Scholarship will be awarded to a 4-H member who will be a freshman or sophomore in college or trade school during the 2020-2021 school year. Applicants must be a current high school or home school student. Applications are due January 1 and can be downloaded @ <http://www.teachoutdoors.org/scholarship.html>. Joyce was a 4-H club leader in Will County.

Taking an animal project? READ THIS

For members enrolled in dairy cattle, beef cattle, swine, sheep, and goats:

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For members enrolled in horses, rabbits, poultry, dogs, and cats:

The Quality Assurance and Ethics training is required for youth in horses, rabbits, poultry, dogs and cats. You only need to take it once in your lifetime. Those who don't complete the training will be removed from the animal science project and will not be eligible to exhibit at county fairs. The website is open year round @ <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/gaec/>. NOTE: Youth must be logged on to a computer for this program, either a desktop or laptop; not an iPad or iPhone.

Illinois 4-H



Take the next step in your leadership journey

February 22 & 23 | Effingham, IL

You'll laugh. You'll make new friends. You'll even learn cool ideas to take back to your own 4-H Club at this year's Illinois 4-H Junior Leadership Conference. The conference is open to 4-H members in 7th and 8th grade. Registration closes when we reach 100 participants, so don't wait to the Jan. 24 deadline. Do it now! REGISTER: go.illinois.edu/4Hjlc. This year's conference will be held at the Holiday Inn in Effingham!

In addition to cool things to do, you'll each participate in these fun workshops:

Flying into the Virtual World: Explore STEM with 4-H! Take a trip to Europe, South America, and Africa through the world of Virtual Reality. Put your problem solving skills to work and help solve international problems in the form of fun engineering challenges! Come work with 4-H to explore the world of technology that surrounds us and those in other countries.

Tacky Tourist Trivia: Explore the world of trivia with your tacky tourist guides. Throughout the trivia tour, you will test your knowledge of the world, 4-H, pop culture, and more as you work with your team to win the Tacky Tourist Trivia Tournament.

Weathering the Storm of Agriculture: Are you experiencing the calm before the storm? Do you know how weather and agriculture affect one another? Come and see the impact of both agriculture and weather across the globe.

Follow Our Lead: Follow our lead as we take a trip to India to learn and practice dancing fusion style. On our journey, we will experience the culture and rich history this dance has to offer.

Pass the Plate: This workshop is your gateway to nutrition around the world. We will be exploring international diets, learning about the components of proper nutrition and completing a food science experiment.

Everyone will also help package meals as they learn more about food insecurity in Illinois.



Explore the nation's capital

For over 50 years, thousands of 4-H members have traveled to Washington, DC to participate in Citizenship Washington Focus, a life-changing week that empowers 4-H'ers to take their leadership skills to the next level for themselves and their communities. The trip is July 4 – 11, 2020. You must be at least 14 by May 1, 2020. During the week, you will explore the federal legislative process through workshops and

hands-on sessions, tour historical sights and museums, give your voice on issues, visit federal legislative offices, and meet teens from other states. The 2020 cost is estimated to be \$1,305, with financial assistance being provided from the Illinois 4-H Foundation. Registration deadline is Friday, January 3, 2020. Register at go.illinois.edu/4HCWF.

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Aim high for the Illinois State Fair

Make plans now to attend the Illinois State Fair. The 4-H General Project Show will be three days, Aug. 14-16 in Springfield. **Our exhibit day is August 15, 2020.**

August 15

Christian, Clark, Clay, Cook, Crawford, DeKalb, DuPage, Edgar, Effingham, Fayette, Franklin, Jackson, Jasper, Jersey, Johnson, Kane, Kendall, Livingston, Logan, Macoupin, Massac, McLean, Menard, Montgomery, Ogle, Perry, Pulaski-Alexander, Randolph, Sangamon, Union, Williamson, Woodford



There's a place for you at 4-H House

Young women attending University of Illinois may wish to consider 4-H House Cooperative Sorority as their home away from home in the Fall of 2020. 4-H House is a cooperative, which means they do all of our own cooking and cleaning. Tasks are split between members who encourage teamwork and cooperation. Living cooperatively means they can provide an extremely affordable housing option; nearly half the cost of the dorms. Their values are philanthropic, recreational, and scholastic achievement, and they pride themselves on their strong sisterhood bond. Eligible students must have three or more years of experience in a nationally-recognized leadership organization, such as 4-H, FFA, National Honor Society, Student Council, and others.



Be a true leader in service

Join 4-H members and clubs across Illinois and the nation on **Saturday, April 25** as part of **True Leaders in Service!** 4-H clubs serve their communities all year long however the month of April has been selected as a time for ALL 4-H clubs to join together to roll up their sleeves in service to local communities. This could mean helping a person or family in need doing yard work or minor home repairs, cleaning up streets or parks, planting trees or gardens, supporting your local food pantry or any other project that supports a local need.

Make your plans now on how you'll help others. Find resources @ go.illinois.edu/4Hdayofservice. Later in 2020, you can register your projects there! The goal of the 4-H True Leaders in Service day is to encourage 4-H members in every county to make a positive difference. Service projects can be done by individuals, by 4-H clubs, or

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4-H members can't draw or copy someone else's design, logo, words, or music without the permission of the original owner. That means, you can't draw a logo (such as Ford or John Deere) and use it on your exhibit. You can't create Mickey Mouse ears on your cake. You can't draw a Disney princess. You can't put SpongeBob image on your natural resource project exhibit board.

Think of it like this. You wouldn't take your neighbor's bike and ride it around to make your life easier without getting permission first. That would be stealing. When you take words, art, graphics, or photographs that aren't yours but use them like they are, that's stealing, too. Copying them from the internet is the same as stealing them unless you are using a site specifically created for free use of images.

For more information on what's allowed, contact Judy at illinois4H@illinois.edu and ensure you're respecting the rights of others.



The poster features a background image of a person in a graduation cap and gown. Overlaid on this are two Polaroid-style photos: one of a person in a lab coat working with plants, and another of a man in a lab coat holding a clipboard. The text 'FAMILY LEGACY' is in large blue and green letters, and 'FUTURE' is in large green letters. The IAA Foundation Scholarship Program logo is in the top right. A dark blue box in the bottom right contains the text 'More than \$875,000 in scholarships are awarded annually through the Illinois Farm Bureau and County Farm Bureaus. Visit www.iaafoundation.org'. The IAA Foundation logo and tagline are in the bottom left.

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Upcoming Events

(Dates are tentative and subject to change)

2020 Dates

January 1	DEADLINE: Teach Outdoor Scholarship
January 1	DEADLINE: Joyce Betz Scholarship
January 3	DEADLINE: Citizenship Washington Focus registration
January 9	DEADLINE: Salute to Excellence
January 18	Dog Clinic, Dixon, IL
February 22 – 23	Junior Leadership Conference, Effingham
March 1	DEADLINE: Farm Credit Scholarship
March 14	2020 Awards Banquet by invitation only
April 25	National 4-H Day of Service
June 2 – 6	Week 1: Camping at 4-H Memorial Camp
June 7 – 11	Week 2: Camping at 4-H Memorial Camp
June 15	State Livestock Judging Contest
June 15-18	Week 3: Camping at 4-H Memorial Camp
June 18 – July 17	Outbound to Costa Rica
June 18 – August 6	Outbound to Japan
June 21 – June 27	Illini Summer Academies
June 24 – July 24	Outbound to Norway
June 24 – July 24	Outbound to Romania
June 28 – July 28	Outbound to Taiwan
July 4 – 11	Citizenship Washington Focus
July 5 – 9	Week 4: Camping at 4-H Memorial Camp
July 8 – August 6	Outbound to Japan
July 15 – August 13	Outbound to South Korea
July 26 – 30	Week 5: Camping at 4-H Memorial Camp
August 15	Christian, Clark, Clay, Cook, Crawford, DeKalb, DuPage, Edgar, Effingham, Fayette, Franklin, Jackson, Jasper, Jersey, Johnson, Kane, Kendall, Livingston, Logan, Macoupin, Massac, McLean, Menard, Montgomery, Ogle, Perry, Pulaski-Alexander, Randolph, Sangamon, Union, Williamson, Woodford



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