



# 4-H FAST FACTS



A Newsletter for **Jersey County 4-H Families**

May 2022

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*Christian, Jersey,  
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# FAIR ENTRY

OPENS MAY 16

Register the projects you will be exhibiting at the 4-H shows using Fair Entry. Instructions for registering projects in Fair Entry will be sent May 16 via email. Project registration will close on June 17.

[www.fairentry.com](http://www.fairentry.com)

Premium checks have been mailed.  
Please cash them as soon as possible!

To keep up with 4-H happenings in Jersey County, including workshops, check us out on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/jersey4h>



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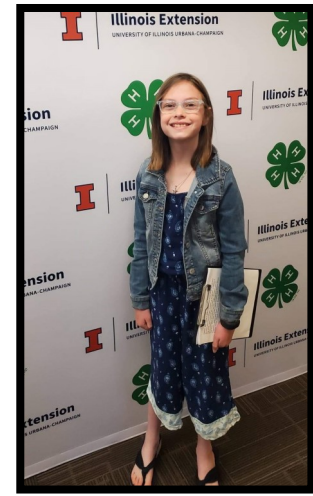
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## Youth compete in robotics competition that's out of this world

BLOOMINGTON, Ill. –Youth from thirteen teams across Illinois demonstrated their learning, celebrated their accomplishments, and interacted with others who share an interest in robotics at the 4-H Space Bot Mission Command Challenge Robotics Competition held at the Interstate Center on the McLean County Fairgrounds on April 16. The competition theme this year was drawn from the work of the 4-H in Space Mission Command Youth Team, which prepares curriculum and programming options for Illinois youth working with the International Space Station National Laboratories (ISS) and The Lab for Advanced Space Systems at Illinois, Department of Aerospace Engineering, (LASSI). Illinois youth ages 8-18 competed in teams of three to ten youth at two levels of competition. Competition judges were on hand to score events and determine the competition category winners, but the value of the competition came from seeing the youth come together. Jersey County 4-H members, Kolten and Caiden Freeland, competed as part of the Code Breakers team from Macoupin County. Code Breakers earned Advanced Champions for the competition.



## Youth in public speaking contest learn skills that last a lifetime

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. – 4-H excels in preparing youth to speak well and confidently, and it is a skill that serves members for a lifetime. Youth from across the state recently came together to put their public speaking skills to the test during the Illinois 4-H State Public Speaking Contest held at Parkland College on April 30. Youth who participate in this yearly exhibit develop skills for communicating real-life issues to live audiences and receive professional and peer feedback. Youth ages 8-18 can participate in the contest and gain skills in learning how to organize and prepare a speech, developing speech delivery skills, and learning how to present themselves in front of an audience. Jersey County was well-represented with three speeches by four talented youth. Brennan S. participated in original works. Original works presentations must be written entirely by the presenter. Dinah S. participated in formal speech advanced division. Formal speech allows youth to share their perspective on a topic of their choice with a speech intended to motivate, persuade, or inform an audience. Dinah earned 3rd place for her formal speech. Lola R. and Daphne S. participated in the oral interpretation division. These presentations are previously published works or manuscripts with you competing individually and in teams. Lola and Daphne earned 3rd place for their oral interpretation teams division speech.

## Jersey County 4-H 2022 Show Schedule



June 11 - Unit 18 Horse Show

9 A.M. - Gillespie Lake Horse Arena

July 8 - Cat and Dog Show

6 P.M. - Ag Pavilion, Jersey County Fairgrounds

July 9 - Rabbit Show

8 A.M. - Show Arena, Jersey County Fairgrounds

July 9 - Poultry Show

10 A.M. - Show Arena, Jersey County Fairgrounds

July 9 - General Show

4 P.M. - Exhibit Building, Jersey County Fairgrounds

\*Club judging schedule to follow\*

July 10 - Livestock Weigh-In

1 P.M. - Show Arena, Jersey County Fairgrounds

July 10 - Master Showmanship Contest

5 P.M. - Show Arena, Jersey County Fairgrounds

July 11 - Swine, Sheep and Goat Shows

8 A.M. - Show Arena, Jersey County Fairgrounds

July 11 - Beef Show

12:30 P.M. - Show Arena, Jersey County Fairgrounds

July 11 - Foundation Appreciation Meal



6 P.M. - Show Arena, Jersey County Fairgrounds

July 11 - Livestock Auction

7 P.M. - Show Arena, Jersey County Fairgrounds

**LET THE  
COUNTDOWN  
BEGIN!**



 Jersey County 4-H YLT Presents 

# 4-H CLUB GAMES

All 4-H clubs encouraged to join! Participate with your club and compete against other Jersey County clubs to have fun and win prizes!



**JULY 7**



**HAVE FUN  
WIN PRIZES**

  
**Jersey County  
Fairgrounds**



**10 AM or  
immediately  
following  
clean up**



**Leaders must register clubs online:  
[go.illinois.edu/Jersey4-HGames](http://go.illinois.edu/Jersey4-HGames)**

**Breakfast and Lunch provided for members**



Jersey County 4-H will be providing breakfast for youth volunteering at fair clean up beginning at 8:30 AM. Rothe Family Seed will be providing lunch for clubs participating in the 4-H Club Games.



**SATURDAY, MAY 14**

*11 AM*

**JERSEY COUNTY  
EXTENSION OFFICE**

*Open to youth and families!*

*Register online:  
[go.illinois.edu/meatscience](https://go.illinois.edu/meatscience)*



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need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this program, please contact 618-498-2913.



Visual Art Workshop



# Whimsical Acrylics

Saturday, May 21, 2022

9 - 11 AM

Jersey County Extension Office

Cost: \$15

Open to all youth ages 8-18 years

Register online: [go.illinois.edu/whimsicalacrylics](https://go.illinois.edu/whimsicalacrylics)

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



# CRAZY CHEMISTRY CAMP



For ages 8-18

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 2022**  
**JERSEY COMMUNITY TOWNSHIP**  
**BUILDING**

Be your own scientist and explore the wacky and wild side of chemistry by participating in some simple experiments.

Choose from either session.

Morning: 9:00 - 11:00 AM

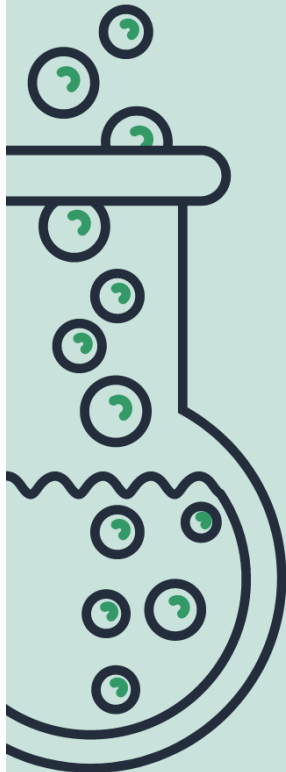
Afternoon: 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Each participant will receive their own pair of safety goggles, lab coat, and booklet of science experiments for them to take home.

Register at: [go.illinois.edu/crazychemistry](http://go.illinois.edu/crazychemistry)

**COST: \$10**

*Fee waivers available*



## 4-H INTERNATIONAL



### Host families needed for the States 4-H International Exchange program

Host a youth from Japan or South Korea this summer, through States' 4-H International! Expand your family's cultural understanding, learn about new foods and customs, and possibly learn a new language, all while sharing your own. Your children will build lifelong friendships and will gain new perspectives on their own country, too! Families are needed for 3 weeks, July 23 through August 18 (tentative dates). Applications are accepted until all placements are made. There is no cost for this program.

Students are matched with a host sibling by age, gender, and interests. Families hosting, must have a child between the ages of 12-18.

*Host family selection is dependent on completion of an application and screening process, as well as student availability and personality compatibility.*

Hosts without children may host an adult chaperone.

For more information or to apply, visit: <http://www.states4hexchange.org>.

Find us on Facebook @ [facebook.com/Illinois4hexchange](https://www.facebook.com/Illinois4hexchange)

OR

Contact Illinois S4-H Coordinators: Miriam Rosenbohm @ [rosenbohm07@comcast.net](mailto:rosenbohm07@comcast.net) or Elisha Hughes @ [ehugh2@illinois.edu](mailto:ehugh2@illinois.edu).

## ACES FAMILY ACADEMIES

The University of Illinois College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences will host ACES Family Academies on July 14-15, 2022. ACES Family Academies is a two-day learning experience for alumni to bring youth ages 8-13 to stay on campus, eat in the residence halls, and participate in interactive classes, all while learning about ACES majors, programs, and research. Cost is \$125. Registration deadline is June 3, 2022. [Full schedule and educational session information is available online.](#)

<https://acesalumni.illinois.edu/events/aces-family-academies>



### 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! [shop4-h.org/collections/illinois-virtual-pop-up-shop](http://shop4-h.org/collections/illinois-virtual-pop-up-shop)





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## NATURAL RESOURCES



### State 4-H Fishing Tournaments Ready to Go!

Easy to enter, easy to win! Learn rules and how to enter here:

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/4-h-hooks-us-together-fishing-tournament>

Open to all current year 4-H members, but new rod & reel prizes **only** for 4-H members registered in the 4-H Sport fishing project for the 2021-2022 year. Entries just require a phone, tape measure and then upload information to: <https://go.illinois.edu/fish4H>

April – Crappie State 4-H Tournament

May – Largemouth Bass 4-H State Tournament

June – Channel Catfish 4-H State Tournament

## Crop Scouting Competition, August 4, 2022

Crop Sciences Research & Education Center, 4202 South 1st St., Savoy, IL 61874

Check-in and registration start at 8 a.m.

The competition starts at 8:30 a.m. and will end by 1:30 p.m.

- The competition is open to high school students completing grades 9-12 in the spring of 2022. They will work in teams of 2 to 5 students led by an adult coach. Coaches can be FFA advisers, agriculture teachers, seed dealers, co-op employees, and others. No more than three teams per sponsoring organization (e.g. company, school, club).
- This will be an outdoor event.
- Meals: Lunch, beverages, and snacks will be provided.
- Prizes: \$500 for 1st, \$300 for 2nd, and \$150 for 3rd.



### Questions?

Contact program coordinator Chelsea Habach at [habach2@illinois.edu](mailto:habach2@illinois.edu).

## SHOOTING SPORTS

### 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., May 7, 2022** - 4-H Memorial Camp, Monticello, IL (central IL)

**Sat., July 16, 2022**—Bi-State Sportsman’s Club, Colona, IL (N.W. IL)

Questions? Contact Curt Sinclair at [sinclair@illinois.edu](mailto:sinclair@illinois.edu).



### 2022 4-H State Shoots – SAVE THESE DATES (but keep practicing now!)

**4-H State Archery Shoot** - Saturday, Sept. 17, 2022 at Pekin Archers, Pekin, Illinois

**4-H State Shotgun Shoot** - Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022 at Brittany Shooting Park, Bunker Hill, Illinois

**4-H State Rifle Shoot** - Saturday, Oct. 8, 2022 at Central Illinois Precision Shooters (CIPS), Bloomington, Illinois

**4-H State Pistol Shoot** - Sunday, Oct. 9, 2022 at CIPS, Bloomington, Illinois

### Save the Date

June 4, 2022 Summer Sizzle Shoot Chillicothe Sportsman’s Club Hosted by Marshall-Putnam 4-H Shooting Sports Registration opens April 25, 2022 – closes May 24, 2022

<https://extension.illinois.edu/blmp>

Our target is fun and we aim for a bullseye!



## NATIONAL 4-H COUNCIL

### 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.](#)

[https://4-h.org/about/4-h-at-home/internet-basics/?utm\\_campaign=4HatHome](https://4-h.org/about/4-h-at-home/internet-basics/?utm_campaign=4HatHome)



### 4-H Equity Challenge

Join the 4-H Equity Challenge! Individuals or teams of 2-3 youth ages 13 – 19 will identify problems, define answers, and develop digital media projects that outline possible solutions, empowering teens to become effective change agents and equity leaders in their communities. Participants will present their project in a local or state 4-H Challenge event for an opportunity to win \$500+. [Learn more here.](#)

<https://4-h.org/parents/true-leaders-in-equity/true-leaders-in-equity-institute/application/>

### True Leaders in Equity Institute

Empowering youth/adult teams to be change agents within the Cooperative Extension System, this training and leadership opportunity on July 11-14 in Bethesda, Maryland challenges participants to work together to ideate and champion equity-related projects that will grow 4 H in their communities. National 4-H Council will provide up to 20 scholarships to exemplary application submissions. Apply by June 6. [Register Now.](#)

<https://4-h.org/parents/true-leaders-in-equity/true-leaders-in-equity-institute/application/>



### Save the Date: 4-H Virtual PYD Academy on Youth Mental Health

4-H youth development can play an important role in supporting youth mental health, but many 4-H professionals are uncertain of how to provide 4-H programs around this topic.

Join the 2022 4-H PYD Virtual PYD Academy on Youth Mental Health to better understand the current landscape of youth mental health, the supporting role of 4-H and personal competencies for effective PYD practice. [Learn more here.](#)

<https://helping-youth-thrive.extension.org/4-h-pyd-academy-on-youth-mental-health/>