



4-H FAST FACTS



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

May 2022

FAIR INFORMATION INSIDE THIS ISSUE!

LOCAL 4-H MEMBERS COMPETE AT STATE 4-H PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPLETION



Amanda Niemann of Clovers 4-H Club– Oral Interpretation
Ethan Marley of Starr Shooters– Beginner Formal presentation
Emma Hughes of Clovers– Formal Presentation

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

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To keep up with 4-H happenings in Montgomery County, including workshops, check us out on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/montgomery4h>



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FAIR



REGISTRATION

OPENS MAY 23-JUNE 3

Register for the classes you will be exhibiting in, at the 4-H shows at **FAIRENTRY.COM**
Sign in using your 4honline credentials.

You will be assigned a judging time for every class you register for on June 10 & 11. Only register for classes you will have projects for.

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LIVE ANIMAL SHOWS


CHECK THE SHOW BOOK FOR SPECIES SPECIFIC INFO.

- Register for animal shows May 23-June 3.
- Check the show book for species specific requirements for show entry. Animal health papers will be checked before the shows start.
- We still do not have final word on the Poultry show, so plan on a virtual show option as a backup. We will notify all poultry exhibitors of updates as they come in.

What do I bring to fair?


Check the “4-H Show book” under each project area you are enrolled. Some projects have you do a display about what you learned, which could be ppt or poster or even a collection of items; others you will need to follow the directions within the show book to complete the exhibit requirements. Not all projects require a project book, to create an exhibit. Check the show book for details.

If you have any problems you should call or email our office at 217-532-3941 ehugh2@illinois.edu



CRAZY CHEMISTRY CAMP

For ages 8-18




WEDNESDAY, JULY 27, 2022
MONTGOMERY COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE

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.

COST: \$10
Fee waivers available



Congratulations

4-H SENIOR CLASS OF 2022



Elaan Bader

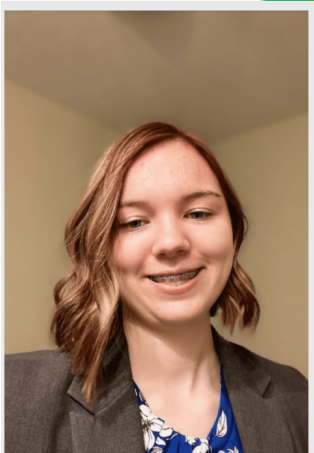
11 Year Member of Montgomery County Straightshooters 4-H Club



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Plan. Lead. Inspire. 4-H Grows True Leaders.
YOUTH LEADERSHIP TEAM NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

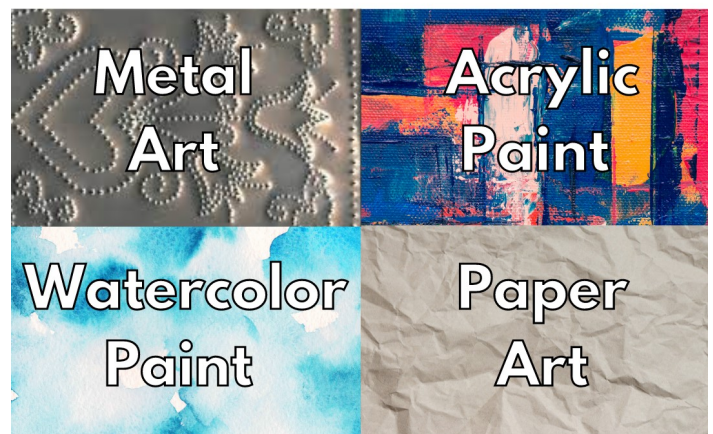


"4-H has taught me how to be a leader and helped me develop skills that I will use in my future."

Emma Hughes
Montgomery County



Grab N Go Art Kits



\$3 EACH | AVAILABLE APRIL 15

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go.illinois.edu/cjmmartkit



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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 or Elisha Hughes @ ehugh2@illinois.edu.

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.



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

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



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

Questions? Contact Curt Sinclair at 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



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.](#)

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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/>



mark your calendar!



2022 State Event Dates

May

- May Largemouth Bass 4-H State Tournament

June

- June Channel Catfish 4-H State Tournament
- June 4 Summer Sizzle Shoot Chillicothe Sportsman's Club
- 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 12-14 State Fair Junior Livestock Shows
- August 13 – 15 Illinois State Fair
- August 27 State 4-H Dog Show: Granny Rose K-9 Enrichment Center

September

- September 17 4-H State Archery Shoot, Pekin Archers Pekin
- September 24 4-H State Shotgun Shoot, Brittany Shooting Park, Bunker Hill

October

- October 8 4-H State Rifle Shoot, Central Illinois Precision Shooters, Bloomington
- October 9 4-H State Pistol Shoot CIPS, Bloomington, Illinois