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4-H Newsletter

May 2021

Congratulations to all of our seniors on their hard work in school and extra curricular activities!

Your graduating year will be unique and unforgettable in more ways than one.

We are very proud of all the Seniors in 4-H and know you will continue to do great things!

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Bristol McAllister
Kadie Pierson
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Anna Sigg
Lisa Thompson
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Dalton Will
Ella Zumbahlen*

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Isabelle Daiber
Jacob Doedtman
Kelly Hayes
Kieara Hayes
Morgan Lidy
Cassi Payne*

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Josie Strauch
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Fayette County 4-H



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Calendar of events

(Dates are tentative and subject to change)

May

- 1..... Sheep & Goat weigh in
- 13..... Livestock Committee Meeting

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Fayette County 4-H

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Congratulations to our graduating seniors!

Ali Willenborg—Shafter Friends 4-H Club

Carsen Burks—St. James Hornets 4-H Club

Cassi Payne—Sefton Clovers 4-H Club

David Stine—St. James Hornets 4-H Club

Isabelle Daiber—Golden Harvestors 4-H Club

Jacob Doedtman—Loudon Bunch 4-H Club

Josie Strauch—St. James Hornets 4-H Club

Kelly Hayes—Ramsey Seniors & Senioritas 4-H Club

Kieara Hayes—Ramsey Seniors & Senioritas 4-H Club

Morgan Lidy—Shafter Friends 4-H Club



Master Showmanship

We have partnered with the Fayette County Farm Bureau Young Leaders, who have generously agreed to host a Master Showmanship contest. The Master Showmanship Contest tests individual's skills and knowledge of showing beef, swine and sheep. Contestants are judged on their visual showmanship skills and are also asked questions about each of the species. We are planning to have two age divisions: Senior: 14-18 and Junior: 8-13. Animals will not be provided, therefore participants will have to secure their own/ask to borrow. The event date and time during the fair have not been set.

Please let Sarah Luce know if you are interested in competing/more information!



Publications & Manuals

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Fayette County 4-H

Premium Checks

2019 Fayette County 4-H Fair premium checks are being distributed by mail.

Please cash/deposit them ASAP!

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The YQCA training can be done either online or in person. The cost for the face to face training will be \$3 and \$12 for the online version.

Face to face training in Fayette County:

Date Pending, more information to come



QAEC requirement (new livestock members)

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The website is located online at: <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/>

Fayette County 4-H Handbook and 4-H Fair Schedule

Handbooks will soon be available online: <https://extension.illinois.edu/cefj/4-h-fayette-county> under Fairs & Show. Printed copies will be distributed through leaders to the 4-H families.

Fair Entry—opens June 1st

To register as a 4-H exhibitor at the Fayette County 4-H Fair, each member must enroll in exhibits/classes **by July 1st**. Select the classes within the project areas you have previously signed up for. Details for each class and the requirements for the exhibits can be found in the 2021 Fayette County 4-H Handbook.

Fair Entry Website: fairent.com



**General Project Show Day
Saturday, August 14**

Fayette County Fair: July 10-14, 2021

Fayette County 4-H



Tentative



2021 Fayette County 4-H Show Schedule

TBD June

Food & Clothing Show

12 – 1 PM Check- In

1 PM Judging Begins

1:30 PM Table Decorating & Foods Demonstration

2:00 PM Fashion Revue

*Awards presentation will be held Wednesday, July 14

*Visual Arts-Food Decorating is judged on this day

Times are approximate

Brownstown Elementary School

TBA

9 AM – 11 AM Fayette County Fairgrounds Clean Up

Saturday, July 10

8 AM Horse Show Check-In

9 AM 4-H Horse Show

2:30 PM 4-H Rabbit Show Check-In

3:00 PM 4-H Rabbit Show

5:00 PM 4-H Goat Wethers Check-In/Weigh-In

6:00 PM 4-H Livestock Exhibitors Mandatory Meeting

All 4-H livestock must be on the fairgrounds by 5 p.m.

Sunday, July 11

11 AM Check of livestock health papers, livestock records, and entries for 4-H livestock shows

11:30 AM 4-H Poultry Show Check-In

12:00 PM 4-H Poultry Show

1:00 PM Weigh In of Market Swine, Sheep, Beef and Dairy Steers

4:00 PM 4-H Goat Show

Monday, July 12

8 AM 4-H Sheep Show

11 AM 4-H Beef Show/Dairy Steer Show

5 PM 4-H Swine Show

Tuesday, July 13

2 PM 4-H Dairy Show

6 PM 4-H Auction

Wednesday, July 14

9 AM 4-H General Project Show

8:30 AM Check-In

Opens for assigned clubs

1:30 PM 4-H Dog Show Check-In

2:00 PM 4-H Dog Show

3:30 PM 4-H Cat Show Check-In

4:00 PM 4-H Cat Show

6 PM Awards Presentation

** Projects Released following awards**

Clay County 4-H



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Clay County Illinois 4-H

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May

10..... Public Speaking Contest

26..... YQCA training

June

17..... YQCA Training

24..... Livestock & Foundation meeting, REA Building

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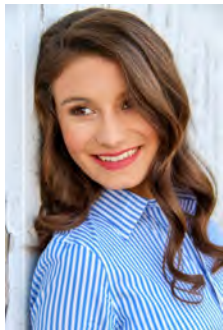
Clay County 4-H

Clay County 4-H Memorial Scholarship

On behalf of the Clay County 4-H Foundation, we are excited to announce that they are able to present two students with the Clay County 4-H Memorial Scholarship. The scholarships were made possible by many past and present supporters of our 4-H program.

The scholarships were based on 4-H accomplishments, scholarship, leadership, and community service. While all of the applicants were very competitive, the two students chosen excelled in all areas. Paige VanDyke, an 11 year member of the Panther Creek Pioneers 4-H Club, and Kadie Pierson, a 10 year member of the Dismal Creek Critters 4-H Club, are this year's winners.

Thank you to all the applicants! Each of you have been outstanding 4-H members!



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Bristol McAllister—Clay County Odds N Ends 4-H Club

Garrett Buerster—Pixley Pride 4-H Club

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Clay County 4-H



Clay County Fair: July 24-31, 2021

State Fair General Project show day: Saturday, August 14

4-H BBQ: Friday, July 23 Serving BBQ, Hot dogs, chips, dessert, & drinks from 4-7 PM

Fairgrounds Clean Up July 17—8 AM to 12 PM

Please bring rakes, shovels, brooms, blowers, wheel barrels, etc.

Fairground Trash Can Contest

Trash cans will be painted by each club and judged for a chance to win a pizza party! 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places

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June 17, 6 PM



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2021 Clay County 4-H Show Schedule

May 10

Location-Clay County Extension Office

5:30 PM Public Presentations Contest

Saturday, July 17

Fairgrounds Clean Up

8:00 AM—12:00 PM

Thursday, July 22

Food & Clothing Show

Location – REA Building

4:30-5:30 PM Check-In

5:30 PM Judging Begins

Projects: Clothing & Textiles, Foods & Nutrition, Visual Arts-Food/Cake Decorating

Friday, July 23

Location – REA Building

4-7 PM 4-H BBQ

Saturday, July 24

General Project Show

Location – REA Building

8:30 AM Check-in

9 AM Judging Begins

Projects: Aerospace, Animal Science, Bicycle, Civic Engagement, Cloverbud, College & Career Readiness, Communications, Computer Science, Consumer Education, Crops, Do Your Own Thing, Electricity, Entomology, Entomology Beekeeping, Exploratory, Forestry, Geology, Geospatial, Health, Horticulture: Floriculture, Horticulture: Vegetable Gardening, Intercultural, Interior Design, Leadership, Natural Resources, Photography, Plants & Soils, Robotics, Small Engines, Small Pets, Technologies, Theatre Arts, Tractor, Vet Science, Video/Filmmaking, Visual Arts, Weather, Welding, Woodworking

General & Food/Clothing Project Pickup

4-H Projects must be picked up Tuesday evening

1 PM Rabbit & Poultry Check-In

2 PM 4-H Poultry Show

Location – Show Ring

To follow 4-H Rabbit Show

Sunday, July 25

12 PM Livestock must be on the fairgrounds

Location – Show Ring

12-1 Veterinary Paper Check

Check of livestock health papers for 4-H livestock shows

12-3 PM Livestock Weigh-In

Location – REA Building

4 PM Awards Recognition, Livestock Exhibitors Mandatory Meeting, Check of livestock records & entries, & Master Showmanship Sign-Up

Monday, July 26

8 AM 4-H Beef Show

2 PM 4-H Sheep Show

Tuesday, July 27

8 AM 4-H Swine Show

2 PM 4-H Goat Show

5 PM Master Showmanship Contest

(Hosted by Clay County Farm Bureau Young Leaders)

Wednesday, July 28

1 PM 4-H Tractor Driving Competition

6:30 PM Livestock Auction

Thursday, July 29

Location-REA Building

9:30 AM Check-in for dogs

10 AM 4-H Dog Show

12 PM 4-H Cat Show

6 PM 4-H Horse Show

Location – Arena



Effingham County 4-H



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Calendar of events

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May

- 1..... Project Enrollment Deadline
- 1..... Sheep Weigh In
- 4..... Top Dog Club Meeting
- 7..... 4-H Public Speaking Contest

June

- 5..... Boer / Dairy Goat Weigh In
- 26..... Food & Clothing Show



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Please turn the \$20 enrollment fee and “Code of Conduct, and Liability” form into our office! If you signed a liability form last year you do not need to sign another one. Be sure to write your 4-H member’s name on the memo line.

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If you are needing to order publications,
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https://illinoisaces.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bKHndI7TOo9tS1T

Effingham County 4-H

QUALITY ASSURANCE & ETHICS (QA&E):

The Quality Assurance and Ethics training is required for all youth that enroll in horses, rabbits, poultry, dogs, and cats. Members must take the training whether they own a live animal or not. It is advised that they complete this one time as soon as they are enrolled in the project area. Counties will monitor completion of this. Failure to complete QA&E will result in the member's animal science project enrollment being cancelled and they will be ineligible to exhibit at county fairs. The website is open year round @ <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/>

NOTE: Youth must be logged on to a computer for this program, either a desktop or laptop; not an iPad or iPhone. The program cannot capture the information for county staff to see when it is completed using iPads or iPhones.



The 2021 Illinois State Fair Premium Book is now posted to the State Fair website.

<https://www2.illinois.gov/statefair/competitions/premium-books/Pages/default.aspx>



Effingham County Exhibits at State Fair
Saturday, August 14



Check your 4-H Handbook!

Do you have questions about 4-H show dates, project guidelines, or animal health requirements? A good first resources to look at is your 4-H Handbook. You can review the 4-H Handbook at https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/eff_2021_4-h_hand_book.pdf

If you still have questions, contact your club leader or the Extension Office.

Effingham County 4-H

Effingham County 4-H Recognition Award

Congratulations
to our 2021 Effingham County 4-H Recognition Award winners!

This is a great honor in recognition for their outstanding 4-H accomplishments, community service, and leadership demonstrated throughout their 4-H Career.
Keep up the amazing work and best of luck!

Winners are:

Emma Hewing

Jayden Macklin

Grace Schumacher

Hannah Tappendorf

Ethan Weidner

The Effingham County 4-H Recognition Award is sponsored by the
Effingham County 4-H Foundation.

4-H Clubs can resume face-to-face meetings with the following guidelines: A *Safety Management Plan* is required for all in-person events hosted by the University of Illinois (including 4-H meetings and events) or in a facility owned or managed by the university. The *Safety Management Plan* should include these essential details.

Currently, we are at gathering size limit:

Face-to-face events, outdoors: Gathering size limited to lesser of 50 people or 50% of space capacity. Social distancing required; face coverings required.

Face-to-face events, indoors: Gathering size limited to lesser of 50 people or 50% of space capacity. Social distancing and face coverings required.

The numbers above would include parents that attend the meetings. For anyone that does not feel comfortable attending in person, please contact your 4-H leader to see if other accommodations can be made. We do not want anyone to feel they must attend in person. Your safety, your family and our 4-H leaders' safety is our number one priority! 4-H clubs that have a private 4-H club page can do a Facebook live, Zoom, Google meet or if anyone knows of other ways members can still participate in the club meeting but virtually. This is a great opportunity for Jr. Leaders to take charge and organize. If you have any questions or need any assistance, please contact Patti Logan.

Effingham County Fair

With the 4-H Fair season quickly approaching there will be a few policies and procedures put into effect for our exhibitors. First, as a reminder, the only two species that are allowed to be leased are horses and canine. All other livestock are exempt from the lease provision.

Second, exhibitors wishing to show goats and sheep will be required to submit photos of their project. Required photos will include full view of left side, full view of right side, and any and all other identifiable distinguishing marks or scars.

PHOTOS OF MARKET LIVESTOCK – Species that are required to submit photos of their animals are: sheep, swine, and goat.

- a. Beef will receive tattoos in each ear. All beef steers are required to come to weigh in.
- b. Swine exhibitors will need to produce ear notches and tag numbers by June 1.
- c. Sheep & Goats take a picture of scrapie tags. All photos must be turned into the Effingham Extension office by June 1.

Sheep will May 1 from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Boer/Dairy Goats - June 5 from 9 to 10:30 a.m., ALL wethers must be weighed in at Effingham County Fairgrounds.

Click on the following link to print your livestock ownership forms: <https://extension.illinois.edu/cefj/4-h-effingham-county>



**BOER/DAIRY GOAT WEIGH IN
JUNE 5, 2021
at Effingham County Fairgrounds from 9 -10:30 a.m.**

Effingham County 4-H

2021 EFFINGHAM COUNTY 4-H FAIR SHOW SCHEDULE

Friday, May 7, 2021

Effingham Public Library

6 p.m. 4-H Public Speaking

Saturday, June 26, 2021

First Baptist Church, Effingham

9-11 a.m. Foods/Clothing

11:30 a.m. Fashion Review

Saturday, July 24, 2021

Effingham County Fairgrounds

9:00-Noon General Projects Show

Friday, July 30, 2021

5:15 p.m. Flag Raising Ceremony/4-H Award Show
in show ring.

4 p.m. Boer Goat Check-in

5 p.m. Beef Check-in

7 p.m. Boer Goat Weigh-in

7:30 p.m. Beef Weigh-in

Saturday, July 31, 2021

8 a.m. Poultry & Waterfowl Check-in and Blood Draw

8 a.m. Sheep Check-in & Weigh-in

9 a.m. Swine Check-in & Weigh-in

10:30 a.m. 4-H Boer Goat Show

Sunday, August 1, 2021

12 p.m. 4-H Beef Show

6 p.m. Master Showmanship



Monday, August 1, 2021

7:45 a.m. 4-H Swine Show

8 a.m. 4-H Poultry & Waterfowl

3 p.m. 4-H Sheep Show

Tuesday, August 3, 2021

7:15 a.m. Dairy Goat Weigh-in/Check-in

9 a.m. 4-H Dairy Goat Show

3 p.m. Dairy Cattle Check-in

3 to 5:30 p.m. Rabbit check-in

5 p.m. Dog Show

Wednesday, August 4, 2021

8 a.m. 4-H Rabbit Show

4-H Cat Show – Will begin after Jr. Cat Show

10 a.m. Pygmy Goat Check-in

5:30 p.m. 4-H Youth Auction

Thursday, August 5, 2021

9 a.m. 4-H Dairy Show

1 p.m. 4-H Pygmy Goat Show

Friday, August 6, 2021

8:30 a.m. 4-H Llama & Alpaca Check-in

9 a.m. 4-H Llama & Alpaca Show

Saturday, August 7, 2021

7:15–7:45 a.m. Horse Check-in

8 a.m. Horse Exhibitor meeting

8:30 a.m. 4-H Horse Show

To Make The Best Better

All 4-H animals are released immediately following 4-H shows. **THIS IS 4-H ONLY.** Be sure to clean out your pen or stall before leaving. Individuals will be contacted to return to clean your area.

Jasper County 4-H



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Calendar of events

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May

- 1Horse Clinic
- 174-H Leaders Meeting
- 22Outdoor Adventurer Program
- 254-H Ambassadors & Federation Meeting
- 31Fair Entries Due

June

- 5Fair Clean Up Day
- 94-H Camp Cloverbud
- 10Superintendents Meeting
- 164-H Carcass Show (Deliver Animals to Hartrich Meats)

2021 Jasper County 4-H Fair

Fair time is upon us! Are you ready? Fair Clean Up Day is scheduled for June 5 at 9 a.m. The Jasper County 4-H shows kick off on Friday, June 18 with the General Show. The rest of the shows (listed in the 4-H Handbook) will follow with the Auction being held on June 24.



Jasper County 4-H

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4-H Motto
**To Make the
Best Better**



4-H Slogan
**Learning by
Doing**

Jasper County 4-H

4-H Leaders Meeting

Monday, May 17 @ 7 p.m.

Jasper County Chamber of Commerce (tentatively)
Flags will be ready for pick-up as well as tickets for the Jasper County 4-H Foundation BBQ fundraiser.

4-H Ambassador & Federation Meeting

• Tuesday, May 25

• 6 p.m.

• Sunrise Youth Center & Community Building

We will be discussing upcoming events including Camp Cloverbud and the Jasper County 4-H Shows. 4-H Ambassadors help with various tasks during fair, including taking pictures, announcing classes, and handing out ribbons. We will also discuss the finalizations of ordering Ambassador shirts.

4-H Camp Cloverbud

Wednesday, June 9

9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

4-H Building @ the Jasper Co. Fairgrounds

\$10/4-H members or \$15/non 4-H members

Flyers will go out to schools the week of May 10

Deadline to register (to receive a shirt) is May 25



4-H Superintendents

Thursday, June 10 @ 7:30 p.m.

4-H Building at the Fairgrounds

Jasper County Public Speaking Contest

On Monday, April 12, Shawn Crutcher, Chloe Jansen, Alex Osborne, and Taylor Slough gave their speeches at the Jasper County 4-H Public Speaking Contest. Everyone did an excellent job! All participants received an A rating. Congratulations to Alex Osborne for receiving Champion and Chloe Jansen for receiving Reserve Champion!

Horse Judging Team

Congratulations to members Jasper County 4-H Horse Judging team on your advancement to the State Hippology contest! The team competed at the State Hippology contest on Saturday, April 17. They all did a great job!!

If any other 4-H members are interested in joining the 4-H Horse judging team, please contact Katie at turkal@illinois.edu.

Memorial Day-Flagging Graves

The local American Legion provides flags for the various groups who will be visiting the cemeteries again this year to flag the graves. Jasper County 4-H members flag over 900 graves and local volunteers from the American Legion, area churches, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, and Girl Scouts make sure the remainder of the graves are flagged for the upcoming Memorial Day weekend.

The American Legion makes every effort to document all the veterans in the cemeteries, but as stones age some of the names become increasingly difficult to read and occasionally a veteran's grave may be missed. All veterans' graves should be flagged before noon on Saturday, May 29.



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4-H Livestock Records

ALL 4-H Members taking a livestock project are **REQUIRED** to complete a 4-H Livestock record for the following species: beef, dairy, swine, sheep, poultry, rabbit, goat, and horse.

These records are inspected, along with other health documents at county 4-H fair check-in.

Quality Assurance & Ethics (QA&E):

The Quality Assurance and Ethics training is required for all youth that enroll in horses, rabbits, poultry, dogs, and cats. Members must take the training whether they own a live animal or not. It is advised that they complete this one time as soon as they are enrolled in the project area. Failure to complete QA&E will result in the member's animal science project enrollment being cancelled and they will be ineligible to exhibit at county fairs. The website is open year-round @ <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/>

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)

The YQCA is a livestock quality assurance program that is replacing PQA which no longer exists. This training 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. 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 cost for the face to face training will be \$3 and \$12 for the online version.

Face to face training dates (please note, there is a maximum of 30 participants per training):

Tuesday, May 11 at 6:30 p.m., Sunrise Youth Center (Early Childhood Center)

Saturday, April 22 at 1 p.m., Sunrise Youth Center (Early Childhood Center)

Fair Entries Due May 31

4-H families should have received an email with instructions of how to enroll for classes on fairentry.com.

Entries are due by Monday, May 31.

If you did not receive this e-mail or if you have any questions, please contact the Extension Office at 618-783-2521.

Jasper County 4-H

4-H Carcass Show

Members participating in the swine carcass show should deliver their animals to Hartrich Meats in Ste. Marie on Wednesday, June 16 by 8 a.m.

The carcasses will be judged on Friday, June 18 and results will be given at the Auction on Thursday, June 24.

We appreciate Hartrich Meats for working with the Jasper County 4-H to provide this opportunity for members!

4-H Federation Spotlights

Alex Bergbower, 4-H Federation Vice President

School: Senior at Newton Community High School

4-H Club: Vanderhoof Producers

Years in 4-H: 10

4-H Projects: Beef, Swine, & Photography

Activities/clubs: Soccer & FFA

Work: Bergbower Farms, Inc.

Plans for college: Lake Land College, Mattoon, IL

Favorite hobby: Helping farm/work with livestock

Favorite food: Porkburgers

Alex's favorite season of the year: Fall, because of harvest



Melanie Dion, 4-H Federation Secretary

School: Sophomore at Newton Community High School

4-H Club: Vanderhoof Producers

Years in 4-H: 8

4-H Projects: Sewing & Cooking

Activities/clubs: Student Council, Chorus, Musical, Band, Spanish club, Beta club

Plans for college: Olney Central College, Olney, IL

Dream job: Nursing

Favorite hobby: Playing with her dogs

Favorite food: Pasta

Melanie's favorite season of the year: Summer, because there is no school



Jasper County 4-H

Chloe Jansen, 4-H Federation Reporter

School: Senior at Dieterich High School

4-H Club: Harmon 4-H

Years in 4-H: 10

4-H Projects: Horses, Goats, and Visual Arts

Activities/clubs: Horse judging team

Plans for college: Lake Land College, Mattoon, IL

Dream job: Elementary teacher

Favorite hobby: Playing guitar, sewing, and riding horses

Favorite food: Pizza

Chloe's favorite season of the year: Spring, because of the flowers and it's her birthday!



John Johnson, 4-H Federation Treasurer

School: Senior at Newton Community High School

4-H Club: Vanderhoof Producers

Years in 4-H: 9

4-H Projects: Cooking and Poultry (chickens)

Activities/clubs: Student Council, Math club, Beta club, Spanish club

Work: State Farm

Plans for college: Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL or University of Illinois, Champaign, IL

Favorite hobby: Playing piano, being outside, gardening

Favorite food: Starburst jellybeans

John's favorite season of the year: Winter, because everything is pretty



Jasper County 4-H

Alex Osborne, 4-H Federation President

School: Junior at Newton Community High School

4-H Club: Reisner Sunny Pioneers

Years in 4-H: 9

4-H Projects: Horses, Dogs, Photography, & Visual Arts

Activities/clubs: Student Council, FFA, Beta Club

Work: Meyer Funeral Home

Plans for college: Midway University, Midway, KY

Favorite hobby: Horseback riding

Favorite food: Steak

Alex's favorite season of the year: Fall, because the flies go dormant



Nick Shamhart, 4-H Federation Sentinel

School: Sophomore at Newton Community High School

4-H Club: Reisner Sunny Pioneers

Years in 4-H: 8

4-H Projects: Rabbits and Intercultural (Passport to the World)

Activities/clubs: Basketball, track, FCA, Math club, Spanish club, FBLA

Dream job: Athletic trainer

Favorite hobby: Playing basketball, running, and lifting weights



Jasper County 4-H



Date	Show/Event	Time	Location
Monday, April 12	Public Speaking Contest	7:00 p.m.	Extension Office
Saturday, June 5	Clean-up Day	8:00 a.m.	Fairgrounds
TBD	*Horse Show	TBD	Jasper Co. Fairgrounds
Wednesday, June 16	Deliver Barrows to Hart rich's	8:00 a.m.	Hartrich's Meats, Ste. Marie
Thursday, June 17	General Building Set-Up	4-6 p.m.	4-H Building
Friday, June 18	General Show Registration	4-6 p.m.	4-H Building
Saturday, June 19	Section 20 FFA Shows		4-H Show Ring
Saturday, June 19	Dog Show	9:00 a.m.	TBD
Saturday, June 19	Cat Show	1:00 p.m.	TBD
Saturday, June 19	Move In	After 4 p.m.	
Saturday, June 19	Records & Health Paper	3-6 p.m.	4-H Building
Sunday, June 20	Poultry Show	2:00 p.m.	4-H Show Ring
Sunday, June 20	Rabbit Show	5:00 p.m.	4-H Show Ring
Monday, June 21	Weigh-In	8:00 a.m.	Beef and Swine Barns
Monday, June 21	Sheep & Goat Shows	4:00 p.m.	4-H Show Ring
Tuesday, June 22	Swine Show	8:00 a.m.	4-H Show Ring
Tuesday, June 22	Beef Show	5:00 p.m.	4-H Show Ring
Wednesday, June 23	Open Shows		4-H Show Ring
Wednesday, June 23	4-H Showcase/	5:00 p.m.	4-H Building
Thursday, June 24	Master Showmanship	8:00 a.m.	4-H Show Ring
Thursday, June 24	Dairy Show	9:30 a.m.	4-H Show Ring
Thursday, June 24	Set Up Show Ring Auction	2:00 p.m.	4-H Show Ring
Thursday, June 24	Auction	5:00 p.m.	4-H Show Ring
Friday, June 25	Clean Up / Move Out		
Saturday, August 14	Illinois State Fair		Springfield, IL

Unit 21 4-H News



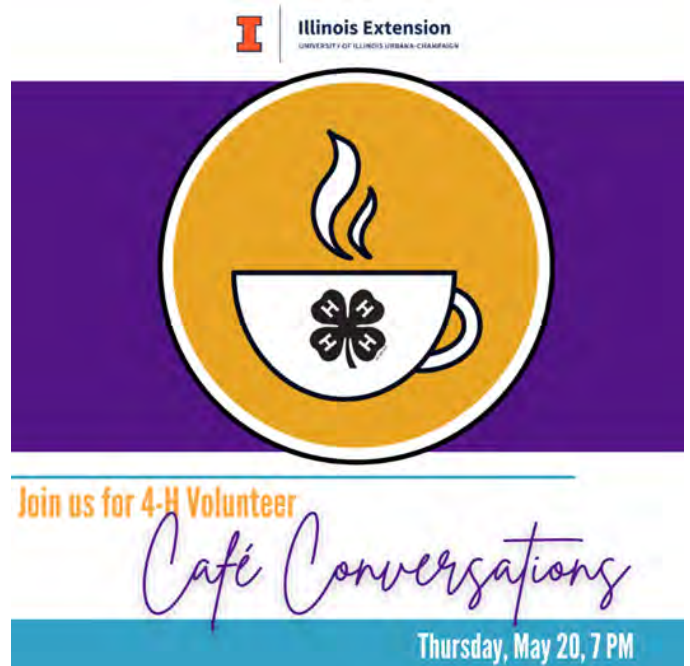
County Fairs in Clay, Effingham, Fayette & Jasper

With the 4-H Fair season quickly approaching there will be a few policies and procedures put into effect for our exhibitors. First, as a reminder the only two species that can be leased are horses and canine. All other livestock are exempt from the lease provision.

Second, exhibitors wishing to show goats and sheep will be required to submit photos of their project. Required photos will include full view of left side, full view of right side, and any and all other identifiable distinguishing marks or scars.

4-H Volunteer Café Conversations

Register to participate in the **4-H Volunteer Café Conversations** Thursday, May 20 at 7pm. Volunteers meet to discuss topics of interest, share both ideas and challenges. Volunteers will gain access to tools & techniques to support their volunteer efforts, strengthening 4-H club and member learning experiences. Bring your ideas, questions, and since this is a Café Conversation, feel free to bring a snack! [Head here to register.](#)



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We want to hear how you are impacting your community!

Register your service outreach efforts (or outreach plans!) for the months of **March, April, May and June** that demonstrate support of your communities. Register [here](#).



Illinois 4-H



Two 4-H leader certification trainings are scheduled for June and July. Shotgun, Rifle, Archery, Pistol, Hunting/ Outdoor Skills, and Coordinator disciplines offered. These are one-day only!

June 5, 2021 at 4-H Memorial Camp, Monticello, IL (central IL)

July 24, 2021 at Gardner Camp, Hull, IL (western IL)

Contact your local U of I Extension Office for registration information.

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/shooting-sports/4-h-shooting-sports-volunteers>

Illinois 4-H Special Offer: Become an Illinois RiverWatch citizen scientist!

With one paid adult, two 4-H youth may attend one of 14 different statewide workshops free of charge. During this 6-8 hour training, volunteers are taught to identify over 30 different organisms using a stereoscope. During the field training session, participants visit a local stream, where the Trainer demonstrates proper monitoring techniques and explains how to complete the data sheets. Additional information about RiverWatch is available at: <http://www.ngrrec.org/Riverwatch/>.



New 4-H Bass Fishing SPIN Club curriculum ready to go!

To the first 20 adult volunteer 4-H leaders that respond.....start up a new 4-H Bass Fishing SPIN Club and I'll mail you a kit of supplies that will allow you to complete all six of the fun activity lessons in this new curriculum! Each kit will supply up to ten 4-H youth with the learning supplies they need.

Want to look at the curriculum first? Find it on the Illinois 4-H Project page website at:

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/members/projects/nature-fishing-and-wildlife>

Contact Curt Sinclair at sinclair@illinois.edu to submit a request!

4-H National Opportunities

Champion Equity-Related Work in Your Community!

From September 10-12 and on October 9, 2021 the True Leaders in Equity Institute will prepare up to 20 teams to be change agents to create more welcoming and inclusive environments in 4-H.

At the Institute, your team will gain a deeper understanding of equity and inclusion, choose an issue to focus on, develop new skills, create an action plan for when you return home!

Head [here to apply](#) by June 30th. Download the [FAQs here](#).



Illinois 4-H

Shooting Sports, Environmental Education

Illinois 4-H is being asked for help with an important research project!

I-Pollinate is a citizen science initiative and will be offering \$100 to each of 54 small “study” gardens established by Illinois 4-H members this spring if they agree to report back on-line their observations of which annual, ornamental flowers pollinators prefer on their gardens. The task at hand though is to spread these gardens out statewide – so only one garden per county will be allowed until all 54 are registered. Leaders can apply for funding by completing a training and registering their garden. These are small garden plots with specific plants – literally only 4’ x 6’ in size.



A detailed training will open April 26th, and data collection won't start until National Pollinator Week June 21st but I wanted to give you a teaser now! Be thinking of who to invite from your local areas! Along with the \$100 reimbursement for supplies and materials, 4-H members completing the reporting observations will receive an I-Pollinator Certificate; permanent sign for their garden; and an honorary pin! Good stuff for a future entomology project display!

This project is designed by Dr. Alex Harmon-Threatt of the UofI with the support of the Illinois Farm Bureau and Illinois extension. More information can be found at ipollinate.illinois.edu



4-H Memorial Camp—Family Camp

4-H Family Camp | Experience the fun of summer camp right along with your kids!

Enjoy your own family cabin for a three-day, two-night retreat right in central Illinois. While at camp your family can swim, boat, shoot archery, climb the rock wall, make arts & crafts, fish, take hayrack rides, participate in S.T.E.M. activities, hike, make s'mores over a campfire, and so much more!

Ready to camp? Sign up for the June 6-8, June 18-20 or July 9-11 sessions at 4-H Memorial Camp in Monticello, IL here: <https://go.illinois.edu/4Hcamp21>

Illinois 4-H

Travel abroad with 4-H- Start planning now for a trip in 2022.

Are you curious about daily life, culture, and youth programs in other countries? Travel abroad with 4-H and experience foreign countries for a month-long cultural immersion experience. Delegates live with volunteer host families and engage in experiential learning about a new way of life.

TRAVEL PERIOD: 4 –8 weeks (dates vary by program June-August 2022)

REQUIREMENTS: Youth ages 12-18 (some programs 15-18)

Cost: \$2700-5000* Based on previous years (price varies by year, program and length of stay)

RECRUITMENT PERIOD: September-November

<https://www.states4hexchange.org/apply/go-abroad/>

Costa Rica · Japan · Korea · Norway · Finland · Romania · Taiwan · Argentina

*Country availability changes each year

For more information, visit <http://www.states4hexchange.org> or contact us by email:

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<https://www.facebook.com/illinoisstates4hexchange/> Instagram [@states4hinternational](https://www.instagram.com/states4hinternational)

Upcoming Dates

May 15	Illinois 4-H Food Action Summit
May 20	Virtual Volunteer Café Conversations
May 31	DEADLINE: State 4-H Public Speaking Contest Submissions Due
June 4	State 4-H Livestock Judging Contest
June 5	4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training at 4-H Memorial Camp
June 5	State Public Speaking Contest
June 6-8	4-H Family Camp Session #1
June 18-20	4-H Family Camp Session #2
June 27 – July 1	Illini Summer Academies (Virtual)
July 1-3	Camp Corral Family Camp
July 9-11	4-H Family Camp Session #3
July 11- 23, 2021	Discovering STEM in ACES is a two-week virtual experience
July 24	4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training at Camp Gardner in Hull
July 25 – August 1	ISF Junior Horse Show
July – August	In-Bound Exchange Program Summer 2021



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