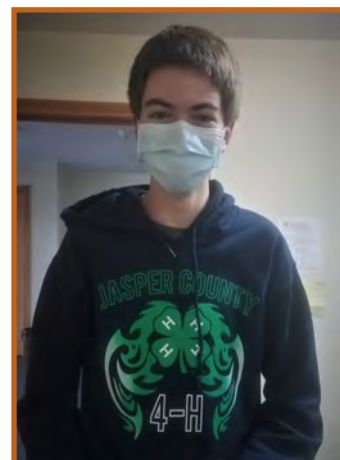


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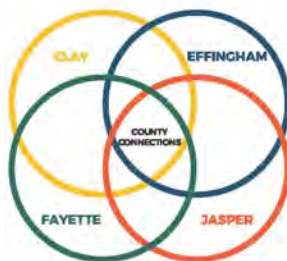
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Used/Unwanted Project Books

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2020 State 4-H Livestock Judging Team

Ty Drach – Pontiac, IL

Brooke Beyers – Sibley, IL

Emma Freebairn – Ottawa, IL

Sheridan Hank – Aledo, IL

Tanner Mickey – Taylorville, IL

Emma Richardson – Capron, IL

Skye Schumaker – Heyworth, IL

Paige VanDyke – Louisville, IL



Please join us in congratulating these fine young people who all competed at the State 4-H Livestock Judging Contest in June and placed high enough to have tried out for the 2020 State Team. Five individuals are typically selected to represent Illinois at the National 4-H Contest held in Louisville, KY. That contest has been cancelled, and due to Covid-19 it was decided to name all of these deserving 4-H members to the 2020 team. Any and all of them would have represented us well!

This is the last year of 4-H eligibility for most of these individuals, and most of them are judging on the junior college level this year. They all have very bright futures, and it is our privilege to have worked with them!



Congratulations
Paige VanDyke

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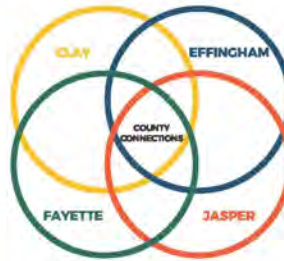
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4-H ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

Reminder for ALL 4-H families, superintendents, and volunteers, you need to go register at the 4-H Online website for the current 4-H year. If you were enrolled last year go to the link below and 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 regarding the enrollment process. The link to 4-H online is <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>

Effingham County 4-H

4-H Shared Agreement

Illinois 4-H members may participate in 4-H under a shared membership arrangement with another county; however, approval must be granted by both counties prior to enrollment by completing the 4-H Shared Membership Agreement form. Members may not benefit economically from exhibiting the same project at multiple local or county 4-H exhibitions, fairs or shows, including premiums, auctions, trophies, ribbons and other awards. Members may apply for 4-H awards or recognition in only one county. 4-H program fee should be paid in the county of residence.

Fiscal Resources

4-H belongs to the United States.

It's the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture who oversees 4-H and makes sure that anyone who uses the 4-H name is using it for the good of its members. 4-H clubs have permission to use the 4-H name and the Clover emblem, but we must follow all federal, state and local laws. Here are the most important rules for 4-H clubs. Most of the money which funds 4-H comes from local, state and federal tax revenue. Therefore, 4-H clubs are held to a high degree of accountability. Each year, clubs must indicate whether they will have financial activity in their club by completing an Indication of Financial Activity form and turning it in to the County Extension Office.

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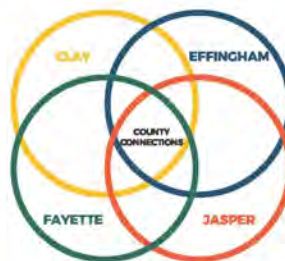
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Effingham County 4-H

Meeting Resources

A big part of your 4-H adventure includes working as a team where everyone has a voice in the things you do. Try adding some fun recreation to your meeting time--at the beginning, in the middle, or as a conclusion. Here are some resources to help you get up and move!

For activities before your meeting begins visit:

<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/files/page/files/Pre-Meeting%20Activities.pdf>

For fun games and activities visit:

https://www.ndsu.edu/fileadmin/4h/ClubMaterials/FJ825_Games_Activities.pdf

For energizers and other club activities visit:

https://www.canr.msu.edu/resources/group_building_ideas_for_4_h_club_group_meetings

For more meeting resources <http://4h.extension.illinois.edu/clubs/meetingresources>

Birthday Corner

Those celebrating birthdays in the months of November are:

Nov 01	Jackson Fritch
Nov 02	Ella Zumbahlen
Nov 05	Brenda Pulsfort
Nov 07	Andrew Kollmann
Nov 09	Macy McWhorter
Nov 10	Eli Gordon
Nov 10	Paige Logan
Nov 11	Christain Hannah
Nov 12	Janet Willenborg
Nov 12	Claresa Ruholl
Nov 14	Craig Logan
Nov 14	Emma Kuhns
Nov 15	Ely VanDyke



Nov 18	Lillian Wernsing
Nov 20	Erin Pontious
Nov 21	Avery LaSarge
Nov 22	Selma Pulsfort
Nov 22	Emerson Moore
Nov 23	Adam Wolff
Nov 23	Jenna Beckman
Nov 24	Annie Budde
Nov 26	Wyatt Myers
Nov 29	Max Runge
Nov 30	Athena VanDyke
Nov 30	Ava Wernsing

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! If you have not re-enrolled for this year, your birthday will not appear in the birthday corner. Be sure to get enrolled today so we can help celebrate your special day!

Jasper County 4-H



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Jasper Co. 4-H Awards

All records have been submitted and will be judged soon. Thank you to all 4-H members for your hard work this year! This year, the Awards Program will be held virtually. Recipients of awards will receive a certificate. Members will be asked to take a picture with their award and send to Katie via text or e-mail. After receiving the picture, award prizes will be ordered and mailed to the 4-H member.

Jasper County 4-H

2020-2021 4-H Federation Officer Team



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Alex Bergbower



Secretary
Melanie Dion



Treasurer
John Johnson



Reporter
Chloe Jansen



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Toys for Kids

It's time to start making plans for 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 Connie Elliott by Monday, Dec. 7. Distribution will begin Tuesday, Dec. 15.

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

Please call Katie if your club or family would like to help with this worthwhile program.

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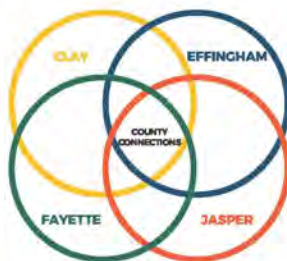
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4-H Club Guidelines for Meetings

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1. Social distancing required; gathering size limited to the lesser of 10 people indoors/25 people outdoors or 50% of space capacity (**warning level**); 25 people indoors/ 25 people outdoors or 50% of space capacity (**non-warning level**)
2. Masks must be worn
3. A virtual meeting option is strongly recommended even if clubs decide to have a face to face meeting
4. 4-H Clubs will need to identify a safety monitor to oversee the compliance of best practice guidelines.
5. Clubs will need to complete a 4-H Club Safety Management Plan, which will be further discussed with club leaders.

General COVID-19 Guidelines for Extension Volunteers

Best Practice Guidelines

Practice best practices for personal protection and hygiene in order to protect you and those around you. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>

- ★ Clean and wash your hands for a minimum of 20 seconds before and after volunteering. Follow the same practice if you take breaks during your volunteer time.
- ★ Avoid physical contact with others and maintain a distance of at least six feet.
- ★ Cover your cough and sneezes with your elbow or a tissue.
- ★ If soap and water are not available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. Cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry.
- ★ Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- ★ Wear a cloth face covering when you cannot maintain at least six feet distance from others.

If you become ill with COVID-19 like symptoms AFTER volunteering, notify your local public health department so the proper procedures can be followed. The public health department will coordinate any contact tracing efforts and will notify Illinois Extension of any possible exposure.

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DO	DO NOT
<p>DO consider any risk that may be associated with the task and DO NOT take part if you feel uncomfortable with the risk level.</p> <p>DO coordinate with the Extension 4-H staff before volunteering and follow all additional guidelines set forth in your 4-H Club Safety Management Plan.</p>	<p>DO NOT volunteer if you have experienced any of the following over the past 14 days:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have any of the symptoms related to COVID-19 as identified by the Centers for Disease Control and the Department of Health https://www.dph.illinois.gov/topics-services/diseases-and-conditions/diseases-a-z-list/coronavirus/symptoms-treatment. • Have been around anyone who has COVID-19 • Have been contacted by a contact tracer informing you that you have been exposed to someone who has tested COVID-19 positive • Traveled to any foreign country • Been on a cruise or been in an airport • Been to an event with more than 50 people <p>DO NOT volunteer if you are in a high-risk category as outlined by the CDC. https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-at-higher-risk.html</p> <p>DO NOT volunteer if you live with or are in frequent contact with people in higher-risk categories.</p>

This is an evolving situation, so these guidelines are subject to change, based on guidance from the University of Illinois and guidelines provided by the Centers for Disease Control. We appreciate the commitment of our volunteers to these volunteer programs, as well as your patience and commitment to safety as we navigate the times.



Illinois 4-H



TRUE LEADERS IN SERVICE – SHARE YOUR STORY!

4-H members and clubs have continued to demonstrate they are ***True Leaders in Service***, as they have worked independently to support both their personal and club goals of making a difference in their community by focusing their energies on the 4th “H” and pledge their HANDS to larger service! Illinois 4-H members and clubs have demonstrated how to **Make the Best Better**, during the COVID-19 crisis by developing plans and taking action collecting and donating food to stock shelves at local food pantries; reaching out vulnerable populations who may not have family members close to pick up needed supplies; and by making hundreds of face masks to distribute to medical facilities; local businesses; and in communities.

If you did not register your plan for serve outreach, please use this link to share what your plan <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/clubs>. Be sure to also follow-up and report what you accomplished on through your service project. The accomplishments of both individual members and clubs will be highlighted on the Illinois 4-H Website so make sure you go use the reporting link located in the middle of the page where it says, **CLICK HERE** to report your 4-H Community Service Activity to provide your club update!

JUST THE HELP YOU NEED FOR YOUR 4-H CLUB

The Illinois 4-H Website has all of the resources and forms needed to guide 4-H club officers, committees, and members as they plan for the new 4-H program year.

- ◆ Go to go.illinois.edu/IL4H
- ◆ Click on the **Clubs** tab.
- ◆ Scroll to Meeting Resources near the bottom of the page
- ◆ Find these helpful documents:
 - ◇ **Club Meeting Agenda** – this fillable form is a useful fill-in-the-blank form your club officers can use as they plan each section of the meeting. This useful form provides them with the meeting structure they can use to identify who from the club should be in charge of each potential item that may be included in a meeting.
 - ◇ **Club Committee Planning Worksheet** – the Committee Planning Worksheet is an excellent tool to give to committee members as they plan club events and activities.
 - ◇ **Club Yearly Program Plan** – this helpful tool guides the club officers and club members as they identify club goals to work toward during the year and brainstorm what programs, events and/or activities to plan for the club to engage members in fun, hands-on learning experiences throughout the program year.
 - ◇ **More** – Don’t forget to download your new secretary book, treasurer book, tips for good club meetings, tips for using the 4-H name, and more other important resources.



Illinois 4-H



ILLINOIS 4-H VOLUNTEER DEVELOPMENT



4-H VOLUNTEER CAFÉ CONVERSATIONS!

Register to participate in the **4-H Volunteer Café Conversations**. We are so excited to be launching this new Illinois 4-H opportunity creating a platform for 4-H Volunteers from across Illinois to meet virtually and 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. We will address two topics during each Café Conversation so come with your ideas, questions, and since this is a Café Conversation, feel free to bring a snack as well!

- **Thursday, November 19, 2020; 7 PM**

TOPICS will include:

Planning Service Learning & Community Service Experiences that Make a Difference

Communicating Effectively with 4-H Families

Link to register for the next Volunteer Café Conversation:

<https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/default.cfm?RegistrationID=22724>

Future 4-H Volunteer Café Conversations are scheduled in February & May! We are excited with our participation so far and will be recognizing volunteers and 4-H members who participate in 75% of the Volunteer Café Conversations with a token of our appreciation! Be sure to save the dates!

- **Thursday, February 18, 2021; 7 PM**
- **Thursday, May 20, 2021; 7 PM**



4-H SHOOTING SPORTS FALL UPDATE

4-H shooting sports members age 11 and up are still eligible to register and participate in the virtual Illinois 4-H Shooting Sports 2020 Shoot! Disciplines offered include shotgun, archery, and rifle with scores entered online until the end of December.

Register at: <http://go.illinois.edu/20204Hregistration> and learn more

at: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/illinois-4-h-virtual-shoot-fall-2020>

Contact Curt Sinclair at sinclair@illinois.edu with any questions!

Illinois 4-H

4-H VOLUNTEER VIRTUAL TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Effective & Engaging Meetings – Thursday, November 12, 2020

The 4-H club meeting is typically one of the first experiences for new youth and new families interested in 4-H. This is the place where members get to know one another and share ideas. This means creating engaging and effective club meetings is the first opportunity to capture the interest of the members and the confidence of the parents. Join us to learn key strategies to help you create effective & engaging 4-H experiences in your club!

If you have not registered there is still time, use this link and sign up today:

<https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/default.cfm?RegistrationID=22664>

Start Your Adventure Today!

4-H makes learning fun! A variety of projects are offered through 4-H so members can pick the ones that most interest them. 4-H members can find other young people with the same interest and study that topic with the help of a volunteer that shares the same interests. 4-H projects help members to learn by doing. Click on the link to begin your adventure today! https://issuu.com/illinois4h/docs/illinois_4-h_project_guide_20-21/8?ff

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