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Dear 4-H Families and Friends,

The fair will be here before you know it and we could not be more excited. Don't forget to make note of the 4-H Fair Entry deadlines. I encourage you to enroll early and to call the Extension Office if you have questions. We are happy to help!

As you will see U of I/Extension/4-H have updated protocols for summer events. We have included that information within this newsletter. If you have any questions about specific ways these protocols will be implemented, please feel free to contact any member of our unit 4-H team.

Now is the time to get to know a few key parts of your 4-H fair book. Take a look at the tentative schedule. While subject to change, it will help you plan your show experience. Don't forget to brush up on the COVID protocol for the 4-H shows (subject to change) and review the 4-H Code of Conduct. Use the link provided to you by Jill to access the most recent version of the fair book. Any changes to the COVID protocol will be outlined in the fair book found at that link. Additionally, please review the specifications for your projects, as some of the rules have changed.

Make sure you have attended 4 meetings and given a talk or demonstration to be eligible to show at the 4-H Fair. If you think you are going to have an problem meeting these requirements, reach out to Jill as soon as possible.

This fair season will bring some unique challenges but also some great opportunities to showcase the project skills you have mastered over this past 4-H year. I look forward to seeing all your masked faces at the 4-H Fair this summer.

Yours in 4-H,
Shelby R. Carlson

Final Virtual 4-H Meeting

Some of you may not be comfortable meeting in person. Some clubs may not be able to offer a virtual option. That's okay! Our office is offering a virtual meeting option if you are unable to meet with your club virtually or in person.

Our **FINAL** meeting of the 4-H year will be **Tuesday, June 15th at 5:30 p.m.** Email Shelby at srcarls2@illinois.edu for more information or to get the meeting link.

I PLEDGE...MY HEAD TO CLEARER THINKING

I-Pollinate Community Scientist

Are you ready to catch the buzz? Youth can take the role of citizen scientists through the I-Pollinate program, run through the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Youth volunteers can join up to three research projects and help collect critical data on monarch butterfly eggs and caterpillars, pollinator visits to ornamental flowers, and statewide bee distribution. Your efforts will help inform conservation plans and how to plant gardens for pollinator habitat! Ready to learn more? Visit the link below:

<https://ipollinate.illinois.edu/how-to-participate/>



New 4-H Bass Fishing SPIN Club curriculum!

The new Bass Fishing SPIN Club curriculum, or Special Interest club, takes place over the course of 6 weeks and will focus on aquatic ecosystems, fish biology, and include STEM activities relating to fishing gear. Kids learn and take part in the sport, but they also gain a variety of skills and knowledge as they master fishing.

Find it on the Illinois 4-H Project page website at:

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

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 Crop Scouting Competition for High School Age Youth

The Illinois Crop Scouting Competition is a one-day contest and will be held at the Crop Sciences Research & Ed. Center in Savoy, IL on August 4, 2021. Student teams of 2-5 high-school-aged youth (grades 9-12), with an adult coach, will rotate through 10 outdoor stations at the University of Illinois South Farm fields to test their skills hands-on with topics such as identifying weeds, insects, and diseases, identifying the growth stages of corn and soybean plants, assessing abiotic injury, pesticide application, and integrated pest management. Event details can be found at the link below:

<https://extension.illinois.edu/global/illinois-crop-scouting-competition>

Schleich Toys Story Contest

What do you think would happen if the toy company Schleich got together with 4-H to create the most fantastic animal tale of all time? Find out with the "Create Your Story" contest, launching NOW! Join in the fun by creating a story only YOU can imagine. The top 10 stories will go to a vote and the top two will be part of an interactive "create your own adventure" video premiering this fall! Find out more here: <https://bit.ly/3taqrEV>



I PLEDGE...MY HEART TO GREATER LOYALTY

Shooting Sports

4-H Shooting Sports Adult Certification Field Day Training

A summer 4-H Shooting Sports leader certification training is scheduled. Shotgun, Rifle, Archery, Pistol, Hunting/Outdoor Skills, and Coordinator disciplines offered. This a one-day only training on July 24, 2021 at Gardner Camp, Hull, IL in Pike County Illinois. Contact Julian Inniss, 4-H SPIN Program Coordinator, for registration information. Please call 309-342-5108 or email jinniss@illinois.edu

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

MCDONOUGH/HENDERSON SHOOTING SPORTS SCHEDULE

Air Rifle (Ages 8-18)

Mondays, 6:00 - 7:30 pm

4-H Fairgrounds, 3022 W Jackson, Macomb, IL

June 7, July –No Shoot, August 2, September 6, October 4

Air Pistol (Ages 8-18)

Mondays, 6:00 - 7:30 pm

4-H Fairgrounds, 3022 W Jackson, Macomb, IL

June 14, July– No Shoot, August 9, September 13, October 11

.22 Small Bore Rifle (Ages 10-18)

Saturdays, 9:30 - 11:00 am

Spring Lake Shooting Range, Macomb, IL

June 5, July - No Shoot, August 7, September 11, October 2

.22 Small Bore Pistol (Ages 10-18)

Saturdays, 11:30 - 1:00 pm

Spring Lake Shooting Range, Macomb IL

June 5, July– No Shoot, August 7, September 11, October 2

Archery (Ages 8-18)

Wednesdays, 5:30 - 7:00 pm

Crooked Creek Outdoors, 1025 W Grant St, Macomb, IL

June 3, 10, 17 & 24

Shotgun (Ages 10-18)

Saturdays, 9:00 - 11:00 am

Argyle State Park Shooting Range, 700 Rd, Colchester, IL

June 19, July-No Shoot, August 21, September 25, October 16

If you have any questions about McDonough/Henderson County 4-H Shooting, please feel free to contact the shooting sports coordinators:

Julian Inniss ~ jinniss@illinois.edu, 309-342-5108

Mary Phippen ~ mecp21@yahoo.com, 309-255-1761

KNOX/WARREN SHOOTING SPORTS SCHEDULE

Rifle- Air (Ages 8-18) .22 Small Bore (Ages 10-18)

Schedule to be announced after June 5.

Pistol- Air (Ages 8-18) .22 Small Bore (Ages 10-18)

Saturdays, 2:00 - 4:00 pm

For Air Pistol: 4-H Fair Grounds Knoxville, IL

For Pistol: 996 Knox Rd. 2150 North Wataga, IL

June 19, July 17, August 21, September 18

Archery (Ages 8-18)

Sundays, 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Galesburg Archery Club 580 Hawthorne Ct. Galesburg, IL

June 6 & 27, July 11 & 25, August 1 & 15, September 12 & 26

Shotgun (Ages 10-18)

Saturdays, 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Knox Conservation and Sportsmen Club 504 State Route 116 St. Augustine, IL

June 12, July 10, August 14, September 11

If you have any questions about Knox/Warren County 4-H Shooting, please feel free to contact the shooting sports coordinator:

Julian Inniss ~ jinniss@illinois.edu, 309-342-5108

2021 Illinois 4-H State Shoots Youth must be 14 by Jan. 1, 2022

Archery: Saturday, Sept. 18

Pekin Archers, Pekin, IL

Shotgun: Saturday, Sept. 25

Brittany Shooting Park, Bunker Hill, IL

Rifle/Pistol: October 2 (Rifle), October 3 (Pistol) Central Illinois Precision Shooters, Bloomington, IL



Are you Fair Ready?

Your 4-H team is busy working to plan the 2021 4-H Fair in a way that is safe for all participants and volunteers. We need you to do your part to make sure you are ready for the fair. Remember that all members should have attended 4 meetings to be eligible to show at the 4-H Fair. If you are short on meetings, check out the virtual meeting option on page 1. You must also have given a talk or demonstration, although some clubs might have additional requirements. Think you are going to struggle to meet these requirements? Reach out to Jill to form a plan!

Fair Entry Deadline

Members can make their fair entries by visiting faireentry.com/Fair/SignIn/15168 for Henderson or faireentry.com/Fair/SignIn/15246 for Warren. Once you are in the fair entry program, you will see a welcome message. Each 4-H member will make their entry as an individual. You should see a list of family members eligible to exhibit. You will make entries one youth at a time. Cloverbuds do NOT need to use the 4-H Entry System. They will just bring their project the day of the General Project Show.

Families with multiple children, once you are done selecting projects for the first child you will need to select “register another Exhibitor” to enter your second child’s projects and so on. Once the family is completed you can then submit everyone at once. Otherwise, once you submit you will need to wait until the office approves those entries before you can enter your second child’s projects.

We ask that you are very patient and you give yourself plenty of time to complete the entries before the deadlines listed below. The fair entry system will close at 11:59 p.m. on the deadlines listed below. We will not be scheduling a Fair Entry night this year. If you need one on one help we encourage you to make special arrangements with the office. We are happy to help, but ask that you don’t wait until the last minute to register.

Fair Entry Deadlines

Warren General Show | Dog and Cat Care - Friday, May 28
Warren Livestock - Friday, June 18
Henderson - Friday, June 25

Fair Dates

Warren General Show | Dog and Cat Care - June 26
Warren Livestock - July 21-22
Henderson - July 25-31

Mobile Friendly Fair Book

Our website is smart device friendly! Please view the most up to date 4-H fair book at the link below.

Visit our website under “Fairs and Shows”: <https://extension.illinois.edu/hkmw/4-h-henderson-county> or <https://extension.illinois.edu/hkmw/4-h-warren-county>.

Check out the Masters at this year’s State Fair

Each county may send one individual entry into the Illinois State Fair Master Showmanship Contest. The State contest begins at 7 p.m. Friday, August 13. Exhibitors must be at least 14 and no older than 18 (as of 9/1/20). You need to supply your own animals for the contest, but may make prior arrangements to borrow animals from exhibitors at the fair. The contest is sponsored by Illinois Farm Bureau and RFD Radio.

Foundation Hall of Fame ceremony set

The Illinois 4-H Foundation will honor one individual from each county at a ceremony during the Illinois State Fair. The celebration will be held on August 17 at the Orr Building on the Illinois State Fairgrounds.



Service Opportunities

We want to hear how you are impacting your community!

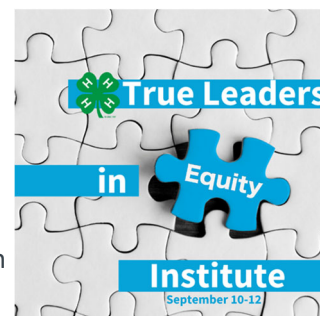
Register your service outreach efforts (or outreach plans!) for the months of **March, April, May and June** that demonstrate support of your communities.

Register at <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/default.cfm?RegistrationID=23183>

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 to <https://4-h.org/true-leaders-in-equity-institute/> by June 30th to learn more!



Midwest Youth Photography Challenge

Calling all youth photographers! The Capture What's Great in Midwest States 4-H Photography Challenge is all about exploring what makes your town, county, state or the Midwest great! Submissions due June 30.

Learn more: z.umn.edu/Midwest-states-photo-challenge

Host an international student for the Academic year August-June

Host a student 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.

PROGRAM DETAILS:

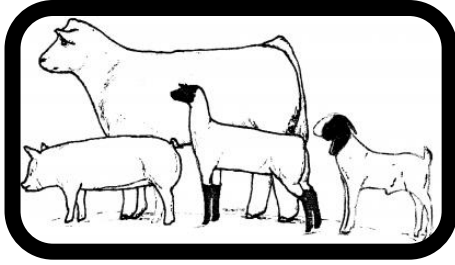
- Students are enrolled in public high school and arrive in the USA in August.
- Your family and exchange student will be supported by local and state coordinators.

STUDENT DETAILS: Visit the Illinois states 4-H International Exchange for details about the student coming this summer. <https://www.facebook.com/Illinois4hexchange>

SCHEDULE: Hosting takes place mid-July through mid-August.

WHO CAN APPLY: Anyone who wants to welcome a high school student into their family and is able to provide the student meals and a bed. Contact the State Coordinator for more information: Miriam Rosenbohm, rosenbohm07@comcast.net or 309-339-8282





Congratulations to all individuals and teams that participated from Henderson and Warren Counties in the Warren County Livestock Judging Contest! Best of luck at all future contests! Thank you to those who volunteered their time to make the contest successful.

You be the judge at Illinois 4-H State Livestock Judging Contest

Mark your calendars, the Illinois 4-H Livestock Judging Contest will be held Monday, June 21 at the Peoria County Fairgrounds. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. Contest starts at 10 a.m. and participants must be there and checked in by 9:15 a.m. This event is open to 4-H members 8-19. There will be a \$10 entry fee for all participants this year to cover lunch. Masks will be required and social distancing will be enforced. Three different barns will be used to accomplish distancing. If you are interested in attending, please email Jill at jillcook@illinois.edu.

State Fair junior livestock entry July 15

The deadline to enter the Illinois State Fair Junior Livestock Show is July 15. The show is open to current Illinois 4-H and FFA members. 4-H membership is 8 to 18, thus youth who were 19 and older on Sept. 1, 2020 and too old for 4-H can only enter as FFA alumni. Your entry forms MUST be signed by either the county 4-H office where you are a member or by your local FFA instructor who must verify your membership.

Superior Young Producer Scholarship Program

This is offered by the Illinois State Fair to 4-H members in Beef, Sheep, Swine, Dairy, and Horses as an educational activity at the Illinois State Fair to promote youth development and personal growth. Three \$1,000 scholarships will be provided in horses and three \$1,000 scholarships will be provided in dairy. A total of nine \$1,000 scholarships will be provided in a combined contest for beef, sheep, and swine contestants.

Congratulations to our 4-H Seniors!

As you embark on a new chapter upon your graduation from high school, we want you to know that we are proud of your accomplishments. You have excelled in your 4-H work and beyond. You have managed and overcome challenges. You have given back to your families and communities. While this year may not have been how you planned for your senior year, you have persevered and we are so proud of you! Thank you for making 4-H part of your journey!



Upcoming 4-H Workshops

String Art Workshop

Join us Saturday, June 5 from 9 am -noon to learn how to create string art and leave with a finished masterpiece! This workshop will be presented by BackCountry Strings at the Warren-Henderson Farm Bureau Auditorium in Monmouth. The cost of the workshop is \$20, which includes all supplies needed. Please bring your payment on the day of the workshop. Youth ages 8-18 are invited and 4-H membership is not required to attend. Youth under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Masks and social distancing will be enforced. Register at go.illinois.edu/stringart. Questions may be directed to Jill at jillcook@illinois.edu. We hope to see you there!



4-H Digs Dinosaurs

Fascinated by dinosaurs? Youth in Kindergarten - 3rd grade can join us for a fun afternoon of dinosaurs! Learn how to identify dinosaurs, where dinosaurs can be found, what they ate, and take home a dinosaur skeleton of your own. Join us on June 18 at the 4-H Center in Macomb from 3-4 pm. Registration is required at <https://go.illinois.edu/dinosaurs>. The cost is \$5 and can be paid when you arrive at the workshop. Participants will be asked to wear a mask and practice social distancing while at the workshop.

Year-End Reports Due August 31

Year-end reports include the Secretary's Book, Treasurer's Book, 4-H Club/Group Awards and Member Awards.

- **4-H Club Annual Financial Statement:** All 4-H clubs with a checking or savings account must complete both pages of the **4-H Club Annual Financial Statement** form at the end of each 4-H year (Sept. 1 – Aug. 31). Submit this statement along with other required forms and officer books to the Extension office by **August 31**. The financial statement includes a report of income and expenses for the 4-H club checking account (page 1) and/or savings account (page 2). The club treasurer and club leader must sign on page 2 of this form to verify that the information is correct. Also on page 2, the Fiscal Review Committee (a group of 2 or 3 youth and adults who do not have signatory rights on the club's bank account(s) must review the financial records of the 4-H club for the past year and sign to indicate that they have found everything in good order. This is a required step from IRS. Your club can not be re-enrolled for the new 4-H year until this is received in the Extension office.
- **Secretary's Book:** Are club meeting minutes up-to-date, and have they been signed/approved by the club President (or whoever was presiding over the meeting when the club approved them)? The Secretary's Record Book is the permanent record of your club's activities and decisions this year, so it is more important than you may think. Your minutes are the official record of your club's financial decisions too—documentation of approval of spending money is required to back up your club's account activities. This needs to be completed **BEFORE** they are due and **BEFORE** club officers leave for college or get busy with school activities.
- **4-H Club/Group Awards:** The report requires youth and adult input from volunteers and members on what the club has completed over the past year in a specific 4-H curriculum area (like Engineering & Technology, Agriculture, or Food, Nutrition & Health). Clubs can submit an application in any or each of the seven 4-H project focus areas.
- **4-H Member Awards:** If you were an active member of your 4-H club, you qualify for one or more 4-H awards. A list of awards you may be eligible for is available on our website. Visit our website at extension.illinois.edu/hkmw/4-h-warren-county or extension.illinois.edu/hkmw/4-h-henderson-county more information.

Happy Birthday To You, Happy Birthday To You.....

A very Happy Birthday to all the 4-H members born in June and July!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

June

Alexa Berlett	Terre Haute Superstars
Angela Craver	Willing Workers
Addison Gillen	Happy Hustlers
Jackson Gillen	Happy Hustlers
Tristin Johnson	Raritan Explorers
Sawyer Kramer	Happy Hustlers
Ethan Mohr	Terre Haute Superstars
Kelton Ryan	Willing Workers
Connor Sherdahl	Stronghurst Hustlers
Jeightlin Sickels	Willing Workers
Reagan Spence	Bald Bluff Blue Ribbons
Sawyer Tatman	Backcountry Braves
Mackenzie Upton	Willing Workers
Kaycee Walters	Cameron Kids

July

Evan Anderson	Willing Workers
Klaire Anderson	Willing Workers
Stella Hunter	Willing Workers
Nicholas Huston	Happy Hustlers
Evan Jenks	Cameron Kids
Kendall Mills	Backcountry Braves
Havana Ponce	Cameron Kids
Mitchell Sparrow	Terre Haute Superstars

We want to celebrate with you! Please stop into the Extension office anytime during this month to pick out a 4-H birthday gift and let us wish you a "Happy Birthday."

Dates to Remember

***** All dates and times are tentative and subject to change. *****

June 1	Dog Paperwork Due
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 20—25	National Shooting Sports Championships
July 1—3	Camp Corral Family Camp
July 9-11	4-H Family Camp Session #3
June 21	State 4-H Livestock Judging Contest
June 26	Warren County General Show Cat and Dog Care
June 27—July 1	Illini Summer Academies (Virtual)
July 11—23	Discovering STEM in ACES is a two-week virtual experience
July 20—22	Warren County 4-H Livestock Fair
July 24	4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training at Camp Gardner in Hull
July 25—31	Henderson County 4-H Fair
July 25—August 1	ISF Junior Horse Show
July—August	In-Bound Summer 2021
August 15	Warren/Henderson County day at the Illinois State Fair
September 25	Western Illinois 4-H Horse Show



Be sure to "Like" us on Facebook!!

Henderson County 4-H
Warren County 4-H



5/25/21

4-H COVID Update

Thank you so much for your continued support this past year as we made the necessary changes to protect the health of our 4-H community. This summer, we are excited to be able to return to in-person versions of our events!

In line with the latest guidelines from campus, the following will be in place on or before June 30th at all 4-H events:

- The university will no longer require fully vaccinated people to wear face coverings or practice social distancing indoors or outdoors. “Fully vaccinated” means 14 days after your final dose.
- Face coverings for youth under 12 and people who are not fully vaccinated will be required indoors. Masks may be removed outdoors only when it is possible to maintain social distance of at least 6 feet.
- These policies are grounded in the honor code. Participants will self-identify as vaccinated or unvaccinated; staff will not verify vaccination status for staff, youth, families, or volunteers. The 4-H program teaches youth the values of honesty and integrity and this is a chance for us all to model and represent those principles. Youth will continue to pay attention to not only our words, but also our actions.

We know this has been a year of making painful sacrifices to help stop the spread of a global pandemic, and we are humbled by the care you have taken to keep each other safe. Last summer, in the midst of the pandemic, we successfully moved to a virtual version of 400+ 4-H showcase events. As we go forward into this next phase, we know we will continue to be stronger together, whatever comes our way.

We will keep aligning with CDC, IDPH, and campus guidelines and will update you on any changes. For further information, please review the chancellor’s message below.

We are looking forward to seeing you this summer at 4-H events!



Dr. Lisa Bouillion Diaz
4-H Assistant Dean and Director

MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID FOR THE AGRICULTURE COMMUNITY

Learn how to help someone
experiencing mental health
or substance use issues



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Farmers, ranchers, and agricultural workers have worse mental health than the general population.

Give someone a hand. Gain skills to identify signs of mental health issues, learn how to communicate with someone experiencing them, and leave with resources to connect someone with help.

TOPICS: Mental illness symptoms, substance use signs, crisis interaction, trauma, addiction, self-care.

WHO IS IT FOR? Ag producers, agribusiness personnel, stakeholders, and anyone who wants to support the agriculture community.

June 29 | 8 AM-3:30 PM CT | Online

Complete a two-hour, self-paced online course, before joining a live video conference.

Sign Up for free online at
go.illinois.edu/mentalhealth2021

Contact Information Karla Belzer
(815) 632-3611 | kbelzer@illinois.edu

Tessa Hobbs-Curley
(309) 837-3939 | tessa@illinois.edu

If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this program, please contact the event coordinator. Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time to meet your access needs.



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