



Henderson and Warren County 4-H Clover

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4-H Families and Friends:

Happy National 4-H Week! We can't wait to celebrate 4-H across the nation during the week of October 3-9, 2021. This year's theme is "Find Your Spark" and I can't think of a better description for what young people like you can do every day in 4-H. I want to challenge each of you to invite a new friend to join 4-H and help us spread the word about 4-H. During the week of October 3-9, we will be highlighting 4-H in a number of ways. Check out our Facebook page to see how you can show your support for 4-H!

In addition, if you have yet to re-enroll in 4-H Online, now is a great time. Call your friendly neighborhood Program Coordinator, Jill Cook with any questions, we are here to help! Don't forget to get your risk form turned into the office if you haven't done so already during your 4-H career.

As we move into a new 4-H year, take time to celebrate your successes this past 4-H year and identify goals for this year. Have fun during your celebration and let's work together to build a better world.

Yours in 4-H,

Shelby R. Carlson



Mark your calendars, National 4-H Week is October 3-9!

Illinois 4-H will also have Spirit Week special days to celebrate each day of that week. Tag @illinois4H on Instagram or send us your post in Facebook messenger for a chance to be featured on our stories/feed! More posts and info to come, but here is a preview so you can plan:

- **Service Project Sunday** – Give back to your community today with an individual or club service project.
- **Member Monday** – Show that you are a proud 4-H member! Change your temporary profile picture to National 4-H week and post a picture of yourself in your 4-H shirt with five reasons why you love 4-H on socials/stories.
- **Time Machine Tuesday** – Share a picture of you at the start of your 4-H career vs. now.
- **Why 4-H Wednesday** – Share why someone should join 4-H either in person or on social media/stories.
- **Thankful Thursday** – Thank someone who supported you in 4-H!
- **Favorite Project Friday** – Share a picture of you with your favorite 4-H project. Send them a card or a little surprise.
- **Spirit Saturday** - Show your 4-H spirit! Wear your favorite 4-H shirt today or show off your 4-H sticker swag on your computers, water bottles, and more.

Thank You Local Coffee Shops

During National 4-H Week our friends at **The Belted Cow, The Healthy Fix and the Tin Cup** are showing their support of Warren/Henderson County 4-H by having a National 4-H Week Sticker on their cups. If you get a sticker on your cup between October 3-9, tag us on social media! Use **@Warren County 4-H** or **@HendersonCounty 4-H** on Facebook or **@4H_HKMW** on Instagram. Each post is a chance to win 4-H Swag!



Help us celebrate National 4-H Week by stopping by to get your 4-H Week Sticker on every cup!



FILL CARD DURING NATIONAL 4-H WEEK AND RETURN COMPLETE TO EXTENSION OFFICE BY OCT 13 FOR A PRIZE.

National 4-H Week BINGO

- It's almost time for National 4-H Week! Each 4-H'er should have received a BINGO card via email. If you didn't, please let Jill know. Your BINGO card is to be completed October 3-9. Return your completed card to the office by October 13th for a prize!



I PLEDGE...MY HEART TO GREATER LOYALTY

Unit-Wide Policies

It is important for you to either review the Unit-Wide policies or become familiar with them. Since we are beginning the new 4-H year, we want everyone to have a copy of the unit-wide policies for 4-H. We are trying to keep the deadlines consistent so, it is easier for everyone to remember the dates. If a **deadline** lands on a weekend the paperwork needs to be turned into the drop box on Monday prior to 7:59 a.m.

- **October 15th** – New members must turn in the Lifetime Risk Form and emergency medical form into the office or to your 4-H leader. Returning members, please turn your emergency medical form in to your leader.
- **December 1st**- Re-enrollment deadline. The step by step guide will be emailed to you once 4-H Online opens for re-enrollment. **If you were a member last year, and you miss the December 1, 2021 re-enrollment deadline, you will not be eligible to participate in the 2022 4-H shows at the fair.**
- The \$20 program fee is required. We will invoice your 4-H clubs; work with them on your 4-H Club's payment arrangement.
- Members will need to **attend at least four meetings** a year to be eligible to participate in your county's 4-H fair. You have to be physically present at the 4-H meeting or logged in and attending via a Zoom option. Excused absences do not count as attending.
- At minimum members must complete **a talk or demonstration**. However, clubs may require both.
- Secretaries are required to **send attendance sheets monthly** after their meeting to the Extension Office. This can be by email, scanned, mailed, or dropped off. We ask that you use the online Secretary book; you can either save it electronically or print it from your computer. We ask 4-H Leaders to review your secretary attendance sheet monthly prior to the office receiving them monthly.
- Treasurers need to make sure they are **balancing accounts monthly** and providing reports during each meeting. Also, make sure you are using the required online form. For the new 2021-2022 4-H year, Treasurers need to start with the ending balance of the prior 4-H year fiscal report.
- **January 1** – All Livestock Project enrollment deadline (Cat, Cattle, Chicken, Dog, Goat, Horse, Poultry, Rabbit, and Sheep). This is the last date you may add **ANY livestock** project and still be eligible to show that project at the county 4-H fair. Again, you may add this in 4-H online. We will know when you add past the January 1st date.
- **March 1** – General Project enrollment deadline. This is the last date you may add a general project and still be eligible to show that project at the county 4-H fair. Remember that you already turned in your project enrollment when you re-enrolled in 4-H Online. However, if you need to add a general show project you may do so before this deadline. This is where you tell us what projects you want to learn more about!
- **May 1**- Horse project member's ownership/lease paperwork and pictures papers due to the office.
- **May 1 – Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)** yearly certification is required of all livestock project members exhibiting cattle, sheep, swine, and goats. For cats, dogs, rabbits, poultry and horses, QAEC will still be required. If you plan to show livestock at the county and/or state fair, this is now a state requirement. Ask your local extension office about ways to complete this training online or in person.
- **4 Weeks Before Fair** -Entries are **due online** by 11:59 p.m in FairEntry <https://faireentry.com/>. Please keep in mind that staff cannot help you after hours that day. It is suggested that you have the entries completed online prior to office closing at 4:00 p.m. that day. *Just because you enroll in a project doesn't mean you are automatically entered in the fair. Late entries will not be accepted. **Please make sure you complete your online entries. This is where you tell us what projects you plan to bring to the fair.** Watch the newsletter and the 4-H Facebook page for dates where you can stop in and get help with entries.*

Travel Abroad with 4-H in 2022

Travel to Japan, South Korea, Costa Rica, Romania, Norway, Argentina, and Taiwan! The application deadline December 1.

Apply here!

app.smarterselect.com/programs/71518-States-4-H-International-Exchange

Program information can be found at the link below.

<https://uofi.app.box.com/s/06mmylql4dyh124tqjf0husfq1s4sqn>

For those 25 and older, you can be a chaperone!

<https://uofi.app.box.com/s/rltzgtq5h4t8xvmmhuehvdypry9np4s>

For more information, visit www.states4hexchange.org.

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Travel Abroad Update!



National 4-H Youth Summit on Agri-Science

Share your expertise in and passion for agriscience with a national youth and adult audience! National 4-H Council is now accepting presentation proposals from adult and teen presenters for the 2022 National 4-H Youth Summit (N4-HYS) on Agri-Science to be held in the Washington, DC area, **March 10-13, 2022**. High school-aged youth are immersed in an agenda focused on agricultural science, food security and sustainability. Sessions will demonstrate why and how agriscience is important and how young people can become changemakers.

Find general conference information at <https://4-h.org/parents/national-youth-summits/>.

Full details available here drive.google.com/file/d/180k-2WP7zQ4rBpxJASxUn523TgUt6Rha/view and submissions are due by October 3!

Hispanic Heritage Month

¡Feliz Mes de la Herencia Hispana! Hispanic Heritage Month is observed each year September 15 – October 15. This month celebrates not only the histories and cultures, but also the contributions of American citizens whose ancestors come from the Caribbean, Spain, Mexico, and Central/South America. Ready to celebrate?

Here are some ideas of how you and your club can get involved!

drive.google.com/file/d/1b24kbmEKZclZW0Q21n7qN6sump7sAwgA/view





COLLEGIATE 4-H

Collegiate 4-H at WIU!

Illinois 4-H doesn't stop at the county level! We want to help prepare you for the future! Join the Collegiate 4-H chapter at Western Illinois University to build your professional development portfolio, build leadership skills and continue to give back to others through community service.

If you know any WIU students that would be interested please have them contact Beth Chatterton for meeting details at chattert@illinois.edu.

Follow us on Facebook www.facebook.com/wiuilcollegiate4h.

Registering for Events:

4-H has so many opportunities for its members to take part in. Did you know the local extension office will help cover the cost of state conferences and events? It's true! Make sure you follow the correct procedure so you don't miss out on any opportunities. The Extension office will cover half of the fee up to a total of \$300 per year per member. The local 4-H Foundation may choose to cover more of the cost.

- Contact your local program coordinator and let them know about the event
- Register for event and select the "pay by check" or "my county will pay" option
- Let your program coordinator reach out to the 4-H Foundation
- Once the Extension Office has paid their portion and the Foundation has covered the amount they choose, you will be invoiced for the remaining balance
- Please do not pay until you have been invoiced for the total remaining cost

New Project: Cover Crops

New project alert! Cover crops is available for the 2021-2022 4-H year!

Investigate new planting processes, explore genetic modification, and develop new products to learn how cover crops can benefit agriculture and the environment.

Ready to start exploring? Head to page 16 at <https://go.illinois.edu/ProjSel21-22>



Paper Clover at Tractor Supply Company

October 6 - October 17 stop by your local Tractor Supply Co. to purchase a paper clover and support scholarships for 4-H youth to attend camp and leadership events! Since 2010, Tractor Supply has partnered with 4-H to help create Opportunity4All and raise more than \$14 million through the Paper Clover campaign. The success of these campaigns has impacted over 81,500 youth by providing them with the tools and resources they need to move forward and reach their full potential.

100 percent of funds raised through the bi-annual Paper Clover campaign directly benefits 4-H youth. 90 percent of donations directly support 4-H youth in the state where the funds were raised, and the remaining 10 percent supports the overall mission and growth of 4-H nationally.



FOR MY CLUB, MY COMMUNITY, MY COUNTRY, AND MY WORLD.

Becoming a Better Babysitter

Better Babysitting Clinic is offered to all youth in 3rd-12th grade. Some of the topics and activities the workshop will cover are:

- child care
- nutrition for kids
- safety around the house
- business of babysitting
- toy safety
- first aid

The clinic will be held at the McDonough County 4-H Center. Located at 3022 W. Jackson St., Macomb, IL 61455 from 9 a.m. to noon. Cost of the clinic is \$5. Register online at go.illinois.edu/Babysitter



Officer & Leadership Training

Do you know what the job is of an officer in your 4-H club? Do you know how to write the minutes? The order of business? When can you write a check and when you cannot? Do you feel comfortable being a leader? If you are a club officer or a club member and the answer to any of these is no, you need to attend this workshop. There is no cost to attend. Open to all 4-H members and leaders in Henderson, Knox, McDonough, and Warren Counties. Training will be Monday, November 8 from 5-7 p.m. at the Warren County Extension Office. Online registration is open: <https://go.illinois.edu/ClubLeadership>

Let's Get Social!

We'd love to connect with you on social media! If your club has a picture or story you'd like to feature on the State social media pages, send it our way! Tags do not work reliably in Facebook, but feel free to connect on Facebook Messenger with a post to share or email the picture and your club name, county, and a line or two on what's happening in the photo to carissa7@illinois.edu.


What makes a great picture that's easy to share?

- Good lighting (make sure we can see everyone!)
- Mask/safety protocols are being followed
- Everyone in the picture has a signed release form as part of their onboarding paperwork
- Your picture tells a story! Action shots are great, or pictures where you can easily tell what's going on even if you don't read the caption. So, a tight group shot of kids together isn't as inspiring as a picture of kids around a garden they just built or actively working on planting.

Follow along on the state pages for news, announcements, and stories!

Instagram: [@illinois4h](https://www.instagram.com/illinois4h)

Facebook: www.facebook.com/illinois4h



**Saturday,
October 9
1-3 p.m.**

4-H FAMILY DAY

**GATHER YOUR FAMILY AND JOIN THE
WARREN-HENDERSON FEDERATION FOR A
FUN-FILLED AFTERNOON OF GAMES, SNACKS,
PRIZES, AND AN ALL-AROUND FUN TIME!**

**ELDRIDGE PARK
ROSEVILLE, IL**

**NEAR WARREN COUNTY
FAIRGROUNDS**

PUMPKIN CONTEST

BE CREATIVE AND HAVE FUN!

**BRING A PRE-CARVED, PAINTED OR
DECORATED PUMPKIN TO THE EVENT**

**THE PUMPKIN WITH THE MOST VOTES
WILL WIN.**

**RSVP TO JILL @ JILLCOOK@ILLINOIS.EDU--- IN THE EVENT OF RAIN,
INFORMATION WILL BE POSTED ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE**



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

A very Happy Birthday to all the 4-H members born in October!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

McKay Grohmann	Willing Workers
Sloan Knapp	Raritan Explorers
Sierra Larson	Cameron Kids
Aeryn Mahr	Willing Workers
Tyler Ricketts	Bald Bluff Blue Ribbons
Colton Spence	Bald Bluff Blue Ribbons
Charles Thurman	Willing Workers

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. *****

October 2	State Rifle Shoot (In Person)
October 3	State Pistol Shoot (In Person)
October 3-9	National 4-H Week
October 9	Family Fun Day Sponsored by Warren-Henderson Federation
October 15	New Member Lifetime Risk Forms and Member Medical Forms Due
October 16-17	Junior Leadership Conference
October 30	Baby Sitting Clinic
November 1	DEADLINE: Summer 2022 Outbound Applications Due
December 1	DEADLINE: Re-enrollment on 4-H Online
January 1	DEADLINE: Livestock Project enrollment
March 1	DEADLINE: General Project Enrollment
May 1	Horse Papers Due
May 1	YQCA/QAEC Due
June 1	Dog Paperwork

#GOALS

The beginning of every 4-H year is the best time to set your goal or goals for your 4-H year. Whether it project goals, community service, or roles in your club. Not sure where to start? Ask your fellow club members, 4-H leader, or the 4-H office. We are all here to help you succeed and make 2022 your best year ever!



Be sure to "Like" us on Facebook!!

Henderson County 4-H
Warren County 4-H