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Dear 4-H Families and Friends,

We're looking forward to the 2021 season! As Illinois 4-H staff plan for the 2021 show and event season, our top priority will continue to be the safety of all involved, combined with a commitment to creating positive youth development experiences for our 4-H members.

We are preparing to return to in-person events, as long as local conditions, IDPH guidelines, and University of Illinois policy allow.

If current local conditions are conducive to in-person events, the opportunity for face-to-face judging for Henderson and Warren Counties will require that all participants, spectators, and volunteers adhere to Illinois 4-H event guidelines. We are counting on our 4-H members, their families, and our staff and volunteers to do their part to help make our upcoming events as safe as possible, whatever format they take.

The following COVID-19 social distancing and safety practices reflect requirements of the Illinois Department of Public Health and University of Illinois event guidelines. These mitigation protocols also may be modified to reflect any requirements of the local public health department based on local conditions at the time of the event.

1. Face coverings are required for all youth, spectators, volunteers, and staff when within the defined 4-H event space (inside or outside)
2. Everyone in attendance will practice social distancing during the event, including maintaining six feet of separation (both indoors and outdoors) from those who are not in their households. To allow for social distancing, building and spectator capacity may be limited based on current public health department guidelines.
3. Handwashing and sanitizing stations will be provided throughout the venue.
4. Anyone who has experienced COVID-19 symptoms within the previous seven days is asked to stay home. COVID-19 symptoms include fever, cough, loss of taste or smell, or shortness of breath.

If any of these guidelines presents a challenge for you, please contact us at our office, or Lisa Torrance directly at 309-333-2501. We are happy to discuss what accommodations are possible so that we can look for ways that all youth can safely participate in the event.

As excited as we are about the possibility of stepping back into face-to-face judging, we also recognize that this is a continually evolving situation. Illinois 4-H reserves the right to adjust or cancel events in the case of identified risk, such as changes in local COVID conditions or known instances of non-compliance with safety guidelines.

We truly are stronger together. With your help, we look forward to a safe and successful summer!

Yours in 4-H,
Jill, Julian, Shelby, and Lisa

I PLEDGE...MY HEAD TO CLEARER THINKING

STEM

Robotics: Use robotics to tell your story in the 2021 Illinois 4-H State Robotics Challenge! This year's team-based challenge will be virtual, and each submission will be evaluated on Story, Table Performance, and Technical/Design during summer judging sessions with winners announced at a Virtual Awards Ceremony on July 2nd.

Register now through April 30: <https://go.illinois.edu/4HR2021>

For details about the challenge, and other FAQs head here:

<https://go.illinois.edu/2021CHALLENGE>



4-H International

Host an international student: Host a Japanese youth this summer through States' 4-H International! Expand your family's cultural understanding, learn about new foods and customs, and possibly learn a new language all while sharing your own. Your children will build lifelong friendships and will gain new perspectives on their own country, too!

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

REQUIREMENTS:

- Families hosting a youth must have a child the same gender and approximate age (12-18) as the incoming youth.
- Youth must have a separate bed; a separate room is not required.
- Host family selection is dependent on completion of an application a screening process, as well as student availability and personality compatibility.

RECRUITMENT PERIOD: January - May or until all placements are made

APPLY TODAY: <https://www.states4hexchange.org/apply/host/>



Environmental Education

Illinois 4-H Special Offer: Become an Illinois River Watch 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!

Your local 4-H program is looking for volunteers to lead a Bass Fishing SPIN club! If you know someone you think would be a good fit, share their name with Jill or have them contact us at the office. This SPIN club focuses on the new Illinois Bass Fishing Curriculum and is geared toward youth in Jr. High. Volunteers must be secured before a club can be formed.

Know someone who wants to volunteer in a different area? We want to talk to them too! Share their contact information with Jill or have them contact us at the office.





Shooting Sports

4-H Shooting Sports Adult Certification Field Day Trainings

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 Julian Inniss, 4-H SPIN Program Coordinator, for registration information, 309-342-5108 or email jinniss@illinois.edu

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

MCDONOUGH / HENDERSON COUNTY SHOOTING SPORTS SCHEDULE

Air Rifle (Ages 8-18)

Mondays, 6-7:30 pm

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

April 5, May 3, June 7, July –No Shoot, August 2, September 6, October 4

Air Pistol (Ages 8-18)

Mondays, 6-7:30 pm

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

April 12, May 10, 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

April 3, May 1, 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

April 3, May 1, 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

May 20 & 27, June 3, 10, 17 & 24

Shotgun (Ages 10-18)

Saturdays, 9:00-11:00 am

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

April 17, May 15, 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 COUNTY 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, 2-4:00 pm

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

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

April 17, May 15, June 19, July 17, August 21, September 18

Archery (Ages 8-18)

Sundays, 2- 4:00 pm

Galesburg Archery Club 580 Hawthorne Ct. Galesburg, IL

April 11 & 25, May 2 & 16, June 6 & 27, July 11 & 25, August 1 & 15, September 12 & 26

Shotgun (Ages 10-18)

Saturdays, 2 -4:00 pm

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

April 10, May 8, 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

Virtual 4-H Meeting Options

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 will be offering a virtual meeting option if you are unable to meet with your club virtually or in person.

Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, April 20th at 5:30 pm**

Email Shelby at srcarls2@illinois.edu for more information or to get the meeting link.



Warren and Henderson County Federation

Federation plans to host a "Get to Know Federation Meeting" on May 30 and are welcoming new members! Any 4-H member in 6th grade or older interested in becoming a part of Federation, please email Jill at jillcook@illinois.edu. Federation bands together the local 4-H clubs into a central representative body for the improvement of the 4-H club program. Federation makes recommendations regarding the 4-H program, carries out unit-based 4-H activities and events such as camps, contests, fund-raising activities, recreational events and achievement night. More details are forthcoming.

Scholarship Opportunities

Be sure to watch our Facebook page for upcoming scholarship opportunities! Henderson and Warren County Scholarships will be sent out soon to all members who are eligible to apply.

4-H Hall of Fame

Do you know someone in Warren and Henderson County who would deserve a nomination into the 4-H Hall of Fame? Please send your nomination to Jill at jillcook@illinois.edu.

I PLEDGE...MY HEALTH TO BETTER LIVING

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 fair. Remember that all members should have attended 4 meetings to be eligible to show at the 4-H show. If you are short on meetings, check out the virtual meeting option on page 4. 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

Warren Livestock - Friday, June 18

Warren General Show - TBA

Henderson - Friday, June 25

State Fair Nomination Processes

If you are taking a sheep or goat to the State Fair, don't forget State Fair has moved to a self-nomination process for all **live-show** sheep and goats. The self-nomination form must be completed March 15-May 15, 2021. A clear, close up image must be taken of the ear with scrapie tag and included with the form. Completed forms and photos must be taken to the extension office by the deadline for a signature. Copies were sent via email and mail. Please call our office if you are needing to nominate animals for the **premiere show**.

Livestock Ownership and Birthdate Deadlines

As a reminder, 2021 Livestock Ownership and Birthdate Deadlines can be found online at <https://uofi.box.com/s/4715zghqcaaz3vgpbnwcqtqsm6n15bzo>.

Henderson/Warren Dog Obedience Coming Soon!

Besides your amazing self and your fabulous dog, you will need to make sure that all of your dog's vaccines are up to date and have a copy of the record at check in. You will also need to turn in your Dog Ownership/Lease Papers into the office by June 1. An informational meeting will be held soon, no dogs will attend this meeting. If you have any questions please call our office. A detailed mailing will go out to the individuals signed up for a dog project.

Horse Ownership/Lease Papers

May 1 is the deadline to file horse ownership/lease papers with the local Extension office. In addition to the ownership /lease papers, a photo of each side of the animal is required. We strongly encourage members who own or lease more than one horse to file paper-work on ALL potential exhibit horses by the deadline. If a horse is injured or dies, it may be replaced ONLY by a horse whose paperwork is already on file by the deadline. A horse may only be owned or leased to and exhibited by ONE 4-H or FFA member at the State Fair Junior Horse Show. Download the form @ <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/members/projects/horse>.

Practice Makes Perfect ... Or The Best Better - Livestock Judging

WUI Livestock Judging Contest

April 24 | 9 AM | 4-H Center | Macomb, IL

Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. with the contest starting promptly at 9 a.m. Please contact Beth Chatterton at (309) 837-3939 or via email at chattert@illinois.edu.

Warren County Livestock Judging Contest

May 22 | 9AM | Warren County Fairgrounds | Roseville, IL

Registration begins at 8 a.m. Contest begins at 9 a.m.

Questions can be directed to Jill Cook at jillcook@illinois.edu or Lynn Shimmin at 309-224-1469.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Illinois 4-H Making a difference

Inviting 4-H members and clubs to be part of the 2021 True Leaders in Service: National 4-H Day of Service event on April 24th as they support the people around them and the communities they live in! Use the link below to find out about two opportunities to join statewide efforts to advocate for others, making a difference in your community!

Registration opens 3/18:

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

4-H Volunteer Training Opportunity – Thursday, April 22, 2021; 7 PM

Join this training on the Illinois 4-H Cloverbud program to learn how to support 4-H learning experiences for youth in the 5-7 year age group. Cloverbuds is an exciting entry point to 4-H for youth you don't want to miss! Use this link to find out more about this training and to register: Registration opens 3/17:

<https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/default.cfm?RegistrationID=23352>

4-H Volunteer Café Conversation - Thursday, May 20, 2021; 7 PM

Use the link below to register (registration opens 3/18):

<https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/default.cfm?RegistrationID=22738>

Remember – 4-H volunteers and members in leadership roles who participate in 75% (3 of the 4) Volunteer Café Conversations will receive their very own limited edition 4-H Volunteer Café Conversations Ceramic mug!

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VOLUNTEER DEVELOPMENT

Celebrate 4-H Volunteers

National Volunteer Week is April 18-24. 4-H volunteers are the caring adults who are empowering and preparing youth for success as 4-H members. They provide service to others and in their communities. Today's 4-H youth are engaged in diverse learning experiences where they practice skills employers want; grow and distribute food to communities in need; steward our natural resources; identify local issues and initiate positive change in local, state, national, and global issues; and they make and influence positive choices for healthy living. All of these things happen because of engaged volunteers in local communities.

National Volunteer Week is an opportunity to celebrate the impact of volunteer service and the power of volunteers to tackle society's greatest challenges, to build stronger communities and be a force that transforms the world. Each year, we shine a light on the people and causes that inspire us to serve, recognizing and thanking volunteers who lend their time, talent and voice to make a difference in their communities.

National Volunteer Week was established in 1974. Today, as people strive to lead lives that reflect their values, the expression of civic life has evolved. Whether online, at the office, or the local food bank; whether with a vote, a voice, or a wallet – doing good comes in many forms, and we recognize and celebrate them all.

In 4-H, volunteers are central to what we do. Join us in thanking our volunteers for all they do by reaching out and sharing what they mean to you. Henderson and Warren County 4-H is lucky to have volunteers serve as club leaders, superintendents, fair judges and assistants, workshop leaders, advisory council members, and more! Thank you for all you do.

BBQ

Under current guidelines from IDPH, University of Illinois and local Health Departments, the following decisions have been made for 2021 BBQ's.

Henderson - Fall 2021 TBA

Warren - Cancelled 2021

April 2021

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Dates to Remember

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

April 24	State Horse Judging (virtual)
April 24 & 25	Youth Livestock Conference
April 25	True Leaders Service Day
May 1	Horse Paperwork Due
May 1	YQCA/QAEC Due
May 15	Illinois 4-H Food Action Summit
May 20	Virtual Volunteer Café Conversations
June 1	Dog Paperwork 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 25	Mini Fair in McDonough County
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 Fair
July 25-31	Henderson County 4-H Fair
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 Summer 2021
August 15	Warren/Henderson County day at the Illinois State Fair

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

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Bridget Brokaw	Bald Bluff Blue Ribbons
Emma Chapin	Backcountry Braves
Linny Corzatt	Raritan Explorers
Rebecca Denison	Backcountry Braves
Hayden Forbes	Terre Haute Superstars
Jacob Ford	Happy Rock Clovers
Elly Hinton	Bald Bluff Blue Ribbons
Jordan Kane	Stronghurst Hustlers
Lindy Kane	Happy Hustlers
Dillon Leary	Bald Bluff Blue Ribbons
Curtis Randall	Bald Bluff Blue Ribbons
Hayden Roberts	Terre Haute Superstars
Chloe Thomas	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."

Fair Book Cover Contest Winners

We want to THANK EVERYONE who participated in the 4-H Fair Book Cover Contest! Henderson and Warren County had so many great entries! The University of Illinois Extension would like to thank the local Farm Bureau and Country Financial offices for helping judge these beautiful entries. Drum roll please.... The winners are: Henderson, Isaac Mohr, Terre Haute Superstars and Warren, Kailee McGraw, Cameron Kids. Congratulations!

