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4-H Family News**



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4-H JULY EVENTS NOTICE:

All in-person events sponsored by Illinois Extension *through July 31* have been canceled or transitioned to an online delivery format.

4-H Shows, including the **Horse Show, Crops & Horticulture Show and Livestock Shows** have been transitioned to online virtual showing.

STEPS TO EXHIBIT YOUR 4-H PROJECT (S):

◆ **Horse Show:**

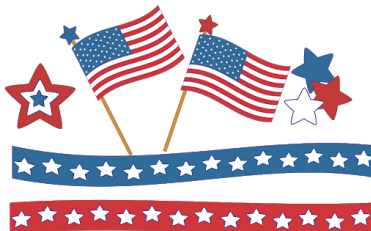
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◆ **Crops & Horticulture Show:**

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◆ **Livestock Shows:**

◆ https://ewm.extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/livestock_4-h_online_show_checklist.pdf



Three members participated in the virtual county

Public Presentation Show

in June and are advancing to the virtual state show!

Congratulations to the following:

Erin Miller, Formal Speech: “Colony Collapse Disorder”

Maya Woodard, Illustrated Speech: “Equine Identification”

Sydney Woodard, Illustrated Speech: “Vesicular Somatitis”

Monroe County Office

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Monday- Friday: 8:00 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.
Closed Noon to 1:00 p.m. for lunch

Madison-St. Clair County Branch Office

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618-344-4230, 618-344-5602 Fax

Virtual Show-a-Rama

Great job to all who exhibited in the Virtual 4-H Show-a-Rama this year! There were 108 project entries! We are so proud of your dedication to 4-H through these unusual times. There were 26 exhibits selected to advance to the Virtual State Fair, with 4 selected as alternates. Those with multiple projects selected will need to choose one to advance.

Illinois State Fair Representatives

First Name	Project	Club
Branson, Valerie	Food Science: Leavening Agents in Cake	Moonlight Boys & Girls
Branson, Valerie	Theater Arts: Theater Portfolio	Moonlight Boys & Girls
Cope, Avery	Cooking 101: Peanut Butter Cookies	Backyard Bandits
Cox, Carter	Cooking 201: Basic Nut Bread	Maeystown Clovers
Cox, Carter	Photography: Antique Lawn Chair	Maeystown Clovers
Cox, Carter	Shooting Sports: Archery	Maeystown Clovers
Gregson, Taryn	Photography: Sleeping Cat	Clover Friends
Guebert, Amelia	STEAM Clothing 2: Paisley Flower Dress	Clover Friends
Guebert, Amelia	Health: First Aid Kit	Clover Friends
Henry, Tad	Computer Science-Visual Programming: remixing a game code/"Into Coronaworld"	Backyard Bandits
Henry, Tad	Photography: Geranium Flower	Backyard Bandits
Jones, Ellianah	Floriculture: Zinnia/Marigold/Snapdragon Arrangement	Clover Friends
Jones, Kate	Passport to the World: China	Clover Friends
Krebel, Ally	Floriculture: Pink Birthday Arrangement	Backyard Bandits
McDermott, Riley	Cooking 301: Rich Chocolate Cake	Golden Eagles
Miller, Erin	Beekeeping: Beekeeping Picture Portfolio	Golden Eagles
Miller, Erin	Leadership: Workshop Portfolio	Golden Eagles
Miller, Erin	Communications-Journalism: Radio Broadcast	Clover Friends
Nold, Hailey	Photography: Hydrangea Flower	Golden Eagles
Schultheis, Deanna	Visual Arts-Chalk/Carbon Pigment: Dog Portrait	Maeystown Clovers
Sutter, Chet	Welding: Table	Golden Eagles
Toth, Olivia	Cooking 101: Coffeecake	Golden Eagles
Woodard, Maya	Animal Science-Poultry: "Clicker Training for Poultry"	Golden Eagles
Woodard, Sydney	Vet Science: "Vesicular Stomatitis in Horses"	Golden Eagles
Woodard, Sydney	Visual Arts-Heritage Arts: Wool Needle Felted Gnome	Golden Eagles
Yearian, Keegan	Woodworking: Multi wood, laminated cutting Board	Maeystown Clovers

Illinois State Fair Alternates

Brandt, Garrett	Woodworking: Livestock Showbox	Maeystown Clovers
McDermott, Riley	Leadership: Leadership Activities	Golden Eagles
Shevlin, Lane	Cooking 101: Jackpot Drop Cookies	Maeystown Clovers
Vogt, Emily	Cooking 201: Apple Nut Bread	Maeystown Clovers

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Illinois State Fair

FROM: Dr. Lisa Diaz, Assistant Dean and Director, Illinois 4-H Youth Development



The **Illinois 4-H State General Project Show** will be held virtually.

- Youth with multiple state show nominations will need to select only **one project category** to advance to state competition. Youth should confirm their choice with county staff in the time specified by staff. Alternates will have the option of being advanced in those project areas where the state nominee has selected a different project.
- Youth may also be part of one virtual group project exhibit (in leadership or in intercultural) advancing to state competition.
- Youth may exhibit in the virtual state public speaking contest AND participate in another project area for the state General Project Show. Since it is a separate contest, cash premiums are not awarded for public speaking, though other awards are provided.
- We anticipate that online judging for the State 4-H General Project Show will still take place in August after all of our county-level 4-H judging events are completed. Because of the limited capacity of the virtual platform, we will not be able to complete all judging in the same 3-day period. We expect this will be spread out over 2 to 3 weeks in August. We plan to continue judging in three “cohorts” as we would have done in person; counties assigned to Friday will be judged independent of those assigned to Saturday and Sunday. First and second place awards will be identified in each project class and “inspire” awards will be identified by judges. As we figure out the timing for online judging and posting of results, we will communicate that with 4-H stakeholders via our Illinois 4-H website.
- The Illinois Department of Agriculture has expressed their intent to provide premiums to qualifying exhibits as in the past. Public viewing of 4-H exhibits will remain an important part of the virtual event. The Illinois State 4-H General Project Show exhibit documentation will be posted for online viewing for 2 weeks after the conclusion of judging. Eligibility for Agriculture Premium Funds is contingent on this access to the public. *If an exhibitor chooses to not have their project posted for public viewing, they may request this with the understanding that they will forfeit any premium funds.*
- Once the judging is complete, members will be able to log in and review the judges feedback.

AgriScience RoadShow Expo Winners Announced

The AgriScience RoadShow is an event sponsored by the Monroe County Farm Bureau, Monroe County Agriculture in the Classroom and the University of Illinois Extension. In lieu of the Expo that was originally scheduled for March, the top 10 placings will be acknowledged with a monetary prize, awarded at the beginning of the next school year.

Valmeyer School had 29 participants and Waterloo Jr. High had 9 participants and Columbia Middle School had 1 participant.

Of those, the following 4-H members completed a project.

(*Indicates they placed in the top 10 of projects submitted)

Valmeyer

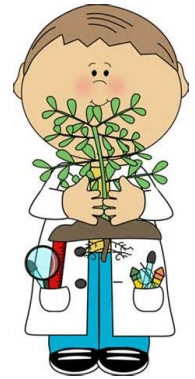
*Hudson Brandt - Does the color of light affect the growth of soybeans?

*Valerie Branson (with partner Kylie Sullivan) - Oil substitutes for cakes

Oscar Hoerr (with partner Kye Holbrook) - Cat Behaviors

*Jared Niebruegge - Rye grass growth

*Oliver Valerius - Do chickens have a favorite color?



Waterloo Jr. High School

*Erin Halleran - Does aloe juice save berries from mold?

*Maya & Sydney Woodard - pH, is it as basic as it seems?

*Nora Duncan, Riley McDermott (with partner Macy Calloway) - What Grocery Store Vegetables Can Be Regrown?

TOP 3 INVESTIGATIONS:

1st Place

Oliver Valerius - Do chickens have a favorite color?

2nd Place

Valerie Branson and Kylie Sullivan - Oil substitutes for cakes

3rd Place

Maya Woodard and Sydney Woodard - pH, is it as basic as it seems?



Oliver Valerius



Valerie Branson



Maya & Sydney Woodard

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Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)

The Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) training is **still required** this year for youth enrolled in *BEEF, DAIRY, SWINE, SHEEP & GOATS*.

4-H members are encouraged to complete this training online at <http://yqca.org/> . There is a \$12 fee to take the course, however, the Monroe County Extension & 4-H Education Foundation will reimburse members \$9.

The **Quality Assurance and Ethics Certification (QAEC)** is required for youth enrolled in *HORSES, RABBITS, POULTRY, DOGS, AND/OR CATS* if you have not done so already. You only need to take it once in your lifetime. Those who don't complete the training will be removed from the animal science project and will not be eligible to exhibit at county shows.

The website is open year round: <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/>

LIVESTOCK & HORSE RECORD BOOKS:

- The PDF versions of the books are found here: <https://go.illinois.edu/LivestockRecord>
- They may be filled in on your computer, or you may print it off and fill it in by hand. Please remember to be very neat if writing.
- The Instruction Guide is found here: https://go.illinois.edu/LivestockRecord_Guide to help you through the process of filling the book out.
- Books are due to the Extension office by **September 15, 2020** for judging.

4-H Award Applications Available to Download Now!

The following updated documents have been posted to our website: https://go.illinois.edu/Monroe_AwardApp under "County Awards."

- **2020 Award Application**
- **Award Application Tip Sheet**
- **Award Application Example (NEW!)**

Award Applications are due SEPTEMBER 15. It is not too early to start filling them out!



ILLINOIS 4-H STATE LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

JULY 16, 9A.M. - JULY 17, 5P.M.
REGISTER BY JULY 13

Held Virtually Via
LivestockJudging.Com

REGISTER AT
[HTTPS://GO.ILLINOIS.EDU/STATEJUDGING](https://go.illinois.edu/statejudging)

Contest Details

- Juniors 8 - 14, Seniors 15 - 18 years of age as of January 1st.
- Questions on 3 classes
- 3 sets of reasons for Senior division only
- Senior and Junior division teams made up of 4 individuals - Judge 4 individuals and count the top 3 individuals.

Send Questions to
Dan Jennings at
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ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE JUNIOR LIVESTOCK EXPO

- Sept 11-13, 2020 (beef / sheep / dairy goats / pygmy goats / rabbits / poultry)
 - Sept 18-20, 2020 (swine / dairy cattle / meat goats)
- Open to ages 8-21. Held at Illinois State Fairgrounds, Springfield, IL.

This is not a 4-H sponsored activity but may be of interest to you enrolled in related 4-H project areas.

For more information: <https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/agr/Documents/20%20JrLivestock.pdf>

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE JUNIOR HORSE SHOW

- August 29-30, 2020 (English Show Portion)
- September 5-6, 2020 (Western Show Portion)
- Open to ages 8-21. Held at Du Quion State Fairgrounds, Du Quion, IL

This is not a 4-H sponsored activity but may be of interest to you enrolled in related 4-H project areas. For more information: <https://www2.illinois.gov/sites/agr/Documents/20%20JrHorse.pdf>

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JOIN US FOR THE FUN 4-H FAMILY LEARNING CHALLENGE!

Have fun, find new hobbies, try new things, get some 4-H swag, and grow closer as a family in this work at your own pace challenge! **Learn how to:** Program a simple computer game, research your family history, bake some AMAZING bread, create a business plan, give back to the community, and so much more! Plus, if you complete all the challenges by the end of July, you will receive an **AWESOME 4-H Swag Bag** (*while supplies last!*)

sponsored by the State 4-H Office and the Illinois 4-H Foundation!

So what are you waiting for? Sign up, share with your friends, and let's have some fun!!

SIGN-UP AT: go.illinois.edu/FamilyChallenge

ILLINOIS 4-H LIVE

DATES TBA

TIME TO SHINE!
 Online Competition
 Registration Required (Link Below)
 Top 3 Advance to State
 8-13 & 14-18 Age Brackets

REGISTER HERE: [HTTPS://GO.ILLINOIS.EDU/ILLINOIS4-HLIVE](https://go.illinois.edu/illinois4-hlive)

4-H LIVE

Despite a global pandemic, Illinois has not stopped doing amazing things. Illinois 4-H LIVE is an opportunity for young people to be highlighted and recognized for their talent, skill & passion for the creative and performing arts. U of I Extension staff will establish regional competitions online, allowing top performers from around the state to compete in an online statewide showcase in the Fall of 2020. This showcase will provide an opportunity to recognize the achievements of Illinois youth and celebrate the importance of sharing art and creativity during difficult times. Fall dates for Regional 4-H LIVE competitions will be released soon.

For more information, contact Mark Becker (mbbecker@illinois.edu)

4-H VOLUNTEER CAFÉ CONVERSATIONS!

We are so excited to announce a new series Illinois 4-H will be launching in August, 2020. Be on the lookout for updates on the **4-H Volunteer Cafe Conversation** series. This will be an opportunity for volunteers across Illinois to meet and chat with volunteers to discuss timely topics, share ideas, and access tools & techniques to support 4-H club and member learning experiences. We will be posting topics and dates on the Illinois social media and email!

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