



**Illinois Extension**  
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

# Lawrence County 4-H Clover Chatter

May 2021

To Make the Best  
**BETTER**



**Tara Buerster**  
County Director

Youth  
Development Educator

**Samantha Gaither**  
4-H Program  
Coordinator

**Debbie Buchanan**  
Office Support Assistant

Lawrence County:

10722 Cherry Blvd

Lawrenceville, IL 62439

618-943-5018

[http://  
extension.illinois.edu/  
elrww](http://extension.illinois.edu/elrww)

**Unit #25—Lawrence,  
Richland, Edwards,  
Wabash & Wayne**

University of Illinois— U.S.  
Department of Agriculture—  
Local Extension Councils  
Cooperating University of  
Illinois Extension provides  
equal opportunities in  
programs and employment. If  
you need reasonable  
accommodation to participate  
in this program please  
contact the Lawrence County  
Extension office at 618-943-  
5018.

## 4-H Happenings

May 1	Ownership Deadline for beef, dairy, sheep , goats, swine, and Horses
May 3	Identification Papers Due to Office  YQCA Training
May 6	YQCA Training
May 10	Sr. Scholarship Due to Office  Public Presentation Exhibition
May 18	YQCA Training

## Congratulations Graduates!

### High School

Rebecca Barker  
Reuben Blasingame  
Ashlynn Caughran  
Abigail Hasewinkle  
Koltyn Loveland  
Saylor Price



### 8th Grade

Jase Akers	Jaden Steinkamp
Bayli Brown	Austin Keith Wilson
Dylan Casarotto	
Rhett Clodfelter	
Addison Dining	<u>Kindergarten</u>
Makinzie Gaither	Luke Casarotto
Hailee Hayes	Carson Fornshell
Christeven Long	Bill Harkrader
Olivia Mullins	Sophie Mills
Olivia Painter	
Hannah-Jia Roark	
Reese Roark	

## Federation News

May 17, 2021

### 2:00 p.m. Extension Office

Federation will hold their next meeting on Monday, May 17 at 2:00 p.m. in the Extension office. We will be brainstorming project workshops, the 4-H 101 series and federation activities. If you are in the 8th grade or older and would like to join Federation, now is the time. Contact Samantha for more information. Hope to see you all there.



### Club Meeting

Many clubs may start meeting in person soon. Please watch our Facebook page and emails for when your club will be meeting.

We ask that you wear a mask and social distance while at meetings. If you or your family do not feel comfortable attending in-person meetings, we will still have some clubs meeting virtually. Contact Samantha for information on how to attend those.

Lucky Clovers—May 17 5:30 p.m. at New Hope Christian Church

Trailblazers—May 20 7:00 p.m. at Red Hills State Park Horse Arena

Clever Clovers— May 24 6:30 p.m. at Lawrence County Fairgrounds

Crafts and Critters— May 25 6:00 p.m. at Bridgeport First United Methodist Church

**For members enrolled in horses, rabbits, poultry, dogs, and cats:**

**This would be your first year in one of the above projects.**

The Quality Assurance and Ethics training is required for youth in horses, rabbits, poultry, dogs and cats. 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 fairs. The website is open year round @ [web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/](http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/). NOTE: Youth must be logged on to a computer for this program, either a desktop or laptop; not an iPad or iPhone.

**This certification is a one time certification and does not need to be redone every year.**





## Animal Livestock Ownership Dates

Ownership dates for animals is as follows:

- May - 1     Market Goats, Sheep, and Swine;  
                 Purebred and Commercial Does, Ewes, and Rams  
                 All Horses
- June - 1     All Poultry and Rabbits

All 4Hers entering these projects must have the animal in their possession by these dates

### Off Premise Form

Off Premise Form are required for any youth who doesn't house their animals at their house. Forms are located online at our website. Please fill these forms out, as well as, have the owner of the location where your animals are being housed complete the form. These forms will be due to my office by May 3, 2021. When Identification forms are sent out, you will also receive the Off Premise form.

### Taking an animal project? READ THIS

**For members enrolled in dairy cattle, beef cattle, swine, sheep, and goats:**

All 4-H exhibitors of these animals will be required to certify in the YQCA program each year starting for the 2021 show season. Attend either a face to face class or certify on-line via the website [yqca.org](http://yqca.org). The YQCA program is for youth ages 8-21. The online version is broken into age divisions as follows: juniors 8-11, intermediate 12-14, senior 15-18, and young adults 19-21. This certification is needed each year with test out options of 1-3 years. Youth exhibiting swine at the Illinois State Fair and 4-H fairs are no longer required to be PQA plus certified. The estimated cost for the face-to-face training will be \$3 and for the online Version it will be \$12.

Lawrence County Face-to-Face training will be held on Monday, May 3, Thursday, May 6, and Tuesday, May 18 all starting at 6 p.m. The training will last an hour, and will be held at the main building at the Lawrence County Fairgrounds. There will be a limit of 25 people that may attend this training and you must wear a face covering and social distance while attending. You must register on the YQCA website at <https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login> and pay your \$3 online. You must complete this course by June 1, 2021 to be able to exhibit your animal at the fair. If you choose to take the course online you will need to provide the office with your certificate number on completion.

You may attend other counties:

Wabash– Tuesday, April 27, 6 p.m., Saturday, May 22, 9 a.m. All held at Annex Building on Fairgrounds.

## 2021 4-H Exhibition Announcement

The 2021 show season is approaching fast and Illinois 4-H Staff are planning shows. Our top priority will continue to be the safety of all involved and we are committed to creating positive youth development experiences for our 4-H members. We are planning for in-person events for the 2021 4-H Shows if conditions in Lawrence County are favorable for in-person events, and if we can meet IDPH guidelines at that time. We are planning to keep the scheduled show days the same as in the previous years for livestock and general projects judging. The Lawrence County show dates are July 22-29.

The 4-H Livestock shows will be held in a show-and-go format, meaning animals will only need to be at the fairgrounds for the scheduled show date and time. After each show, it will be announced the 4-H event is done. However, if you choose to participate in the Lawrence County Jr. Fair shows, you must follow their guidelines of staying on the fairgrounds for the week. To participate in the Lawrence County Youth Livestock Auction, youth must show in the Lawrence County Jr. Fair Shows. Lawrence County 4-H is not responsible or liable for you or your project at that time.

Face coverings will be required for all youth, families, volunteers, and staff when within the designated 4-H event (inside or outside), which will be marked during 4-H events. We are so excited to get back to in-person events, and if we all work together, we can make this a successful and fun experience for all. A detailed schedule will be available after May 10 so you will have plenty of time to prepare for the 4-H shows in July. If you have any questions please contact the office at 618-943-5018.

---

### Reminder for Seniors!

High School seniors—the senior scholarship application was sent to you and they are due back in the office on May 10, 2021. If you need an electronic version to fill in please email Samantha for it.

Keep an eye out for the Jarrod Stout Scholarship to be mailed to you as well.

Illinois 4-H wants to hear from you! We would love to hear how 4-H has impacted your life! Complete the 4-H Senior Survey by May 1 to receive a 4-H memorabilia tassel.

Complete the survey online: <https://go.illinois.edu/4hgradsurvey>



## Registration Open: 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 your local U of I Extension Office for registration information.

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

Questions? Contact Curt Sinclair at [sinclair@illinois.edu](mailto:sinclair@illinois.edu)



### New 4-H Bass Fishing SPIN Club curriculum ready to go!

To the first 20 adult volunteer 4-H leaders that respond.....start up a new 4-H Bass Fishing SPIN Club and I'll mail you a kit of supplies that will allow you to complete all six of the fun activity lessons in this new curriculum! Each kit will supply up to ten 4-H youth with the learning supplies they need.

Want to look at the curriculum first? Find it on the Illinois 4-H Project page website at: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/members/projects/nature-fishing-and-wildlife>

Contact Curt Sinclair at [sinclair@illinois.edu](mailto:sinclair@illinois.edu) to submit a request!

## 4-H Memorial Camp

### Family Camp

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>





# Volunteer Opportunities



## 4-H Volunteer Café Conversations

Register to participate in the **4-H Volunteer Café Conversations** Thursday, May 20 at 7pm. Volunteers meet to 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. Bring your ideas, questions, and since this is a Café Conversation, feel free to bring a snack!

[Head here to register.](#)

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!



**Where will you explore in 2022?**

Costa Rica • Japan • Korea • Norway • Finland • Romania • Taiwan • Argentina

## 4-H International

**Travel abroad with 4-H-** Start planning now for a trip in 2022.

Are you curious about daily life, culture, and youth programs in other countries? Travel abroad with 4-H and experience foreign countries for a month-long cultural immersion experience. Delegates live with volunteer host families and engage in experiential learning about a new way of life.

TRAVEL PERIOD: 4 –8 weeks (dates vary by program June-August 2022)

REQUIREMENTS: Youth ages 12-18 (some programs 15-18)

Cost: \$2700-5000\* Based on previous years (price varies by year, program and length of stay)

RECRUITMENT PERIOD: September-November

<https://www.states4hexchange.org/apply/go-abroad/>

Costa Rica • Japan • Korea • Norway • Finland • Romania • Taiwan • Argentina

\*Country availability changes each year

For more information, visit [h□p://www.states4hexchange.org](https://www.states4hexchange.org) or contact us by email: Miriam Rosenbohm at [rosenbohm07@comcast.net](mailto:rosenbohm07@comcast.net) or Elisha Hughes at [ehugh2@illinois.edu](mailto:ehugh2@illinois.edu)  
<https://www.facebook.com/illinoisstates4hexchange/> Instagram [@states4hinternational](https://www.instagram.com/states4hinternational)