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# MONROE COUNTY 4-H Family News



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### 4-H County Horse Show

Sunday, May 22, 1:00 p.m., Monroe County Fairgrounds

### Food Demonstration Show

Monday, June 6, 7:00 p.m., Monroe County Annex

### Show-A-Rama

Saturday, June 25, 8:30-10:30 a.m., Monroe County Fairgrounds

(See Showbook for project list)

### Monroe County Fair

July 24-31, Monroe County Fair

### Monroe County Day at IL State Fair

Friday, August 12, Illinois State Fairgrounds, Springfield

## 4-H SHOWBOOK & REGISTRATION

Please review the 4-H Showbook for class guidelines for **General Projects, Horse & Food Demos:**

<https://go.illinois.edu/Showbook-General>

Please review the 4-H Fair Showbook for class guidelines for **Livestock, Horticulture & Crops:**

<https://go.illinois.edu/FairShowbook>

To **register to exhibit**, please follow these instructions:

<https://go.illinois.edu/FairEntryDirections>



**Monroe County Office**  
901 Illinois Ave., PO Box 117  
Waterloo, IL 62298  
618-939-3434, 618-939-7708 Fax

**Office Hours:**  
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**  
1606 Eastport Plaza Drive, Suite 100  
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# Ag Tech SCIENCE CAMP

**TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS  
JUNE 14-AUGUST 4  
9-NOON**



**BAEBLER EDUCATIONAL FARM**

**4022 JJ RD. , WATERLOO**

(WITH TWO TRIPS TO THE JACKIE JOYNER-KERSEE YOUTH CENTER  
AND ONE TRIP TO THE DONALD DANFORTH PLANT SCIENCE CENTER)

LEARN ABOUT THE ROLE  
SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY PLAYS  
IN AGRICULTURE THROUGH  
HANDS-ON FIELD ACTIVITIES  
INCLUDING  
PLANTING/OBSERVING  
DIFFERENT TYPES OF CORN,  
USING DRONES, COLLECTING  
DATA, LEARNING FROM  
SCIENTISTS, ENTOMOLOGISTS  
AND MORE!

**FREE TO YOUTH AGES 12-15**

**SNACKS/DRINKS PROVIDED**

**REGISTER: [HTTPS://GO.ILLINOIS.EDU/AGTECHSCIENCECAMP](https://go.illinois.edu/agtechsciencecamp)**

**BY MAY 13**

**LIMITED TO 10 YOUTH**



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## Questions?

**Contact Kelly Brandt at [kmbrandt@illinois.edu](mailto:kmbrandt@illinois.edu)**

**or 939-3434.**

**\*Even if you cannot attend each session but are still interested in joining, you are welcome to do so. We encourage you to attend as many sessions as possible however.**

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## 4-H SHOW REQUIREMENTS

As we enter into 4-H Show season, please remember that in order to show projects at the County and State levels at the end of the year, you must meet the following requirements:

- Attend at least 4 meetings during the 4-H year.
  - Give a talk or demonstration at a club meeting.
  - Enroll in 4-H online by January 1, 2022.
- All livestock project members must show an *in-progress* Livestock Record Book to their Leader at their May, June or July club meeting prior to the county fair.

### YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS (YQCA)

If you missed the in-person YQCA trainings, you can still take the **training online** for \$12.00.

**YQCA training is required for any youth exhibiting**

**BEEF, DAIRY, GOAT, SHEEP and/or SWINE at the County Fair.**

#### REGISTER:

Go to: <https://yqcaprogram.org/>

Register for a NEW account under a PARENT name and fill out all required fields.

Confirm your account through a link sent to your email.

Click on the blue “Add Child” button on the YQCA website and enter required fields for each child participating in the YQCA training.

Next, click on your user name in the blue box in the upper right hand corner.

Choose “Enrolled ILT Trainings” from the dropdown list.

Click on the blue “Go to Courses” button.

Click on the blue button indicating child’s age next to his/her name.

Choose appropriate age and “Web Based Training” for \$12.

Next, choose participants name, state and training date.

Training must be paid for via credit/debit card. If this option is not available for your family, please contact the Extension office asap.

Repeat registration process for each family member required to take the training.

### QUALITY ASSURANCE & ETHICS CERTIFICATION (QAEC)

Taking the QAEC training is mandatory for:

**horse, rabbit, poultry, dog, cat & small pet** projects shown live or via an Animal Science project.

Please visit: <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/>

All county and state horse and dog exhibitors must complete QA&E Certification via this site one time during their 4-H showing career. Those that have completed it in the past do not have to complete it again.



## CONGRATULATIONS ON THE SHEEP/GOAT JUDGING CONTEST WINNERS:

Great job to all who participated in the sheep & goat judging contest at the Sheep Festival on April 9, 2022.

### SHEEP JUDGING

#### Ages 8-12

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Morgan Hornbostel (Washington Co.)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Cooper Kahl (Jersey Co.)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Parker Brandt (Monroe Co.)

#### Ages 13-19

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Clayton Richey (Jersey Co.)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Cal Sutter (Monroe Co.)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Garrett Brandt/Ben Whelan (Monroe Co.)

*\*Prizes for the Sheep Judging Contest were sponsored by Gateway FS & Monroe County Sheep Producers.\**

### GOAT JUDGING

#### Ages 8-12

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Morgan Hornbostel (Washington Co.)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Luke Lutman (Monroe Co.)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Parker Brandt (Monroe Co.)

#### Ages 13-19

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Kara Meurer (Monroe Co.)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Ashlen Scott (Jersey Co.)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Kortney Stumpe (Jersey Co.)

*\*Prizes for the Goat Judging Contest were sponsored by Clay & Tammi Sutter and Gary & Kelly Brandt*



34 youth participated in the Sheep & Goat Judging Contest. Thank you to the Monroe County Sheep Producers for sponsoring this opportunity!

Great job to the 4-H Federation for hosting a fun-filled Kids Corner again this



Thank you to the 4-H Cruisers Club for providing TWO food stands at the Sheep Festival!

## SHEEP & GOAT WEIGH-IN

**SATURDAY, May 7, 8am**

*Sheep weigh first, followed by goats.*

If you plan to show and sell a market lamb and/or goat at the Monroe County Fair, your lamb/goat **MUST** participate in the weigh-in. We hope that exhibitors can be present for the weigh-in, however, if you are unable to attend, make sure your lamb(s)/goat(s) are there to be weighed and tattooed.



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## 4-H GREEN COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

Baebler Educational Farm is now home to an oak tree savanna thanks to youth from the 4-H Cruisers and Golden Eagles 4-H Clubs through a partnership with the Monroe County Soil & Water Conservation District.

Illinois once held 14 million acres of trees, but that number has dropped to 5 million due to modern development practices. Illinois 4-H partnered with Illinois Soil and Water Conservation Districts to help turn the tide by planting 775 oak trees in 31 counties across Illinois this spring.

The Baebler Educational Farm location was chosen to honor the many volunteers who dedicate many hours of hard work and dedication to preserving the farm for enjoyment and learning by local youth.



## 4-H LIVESTOCK CLINIC

A 4-H Livestock Clinic and YQCA Training was held on April 2 with nearly 100 youth and parents in attendance. Many thanks to all of the Livestock Superintendents, 4-H youth volunteers, Matt Hornbostel with Gateway FS and Dr. Liz Vollmer with Waterloo Animal Hospital for their help in making a successful event!



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## COUNTY & STATE HORSE SHOWS

**Monroe County 4-H Horse Show: Sunday, May 22, 1:00 p.m., Monroe County Fairgrounds**

Open to all 4-H members enrolled in a horse project.

Please review the 4-H Showbook for class guidelines:

<https://go.illinois.edu/Showbook-General>

To **register to exhibit**, please follow these instructions:

<https://go.illinois.edu/FairEntryDirections>

**Illinois State Fair Junior Horse Show: July 24-30, IL State Fairgrounds**

Ownership and/or lease paperwork must be placed on file at the local University of Illinois Extension office by **May 15**. In addition to the ownership/lease papers, two photos, one of each side of the animals will be mandatory for all horse and ponies, grade and registered animals. We strongly encourage members, if they own or lease more than one horse, to file paperwork 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 forms @ [https://go.illinois.edu/Horse\\_Ownership\\_Lease](https://go.illinois.edu/Horse_Ownership_Lease)



A few members of the Hunting/Outdoor Skills & Fishing Club recently met at Baebler Educational Farm and caught approximately 50 fish!



# YOUTH COOKING SCHOOL



## REGULAR SESSIONS

June 6–9, 2022– St. Paul's Lutheran Church–Columbia  
June 27–30, 2022– Immanuel Lutheran Church–Waterloo

\$60 For Regular Sessions

Ages 8–14

## FOOD CHALLENGE

June 20–23, 2022– Immanuel Lutheran Church–Waterloo

Ages 11–14

\$75 For Food Challenge

Morning: 8:30–11:30 A.M.

Afternoon: 12:30–3:30 P.M.

Maximum of 20 participants!

Participants are NOT required to wear a face-covering but may do so if they choose. Anyone who is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms is asked to please stay at home.

Register Now!

<https://extension.illinois.edu/mms>



Youth will learn important life skills such as how to make group decisions, safe use of small appliances, how to prepare healthy food, and how to work cooperatively with others. Each day the students will prepare and enjoy several recipes.



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attend, call the registration office.

## LIVESTOCK & HORSE RECORD BOOKS

**\*In progress books must be shown to/signed by your leader at your May, June or July club meeting prior to the fair. (Horses-prior to May 4-H Horse Show.)**

- 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 (neatly).
- The Instruction Guide is found here: [https://go.illinois.edu/LivestockRecord\\_Guide](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, 2022** for evaluation.

## 2022 AWARD APPLICATIONS

The 2022 4-H Award Application form has been posted. The purpose of this application is to highlight all of your hard work and accomplishments in 4-H throughout the year.

[https://go.illinois.edu/Monroe\\_AwardApp](https://go.illinois.edu/Monroe_AwardApp)

Applications are due to the Extension office by **September 15, 2022** for evaluation.

### **NEW**

If you completed projects in more than 1 project area, you will only need to **fill out the Participation, Community Service, and Leadership pages one time**, but you will **fill out a separate Project Learning page for each project area** and mark which project area that page is for at the top.

### **NEW! “MY 4-H EXPERIENCE” LOG SHEET**

Keep track of your 4-H activities all year long to help prepare for filling out your Award Application. List all of the activities you participate in, keep track of meetings, community service and more!

<https://go.illinois.edu/MyExperienceLog>

### **NEW! GOAL WORKSHEET**

Keep track of your 4-H goals for participation, community service, leadership and project mastery to aid you as you fill out your Award Application.

<https://go.illinois.edu/GoalWorksheet>



## \*4-H LIVESTOCK AUCTION GUIDELINES\*

UPDATED guidelines for the 2022 4-H/FFA Livestock Auction as determined by the Monroe County 4-H/FFA Livestock Auction Committee are:

Exhibitors may sell:

- one large specie: Beef, Sheep or Swine (sold by lb.)  
and
- one small specie: Goat, Rabbit or Poultry (sold by head/pen)

## DO YOU WANT TO BE A 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS INSTRUCTOR?

SAVE THE DATES: 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS ADULT VOLUNTEER CERTIFICATION TRAININGS

- Sat., May 7, 2022 4-H Memorial Camp, Monticello, IL (Central Illinois)
- Sat. July 16, 2022 Bi-State Sportsman's Club, Colona, IL (Northwest Illinois)

**\*We need additional Archery & Pistol instructors in Monroe County.**

*Please contact Kelly Brandt at [kmbandt@illinois.edu](mailto:kmbandt@illinois.edu) if you are interested.*



## 4-H VOLUNTEER CAFÉ CONVERSATION - THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2022; 7 PM

TOPICS will include:

1. **Be Our Guest!**
2. **Under FAIR Pressure!**

Link to register for the May 19, 2022 Volunteer Café Conversation:

<https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/default.cfm?RegistrationID=25159>

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## ACES FAMILY ACADEMIES

The University of Illinois College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences will host ACES Family Academies on July 14-15, 2022. ACES Family Academies is a two-day learning experience for alumni to bring youth ages 8-13 to stay on campus, eat in the residence halls, and participate in interactive classes, all while learning about ACES majors, programs, and research. Cost is \$125. Registration deadline is June 3, 2022. [Full schedule and educational session information is available online.](#)



## STATE 4-H FISHING TOURNAMENTS READY TO GO!

Easy to enter, easy to win!

Learn rules and how to enter here:

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/events/4-h-hooks-us-together-fishing-tournament>

Open to all current year 4-H members, but new rod & reel prizes only for 4-H members registered in the 4-H Sport fishing project for the 2021-2022 year. Entries just require a phone, tape measure and then upload information to: <https://go.illinois.edu/fish4H>

April - Crappie State 4-H Tournament

May - Largemouth Bass 4-H State Tournament

June - Channel Catfish 4-H State Tournament



## CROP SCOUTING COMPETITION, AUGUST 4, 2022

Crop Sciences Research & Education Center, 4202 South 1st St., Savoy, IL 61874 Check-in and registration start at 8 a.m. The competition starts at 8:30 a.m. and will end by 1:30 p.m.

The competition is open to high school students completing grades 9-12 in the spring of 2022. They will work in teams of 2 to 5 students led by an adult coach. Coaches can be FFA advisers, agriculture teachers, seed dealers, co-op employees, and others. No more than three teams per sponsoring organization (e.g. company, school, club).

This will be an outdoor event.

Meals: Lunch, beverages, and snacks will be provided.

Prizes: \$500 for 1st, \$300 for 2nd, and \$150 for 3rd.

Questions? Contact program coordinator Chelsea Harbach at [harbach2@illinois.edu](mailto:harbach2@illinois.edu).

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## 4-H MEMORIAL CAMP- SUMMER YOUTH CAMP



Registration for our Summer Youth Camps at 4-H Memorial Camp is underway! We still have spaces for female campers for each session. We have filled all of our spots for male campers but have started waiting lists for each session in case any spots open up. You do not need to be a 4-H member to attend.

### Camp Dates

June 5-9, 2022  
June 12-16, 2022  
July 5-9, 2022  
July 17-21, 2022

Program details and registration materials are available on our website: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/camping/4-h-memorial-summer-youth-camp>

To see pictures of past youth camps, please visit our [Facebook](#) page. If you have any questions or would like to get your male camper on a waiting list, please contact: Monika Hammerschmidt [hammersc@illinois.edu](mailto:hammersc@illinois.edu) or Andy Davis [ardavis1@illinois.edu](mailto:ardavis1@illinois.edu) (217) 762-2741

## FAMILY CAMP SPRING 2022

Family Camp is back for 2022! If you have been hearing about how much fun families had at 4-H Memorial Camp last summer and wanted a chance to experience it yourself, now is your chance. May 20-22, 2022 we will be holding a Spring Family Camp weekend. Your family will get to stay in their own cabin, have all meals provided from Friday Dinner through Sunday Lunch, and get to participate in all the fun activities we have planned including swimming, boating, fishing, arts & crafts, rock climbing, fun S.T.E.M. activities, hikes, etc. You can find pictures of last year's Family Camp on our [Facebook Page](#).

**Dates:** May 20-22

### Fees:

Cabin Rental- \$210

Participant Fee —8 years old and older: \$81/person

4-7 years old: \$54/person

Under 3- No Charge

**\*At least one child must be 4-H Age (5-18)**

Each cabin has 10 beds

More information and registration forms can be found on the 4-H Memorial Camp Website <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/camping/4-h-family-camp>.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Monika Hammerschmidt [hammersc@illinois.edu](mailto:hammersc@illinois.edu) (217) 762-2741





Sheep & Goat Weigh-in	May 7, Monroe County Fairgrounds
4-H Day with the Cardinals	May 14, Busch Stadium, St. Louis, MO
Spring 4-H Leader Meeting	May 17, Monroe County Annex
4-H Horse Show	May 22, 1:00pm, Monroe County Fairgrounds
Food Demonstration Show	June 6, 7:00pm, Monroe County Annex
Ag Tech Science Camp begins	June 14, 9-12, Baebler Educational Farm
Show-A-Rama (general projects show)	June 25, 8:30am, Immanuel Lutheran Church Hall-Waterloo
Monroe County Fair	July 24-31, Monroe County Fairgrounds
Monroe County Day @ State Fair	August 12, Illinois State Fairgrounds, Springfield



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