



**Deadlines:**

- June 10 - SF Lamb & Goat Nominations
- June 10 - SF Premier Swine Nominations
- June 20 - SF Horse Entries
- July 15 - SF Livestock Entries

**Events:**

- Henry County Fair - Virtual
- Stark County Fair - TBD
- State Fair - TBD



The Henry/Stark livestock judging team did very well at the National Swine Registry picture judging contest. We had the top 4 teams out of 31 competing. The youth also did well individually. Congratulations to all the participants!

Junior Individual Division	Team Competition
1st - Tucker Taber	1st - H/S Team 2 (Makayla Park, Kylie Gillespie, Rachel DeRycke, Kyla DeRycke)
2nd - Kyla DeRycke	2nd - H/S Team 3 (Brayden Hardin, Sam Nightingale, Chet Gillespie, Cole Kinsella)
3rd - Adelyn Hardin	3rd - H/S Team 5 (Tucker Taber, Cash Kinsella, Katelynn Allen, Adelyn Hardin)
	4th - H/S Team 1 (Cole Ellerbrock, Whitney Schupp, Ryan Murphy, Hailey VanOpDorp)

*And the Winners are...*

Thanks to everyone who participated in our 4-H Pledge Challenge over that last month. You all had great ideas! Winners include:

Champions (completed all 5): Dalton Carls, Lylah Franks, Steven Hollins, Curtis Martin, Maggie Mackey & Isabelle Mackey

Honorable Mentions - Bailey Callahan, Ryder Specht, Audri Elsbury, Lilly Gillespie & Olivia Freyermuth.

Prizes will be awarded as soon as we are allowed back into our offices.



**I Pledge**

my **HEAD**  
to clearer thinking,

my **HEART**  
to greater loyalty,

my **HANDS**  
to larger service, and

my **HEALTH**  
to better living, for

my **Club, my Community,**  
my **Country,**  
and my **World.**

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# Club News and Notes



## New State Fair Deadlines:

\* Subject to change at a moment's notice\*

### June 10

Lamb nomination forms & pictures  
Goat nomination forms  
Premiere Swine nomination forms  
--No weighing/tattoo, breed & ear notch only  
Contact Jennifer if you need any of the nomination forms.

### June 20

State Fair horse entries due along with ownership/lease papers and color pictures. Entries go directly to the State Fair office listed on entry sheet.

### July 15

All livestock entries due to State Fair

If the State Fair is cancelled, the livestock shows will move online. Info on that will be distributed if necessary.

## State Livestock Judging:

The State livestock judging contest will be held online this year through [livestockjudging.com](http://livestockjudging.com).

- Will be placings & questions only, no reasons
- There will still be junior & senior divisions
- Registration will still be required, info to come
- Date is to be determined, but it will be held in June.

## Master Showmanship:

If contests are not able to be held in person (Henry), the delegate selection process will occur via application. Those applications will be distributed when made available to us.

## Ethics Updates

It is still required that youth exhibiting in beef, dairy, goats, sheep and/or swine complete YQCA.

If you still need to fulfill the requirement, you will have to take the training online at [yqca.org](http://yqca.org).

Here are a few instructions:

- Use the 4-H Online option to log-in.
- The discount is now available to credit card payments.
- You can only test out of an age group if you are at the *beginning* of the age group.
  - Juniors - only 8 year olds can test out
  - Intermediate - only 12 year olds can test out
  - Senior - only 15 year olds can test out

Members exhibiting horses, rabbits, poultry, small pets, and/or dogs are required to take the QAEC training. This is a one-time only training. If you've taken it in past years, you do NOT need to take it again. This training can be found here:

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

## Congratulations!

Congratulations go out to the winners of the Henry County 4-H Foundation scholarships. Both winners will receive \$500 in recognition of their outstanding 4-H careers. Winners are:

**Breeanna Olson of Rough Riders**

**Hailey VanOpDorp of Atkinson Boosters**

All of us at Extension also wish to extend our heartfelt congratulations to all the graduating seniors this year. We can't wait to see what your futures hold.

Breeanna Olson	Hailey VanOpDorp
Brody Roberts	Jacob Dickson
Cal Larson	Kyle Hofer
Carsen Curry	Molly Anderson
Claire Hall	Raleigh Coleman
Daniel Pustejovsky	Tori Werkheiser
Grace Versluys	Colby Wall
Hailey Ingle	Jared Rouse
Adriana Conlin	Kendra Myers



# NEWS & notes

## Around the State

### Online Record Books

We were asked to pilot a new online record book. This pilot is still happening even if exhibitions are held virtually. There is still time to participate! All we ask is that you complete an online record for one of your projects. This fall, we will ask for your feedback on the technological aspects of the website, the content of the record books, and the ease of use. You will be rewarded, in some way, for your participation. Here is the important information:

- Website to access online record book is: [4h.zsuite.org](http://4h.zsuite.org).
- A parent/adult should create the initial account.
- Individual youth can then create their own accounts with their own record books under that parent account.
- There are record books tailored to project areas.
- As you are filling out sections of the record book, think about how it could be made better/easier.



If you have questions about the website itself, they have a great help section. If you have questions about the pilot process or the content required, contact Jennifer.



Do you have an idea that could help your community during this COVID crisis? If so, this is your chance to make your idea a reality.

5 finalists will be selected to pitch their idea to a panel of experts including Maker and rapid prototyping experts on May 30. We will provide one person or team \$1,000 in resources and guidance to aid in the creation of your idea. There is also a chance to share your idea nationally. For full information, visit: [go.illinois.edu/covididea](http://go.illinois.edu/covididea).

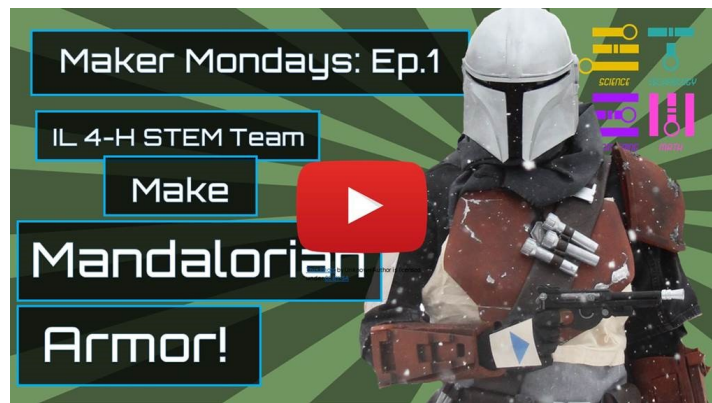
### AWARDS

State award applications aren't due until November, but now is a great time to start looking at the requirements, especially for experience awards.

There are many new awards this year, and they all have \$1,000 scholarships tied to them. These new awards are taking the place of the old State 4-H Awards.

The Experience awards still exist. These awards are open to all ages. Take a look at the application and see what level you meet. If you start marking these applications now, it will be much easier to get questions answered closer to the deadline.

All award applications and descriptions can be found on the Illinois State 4-H page here: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/members/awards>



The state technology team is doing a STEM series called Maker Mondays. These sessions are geared to youth age 13+. These trainings will cover using 3-D printers, drones and other digital devices. The first sessions covers making Mandalorian Armor using tools and a 3-D printer. You can view the lesson here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P7hhXcL-6fQ&feature=youtu.be>



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# Scribbles and Scrawl

Greetings,

The decision we all feared finally happened. We are very disappointed that we won't be able to gather with all of you in June to celebrate the hard work of our 4-H youth. But, rest assured, that the work and the 4-H members will still be celebrated. The move to a virtual fair will not stop us from showing the public all the amazing, creative projects.

Please be watching your emails carefully. There is going to be a lot of information coming out in the next week or so. Read instructions, look for new deadlines, and breathe - we will get through this.

When the new entry/submission process goes live, Jennifer will continue with virtual office hours. You can reach her on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11-Noon. Call 1-217-332-6338 and use ID # 2236827. This will continue until we are allowed back to our offices.

We are aware that the Galva office phone was having issues. It should be fixed as of today. Calling that number will forward you to a voicemail that is checked periodically throughout the day.

Stay safe, stay well, stay positive. And cross your fingers we can be back together for a bigger, better fair next year.

*Jennifer & Teresa*



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## We are proud to honor our Henry County 4-H Class of 2020!

We've reached out to our 4-H Seniors to have them submit stories about their future plans and the impact 4-H has had on their lives. We're happy to share these stories by Breeanna Olson and Carsen Curry. Congratulations ladies, and best wishes on your future endeavors! #4HGrown

### Breeanna Olson



4-H has let me interact with veterinarians and helped me determine that this is what I want to do with my life. I see myself working as a veterinarian helping other 4-H students care for their projects.

My first year competing at state fair I was selected as the Henry County representative for Dog Showmanship. I barely knew what I was doing, but a lot of my competitors were friendly and helped me out. I learned a lot of new things about showmanship, made some friends, and had a lot of fun. My biggest accomplishment so far was showing my horse Ruby at fair last year. I started showing her when she was just a few months old and she has been to fair every year except one. Ruby was 4 years old and I had only been riding her for one year, so no one thought she would be ready in time, but she proved everyone wrong. We surprised everyone by winning different classes. I'm most proud that we won the egg and spoon class. No one thought we would win since she couldn't neck rein, but somehow we did!

- Member of the Rough Riders 4-H Club.
- Plans to attend Western Illinois University to study pre-vet courses.
- Recipient of a \$500 Henry County 4-H Foundation Scholarship.

My favorite 4-H project has been my horses. Leggs, Ruby, and I have all come a long way from when I first started showing and from when they stepped into the show ring with me. I've learned a lot of life lessons from them and my 4-H leaders and have been able to grow more thanks to them.

### Carsen Curry



4-H has impacted me through this decision because I have worked with other people during 4-H meetings and club events.

My favorite 4-H memory was at the Henry County Fair when the 4-H Federation members put together Ag Olympics games. This is my favorite memory because after we had competed against each other all morning we got together and played games.

My biggest accomplishment through 4-H was making it to state with my cake decorating project. I see myself in an Agriculture Field career and having a cattle herd with my brother and sister.

- Member of the Lynox Loyals 4-H Club.
- Plans to attend Black Hawk East and then transfer to Western Illinois University.