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4-H Showbook

The 2019 4-H Showbook has been posted.

Please visit: <https://go.illinois.edu/2019StClairShowbook> to access the requirements and guidelines for this year's shows.



MAKER PROJECT

Exhibits in this category are designed to be multi-disciplinary in nature, innovative, and must not fit into any other exhibit category. To qualify for this category, your project **MUST** abide by the following guidelines:

- Exhibits must be an object or device that has an intended purpose and uses technology in either a mechanical way, digital (computer) way, or combination of the two.
- The device must be something that can be used in everyday life by multiple people (a target audience), and **MUST** be manufactured/built by the exhibitor (If not fully manufactured by the exhibitor, the device **MUST** be modified structurally or be reprogramed to perform a different function other than what it was designed to do)
- Exhibit **MUST** be able to interact with the outside world. (e.g. an on off switch, input sensors, feedback, etc.)
- Exhibits **MUST** include a detailed build log with instructions on how to make or build the exhibit, **AND** contain either a 3-D rendering or detailed and labeled sketches of the device/product.
- All parts and software used in the design/build **MUST** be listed in a detailed Bill of Materials including cost per item and total cost. Total time spent on the build must be documented in your building log.

**Fair Entry will be available
starting early May!**



You can access Fair Entry instructions at:
<http://go.illinois.edu/StClairFairEntry>

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
1 Regency Plaza, Suite 200
Collinsville, IL 62234
618-344-4230, 618-344-5602 Fax

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St. Clair County Garden Tour

June 1
9 a.m.-3 p.m.
O'Fallon, IL

Sponsored by St. Clair
Co. Master Gardeners
& St. Clair Co. Ext. &
Ed. Foundation!

Southern Illinois Sheep & Craft Festival

Saturday, April 13

Monroe County Fairgrounds

Youth Sheep & Goat

Judging Contest: 9:30am

Open to all youth.



Get your Poultry Tested

The Illinois Department of Agriculture is again enforcing a clear pullorum test for all 4-H and county poultry in shows lasting longer than one day. The rule was suspended in 2018 due to a shortage of antigen. Be sure to allow adequate time and consult with your local veterinarian. This rule does not apply to waterfowl that normally swim, such as ducks and geese, per the county exhibition guidelines.



St. Clair County will be holding their poultry testing on **June 29, from 9-11 a.m.** at the **Ag Building in Mascoutah.** **Contact Joe Fournie at 618-779-9481 or farmerjcf@yahoo.com for more information.**

ATTENTION 4-H Animal Project Members:

All 4-H members that are enrolled in ANY animal project for the FIRST time:

(Dog, Cat, Small Pets, Horse, Beef, Swine, Sheep, Goat, Dairy, Rabbit, Poultry) must complete the online **Quality Assurance and Ethics Certification (QAEC)** by **May 1st**. 4-H members that do not have the training completed by the deadline will have their name removed from the animal project they had enrolled in. This will mean you cannot show for 4-H or receive 4-H premiums or awards in that project area.



You must complete the basic training plus choose one species, and complete that. You do not have to do more than one species, no matter how many you show.

The link to the QAEC training is: <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec/>

Please print your certificates for your records.

(If internet access is not available, 4-H members may come to the Extension Office to complete the training, please call and set up an appointment with us at 939-3434.)

This is a one-time training and good for all your 4-H years.

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College Scholarship Available

	Description	Amount	Application Deadline	Website to Apply
Lucille & Lester Korsmeyer 4-H Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 scholarship available to a high school senior who has been actively involved in 4-H for a minimum of four years. • You must be a <i>permanent resident</i> of Madison, Monroe, or St. Clair County. • The applicant will be chosen based on several criteria including a minimum 3.0 GPA based on a 4.0 scale, history of 4-H involvement and other school and community activities. • The recipient must attend either an <u>accredited four year college or university</u> or a <u>two year community college</u> in Illinois as a <i>fulltime</i> (12 hour minimum) student. 	\$1,000 for up to 4 years	Apr. 26, 2019	go.illinois.edu/ KorsmeyerScholarship2019

Promote St. Clair County 4-H @ Old Town Farmers Market in Belleville!

The Old Town Farmers Market is looking for groups to provide youth activities the 2nd Saturday of each month. Activities could be a simple craft, hands-on science experiment or demonstration. Ideally the activity would be something that best represents 4-H's mission. Providing an activity also allows clubs to set-up an informational table as a way to do outreach to promote your club and St. Clair County 4-H!

Those interested should contact **Alicia Slocumb**, Director, at [618-233-2015](tel:618-233-2015) or bms@bellevillechamber.org.

Dine & Shop at Eckerts!

May 7, 2019; 7 a.m.— 8 p.m.

Make a purchase at the Restaurant, Country Store, Garden Center, or Custard Shop and 15% of your purchase will be donated to the St. Clair County Extension & Education Foundation.

Offer is only valid at the Belleville Location.

The St. Clair County Extension & Education Foundation supports 4-H programming in St. Clair County.



4-H "Fun with Food"

Free Workshop



Monday, April 22, 2019

9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Monroe County Annex, 901 Illinois Ave.

Learn how to have "fun" with your food through educational activities focused on:

- Food Science
- Nutrition
- Growing & Cooking your own food

Open to the first 20 youth registered, ages 8-12

Register here: <https://go.illinois.edu/FunWithFood2019>

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Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time for meeting your access needs.

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JOIN US AT
“TASTE OF THE AREA FUNDRAISER”

Thursday, April 11, 2019

5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Regency Conference Center

400 Regency Park, O’Fallon

\$25.00 Donation

Preferred Advance Ticket Sales by cash or check

Tickets at door payable with cash, check or credit card

(Call 618-939-3434 for reservations and more information)



Sponsored by: St. Clair County Extension and Education Foundation

Working in cooperation with the University of Illinois Extension in St. Clair County, to generate funding for educational programming in the areas of home and commercial horticulture and 4-H youth development.

THANK YOU!

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So much to see and do!—Win \$1,000!

The Superior Young Producer Scholarship Program is offered by the Illinois State Fair to 4-H members in beef, sheep, swine, dairy, and horses as an educational activity at the Illinois State Fair to promote youth development and personal growth. Three \$1,000 scholarships will be provided in horses, and three \$1,000 scholarships will be provided in dairy. A total of nine \$1,000 scholarships will be provided in a combined contest for beef, sheep, and swine contestants.



The SYPA contest is open to 4-H members who are 14 years of age or older doing project work in the species area for which they are entering. 4-H age is determined as of January 1, 2019. Participants do not have to be exhibiting animals at the Illinois State Fair to participate in the SYPA contest. Check out the dates of each contest: Horse: July 24, Beef/Sheep/Swine: August 7, Dairy: August 17. The contest is supported by the Illinois 4-H Foundation and its sponsors. Check out the link for more information:

<https://4hfoundation.illinois.edu/grants/producer>



Tell the 4-H Livestock Story

We will be selecting 10 new members of the Illinois 4-H Livestock Ambassador Team. Applications are now available online @ go.illinois.edu/IL4H. Choose **Members>Leadership** and scroll to the bottom of the page. Applicants must be 4-H members or recent 4-H alumni, ages 16-21 as of September 1, 2019. You will serve a 2-year term with the option to apply for a second term.



Take the Whole Family to Camp!

Some things should be enjoyed as a family! We have the perfect spot and time to do it. Come to 4-H Memorial Camp for Family Camp, Sept. 13-15. Enjoy all that the camp has to offer as a family! For more information, download the registration form @ <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/camping/4-h-family-camp>.

Call Andy Davis at (217) 762-2741 or email him at ardavis1@illinois.edu with any questions or if you need special accommodations.

Tell us the Future of Farming

Farming is in a constant state of change. It's evolving with innovation in technologies. With a growing population, agriculture faces new challenges every day. With new challenges come endless opportunities to reinvent the industry. Farmfluencer is a global video competition, empowering youth and connecting them with farming. By making a 2-minute video about the future of farming, you'll get to share your point of view with the world and enter for a chance to win up to \$5,000. Deadline is April 24. Enter @ <https://farmfluencer.com/>



Understanding 4-H premiums



In the past, the Illinois Department of Ag has provided funds to local Illinois 4-H members in the forms of premiums (cash prizes) for participation in 4-H shows and exhibitions. We currently have no guarantee that those funds will be provided. We treasure each of our 4-H families and know that you make a financial investment in your 4-H project work. We hope you continue to take pride in your 4-H learning and continue to participate fully in the 4-H program. As you are aware, we have no control on the actions of Illinois government.

"To Make the Best Better"



Join 4-H Members and Clubs across Illinois and the nation on **Saturday, April 27** as part of **True Leaders in Service**. On this day, show the world how 4-H is making a difference in your community! While community service can happen all year long, if 4-H members and clubs plan to engage in service efforts before the end of April, they should plan to register their effort on the National 4-H True Leaders in Service website prior to Saturday, April 27. The website opens March 1 @ <https://4-h.org/get-involved/true-leaders-in-service/>. Community Service resources are available now!



Illini Summer Academies



Longer, bigger, better. See yourself at Illini Summer Academies

Spend 6 nights and 7 days on the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign campus for Illini Summer Academies. Registration opens March 1 at go.illinois.edu/illini4H.

The conference is open to youth who will have completed 8th thru 12th grade by the time of the conference and will be at least 14 by Sept. 1, 2019. There are **17** academies to choose from and cost varies based on the track you choose! Limited scholarships are available.

2019 State Fair Junior Livestock Requirements

Don't get left out of the show ring because your animal is too old or too young.

The 2019 Ownership and Birthdate Deadlines are posted online @

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/members/projects>.

The fact sheet is in the Resource section at the bottom of each page.



Get HOOKed on Fishing!



With the lake fully stocked, 4-H Fish Camp is back at 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello. Fishing begins at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 4 and lasts until 2 p.m. Sunday, May 5. Learn how to catch largemouth bass, crappie, bluegill, and channel catfish. Learn about fishing tips, lures, bait, equipment, knots, fish behavior, fish management, and fish cleaning. Each group registered will be assigned their own log cabin for lodging with single bunks. Participants must bring their own bedding and toiletries.

A fee of \$50 per person covers the complete program, lodging, boat, bait, and three buffet meals, including Saturday lunch and supper and a Sunday brunch. You'll also have fresh fish fillets to take home! Pre-registration and payment is required. To register, contact 4-H Memorial Camp at (217) 762-2741 or send an email to Curt Sinclair at sinclair@illinois.edu.

Host an International Youth this Summer!

Host a Japanese or Korean 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!



Be aware:

- 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 and screening process as well as student availability and personality compatibility.
- Applications are due April 1.

For more information, visit: <http://www.states4hexchange.org>, or contact Illinois representatives Miriam Rosenbohm @ rosenbohm07@comcast.net or Elisha Hughes @ ehugh2@illinois.edu

PAID Camp Counselor Positions Open

male applicants encouraged to apply

Earn a starting salary of \$1,925 while you work outside and lakeside for seven weeks this summer! Counselors, minimum age 16, are needed at 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello. You will live onsite at Memorial the following days: June 4-13, June 16-20, June 30 - July 4, July 7 - 12, and July 28 - Aug. 1.

Meals are provided. Counselors receive a week of training prior to the start of camp.

Training dates will be set later according to school schedules. Materials available online at

<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/camping/4-h-memorial-camp>.



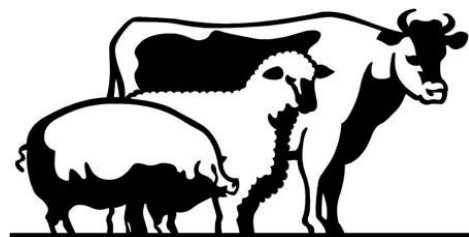
4-H Poultry Judging Returns to State Fair

The Illinois 4-H State Poultry Judging Contest will be held Wednesday, Aug. 7 immediately following the State Fair Junior Poultry Show at about 4:30 p.m. in Building 105 of the State Fairgrounds in Springfield. There is no limit to the number of exhibitors each county may send. Teams of three or four contestants may be submitted. The four top seniors (age 14-18 on Jan. 1, 2019) will compete as the Illinois team at the National 4-H Poultry and Egg Conference in November.

Registration begins at 4. Check out the state 4-H website on the Events page for all the details.

You be the Judge at Illinois 4-H State Livestock Judging Contest

The Illinois 4-H Livestock Judging Contest will be held **Monday, June 17** at the Stock Pavilion in Urbana, IL. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. All participants must be checked in by 9:30. The contest will begin at 10. Each county may enter a total of three teams, with no more than two junior teams or two senior teams. Get all the rules and details online @ go.illinois.edu/4Hlivestock.



Interested?

Register at: <https://go.illinois.edu/ChristianLivestockClinic>



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COME JOIN US FOR A LIVESTOCK CLINIC!

May 4th 8:30AM-3PM

Christian County Fairgrounds

****Registration Deadline: April 17th****

Schedule:

8:30-9 ~ Registration

9-11:30 ~ Sheep & Goats

11:30-12:30 ~ Lunch (Provided by
Christian County Farm Bureau)

12:30-3 ~ Hogs & Cattle

3 ~ Wrap-up

Cost: \$10

Registration fee includes T-shirt!

All 4-H ages welcome!

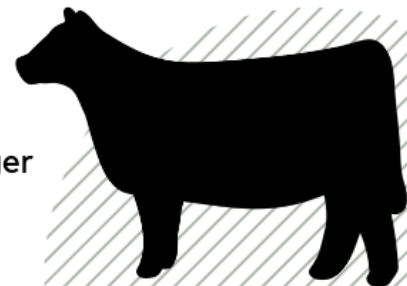
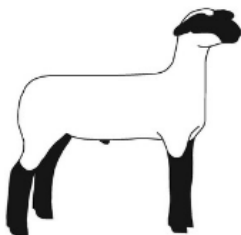
Presenters:

Sheep- Dustin Cruit

Hogs- Kane Austin

Cattle- Chuck Lemenager

Goats- Mike Earles



Register at: <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/?RegistrationID=19598>

Christian County Fairgrounds 1716 West Spesser Taylorville, IL 62568

For questions about this event, call (217) 287-7246 or email at cgump@illinois.edu

Check out the Masters at this Year's State Fair

Each county may send one entry into the Illinois State Fair Master Showmanship Contest. The contest begins at 7:30 PM Friday, Aug. 9. Exhibitors must be at least 14 and no older than 18 (as of 9/1/18). You need to supply your own animals for the contest, but may make arrangements to borrow animals from exhibitors at the fair. Top prize is \$500. The contest is sponsored by Illinois Farm Bureau and RFD Radio.



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Foundation Hall of Fame ceremony set

The Illinois 4-H Foundation will honor one volunteer leader from each county at a ceremony during the Illinois State Fair. The celebration begins at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13 as part of Ag Day at the fair right before the Sale of Champions activities begin. Supporters and families of the recipients are welcome to attend.



See if your story was told!

The Illinois 4-H Foundation and the Illinois 4-H program have joined forces to present the report of amazing accomplishments for 2018. The *CloverSeed* highlights many 4-H members and clubs. Check it out online @ <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/about/our-impact>. You might just find a picture of yourself on the pages!

Never too early to think about corn dogs!

Nearly 4,000 4-H members will return to exhibit livestock and general projects at the Illinois State Fair in August. Check out the days our county will be exhibiting at the General Project Show.

NEW IN 2019: Extension office will no longer sell parking passes in advance. Families should plan to pay for parking when they arrive. This will allow you to choose where you want to park (either at any of the private/ non-profit sponsored lots to the right of the fairgrounds road or in public lots on the state fairgrounds). The change was made to make it easier for families in case flooding closes some lots. Families can still purchase discounted entry tickets in advance at SOME Extension locations.

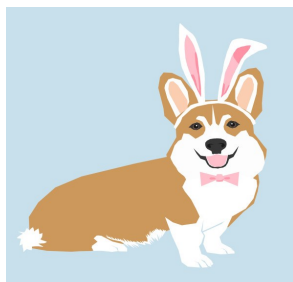
As always, livestock exhibitors must purchase their passes when they make their livestock exhibit entries.



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Taste of the Area , Regency Conference Center, O'Fallon	April 11, 2019; 5-8pm
State 4-H Hippology & Horse Speaking contests , Champaign	April 13, 2019
State 4-H Horse Bowl contest , Champaign	April 14, 2019
4-H Fun with Food Workshop , Monroe County Annex	April 22, 2019; 9am-3:30pm
Korsmeyer Scholarship Deadline	April 26, 2019
4-H National Day of Service	April 27, 2019
State 4-H Horse Judging Contest , Blackhawk College	April 27, 2019
QAEC deadline	May 1, 2019
Dine & Shop at Eckerts , Belleville	May 7, 2019; 7am-8pm
4-H Day with the Cardinals	May 11, 2019; postmarked by April 1
St. Clair County Garden Tour , O'Fallon	June 1, 2019; 9am-3pm
Mock-judging Event , Turkey Hill Grange, Belleville	June 15, 2019; 11am
Illini Summer Academies , Champaign	June 23-29, 2019
4-H Food, Clothing, & Computer Show , Turkey Hill Grange, Belleville	July 13, 2019; 9am-12pm
Livestock set-up & Meeting w/Exhibitors , Ag Building, Mascoutah	July 31, 2019 ; 6pm
4-H Show-a-Rama , Ag Building, Mascoutah	August 1, 2019; 5-6pm (project registration) 6-8:30pm (project judging)
County 4-H Livestock Shows , Ag Building, Mascoutah	August 2-4, 2019
St. Clair County Day @ State Fair	August 10, 2019

*Happy
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