



# Williamson County 4-H

## To Make the Best Better

October 2019

### Calendar of Events

<b>October 6-12</b>	National 4-H Week
<b>October 7</b>	Archery
<b>October 8</b>	Air Rifle
<b>October 9</b>	Deadline for Bicycle Workshop
<b>October 12</b>	4-H & HCE Picnic at Ray Fosse Park
<b>October 12-13</b>	State 4-H Rifle & Pistol Shoot, Bloomington
<b>October 14</b>	Bicycle Workshop
<b>October 18</b>	4-H Achievement Night
	Deadline for Salute to Excellence
<b>October 21</b>	Deadline for 4-H Youth in Action
<b>November 1</b>	Deadline: for all state awards, including Key Award, Experience Award, State 4-H Award, Vet Med Award, and the Leadership, Citizenship, and Professionalism Award.
	Deadline: for all state scholarships, including Legacy of Leadership and Livestock Scholarships
<b>November 4</b>	Deadline to register for Weaving Workshop
<b>November 11</b>	Weaving Workshop
<b>November 28-29</b>	Thanksgiving Holiday

### 4-H Online Enrollment

It is that time of the year to re-enrollment for the 2019-20 4-H years. Go to <https://il.4honline.com>.

### National 4-H Week

National 4-H Week is October 6-12. National 4-H Council theme is **Inspire to Lead or Called to Serve**. You are encouraged to find ways to share 4-H with their community.

We would like each club to do a **Window Display** in a local business window during the National 4-H Week. Please let me know where your display is located, so the judges know where to go.

### 4-H Shooting Sport

#### October Classes

#### Archery:

*Section 1:* John A. Logan Annex, 607 S. Greenbrier Road, Back Room; meets **Monday, October 7**. This class will meet six weeks, for 1-hour sessions from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Monday evenings. Instructor: Phil Odle/Randy Koster. Archery Shooting/Safety (AGES 8-18)

**Air Rifle:**

*Section 1:* John A. Logan Annex, 607 S. Greenbrier Road, Back Room; meets **Tuesday, October 8**. This class will meet six weeks, for 1-hour sessions from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday evenings. Instructor: Phil Odle & Don Elliott. Archery Shooting/Safety (AGES 8-18)

### 4-H & HCE Picnic

Join Williamson County 4-H and Home and Community Education (HCE) members for a picnic as we provide free food and fun games/activities for the whole family!

We encourage all local families to attend and bring their youth to learn more about 4-H, while adults learn more about HCE.

**When:** Saturday, October 12  
**Where:** Ray Fosse Park  
**Time:** 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

For more information or to register, contact the office at 618-993-3304 or by email at [ewaddy@illinois.edu](mailto:ewaddy@illinois.edu).

### Bicycle Workshop

If you would like to learn about bicycle safety and how to fix a bicycle, then this is the workshop for you. It will be on **Monday, October 14** from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., at Herrin House of Hope.

Please pre-register by **Wednesday, October 9**, by calling the office at 618-993-3304. Come, have a good time, and meet new friends!

### 4-H Achievement Night

This year Achievement Night will be a "Carnival Night" which will be held at the First Church of God, 1409 Broeking Rd, Marion, IL, on Friday, October 18 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. We will be congratulating and honoring 4-H members and leaders.

There will be fun activities for all 4-Hers and their families to do. I am asking each club to provide a fun game for this night. We look forward to seeing you all there to fellowship and enjoy good food and games. Please wear comfortable clothing.

### Salute to Excellence

Nominate an outstanding volunteer

The Illinois 4-H program is built on the work of amazing volunteers, and we look forward to recognizing our volunteers for what they do! The National 4-H Council sponsors the Salute to Excellence Award Program that

targets 4-H volunteers who demonstrate exemplary service to 4-H, while promoting service through volunteerism. Nominate outstanding local volunteers for consideration by contacting the Extension office.

The award categories are:

**Volunteer of the Year** – recognizing individuals who have served as 4-H volunteers for less than 10 years at the local, county, region, and state level.

**Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer** – recognizing individuals who have served 10 or more years at the local, county, region or state level.

Nominations are due to the State 4-H Office by **Friday, October 18, 2019**.



### Who will win \$5,000?

The Youth in Action Award honors four 4-H members who have gained critical life skills through their 4-H experience and have used those skills to overcome a challenge or challenges they have faced. Each of the honorees epitomize 4-H youth empowerment and leadership. In addition, the winners have demonstrated the positive impact they have made with their family, peers, and community through their 4-H experiences.

Nominate outstanding 4-H members in four different categories: Agriculture, Civic Engagement, Healthy Living, and STEM. Each winner will receive a \$5,000 scholarship for higher education, be featured as the 4-H youth spokesperson for their pillar area, receive an all-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C. to be recognized at National 4-H Council's Legacy Awards, and network with celebrities and prominent 4-H alumni. Learn more at <https://4-h.org/parents/4-h-youth-in-action-awards/>. Deadline for application is October 21.

## State Awards

### Award deadlines is earlier! Submit by November 1

**IMPORTANT:** The state deadline for awards has been changed to November 1. Don't miss your chance to apply. Award applications are available online at [go.illinois.edu/4Happly](https://go.illinois.edu/4Happly):

**Key Award:** This award focuses on Leadership, Community Service and Mentoring. Members 16-19 are eligible for this award.

**State 4-H Award:** Members may apply in any or all of the five award categories: *Communications, Community Service, Leadership, Personal Growth, and/or Project Mastery*. State winners in these categories can receive educational scholarships or trips to national events. This award is open to members 15-18.

**Vet Science Award:** Outstanding members enrolled in the 4-H Veterinary Science Project are eligible to apply for a \$200 cash award. Check with your county for their deadline for this award.

**4-H Leadership, Citizenship, and Professionalism Award:** Applicants must be 17-19 and exemplify leadership, citizenship and professionalism skills. This award is sponsored by the Illinois Farm Bureau and Affiliate Companies. Winners will be invited to a 3-day Premier 20 Youth Leadership Conference in April.

**Experience Award:** focuses on all of those events and activities that you have experienced during the 4-H year in four areas: *Participation, Community Service, Leadership, and Project Learning*. Depending upon the

type and number of experiences you report on, members can receive recognition on the Bronze, Silver, Gold, Diamond or Emerald Clover Award level. Your family calendar, 4-H notes or county summary, checkmarks, and a few written details are all that's needed to submit this application. This award is open to 4-H members of all ages!

## Get money for college

The deadline for **state scholarship** has also been changed to November 1. Apply online @ [go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships](http://go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships) for these scholarship opportunities:

**Legacy of Leadership Scholarship:** Fifteen \$1,000 scholarships are offered to members who have demonstrated overall mastery and leadership in the 4-H program. You must have been a member for at least 5 years and attending either a 4-year university, community college, or trade school. The scholarship is open to high school seniors and college freshmen. Applications are due November 1. Download the application @ [go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships](http://go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships). Finalists must submit a video of your 4-H accomplishments.

**Livestock Scholarship:** \$1,000 scholarship opportunity for youth who have demonstrated project mastery in their livestock area. Open to current high school seniors who have completed a minimum of 3 years in a Livestock Project and plan to pursue a college degree in the agriculture industry. Download the application @ [go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships](http://go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships).

## Quality Assurance and Ethics (QAEC) Training

### New certification required for youth exhibiting livestock

4-H members exhibiting animals entering the food production system will be required to complete the **Youth for the Quality Care of Animal** certification (YQCA). It will replace former trainings: PQA and QAEC. This program is the industry-standard certification. Check with local offices about completing the training. The training must be completed each year.

Horses, dogs, and cats will still be required to take the **Quality Assurance and Ethics (QAEC)** training. This training is only required once in the member's career.

## Collegiate 4-H

### College isn't the end of your 4-H career

If you are a 4-H'er or know a 4-H member heading to University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana campus, check out Collegiate 4-H! Collegiate 4-H is a registered student organization that provides opportunities to continue strengthening your leadership skills and be engaged in service to others. In addition to the leadership and service benefits, Collegiate 4-H also creates an opportunity for positive social engagement with other college students who, like you, have been a part of 4-H. One may contact Collegiate 4-H Club President Brittney Muschetto @ [uiuccollegiate4h@gmail.com](mailto:uiuccollegiate4h@gmail.com).

## Weaving Workshop

Weaving is a fun and meaningful art. Youth will learn about using yarn and other fibers to do a small weaving. Natural materials: such as feathers, shells and twigs may be also use natural materials if youth bring them.

All yarns and a ring or cardboard loom will be provided.

**When:** November 11, 2019

**Where:** Extension Office

101-B E. DeYoung Street, Marion, IL 62959

**Time:** 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

*Free and open to youth ages 5-18*

Please register by Monday, November 4, 2019. Contact the office for more information at 618-993-3304 or by email at [ewaddy@illinois.edu](mailto:ewaddy@illinois.edu).

