



# Allegan County 4-H Family News

September 2021

## Allegan County 4-H September 2021 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Dian will be back in the office daily beginning 9/2. But will be on medical leave Sept. 13 - 23		1	2	3	4
	5	6  Labor Day Office closed	7	8	9	10
					4-H Food Booth opens at the Fair!!!	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Allegan County Fair September 10 -18 stop by the 4-H Food Booth and support our county program and Camp Kidwell						
19	20	21	22  First Day of Autumn	23	24	25
26	27	28 4-H Council Mtg. 6:30pm Jaycee Park & Zoom	29	30 County Awards forms and volunteer award nominations are due <b>October 1st</b> Email to: <a href="mailto:liepe@msu.edu">liepe@msu.edu</a>		

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FAVORITE TIME  
OF THE YEAR?

**FAIR SEASON.**

Good luck  
Allegan  
County 4-H  
members as  
you show off  
your 4-H  
projects at  
the Fair!!

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## 2021 YOUTH EVENTS SCHEDULE UPDATED FOR 4-H CLUBS

Youth Still exhibits have moved to Open Class. Please note the NEW rules for exhibiting. Still exhibit Check in's are on different days.

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Depts. 40 – 45 exhibit check in 9am to 6pm  
Dept. 48 – exhibit check in 9am to 8pm

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Dept. 47 – exhibit check in 9am – noon  
Dept. 46 – exhibit check in before 8pm  
Dept. 48 exhibit check in 9am – 8pm  
Beef Steer, Dairy Starter, Dairy Steer, Sheep & Goat Weigh-In  
5:00 – 8:00 pm (Arena)

Poultry Check in & Weigh In.....2:00pm–5:00pm (Poultry Barn)  
Rabbits Check in & Weigh-In.....5:00 pm – 9:00 pm (Rabbit Barn)  
All other livestock (except swine) must be in barns by 9:00pm

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Goat Show.....10:00 am (Arena)

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Gymkhana Horse Show.....9:00 am (Flats)  
Dairy Cow Show (showmanship 1st) .....9:00 am (Arena)  
Sheep Show .....2:00 pm (Arena)

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Swine Weigh-In .....6:00 to 9:00 am (Arena)  
Fairgrounds gate entry passes will be required when bringing in swine  
English Horse Show .....9:00 am (Flats-2nd Ring)  
Youth Poultry & Water Fowl Show.....1:00 pm (Poultry Barn)

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Swine Show.....9:00 am (Arena)  
Rabbit Show.....4:00 pm (Rabbit Barn)

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Beef Show (Breed classes 1st) .....9:00 am (Arena)  
Youth Dairy Starter & Dairy Steer Show follows Beef Show (Arena)  
Auction set up (All 4-H Livestock clubs) following Dairy Beef show (Arena)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15  
YOUTH LIVESTOCK AUCTION..... 11:00 am (ARENA)

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Dog Show .....5:00 pm (Tent on Hill)  
Swine Shipping..... TBA (Arena)  
Swine pens must be thoroughly cleaned (leaving Buyer signs for recognition) by 9:00 am Friday. Fairgrounds gate entry passes will be required when arriving to help with shipping out your swine entries.

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Top Showmen Orientation .....6:00 pm (Arena)

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Western Horse Show.....9:00 am (Flats)  
All Around Showmanship Contest .....1:00 pm (Arena)  
Youth Exhibit Building projects released.....10:00 to 11:00 pm  
All Horse and Non-Market Livestock will be released at 10:00 pm

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

*Still exhibits pick up*

Large Market Livestock Shipping-excluding Swine see Thurs.... 9 AM - 2 PM TBA (Arena)

### YOUTH OFFICE

### SUPERINTENDENTS OF YOUTH DEPARTMENTS

OVERALL LIVESTOCK.....	HARRY CHESTNUT
DAIRY CATTLE.....	ROBYN WIXOM
BEEF CATTLE.....	TBA
SHEEP.....	KIM SCHUT
GOATS.....	BRIAN WILLIAMS
SWINE.....	HARRY CHESTNUT
HORSE & PONY BARN.....	VICKI SWAINSTON & PAUL FRIELK-McGILL
WESTERN HORSE & PONY SHOW.....	NORA BALGOYEN-WILLIAMS
GYMKHANA SHOW.....	NORA BALGOYEN-WILLIAMS
ENGLISH & JUMPING SHOW.....	PAUL BALGOYEN
DRIVING HORSE.....	VICKI SWAINSTON & PAUL FRIELK-McGILL
RABBITS.....	MINDY LAARMAN
POULTRY.....	DON BERENS
DOG CARE & TRAINING.....	ANGIE BOESKE

## ALLEGAN COUNTY 4-H County Award Application Form

Read through these instructions. Follow the instructions. Make sure you give yourself enough time to complete the form PRIOR to the deadline. Neatness counts! Even if you have to redo the form several times please make sure you are presenting your best work!! Typed is preferred but handwritten is acceptable. There should be NO spelling errors. **The 4-H Council will meet October 19<sup>th</sup> to determine the Award winners – no late forms will be considered. Awards will be announced at the Annual Meeting and Awards Celebration on November 6th.**

1. This form is to be completed by the 4-H member. Parent/Guardian and Leader signatures are required. Leader's written recommendation is required.
2. 4-H members must have reached the age of 12 years (or older) as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the 4-H year (1/1/19) and completed 2 years (& be currently enrolled in their 3<sup>rd</sup> year or more) of the project(s) they are applying for.
3. 4-H members must not have previously received the county medal they are applying for.
4. 4-H members may apply for as many county medals as they wish, however each member is eligible to receive only two (2) county medals per year.
5. 4-H members must complete a separate form for each county medal they're applying for.
6. Questions? Contact Dian Liepe at (269) 673-0370 (ext. 2557) or via email [liepe@msu.edu](mailto:liepe@msu.edu).
7. Send completed forms to: Allegan County 4-H, MSU Extension, Human Services Building, 3255 122<sup>nd</sup> Ave., Suite 200, Allegan MI 49010-9511 OR scan and email to [liepe@msu.edu](mailto:liepe@msu.edu)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Member's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Leader's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### 4-H COUNCIL SPONSORED COUNTY MEDALS

Achievement  
Aerospace  
Agriculture  
Arts – Visual Arts  
Beef  
Beekeeping  
Bicycle  
Cavies  
Citizenship  
Clothing  
Communication Arts (Clowning)  
Computer Technology  
Consumer Education  
Crafts  
Dairy  
Dog  
Performing Arts (Drama)

Drawing – Visual Arts  
Electricity  
Entomology  
Fashion Revue (Buymanship)  
Fitness – Healthy Lifestyles  
Food & Nutrition - (Candy & Cake  
Decorating, Foods & Food Preservation)  
Forestry  
Forestry (Conservation)  
Gardening & Horticulture  
Goats  
Hobbies & Collections  
Horse  
Knitting  
Leadership  
Leathercraft  
Needlecraft  
Outdoor Educ. & Rec. (Archery)

Photography  
Plant Science  
Plant Science (Field Crops)  
Poultry  
Public Speaking  
Rabbits  
Safety  
Sheep  
Shooting Sports  
Style Revue (Modeling)  
Swine  
Veterinary Science  
Wood Science (Woodworking)

**WHICH COUNTY MEDAL ARE YOU APPLYING FOR?** \_\_\_\_\_

**COUNTY AWARD APPLICATION FORM (Continued)**

Member's Name \_\_\_\_\_ County Medal Area \_\_\_\_\_ Years in project \_\_\_\_\_

Member's Age (as of Jan.1, 2020) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Number of years in 4-H \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Activities – List local Allegan County 4-H experiences you have had, such as: trips, committees, offices held, etc. Include leadership responsibilities you have accepted in your club and the Allegan County 4-H program. What did you accomplish?

Briefly describe ways in which this project relates to home, club, community, country and world.

Why do you think you should be awarded this county medal?

Write a brief statement on how 4-H has benefited you.

I have attended Kettunen Center Training:        yes        no  
(if yes, number of times        and what workshops?)

I have attended Exploration Days: yes    no (if yes, number of times    )

Other 4-H Conferences, workshops, etc... you have attended:

Other State, National and International experiences:

**DO NOT ADD ADDITIONAL PAGES**

**Your 4-H Leader's written recommendation needs to be on a separate sheet and sent with this form to the office.**



## ALLEGAN COUNTY 4-H VOLUNTEER AWARDS

Each year the Allegan County 4-H Council plans and conducts the Annual Meeting and Awards Celebration to recognize the dedication of our county volunteers, members and Friends of 4-H. 4-H County medals are presented to youth. 4-H members are recognized for state awards involvement. 4-H leaders receive certificates and pins for years of service beginning with their 1<sup>st</sup> year and then in 5 year increments. In addition there are special awards presented. To nominate a person, club or business please send an email to Dian Liepe at [liepe@msu.edu](mailto:liepe@msu.edu) explaining why you feel they should receive the award.

**Nominations are due by October 1, 2021** The 4-H Council will review nominations and select winners. Winners will be announced during the Awards Celebration.

**4-H Club of the Year Award** – Nominee should be a 4-H club that has been active over the past year in 4-H activities, active community service, and set an example as a 4-H Club. Award: Certificate

**4-H International Award** – a 4-H Individual and or Family who has actively participated in international activities and opportunities and has promoted international understanding. Award: Certificate

**4-H Leader of the Year Award** – a 4-H Volunteer who has exhibited the true meaning of being a 4-H leader. Unselfishly serving their 4-H Club as well as the county 4-H program. Award: Plaque or certificate

**4-H Above and Beyond Award** – a 4-H Volunteer who has gone above and beyond in their role for their 4-H Club and county and state. Award: certificate or plaque

**4-H Teen Leader Award** – A 4-H Teen who has exhibited leadership with their 4-H Club and also on a county level. Should be enrolled as a Teen leader in 4HOnline. Award: Certificate

**4-H Teen Above and Beyond Award** – A 4-H teen who has gone above and beyond helping their 4-H Club and being involved with County committees. This teen has done demonstrations, attended workshops, represented Allegan County 4-H at a regional or state level. Award: Certificate

**Friend of 4-H Award** – A non 4-H individual or business that supports the county 4-H program in some way. Donating items for 4-H Council auction, purchasing 4-H animals. Award: Certificate

**4-H Alumni award** - Presented to an individual who was a past Allegan County 4-H member. This individual may or may not be a 4-H leader. Presented to those who have made a difference in Allegan County 4-H program. Award: 4-H Alumni mug



## STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Share your 4-H story!



Across the state, Michigan 4-H is growing true leaders for today and tomorrow. From Marquette to Monroe, these young people are impacting their clubs, communities, country and world.

To help share this impact with others, we're looking for youth to share their own testimonials of how 4-H has influenced their own personal growth and development.

Submissions will be posted on the [Meet Michigan 4-H'ers](#) section of the MSU Extension website and promoted digitally in newsletters and social media.

To learn more and download the guidelines, visit [www.canr.msu.edu/4h/meet-michigan-4-h](http://www.canr.msu.edu/4h/meet-michigan-4-h).

### 4-H Events and Workshops

#### September 8: Welcome Back MSU 4-H Alumni Reception

*Morrill Hall of Agriculture, East Lansing*

If you are a current or former 4-H'er attending MSU this fall, stop by outside the Morrill Hall of Agriculture for networking and free dinner! Interact with 4-H alums and free pizza and pop will be provided.

[www.canr.msu.edu/events/msu-welcome-week-4-h-alumni-reception](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/msu-welcome-week-4-h-alumni-reception)

#### September 11: Saginaw Bay 4-H Fish Camp—Bay County

*Bay City State Park, Bay City*

Bay County 4-H, Michigan Sea Grant, Project FISH and local partners will be hosting a one-day Fish Camp. Participants will learn about knot-tying, tackle crafting, casting, aquatic ecology, angler ethics and more! Register by September 3.

[www.canr.msu.edu/events/saginaw-bay-4-h-fish-camp-bay-county](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/saginaw-bay-4-h-fish-camp-bay-county)

#### September 11: Clare & Gladwin Counties 4-H Teen Night

*4X Adventureland, Harrison*

Come hangout with your 4-H friends! All participants will get to do one escape room, play a round of putt putt golf and get ice cream! Register by September 8.

[www.canr.msu.edu/events/clare-gladwin-counties-4-h-teen-night](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/clare-gladwin-counties-4-h-teen-night)

#### September 11: MSU Tollgate Farm Homegrown Gardening Series 2021

*Zoom Webinar*

Are you interested in starting a vegetable garden for the first time, or are you an experienced veggie gardener looking to explore new ideas? All levels of experience are welcome at this monthly series. This session will focus on veggie harvest and storage.

[www.canr.msu.edu/events/msu-tollgate-farm-homegrown-gardening-series-2021-sept-11](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/msu-tollgate-farm-homegrown-gardening-series-2021-sept-11)

#### September 18: Saginaw Bay 4-H Fish Camp—Arenac County

*River Side Park, Au Gres,*

Arenac County 4-H, Michigan Sea Grant, Project FISH and local partners will be hosting a one-day Fish Camp. Participants will learn about knot tying, tackle crafting, casting, aquatic ecology, angler ethics and more! Register by September 10.

[www.canr.msu.edu/events/saginaw-bay-4-h-fish-camp-bay-county-arenac-county](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/saginaw-bay-4-h-fish-camp-bay-county-arenac-county)

#### September 18: 4-H Open House Lapeer County

*Lapeer County MSU Extension Office, Lapeer*

Come join this family-focused event and learn what 4-H has to offer! Open to the public, the event will have hands-on activities and fun events.

[www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-open-house-lapeer-county](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-open-house-lapeer-county)

#### September 25: 4-H League of Clovers: The Dungeon Master Knows All

*West Shore Community College, Scottville*

Learn how to go from playing Dungeons & Dragons to being the Dungeon Master of your very own quest!

[www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-league-of-clovers-the-dungeon-master-knows-all](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-league-of-clovers-the-dungeon-master-knows-all)

For the most up-to-date events listing, go to <http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events>.

## STATEWIDE NEWS AREA

### Michigan 4-H State Award winners announced at virtual recognition program

The [Michigan 4-H State Awards](#) Recognition Celebration took place on June 23, to celebrate the accomplishments of Michigan 4-H members. A Michigan 4-H State Award is the highest honor bestowed on Michigan 4-H members. While 4-H members were unable to gather at Michigan State University (MSU) this year, the Recognition Celebration was able to be held via virtually, allowing 4-H members along with their family and friends to attend the program.

Awards were presented in 13 of the 19 available award categories that showcase the diverse array of 4-H knowledge, skills, and experience. Recipients of the 2021 awards are:

- **Beef Science:** Jadyn Herzog , Mecosta Co. (junior); Andrew Strohm, Marquette Co. (senior)
- **Bird and Poultry Science:** Alison Borowski, Alpena Co. (junior)
- **Career Development:** Amanda Towne, Van Buren Co. (junior); Amy Saxton, Kalkaska Co. (senior)
- **Civic Engagement and Service:** IsaBelle Stull, St. Clair Co. (junior)
- **Companion Animal Science:** Bryant Janetzke, Ionia Co. (junior); Dylan Sawdon, St. Clair Co. (senior)
- **Dairy Science:** Irene Nielsen, Ingham Co. (senior)
- **Equine Science:** Evie Clare, Berrien Co. (senior)
- **Food, Nutrition, Health Fitness:** Rebecca Thomas, Ionia Co. (junior); Audrey Martin, Midland Co. (senior)
- **Goat Science:** Carey Towne, Van Buren Co. (junior)
- **Leadership:** Amari Potts, Oakland Co. (junior)
- **Rabbit and Cavy Science:** Thomas Tafoya, Cheboygan Co. (junior)
- **Swine Science:** James Endres, Isabella Co. (junior); Hana Harshbarger, Livingston Co. (senior)
- **Visual, Performing and Expressive Arts:** Alana Aulph , Monroe Co. (junior)

In addition to a plaque, each 4-H State Award winner in the senior division will also receive a \$200 cash award; junior winners receive \$50 cash awards. These awards are made possible by generous donations to the Michigan 4-H Foundation.

### Michigan 4-H Foundation reopens 2021-22 grant cycle

The Michigan 4-H Foundation recently reopened their grant and award opportunities for the 2021-2022 season. Open to 4-H volunteer leaders, members and staff, the grants and awards support local 4-H clubs and county programs, as well as recognize members of the 4-H community. All applications are due September 9.

Opportunities include:

- **Michigan 4-H Legacy Grants of \$1,000.** These grants are awarded to support development of a new program or initiative or to strengthen, enhance or expand a current program that is making a difference.
- **4-H On-Target Grants of \$500.** These grants support 4-H Shooting Sports programs to enhance existing programs, develop a new program or offer a special experience related to 4-H Shooting Sports.
- **4-H Educational Garden Grants of \$1,000.** These grants support the creation of local 4-H educational gardens in Michigan.
- **Michigan Farm Bureau 4-H Excellence in Agriculture Award (includes \$1,000 grant).** This award recognizes the outstanding achievements of 4-H agricultural volunteers that have exhibited excellence in 4-H youth education and leadership development.

Learn more or apply online at <http://mi4hfdtn.org/grants>. Questions? Contact the Michigan 4-H Foundation at 517-353-6692.



### Indoor masking reminder



In August, MSU issued new guidance for the MSU community. **Until further notice, attendees at any indoor MSU Extension or Michigan 4-H program or event are required to wear a face covering.** This includes 4-H meetings and other volunteer-led events. Unless they have a medical exemption, face coverings must be worn by everyone in attendance over age 2 regardless of vaccination status.

For the purpose of MSU Extension or Michigan 4-H events and programs, indoor events are considered those in an enclosed building with limited airflow. Barns and other outbuildings that have multiple doors that can be fully opened to maximize air flow are considered an outdoor, open air facility.

Find the most up-to-date information about in-person event requirements at [extension.msu.edu/approvedactivities](http://extension.msu.edu/approvedactivities).