



April 2024

4-H Family News

HILLSDALE COUNTY



2024 Fair Changes

Non-Livestock:

New Classes-

- Diamond Art
- 3-D Printing
- Hide Tanning

Small Animal:

- Check-In is FRIDAY (9/20) FROM 4-6 P.M.
- Poultry Show will start at 3:00
- Rabbit & Cavy show will start at 1:30
- Market goats must be weighed in on a designated day in July (July 13th or July 20th).
- Rate of Gain has been added for all Market Goats.
- Market Rabbit possession date: 9/1.
- A Single Fryer class was added
- Dogs will now be required to have the following vaccines: Rabies, CDV, CPV, Bordetella, CIV, CAV-2

Equine:

- Classes will now be broken up as follows: Cloverbuds, 8-10, 11-13, 14 & Over.
- A Ranch Riding Class was added
- Equine Record Book was added

Large Animal:

Feeder Calf: MANDATORY VACCINE schedule :

July 13th, August 10th, and Fair Check-In. If you miss a mandatory vaccine date you will not be eligible to show at the fair.

Beef: Registration papers are required for all registered breeding stock, if papers can not be produced your animal will show as Crossbred.

Bred and Owned Class was added.

Sheep: Bred and Owned is now open to anyone enrolled in Hillsdale County 4-H.

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COUNTY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL

- 18th Small Animal Committee Meeting..... 7:00 p.m.
- 21st Shooting Sports Safety Meeting..... 4:00 p.m.
- 22nd Hillsdale County 4-H Council Meeting..... 6:00 p.m.
- 28th Dairy Leaders Meeting..... 1:00 p.m.

MAY

- 1st Horse ID's Due (for all kids eligible for the State Horse Show)
- 16th Small Animal Committee Meeting..... 7:00 p.m.
- 20th Hillsdale County 4-H Council..... 6:00 p.m.

JUNE

- 13th YDFAC (Closed Meeting)..... 7:00 p.m.
- 15th Must have possession of Market Swine, Market Sheep, Breeding stock and Production Poultry, Market Poultry (this does not include Market Chickens)
- 20th Small Animal Committee Meeting..... 7:00 p.m.
- 24th Hillsdale County 4-H Council Meeting..... 6:00 p.m.

**WELCOME
New Clubs**

Chrome Hooves

*Hillsdale County
Clever Clovers*





STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Support 4-H with the TSC Paper Clover Campaign



From April 24 – May 5, Tractor Supply Company (TSC) customers across the nation will have the opportunity to support 4-H youth by purchasing a \$1 paper clover at checkout, both online and in stores.

Funds raised will support county, state and national 4-H programming. To learn more regarding the campaign, visit www.canr.msu.edu/events/spring-tractor-supply-co-paper-clover-campaign.

April 22: Michigan 4-H Volunteer Webinar - Working with Cloverbuds

Online

Come attend this session to learn and share techniques for working with Cloverbuds (ages 5-7) and project ideas that work well with this age group. This session will be offered twice, once as a daytime option and once as an evening option.

- **12 p.m. session:** www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-working-with-cloverbuds
- **7 p.m. session:** www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-working-with-cloverbuds7pm

April 27-28: 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Workshop

Charlevoix Rod and Gun Club, Charlevoix

Learn about Mich. 4-H Shooting Sports mission, policy, risk management and safety, discipline-specific equipment use and care, how to teach shooting fundamentals to youth, range set-up and more. Registration deadline: April 4.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/spring-2024-4-h-shooting-sports-instructor-workshop-for-adults-and-teens

May 8: 4-H and FFA State Meats Judging Contest

East Lansing

By participating, contestants show their ability to evaluate carcasses and identify meats. This contest will include individual and team competition.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-and-ffa-state-meats-judging-contest-2024





STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS

Sign up for the Michigan 4-H Alumni and Supporters Walking Challenge!

Starting May 5, MSU Extension will host a 4-H Alumni & Supporters Walking Challenge, where participants will track their miles walked and compete for a top spot in the contest! Each week, top contestants will win a 4-H swag prize and the county who logs the most miles throughout the whole challenge will earn a \$100 cash prize for their county 4-H program. Random weekly winners will also be chosen amongst registered participants who have actively engaged in the contest during the previous week.

Miles walked/ran will be collected weekly through a Google form; this form will be sent upon completion of the registration. Each week, the top contestants will be based on the number of miles logged from Sunday to Saturday. Individuals will report their miles by Sunday at 11:59 p.m. ET. Submissions received later than Sunday by 11:59 p.m. ET will not be eligible for weekly prizes.

Learn more and register at <https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-alumni-and-supporters-walking-challenge>.



Michigan 4-H presents Show Your Money Smarts Contest



Join Michigan 4-H for a fun contest leading up to National Financial Literacy Month in April. Expand your knowledge and compete with other youth across Michigan to earn prizes in money management challenges.

Show Your Money Smarts Contest (13-19 years old)

Learn how to keep your money safe in this year's sixth annual online contest. Compete with other youth across the state of Michigan in this 30-question online challenge during the month of April and win prizes. High scoring youth will be entered into a prize drawing to win a \$50 gift card. Start developing good financial habits at a young age and learn how to choose a financial institution that works for you! Learn more at <https://www.canr.msu.edu/4-h-money-smarts/show-your-money-smarts-contest>.

Get your tickets for Michigan 4-H Day with the Detroit Tigers!

Join Michigan 4-H and MSU Extension for a fun day at Comerica Park to watch the Detroit Tigers take on the Kansas City Royals on Sunday, April 28. Michigan 4-H will be honored as the Group Charity of the Game. To celebrate, 4-H youth, volunteers, staff, and their families will enjoy a discounted ticket to the game. A portion of every ticket sold on this link will be donated back to Michigan 4-H. Make sure to wear your favorite 4-H gear and support 4-H while enjoying a fun day with the 4-H community.

New this year, Michigan 4-H guests will receive:

- A dual-branded Michigan 4-H and Detroit Tigers hat. Hats are redeemable on gameday in section 332.
- An exclusive pregame on-field opportunity. Timing and logistics of this opportunity will be released within a month of the game date.

Only tickets purchased through the Michigan 4-H link are eligible for these exclusive opportunities. This year, tickets will be available in a variety of locations throughout the stadium, with prices ranging from \$27 - \$59. Learn more at www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-day-with-the-detroit-tigers.

