



Ingham County

## 4-H Family News

February 28, 2020

## Weekly Happenings

Mar 4—4-H Livestock Committee Meeting—6:30 pm—Hilliard  
 Mar 10—Exploration Days Enrollment begins  
 Mar 11—4-H Horse Committee Meeting—7:00 pm—Hilliard  
 Mar 15—Homegrown Fair Forms Due to 4-H Office by 5:00 pm  
 Mar 18—4-H Council Monthly Meeting—7:00 pm—Hilliard  
 Mar 28—Dairy Feeder Tagging—11:00 am—2:00 pm—Fairgrounds  
 Mar 29—4-H Goat Clinic—12:00—3:00 pm—Fairgrounds



## 2020 Exploration Days.....June 24-26, 2020

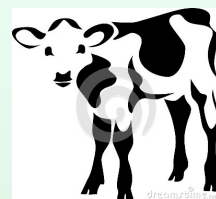
This fun MSU pre-college program could be the highlight of your summer - it could even change your life! About 2,500 youth (ages 11-19) and chaperones from across Michigan attend annually.

4-H Exploration Days registration goes from mid-March through April with session assignments made on a first-come, first-served basis. As you select your session choices, be sure to watch for age restrictions! **Age requirements for sessions are based on your age as of January 1.** Visit [https://www.canr.msu.edu/4\\_h\\_exploration\\_days/](https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_exploration_days/) for online registration book and forms.

- There'll be more than 200 session choices held on and off campus. You'll choose one or two for your three-day stay.
- You'll live in a Michigan State University dorm and eat in the cafeteria—just like MSU students do. Sessions are taught by people who know their stuff, including MSU faculty members, 4-H volunteers and staff members and other experts.
- It's not all sessions! There's plenty of time for fun, including the Planetarium, skating, souvenir shopping, exploring, the Dairy Store, tour of the MSU Horse Barn, basketball—even a great dance Thursday night
- **The 2020 cost is \$220.00.** There is an additional \$20 4-H participation fee for youth not yet enrolled in 4-H. The fee includes meals, a shared room in a dorm, sessions and a t-shirt. Local scholarships are available by contacting the 4-H Office.
- **Registration opens Tuesday, March 10, 2019 at 9:00am.** Registration books that show all of the sessions and details on everything happening during Exploration Days is available online and from county Extension offices . **Registrations are entered by the county staff in the order received. The sooner you get your registration in to the 4-H Office, the better chance you will have of getting your first selections. Several have already been turned in so get them in now. The popular sessions fill up quickly.**



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Dairy Feeder  
Tagging

March 28  
 11:00 am—2:00 pm  
 Fairgrounds

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<https://www.facebook.com/Ingham4H>



**Save the Dates:****Beef & Market Dairy**

Market Feeder Tagging—  
March 28—11:00-2:00  
Fairgrounds

Beef Fitting and Showman-  
ship Clinic—April 5

**Horse**

Cloverbud Camp—June 29 &  
30

Horse Project Bootcamp for  
Fair—July 14-16

Leader Show—June 12 & 13

Twilight Show—sponsored  
by Dansville Wranglers—July  
16

Achievement Days—May 31,  
June 14, and June 28  
(dressage)

**Goat**

Goat Clinic—March 29

**Swine**

Be sure to join this  
swine Facebook group  
for updated fair  
information regarding  
use of Ractopamine:

### Ingham County 4H/FFA Swine

**Homegrown Verification**

For beef, sheep and swine members who wish to exhibit in the homegrown classes at Fair, we must have a homegrown verification form on file in the 4-H Office by March 15 and must be signed by your project leader.



Form located on your specie page at <https://www.canr.msu.edu/ingham/4-h/animal-projects/>

For questions, please contact Glenda at 676-7303.

**Dairy Market Feeder Tagging**

If you plan to show a dairy market feeder calf at the Ingham County Fair in 2019, please mark your calendar for this required tagging date. Calves can ONLY be tagged prior to 3/24/19. If you are unable to make it to the tagging, you must contact the Superintendent to get tags. Those that don't weigh in at the fairgrounds will not be eligible for rate of gain.

**Saturday, March 28, 2020**

**11:00 am –2:00 p.m.**

**Ingham County Fairgrounds**

\$2.00 charge on day of tagging for every animal tagged.

Contact Superintendent Matt Marion at 937-9407 or the 4-H Office at 676-7207 with questions.

**Share your photo and support 4-H with Manna Pro!**

From February 1 – April 30, Manna Pro is hosting a contest to build a 4-H picture mosaic online. Those pictures are integrated into tiny pieces to make a larger photo.

At the conclusion of the contest, Manna Pro will be providing the top three state 4-H programs with prizes of \$6,000, \$3,000, and \$1,000. Winners will be determined based on the number of photos uploaded in relation to the state's total population.



4-H members, supporters, and friends can upload pictures of their pet or animal to Manna Pro's contest site. In return, they will receive \$50 in coupons and help increase their state's chances at taking home a cash prize!

To learn more or participate, visit [www.mannapro.com/4h](http://www.mannapro.com/4h).





# GRATIOT COUNTY YOUTH SWINE DAY

## DATE & TIME:

- May 2nd, 2020
- Registration opens at 8:30am
- Ends at 4 pm

## LOCATION:

- Gratiot County Fair For Youth
- 701 S Lincoln Ave Alma, MI 48801

## COST and

## REGISTRATION:

- Cost is \$5
- Kids T-shirts: \$10 (Optional, must order by April 17th)
- Registrations opens on February 17th, 2020
- Registration at MSU Extension office
- Make Checks Payable to: MSU Extension
- Early Registration close: April 17th
- Late fee is \$10 (After April 17th)



## WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

This event is open to all youth from ages 5 to 19 years old. Parents also welcome to attend sessions.

## DESCRIPTION:

This is event is an all day seminar focused on improving youth's knowledge of swine in general. Some topics include showmanship and livestock judging hosted by MSU Livestock Judging Team, manure management, fair biosecurity, and a Q & A panel of fair and swine local experts. Lunch will be provided.

## HOW TO REGISTER:

Registration will be at MSU Extension Office, 219 N State Ave Alma, MI 48801. Registration will open February 17th, 2020. Early bird registration is \$5 and ends April 17th. Late registration is up til the day of at is \$10. Checks can be made out to: Michigan State University. [Register here.](#)



## CONTACT:

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Alma MI, 48801  
(989) 875-5292
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## National Poultry Improvement Plan Pullorum Tester Training

## DATE & TIME:

Tuesday, March 3, 2020  
8:30am

## LOCATION:

MSU Pavilion  
4301 S Farm Lane  
Lansing, MI 48910

## COST:

\$35 (includes certification)  
\$10 (non-certificate)



## National Poultry Improvement Plan Registration Training starts at 8:30am on March 3rd.

To register visit: [https://commerce.cashnet.com/msu\\_3645](https://commerce.cashnet.com/msu_3645)

If you have problems registering, please call Carla at 517-242-2395

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## Gratiot County Youth Swine Day continued

## Event Information May 2, 2020

### Schedule

8:30 Registration Starts

9 - 9:10 am Introduction

### MORNING SESSION (rotating sessions)

9:10 - 10:00 am Small Farm Manure Management

10:05 - 10:55 am Skill-a-thon

11 - 11:50 am Livestock Judging

Lunch 12:00 pm - 12:50 pm

Q & A panel 1:00 pm - 1:40 pm

### AFTERNOON SESSION (rotating sessions)

1:45 - 2:35 pm Showmanship

2:40 - 3:30 pm Fair Biosecurity

3:40 pm Wrap up and Prizes

4 pm - Adjourn

## YOUTH SWINE DAY



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## Horse Camps—2 Opportunities Cloverbud Fair Preparation Boot Camp

### CLOVERBUD CAMP

#### Date & Time:

June 29 & 30, 202  
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Cost: \$34.99—\$10 nonrefundable deposit is due May 30, 2020

### FAIR PREPERATION

#### BOOT CAMP

#### Date:

July 13-16, 2020

### For Both Camps

#### LOCATION:

Ingham County Fairgrounds,, 700 E. Ash St, Mason, MI-

Snacks and Lunch will be provided.

### CLOVERBUD CAMP

#### Who should attend:

Youth age 5-7 years old

#### Description:

The activities are centered around Cloverbud Exploration. The camp consists of crafts and educational equine activities. Activities will not include riding and youth will not bring their own horses.

#### Registration form:

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/ingham/uploads/files/Cloverbud%20Camp.pdf>

### FAIR PREPERATION BOOT CAMP

#### Who should attend:

Youth ages 8-19 with a minimum of a walk/trot riding ability.

#### Description:

This three day camp will help you prepare for fair. Participants will be grouped together based on chosen discipline and age/skill level.

Riding improvement instruction is offered for various levels of skill; walk-trot, through advanced. Disciplines offered are English Hunt Seat, Western, Gymkhana, and Dressage. Participants will choose one discipline instruction level for the entire camp. Within the groups you will receive additional demonstrations and information on horse care, horse behavior, training techniques and various other horse related topics.

#### Registration and Further Information:

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/ingham/uploads/files/Horse%20Camp.pdf>

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Ingham County Fair, Ingham County Farm Bureau, Ingham County 4-H Horse Committee

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# 4-H Animal & Veterinary SCIENCE CAMP

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Explore the exciting field of animal and veterinary science with one of MSU Extension's premier pre-college programs! Practice veterinary medicine, research zoonotic conditions and discover careers!

4-H Animal & Veterinary Science campers will stay in a campus dorm and experience campus life, enjoying experiences such as:

- **Tours of on-campus clinics and labs** – Explore MSU's Veterinary Medical Center and Diagnostics Center for Population and Animal Health. Learn and interact with MSU faculty and veterinary students.
- **Hands-on veterinary activities** – Try your hand at dissection, suturing, first aid, physical examinations, x-ray reading, animal handling and more.
- **Tours of campus farms and surrounding facilities** – Get a behind-the-scenes tour of the MSU Horse, Sheep, Dairy and Swine Farms. Learn about research done on the farms from farm managers and faculty members.
- **Case study evaluations** – Work your way through a veterinary science case study to determine the best course of treatment before presenting your case to experts.

The 4-H Animal & Veterinary Science Camp is a collaborative program of MSU Extension, MSU Department of Animal Science and the MSU College of Veterinary Medicine.

June 24-28, 2019

Michigan State University  
East Lansing, Michigan

### APPLY!

Youth aged 13 to 17 can go to [https://www.canr.msu.edu/4\\_h\\_animal\\_veterinary\\_science\\_camp/](https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_animal_veterinary_science_camp/) to apply. Space is limited! Campers will be selected on the basis of their applications.

Send your application to Nick Babcock at MSU Extension by April 3.

Questions? Call 517-432-1626 or email [babco116@msu.edu](mailto:babco116@msu.edu).

### LOW COST!

The cost to attend this five-day camp is **Just \$350** and includes all meals, transportation to field trips, lodging and materials.



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## Ionia County 4-H New and Used TACK SALE

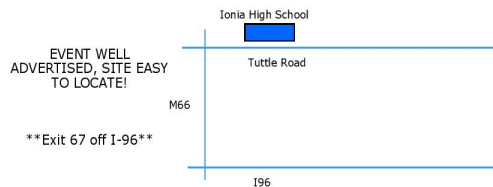
Saturday, March 28, 2020  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



Over 100 Booths  
Saddles – Misc. Tack – Clothing  
Feed – Jewelry – Gifts – Publications  
Barn Supplies – And More!!

Concessions On Site

**Ionia High School**  
250 East Tuttle Road, Ionia MI 48846



Have items to sell?  
Booth reservations and payment due March 1, 2020  
\*\*\*Non-Refundable\*\*\*  
Contact: Dolores Powell at 443-534-4102  
or email: [powellm@yahoo.com](mailto:powellm@yahoo.com)

### Sponsored by the Ionia County 4-H Horse Developmental Committee

Profits from the tack sale will be used for Ionia County 4-H Equine Educational purposes, maintenance and upkeep of facilities at the Ionia County fairgrounds, and other purposes at the discretion of the Ionia County 4-H horse development committee.



# Agriculture and Natural Resources Week

February 29-  
March 7, 2020

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[canr.msu.edu/anr/awards](http://canr.msu.edu/anr/awards)



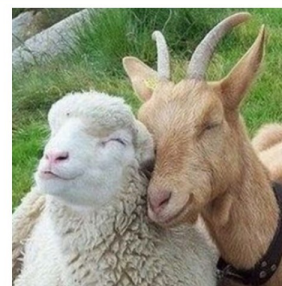
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## Small Ruminant 4-H Workshop

**DATE & TIME:**  
Sunday,  
March 29, 2020  
Noon—3:00 pm

**LOCATION:**  
Ingham County  
Fairgrounds  
700 East Ash St.  
Mason, MI-  
Main Arena

Lunch will be provided



### WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

Youth and adults involved or interested in the goat or sheep project areas

### DESCRIPTION:

Youth will examine the small ruminant digestive system from birth through adulthood. Hands on activities will include a necropsy and digestion simulation.

### REGISTRATION

Register by March 23, 2020 at  
<https://events.anr.msu.edu/SmallRuminant4HWorkshop/>

### CONTACT:

Glenda Weiss at [weissgle@msu.edu](mailto:weissgle@msu.edu) or (517) 676-7303

### SPONSORS

Ingham County Fair  
Ingham County Farm Bureau



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JUNE 24-26, 2020  
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**4-H  
EXPLORATION  
DAYS**

4-H Exploration Days is an annual MSU Pre-College Program that attracts about 2,400 participants from across Michigan.

There's always lots to do and see at 4-H Exploration Days! Have fun, learn new things and make new friends on the beautiful MSU campus! Choose from 200 action-packed learning sessions, including:

- Animal Science
- Careers & Entrepreneurship
- Communication
- Environmental Education
- Food, Nutrition & Fitness
- Science, Engineering & Technology
- Visual & Performing Arts

### Come join the fun!

4-H Exploration Days registrations are due to your local MSU Extension office by April 30, 2020.

Ask your local MSU Extension office for a copy of the registration book, or get it from our website at:

[canr.msu.edu/4\\_h\\_exploration\\_days/](http://canr.msu.edu/4_h_exploration_days/)

### Entertainment

An exciting, fun, high-energy show in the world-class Wharton Center is bound to entertain you!

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### 2020 SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN 4-H CAT FUN MATCH

March 14, 2020

County Building, 801 Hazen, Paw Paw, Michigan

Registration opens at 9:00 a.m.

Show begins at 10:00 a.m.

Exhibitors should bring their own carriers and table coverings



#### CLASSES

##### Breed Classes

- Purebred Kitten (4-12 months)
- Purebred Cat (older than 1 Year)
- Household Kitten (4-12 months)
- Household Female (older than 1 year)
- Household Male (older than 1 year)
- Parent/Over 19 Age (Any Breed)
- Currently Adoptable Foster Cat (Any Breed)

- Cat Product – All Ages

##### Showmanship Classes

- Cloverbud – Ages 5-8
- Young – Ages 9-12
- Junior – Ages 13-14
- Senior – Ages 15-19

##### Cage Decoration

- Cloverbud – Ages 5-8
- Junior – Ages 9-13
- Senior – Ages 14-19

Differently Able – All Classes



DEADLINE TO REGISTER is February 24, 2020

Exhibitor Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age as of 1/1/20 \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cat Name, Breed, Sex \_\_\_\_\_  
Cat Name, Breed, Sex \_\_\_\_\_

(Limit 2 cats per exhibitor)

Does Cat Have Current Rabies and 3-in-1 Vaccines? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Must be mailed with registration or shown on day of show)

Classes Entering: \_\_\_\_\_ Showmanship  
Enter \_\_\_\_\_ Cage Decoration  
\*Cat Name \_\_\_\_\_ Breed  
\*Age/Skill Level \_\_\_\_\_ Breed  
\*If Diff. Able \_\_\_\_\_ Cat Product  
Cat Product

Total Entry Fees: \_\_\_\_\_  
(\$2.00 per class)

I read and agree to the Show Rules Listed \_\_\_\_\_  
(signature handler and parent)

Make Checks payable to Young Explorers 4-H  
Mail Entries to: Young Explorers, 04632 Baker Road, Gobles, MI 49055  
or email to [nobledenise@rocketmail.com](mailto:nobledenise@rocketmail.com)  
Questions? Contact Denise Noble, (269) 303-5407

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## MICHIGAN 4-H Beekeeping Essay Competition

### 2020 Essay Topic:

Overwintering: Bee Survival through the Cold Season

**\$750 1st place prize, includes being published!**

Deadline: March 15, 2020

Contact: Laura Quist, [quistla1@msu.edu](mailto:quistla1@msu.edu)

#### Contest Rules:

[https://www.canr.msu.edu/environmental\\_outdoor\\_education/](https://www.canr.msu.edu/environmental_outdoor_education/)



4-H GROWS HERE MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY Extension

### 2020 SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN 4-H CAT FUN MATCH RULES

ENTRY FEES - \$2.00 per class

1. An exhibitor may show ANY cat (owned or borrowed). The cat must be groomed for the show by the exhibitor. An exhibitor can show up to two cats/kittens but may not have more than one entry per class. Family members may exhibit the same cat in the showmanship class, but not the breed classes. The Parent/Over Age 19 class is for parents/adults/ youth over age 19 that want to exhibit. Cats shown in the currently adoptable foster care class should be housed in a foster facility and be currently available for adoption.
2. Showmanship class is highly recommended. The purpose of showmanship is for the exhibitor to demonstrate to the judge their general knowledge of cats. This includes physically showing the cat's features, as well as a possible question/answer session concerning cat diet, health, anatomy, physiology, and general care. Scoring will be based on the 4-H Companion Animals guidelines, email Noble for full manual.
3. An exhibitor's attire should be neat and clean. The show dress code includes a light colored long-sleeved shirt and dark colored pants or jeans. Flat shoes are required, no sandals. Long hair should be tied back.
4. Harnesses with identification tags are mandatory; collars are appropriate but cat must also be on harness. Leashes are required. All cats to be kept on harness and leash or crated except when in the show ring. All cats should have a carrier available at all times during the show; cardboard boxes are not acceptable. Exhibitors should provide a carpet sample for exhibiting the cat during breed class.
5. Kittens should be between 4 and 12 months on the day of show; adults are one year or older on the day of show. Household class is considered mixed breed. Purebred class should conform to the standard of the breed, but registration papers are not required. The top two placing cats in each class will be considered for Grand and Reserve Grand Champion cat.
6. Female cats in season, nursing cats, or cats that are obviously pregnant may not participate in the show. A substitute cat will be accepted during show registration without forfeiting pre-entry registration money.
7. All cats shown **MUST** have a certificate showing that they have had the following inoculations – rabies and distemper, calicivirus, and rhinotracheitis (Feline 3 in 1). The rabies must be from a certified veterinarian; the 3 in 1 shot may be done personally but proof of vaccination must be shown (receipt, package, etc.). It is highly recommended that cats also have the feline leukemia and pneumonic inoculations. Cats showing sign of disease such as sneezing, coughing, runny eyes, lice, fleas, ticks, or ear mites will automatically be marked down or removed from the show. No feline leukemia positive cats will be allowed entry.
8. All cats should have their nails clipped or be declawed for the protection of judge and exhibitors. NOTE: This is a youth event – do not have your cat declawed if you plan to enter other shows as it will be a disqualification at some cat shows. Nail clipping is all that is required for this show.
9. Any cat or exhibitor showing excessive aggression, determined by the show officials, shall be removed from show area and shall not exhibit.
10. Cat product will be judged on creativity, originality, workmanship, and exhibitor's product design created by them. Scoring occurs in the following categories: Creativity, Originality, Workmanship, Exhibitor Participation, Business Plan, Financials, Promotion, Interview, and Age Consideration.
11. For cage decorations, exhibitors will use their own carriers and the decorated carrier must fit on the table provided. Cage decorations will be judged on creativity, originality, and youth's description of how decorations and/or costumes were personally designed and created.
12. Attitude is a feline game of skill designed specifically for cat behaviors. Scoring will be based on the Attitude rules, email Noble for full description and scoring.
13. Exhibitors may enter any class as a Differently Able participant (please indicate same on your entry form). Exhibitor may show regular or differently able, but not both. Caregiver should remain in the show area at all times to assist child if necessary.
14. Cats should remain in carriers as much as possible and out only for grooming/showing reasons. No cats should roam through the building/show area. No cats should be loose and off harness/leash at any time unless showing.



# Montcalm County 4-H Goat Educational and Fun Show

**Saturday, March 21, 2020**

Montcalm County Fairgrounds, Small Animal Barn

8784 Peck Road, Greenville, MI 48838

Registration/check-in at 9 a.m.

Show starts at 10 a.m.

Pre-register by March 1st: Entry Fees: \$4 per goat, \$4 for showmanship

Day-of Entry Fees: \$5 per goat, \$5 for showmanship



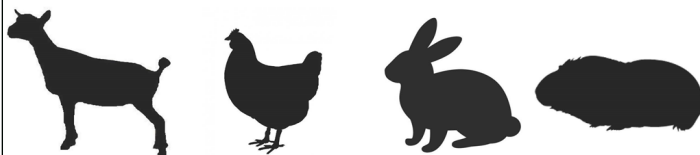
- Showmanship classes: Cloverbud (5-7), Juniors (8-11), Intermediate (12-14), Senior (15-19), and adult (20 and over)
  - Age will be determined as of show day
- Market and Fiber hands-on educational class (bring your own goat)
  - Goat cart demonstration
- Classes may be added with sufficient number of entries
  - All age buck class (must be 18 to show a buck)
- Bring a dish to pass and table service to join the potluck lunch
  - Goats need not be body clipped

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Hosted by The Whispering Pine  
Farm Kids 4-H Club

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**MONTCALM COUNTY 4-H**

## Small Animal Showmanship Workshop

**May 16, 2020, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

Montcalm County Fairgrounds, Greenville, MI

**BRING YOUR ANIMAL AND GET TIPS FROM  
JUDGES OR LEAVE YOUR ANIMALS HOME AND  
COME LISTEN TO THE FEEDBACK OTHERS  
RECEIVE.**

*Questions: call MSU Extension Office at 989-831-7514*

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### Montcalm County Goat Fun Show Registration Form

(please circle one) 4-H Member 4-H Cloverbud Adult

Exhibitor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

County from: \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibitor's Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

#### GOATS INFORMATION

Scrapie Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

#### CLASSES (please circle the ones you want to enter)

This order will be show order.

##### Showmanship

##### Dairy breed class

Milking does

Never freshened does

Dry does

##### Meat breed class

Milking does

Never freshened does

Dry does

##### Mixed breed class

Milking does

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##### Dam and kid (any gender kid)

##### Wether

##### Buck

##### Trail (Pro-Am)

Name of Partner: \_\_\_\_\_

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Montcalm County Youth 4-H Rabbit & Cavy Show

Crystal Community Center

217 East Park Street, Crystal, MI 48818



**Saturday, April 25, 2020**

Enter between 7:00 & 8:30 a.m. — Show starts promptly at 9:00 a.m.

#### Showmanship

\$2.00 entry fee

*Trophy for each class winner.*

- Beginner: 4-H age 8-10
- Junior: 4-H age 11-12
- Intermediate: 4-H age 13-14
- Seniors: 4-H age 15-19
- Cloverbuds – (4-H age 5-7) participation awards only, no placing/trophies

~ Place ribbons up to 5th place ~

**Educational Posters are welcomed and will be judged**

#### Breed Class — Rabbit & Cavy

\$3.00 entry fee – Breed  
\$2.00 entry fee – Fur/Wool

*Awards for:*

- Rabbits – BOB & BOS
- Grand Champion & Reserve Meat Pens/Fryer
- Best Reserve in Show
- Best in Show
- Cavy – BOB & BOS
- Cavy – Best in Show & Reserve in Show
- Cloverbuds – (4-H age 5-7) participation awards only, no placing/trophies

~ Place ribbons up to 3rd place ~

~ Delicious Concessions will be available ~  
~ Master Corner Cage Dealer will be present ~

**EXHIBITORS MUST HAVE CARRYING CAGES WITH  
LEAK-PROOF BOTTOMS FOR ALL ANIMALS**  
~ Animals just in regular cages will **not** be permitted!

For more information contact:  
Linda Peterson – (989) 814-0691

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Profits will go to the Montcalm County 4-H Small Animal Committee to fund rabbit programs, equipment, and committee expenses.  
Michigan State University Extension programs and materials are open to all without regard to race, color, national origin, gender, gender identity, religion, age, height, weight, disability, political beliefs, sexual orientation, marital status, family status or veteran status.

Rabbit Hopping Contest!







It has helped me with career choices and lots of things. It had a positive impact on me. -Calhoun County Camper

## What's the camp schedule?

A tentative daily schedule follows:

### 7 a.m. - Wake-up

(optional early morning activities include fishing and polar bear swim)

### 8 a.m. - Breakfast

### 9 a.m. - Great Lakes ecology exploration sessions (attend a different session each day)

**1. Charter Fishing & Fisheries** - Live, act and smell like a fish! First-time campers will go charter fishing on Lake Huron in pursuit of trout and salmon while learning fishing tips and tricks. Later, all the anglers will process their catch and discover more about this outstanding Great Lakes fishery. A great fish dinner is also included! Returning campers will get wet exploring aquatic systems using scientific methods and tools to investigate fish habitat and other organisms.

**2. Watersheds and Lakes** - Get your hands dirty while exploring aquatic ecosystems! Make lake observations from a boat while collecting lake bottom samples to identify what is there, how it got there and what it does. Conduct chemical experiments on the water to determine if it is safe for fish and people.

**3. Forestry & Wildlife** - We depend on trees and forests for so much - food, shelter and many products you may not have considered. Trees and forests also help the environment with healthy soil, clean air and clean water. Wildlife also depends on a healthy forest. Explore forest communities with foresters to learn forestry practices and techniques while gaining an appreciation of how forests are managed for timber production, wildlife and recreation.



**4. Environmental Stewardship** - When we hear "throw it away," where is "away"? Campers will engage in real-life simulations that take a challenging look at lifestyles and choices and their effects on the environment. Discover where waste goes and strategies to eliminate it. See how society makes it easy not to think about tomorrow and long-term effects. Identify ways you can become a better environmental steward and create a plan to use when you return home.

**5. Coastal Wetlands** - Explore the shoreline of Lake Huron. Discover the unique life forms of wetlands and the reasons they are so important to our Great Lakes ecosystems and watersheds. Learn hands-on using tablets and GPS technology for mapping plants and animals of coastal habitats for science research.

### Noon - Lunch

### 12:30 p.m. - Announcements, group meetings, personal time

### 1:30 p.m. - Recreation learning options

You'll attend five different options. For first-time campers, these include filleting fish caught during charter fishing. Other possibilities are archery, air rifle shooting, canoeing, outdoor survival, GPS EarthCache hike, photography, sea lamprey research, quarry field trip, lighthouse tour, national marine sanctuary tour, forest fire prevention, crafts, and swimming enhancement for those who can't swim well or at all. Strong swimmers will also have the chance to go kayaking, sailing and snorkeling.

### 3 p.m. - Swimming and beach activities

### 5:30 p.m. - Dinner

### 6 p.m. - Group game activities



I now understand the importance of our environment, how to improve the quality of Earth and how to inform others. I had fun, learned lots, loved the wildlife, and understand many aspects of nature. -Oakland County Camper



It has influenced me to become a marine biologist and help protect the natural resources. It was also a big confidence builder. -Washtenaw County Camper

### 8:30 p.m. - Evening program and snack

### 9:30 p.m. - Campfire

### 11:15 p.m. - Curfew (in assigned cabins)

## Educational perks

Your educational experiences at camp will help prepare, reinforce and enrich what you've already learned in school and what you'll learn in the future. Throughout camp you will explore a number of ideas and participate in the process of science through the integration of science and engineering practices that address Michigan's new science education. For more information about 4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp and the Michigan Science Curriculum Content Expectations and Standards, visit [http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/4\\_h\\_great\\_lakes\\_natural\\_resources\\_camp/why\\_attend](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/4_h_great_lakes_natural_resources_camp/why_attend).

## Contact information

For more information visit the camp website at [http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/4\\_h\\_great\\_lakes\\_natural\\_resources\\_camp](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/4_h_great_lakes_natural_resources_camp) or contact your local Michigan State University (MSU) Extension office (to find the office, visit <http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county>). You can also contact:

Laura Potter-Niesen, Camp Co-Director  
4-H Youth Development, MSU Extension  
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446 West Circle Drive  
East Lansing, MI 48824  
Phone: 517-432-2963, Fax: 517-353-4846  
Email: [potterla@msu.edu](mailto:potterla@msu.edu)

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## COME TO CAMP THIS SUMMER!



August 5-11, 2018  
Presque Isle, Michigan



[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/4\\_h\\_great\\_lakes\\_natural\\_resources\\_camp](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/4_h_great_lakes_natural_resources_camp)

This camp is an MSU precollege program made possible by:

- 4-H Youth Development, MSU Extension
- Michigan 4-H Foundation Donors
- Michigan Sea Grant Extension
- MSU Department of Fisheries and Wildlife
- Michigan Charter Boat Association
- Michigan Natural Features Inventory
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

## Ten great reasons to attend!

1. Have fun in the great outdoors doing camp activities such as fishing, boating, swimming, hiking and campfires!
2. Learn about and enjoy Great Lakes ecology and Michigan's diverse natural resources.
3. Explore natural resources management issues.
4. Find out about careers related to the Great Lakes and natural resources.
5. Learn from Michigan State University faculty members, MSU Extension program staff members and other natural resources experts.
6. Discover environmental education projects that you can do at home.
7. Make new friends from across the state and learn about where they are from.
8. Enjoy a chance to be independent from your family in a safe, friendly environment.
9. Learn new ideas, skills and techniques that you can use for the rest of your life.
10. Develop your leadership abilities.

I have become more interested in the sciences, developed more confidence and expanded my horizons quite a lot! Thank you! -Ingham County Camper

## Extras for returning campers

If you're a returning camper, you'll be able to participate in the regular camp activities plus these extras:

- Take a night hike.
- Try out advanced scientific techniques.
- Take on extra leadership roles.
- Notice things you may have missed or didn't have time to participate in when you attended camp last time.
- Strengthen your skills and qualifications to become a camp counselor in future years.

Camp has really broadened my horizons on career choices and my love for the outdoors. -Alpena County Camper

## When and where is camp?



4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp will be held August 5-11, 2018. Lodging, meals and programming will take place at Camp Chickagami, near the shore of Lake Huron between Alpena and Rogers City. The state-licensed camp has dormitory-style cabins, a dining hall, and toilet and shower facilities.



## MSU precollege scholarship opportunity

Campers who will enter eighth, ninth or tenth grades following their involvement are eligible for nomination to apply for a \$2,000 MSU Precollege Achievement Scholarship. Campers will be invited to apply on the basis of criteria such as attitude, behavior and active participation. The funds will be applied toward the first year at MSU as a degree-seeking student. Visit [http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/4\\_h\\_scholarships\\_and\\_recognition\\_program/4\\_h\\_scholarships](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/4_h_scholarships_and_recognition_program/4_h_scholarships) for more information.

## How much does camp cost?

The fee is \$375. (Those who are not 4-H members pay an additional \$20.) The fee includes meals and snacks, lodging, a T-shirt, and program and activity fees. Donors to the Michigan 4-H Foundation, Michigan Sea Grant Extension and MSU Extension generously offset about 25 percent of the real \$450 per camper cost. A limited number of state scholarships are offered for teens with financial need. Contact your county MSU Extension office to see if local scholarships may also be available.

## Who should attend?

You can apply to attend if you'll be ages 13 to 15 during camp. (**Note:** You may still apply if you'll be 12 during camp but entering eighth grade in the fall.) You don't need to be a 4-H member to attend. So that each camper can have the best experience possible, you must be able to fully participate in grade-level-appropriate small-group science learning sessions as well as very active large-group recreation. It's an action-packed week of fun and learning! (Campers who are unable to meet these expectations will be dismissed from camp at the parent/guardian's expense.)

## How do I apply and get selected?

Visit our website to access the online application and selection criteria: [http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/4\\_h\\_great\\_lakes\\_natural\\_resources\\_camp/cost\\_and\\_how\\_to\\_apply](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/4_h_great_lakes_natural_resources_camp/cost_and_how_to_apply).

Camp applications are due by May 1, but space is limited to 70 campers, so early application is encouraged.

Beginning June 5, wait-listed applicants will be offered spaces forfeited by campers who failed to meet the deadline.

Camp has showed me many career options and that there is something for everyone. Also just to be the best person I can be! -Allegan County Camper



## This camp's a winner!

2012 - Named one of eight top 4-H science programs nationally

2009 - Received National 4-H and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Natural Resources Conservation Education Award

2008 - Named a National 4-H Program of Distinction

## Cancellation and refund policy

- **Before June 1** - payment is fully refundable.
- **June 1 to June 30** - \$100 not refundable.
- **July 1 to camp** - \$200 not refundable.

Refunds for cancellations will be processed in the month after the cancellation is made.

The camp has given me some new choices for careers. -Mecosta County Camper



I liked meeting new friends and learning how to do new things. -Kent County Camper



## Earl Threadgould Scholarship

**Due April 15, 2020**

Receive a \$350 scholarship for college. To be eligible, you must be accepted for full-time study at an accredited post-secondary college or other school. Please submit the form from <https://www.canr.msu.edu/ingham/4-h/awards-scholarships>, a letter of acceptance, an essay on "How 4-H Has Contributed to my Growth and Development", and a letter of recommendation/support from your 4-H leader.



## Michigan Youth Livestock Scholarship Fund

**Entries due May 15, 2020**

### Two Scholarship Options for 2020

- 1) MYLSF SCHOLARSHIP (UP TO \$5,000)
- 2) STATE-WIDE SCHOLARSHIP (UP TO \$1,000)

*Both Scholarships are funded by proceeds from the Michigan State Fair Youth Livestock Auction and the Michigan Livestock Expo Auction*

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*Scholarship Fund*

Since 2000, the Michigan Youth Livestock Scholarship Fund has been awarding scholarships annually to outstanding youth who exhibit at the Michigan State Fair, Michigan livestock Expo and Michigan Dairy Expo. The fund is also responsible for supporting educational awards provided to youth livestock and dairy exhibitors each year. Funding comes from specific proceeds from the Michigan Livestock Expo Sale-Abration. Scholarship requirements and qualifications can be viewed through the application link below.

Applications and qualification requirements for the MYLSF and the statewide scholarship can be obtained at [www.michigan.gov/mda-mylsf](http://www.michigan.gov/mda-mylsf). Applications must be postmarked no later than **May 15, 2020**. If you have any questions, please contact Jeff Haarer, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural, at 517-284-5642 or Ernie Birchmeier, Michigan Farm Bureau, at 517-679-5335.

## Celebrate Money Smart Week with 4-H Money Smarts contests

Money Smart Week is April 4-11 and to celebrate, you can win cash for you and your county 4-H program! Youth ages 13-19 have the opportunity to participate in the second annual **Show Your Money Smarts Contest**. During this contest, youth will learn how to use credit wisely through an online challenge. High-scoring youth will be entered into a cash prize drawing for themselves and counties with 10 or more youth participants will be eligible to receive \$50 for their county 4-H program. Make sure to register by April 16!

Students in fifth through eighth grade also have the opportunity to participate in the **Money Smart Kids Essay Contest**. In partnership with the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago Detroit Branch, MSU Extension and Michigan 4-H are asking youth to answer this year's Money Smart question for a chance to win a \$1,000 prize. To participate, youth will share what they know about predatory lenders, why people use them, what the negative consequences are, and how to avoid these types of financial risks. Essays should be 300 words or less and be submitted by March 29.

To learn more about both contests, including official rules, registration links and resources for completing the contests, visit <https://www.canr.msu.edu/4-h-money-smarts/>.

### 4-H MONEY SMARTS CONTESTS

Opportunity to win cash prizes!  
Compete with youth across  
the state of Michigan  
Sign up before it's too late!!  
<https://www.canr.msu.edu/4-h-money-smarts/index>





## STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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### 4-H Events and Workshops

#### March 7: 2020 Michigan 4-H Dog Project Leader and Youth Workshop

*Anthony Hall, East Lansing*

This event is for youth, ages 8 to 19, and 4-H dog project leaders to build their knowledge and skill in understanding dog care, management and training topics.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-dog-project-leader-and-youth-workshop>

#### March 14: Michigan 4-H Embryology Staff, Teacher and Volunteer Training

*Alcona EMS Station, Harrisville*

This training is designed for educators who would like to learn how to implement an embryology program through classroom activities or 4-H SPIN clubs.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-embryology-staff-teacher-and-volunteer-training-alcona-county>

#### March 21: Montcalm County Fun Goat Show

*Montcalm County Fairgrounds, Greenville*

This is a fun and educational goat show for ages five to adult. Also included is a market and fiber hands-on educational class and a goat cart demonstration.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/montcalm-county-fun-goat-show>

#### March 26: Credit Craze - Basics of Credit for Youth

*Online webinar*

This short one hour interactive webinar will give youth a basic foundation on credit and resources to learn more.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/credit-craze-basics-of-credit-for-youth-march-26>

#### March 28: Norma Agnew Memorial 4-H Hairy Horse Show

*Pavilion for Agriculture and Livestock Education, Lansing*

This interactive horse show will have judges using microphones and giving on-the-spot feedback to exhibitors. This event is free for all spectators.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/norma-agnew-memorial-4-h-hairy-horse-show>

#### April 4: 4-H Day at the Red Wings

*Little Caesars Arena, Detroit*

Michigan 4-H youth, families and friends are invited to cheer on the Red Wings. For every ticket purchased, \$5 will go back to your county 4-H program.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-day-at-the-red-wings>

View more 4-H events at <https://www.canr.msu.edu/4h/events>.

### Pay it Fourward with JOANN Fabrics



From March 1—April 30, you can support 4-H by visiting your local JOANN store and adding a donation to 4-H at the register.

The funds donated will support the 4-H program with 50% going back to local 4-H programming and 20% supporting Michigan 4-H.

To find out more information about this donation visit <https://bit.ly/38U22Kw>.