



Ingham County

# 4-H Family News

September 25, 2020

## 2020-2021 Reenrollment is Now Open!

The new enhanced 4honline is now ready for reenrollment. Please log into your [4HOnline](#) Family account to submit enrollment for each member of your family - participating Youth and Adults (\*Adults only if a volunteer).

Go to <http://mi.4honline.com> and enter the email and password you created last year. If you've forgotten your password, select "I forgot my password" and follow the instructions. Once at your family homepage, work through each member's page to complete/update personal information, authorizations and project information. **PLEASE MAKE SURE CLUB AND PROJECT INFORMATION IS UP TO DATE!** Pay special attention to your "Years in 4-H" and be sure to add **each project** a member is/has been involved in.

MSU Extension recognizes that the COVID-19 pandemic and other associated factors have put a financial strain on many families. Therefore, we have opted to waive the Michigan 4-H participation fee of \$20 per person or \$60 per family for the 2020-21 4-H program year which begins September 1, 2020. Some events may continue to have registration fees. You will continue to register through 4-H Online, but no participation fees will be collected or expected next year.

If you are interested in supporting 4-H in lieu of paying participation fees, please contact your 4-H program coordinator for opportunities.

**Community Leaders:** You must reenroll in order to have access to your club's information. Once approved by County staff, your access will be restored.



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**Virtual Learning  
Resources for  
Parents, Teachers  
and Homeschool  
Families**



Though the back-to-school season occurs each fall, this year is unlike anything that has been experienced before. The 2020-2021 school year will present new challenges for families and teachers alike, whether youth are returning to school in the classroom, online or at home.

To support teachers, parents and homeschool families in their educational efforts, MSU Extension is compiling a list of helpful resources that can be used by varying audiences to supplement school plans. Arranged by audience, grade level and topic, a variety of resources will be available in differing delivery methods. While not all tools utilize school standards, many do.

Look for additional information coming soon! In the meantime, please check out [extension.msu.edu/online4MI](https://extension.msu.edu/online4MI).

## 4-H Volunteer Central

MSU Extension has a new volunteer management system, Volunteer Central. This system provides a platform to organize our Volunteer Selection Process for new volunteers, conduct our annual background check process, provide online training opportunities for volunteers, and to promote activities that need volunteer support with a convenient way to sign-up for shifts. New volunteers have been using the system since January. Now, all current MSU Extension volunteers have access to Volunteer Central and we've already created a profile for you. Using the instructions below, you'll need to edit and update your profile information

In case you missed it, this information was sent out to all volunteers in August. Please login and change your password, update any inaccurate information and add emergency contact information as this information was not part of our data transfer. You are also welcome to add a photo if you would like.

Go to MSU Extension [Volunteer Central \(https://msu.samaritan.com/custom/502/volunteer\\_home\)](https://msu.samaritan.com/custom/502/volunteer_home) and click "Login" which is located on the upper right hand side of the web page

Your User ID: [email address]

Password: Pa\$\$1234

Click Edit Profile

Review your information and update anything that is inaccurate

Replace placeholder Emergency contact information

Upload a photo if you would like

Change your password and save it. You will need this annually when you consent to the background check and if you want to explore volunteer opportunities and shifts as this feature gets used more in the future.

Click Update Form

Currently there is one training module available, Welcome to MSU Extension. This is not required for current volunteers, but we welcome you to review this overview of our organization if you are interested. More training modules will be added in the future and we would encourage you to check back regularly to participate in the modules.

**Volunteer Central does not replace 4-HOnline.** 4-HOnline is our 4-H specific database for volunteers, youth and families. It will remain an important part of your volunteer role to be active in both Volunteer Central and 4-HOnline

Thank you for volunteering with MSU Extension! Please reach out to Glenda at 676-7303 with any questions pertaining to Volunteer Central.







## PRESERVING YOUR HARVEST

Join us online at 1 p.m. or 6 p.m. EDT for free classes to learn to safely preserve your harvest.

- Aug. 13 - Safe Home Food Preservation-Traditions and Trends
- Aug. 20 - Preserving What's Left in Your Garden
- Aug. 27 - Peaches-Can or Freeze?
- Sept. 3 - Too Many Tomatoes
- Sept. 10 - Salsa 101
- Sept. 17 - Know Your Canners
- Sept. 24 - Basics of Sauerkraut
- Oct. 8 - Preparing Soups for Winter
- Oct. 15 - Making Applesauce
- Oct. 22 - Preserving Food for Gifts
- Oct. 29 - Preserving Venison

To register visit:  
<https://events.anr.msu.edu/PreserveHarvest/>

To listen by phone: call to register, 877-643-9882

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## GET READY TO MAKE NOT JUST ANY GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH BUT THE ULTIMATE GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH! JOIN US FOR ANOTHER EPISODE OF 4-H IN THE KITCHEN LIVE TO LEARN THE SECRETS TO THIS MOST EXCELLENT SANDWICH!

October 17, 2020 | 3:00 pm

<https://events.anr.msu.edu/UltimateGrilledCheese/>

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## Important Changes to 4-H Financial Manuals for Volunteers & Treasurers



The 4-H Financial Manuals for Volunteers and Treasurers support 4-H volunteers and adult and youth treasurers in their roles managing 4-H funds.

Small revisions and updates to these books were made in 2020. The online PDF versions of the manuals contain the changes. However, if you have a printed or hard copy version that does not contain the 2020 changes, a one-page document is available online that notes all the important content adjustments. It is recommended that you print this resource and store it in your manual for quick reference.

Download the 2020 changes resource at [www.canr.msu.edu/resources/4\\_h\\_financial\\_management\\_toolkit](http://www.canr.msu.edu/resources/4_h_financial_management_toolkit). For more information, please contact your local county staff member.

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### Prepare Ahead Financially to Move Out on Your Own

Learn how to financially prepare to move out on your own by taking a few steps that will ensure your transition doesn't empty your wallet. <https://bit.ly/30qkhnw>

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# MI 4-H STATE YOUTH LEADERSHIP COUNCIL



Your Face Here Next Year



Applications Due October 31  
<https://events.anr.msu.edu/sylc20/>



## ENHANCE YOUR 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS CLUB AND PROJECT MEETINGS

# ON TARGET TUESDAYS

Series of FREE Shooting Sports Workshops featuring Olympic Athletes and USA Top Shooters

SHOTGUN ◊ RIFLE ◊ ARCHERY ◊ PISTOL

6:30-7:30 pm PST

**OCT 6, 13, 20 & 27      NOV 3, 10 & 17      DEC 1**

Register for these webinars through your Zoom account:  
[https://wsu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_7KOfRuI9TTmOUewf7mxLuA](https://wsu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_7KOfRuI9TTmOUewf7mxLuA)

Sponsored by Washington State 4-H Shooting Sports



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The mission of 4-H is to empower youth to reach their full potential, working and learning in partnership with caring adults. Extension programs are open to all without discrimination. Evidence of noncompliance may be reported through your local Extension office.







JOIN US ONLINE!

## 4-H MINECRAFT SPIN CLUB

*An introduction to computer coding through the world of Minecraft! Open to all youth age 8 to 12.*

Choose one SPIN Club Opportunity  
Sign up TODAY!

Monday, September 21-25, 10-11:15am

Register: <https://bit.ly/34FkJII>

Monday, October 19-23, 4-5:15pm

Register: <https://bit.ly/2YImyuu>

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## ADULTING 101-FALL SERIES

High School Youth

October 12, 19, 26

4:00 PM

Register: <https://events.anr.msu.edu/Adult101Fall/>

For info: [hydemich@msu.edu](mailto:hydemich@msu.edu)

### Adulting 101

Our Fall Series topics include the following:

October 12th  
Interview for Success

October 19th  
Household Tasks

October 26th  
Developing a Spending Plan

Classes will start at 4:00 pm. Register <https://events.anr.msu.edu/Adult101Fall/>

## 4-H Coding Weekend Workshop-An Intro to Coding:

October 10/11 & 17/18, 2020-

Registration **DEADLINE** is October 1st

Explore the exciting field of computer coding at MSU Extension's newest coding workshop! Whether you have prior computer coding knowledge, or have never even thought about it, you will gain valuable coding skills at this fun STEM workshop.

**WHERE:** Virtually via Zoom

**WHO:** Youth in grades 9-12 this fall.

**COST:** The cost to attend this four-day workshop (2 weekends) is \$275 and includes tech support, post camp support, and program fees.

**MATERIALS REQUIRED:** Computer with internet and the ability to do video conferencing (microphone and webcam).

**REGISTER AND PAY HERE TODAY:**

<https://events.anr.msu.edu/4HCodingWeekendWorkshops/>

Youth will enjoy experiences such as:

- Developing your own tech ideas; designing and coding an application from scratch; and attracting users to your product!
- Learning the fundamentals of launching a product.
- Discovering the essentials of web design and development.
- Practicing coding skills in HTML, CSS, JS, Ruby, Rails and Github.
- Enhancing your passion for technology and growing real-world skills.

4-H Coding Weekend Workshop- An Intro to Coding is offered in collaboration with CodeNow.

Questions? Contact Christine Miller at MSU Extension at 517-552-6905 or email [johns832@msu.edu](mailto:johns832@msu.edu).

## Seeking Half-Time AmeriCorp STEAM Member

Hosted by Michigan State University Extension, 4-H STEAM Corps is an AmeriCorps program in which members develop and deliver science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics (STEAM) programming to under-served youth populations via short-term SPIN (special interest) clubs. We are seeking a half-time (20 hrs/wk) member to serve from October 2020 through August 2021. It is preferred that candidates be at least 21 years of age, but younger individuals (at least 18) may also apply.

\*This position, at least initially, will be completely remote. It may, at some point, transition to in-person, dependent on future directives from Michigan State University. For more information, please contact Eric Dobbrastine at 676-7300.



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**11 MONTHS,  
900 HOURS,  
10 4-H SPIN CLUBS,  
50 YOUTH, and YOU.**

**NOW ACCEPTING  
APPLICATIONS FOR  
4-H STEAM CORPS**

Interested individuals should submit a cover letter and resume to Eric Dobbrastine at [dobbras1@msu.edu](mailto:dobbras1@msu.edu) by September 30, 2020

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## National 4-H Week to be celebrated Oct. 4 - 10

For the 78th consecutive year, millions of youth, parents, volunteers and alumni across the country will celebrate *National 4-H Week* from October 4-10. The theme for this year's National 4-H Week, Opportunity4All, is a campaign that was created by National 4-H Council to rally support for Cooperative Extension's 4-H program and identify solutions to eliminate the opportunity gap that affects 55 million kids across America.



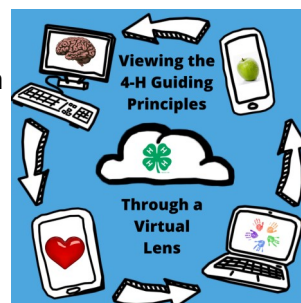
With so many children struggling to reach their full potential, 4-H believes that young people, in partnership with adults, can play a key role in creating a more promising and equitable future for youth, families and communities across the country. In 4-H, we believe every child should have an equal opportunity to succeed. We believe every child should have the skills they need to make a difference in the world.

To help bring awareness to the many positive youth development opportunities offered by 4-H, Michigan 4-H is encouraging 4-H youth, volunteers, staff and supporters to celebrate National 4-H Week in their communities. A few ways to do that while maintain safe social distancing include:

- Share how 4-H has inspired you or your kids on social media channels and with individuals in your community.
- Show your 4-H pride by wearing your 4-H apparel on Wednesday, Oct. 7, the official 4-H Spirit Day.
- Write an op-ed for your local paper to tell your Michigan 4-H story or submit it to MSU Extension for the [Meet Michigan 4-H'ers series](#).
- Decorate an [Opportunity4All sign](#) and share your pictures and captions of what opportunity means to you using the hashtag #Opportunity4All on social media.
- Use a [National 4-H Week Zoom background](#) on your virtual meetings.

## Guidelines for Positive Youth Development Virtually

As Michigan 4-H staff, volunteers and youth continue to practice safe social distancing, 4-H programs have moved online and many 4-H clubs are connecting virtually. To help both 4-H staff and volunteers view the 4-H Guiding Principles through a virtual lens, MSU Extension recently developed "Michigan 4-H Guiding Principles for Positive Youth Development: Virtual Programming Focus." This resource is a great tool for adults interacting with 4-H'ers to review as they consider their best ways to optimize 4-H programming for the online world.



View the Michigan 4-H Guiding Principles for Positive Youth Development online at [www.canr.msu.edu/resources/michigan-4-h-guiding-principles-for-positive-youth-development-virtual-programming-focus](http://www.canr.msu.edu/resources/michigan-4-h-guiding-principles-for-positive-youth-development-virtual-programming-focus).

## Support 4-H with the Tractor Supply Co. Paper Clover Campaign



Tractor Supply Company (TSC) customers across the nation will have the opportunity to support 4-H youth by purchasing a \$1 clover at checkouts when shopping both in stores or online at [www.TractorSupply.com](http://www.TractorSupply.com) from Oct. 7-18.

Funds raised will support county, state and national 4-H programming. To learn more regarding the campaign, visit <https://www.tractorsupply.com/tsc/cms/4h>.



### 4-H scholarships available



Outstanding Michigan 4-H members who are involved at county, regional, state, national or international levels are eligible to apply for Michigan 4-H scholarships to help fund their college experience.

A number of scholarship opportunities exist, ranging in value from \$500 to \$2,500. All applications are due by November 1.

Learn more and access applications materials at: [www.canr.msu.edu/4\\_h\\_scholarships\\_and\\_recognition\\_program/4\\_h\\_scholarships](http://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_scholarships_and_recognition_program/4_h_scholarships).

## 4-H Events and Workshops

October 5: MSU Tollgate Farm Secret Life of Trees Interactive Weekly Series  
*Online*

Explore the secret life of trees in this 5-week series that occurs each Monday. Interact with MSU Tollgate Farm staff, visit the fields and gardens, engage in STEM challenges, learn how we are a part of the same ecosystem as the trees and how we can give back.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/msu-tollgate-farm-fall-virtual-secret-life-of-trees-interactive-weekly-series>

October 6: 4-H Jedi Training for Teens

*Online via Zoom*

Do you have what it takes to harness the force and become a guardian of peace and justice? Find your inner harmony with this 5-week series that will occur each Tuesday.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-jedi-training-for-teens>

October 8: MSU Tollgate Farm Follow The Nutrient Trail Interactive Weekly Series

*Online*

Follow the nutrient trail of consumers, producers and decomposers as you meet Tollgate's goats, chickens and worms during this 5-week series that occurs each Thursday. Students will interact with staff and question, hypothesize, experiment, analyze data, conclude and question again through hands-on STEAM challenges.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/msu-tollgate-farm-fall-virtual-follow-the-nutrient-trail-interactive-weekly-series>

October 10: 4-H Coding Weekend Workshop - An Intro to Coding

*Online via Zoom*

Students will spend four days (weekends of October 10-11 and 17-18) learning how to code and develop an application to solve a technical problem that they define. This workshop is for any high school students of all coding skill levels and experience.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-coding-weekend-workshops-an-intro-to-coding>

October 12: Adulting 101

*Online via Zoom*

The exciting Adulting 101 series is offered to high school youth to help prepare for life on their own. This 3-week series will occur each Monday and cover Interviews for Success, Household Tasks, and Making a Spending Plan.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/adulting-101-fall-series-mondays>

October 17: 4-H in the Kitchen Live! Ultimate Grilled Cheese

*Online via Zoom*

Participants, ages 5-19, will learn how to make Ultimate Grilled Cheese Sandwiches using low and non-fat ingredients. Participants will receive the recipe two days in advance.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-in-the-kitchen-live-ultimate-grilled-cheese>

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