



4-H Family News

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Macomb County 4-H News & Events

Macomb County 4-H Youth Council to meet June 17th

The Macomb County 4-H Youth Council will meet on June 17, 2021 at 6 p.m. Participation of Macomb County 4-H club members is welcome and encouraged. Please watch your email or contact Macomb County 4-H Program Coordinator Katelyn Golembiewski, burnska9@msu.edu, for the meeting link. See you there!

Armada Fair clean-up and set-up dates

Mark your calendars for Armada Fair clean-up and set-up. The date for the clean up is July 11th and the set-up date is August 8th. Volunteers will be needed on these dates to clean up and set up for the 2021 Armada Fair. More details will be shared as they become available.

Konarski, Williams awarded Bill Hahn Memorial Scholarship

Congratulations! Leanna Konarski of Alarro 4-H Club and Timothy Williams of Pirates 4-H Club are recipients of the 2021 [Bill Hahn Memorial Scholarship Award](#). The scholarship is sponsored by the Armada Agricultural Society and is awarded to two graduating high school seniors each year. Applicants must have been an Armada Fair volunteer, employee or Open Class or Youth Organizations exhibitor.

Macomb County 4-H Horse Show dates

Macomb County 4-H Horse Show dates are June 12, 19, and 26 from 7 a.m.-5 p.m. All shows will be held at Camp Rotary, 20505 29 Mile Road, Ray Township.

Rabbits available

A former 4-H member is looking for a new home for two rabbits that she used to show at the fair but can no longer care for. One is a 7 year old male Dwarf Hotot and the other is a 4 year old female Mini Lop. If interested, please contact 4-H Program Coordinator [Seth Martin](#) for contact information.

In the News

- East or West, 4-H is best. Are you looking for events and activities for youth? Macomb County's 4-H program was highlighted in a recent edition of *Metro Parent for Southeast Michigan*. Read the article, "[4-H Programs for Kids in Macomb County](#)", and find out what our own Extension Educator Kathy Jamieson has to say.
- "[4-H Viticulture Pilot Pairs Youth with Wineries](#)", a *Brownsfield Ag in America* article by Nicole Heslip, mentions that Michigan's wine industry is partnering with MSU Extension and 4-H in Wayne and Macomb Counties to teach kids about [viticulture](#). We think that's just grape.

Other Local News & Events

Armada Fair news

Tagging Dates:

- Swine - Sun. June 6, 8-10:30 a.m.
- Goats, Sheep, & Prospect Beef - Sun. June 6, 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.
- All Poultry & Rabbits - Sun. July 18, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

For the most updated animal tagging information, visit <https://armadafair.org/livestocksale>.

Open & 4-H Youth Entries: Effective as of 2021, The Armada Agricultural Society will no longer accept paper applications for 4-H Youth Exhibitors and Open Exhibitors. Exhibitors are encouraged to transition to our online system in the coming year. The online system will be up and running at the beginning of June 2021. In 2017, the system was integrated with great success. Computers or tablets will be available in the Armada Fair Office for those requiring assistance with the system. If you have any questions please contact the Armada Fair Office at office@armadafair.org.

Source: AAS Newsletter, May 2021

Statewide & National 4-H News & Events

MSU Extension resumes limited 4-H face-to-face programming

Over the past several months, MSU Extension has been working diligently to chart a path toward resuming in-person programming during the current public health crisis. Thanks to the thoughtfully crafted guidelines created by MSU Extension professionals, we are excited to share that MSU Extension will resume hosting face-to-face programs and events that adhere to public health guidelines.

As of May 17, Michigan 4-H professionals and volunteers may submit a request to host an in-person event that follows specific guidelines and requirements. The health and safety of program participants and volunteers, as well as their families and our staff, remains the top priority. All guidelines outlined by MSU Extension are based on the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#), [Michigan Department of Health and Human Services \(MDHHS\)](#), and the [MSU Community Compact](#) and *must be followed closely*.

As we begin expanding our in-person offerings, communication, transparency and collaboration are essential for the safety and well-being of all parties. MSU Extension expectations regarding programming and events will remain fluid and subject to change at any time based on evolving guidance from the CDC, MDHHS and the MSU Community Compact. Groups should continue to provide options (including virtual) for participation to ensure all participants can remain involved given their individual circumstances.

To learn more about face-to-face program requirements and how to submit your request, please visit the Approved Activities for MSU Extension Volunteers in 2021 website at extension.msu.edu/approvedactivities.

It has been many months since the COVID-19 pandemic landed at our doorsteps. We appreciate the resiliency and commitment that our 4-H'ers have shown during this time. We have witnessed countless examples of 4-H youth and volunteers stepping up and helping their communities, their neighbors, and families. This exemplifies the spirit of the 4-H pledge. While we were glad to continue learning and growing with you virtually through this time, we are truly grateful for the opportunity to reengage in more in-person programming while continuing to protect one another and the public health.

4-H in the Kitchen Live: Jalapeno Cheese Dip

Things are starting to get SPICY in the



Capture What's Great in the Midwest States 4-H Photography Challenge
Minnesota 4-H is excited to offer another photography challenge to Midwest youth in



4-H Kitchen! This time we're learning how to make a special jalapeno cheese dip, very similar to the type of dip served in Mexican restaurants around the MSU campus! We're going to craft this delicious dip and also learn a little bit about the science behind jalapenos and what makes them so spicy. The session kicks off at 4:30 pm on June 30, 2021! Don't miss out!

For more information or to register, visit <https://events.anr.msu.edu/JalapenoCheeseDip/>.

History at Home SPIN Club

Do you enjoy learning about history? Do you wonder about how 4-H was involved in WWII? How about learning how to cook for an entire battleship? Did you know that every uniform has specific purposes? AND did you know that dogs and other animals played a specific role both as working dogs and as mascots throughout history? Join Sawyer and Shea the Sea Dogs, along with Tom Frezza of the Naval History and Heritage Command in Washington, D.C., for the History at Home SPIN Club, a 4-week Zoom series, to learn all this and more!



Participants will meet at 6:30 p.m. on June 17 and 24 and July 1 and 8. All ages are welcome but this program is recommended for youth ages 10 and up. For sign-up instructions, please contact Liz at wienere@msu.edu.

Join the 4-H Summer of Service and dare to serve in your community!

Every day, 4-H'ers are rolling up their sleeves in service as they lead positive change that empowers their peers and their communities. This summer, you're invited to join Michigan 4-H and Learning to Give for the #4HDARETOSERVE project and the 4-H Summer of Service.

4-H DARES you to give back to your community and unite with other 4-H'ers to make a collective impact.

All 4-H'ers are encouraged to venture out into their community to lend a helping hand in a way that is meaningful

grades K-13. In this challenge, youth are encouraged to highlight something that stands out about their town, county, state or travels to another Midwest state. There are a lot of hidden gems around the Midwest so get out and capture them!

Submitted photos will be displayed in a slideshow. Volunteer photography judges will provide feedback and recognize the top quality images. All participants will have their names entered in a random drawing for prizes.

Youth can submit up to three (3) images by 11:59 p.m. on June 30, 2021. Find more information at z.umn.edu/Midwest-states-photo-challenge.

Join the Virtual Fishing Derby!

It's time to go Fishin' in Michigan! Michigan 4-H is proud to partner with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources to offer A FREE a statewide virtual fishing derby on [Free Fishing Weekend](#), June 12-13. Youth ages 5-19 are encouraged to share their fish stories with youth across the state!



Fishing derbies are a great way to build angling skills, increase confidence, learn angler ethics, and have fun! Youth do not need to be 4-H members to participate.

During the fishing derby, youth will complete virtual fishing challenges and submit entries through the Goosechase app, with points awarded for each mission that is completed. Top participants will be eligible for prizes or certificates.

Learn more and register for the derby at <https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-youth-virtual-fishing-derby>.

Michigan 4-H and FFA Virtual Livestock Judging Contest

The 2021 MI 4-H and FFA Virtual Livestock Judging Contest on June 21, 2021 will help participants enhance their livestock evaluation and selection skills, as well as improve their communication and decision making skills. This contest will include both individual and team competition.

The deadline to register for this event is June 16, 2021. Click [here](#) to register. To read more about the contest, or see the contest rules, click [here](#). For more information, contact Nick Babcock, babco116@msu.edu, or Carla McLachlan, mclachl2@msu.edu.

to them: neighborhood clean-ups, beautification projects, food and donation drives and much more!

Through the partnership with Learning to Give, youth can gain access to all the tools needed for simple, safe service. Find a project that fits your desire to serve.

The summer of service runs through August 30 and Michigan 4-H hopes to obtain 100% participation from all 83 counties.

Learn more and register your project at https://www.canr.msu.edu/community_service_learning/dare-to-serve-challenge.

Everything Shooting Sports 4-H SPIN Club

Want to learn more about Michigan's youth shooting sport ambassador

program? Join us as we learn, play activities, and converse with volunteers, guest speakers, and Michigan's own Shooting Sports teen Ambassadors. In this SPIN Club, [Everything Shooting Sports](#), youth will get knowledge about shooting sports disciplines, state and national events, and how to best represent their club in 4-H Shooting Sports!

The club will meet via Zoom and is geared towards youth who are ages 12-19 and meets every Tuesday from 4 p.m.-5 p.m. starting on June 15th and ending on July 20th.

Kits with t-shirts and other 4-H gear will be mailed to registrants. Participants must be enrolled in 4-H Online to get access to this club. Please register [here](#).

National 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador Program

Two Michigan youth will be selected to represent Michigan in the [National 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador Program](#) national leadership opportunity. The National 4-H Shooting Sports Committee is offering a virtual 5-webinar series for youth interesting in participating in 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador roles. The learning academy will cover a wide variety of intensive youth leadership skills to use in their role as a State 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador. An application is available [here](#).

4-H at Home activities highlight managing the cost of college

Part of the College Prep Series, these activities will help teens and parents make smart decisions about college expenses.

- [What's the Real Cost of going to College?](#) Learn how to research and calculate the full costs of higher education.
- [How to Pay for College:](#) With this activity, students will dive into loans, grants and scholarships to learn about the types of financial aid available.
- [How Long will you Pay for College?](#) Explore potential career paths and incomes to get a sense of living expenses, including repaying student loans.



4-H Spartan Coding Camp

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



Open to all youth entering grades 9-12 in the fall of 2021. By the end of the camp, you will learn to develop your own tech ideas, plus design and code a personal website from scratch!

Specific coding languages taught during the program include HTML, CSS, JS, Ruby, Rails, and Github. Find more information and to register [here](#).

Check out the [website](#) for additional details. Questions? Contact Christine Miller at MSU Extension at 517-552-6905 or email johns832@msu.edu.

Juneteenth Jubilee

Youth statewide are invited to participate in MSU Extension's 4-H Global Education Day on June 19th at 10 a.m. via Zoom as we learn, explore African American culture and learn what Juneteenth is all about. Through this fun virtual event we will learn how it started, what it represents, and how it is celebrated today.



4-H youth who register will receive a

The dates are June 16, June 30, July 14, July 28, and August 11, from 3-4 p.m. (CST).
The deadline to apply is June 3, 2021.

National Children's Day GooseChase

Families participating in the National Children's Day GooseChase will celebrate their children with fun outdoor activities focusing on nature and the great outdoors.



Outdoor themed missions will be completed by household teams on the GooseChase app and allows teams a chance to win prizes!

Mission themes include fishing, hiking, camping, water safety, wildflowers, sidewalk chalk art, reading, telling stories, listening, and more. Missions can be completed any time from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Sunday, June 13, 2021. Families can participate from home, cabin, cottage, campground or wherever your family is located during this time! All that's needed for this program is a smart phone or tablet with a camera and internet connectivity!

Preregistration is required [here](#). This event is hosted by Clare County Michigan State University Extension and 4-H, Jay's Sporting Goods, and Mid Michigan College.

Puppet Studio 4-H SPIN Club

Learn how to create imaginary characters in our hands-on puppet-making studio!

Puppet Studio 4-H SPIN Club participants will find creative inspiration in objects and materials and learn techniques for sewing, cutting, and gluing as well as explore how puppeteers use movement and other performance skills to bring characters to life. Meetings are Wednesdays and Thursdays, June 16-July 1 from 3:30-5 p.m. It's free and open to youth of all ages. Register [online](#) before June 15. Questions? Email alderm21@msu.edu.



Juneteenth Jubilee kit in the mail with materials for the live Zoom event. Register [online](#).

For more information, please contact Ashley Walds (waldsash@msu.edu) or Milaina McCann (macklin3@msu.edu).

4-H Remote Skills Camp

Teens ages 15-18 are invited to register for the 4-H Remote Skills Camp from Utah State University Extension. This 30-day camp is designed to prep teens for career and college readiness by introducing them to remote work skills, with unique opportunities to participate in live Q&As with remote workers at NASA, Google and more. Register for the July course by June 15 [here](#).

4-H Virtual Cooking Camp

Learn about food safety, kitchen skills, healthy eating and meal planning with the 4-H Virtual Cooking Camp from Pennsylvania 4-H! This FREE virtual cooking camp will be held on July 19-23, 2021 and is open to all kids and families across the country. Participants will make Lime-Honey Fruit Salad, Rainbow Buddha Bowls, Chicken and Herb Burgers and Garden Sloppy Joes. Register [here](#) by July 14.

4-H League of Clovers Live: The Quest Continues

It's time to rally to the Clover Banner once again! The League of Clovers Live: The Quest Continues is calling on all brave adventurers to stand in the great battle between good and evil!

Participants will meet on July 3, 10 and 17 from 5-6:30 p.m. to learn problem solving, critical thinking, team building, and acceptance as they take part in the Dungeons & Dragons adventure of a lifetime! Register [here](#) through June 30!



Calendars of Events

June 5, 12 and 19

[4-H League of Clovers: Magic Gathering Tournament](#)

5-6 p.m., Online

The Mason County 4-H League of Clovers Gaming Society is hosting a virtual Magic: The Gathering multi-day event. Participants will meet via Zoom each

June 19

[Juneteenth Jubilee](#)

10 a.m., online

June 21

[Michigan 4-H and FFA Virtual Livestock Judging Contest](#)

of the three days to test their mettle against other players. Register by June 2.

June 6

Armada Fair Swine Tagging
8-10:30 a.m., Armada Fairgrounds, Armada

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Armada Fair Goat, Sheep & Prospect Beef Tagging
10:30 a.m.-12 p.m., Armada Fairgrounds, Armada

June 12-13

[4-H Youth Virtual Fishing Derby](#)

Online

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June 12

[MSU Tollgate Farm Homegrown Gardening](#)

Online

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 new online series! This session will focus on taking growing to new heights.

June 12

Macomb County 4-H Horse Show
7 a.m.-5 p.m., Camp Rotary, Ray Township

June 13

[National Children's Day GooseChase](#)

8 a.m.-8 p.m.

June 15-July 20

[Everything Shooting Sports 4-H Club](#)

4-5 p.m. Thursdays, online.

June 16-July 1

[Puppet Studio 4-H SPIN Club](#)

3:30-5 p.m., Wednesdays and Thursdays, online

June 17

Macomb County 4-H Youth Council Meeting
6 p.m., online

June 17-July 8

[History at Home 4-H SPIN Club](#)

6:30 p.m. Thursdays, online

June 19

Macomb County 4-H Horse Show
7 a.m.-5 p.m., Camp Rotary, Ray Township

Online

The 2021 Michigan 4-H and FFA Virtual Livestock Judging Contest is designed to help contestants enhance their livestock evaluation and selection skills, as well as improve their communication and decision making skills.

June 21, 23 and 25

[Michigan Colts & Fillies Virtual Summer Camp](#)

12 p.m., online

June 21, 23 and 25

[Michigan 4-H Virtual Puppy Pals Camp](#)

1-2 p.m., online.

June 22-24

[Exploration Days: Expanded](#)

Online

June 26

Macomb County 4-H Horse Show
7 a.m.-5 p.m., Camp Rotary, Ray Township

June 30

[4-H in the Kitchen Live! Jalapeno Cheese Dip](#)

4:30 p.m., online

June 30

[Midwest States 4-H Photography Challenge](#)

entry deadline

July 3, 10 and 17

[League of Clovers Live: The Quest Continues](#)

5-6:30 p.m., online

July 6-29

[4-H Remote Skills Camp](#)

1-2 p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays, online

July 11

Armada Fair Clean-Up
Armada Fairgrounds, Armada

July 17, 18 and August 14, 15

[4-H Spartan Coding Camp](#)

9 a.m.-3 p.m., online

July 18

Armada Fair Poultry & Rabbit Tagging
10 a.m.-12 p.m., Armada Fairgrounds, Armada

July 19-23

[4-H Virtual Cooking Camp](#)

Online

August 8

Armada Fair Set-Up
Armada Fairgrounds, Armada

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

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