



4-H Family News

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Macomb County 4-H News and Events

Macomb Co. Virtual 4-H Club meeting - Nov. 24

Join the Macomb County Virtual 4-H Club for its third meeting on November 24th at 6 p.m., and tell us what YOU want this month's topic to be. After brainstorming a list of topics, members picked three to be voted on, and you can vote too! The topic will be announced prior to the meeting. Cast your vote for crafts, pets, or winter sports at <https://bit.ly/2TC7paU> and contact Katelyn Burns (burnska9@msu.edu) or Seth Martin (mart1885@msu.edu) for the Zoom information to attend the meeting.

Macomb Co. 4-H Youth Council to meet Nov. 19

Do you want to help shape the 2020-2021 Macomb County 4-H program? Maybe this strange year has given you a new perspective and some new ideas about what Macomb County 4-H can accomplish and take part in. Come to the next Macomb County 4-H Youth Council meeting on November 19, 2020 to express your views and represent your club as a club delegate! For the Zoom meeting information, please contact Katelyn Burns at burnska9@msu.edu.

Learn to keep virtual programming safe

Register for [Success and Safety on Volunteer-led Virtual Programs](#) and learn about best practices and strategies to use when programming virtually with youth and adults. This hour-long session is offered November 12th and November 18th. Read more about it in the Statewide and National 4-H News and Events section below.

Member enrollment deadlines and reminders

RETURNING 4-H youth members who are planning to show their 4-H projects at the 2021 Armada Fair need to be re-enrolled in 4-H Online (<https://v2.4honline.com>) **no later than Nov. 1, 2020**. Families will use the same email address and password that they used last year.

NEW members planning to show their 4-H projects at the 2021 Armada Fair need to be enrolled in 4-H Online no later than April 1, 2021.

Youth members who are NOT showing their 4-H projects at the 2021 Armada Fair may enroll/re-enroll in 4-H Online at any time during the current 4-H program year (September 1, 2020-August 31, 2021).

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For more information about enrolling or re-enrolling in 4-H Online, view the [4-H Online 2.0 family guide and videos](#), contact Macomb.4h@macombgov.org or call 586-469-6431.

For more information about the enrollment/re-enrollment deadlines for youth members planning to show 4-H projects at the 2021 Armada Fair, contact any Macomb County 4-H program staff member (Seth Martin – mart1885@msu.edu, Katelyn Burns – burnska9@msu.edu, Lizz Duran – duraneli@msu.edu).

4-H Online 2.0 club leader login coming soon

Club leaders will have the ability to log in to view their club rosters in 4-H Online 2.0 soon. Until then, club leaders may request their club rosters by contacting the Macomb County 4-H staff at macomb.4h@macombgov.org or 586-469-6431.

Send us your 4-H Online and Volunteer Central questions, comments and suggestions

Do you have questions, comments or suggestions about 4-H Online 2.0 or Volunteer Central? Macomb County 4-H volunteers and families can:

- Submit them online at <https://forms.gle/nKzBRZYngzZ5W6WR7>
- Email them to macomb.4h@macombgov.org
- Call Macomb County 4-H staff at 586-469-6431

Your questions - and the answers - may be shared in our newsletter and/or with other 4-H leaders.

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Thanksgiving

Statewide and National 4-H News and Events



Instructors wanted for 2021 4-H Exploration Days!

Plans are underway for an exciting and enhanced 4-H Exploration Days in 2021—and we need your help! MSU Extension's 4-H Exploration

Days is a pre-college program for youth ages 12-19 years old. Volunteers are crucial to this exciting program that allows youth to try new things, gain confidence and independence through hands-on learning, and make friends that can last a lifetime.

The 2021 event is slated to be held June 23-25, 2021 on the campus of MSU. During this tumultuous time, MSU Extension is committed to ensuring that participants and volunteers of Exploration Days have a safe and enjoyable experience. While we hope to host this event in person for 2021, we are also preparing for the potential of having a virtual experience. We will continue to keep both volunteers and potential participants informed as to any updates as time progresses.

To make the most of our 2021 event, regardless of format, we are currently looking for instructors to host fun and engaging sessions. Please consider submitting a session proposal before December 1. Session proposals include a session title, description, basic idea of cost, any co-

Youth Armory Babysitter Training

Just in time for the holidays, this virtual babysitter training over the course of four days teaches 4-H curriculum that creates responsible, caring, trustworthy, competent, capable, and safe babysitters. There is no cost for this program and it is open to youth Grades 6 through 12. Class runs November 9-12 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Register [here](#).

Son of a Southern Chef

Read about Lazarus Lynch, a two-time Chopped winner, formerly involved in 4-H and host of Snapchat's first ever cooking show: <https://www.sonofasouthernchef.com/4-h.html>

Creative Arts instructors wanted

instructors/session supports (youth or adult) you plan to engage and their contact information.

New for this year, sessions will take place on Thursday (morning, afternoon or both) or Friday morning in either, 2.5, 3 hour or 6 hour time slots. To learn more about instructor roles and to access the form, please visit www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_exploration_days/Volunteer-Information/ or contact Laurie Rivetto at rivettoL@msu.edu.

4-H'ers excel at Michigan State Fair 4-H & Youth Virtual Showcase; \$50,000 in youth scholarships awarded

Michigan 4-H youth didn't let the COVID-19 pandemic slow down their opportunity to demonstrate the skill, mastery and hard work they have put into this year's 4-H projects. These outstanding 4-H'ers took part in the first-ever Michigan State Fair 4-H & Youth Virtual Showcase, hosted by the [Michigan State Fair](#) and [MSU Extension](#). This virtual platform allowed youth ages 5-19 to exhibit their work in all project areas alongside peers from across the state.

In addition to the opportunity to showcase their skills and receive accolades for their hard work, participants in the statewide event also had the opportunity to apply for up to \$50,000 in scholarships, generously provided by the Michigan State Fair and in partnership with the Michigan 4-H Foundation. Among those scholarships were new funds provided in 2020 to support 4-H Virtual Scholarships, specifically for 4-H youth. Recipients of the 4-H Virtual Scholarships are:

- Magdalene Callender, Ingham County
- Rebecca Havelka, Menominee County
- Travis Liford, Oakland County
- Adrian Noecker, Antrim County
- Elizabeth Shane, Washtenaw County
- Alexis Fisher, Monroe County
- Sarah Liford, Oakland County
- Allison Littlefield, St. Joseph County
- Kylie A. Ossege, Oakland County
- Troy Todd, Osceola County

"I have always dreamed of competing at the Michigan State Fair, but due to distance that was not possible," said scholarship recipient Rebecca Havelka. "The positive in this whole experience is that I had the ability to compete virtually at more shows than I could have ever imagined. Thank you so much for making this possible!"

In total, more than 400 youth from 62 Michigan counties entered more than 2,000 projects in the Michigan State Fair 4-H & Youth Virtual Showcase. Evaluation began on August 24 with youth receiving an A, B or C rating, as determined by project standards. To view placings for the 2020 Michigan State Fair 4-H & Youth Virtual Showcase, visit www.michiganstatefairllc.com.

Create a great offer by adding words like "free" "personalized" "complimentary" or "customized." A sense of urgency often helps readers take an action, so think about inserting phrases like "for a limited time only" or "only 7 remaining!"

The Michigan 4-H Creative Arts Celebration will be held virtually from February 19-21, and instructors are needed. Sessions will be 2.5 hours each through Zoom. If you're interested in teaching a session, please complete [this form](#). Questions? Email daugustt@msu.edu



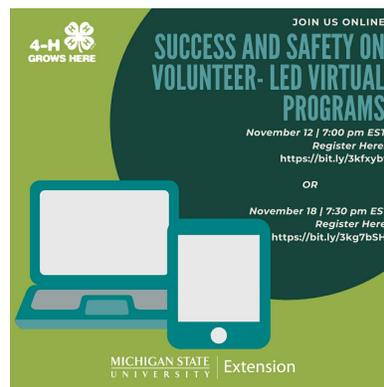
Get crafting -- for free!

Through National 4-H Council's partnership with JOANN Fabric and Crafts, 4-H'ers can expand their hearts, hands, and minds through new crafting projects on Creativebug.com!

When you sign up for a JOANN 4-H Rewards Card, not only will you save 15 percent off every purchase and have a portion of the sale go back to support 4-H, but you also will get free access to Creativebug.com!

Creativebug.com has thousands of award-winning arts and crafts video classes taught by recognized design experts and artists. Already have a rewards card? Go to www.creativebug.com/lib/4-h and use your rewards card number to sign up for free Creativebug access today.

Don't have a JOANN's reward card? Sign-up at www.joann.com/4-h/.





MSU's Institute of Agricultural Technology Virtual Open House!

You're invited to attend a virtual open house for the MSU Institute of Agricultural Technology to learn more

about [MSU's academic programs](#) and many [partnerships with Michigan community colleges](#).

The open house events begin at 6:30 p.m. and will run approximately 45 minutes. The presentation will include information about academic programs, career pathways, enrollment process, resources for student success, and key campus life opportunities, as well as providing an opportunity for youth to ask questions at any point throughout the presentation. To register, click on the preferred date below:

[Tuesday, November 3](#)

www.canr.msu.edu/events/iat-virtual-open-house-3-nov-2020

[Tuesday, November 17](#)

www.canr.msu.edu/events/iat-virtual-open-house-17-nov-2020

Questions? Contact ati.iat@msu.edu or call 517-884-7334. Create a great offer by adding words like "free" "personalized" "complimentary" or "customized." A sense of urgency often helps readers take an action, so think about inserting phrases like "for a limited time only" or "only 7 remaining!"

Success and Safety in Virtual Volunteer-Led Programs

4-H volunteers and adult leaders, with more virtual programs and meetings taking place, have you considered how you are keeping youth and adult participants safe and creating a positive learning environment?

During this session, participants will learn about best practices and strategies to use when programming virtually with youth and adults. This hour-long session will cover important points to remember and resources to help you in your role.

Register for November 12 at 7 pm EST at <https://bit.ly/3kfybv> OR November 18 at 7:30 pm EST at <https://bit.ly/3kg7bSH>.

Other Statewide News and Events

Michigan State University Extension Child and Family Development Offerings

MSU Extension has a wide range of free online classes for parents, caregivers and early childhood professionals. See below for our December offerings! And check out our Facebook page for more information and resources at [MI Stronger Family - MSU Extension](#).

Extension Extras Parenting Hour

This free online series of parenting workshops will provide guidance for parents of young children as they navigate the challenges, concerns, and joys of parenting. Participants may register for as few or as many workshops as they wish. The workshops are on Tuesday evenings at 8 p.m. as follows:

- **December 1, 2020:** Reducing Challenging Behaviors in Toddlers
- **December 8, 2020:** Mathematics for Infants and Toddlers
- **December 15, 2020:** Together We Can: Co-parenting

Register online [here](#). For more information contact Courtney Aldrich at aldric82@msu.edu

Early Childhood Professional Development Classes

These free online classes provide professional development training hours for early childhood professionals. Credit in the MiRegistry system is available.

How Children Develop

December 17
7-8:30 PM

Register online at

https://msu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_my_sgmZCqQrGV9CAsnF08qA

For more information contact Vivian Washington at washi138@msu.edu

New Early Childhood Resources
Heads In, Hearts In: Early Social Emotional

Guiding Principles for Highly Successful Families

This five week series is for parents of toddlers to teens and will explore developing routines, emotional control, rules and relationships, and being a calm, assertive parent. Classes are January 4, 11, 18, and 25, and February 1 from 7:30-9 p.m. EST. Register online at <https://bit.ly/JanGP2021>.

Building Early Emotional Skills (BEES) for Parents

This four week series is for parents of children ages 0-3 and will help parents learn about their young child's social emotional development including managing biting, tantrums, and supporting your child's emotions. Classes are 8-9:30 p.m. EST on January 6, 13, 20, and 27. Register online at <https://bit.ly/JanBEES2021>. For more information contact Kylie Rymanowicz at rymanow1@msu.edu.

Health Family Engagement Activities

MSU Extension has created new family engagement resource pages focused on early social emotional health. These activity pages will provide parents and other caregivers with step by step instructions for activities they can do with young children to help them learn and practice crucial social emotional skills. You can check out these resources [here](#).

4-H Calendars of Events

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November 1

Macomb County [4-H re-enrollment](#) deadline for members planning to show 4-H projects at the 2021 Armada Fair

November 3

Election Day
Offices closed

November 11

Veterans' Day
Offices closed

November 19

Macomb County 4-H Youth Council Meeting
Online via Zoom

November 26-27

Thanksgiving
Offices closed

----- Statewide and National 4-H Calendar of Events -----

November 3

[MSU Institute of Agricultural Technology Open House](#)
6:30-7:15 p.m., Online

November 6-11

[Michigan Youth Fall-a-thon](#)
Online via GooseChase
Join the fun on the GooseChase app as youth compete as household teams to complete challenges in this fun, self-paced, virtual fall event!

November 9-13

[4-H Minecraft SPIN Club](#)
Online via Zoom
Join the 4-H Minecraft SPIN Club and explore computer coding through the world of Minecraft.

November 9-12

[Youth Armory Babysitting Training](#)
Online via Zoom
Join this four-day training designed to teach teen youth everything they need to know about being safe, effective, trustworthy and responsible babysitters.

November 10

[Wild Spartans Series](#)
Online via Zoom
Join 4-H staff to meet scientists from across MSU Extension, the MSU Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

November 17

[MSU Institute of Agricultural Technology Open House](#)
6:30-7:15 p.m., online

November 18

[Success and Safety in Virtual Volunteer-Led Programs](#)
7:30 p.m., online via Zoom

November 25

[4-H Sooper Yooper GooseChase Scavenger Game](#)
Online via GooseChase app
Learn fun facts about the U.P. while completing missions on the Goose Chase app! Participate in the UP Scavenger Hunt from your backyard, home, or wherever your family will be during this time!

November 9-12

[MSU Tollgate Farm Virtual Vet Science Interactive Series](#)

Online via Zoom

Explore veterinary science through interactive sessions as you visit Tollgate Farm virtually to learn about livestock and companion animals through STEM challenges and learning!

November 12

[Success and Safety in Virtual Volunteer-Led Programs](#)

7 p.m., online via Zoom

For the most up-to-date events listing, go to

<http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events>