### MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY Extension



# **Choose Your 4-H Adventure!**

4-H is delivered by Cooperative Extension—a community of more than 100 public universities across the nation that provides experiences where young people learn by doing.

Interested in joining Saginaw 4-H? Well, you've come to the right place! Joining as a 4-H member is FREE and there are several different membership options to choose from. 4-H members can enroll in as many Clubs and programs as they wish!

You do not need to own an animal or live on a farm to join 4-H. We have many 4-H experiences, programs, and clubs that focus on crafts, science, shooting sports, archery, outdoor education, sewing, baking, gardening, hiking, fishing, camping, and more!



# **CHOOSE YOUR PATH TO 4-H MEMBERSHIP - FREE!**

There are many different types of clubs and membership options within 4-H.



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### WHAT AGES CAN JOIN?

Youth ages 5-19 (as of January 1) can join 4-H. 5-7 year old members are considered Cloverbuds and focus on exploration of projects, while older youth participate and may compete in a whole array of projects.

#### **IS THERE A COST TO JOIN?**

There is NO cost to become a 4-H member. Some experiences may have fees.

### WHEN CAN I ENROLL IN 4-H?

The 4-H program years runs September 1 – August 31. Youth and adults can enroll in 4-H at any time through the program year.

## **STEPS TO JOIN 4-H!**

#### JOIN A 4-H CLUB

- 1. Look through the club directory.
- 2. Contact the club leader(s) to inquire about club-specific information (meeting schedule, etc..)



- Choose a primary Club(s) to join.
  Youth can enroll in more than one 4-H Club.
- 4. Enroll in <u>4-H Online</u> once you have spoken to the club leader(s).

### JOIN AS AN INDPENDENT 4-H MEMBER

Independent 4-H members participate in programs and events outside of a 4-H Club.

- 1. Enroll in <u>4-H Online</u>.
- 2. Select the "Saginaw County General 4-H Experience" as your primary club.
- 3. Stay connected to select the 4-H experience you want to join. Sign up when available.

### JOIN A 4-H SPIN CLUB – CAMP- EVENT - PROGRAM

- 1. Enroll in <u>4-H Online</u>.
- 2. Select the SPIN Club or Event you want to join. Events vary through the year.
- 3. Stay tuned for program details and meeting information from event organizers and registration.

4-H has many virtual or statewide programs that are available that you can participate in! Find information about these experiences through the <u>4-H</u> <u>Newsletter, Facebook page</u>, and <u>Events Calendar</u>.



### Grow with 4-H in Over 200 Project Areas!

- Beef
- Birds & Poultry
- Business &
  Entrepreneurship
- Career Exploration
- Cats & Dogs
  - Citizenship
  - Civic Engagement
  - Clothing & Textiles
  - Community Service
  - Dairy Cattle
  - Entomology & Bees
  - Environmental Science
  - Natural Resources
  - Expressive Arts
- Food & Nutrition
- Global & Cultural Education
- Health & Fitness
- Horses & Ponies
- Horticulture
- Leadership Skills
- Mechanical Sciences
- Outdoor Education
- Plant Science
- Rabbits & Cavies
- Robotics
- Sheep
- Shooting Sports
- Swine
- Veterinary Science
- Wildlife & Fisheries

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