



June 2019

Dear 4-H Families,

Martech/Blue Ribbon registration for the 2019 Washtenaw 4-H Youth Show has been open for one month now. Registration is open until 11:50 pm on Monday, June 24. Paperwork is due from clubs to the office by close of business, Tuesday June 25. Check with your Administrative 4-H Club leader for any earlier club deadlines!

The link is:

<https://www.blueribbonfair.com/BRFairProd/BlueRibbonStart.aspx?ID=1893>

Additional information is available at the website as described above. Here are some 4-HYS Pre-registration Hot tips:

- You can use the same login and password as past years, but you will create a new account to do so.
- When creating accounts for multiple youth, you can use the same email each time, but do need a new login and password for each youth. Make it something you can remember, and write it down because we cannot retrieve your information.
- Only create one account per youth, and add multiple 4-H clubs under that youth name. (Duplicates make the program a mess AND cost an extra \$2.)
- Clubs register using the club name, leader address, and **any** age over 21 ☺ (Ages are displayed on the project tags, so you decide...)
- Once you set up your account, save when you can and consider that you don't have to submit registration right away. Simply Logout until you are sure you are all set with additions or changes closer to the end of registration. If you happen to forget to go back and checkout, we will submit it for you when registration closes. This way you can still make changes!

Once you have your classes entered online in Martech/Blue Ribbon, communicate with your club leader about:

- How many pens you need for your various animal projects Let them know any project display space needed for your registered projects
- Payment to the club/leader for registration fees (Only \$2 per each youth aged 5-19 who registered at link above)
- Volunteer with your leader for any Setup, Clerk, Runner, 4-H Service Club Food Booth, Fri BBQ, Buyers Buffet, Building A Guards, Herdsmanship Judging, Office help, Auction Clerk, Clean-up, etc., that you are available for during the 4-H Youth Show week.

We look forward to getting everyone registered, and hope you will let us know if you find errors in the system, or have any questions!

Sincerely,
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4-H SPOTLIGHT



4-H Member of the Month: William Rogers

I am excited to announce that William Rogers is June's 4-H Member of the Month! William is 12 years old and is a member of Saline 4-H Farmers. William also serves as the Treasurer for the 4-H Livestock and Dairy Committee and is also serving as a Livestock Mentor this year. This year, William has really stepped outside of his comfort zone not only through is increase of leadership roles, but also by applying for a 4-H Mark of Excellence Award. William wrote an essay following the theme, "Because of 4-H I can..."

William went above and beyond with his essay and talked about the many milestones he has overcome through 4-H. There were many applicants from across the state and William was won of the winners for the 2019 Mark of Excellence! William will be recognized this fall at the Fall Recognition Banquet where he will receive a medal. Williams essay has also been added to the Mark of Excellence history book, and is also on display at the Kettunen Center in Tustin, Michigan. Congratulations for all of your achievements William! Your hard work has not gone unrecognized.

WASHTENAW 4-H NEWS

We are Hiring!

Washtenaw County is continuing the search for a ½ time 4-H Program Coordinator. Applications are due by July 2. Find out more here: http://careers.msu.edu/cw/en-us/job/501132/extension-4h-program-coordinator?fbclid=IwAR0ck485H8sZQYmex5VPuMoNdHRZhvTKeGDaHByflijD0SfurmH4f_prhog

Cloverbud Camp - Calling all Cloverbuds!

Cloverbud Camp 2019 is July 9-11 from 9:30a-12:30p at the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds. Cloverbuds (ages 5-7) will play games with their counselors, make new friends, eat healthy snacks, learn more about 4-H and the 4-H pledge and new this year, will work on three different crafts they can show at the Youth Show. Visit the website for the camp registration and more information or contact Kathleen or Kellie with questions.



Archery Program Resuming in Spring

The Washtenaw County 4-H Target Archery Club will resume on Tuesday evenings starting June 18th thru July 16th at the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds from 6-8 p.m. Youth 7 years old to 19 years old are welcome. No equipment is necessary to participate, but you may bring your own if you wish. Recurve, longbow, and compound bow under a 55 lb. draw weight are permitted. Additionally, a finger tab and arm guard is required. A \$1.00 project fee is required for each session. Please contact the 4-H office at 734-997-1678 for more information. Dates the program will be in session (and any holidays/skipped dates) will be announced at trainings.

Scholarships available

Several College Scholarships are available now. Contact Sheri or Kellie for details. Deadlines are as listed below and will continue to be updated as we are able. Please remember that if you need recommendations from adults in your life, they often need at least a few days to provide that support. Leave yourself plenty of time for a quality application as well. Check the application for where they are to be mailed.

July 1	Washtenaw County 4-H Dairy Scholarship
July 15*	4-H Poultry Scholarship

September 6 4-H Advisory Council and Service Club Scholarship
August 18 Michigan State Fair LLC <https://www.michiganstatefairllc.com/scholarship-programs>
October 1 * Michigan Association of Fairs and Exhibitions (MAFE) – www.mifairs.com
Nov 4 Michigan Junior Livestock Society Scholarship (MJLS) –
<http://www.mijrlivestocksociety.com>

*=estimated or still confirming

Calling all Washtenaw County 4-H Teens!

Are you interested in traveling to another state? Meeting new people? Seeing different parts of the country? Having an amazing time?

The **Washtenaw County 4-H Exchange Group** may be for you!

Who? Youth 13 & up (in 4-H years, as of 1/1/20) are encouraged to join.

What? The Exchange Group is a two-year commitment. We usually travel the first summer and host the following. The group for the 2020-2021 rotation is forming now.

When? We generally host/travel the last week of June for six to eight days.

Where? Depends on what state we choose!

How? Almost all the money we need is raised by working a concession stand at both U-M Football and Men's Basketball home games. We have also scooped ice cream at the Chelsea Fair. Participation will commence in August, 2019.

Washtenaw County resurrected the exchange program in 2012. Since then, we have traveled to and hosted youth from Texas, Kansas, Oregon and, most recently, Colorado.

When we host, what we do varies some but typically we take a tour bus to Mackinac Island and take a carriage tour, see Arch Rock, the Butterfly House, Fort Mackinac and spend some time exploring on our own. From there, we travel over to Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore where we climb some and take a driving tour. We ride a dune buggy at Silver Lake along beautiful Lake Michigan. We spend two nights "up north." We also take a bus and spend a day at Cedar Point, the Roller Coaster Capital of the World. We go to The Henry Ford and tour the Ford Rouge Plant, where the F-150s are made and have the option of visiting both Greenfield Village and The Henry Ford Museum. We have two family dinner nights and have a local day when we might do things like: pick blueberries at Kapnick Orchard, tour the Jiffy Mix factory, tour a sawmill, get ice cream, play miniature golf, go canoeing on the Huron River, or tour Horning's dairy farm.

If you have questions about the exchange group or want to join –

Please contact Emma Rose. emma.rose1324@yahoo.com

YOUTH SHOW

Overnight Barn Supervision Important Updates

This year, there will be no overnight stays in the animal barns at the Youth Show. In the past couple of months, Michigan State University has updated their rules regarding youth staying overnight at various activities. With the new rules that were put into place, this makes it too complicated to allow for overnight barn supervision. However, we will likely be looking for more adult volunteers who are willing to take on a Barn Security role. Duties for Barn Security are still being finalized and discussed, but it would likely just be taking a shift at night to walk through the barns and do overall animal well-being checks. Folks with some sort of livestock, horse, or small animal knowledge are preferred. Please contact Kathleen ASAP if you are interested/able.

Sponsors

We are still seeking trophy and award sponsors for the 2019 4-H Youth Show! If there is a specific award that you or a local business would like to sponsor let us know ASAP. Many of the awards that still need to be sponsored are primarily for Still Projects and Horses. Other Livestock and Small Animal trophies are available as well, but many are already taken. If you would like to sponsor a trophy or award please contact Emma Rose at rosemarg@msu.edu.

Traveling trophies

If you won a traveling trophy or plaque last year at the youth Show, congratulations on your award! It is now time to return these items to the 4-H office. Please return them no later than July 16 so we can assess their status, and polish them up for the next recipient. These trophies mean a lot to the 4-H program, and particularly to the families who donated most of them in memory of a past 4-H participant and family member. Thank you for being a good trophy steward.

Foam Challenge

We will have plenty of foam for 4-H Youth Show (Class 3253) "Foam Challenge" project which will be available at the 4-H office very soon! We do have some left over from last year so if you need some ASAP come and get some! Foam is scraps left from making safety products, and is donated by Danmar Products each year. This family company is looking for creative new ways to use their product-making scraps. You could be a new inventor and help keep our landfills less full! Call to make sure we have some when you show up!

Youth Show Volunteers needed from each club

Remember, we really do need at least two people per every 8 youth in your club for most items listed below.

- **Youth Show Project Runners and Project Judging Clerks** for Sunday Still Project Judging (Contact Kellie)
- **Trucks and Drivers needed** - Livestock and Dairy Committee is in need of several trucks/trailers and drivers for early Saturday morning July 28, after Youth Show, to deliver animals to the various processing facilities. Contact Kathleen or Kellie if available and interested.
- **Kitchen help (EVERY CLUB!!)** 7 people needed per shift, both youth and adults are needed. Youth must be at least 13 years old to work in the kitchen. Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b094cacac2e5-4hservice2> or contact Kellie for more information.
- **Recycling Pick Up** We need more help this year to empty recycling bins at the Youth Show. Once bins are emptied, clubs are able to keep the returnables for their club if desired. Visit this link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0948afae2caaf49-2019>.
- **Friday Night Gate Cleaning** each club showing any animal(s) in the arena (B) during the week must send the needed volunteers Friday night immediately after Sweepstakes Showmanship (and before any animals can be removed) to quickly and carefully take down, move, clean and stack the show ring panels. Power washers will be provided by Country Expressions. IF at least one representative from each club who exhibited show animals is present, and if you have one to lend, more are often welcome. Don't let us down! A club check-off/sign-in sheet will be at the announcer's area between the arena (B) and the pig barn (C). There will be jobs for everyone present.
- **Buyers Buffet** during the auction – check with your club leader if your club sells market animals.
- **Wash Rack Duty** – this will be scheduled all week. Clubs will be assigned times.
- **Show Ring Setup** - this will be scheduled all week. Clubs will be assigned times.

Additional volunteer opportunities include

- **Kids make/take activity tent Thursday 9am-Noon** – older youth and teens to help younger visitor make crafts in the activity tent.
- **4-H Youth Show Office Volunteers Needed** all week (Contact Kellie)
- **Youth Show Building A Guards and 4-H Info table volunteers** Monday-Friday anytime during the day.
- **Herdsmanship Judges Needed** throughout the week (Contact Kellie)

Auction clerks

We need people to assist as clerks during the 4-H Livestock Auction on Thursday evening of the 4-H Youth Show. We are looking for adults who are comfortable with the auction process, and who have good attention to detail. We may also need a helper with knowledge of networked computers. Please let Kellie know if you are interested in helping. Thanks!

Auction Promotion

For youth with a market animal project, it is important to think about your project like a business and ask buyers to attend the auction to purchase your market animals. You can certainly write your own invitation and personally talk to people, but if you don't know where to begin, we have some prepared auction promotional brochures and dinner invitations available at the MSU Extension Office. Think about how to write a nice thank you to past buyers and your 2018 buyer as well. We have a nice bulletin available to help youth write a well-rounded thank you letter – and please write legibly!

Superintendent Meeting Set

On July 10 from 6:00-8:00 PM we will be having our Superintendent meeting at the Farm Council Grounds. Market livestock superintendents will be entering weigh in data into blue ribbon, and all of the ribbons and trophies will be available to be sorted into their boxes.

Seeking Still Project Judges

We are still looking for judges for July 21 from 1:00-5:00 PM. Projects include but are not limited to: sewing, woodworking, gardening, photography, ceramics, baking, glass craft, tin punching, and much more! If you are willing to be a judge please contact Jean Martin at jmmartin@umich.edu.

HORSE NEWS AND UPDATES

Washtenaw 4-H Horse Association

The next 4-H Horse Association meeting is scheduled for **June 25** at 7:00 PM. This will be a mandatory meeting. At this meeting the group will be reviewing Youth Show duties, stall assignments, packet stuffing, and many other important tid-bits about the Youth Show.

Spring Round-Up

At the Spring Round-Up Horse Show in May, the gaming and gymkhana classes were cancelled due to poor weather conditions. However, these classes will be rescheduled for June 26 at 6:30 PM. For any contestants who have already paid your fee, you will not have to pay anything else on the 26th. If you weren't able to make it to SRU in May, but would like to compete



on the 26, you still can! You will just have to pay for the classes you ride in. For further questions reach out to the Horse Board at horseleaders@gmail.com.

State Show and Delegate Packets

The State 4-H Horse Show will be held August 16-18 this year. You must be at least 13 by January 1, 2019 if you are interested in competing. The Application is online here:

https://www.canr.msu.edu/washtenaw/washtenaw_county_4_h/general-4-h-information. Packets are also available for pickup at the Extension Office. Once you fill out your packet we request that they be turned in along with the registration form and entry fee to the Extension Office by **July 5**. No late packets will be accepted.

LIVESTOCK AND DAIRY NEWS



Livestock and Dairy Committee

The next Livestock and Dairy Committee meeting is scheduled for June 13 at 7:00 PM at the Extension Office. This will be a mandatory meeting. These meetings are open to ALL 4-H youth, parents, leaders/volunteers who would like to share their input or learn more about sheep, pigs, beef cattle, and dairy cattle. There will be a lot of Youth Show information discussed, so this will be a very important meeting to attend.

Dairy Quiz Bowl Practices Continuing

The next Dairy Quiz Bowl will be meeting on Monday, June 17. They will meet at 7:00 pm at Horning Farms in Manchester. They will be learning various facts about dairy science and dairy production to prepare for the statewide dairy quiz bowl competition in July. Ages 8 to 19 are welcome! Contact Katelyn Packard if you are interested or have any questions, klhorning14@gmail.com or 734-367-3147.

SMALL ANIMAL NEWS



Small Animal Committee

The next Small Animal Committee meeting is scheduled for July 16 at 6:30 PM at the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds. As a reminder, this group is open to any youth, parents, or volunteers who are active or interested in goat, llama, poultry, rabbit, dog, cat, cavy, or pocket pet 4-H projects. This group works very hard on planning for the Youth Show, arranging small animal related workshops, and recruiting new 4-H members. The Small Animal Committee meets every other month on the 4th Tuesday of odd months at 6:30 PM at the Extension Office.

Dog Obedience Practices

4-H Dog obedience and showmanship practices are continuing each Tuesday at 6:30 PM at the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds. There are going to be many changes to the Dog program this year as we are wanting to make it stronger and available for more kiddos to participate. If you can't wait to start working with your pooch and want to get involved reach out to Monique Lasky, dandelion532015@gmail.com.

REGIONAL AND STATE 4-H OPPORTUNITIES

Michigan 4-H to host new summer experience: 4-H Spartan Coding Camp

In collaboration with CodeNow, MSU Extension 4-H is excited to offer a new STEM experience for this summer: 4-H Spartan Coding Camp! This 5-day residential camp brings high-school aged youth to the campus of MSU, July 7-11.

Whether you have prior computer coding knowledge, or have never even thought about it, you will gain valuable coding skills at this fun STEM camp. Learn to develop and launch your own tech ideas; discover the essentials of web design and development; design and code an application from scratch; and attract users for your product! The fun doesn't stop there: at the end of camp you'll be given a series of take-home activities that allow you to further hone your coding skills.

To learn more, visit www.canr.msu.edu/4-h-spartan-coding-camp. Registration information will be available soon; to receive a direct email regarding registration, please contact Christine Miller at johns832@msu.edu or 517-552-6905.

Great Neighbor Photo Contest

Tractor Supply Co. (TSC) is holding its yearly Great Neighbor Photo contest. Until June 16, Michigan 4-H members and FFA youth have the opportunity to submit a memorable photo of 4-H or FFA projects. The photo should illustrate how you have made a positive impact in your community. Include with the photo a brief caption explaining your photo submission in 200 words or less. TSC will recognize three winners at each stop along their fair tour route as a way to highlight the differences that both 4-H and FFA make in their communities. Each winner will be presented with a plaque and a TSC gift pack. To learn more about the contest, visit https://www.tractorsupply.com/landing-pages_events_fair-tour.

Join the Exploration Days GooseChase Scavenger Hunt!

- [The GooseChase Scavenger Hunt starts NOW!](#)
- Share the attached flyer with Exploration Days attendees so they have the directions.
- The GooseChase app is free and can be downloaded at any time. Search for GooseChase in an app store. The logo is an orange square with two white goosefeet in the middle. This is the same app that was used last year so previous players can just log in and use the game code. Making an account is very quick and very easy. Usernames must be appropriate!
- More missions will be released the week of Exploration Days and then the first day of Exploration Days.
- The event ends Thursday night.
- Prizes are MSU swag, 4-H swag, gift cards, and more!
- This is ONLY for Exploration Days youth attendees.
- The code to join the game is **281WWV**.
- This is a fun and educational way for youth to experience careers and leadership during their free time.

State Calendar of Events

June 7-9: Michigan Beef Showcase

MSU Pavillion, East Lansing

The Beef Showcase provides an opportunity for youth and adults to participate in a statewide beef cattle event. It is our intent to provide an activity that prepares youth for many of their upcoming national junior beef breed shows through exhibiting cattle and participating in the various skills contests. We also hope it provides an opportunity for those youth that will not be able to attend a "Junior National" to experience it here in Michigan.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-beef-showcase-2019>

June 8: 4-H Day at Michigan's Adventure

Michigan Adventures, Muskegon

Support 4-H and enjoy a day of fun with 4-H friends. Tickets are \$26.00 per guest and includes use of both parks. Advanced purchase is required.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-day-at-michigan-s-adventure>

June 11: Interviewing Success

Online webinar

This webinar will help youth 13 years and older prepare for job, scholarship and award interviews. Topics include what to wear, how to answer tough questions and more.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/interviewing-success-june-11>

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June 14: MSU Tollgate Starry Night on the Farm Family Overnight 2019

Tollgate Farm and Education Center, Novi

This family-oriented visit will give you a rare glimpse into what goes on after sundown on the farm. Registration is required.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/msu-tollgate-starry-night-on-the-farm-family-overnight-2019>

June 15: Miniature Horse Fun Show

Cohoctah Park, Cohoctah

Come check out this fun show just for minis! All classes will be in hand and include classes such as showmanship, liberty, trail, barrels, and poles. There will be awesome high point prizes available! To learn more contact donaldcarnevale@att.net.

June 15: Archery Regional Training

Livingston Conservation and Sports Association, Brighton

This training is open for adults and teens 14 years and older who would like to become certified instructors for the 4-H Shooting Sports program.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/archery-regional-training>

June 22: State 4-H Goat Show

MSU Pavilion, East Lansing Kick off the show season and exhibit your goats at the 2019 Michigan State 4-H Goat Show. Registration is due by June 17.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/2019-michigan-state-4-h-goat-show>

June 26: Floral Design Workshop

Isabella County Building, Mount Pleasant

Learn tips and tricks to make your flowers extraordinary. Have fun while learning about flowers and use your creativity to design a flower arrangement like a pro.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/floral-design-workshop-isabella-county>

Save the Date!

August 2: 4-H Healthy U at MSU

MSU, East Lansing

4-H Healthy U at MSU is a fun hands on learning for youth aged 13 years old and up. Visit the campus of Michigan State University and gain skills that will help you stay healthy now as well as in the future. Cost is \$35 for 4-H members and \$50 for nonmembers. Deadline to register is July 12th.

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

August 4-10: 4-H Great Lakes & Natural Resources Camp

The 2019 4-H Great Lakes & Natural Resources Camp is now accepting applications! Designed for youth aged 13 to 15, this program is held at Camp Chickagami in Presque Isle. Campers explore dunes, hike forest trails, wade through wetlands, fish, snorkel and sail on Lake Huron while educators and scientists teach them about the Great Lakes ecosystem.

https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_great_lakes_natural_resources_camp/

WASHTENAW 4-H CALENDAR

June

10 – Washtenaw Farm Council – 7:30 PM - FCG
11 – Horse Board – 6:30 PM
13 – JR Livestock – 6:00 PM
13 – Livestock and Dairy Committee – 7:00 PM
16-20 – Oakland County Horse Camp
19-21 – Exploration Days
24 – Youth Show (Blue Ribbon) Entries close
25 – All Youth Show forms due to Extension Office
25 – Horse Association – 7:00 PM

July

5 – Horse State Delegate Packets Due
8 – Washtenaw Farm Council – 7:30 PM – FCG
9-11 – Cloverbud Camp – FCG
9 – Horse Association (tentative)
10 – Superintendent Meeting – 6:00-8:00 PM - FCG
16 – Small Animal 6:00, Livestock and Dairy 7:00 - FCG
18 - Barn Set-Up – 5:00 PM – FCG, Horse Association Meeting to Follow
19 – Cavie Show – 6:30 PM - MSUE
20 – Barn Decorating – 9:00-2:00 - FCG
21-26 – Washtenaw 4-H Youth Show (See Youth Show Book for schedule of events)
27 – Haul Out/Clean Up – 8:00 AM - FCG

https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=msu.edu_q1m041it45rpupo2apth9a2htk@group.calendar.google.com

STATEWIDE 4-H CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For the most up-to-date events listing, go to http://msue.anr.msu.edu/topic/events/4_h