



OCTOBER 2022

# 4-H Family News

Washtenaw County



## Club Leader & Committee Kick Off Meeting: October 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm

It's that time of year again for annual club forms and re-enrollment!

Each 4-H Club and Committee is required to submit the following forms by **October 7<sup>th</sup>**:

- Annual Financial Summary Report
- Civil Rights Compliance Statement
- Annual Club Authorization Form

You may drop off paper forms at any time at the MSU Extension Office. Forms may also be turned in via email to Katherine at [mill2948@msu.edu](mailto:mill2948@msu.edu).

On October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022 we will have a kick-off meeting for leaders at 6:30 pm at the MSU Extension office to answer questions and for clubs to turn in forms. **All 4-H leaders, committee executives, and superintendents** are invited to attend. You can also turn in any county award nominations at this meeting. If you plan to attend, please RSVP below. **We need RSVPs to order food for this meeting!**

**RSVP:** <https://forms.gle/gDJT2kMivtB96WTCA>

### UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

**Club Leader & Committee Kick Off Meeting**  
October 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in MSU Extension Office

**Annual Club Forms Due**  
October 7<sup>th</sup> by 5 pm

**Livestock & Dairy Committee**  
October 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in MSU Extension Office

**Still Projects Committee**  
October 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm on Zoom (Email Jenny Speyer for Info)

**Horse Board & Association**  
October 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm and 7 pm in MSU Extension Office

**Advisory Council**  
November 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in MSU Extension Office

**Small Animal Committee**  
November 29<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm in MSU Extension Office

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# COUNTY 4-H NEWS

## 4-H Re-Enrollment is now open for 2022-23 program year



Re-enrollment has opened for Washtenaw County 4-H for the 2022-23 program year. You can now log into your 4-H online account (<https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>) and re-enroll members and volunteers. Don't wait, enroll now to make sure you receive all our communications and information on upcoming events and opportunities in our county and statewide. Remember, 4-H members must be enrolled by **May 15<sup>th</sup>** to enter the **Washtenaw County 4-H Youth Show**. Don't forget, 4-H participation fees for the 2022-23 program year have been waived!

## County Award Nominations Due October 5<sup>th</sup> & Washtenaw County 4-H Recognition Program: November 14<sup>th</sup>

It is time again for the annual nominations for County Medals, Leader of the Year, Alumni of the Year, Friend of 4-H, Danforth, "I Dare You", State Awards, Club Spirit and Key Club.

Forms are due in person or my email to the MSU Extension Office by **October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022**. Printed copies will be available if needed.

We would like nominations in all areas from EVERY CLUB! There are many worthy people and businesses out there who help us do what we do, as well as younger members who could benefit from this recognition. Forms can be found [here](#).

Save the date! The Washtenaw County 4-H Recognition Program will be held at the Washtenaw County Farm Council Grounds on November 14<sup>th</sup>.

## Award Nominations Due



## OCTOBER 5<sup>th</sup>

## Submit Your Washtenaw County 4-H Photos and Videos for National 4-H Week



National 4-H Week is coming up soon from October 2-8<sup>th</sup> and we need your photos and videos of Washtenaw County 4-H'ers for our social media campaign! This year's National 4-H Week theme is Opportunity4All. Join us in celebrating the power of 4-H programs in empowering nearly six million young people across the U.S. with the skills to lead for a lifetime. Youth and 4-H volunteers are encouraged to submit photos and videos this year. Please check to make sure you have permission before submitting a photo of youth. Use the link below to submit your photos or videos through our google form. If you have any issues using the form, you can also send photos to Jenny Speyer by email ([speyerje@msu.edu](mailto:speyerje@msu.edu)) or text (734-436-1362).

Submit your photos or videos here: <https://forms.gle/7PywLcwX849m1qLc7>



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## Attend a Trunk or Treat and Promote 4-H in Washtenaw County



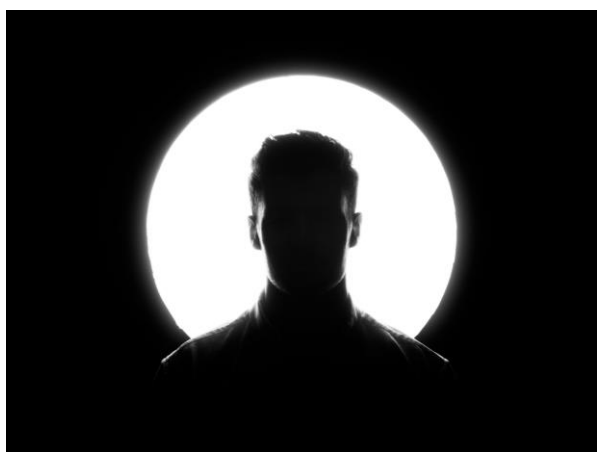
4-H Enrollment for the 2022-23 program year has begun and we want to get the word out to Washtenaw County youth and families. The Washtenaw 4-H Advisory Council would like to offer to cover the entry fee and purchase promotional materials for any 4-H club interested in attending a Washtenaw County Trunk or Treat event to promote 4-H. We already have Junior Livestock attending the Saline Trunk or Treat, but if your club is interested in attending another event, please reach out to Jean Martin at [jmmartin@umich.edu](mailto:jmmartin@umich.edu) or 734-662-9059.

## Congratulations to 4-H Winners

Join us in congratulating the following 4-H members and volunteer who were honored at the Washtenaw County Farm Bureau 2022 Annual Meeting. The Outstanding Involvement in Agriculture Award for a 4-H recipient went to Katie Polzin from Saline 4-H Farmers. The Outstanding Involvement in Agriculture Award for a FFA member went to William Rogers, who is both an FFA and 4-H Member of Saline 4-H Farmers. The Outstanding Agriculture Youth Educator Award went to 4-H Volunteer, Mandy Rogers. Also, honored with the Washtenaw County Scholarship was Lee Blumenauer, a 4-H Alumni from Country Expressions. If you would like to read more about their accomplishments, visit the [Washtenaw County Farm Bureau Facebook page](#) for information on each of these individuals.



## Volunteer and 4-H Youth Spotlights



The Washtenaw County 4-H staff would like to recognize the hard work and dedication of our 4-H volunteers and members. We would like to feature a spotlight about a volunteer and youth every other month in our newsletter. We need your help with photos and information about worthy volunteers and youth. If you know a youth member or volunteer in need of recognition, please email Jenny Speyer at [speyerje@msu.edu](mailto:speyerje@msu.edu).



# STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## Support 4-H with the TSC Paper Clover Campaign



**IT'S PAPER CLOVER TIME!**

**OCTOBER 5-16<sup>TH</sup> 2022**

Funds support 4-H camp and leadership activities.



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. 5-16.

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>.

### October 1-6 : National 4-H Dairy Conference

*Madison, Wisconsin*

World Dairy Expo is the place where the dairy industry meets. Much in the same vein, the National 4-H Dairy Conference is the place where leading dairy youth from across North America can come to interact with one another and build industry bridges that will last well into the future.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/national-4-h-dairy-conference>

### October 3-24: Adulting 101 Webinar Series

*Webinar*

Michigan State University Extension's FREE Adulting 101 programs help teenagers and young adults demystify the obscure reality of being an "adult" through engaging educational sessions. Each FREE session is packed full of important life skills and tools necessary to live independently. Join us every Monday during October 3-24, 2022, 6-7 p.m. Eastern Time.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/adult101fall22>

### October 7: Michigan 4-H Foundation Annual Membership Meeting

*East Lansing, MI*

Michigan 4-H Foundation members are invited to attend and vote on all items at the meeting. Members are individuals or organizations that donated \$25 or more to Michigan 4-H in the past year. <https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-foundation-annual-membership-meeting>

### October 11: Wild Spartans Series

*Webinar*

This month's 4-H Wild Spartans Series will take a leap into wetlands and riparian areas and climb to the high desert grasslands to take a closer look at plant biodiversity.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/wild-spartans-series-october-2022>

### November 11-13: Michigan 4-H Creative Arts Celebration!

*Ralph A. MacMullan (RAM) Center, Roscommon, MI*

Join this popular overnight 4-H workshop with sessions in sewing, textiles, visual arts, performing arts, crafts, art of cooking, photography, poetry, music, folk art, and much more!

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-creative-arts-celebrate>





# STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS

## NATIONAL 4-H WEEK Michigan 4-H Photo/Video Contest

Michigan State University Extension 4-H Youth Development is offering a photo/video contest to help celebrate National 4-H Week – October 2-9, 2022!

We are asking 4-H volunteers, youth and alumni to share a photo or video highlighting “What you love about 4-H.”

### Contest Details

- Contestants will share a photo or video highlighting “What you love about 4-H” on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, or TikTok including the hashtag #iloveMI4H. (Make sure the post is public.)
- For members of the Michigan 4-H community without social media access, submissions may also be sent by email to Gwyn Shelle at [heyboerg@msu.edu](mailto:heyboerg@msu.edu).
- Ten prizes will be awarded randomly to those who share a photo or video, either through social media or by email, during National 4-H Week. Prizes include MSU Extension 4-H swag!
- The contest will go live on Oct. 2 and submissions are due by 11:59 p.m. ET on Oct. 9, 2022.

For video guidelines/support and full contest rules, visit <http://www.canr.msu.edu/4h/contest>.



## 4-H scholarships available; apply by Nov. 1

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 \$10,000 (over the course of four years).

**All applications are due by November 1.**

Learn more and access applications materials at: [http://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).



# MSU Extension Child and Family Development

MSU Extension has a wide range of free online classes for parents and caregivers of children of all ages and early childhood professionals.

## Extension Extra's Parenting Hour

These free online 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 from 8:00 to 9:30PM EST as follows:

### Class dates:

10/4/2022: Mathematics for Infants and Toddlers  
 10/11/2022: Let's Talk: Parent and Provider Communication  
 10/18/2022: Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorder and Neurodiversity  
 10/25/2022: How Children Develop

**Registration:** [https://msu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_awdaBOMnToq\\_DP\\_dpSgShA](https://msu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_awdaBOMnToq_DP_dpSgShA)

For more information contact Courtney Aldrich at [aldric82@msu.edu](mailto:aldric82@msu.edu)

## Guiding Principles for Highly Successful Parenting

Are you wondering how to gain greater cooperation from your children? Struggling with chores or routines? Not sure how to handle discipline issues? Join us for this five week parenting education series for parents with children of all ages will explore developing routines, emotional control, rules and relationships, and being a calm, assertive parent. Certificates of attendance are available.

**Class dates for October/November:** October 5, October 12, October 19, October 26, November 2

**Class times:** 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

### Registration:

<https://events.anr.msu.edu/GuidingPrinciplesOctober2022/>

For more information, contact Courtney Aldrich, [aldric82@msu.edu](mailto:aldric82@msu.edu)



## Extension Extras Family FAQs Lunch and Learn

Join MSU Extension for our live question and answer parenting programming option, Extension Extras Family FAQs Lunch and Learn! This one hour program features MSU Extension child and family development experts answering your pressing parenting questions. Ask your questions and receive live answers! Pre-register at

[https://msu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_OmLLnpFtQZ-Z44mRq9Q6PQ](https://msu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_OmLLnpFtQZ-Z44mRq9Q6PQ) and join via Zoom or join live on [Facebook@MiStrongerFamily](https://www.facebook.com/MiStrongerFamily)

## Talking With Kids About Grief and Loss

Children will inevitably face loss in their lives. How should you talk with children about death and dying? How do you help them grieve? Join us for a conversation about how to talk with kids about grief, loss, death and dying with guest Kate Longenbarger of Gabby's Grief Center.

**Class Date/Time:** October 20th from 11:30AM – 12:30PM

**Registration:** <https://bit.ly/MSUEFamilyFAQ>

For more information contact Carrie Shrier, [shrier@msu.edu](mailto:shrier@msu.edu)



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## 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.

### Positive Discipline

**Class Date:** October 20th

**Class Time:** 7:00PM to 8:30PM

**Registration:** [https://msu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_U4dleNZRQHS2CvBw5PbXHA](https://msu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_U4dleNZRQHS2CvBw5PbXHA)

For more information contact Vivian Washington at [washi138@msu.edu](mailto:washi138@msu.edu)

### Inquiring Minds Want to Know – Science for Young Minds

**Class Date:** October 28th

**Class Time:** 1:00PM to 2:30PM

**Registration:** [https://msu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_yenkWkOnQ7Gncpf3TSJrrQ](https://msu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_yenkWkOnQ7Gncpf3TSJrrQ)

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## Online Self-Paced Classes

These free online classes can be completed on your own at your own pace.

**Positive Discipline:** Helping young children learn self-control is important to their ability to be successful citizens now and in the future. Positive Discipline workshops help adults learn how their role in creating appropriate environments and experiences can strengthen that development. This class has a “parent and caregiver” track and a “professional” track. Certificates of attendance are available for all who take the class and professional development training hours are available for early childhood professionals. Credit in the MiRegistry system is available.

**Registration:** <https://www.canr.msu.edu/courses/positive-discipline-online-course>

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**Infant Safety:** MSU Extension has partnered with the Livingston County Child Abuse Prevention Council to create a self-directed online infant safety course called “Sleeping, Crying, Driving.” This three part course contains videos and interactive content on infant safe sleep, how to handle extended infant crying and guidelines for transporting your child safely. A certificate of completion is available for those who need proof of attendance.

**Registration:** [https://www.canr.msu.edu/early\\_childhood\\_development/infant-safety/](https://www.canr.msu.edu/early_childhood_development/infant-safety/)

**MI Parenting Resource:** This free, online program is meant to support caregivers across the state in strengthening their parent-child relationships and gaining new tools for enhancing positive child behaviors.

**Registration:** <https://miparentingresource.org/>

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