



MARCH 29, 2024

4-H Family News

Ingham County



Apply for 2024

EARL THREADGOULD SCHOLARSHIP

Applications Due Monday, April 15

Information about eligibility and application form can be [found here](#).

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4-H

EXPLORATION DAYS

Registration now open



More information can be found on https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_exploration_days

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COUNTY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Good Friday Holiday | Friday, March 29 | MSU Extension Office Closed
Horse Committee Meeting | Wednesday, April 10, 7:00 pm | Hilliard Bldg
Earl Threadgould Scholarship Applications Due | Monday, April 15, 5:00 pm | MSU Ext. Office
Shooting Sports Committee Meeting | Tuesday, April 16, 6:00 pm | Hilliard Bldg
4-H Council Committee Meeting | Wednesday, April 17, 7:00 pm | Hilliard Bldg
Ingham County Poultry Clinic | Friday, April 19, 3:00-7:00 pm | Community Room, Fairgrounds



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STEAM PROGRAMS



Seeking Volunteers
Spring/Summer 2024

- ✓ Trail Cameras
- ✓ Michigan Wildlife
- ✓ ECO Challenges at Burchfield Park



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Ingham County Poultry Clinic



Friday, April 19th
3 - 7 pm
Community Room
Ingham County Fairgrounds



Tables will be set up for you to explore your interests and get your questions answered. Doors open at 3pm.



We will have representatives there to discuss the different nutritional needs of the various species that you may be interested in or already have.

Staff will be on hand to discuss biosecurity and how to protect your flock from disease, as well as how to recognize symptoms of various ailments.

We will have professional falconer, James (JT) Warner on hand to give advice on how to protect your flock and dispel myths about birds of prey.

Family Farm and Home will be there to offer information on how to participate in their Homegrown 4-H/FFA Program which offers discounts on various products in their stores, and discuss how they can help order any poultry you may need.



We also will have people on hand to demonstrate showmanship to all interested in participating in that aspect of fair.

Ingham County Poultry Fair Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent and Youth Reps will all be on hand to answer questions as well.



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☘ 4-H GROWS HERE

State Awards Application

DEADLINE

1 State Award applications are due April 1!

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Let your creativity grow! Enter the 4-H CREATIVE CAMPAIGN CONTEST

Share your 4-H story for a chance to win!
To learn more, visit
<https://www.canr.msu.edu/4-h-clovers-code/contest/>



KEEPING YOUR MONEY SAFE

A Michigan 4-H webinar on
how to find the best financial
institution for you.

March 25 from 7-8 EST
April 3 from 5-6pm EST



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EXPLORE YOUR FUTURE WITH 4-H FUTURE SQUAD

Are you 12-19 years old? Want to learn
more about preparing for your future?
YOU are invited to join 4-H Future
Squad, a club created to meet new
people and learn life skills for a
successful future!

Mindfulness & Mental Health-Mon, April 8
Voice of Influence, Public Speaking-Mon, April 29
All sessions 7:00 pm –8:00 pm

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2024 ADULTING 101



- COVER LETTER AND RESUME WRITING - APRIL 10 AT 6 PM
- BUILD AND PROTECT YOUR CREDIT - MAY 15 AT 5 PM
- TRAVELING ON A BUDGET - JUNE 6 AT 6:30 PM
- COOKING BASICS - JULY 16 AT 4 PM
- SUMMER BERRIES: JAM AND JELLY - AUGUST 12 AT 4 P.M.
- CHANGING THE WORLD WITH YOUR VOTE - SEPTEMBER 16 AT 5 PM
- PAYING FOR POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION - OCTOBER 16 AT 5 PM
- CRACKING THE CODE TO COLLEGE - NOVEMBER 19 AT 5 PM

REGISTRATION OPEN NOW!



Michigan 4-H and FFA Horse Judging State Contest

Where: MSU Pavilion for Ag and
Livestock Education

When: Saturday April 13th at 9am

Who should register: Any 4-H or FFA
Member interested in Horse Judging!

4-H DAIRY HEALTH DAY AT MSU



SESSION TOPICS

- **Optimizing Calf Health Through the First Few Days of Life: Why Colostrum & Calf Nutrition are Important**
- **A Happy Cow is a Healthy Cow: Strategies to Evaluate Her Health**
- **Getting Them Started Right: Caring for Newborn Calves**

Who: Any 4-H youth (ages 12-19 as of January 1st, 2024) & 4-H volunteers who are interested in dairy science!

What: An educational workshop that focuses on dairy cattle health

When: Saturday, April 20th, 2024

Where: Anthony Hall
474 S. Shaw Lane

East Lansing, MI 48824

Cost: \$35 per participant

Lunch & a t-shirt are included!

CALLING ALL FROG LOVERS!

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING FILLED WITH CROAKS, TRILLS, AND SPLASHES FROM OUR FAVORITE FROG FRIENDS

APRIL 12, 2024
7:00 - 8:30 PM
BENGEL WILDLIFE CENTER



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MICHIGAN 4-H VOLUNTEER WEBINAR SERIES: WORKING WITH CLOVERBUDS

April 22 | 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
April 22 | 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Zoom

4-Hers, 5-7 years bring a level of excitement, curiosity, and intuitiveness. 4-H volunteers can help these youth start to identify their spark and build their connection to the program. Come attend this session to learn and share techniques for working with cloverbuds and project ideas that work well with this age group

[More info here.](#)

4-H Walk In The Woods

April 24th, 6:30 p.m.
Baker Woodlot, MSU Campus; corner of Farm Lane and Service Dr.
Event Facilitator:
Kristin Poley, Science Superintendent

Discover the environment of MSU's Baker Woodlot. This down to earth activity will focus on forestry, wildlife, and plant identification.

Register:
https://events.anr.msu.edu/Walk_In_The_Woods_2024/

More information:
Glenda Weiss
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Michigan 4-H Day with the Detroit Tigers



Photo & statement due
11:59 p.m. CST on
May 1, 2024


"Hit Me with Your Best Shot"
4-H Photo Contest

Register at: <https://z.umn.edu/BestShotPhotoContest>
Info: <https://extension.umn.edu/event/hit-me-your-best-shot-4-h-photo-contest>
Questions? Email: fourhphoto@umn.edu



YQCA YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS

CERTIFICATION CLASS 2024

Wednesday, May 1	All Classes
Monday, May 20	6:30-8:00 pm
Monday, June 3	Hilliard Building
Thursday, June 27	Cost: \$3:00

Register online at yqcaprogram.org



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2024 HESSE-EARL YOUTH FISHING PROGRAM

- May 4 at Lake Lansing Park South, Haslett
- May 11 at Hawk Island, Lansing
- May 18 at Motz Park, St. Johns



- Check-in is at 8:30 am, and the program runs 9AM to Noon
- A responsible adult must remain on-site with each youth

- For more information contact Rachel Ochylski at ochylski@msu.edu or 517-676-7300

Follow this link or use the QR code to register
<https://bit.ly/Hesse-EarlRegistration>



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MICHIGAN 4-H / FFA MEATS JUDGING CONTEST

MAY 8, 2024

MSU MEAT LAB, EAST LANSING

Registration and payment due April 26

Michigan 4-H Alumni and Supporters Walking Challenge

May 5, 2024 - June 1, 2024

Starting May 5, MSU Extension will host a 4-H Alumni & Supporters Walking Challenge, where participants will track their miles walked and compete for a top spot in the contest! Each week, top contestants will win a 4-H swag prize and the county who logs the most miles throughout the whole challenge will earn a \$100 cash prize for their county 4-H program! Random weekly winners will also be chosen amongst registered participants who have actively engaged in the contest during the previous week

Contact: Christine Heverly sisungch@msu.edu

[More info here.](#)

MICHIGAN 4-H VOLUNTEER WEBINAR SERIES: PREPARING 4-HER'S FOR FAIRS AND SHOWCASES

May 13 | 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

May 13 | 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Zoom

As summer approaches, there are many opportunities for youth to showcase their skills and knowledge. 4-H volunteers have an important role in helping youth develop their interview skills, public speaking, presentation, and leadership skills as they participate in a variety of events and activities. Come attend this session to hear about some opportunities as well as techniques to prepare 4-Hers for fairs and showcase events

[More info here.](#)



Speakers



Riding



Friends



Learning



Fun

Ingham County 4-H HORSE CAMP JUNE 19-21, 2024

<https://bit.ly/horsecamp4h>

Ingham County 4-H
LEADER'S OPEN HORSE SHOW
 🍀 JUNE 21-22, 2024 🍀



SHEEP CLINIC

FEATURING: JENNA POHL DAVIS

JENNA IS A MICHIGAN NATIVE. SHE AND HER HUSBAND JESSE CURRENTLY LIVE IN MARYVILLE, MO WHERE THEY OWN AND OPERATE DAVIS SHOW LAMBS. BOTH GREW UP SHOWING LAMBS AT THE LOCAL, STATE AND NATIONAL LEVEL AND NOW ARE PASSIONATE ABOUT HELPING THE NEXT GENERATION ACHIEVE THEIR GOALS.

TOPICS

- BREAK DOWN OF SHOW DAY PREPARATIONS, LEG WRAPS, HAIR PILLS, DRENCHES, ETC.
- ADVANCED SHOWMANSHIP TECHNIQUES AND INSIGHT TO THE LATEST TIPS & TRICKS
- CUSTOMIZED FEED AND NUTRITION FOR YOUR INDIVIDUAL LAMB.

BRINGING SHEEP PREFERRED BUT NOT REQUIRED

JUNE 22, 2024

9AM-3PM | MISSAUKEE AGRICULTURAL YOUTH SHOW, FALMOUTH MI

FEES:

REGISTRATION BY MAY 11, 2024 \$50.00

LATE REGISTRATION MAY 12, 2024-JUNE 20, 2024 \$75.00

ANY SPECTATORS NOT ACCOMPANYING A REGISTERED EXHIBITOR, WILL NEED TO PAY A 15.00 SPECTATOR FEE. SPECTATOR FEE CAN BE PAID THE DAY OF THE EVENT. IF WE DO NOT HAVE 20 REGISTERED EXHIBITORS BY MAY 11, 2024 THE CLINIC WILL BE CANCELED & REFUND ISSUED.

MISSAUKEE COUNTY FAIR EXHIBITORS WILL GET 25.00 SCHOLARSHIP FROM MAYS, TO HELP COVER COST.

4-H Animal & Veterinary SCIENCE CAMP

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY*

July 8-9 and 10-11, 2024

Registration opens April 1st at noon

Registration is now open! 4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resource Camp! https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_great_lakes_natural_resources_camp/

Where?
 Camp Chickagami, Presque Isle

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When?
 July 28-Aug 3, 2024





Prevent foodborne illness

Accuracy is important. Don't under or over process

Check your gauge annually

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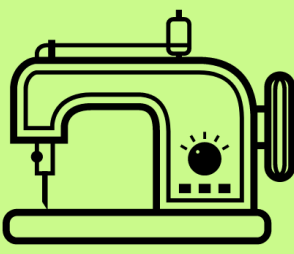
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Don't wait until the last minute to test

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FOR FREE

Contact the Ingham County MSU Extension office,
at 517-676-7207 to make arrangements

Want to try a sewing project
but don't have a sewing machine?



WE HAVE FOUR MACHINES READY FOR
LOAN AT INGHAM COUNTY 4-H.
CONTACT US OR VISIT THE OFFICE TO
BORROW ONE!



Apply for 2024

**BILL WHEELER MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP**

Information about eligibility and
application form can be [found here.](#)

Applications Due Monday, July 29th

**INGHAM COUNTY 4-H
EARL THREADGOULD SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

(To be eligible, you must be accepted for full-time study at an accredited post-secondary college or other school, submit this form, a copy of your acceptance letter, your essay on "How 4-H Has Contributed to my Growth and Development", and a letter of recommendation/support from your 4-H leader.) **DEADLINE FOR CONSIDERATION: April 15 by 5:00 p.m.**

The Awards Committee will choose one recipient; payment (\$350.00) will be made to the school upon verification of your enrollment.

Full name _____

Address _____
Number, street or road City or Town State/ZIP

High School _____ year graduated _____ GPA _____

Post High School (name of college or other school) _____

Field in which you plan to major _____

Number of years in 4-H _____ Name/s of club/s _____

A. List the 4-H project areas that you have completed; indicate the number of years in each (you may add pages if needed):

B. List 4-H activities during your high school years (grades 9 – 12); group them by club level, county level, state level, and national level (you may add pages if needed)

C. Describe your 4-H leadership involvement. Include the number of years in each, and designate club, county, state or national level (you may add pages if needed)

D. How has 4-H influenced your career choice and/or your choice of post-secondary schooling? (You may add pages if needed.)

Forward:

- This application
- Copy of your admission letter
- Your essay on "How 4-H has Contributed to my Growth and Development"
(one page, you may use both sides)
- Leader's letter of recommendation/support

**To: Ingham County 4-H
121 E. Maple Street
P. O. Box 319
Mason, MI 48854**



STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4-H Youth in Action Awards Applications Open



Apply now for the 2025 4-H Youth in Action Awards! Each year, the program recognizes four confident young leaders with diverse backgrounds and unique perspectives in the pillar areas of agriculture, civic engagement, healthy living and STEM.

Winners will have the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to share their stories along with unforgettable experiences, celebration on the national stage, recognition in the media and a \$5,000 college scholarship.

This opportunity is open to youth ages 15-19. The deadline to apply is April 1. Learn more and apply at <https://4-h.org/programs/4-h-youth-in-action-program/application/>.

March 3-May 4: JOANN 4-H Campaign

Stores across Michigan

While visiting your local JOANN store, you can support 4-H by adding a donation or rounding up at checkout. The funds donated will support the 4-H program with 50% going back to local 4-H programming and 10% supporting Michigan 4-H.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/joann-s-clover-for-kids-campaign

March 12: 4-H Give Green Day

Online

Help us reach our goal of raising \$5,000 in a 24-hour period on Give Green Day to support learning experiences for Michigan 4-H youth.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4h-give-green-day

March 16: Michigan 4-H Hippology Contest

East Lansing

Youth aged 5-19 are eligible to demonstrate their comprehensive equine knowledge and skills in an engaging setting.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-hippology-contest-2024

March 18: Michigan 4-H Volunteer Webinar - Group Management For 4-H Clubs and Groups

Online

Learn and share techniques to support a successful group setting and help spark youth engagement. This series will provide volunteers with a variety of learning opportunities to help them grow as a volunteer and support Michigan 4-H'ers. This session will be offered twice, once as a daytime option and once as an evening option.

- **12 p.m. session:** www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-group-management-for-4-h-clubs-and-groups
- **7 p.m. session:** www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-group-management-for-4-h-clubs-and-groups7pm

March 19: Keeping Your Money Safe

Online

Join this session to gain insights on researching and evaluating financial institutions (banks and credit unions) to make the best choice for your financial future.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/safemoney

April 28: Michigan 4-H Day with the Detroit Tigers

Comerica Park, Detroit

Watch the Detroit Tigers take on the Kansas City Royals with other 4-H'ers! Michigan 4-H will be the Group Charity of the Game; discounted tickets available with a portion benefitting 4-H.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-day-with-the-detroit-tigers





STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS

Registration is open for 4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resource Camp!

4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp is an annual three-time national award-winning camp that mixes summer fun and hands-on science education. The camp will be held July 28 - August 3 on the shores of Lake Esau at Camp Chickagami in Presque Isle. This pre-college program is for teens who will be age 13 to 15 during camp.

Campers will increase their science literacy and stewardship as they learn from natural resource experts in fields such as Great Lakes coastal and fisheries management, limnology, wildlife, forestry, geography, geology and environmental education. In addition to hands-on learning, attendees will also enjoy exciting natural resources recreation activities such as kayaking, snorkeling, sailing, fossil hunting, archery, photography and evenings around a campfire. First-time campers also go charter fishing and learn to fillet their catch.



Registration is now open! The registration fee is \$500 and includes six nights of lodging, all meals and snacks, a t-shirt and program and activity costs. Space is limited to 70 campers so register today. For more information and to register, visit www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_great_lakes_natural_resources_camp/.

4-H Exploration Days registration coming soon!

4-H Exploration Days is Michigan 4-H's largest pre-college program and could be the highlight of your summer—maybe even change your life! This exciting event is open to any Michigan youth ages 12 –19 as of Jan. 1.

4-H Exploration Days, scheduled for June 19-21, is designed to help youth build the skills they need to successfully transition to college and to life as an adult. Michigan 4-H youth who participate have the opportunity to stay in MSU campus residence halls while attending classroom and field trip sessions.



With more than 100 session choices held on and off campus, there are topics for everyone including animal science, business and entrepreneurship, international language and culture, performing and visual arts, and science, engineering, and technology. As youth gain important life skills like decision making, problem solving and communication, they'll also have time for fun with free time activities such as skating, basketball and a dance.

Registration for 4-H Exploration Days will open March 25. The cost for the 2024 event is \$220. Check with your local 4-H program coordinator for additional information regarding county sign-ups and scholarships or visit www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_exploration_days.

Open your home to a student with the 4-H International Exchange Program!

Making your summer plans? Consider hosting a Japanese youth this summer through the States' 4-H International Exchange Program! Michigan will be hosting 18 Japanese youth and two chaperones. These visitors will quickly become a part of your family for their 3 ½ week stay (the last full week of July to the middle of August) and gain a fun American experience through your exceptional hospitality. In addition, your children will build lifelong friendships and gain new perspectives on their own country, too!

Host families must complete the States' 4-H International Exchange Programs online application, have a youth to match a host brother/sister (within three years of age), be a Michigan 4-H Gold-level volunteer, participate in a family interview as well as a home visit process. For more information contact Jan Brinn at brinn@msu.edu or John Wurm at wurmj@msu.edu.