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## 4-H Newsletter

October 2019



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**Clay County Illinois 4-H**

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*(Dates are tentative and subject to change)*

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6-12 .....4-H Week

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26 .....Expansion 7 Review, Effingham

28 & 29.....Office Closed—Thanksgiving

**The new 4-H year is here!**

**Register online at [il.4honline.com](http://il.4honline.com)**



## JOIN THE CLUB



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## Clay County 4-H Achievement Celebration

Sunday, November 3  
First Baptist Church, Louisville  
3 p.m.

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## Spaghetti Dinner

Foundation is planning a Spaghetti Dinner for this fall. Be on the lookout for more details soon!



## Clay County 4-H

### Clay County 4-H Award Applications

Award applications are due to the office October 1.  
Find the applications online at:

<https://extension.illinois.edu/cefi/4-h-clay-county>

or stop by the office for a printed copy.

### Livestock Records

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**Make sure you have all required signatures  
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Treasurer Book: [https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/  
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20Book.pdf](https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/sites/4h.extension.illinois.edu/files/Treasurer%20Book.pdf)

Fiscal Resources: [https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/  
clubs/fiscal-resource-resources](https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/clubs/fiscal-resource-resources)

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week with a window display! Please let Sarah or the  
office know your window's location and have them  
in place by October 6.



# Effingham County 4-H



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## **Calendar of events**

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### **October**

6-12..... National 4-H Week

15..... Newlin Martin Scholarship Deadline

19..... Christmas in October

### **November**

3..... Effingham County 4-H Achievement Night

26..... Expansion & Review, Effingham

28 & 29 .... Office Closed—Thanksgiving

## **2019 Effingham County 4-H Achievement Night**

Parents & Leaders: please RSVP for your family by Wednesday, November 6, 2019. We will be serving cake and punch in honor of Cindy Mathis & Janet Willenborg Induction to the 4-H Hall of Fame. You may register at <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/registration/default.cfm?RegistrationID=20981&preview=yes>

Those new to 4-H: A very special afternoon is being planned for all our 4-H families! The 2018-19 Effingham County 4-H Achievement Night has been set for Saturday, November 9, 2019, to begin at 3 p.m., at the First Baptist Church in Effingham, IL.

Easy Riders 4-H club will be hosting this year's event. This special event is for Effingham County 4-H members, volunteers, and leaders to celebrate their successful 4-H year! 4-H Achievement Night is a celebration of 4-H members' successes—yours, your clubs', and the county's success! We hope all our 4-H families will plan to come for this special evening. It's a special, magical time of year—just perfect to celebrate the children and leaders "To Make The Best Better". We hope to see you there!



## Effingham County 4-H



### National 4-H Week

Does your 4-H club have any special plans to help celebrate National 4-H Week? Join the 6 million other 4-H members in celebrating National 4-H Week October 6 -12 using the National 4-H Council theme: INSPIRED to LEAD | CALLED to SERVE. Start those wheels turning as you consider how to incorporate that into your club celebration. Let us know what exciting activities your club has planned for National 4-H Week.



**4-H...INSPIRE KIDS TO DO...**



### NEWLIN MARTIN SCHOLARSHIP

You must currently be a high school senior or junior or a college freshman, enrolled in the Effingham County 4-H program, and submit a 500 word essay including the following criteria: 4-H accomplishments, community service activities, how you will utilize what you have learned from 4-H, and financial need of the scholarship. Essay must be in the Extension Office no later than October 15.

### REMINDER!

The 4-H New Year starts new financial planning for your club. Gearing up for a new fundraiser? Clubs are required to fill out a 4-H Fundraising Approval Form for each fundraiser, and submit it to their local extension office at least two weeks prior to the fundraising activity. Forms can be found at <http://4h.extension.illinois.edu/sites/4h.extension.illinois.edu/files/CLUB%20Fundraising%20Approval%20Form.pdf>



### IL 4-H Code of Conduct

The Illinois 4-H program is enforcing a new IL 4-H Code of Conduct. Every 4-H leader, volunteer, superintendent, and 4-H member needs to sign and return by November 1, 2019. I have attached the new form to the email containing the newsletter. You may email the IL Code of Conduct to [logan1@illinois.edu](mailto:logan1@illinois.edu) or you can turn it into your 4-H leader. In order to be in compliance, this should be on file before participating in 4-H club meetings, activities, or events. New members joining during the year will need to complete the code of conduct at the time of their enrollment.



**2018 Effingham County  
4-H Fair Premium  
checks were sent out in the  
mail on September 20, 2019**

## Effingham County 4-H

### Birthday Corner

**Those celebrating birthdays in the month of October are:**

Kassie Vonderheide	Oct 1	Jared Klingler	Oct 13
Emma Meinhart	Oct 2	Katie Tedrick	Oct 15
Wyatt Newburn	Oct 2	Grady Myers	Oct 16
Simon Shepard	Oct 3	Lane Apke	Oct 20
Samuel Huber	Oct 4	Olliver Shoaf	Oct 20
Audrey Brinker	Oct 4	Jared Kollmann	Oct 21
Hanna Wolff	Oct 5	Rusty Metzger	Oct 21
Mason Cielak	Oct 5	Kalea Yagow	Oct 22
Geri Wohltman	Oct 6	Kaylee Lurkins	Oct 23
Hannah Shelley	Oct 6	Zoey Ordner	Oct 25
Renesa Barrett	Oct 7	Carly Ohnesorge	Oct 28
Leah Mae Ring	Oct 10	Lucas Ruholl	Oct 30
Ava Scott	Oct 13	Wade McWhorter	Oct 30
Jillian Tappendorf	Oct 13	Lynn Wolff	Oct 31

**The University of Illinois Extension staff would like to wish you a very happy birthday and may all your birthday wishes come true! Have a great day! If you have not re-enrolled for this year, your birthday will not appear in the birthday corner. Be sure to get enrolled today so we can help celebrate your special day!**



Don't forget to sign up for the Holiday Event "Christmas in October" on Saturday, October 19, 9 AM - Noon at the Effingham Extension, 1209 Wenthe Dr., Effingham, IL 62401.

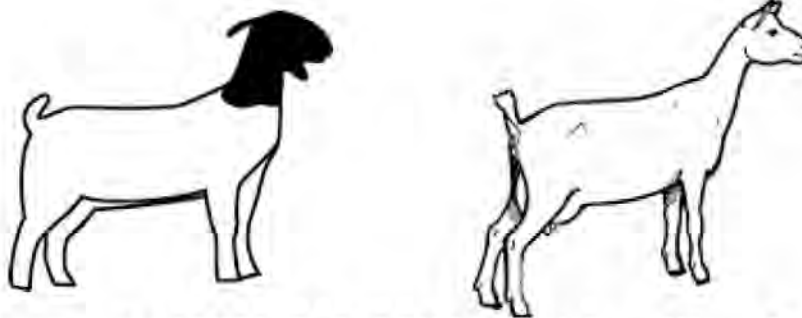
This program is for everyone in the community, including 4-H members and children, ages 10 and up. Registration is required so we will have plenty of supplies and refreshments.

To register: <https://go.illinois.edu/ChristmasinOctober>

For any questions, please contact Elsie Voelker 618-483-6081 or the Effingham Extension Office 217-347-7773.



# Effingham County 4-H



## Your chance to WIN-AN-ANIMAL (deadline Feb. 28)

Effingham County 4-H is giving youth the opportunity to experience a new 4-H animal project area. The annual 4-H Win-An-Animal contest is again underway. What is this unique contest, you ask? It is a contest to help increase youth participation in the 4-H Boer & Dairy Wether projects in Effingham County. Youth are asked to write an essay at least 50 words in length explaining why they would like to win one of these animals, how you would take care of them, where you would keep them, who would help you, etc. You may apply for more than one animal but you will need a separate essay for each.

Please contact  
Extension Office with any questions

**GOOD LUCK!**

### RULES:

- Must be an enrolled 4-H member in Effingham County.
- Not currently enrolled in the 4-H animal project for which you are applying.
- Only one application per breed.
- Have not previously or currently possess any of the animals for which you are applying.
- Complete an application including an essay of interest, to be at least 50 words in length.
- The winning applicant will be responsible for the care and all costs incurred in the raising of the animal from time of possession.
- The animal will be exhibited at the Effingham County 4-H show.

Completed application forms must be turned in to the County Extension Office by Friday, February 28, 2020. Animal exchange arrangement will be made between the contest winner and the donor. **Additional applications are available at the Effingham County Extension Office.**

For questions you may contact the Effingham Extension Office, 1209 N Wenthe Dr, Effingham, IL 62401. PH#: 217/347-7773  
E-mail: [logan1@illinois.edu](mailto:logan1@illinois.edu)

### ANIMAL APPLYING FOR:

(please circle animal)

Boer Wether

Dairy Wether

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Years Enrolled in 4-H: \_\_\_\_\_ Current 4-H Club \_\_\_\_\_

On a separate sheet of paper, indicate why you are interested in entering the 4-H "Win-An-Animal" contest. (Suggestions: where you will keep the animal (s), how you will care for it, who will help you with the project, etc.) Your statement should be at least 50 words. GOOD LUCK!!

# Fayette County 4-H



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### November

2 .....Achievement Night

2 .....Foundation Soup Supper

8 .....Visual Arts Paper Workshop

26 .....Expansion & Review, Effingham

28 & 29 .....Office Closed—Thanksgiving

### December

5 .....Livestock Committee Meeting

24-31 .....Office Closed-Christmas

The new 4-H year is here!

Register online at [il.4honline.com](http://il.4honline.com)

  
**JOIN THE CLUB**

**Livestock Committee  
Meeting**

**Thursday, December 5**

**7 PM**

## Auction Checks

Auction checks and buyer photos are ready to  
be picked up in the office!



As a reminder, you will need to pay 3% back to the livestock  
committee. Checks should be written to OCF-FCLA.



# Fayette County 4-H

## Award Applications

Fayette County Award Applications are due September 30!

Types of awards:

- Experience—highlights activities from the past year
- Illinois 4-H State Award—builds on experience over the years, only 1 essay required for Fayette County level
- Officer Awards
- Best Kept Livestock Records
- Club Awards
- Alumni Award
- Friend of 4-H Award
- No application needed for:
  - Membership Year
  - Cloverbud
  - Leaders

Find applications:

<http://4h.extension.illinois.edu/members/awards>



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Treasurer Book: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/sites/4h.extension.illinois.edu/files/Treasurer%20Book.pdf>

Fiscal Resources: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/clubs/fiscal-resource-resources>

## Window Displays

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## Livestock Records

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# VISUAL ARTS PAPER WORKSHOP

FOR BEGINNERS  
AGES 6-12

COST: \$5

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8**  
**1:00 - 2:00 PM**

Fayette County Extension Office  
118 North Sixth Street, Vandalia

To register contact:  
618-283-2753 or online at:  
<https://extension.illinois.edu/cefi>

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## Join us in celebrating YOU!

We will recognize the achievements of our 4-H members and leaders at our celebration on November 2, following the Foundation Soup Supper.

## FAYETTE COUNTY 4-H ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT

Saturday, November 2  
Brownstown Elementary School  
7 p.m.

FAYETTE COUNTY EXTENSION FOUNDATION

# SOUP SUPPER

**Meal includes:**

**Vegetable Beef or Chicken Noodle Soup,  
Hot Dog, Homemade Dessert, & Drink**

**Free Will  
Donation**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2019**

**SERVING 4:30-6:30 PM**



**Brownstown Elementary School  
460 W South St  
Brownstown, IL 62418**



**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT THE FAYETTE  
COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE AT 618-283-2753**

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## Club Help Schedule

4:00-4:30 Sefton Clovers

4:30-5:00 Loudon Bunch

5:00-5:30 Ramsey S&S

5:30-6:00 Ramsey S&S / St. James Hornets

6:00-6:30 St. James Hornets / Shafter Friends

6:30-7:00 Golden Harvestors



# Jasper County 4-H



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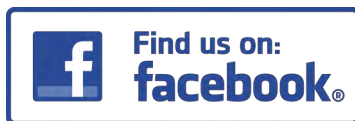
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## **Calendar of events**

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### **October**

- 6-12 National 4-H Week
- 9-20 Paper Clover Campaign at Tractor Supply
- 7 4-H Federation Meeting
- 8 Afterschool Adventures-Fishing at Sam Parr State Park
- 19 Shooting Sports Certificate Training

### **November**

- 8 4-H Award Celebration
- 26 Expansion & Review, Effingham
- 28 & 29 Office Closed—Thanksgiving



## **Jasper County 4-H Awards Celebration**

Each year we recognize those members who did an exceptional job with their 4-H records.

This year the Awards Recognition will be at 6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8 at the Sunrise Youth Center and Community Building.

The 4-H Federation will also be sponsoring a Chili Cook-off this year during the Awards Celebration. Each club has been asked to bring 1 gallon of chili to be judged for the evening. The 4-H Federation will also be providing sandwiches and drinks.

Every 4-H member is invited to come attend this evening full of good food and recognition.

Don't forget, all Cloverbud, 1st year, and 4-H Ambassador members will be recognized as well.



# Jasper County 4-H

## 4-H Spotlight

**Alex Osborne**

4-H Club: Reisner Sunny Pioneers

Years in 4-H: 8 years

4-H Projects: Visual Arts, Photography & Horses

Extra Activities: FFA & Student Council

Awards: Greenhand Degree

Hobbies: Horseback riding

Something Interesting: Started showing horses when she was 3.

Favorite Food: Pork Burgers

If Alex had all the money in the world: She would put it in the bank and save it.

Favorite Season: Fall, closer to the end of daylight savings time.



### 4-H Ambassador Meeting

- Tuesday, Nov. 5
- 6:30 p.m.
- Sunrise Youth Center

*We will be welcoming new Ambassadors and discussing upcoming events and activities for the 2019-2020 4-H year.*

*"Learn by doing"*



*"To make the best better"*

## Important Information



### New this year!!

It has been stated in the 4-H Handbook for many years that club members should attend at least 2/3 of club meetings. We all have busy lives, and sometimes it is hard to find time to make it to all activities that our kids love to be in. With that being said, we would like to enforce a new rule this year in order for our youth to gain as much from their 4-H experience as possible. Every club member needs to attend at least 2 club meetings and 1 club or county event during the 4-H year in order to be eligible for advancement to the Illinois State Fair general projects showing and in order to sell an animal in the Jasper Co. 4-H Auction. As stated, we realize it is hard to make it to all events, but we believe 2 meetings plus 1 event per year is an attainable goal. If a family is having trouble making it to a club meeting due to the day and/or time they meet each month, please contact the Extension office for a list of other club meeting dates and times. We strongly feel that for our youth to receive the full experience of the 4-H program in Jasper County, involvement outside of the 4-H shows during fair-time is necessary. If families have any questions, please contact Katie at the Extension office.

# Jasper County 4-H

## Toys for Kids

It's time to start making plans for the Jasper County HCE Toys for Kids program.



Local clubs have been a very important part of this program. Either by making monetary donations or assisting with the shopping. We will be needing assistance again this year .

Feel free to discuss with your club if you would like to assist.

All gifts and monetary donations need to be delivered to the Extension office by Friday, Dec. 6. Distribution will begin Thursday, Dec. 12.

The Jasper County HCE appreciates everyone's efforts to ensure all the youth in Jasper County have a meaningful Christmas.

Call the Extension office if your club or your family would like to help with this worthwhile program.

The Jasper County HCE ladies will be selling Butter Braids / Caramel Rolls during the month of October, as a fundraiser for Toys 4 Kids.

The sale will run until Oct. 20. Pick up will be 4 to 5 p.m. Monday, Nov. 4, 2019 at the Extension office.

If you would like to place an order, please contact the Jasper County Extension office at: 618-783-2521.

## 4-H Enrollment

If you are a returning 4-H member or 4-H Cloverbud member, you can enroll online now! Go to [il.4honline.com](http://il.4honline.com) and use your e-mail address and password from last year. If you forgot the information you used from last year, request a new password online or call the Extension office for help. Please do NOT create a new profile if you were in 4-H last year. New members with no other siblings in 4-H may enroll by creating a new profile. If anyone has questions about the enrollment or project selection through the 4-H online system, please call the Extension Office.



**Jasper County 4-H**  
Making a difference for life



## AMBASSADOR INFORMATION

Would you like to be a Jasper County 4-H Ambassador?

Now is the time, if you are 7th grade and older, and have been a 4-H member for at least 3 years, and want to assist with the promotion of the Jasper County 4-H program, you can be a 4-H Ambassador.

Contact the Jasper County Extension Office and ask for an Ambassador Application. **Complete the application and return** to the Extension Office by Tuesday, **Oct. 31**. The new ambassadors will be announced and presented during the awards celebration on Friday, Nov. 8.

## 4-H Pledge

I pledge my **HEAD** to  
clearer thinking  
My **HEART** to greater  
loyalty  
My **HANDS** to larger service and  
My **HEALTH** to better  
living ,for my club,  
My community,  
My country, and  
My World



## Jasper County 4-H

### 4-H Federation

The Jasper County 4-H Federation is for all Jasper County 4-H members of high school age and older.

The next meeting will be **Monday, October 7 at 6:30 p.m. at the Jasper County Extension Office.**

All high school age members are welcome. Join us to make plans for the upcoming year and of course have some pizza!

Members will elect officers at the November meeting and make plans for the upcoming activities. Including:

- Lock-In's
- Fundraising
- Toys for Kids Shopping
- Other programs they find of interest

### Afterschool Adventures

The Afterschool programs target 3rd—6th grade youth, but any 4-H member wishing to participate is welcome to participate. Just remember, it is geared for 3rd –6th. Register online or call the Extension Office at 783-2521.

The 4-H Ambassadors will be assisting with each of the programs as it fits into their schedules. Adult assistance is also needed so if there are any parents who are free to assist, just give us a call. We never turn down good volunteer assistance.

**Please note these are tentative and there may be some changes due to availability of volunteers.**

Following are the scheduled sessions:

**October**—Fishing @ Sam Parr

**November**— Robotics

**December**—Holiday Fun

**February**—Around the World

**March** — Leather Stamping

**April** — Thyme to Eat!

**May** — Nature Discovery

### Charles and Frances Brummer 4-H Endowment Fund

In honor of their late father and mother, the children of Charles and Frances Brummer have established the Charles and Frances Brummer 4-H Endowment to assist Jasper County 4-H youth. The late Charles Brummer was a local dairy farmer that recognized the value and experience that 4-H provides the youth of Jasper County.

**We would like to thank the Brummer family for their continued support to the Jasper County 4-H program.**



### 2018

#### 4-H Premium Checks

2018 Jasper County 4-H Fair Premium checks were sent out in the mail the first week of September. Checks are for premiums received from the 2018 Jasper County 4-H

Shows. If you received a check, please cash it by Tuesday, Oct. 15.



# Unit 4-H News



## 4-H alumni turns project/hobby into a career

When asked what part of 4-H made the biggest impact on him, Stetson Bierman said “My 4-H projects”. An obvious answer since he took his horse project to the next level, all the way to the rodeo. Stetson, 19 year old son of Bret and Jody Bierman of Hidalgo, is currently attending the University of Tennessee, Martin where he is a member of the collegiate rodeo team. The team finished fourth in the Ozark Region, just missing the College National Finals. In addition his college studies and competing on the rodeo team, Stetson competes in the rodeo circuit.

A step ahead in agriculture, leadership and communication skills are opportunities Stetson says 4-H gave him that he wouldn't have gotten from other groups/programs. During his tenure in 4-H, Stetson held all office positions in the Grandville Gang 4-H Club. He was also a member of the Jasper County 4-H Federation, serving as president for one year. His fondest memories of federation are going to Holiday World and playing Laser Tag. His 4-H projects consisted of cattle, swine, and horses. All these experiences taught him time management, communication skills, responsibility, and to take pride in his work; all skills he is using to help him succeed in school and the rodeo circuit. He forgot to mention generosity. The interview with Stetson for this article took place between events during the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association's rodeo recently held in Palestine, IL. During the interview Stetson was picking up trash and throwing it in trash cans.

His happiest 4-H memories were showing livestock with his friends and against them in a competitive, but fun way. When his buddies won and he didn't, Stetson was happy for them. 4-H is where he got to meet and hang out with this closest friends.

Stetson's rodeo experiences include:

- Illinois High School Rodeo Association where he was a two time State Bareback Riding Champion and the All Around Rookie Cowboy his junior year.

- Finishing in the top 15 bareback riders in the world at the National High School Rodeo Finals during his senior year in high school.

- Currently leading in the Whippoorwill Rodeo Series and the Lone Star Rodeo Series.

- Standing 11<sup>th</sup> in the world in the International Professional Rodeo Association.

- Standing 9<sup>th</sup> in the Great Lakes Circuit in the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association.

Bareback Bronc riding is Stetson's favorite rodeo event with saddle bronc riding coming in second. In September, Stetson competed close to home (Palestine, IL) in the hardest rodeo circuit, the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association. Stetson's goal is to compete in this circuit's culminating event held in Las Vegas, NV.

Stetson would tell today's parents that “4-H gives youth more opportunities and chances to get involved in something worthwhile. It truly shows when youth are involved in 4-H. They enjoy what 4-H has to offer and it keeps them out of trouble.” To the youth he would say, “4-H is a great program. It's a lot of fun! I'm truly glad that I had the opportunity to get involved. It's not just your typical youth program. And, you get to meet lots of new people.”

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**Good luck Stetson in college and the rodeo circuit.  
We hope you make it to Vegas!**







# Illinois 4-H

## Internship with Illinois Pork Producers available

The Illinois Pork Producers Association wants you as its 2020 State Ambassador intern. You'll represent the association and the pork industry during the coming year for a full year and will work from the Springfield office during the summer (May - August 2020).

Main duties include managing the birthing center during the Illinois State Fair, attending Summer Ag Institutes, completing a project of his/her choosing (to be discussed with staff), and various other tasks. The internship is education and communication focused. A \$4,500 scholarship will be provided to the intern upon successful completion of the internship. Start date will depend on the student's school schedule, and end date will be after the conclusion of the State Fair.

### Qualifications:

- Must be an Illinois resident between the ages of 18 and 23 (Must be age 18 by Jan 1, 2020)
- Must exhibit strong communication, organization and leadership skills
- Must exhibit a genuine interest in the Illinois pork industry and be able to speak on behalf of it
- Recommended that he/she has attended Illinois Livestock Leadership Institute (Previously IPLI)
- Must be a member (or become a member) of the Illinois Pork Producers Association
- Must have reliable transportation and be willing to travel to out-of-state training and functions
- May only serve one year

Application deadline is OCTOBER 31, 2019. For application information, one may contact Jenny Jackson at [jenny@ilpork.com](mailto:jenny@ilpork.com) or 217-529-3100.



National 4-H Week is our time to tell the world about 4-H. This year's theme, **INSPIRED to LEAD | CALLED to SERVE**, captures what it means to be a 4-H member. You are encouraged to find ways to celebrate October 6 – 12. Use the hashtag **#inspiredby4H** and **#inspiredtoLEAD** as you share your 4-H activities on social media. Watch our Facebook page for contests all week long.

## College isn't the end of your 4-H career

If you are a 4-H'er or know a 4-H member heading to University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana campus, check out Collegiate 4-H! Collegiate 4-H is a registered student organization that provides opportunities to continue strengthening your leadership skills and be engaged in service to others. In addition to the leadership and service benefits, Collegiate 4-H also creates an opportunity for positive social engagement with other college students who, like you, have been a part of 4-H. One may contact Collegiate 4-H Club President Brittney Muschetto @ [uiuc-collegiate4h@gmail.com](mailto:uiuc-collegiate4h@gmail.com).



## Information to make your new year sparkle!

It's the new 4-H year, and we've got lots of things to get the new year started! We've added four new projects: Child Development, Sports Nutrition, Family Heritage, and Visual Arts Leather! Our theme for the year and National 4-H Week is **Inspired to Lead | Called to Serve**. Download the new Project Guide @ [go.illinois.edu/4Hprojectguide](http://go.illinois.edu/4Hprojectguide).

# Illinois 4-H

## Inspire your club to promote 4-H during National 4-H Week

- Have a flag-raising ceremony at a local bank, park, business, veterans club or school.
- Attend a city council meeting and have the mayor/councilmen sign the Proclamation.
- Give presentations at schools, home school organizations, and youth-serving agency boards.
- Have members bring projects and speak at local civic organizational meetings.
- Host a project fair for the community to see work of 4H members and recruit new members.
- Have a poster contest with your members, then display them in local business windows.
- Host a special interest workshop open to the community sponsored by 4-H.
  - ♦ Emergency Preparedness Meeting
  - ♦ CPR
  - ♦ Weather Spotters
  - ♦ Bicycle Safety
  - ♦ Internet Safety
  - ♦ Teen Driver Safety
- Host a quiz night—Are You Smarter than a 4-Her?
- Sponsor a dance for Jr. High youth.
- Promote 4-H livestock projects at the feed store.
- Promote 4-H technology projects at the electronic/phone/computer stores.
- Promote 4-H foods projects at the grocery stores.
- Promote 4-H entrepreneur projects at the banks.
- Promote 4-H family projects at the doctor offices.
- Host a “My 4-H Word Is \_\_\_\_\_” event in your community.
- Promote 4-H on local advertising signs, billboards, church message boards.
- Start an email chain letter—What did you gain in 4-H? and distribute it to your contacts lists, then watch it spread.
- Take a plate of 4-H cookies to local businesses with an appreciation poster for them to post.
- Write letters to your congressional leaders about how important 4-H is to you.
- Host a 4-H fun day with games and prizes for families.
- Take thank you flowers to all your club leaders.
- Plant a tree in honor of 4-H.





## Become a certified 4-H shooting sports instructor

Help ensure young people are exposed to everything the outdoors and shooting sports has to offer by becoming a certified 4-H shooting sports volunteer. The first ever one day “hands on” field day training will be held Saturday, Oct. 19, 2019 at 4-H Memorial Camp in Monticello. Volunteers may now become certified shooting sports leaders by attending the field day and completing an on-line youth development training module at home. Once both are complete, you are certified!

Your first stop is the local Extension office where staff will discuss the current program in our county.

Complete the required application and background checks. Volunteers must be at least 21 years of age.

Pay the \$60 registration cost that covers three meals, snacks, instructor curriculum, hat, and all necessary equipment and materials for the training.

Staff will complete your registration. Registration is due October 9.

Attend certification training from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, October 19 at 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello.

Complete additional online training.

Check back in with the county Extension staff to begin volunteering.

There are six concentrations of study, and volunteers must choose only one discipline: archery, rifle, shotgun, pistol, and hunting and outdoor skills, as well as the overall county coordinator training. Remember, volunteers will work with their local Extension 4-H staff to establish or add to an existing shooting sports program in the county. Learn more about the Illinois 4-H Shooting Sports program @ <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/shooting-sports>.

## SALUTE TO EXCELLENCE

### Nominate an outstanding volunteer

The Illinois 4-H program is built on the work of amazing volunteers, and we look forward to recognizing our volunteers for what they do! The National 4-H Council sponsors the Salute to Excellence Award Program that targets 4-H volunteers who demonstrate exemplary service to 4-H, while promoting service through volunteerism. Nominate outstanding local volunteers for consideration by contacting the Extension office.

The award categories are:

- **Volunteer of the Year** – recognizing individuals who have served as 4-H volunteers for less than 10 years at the local, county, region, and state level.
- **Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer** – recognizing individuals who have served 10 or more years at the local, county, region or state level.

Nominations are due to the State 4-H Office by **Friday, October 18, 2019**.

## Who will win \$5,000?

The Youth in Action Award honors four 4-H members who have gained critical life skills through their 4-H experience and have used those skills to overcome a challenge or challenges they have faced. Each of the honorees epitomize 4-H youth empowerment and leadership. In addition, the winners have demonstrated the positive impact they’ve made with their family, peers, and community through their 4-H experiences.

Nominate outstanding 4-H members in four different categories: Agriculture, Civic Engagement, Healthy Living, and STEM. Each winner will receive a \$5,000 scholarship for higher education, be featured as the 4-H youth spokesperson for their pillar area, receive an all-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C. to be recognized at National 4-H Council’s Legacy Awards, and network with celebrities and prominent 4-H alumni. Learn more at <https://4-h.org/parents/4-h-youth-in-action-awards/>. Deadline for application is October 21.



## Award deadlines is earlier! Submit by November 1

**IMPORTANT:** The state deadline for awards has been changed to November 1. Don't miss your chance to apply. Award applications are available online at [go.illinois.edu/4Happly](http://go.illinois.edu/4Happly):

**Key Award:** This award focuses on Leadership, Community Service and Mentoring. Members 16-19 are eligible for this award.

**State 4-H Award:** Members may apply in any or all of the five award categories: *Communications, Community Service, Leadership, Personal Growth, and/or Project Mastery*. State winners in these categories can receive educational scholarships or trips to national events. This award is open to members 15-18.

**Vet Science Award:** Outstanding members enrolled in the 4-H Veterinary Science Project are eligible to apply for a \$200 cash award. Check with your county for their deadline for this award.

**4-H Leadership, Citizenship, and Professionalism Award:** Applicants must be 17-19 and exemplify leadership, citizenship and professionalism skills. This award is sponsored by the Illinois Farm Bureau and Affiliate Companies. Winners will be invited to a 3-day Premier 20 Youth Leadership Conference in April.

**Experience Award:** focuses on all of those events and activities that you have experienced during the 4-H year in four areas: *Participation, Community Service, Leadership, and Project Learning*. Depending upon the type and number of experiences you report on, members can receive recognition on the Bronze, Silver, Gold, Diamond or Emerald Clover Award level. Your family calendar, 4-H notes or county summary, checkmarks, and a few written details are all that's needed to submit this application. This award is open to 4-H members of all ages!

## New certification required for youth exhibiting livestock

4-H members exhibiting animals entering the food production system will be required to complete the **Youth for the Quality Care of Animal** certification (YQCA). It will replace former trainings: PQA and QAEC. This program is the industry-standard certification. Check with local offices about completing the training. The training must be completed each year.

Horses, dogs, and cats will still be required to take the **Quality Assurance and Ethics** (QAEC) training. This training is only required once in the member's career.

## Paper Clover Campaign returns in October

Dates for the Fall Paper Clover Campaign, held in conjunction with Tractor Supply Stores and National 4-H Council, are October 9 - 20. Money donated during the campaign STAYS in that local county. The campaign runs twice a year.



## Join the *Speaking for Illinois 4-H* Team

We're looking for 4-H members interested in spreading the great news about 4-H. 4-H members 14 years of age or older can join the ***Speaking for Illinois 4-H*** team. The training is **Saturday, November 9** at the Adams County Extension Office in Quincy.

The day-long training, provided by the Illinois State 4-H Youth Leadership Team, gives you the chance to explore your own 4-H history and why you are involved, put that story into words, and learn the best ways to approach donors, civic groups, elected officials, and others to talk about 4-H. Learn why 4-H believes in Positive Youth Development and how we emphasize the essential elements of Belonging, Independence, Generosity and Mastery. All of this – and more – is a part of *Speaking for Illinois 4-H*! Once you're trained, you'll receive an invitation to be a part of our Legislative Connection events at the State Capitol. There is a \$12 fee to attend the training which helps cover the cost of lunch and supplies. Use the following link to register and get additional details: [go.illinois.edu/sfi4H](http://go.illinois.edu/sfi4H).

## Take a trip across the globe

Visit exciting new places as part of the 2020 States' 4-H International Exchange program. Check out this line-up:

**Costa Rica:**

June 18 – July 17. Cost \$1,775 (plus airfare \$800 to \$1,300). Ages: 15 – 18.

**Japan:**

July 8 – August 6. Cost \$2,725 (plus airfare \$1,700 to \$2,600). Ages: 12 – 18.

**Japan:**

June 18 – August 6. Cost \$3,875 (plus airfare \$1,700 to \$2,600). Ages: 12 – 18.

**Norway:**

June 24 – July 24. Cost \$2,200 (plus airfare \$1,300 to \$2,000). Ages 15 – 18.

**South Korea:**

July 15 – August 13. Cost \$2,430 (plus airfare \$1,300 to \$2,300). Ages 12 – 18.

**Taiwan:**

June 28 – July 28. Cost \$2,200 (plus airfare \$1,300 to \$2,300). Ages 12 – 18.

**Romania:**

June 24 – July 24. Cost \$1,775 (plus airfare \$1,300 to \$2,000). Ages 15 – 18.



The first deposit and application are due December 1. Second deposit is due February 1. For more information, check out their website @ [states4hexchange.org/](https://states4hexchange.org/).

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## Get money for college

The deadline for **state scholarship** has also been changed to November 1. Apply online @ [go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships](https://go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships) for these scholarship opportunities:

- **Legacy of Leadership Scholarship:** Fifteen \$1,000 scholarships are offered to members who have demonstrated overall mastery and leadership in the 4-H program. You must have been a member for at least 5 years and attending either a 4-year university, community college, or trade school. The scholarship is open to high school seniors and college freshmen. Applications are due November 1. Download the application @ [go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships](https://go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships). Finalists must submit a video of your 4-H accomplishments.
- **Livestock Scholarship:** \$1,000 scholarship opportunity for youth who have demonstrated project mastery in their livestock area. Open to current high school seniors who have completed a minimum of 3 years in a Livestock Project and plan to pursue a college degree in the agriculture industry. Download the application @ [go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships](https://go.illinois.edu/4Hscholarships).

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## Teen Leadership Conference postponed

The Teen leadership conference originally scheduled for January will be held later in the year. Stay tuned for more information.

## Join inspiring Illinois 4-H teen in service to others

Illinois 4-H member and 2020 Miss Central Illinois Outstanding Teen Elizabeth Weidner of Effingham County is inviting members and clubs to help with an amazing service project. Elizabeth wants to provide needed personal items to families whose children are being treated at Children's Miracle Network hospitals and Ronald McDonald houses. She is asking your help collecting:

- Shampoo and conditioner
- Shower gel/soap/moisturizer
- Deodorant
- Razors and shaving cream
- Toothbrush/toothpaste/mouthwash
- Combs/brushes
- Baby wash

These items will be stocked in nurse stations and available to families who need items. In addition, Elizabeth is collecting:

- Pre-packaged snacks, cereals, oatmeal, chocolates, and hard counties
- Small packets of teas, coffee, creamer, sugar, sweetener
- Packages of hot chocolate, teas, juice boxes

Learn more @ <https://www.facebook.com/crownsfightcancer>. Elizabeth is a stage IV high risk neuroblastoma cancer warrior survivor and patient of Children's Miracle Network hospitals. For more information, one may call 217-925-5700. Elizabeth wants to deliver her items in late fall, so plan your campaigns soon!

## Upcoming Events

*(Dates are tentative and subject to change)*

October 5	State 4-H Awards Reception, by invitation only
October 6 – 12	National 4-H Week: Inspired to Lead   Called to Serve
October 9 – 20	Fall Paper Clover Campaign at Tractor Supply stores
October 12-13	State 4-H Rifle & Pistol Shoot, Bloomington
October 18	DEADLINE: Salute to Excellence nominations due
October 19	Field Certification Training for 4-H Shooting Sports volunteers
October 21	DEADLINE: Youth in Action award applications due
November 1	DEADLINE: for all state awards, including Key Award, Experience Award, State 4-H Award, Vet Med Award, and the Leadership, Citizenship, and Professionalism Award.
November 1	DEADLINE: for all state scholarships, including Legacy of Leadership and Livestock Scholarships
November 9	Speaking for Illinois 4-H Training, Adams County, Quincy





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