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FACILITATING YOUTH SPARKS

A spark is a passion for a self-identified interest or skill or a capacity that metaphorically lights a fire in a young person's life, providing energy, joy, purpose, and direction.

Youth sparks are an essential ingredient of thriving. Having a spark or spark gives a young person a sense of direction and encourages goal-setting. Sparks are different from mere leisure activity in that:

1. Sparks create actions that not only contribute to the benefit of the young person but also society at large;
2. Sparks provide the intrinsic fuel for a young person's growth in knowledge and skill;
3. Sparks enhance a young person's networks as he or she encounters others with similar sparks, particularly adults with experts who can facilitate learning and opportunities for engagement.

Furthermore, sparks appear to be a protective factor for young people, keeping them out of trouble because of the young person's intense focus on the source of their spark. Sparks, in turn, motivate youth to succeed in other areas of their lives, such as personal, social, and academic.

Every young person has the potential to have a spark, and 4-H plays an important role in helping young people discover and pursue their sparks. In some cases, it is a matter of helping youth recognize their spark when their spark has already found them!

There are tons of opportunities for youth to explore their sparks and discover new ones in the 4-H Youth Development Program!

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GENERAL INFORMATION

4-H CLOVERLEAF CRIER ARTICLES

ALL CLUB and PROJECT LEADERS, MEMBERS, and PARENTS can contribute to the articles in the MONTHLY Cloverleaf Crier by completing a short form and uploading their article and any photos to accompany it at <https://forms.gle/dcP2nMfVxtG25rAY6> SAVE THIS LINK! Articles for the upcoming month's **Cloverleaf Crier** are due to be uploaded in this form by the 20th of each month. Please plan ahead!!!!

ROOM RESERVATIONS AT UWGB - SHEBOYGAN

4-H is heating up (even if the rest of the state is frigid) and that means that there are many opportunities taking place on any given night. We are doing our best to accommodate project, club and other countywide meetings here at the Division of Extension – Sheboygan County as well as being good neighbors to other campus programs. **JUST A REMINDER TO BE GOOD STEWARDS OF THIS SPACE!** Clean up after your group, if you need a vacuum please let us know, be quiet in the halls and respectful of students and teachers. Cleaning supplies can always be found in Room 5018!

SNOW/ICE & 4-H MEETINGS

Winter is here, and with it come the snow and ice! We don't want anyone to be stuck out in the cold, so there may be times when it is advisable to cancel county level 4-H meetings. The Extension Office has a meeting information line to keep you updated on any meeting cancellations due to weather! **By calling 920-459-5908 you will hear a recorded message in regards to the latest meeting cancellations, or you can check out our website at <http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/>.** Please note: if classes are cancelled at UW Green Bay – Sheboygan Campus, 4-H night meetings will also be cancelled.

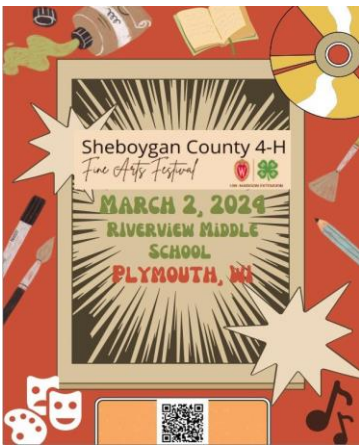


ATTENTION Project Leaders and Committee Chairs!!!!...if you are planning on canceling a meeting, please call the Extension Office by 3:00 p.m. Our staff will best be able to support you by sending out an e-mail to project members, updating the meeting information line and the website. Thank you! Our policy is safety first!

FORMS ON THE 4-H WEBSITE!

Many of our 4-H forms are on our website! Check out our website to find applications for trips, clover awards, scholarships, record book forms, and more: <http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development>. If you do not find something, please contact our office and we will help you find it or add it to the website to better serve you and other members.

COUNTYWIDE 4-H PROGRAMS



4-H FINE ARTS FESTIVAL – MARCH 2, 2024 AT PLYMOUTH RIVERVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL

Communication, Music and Drama, Photography, Drawing , Painting, and more!

This incredible opportunity offers our members and other youth the opportunity to showcase their oral, vocal, and performance art skills. This is a very special opportunity and has the potential to be an amazing community showcase of our talented members. All Stage performances including Vocal, Instrumental, Skits, and Dance will be performed starting at 11:30 through 4:00 pm. Please consider joining our audience to cheer these young people on! We hope to see you there!

4-H PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE WORKSHOP and SHEBOYGAN COUNTY 4-H LEADERS ASSOCIATION MTG



Did you know if you have enrolled as a leader in the Sheboygan County 4-H program, YOU ARE A MEMBER of the Leaders Association? It's not just for General Leaders! Your voice and vote is essential in all matters of the Leaders Association, whose purpose is:

- To improve, foster, promote, and develop the educational 4-H program of Sheboygan County.
- To provide an opportunity for the leaders of Sheboygan County 4-H Clubs to unite their educational activities and programs.
- To accept and disburse funds for advancing 4-H educational activities and programs.

There are only **TWO Meetings of the ENTIRE 4-H LEADERS ASSOCIATION each year!** Our FIRST Opportunity of the year is RAPIDLY APPROACHING on . . .

Monday, March 18, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at
Extension office at 5 University Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081

All Leaders, Parents, Members, and Community Partners are invited to attend these meetings!!!! This pilot schedule will be reviewed annually and after one year to determine its impact on the organization and the board's effectiveness. Any suggestions, comments, or concerns can be shared at one of the bi-annual meetings or with your 4-H staff or executive board members.

Immediately preceding the **4-H Leaders Association Meeting on March 18th at 7:00 p.m.** will be a **4-H Parliamentary Procedure Workshop at 6:00 p.m.** This workshop is open to all youth and adult leaders and will include opportunities to:

- learn the proper strategies for using Roberts Rules of Parliamentary Procedure
- learn the purpose of using Parli Pro in group decision-making
- Learn how to support youth (biggs and littles) in learning the process
- get free materials for you and your members.

You WILL NOT WANT TO MISS THIS! PLEASE JOIN US!!!!!!

4-H SUMMER CAMP...IT'S WHERE YOU(TH) NEED TO BE!

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY 4-H BASE CAMP

This year's Sheboygan County 4-H Base Camp will be held July 11-14, 2024. Four days and three nights of adventure, fun, and learning. Upham Woods in Wisconsin Dells features comfortable sleeping quarters, a quality dining hall, an archery range, swimming, canoeing, hiking, and more! Recreation, crafts, and nature exploration programs are offered for all youth. Base Camp is open to the first 80 campers in grades 3-7. Transportation to and from camp will be provided via school bus, a departure from the Sheboygan County Fairgrounds in Plymouth, WI. Early Bird Registration Cost: \$225 (Cost increases to \$250 after May 1st- NO EXCEPTIONS). Sheboygan County 4-H Camp is an experience you don't want to miss!



SHEBOYGAN COUNTY OUTPOST CAMP

2024 Outpost Camp will be held July 25-28, 2024 at Devil's Lake State Park! All members of grades 7 and up are welcome to join us for 4-H Outpost Camp. This special park adventure will include hiking, swimming, hiking, and all kinds of outdoor fun. Early Bird Registration Cost \$225 (Cost increases to \$250 after May 1st NO EXCEPTIONS!)

4-H CLOVERBUD CAMP - August 2, 2024

Join us for Cloverbud Day Camp! Cloverbud Day Camp is a chance for 4-Hers grades K-3rd, to experience a little bit of camp and participate in some fun activities. From nature to recreation and songs to crafts, there is a little bit of something for everyone! You can sign your Cloverbud and a friend up using 4-H Online today! Cost \$25

[Instructions on how to register for an event in 4-H Online – For Enrolled 4-H Members](#)
[Instructions on how to register for an event in 4-H Online – For Non-Enrolled 4-H Friends](#)

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Looking for some financial support for this experience? See one or both of the options below:

[Sheboygan County 4-H Grant Application](#)

[Bill Jens 4-H Alumni Grant Application 2.14.2020](#) (PDF – Due April 1)

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY MEAT ANIMAL SALE ORIENTATION MEETING



The Meat Animal Sale Orientation meeting will be held **March 7th at 7PM** at the UW Extension Office in Sheboygan. Any members who are enrolled in the beef, sheep and swine project and would like to be eligible for the Meat Animal Sale during the county fair should consider attending. The meeting will go through the rules, submission of animal information to be eligible for the sale and requirements for eligibility. If you have any questions, please email shebco.mas@gmail.com.

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY MEAT ANIMAL SALE SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS

Please visit the Sheboygan Animal Meat Sale Website (<https://www.shebcomas.com/>) for scholarship and applications. **Applications are due March 15th**

WI 4-H STATE AND NATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES



2024 SUMMER ACADEMY!

This program is open to any 4-Hers in grades 8-11 and will be held from June 24-27, 2024 on the UW-Madison campus. Students will be able to experience life in a residence hall, get the chance to build lifelong friendships with other students from across Wisconsin, participate in a wide variety of track-based activities and seminars, visit different locations on Campus and in Madison. They will also have the opportunity to hear from speakers, watch a performance from the 4-H Drama Company, and participate in a variety of fun hands-on activities!

Students will be able to choose from 7 SPARK tracks to learn what it takes to have a career or hobby in a field that fits them the best. These tracks are:

- Arts & Communication
- Leadership & Civic Engagement
- Agriculture & Animal Science
- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math)
- Human Services (Head, Heart, Hands, and Health)
- Construction & Trades
- Hospitality Management & Culinary Science

The schedule for Summer Academy will be available soon. keep an eye on [this page](#) for more information regarding the schedule, registration information, cost, and additional details.

Registration opens on March 1st, and can be done through your 4-H Online account under the Events section.

4-H VOLUNTEER & FUND DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

SPRING 4-H CLUB LEADERSHIP MEETING

Our Spring 4-H Club Leader Meeting will be held on **Thursday, April 25th**. The meeting itself will be held from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the Extension office, 5 University Drive, Sheboygan WI 53081. Leaders will take an in-depth

look into the results of the Thriving Youth Survey and share strategies for influential club and project work with each other. This is one of only TWO opportunities currently offered for our club leaders each year. All ADULT club leaders are welcome – those who have retired from their club and those currently serving.

CLUB DECISION-MAKING CORNER

This is a corner of the Crier to offer suggestions and tips in leading your club and project meetings. Sometimes I'll share Parliamentary Procedure Practices and other times I might give a little tip about how to engage your members at your next meeting. I hope you enjoy these and please let me know how these suggestions work for you!

IF, THEN ACTIVITY

This activity contains cards and examples of "If, Then" statements that can be used with youth and adults to help solve problems and build stronger Youth-Adult partnerships. This activity includes instructions, along with two files types of downloadable/printable "If, Then" cards. Materials can be printed from <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/4h-resources/if-then-activity/>

INCREASING OR RETAINING MEMBERSHIP

This fall, when clubs and groups submitted 4-H Charter Applications, the 2nd most popular goal was to "Increase or Retain Membership." Is your club one of the 266 groups that submitted this as a goal for 2023? Here are some ideas that you can use to reach your goal:

Ideas for Increasing Membership:

- Bring-a-friend gathering at meeting: at an upcoming meeting, ask each member to invite a friend to join in and see what 4-H is all about!
- Invite the news to your club's fun event – or take a LOT of pictures and submit them to your local news after the event.
- Talk it up in school! Do a 4-H themed research project – share with classmates.
- Ask a friend with a fun hobby to teach a skill at your club meeting.
- Write an article for your school newsletter about your favorite things your club has to offer.

Ideas for Retaining Membership:

- Have a moving survey for your club. Make placemats to represent the 4 essential elements of youth development: Belonging, Generosity, Independence and Mastery. Ask members to stand at the element that their club does really well. Ask them to stand where the club could improve.
- Bonus points – ask youth who would like to be on a subcommittee to make these improvements!
- Create a routine at club meetings to make "connection before content." Find some silly icebreakers or a challenging team building activity. This could be another club leader position or subcommittee depending on the size of your club.

Here are some resources that might be helpful if you're working towards this goal:

<https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hpublications/files/2015/10/Mentoring.pdf>

<https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hpublications/files/2015/10/RecruitingforYourClubcc051.pdf>

WISCONSIN 4-H POLICY . . . LET'S TAKE A CLOSER LOOK!

The Wisconsin 4-H Program is always evolving and we want to provide clear guidance to our leaders and members to ensure safety, security and support your efforts with our young people. In an effort to do this, I'd like to feature an article where we take a closer look at the Wisconsin 4-H Policies each month. Check out the updates, reminders and information here monthly!

EEO/AA STATEMENTS - EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATEMENTS

The University of Wisconsin **EEO/AA Statement** must be placed on the first or last page of all public documents. They are available in English and Spanish, along with the situations to use various statements, for example, position vacancies, brochures, etc., at this link

https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4zV60bx_F27MIVxcGpkXy1Id0E/view?usp=sharing

If the publication is in regards to an event, an **Accommodation Statement** must be communicated to participants in your program on marketing and program enrollment materials, website, etc. so that they know how to request if needed. Accommodation statements are also available at the link above.

All Wisconsin 4-H Policies are accessible at: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/wisconsin-4-h-policies/>
All Sheboygan County 4-H Policies are accessible at: <https://sheboygan.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/leader-information/leaders-association/>

4-H PAID SUMMER INTERN APPLICATION

We are now accepting applications for our 2024 Sheboygan County 4-H Summer Intern. Our 4-H Summer Intern is responsible for helping plan, promote and facilitate summer 4-H youth development experiences and opportunities. If you know a college student looking for experience in positive youth development...this internship is for them. Applications are due April 1. You can get a copy from your general leader, or on our 4-H website: <https://sheboygan.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/member-parent-information/things-to-do-in-4-h/> If you have any questions regarding the 4-H Summer Intern position, please contact Sarah at 459-5903.



4-H PROJECT INFORMATION

PROJECT ADD/DROP DEADLINE

In order to receive fair premiums, Junior Fair exhibitors must be enrolled in 4-H or another youth organization and the projects in which they are exhibiting by the following Deadlines:

ANIMAL, BLACKSMITHING & SHOOTING PROJECTS
March 1st of the Exhibit Year

ALL NON- ANIMAL PROJECTS
May 1st of the Exhibit Year

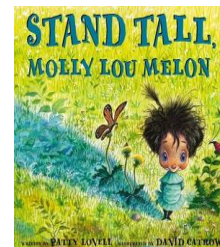
To do this go online to: <https://wi.4honline.com>. Go to your family account and change your projects under "participation". Please let your General Leader know that you have changed projects.

CLOVERBUD PROJECT NEWS



The Cloverbuds had a blast reading "Corduroy" last month and learning how to sew a button!

This month, Cloverbuds will read the story of "Stand Tall Molly Lou Melon" and learning about how we celebrate the things we are good as well as learning about new talents.



Join us for the Countywide Cloverbud Meeting on **Thursday, March 21st 6:00 p.m.** at the Extension office: 5 University Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081. Older Youth Leaders are Welcome! PLEASE RSVP AT [March 21 4-H Cloverbud Meeting](#)

CAT PROJECT "MEWS"



Spring is almost here and that means our 29th Annual Open Household Pet Cat Show will be here soon. Entries are open to the public so anyone can show their (or someone else's) cat even if they aren't in 4-H. We encourage all project members to attend as it also serves as a great starting point in preparation for showing at the county fair.

Without cats, we can't have a cat show so email sheboygan4hcatproject@gmail.com for entry forms and don't forget to spread the word! The project also relies heavily on donations and sponsors for the show. We will have those request forms to you ASAP so start brainstorming now.

This year more than ever will take all of us chipping in to be successful so please help support the project and this event in any way you can.

Just a reminder our **next project meeting will be Monday, March 25 at 6:30 pm.** Please let a board member know if you cannot attend.

Thank you for being part of the project thus far and we look forward to another great year!



ROCKETRY PROJECT

Come join us on Thursday, March 21 at the Extension office for fizzy flyers. The meeting is at 6 p.m. You don't want to miss the fun!

RABBIT/CAVY PROJECT NEWS

The March Rabbit and Cavy meeting is Tuesday, March 26, at the UWEX Office. The Cavy meeting will take place first from 6:00-7:00pm, and the Rabbit Meeting will follow from 7:00pm-8:00pm.



Members are encouraged to bring their rabbit or cavy to practice showmanship. Rabbit/Cavy care, health and wellness will be discussed.

Any questions please text or call Barb Scholten 920-980-4219.

SHOOTING SPORTS NEWS



Before we know it, Shooting Sports will begin again! Please make sure you are enrolled by the March 1 deadline. Please expect the first email with more information shortly after that.

New families: please plan to attend a new member meeting on **March 14 at 6:30 in the Phoenix Room at UW-Sheboygan**. This meeting is for any new youth to discipline (if you have done archery in the past but are adding a rifle, you must attend).

We will set up the ranges in mid-April, and shooting will begin the last week of April. Please contact Rebecca Hoyt (rchoyt98@gmail.com) or Michele Adams (jandmadams23@gmail.com) with questions. See you soon!

HORSE AND PONY PROJECT NEWS

REMINDER: The 2nd Mandatory Handbook Meeting will occur on **Thursday, March 19th at 6:30 pm** in the Phoenix Room at the UW-Green Bay Sheboygan Campus.

If you did not attend the first meeting, you need to attend this one to show at the fair this year!



DOG PROJECT NEWS

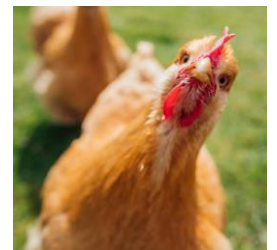
REMINDER: The 2nd Mandatory Orientation Meeting will occur on **Tuesday, March 12th at 6:30 pm** at the UW-Extension.

4-H POULTRY PROJECT INFORMATION

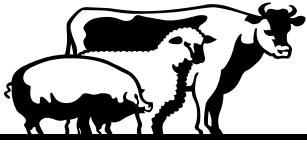
Welcome to another year of the Poultry Project! We have two more meetings scheduled for this year:

- Thursday, March 21, 2024 at 6:30 pm at the UWEX office
- Thursday, June 20, 2024 at 6:30 pm the Sheboygan County Fairgrounds Poultry Barn

Members are encouraged to attend as many meetings as possible, but one meeting is required to show your poultry at the fair.



If you are new to the project and would like help or information earlier, please call the project leader, Warren Clemens at 920-918-5654.



GENERAL LIVESTOCK PROJECT NEWS

GENERAL LIVESTOCK MEETING:

- May 20, 2024 at 6:30pm at the Sheboygan Extension office - Kelly Cowhig, subject budgeting & financials • There are North Dakota State webinars for livestock species that could be very informational:
<https://livestock.extension.wisc.edu/articles/animalsciences-education-series/>

BEEF MEETINGS:

- Date and time TBD: Nutrition meeting for show cattle with Tracy and Sarah from Adell Co-op
- Date and time TBD: Possible ultrasound for steers in summer

SHEEP MEETING:

- May 14, 2024 at 7:00pm: Virtual meeting with Leona Meyer – subject diet affects meat quality

SWINE MEETING:

- Took place February 20th.

GENERAL LIVESTOCK T-SHIRT COMPETITION

We are looking for General Livestock Committee shirt designs! This year we are hosting a competition for a prize of \$25 to make a short for the general livestock projects. These shirts have to include show cattle, pigs, AND sheep. Please send your designs to jessicaokeefe7@gmail.com by April 30, 2024. We will vote on a design at our May meeting.



WISCONSIN AREA ANIMAL SCIENCE DAYS – SAVE THE DATES!

**WI 4-H AREA ANIMAL
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Save the Dates

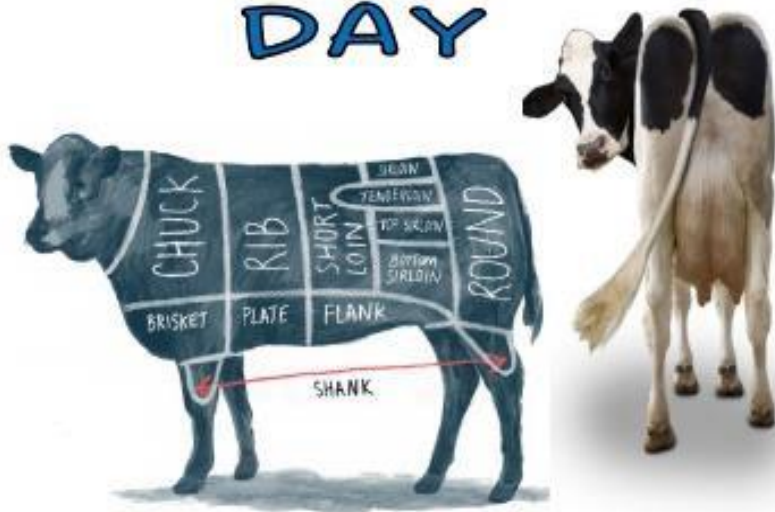
**SHAWANO COUNTY
JUNE 18TH**

**GREEN COUNTY
JUNE 20TH**

**WATCH INBOXES AND SOCIAL MEDIA FOR
FUTURE REGISTRATION INFORMATION**



AG DISCOVERY DAY



Lakeshore Technical College School of Agriculture

YOU'RE INVITED to join us for our 1st Annual Ag Discovery Day -
"Exploring Cowtastic Food Products"!

We will be hosting two workshops: **"Beef it's What for Dinner"** - beef quality and processing with **Dan Roehrborn, butcher and owner of D&D Meat Processing**. Followed by the **"Marvelous Cow Udder"** with **Dr. Lindly Reilly of Cedar Grove Vet Clinic**. Plus, get your YQCA training done by joining **Angie Ulness, UWEX Wisconsin Dairy Youth Specialist**, before the workshops start.

Please register using the QR code or Link by February 29th

Hosted by LTC Ag Instructors: Megan Kulow and Lyndsey Burmesch



<https://forms.office.com/r/odLtxZLBt>

Join our FB group- Lakeshore Technical
College School of Agriculture



SATURDAY
MARCH 9, 2024

YQCA TRAINING
8:30-9:30 AM

"BEEF IT'S WHAT
FOR DINNER"
WORKSHOP
9:40-11:00 AM

"MARVELOUS COW
UDDER" WORKSHOP
11:10 - 12:30PM

COMMUNITY AND
LUNCH
12:30-1:30PM

LTC CLEVELAND CAMPUS

Ag and Energy Building
1290 North Ave
Cleveland, WI

Contact:
megan.kulow@gotoltc.edu
920-693-1259

2024 WILDLIFE & WOODS VIRTUAL CLASSES

Wildlife & Woods

EXPLORATIONS VIRTUAL SERIES

FOR YOUTH GRADES K-5

JAN. 24, 2024
FEB. 28, 2024
MAR. 27, 2024
APRIL 24, 2024
MAY 22, 2024

Register via 4-H Online
wi.4honline.com





To learn more about virtual learning opportunities, please visit 4h.extension.wisc.edu/vlc



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LEARN TO HUNT TURKEY FOR FIRST TIME HUNTERS

Sponsored by the Hermitage Conservation Club, Inc.
Not a 4-H Sponsored Event



- CLASS:** Saturday March 23rd from 12:00PM – 4:00PM
Hermitage Conservation Club; W6650 Hermitage Road (Hwy67), Elkhart Lake, WI 53020
- HUNTS:** Saturday April 6th and Sunday April 7th, 2024
- PICNIC:** Saturday, April 6th 2024, at noon.
AT: Winooski Bow Club; N6744 Sportsman Lane, Plymouth, WI 53073
- FEE:** \$40.00 per participant. The fee is 100% refundable if the participant attends the class on Saturday March 23rd and the hunt on Saturday April 6th.
- RULES:** Each hunter is paired up with a mentor.
The DNR has modified the rules for learn to hunt participants.
Participants must be 10 years or older, and the hunter safety course requirement has been waived.
DNR provides a free turkey tag.
PARTICIPANTS MUST ATTEND four hours of pre-hunt class on March 23rd at Hermitage Conservation Club.
Participants are invited to attend a free picnic on April 6th at noon. Hopefully to share stories and admire the turkeys bagged.

SPACE IS LIMITED - CALL ASAP!!
Contact: Bruce Pfeifer at 920-946-0597

PROJECT GRANTS

SHARE-A-KID APPLICATION INFORMATION

Each year, the Wisconsin Dairy Goat Association promotes interest in dairy goats in our state. One of the way we encourage our young people in this aspect of agriculture is through our Share-a-Kid Program. We award an average of 4 to 6 dairy goat kids to young people across the state each year.

This is a competitive statewide contest. The youth applicant guidelines are:

- Write an essay of 100 words or more about why you would like to have a dairy goat.

Some things to consider sharing:

- Have you ever raised a goat? (if not) Why do you want to raise a goat?
- How you are going to take care of her (food, shelter, and medical care).
- What do you love about goats?
- If you are new to raising goats, please include who your mentor would be.
- Can you tell us about the breed you would like to have?



This is a very competitive contest, and we want you to put effort into your essay. Spelling and content count. The essay can include drawings, photos, or anything special that you would like to include. Please keep a copy of your essay because no essays will be returned. If you are selected as a winner, your essay will be given to the donor. While we make every attempt to award winners one of their breeds of choice, if those breeds are not available, the Wisconsin Dairy Goat Association reserves the right to offer another breed to the winner. Share-aKid winners are not required to give a doe kid back to the program, but we encourage them to do so.

Rules:

- Youth must be between the ages of 10 and 17 by January of this year to enter.
- Entries are accepted January 1st until April 1st of this year.
- Entry form and all required signatures must accompany the essay.
- Youth must be a member of 4-H, FFA, WDGA, or other agricultural groups.
- Only 1 goat may be awarded per family per year, however, siblings are encouraged to enter.
- Youth may only win one time.
- Winners are required to show their goat at County Fair or in an open class goat show this Year or the following depending on when fair entries close.
- If under any circumstance the kid received through the program is to be sold or re-homed the individual or party who donated the kid will retain the first right of refusal.
- Youth who receive a kid must give updates to those who donated their kid at both 6 months and 12 months after the kid is received.
- A thank you of some sort (letter, card, etc.) should be given to the individual or party who donated your kid at the time of pick up

THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION/ESSAY IS BY NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2024. All applicants will be notified of results by no later than May 1st, 2024. If you have any questions on this process, please contact Share-a-Kid Chair Andrew Puetz @ ANDREW.PUETZ@GMAIL.COM.

SHARE-A-KID APPLICATION

Please attach this application form to your essay. **Entries will be accepted until April 1st, 2024.**

Please submit application via email to ANDREW.PUETZ@GMAIL.COM or by mailing to Andrew Puetz at 6835 Curve Road, Lancaster, WI 53813. If mailing hard copy, please postmark by no later than April 1st, 2024 to allow for enough time to be received.

Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Breed 1st Choice: _____ Parent Agreement: _____

Breed 2nd Choice: _____ Parent Agreement: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Club/Chapter: _____

Club/Project Leader Signature: _____
Club/Project Leader Name Printed: _____
Club/Project Leader Phone number: _____

If animal is housed at another farm:

Farm Owner's Signature: _____
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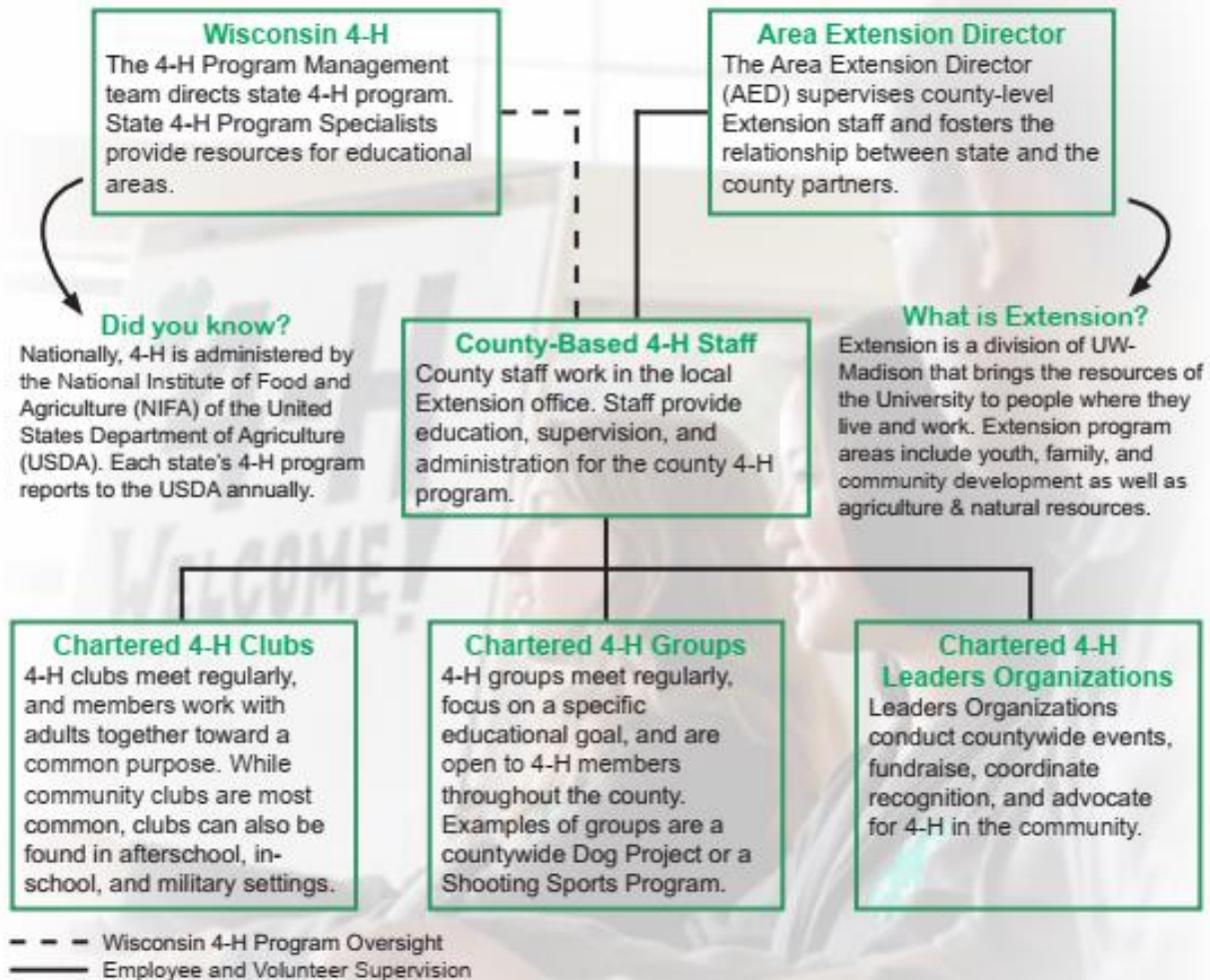
Exploring 4-H for New Families

Adult Edition



Beyond the Club

You're a part of something big! 4-H is the nation's largest youth development organization, with more than 6 million members and over 90,000 clubs. Because of how big 4-H is, it can be hard to understand where you (and everyone else) fits into the greater scope of 4-H from a state and national level.



Where do I fit?

Most members get their start with a 4-H club. If your child wants to get more involved with 4-H beyond the club level, check with your club leader or your county-based 4-H staff to learn about additional 4-H opportunities. Getting involved with your county's groups or the Leaders Organization can be great ways to connect with new opportunities.



Have a minute? Please provide feedback by filling out this [5-question survey](#)



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Member Edition



YOUTH Matter!

Youth lead and make decisions in 4-H clubs, groups, and experiences. That means that the most important piece of 4-H is YOU. As a 4-H member, you help to make decisions and can make your voice heard.

You can help to lead and make decisions in 4-H. Each statement is a way that you can get involved. Decide if you think the statement shows how you can be involved in 4-H at the club, county, state, or national level. Circle where this might apply. Some statements might apply to more than one level of 4-H.

EXAMPLE

Sign up for a committee to help run a local 4-H event.

Club County State National

Vote on topics at meetings.

Club County State National

Represent my region on the Wisconsin Leadership Council.

Club County State National

Lead other young people and be a mentor as a camp counselor.

Club County State National

Attend Leaders Organization meetings and share my opinions.

Club County State National

Apply to be a delegate for National 4-H Conference.

Club County State National

Run for an officer position.

Club County State National

Be on the 4-H Communications Team.

Club County State National

Apply for the 4-H Drama Company.

Club County State National

Be a counselor for Space Camp.

Club County State National

Teach other members something I know.

Club County State National

Be on the 4-H Arts Team.

Club County State National



Credit: Heidi Vanderloop Benson



4-H Drama Company performing at 4-H & Youth Conference

Credit: Wisconsin State 4-H Communications Team

Don't know what one of these statements is talking about? Ask your club leader, county-based 4-H staff, or do an online search with your parent/caregiver!

Which of these leadership opportunities sounded the most interesting?
Why is it interesting to you?

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