



Clover Connection

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Welcome!

Welcome to the Clover Connection, the Washington County 4-H Newsletter! Each month through the school year we like to share the accomplishments of our 4-H'ers and the upcoming opportunities available for the youth in our communities.

In the last several weeks, many Washington County 4-H clubs wrapped up their year of programming. The Kentucky 4-H Horse Show, Kentucky State Fair Livestock Shows, Cloverville Exhibits, and the Kentucky 4-H State Shoot all gave our 4-H'ers the opportunity to shine and celebrate their accomplishments.

During this time we're preparing for the new year. We're scheduling club meetings, starting enrollment, and making goals for the year! Read on to see the successes of this summer, and learn how to get started in the 2024-2025 club year!

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Join for the 2024-2025 project year!

4-H Sharpshooters



Shooting Sports Club

Registration for the 2024-2025 year will open in November. 2023-2024 members will celebrate their accomplishments on October 15th at 6:30

REMIND: @4htarget24 to 81010

4-H Country Ham Project



Country Ham

Hams are in cure and members have their speech topics for the year! Members of the Ham Project should also attend Livestock Club meetings on the last Tuesday of every month. Registration for the new year will open shortly.

REMIND: @salty20 to 81010

4-H Best Sew-ers in Town

Sewing Club



These folks have great talent! Get ready to make some beautiful masterpieces in the next couple months! This project is in the spring of each year.

REMIND: @4hsew24 to 81010

4-H Cooking Club



Foods & Nutrition

We'll learn cooking skills and practice new recipes. This club will meet on Thursdays in January. Registration will open in November.

REMIND: @wc4hcooks to 81010

4-H Hooves & Horns



Livestock Club

Learn about feeding, healthcare, judging, grooming, and showing livestock with the Hooves & Horns Livestock club! Their meetings are the last Tuesday of every month at the Washington County Extension Office at 6:30. They won't meet in August because of the State Fair but they'll meet again on September 24th!

REMIND: @salty2020 to 81010

4-H Teen Advisory Council



7th grade & up!

This club is only for teens! We meet on the third Tuesday of every month at 5. The next meeting will be September 24th at 5:00. We'll plan an upcoming trip to Mammoth Cave and review Achievement Applications and deadlines.

REMIND: @wc4hteen to 81010

4-H Young Riders Club



Horse Club

If you love horses this club is for you! You **do not** have to own a horse to participate either! In fact they do tours of the industry and have professional speakers often. Meetings are held on the third Monday of each month. The next meeting will October 21st..

REMIND: @wchorse2 to 81010



What is **4-H**?



LEARNING BY DOING...

In 4-H programs, kids and teens complete hands-on projects in areas like health, science, agriculture and civic engagement in a positive environment where they receive guidance from adult mentors and are encouraged to take on proactive leadership roles. Kids experience 4-H in every county in the country through in-school and after-school programs, school and community clubs and 4-H camps.

In Washington County we offer project clubs, in-school programming, special interest day camps, and overnight camp experiences to youth in our community in areas including:

- Livestock
- Horse
- Sewing
- Public Speaking
- Community Service
- Shooting Sports
- Quilting
- Cooking
- Leadership
- Art
- Gardening
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4-H is delivered by Cooperative Extension—a community of more than 100 public universities across the nation that provides experiences where young people *learn by doing*. For more than 100 years, 4-H has welcomed young people of all beliefs and backgrounds, giving kids a voice to express who they are and how they make their lives and communities better. Our volunteers are community members committed to "making the best better" and passing on their passions and skills to the next generation.

Enrollment in Washington County 4-H programs begins September 1, 2024 and is open to youth age 9-18 as of January 1, 2025.

For more information about getting your young person involved or to explore ways that you can volunteer and support the Washington County 4-H, please contact us!

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A guide to **Enrolling in 4-H**

1. Every school year you have to re-enroll. Enrollment starts in September.

2. Every club has their own deadlines. Most are in December!

3. When you check that you are interested in a club you'll receive a letter about the 1st meeting.

4. Please return your form to the Washington County Extension Office

5. Enrolling is free! Sometimes Clubs have small fees. If you cannot participate because of the cost of a club please contact our office.

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4-H Issues Conference

NOVEMBER 14-16

OPEN TO CURRENT FRESHMEN-JUNIORS

DALE HOLLOW STATE RESORT

THE KENTUCKY 4-H ISSUES CONFERENCE BEGAN IN 1989 TO GIVE TEEN 4-H MEMBERS THE OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN THE PROCESS OF IDENTIFYING AND ADDRESSING LOCAL ISSUES. 4-H MEMBERS SELECT AN ISSUE AND RESEARCH THE ISSUE BEFORE COMING TO THE CONFERENCE. WHILE AT THE CONFERENCE, 4-H'ERS ARE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE THEIR IDEAS AND COLLABORATE WITH OTHER 4-H'ERS FROM AROUND THE STATE. ADULT FACILITATORS WORK WITH 4-H'ERS LEADING THEM IN THE PROCESS OF PREPARING A SIMULATED PRESENTATION TO A COMMUNITY BOARD. COUNTY TEAMS ARE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUBMIT A MINI-GRANT PROPOSAL FOLLOWING THE CONFERENCE ADDRESSING AN IDENTIFIED LOCAL ISSUE.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY
EXTENSION OFFICE

**REGISTRATIONS AVAILABLE IN LATE
SEPTEMBER**

At the Extension Office...

We have activities
for youth, adults,
and families!

Fall Wheelbarrow Classes

The Wheelbarrow fall class lineup is full of fun classes with openings still available! Each of these classes are held on Thursdays at the Washington County Extension Office at 10 AM

- Gratifying Garlic- September 26th- \$10
- Alternative Spring Flowering Bulbs- Oct. 10- \$20
- Dennis' Favorite Trees- October 24th- Free

Wits Workout

Join us for a free session to learn about brain health and exercise your wits with fun games! These sessions are held the first and third Friday of each month at the Washington County Public Library. Cabrina Buckman, our Family and Consumer Sciences agent will be teaching. Have questions, call Cabrina at (859) 336-7741

- September 20- Take a Number - Intellectual challenge
- October 4- Roam in Rome - Exercise
- October 18- Savor the Seasons - diet
- November 1- Star Gazing - Sleep
- November 15- The Best Medicine - Stress management
- December 6- Songbirds - Socialization
- December 20- Out with the Old, In with the New - Short-term memory



Listen weekly for tips on 100.9. Our office also has a weekly radio show on the same station at about 8:20 every Tuesday morning!

These 4-H'ers completed arts, culinary, horticulture, or agricultural projects. They exhibited them at the 4-H Project Showcase in Washington County and were selected to advance and be shown at the Kentucky State Fair in Cloverville.

Katelynn Metcalf

- Creative Expression - Blue Ribbon

Evelyn Mudd

- Top It Off - Red Ribbon
- Decorative Item - Blue Ribbon
- Jr. Oil Painting - Blue Ribbon
- Jr. Black Pencil - Red Ribbon

Lucy Kate Durham

- Small Crochet Item - White Ribbon
- Jr. Acrylic Painting - Blue Ribbon
- Jr. Water Color - Blue Ribbon
- Jr. Computer Drawing - Blue Ribbon
- Jr. Pen & ink - Blue Ribbon

Dixie Grigsby

- Let's Learn to Sew Clothing - Red Ribbon
- Let's Learn to Sew Non-Clothing - Blue Ribbon

Jacob Piasecki

- Sr. Upcycling Guitar - Blue Ribbon

Savannah Homan

- First Year Geology - Blue Ribbon

Grace Jones

- Agriculture Photography - Red Ribbon
- Farm Equipment Photography - Red Ribbon
- Horticultural Photography - Red Ribbon

Jase Osbourn

- Agriculture Scenic Photography - Red Ribbon
- FCS Patterns Photography - Red Ribbon

Abigail Osbourn

- Companion Animals Photography - White Ribbon

Angelina Taylor

- Natural Resources Photography - Blue Ribbon
- Livestock Photography - Red Ribbon

Lane Jones

- Cherry Tomato – Blue Ribbon
- Snap Beans – Blue Ribbon
- Potato – Red Ribbon

Cody Jones

- Bell Peppers – Red Ribbon
- Summer Squash – Blue Ribbon

Dallas Jones

- Hot Peppers – Blue Ribbon
- Sweet Peppers – Blue Ribbon

Country Ham

These 4-H'ers completed the country ham project by curing their own hams and delivering a speech at the Kentucky State Fair!

- Allie Arnold – Blue Ribbon
- Timothy Bartley – Blue Ribbon
- Taylor Bartley – Blue Ribbon
- Lucy Kate Durham – Blue Ribbon
- Ann Preslee Graves – Blue Ribbon
- Conner Grigsby – Blue Ribbon
- Adelynn Hardin – Blue Ribbon
- Annaliese Hardin – Blue Ribbon
- Lane Jones – Blue Ribbon
- Dallas Jones – Blue Ribbon
- Cody Jones – Blue Ribbon
- Will Maupin – Blue Ribbon
- Nathaniel Montgomery – Blue Ribbon
- Annalee Woosley – Blue Ribbon
- Charlie Holderman – Red Ribbon
- Dalton Huntsberger – Red Ribbon
- Grace Jones – Red Ribbon
- Logan Mudd – Red Ribbon
- Evelyn Mudd – Red Ribbon

PIGS

Wyatt Stumph

- Reserve Champion Duroc Breeding Gilt
- Overall Supreme Kentucky Breeding Gilt Champion
- Kentucky Proud Champion – Junior Show

Wade Stumph

- Reserve Kentucky Proud Champion Hampshire Breeding Gilt – Junior Show

CATTLE

Annalise Hardin

- 2nd in class Angus
- Reserve Champion Angus Senior Heifer
- 5th in class Senior Heifer
- 1st in class Bull
- Reserve Champion Senior Bull Calf

Lyla Johnson

RABBITS

Connor Grigsby

- 1st in class Polish, Sr. Buck
- 1st & 2nd in class Polish, Sr. Doe
- 1st in class Polish, Jr. Buck

Charlie Holderman

- 2nd in class Polish, Sr Buck
- 1st in class Mini Rex, Sr. Buck
- 1st & 2nd in class Mini Rex, Sr. Doe



State Horse Show

These 4-H'ers have been working with this project for several months. They feed, exercise, and prepare their animal to exhibit at county fairs and other shows.

Results from the August State Horse Show will be announced by the end of September.

State Shoot 2024

The following Sharp Shooters hit the mark at state!

12-14 Year old

22 target 2nd place Cody Jones

22 sport 3rd place Lane Jones

15-18 Year old

22 Sport 3rd place Nathaniel Montgomery

22 Sport 1st place team

Dallas Jones, Carter O'Cull, Jacob Piasecki
and Nathaniel Montgomery

22 target rifle 2nd place Nathaniel Montgomery

22 target 1st place team

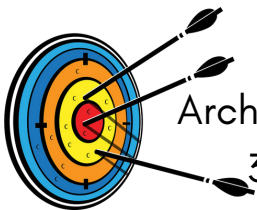
Dallas Jones, Jacob Piasecki, Grace Jones
and Nathaniel Montgomery

Air Target 1st place Nathaniel Montgomery

Air Target 3rd place Grace Jones

Air Target 1st place team

Grace Jones, Daniel Byrd, Jacob Piasecki
and Nathaniel Montgomery



12-14 year old

Archery Target Compound Bow

3rd Place Cambron Hood

12-14 year old

Trap division 1

2nd place Chase McMichael

9-11 year old

Trap division 2

3rd place Kannen Reynolds

Sharp Shooters

Nathaniel Montgomery

Clayton Wright

Chase McMichael

Colton Draper

Lucas Brothers

Carter O'Cull

Reece Draper

Jacob Piasecki

Rory Vance

Lucy Durham

Lane Jones

Cody Jones

Grace Jones

Dallas Jones

Adan Kirsch

Daniel Byrd

Cambron Hood

Annalee Woosley

Kannen Reynolds

Isaiah Ragsdale

WASHINGTON COUNTY
SHARPSHOOTERS

Should any of the information on this form change during the program year, it is the responsibility of the parent/guardian(s) to notify the Extension Personnel in writing.

I. 4-H Member Information

Name _____ Preferred Name _____ Grade _____

County WASHINGTON T-shirt Size _____ School _____

Birthdate / / # years in 4-H Hispanic/Latino Y N SEX M F

Race American Indian Asian Black Native HI/Pacific Islander White Prefer not to say Not Listed:

Residence: Farm Town <10,000/Rural Non-Farm Town/City/Suburb 10,000-50,000 City/Suburb >50,000

II. 4-H Member Family Information

Family Name: _____ Family Email: _____

Family Phone: () - _____ Family Address: _____

III. Parent/Guardian/Emergency Contact/Authorized Adults

<p>Parent/Guardian 1 Information</p> <p>Last Name _____</p> <p>First Name _____</p> <p>Phone () - _____</p> <p>May we release personal information to this person? Y N</p>	<p>Parent/Guardian 2 Information</p> <p>Last Name _____</p> <p>First Name _____</p> <p>Phone () - _____</p> <p>May we release personal information to this person? Y N</p>
<p>Emergency Contact</p> <p>Last Name _____</p> <p>First Name _____</p> <p>Phone () - _____</p> <p>May we release personal information to this person? Y N</p>	<p>OTHER authorized persons to pick up this 4-Her (not already listed)</p> <p>Name _____</p> <p>Phone () - _____ Relation to 4-Her _____</p> <p>Name _____</p> <p>Phone () - _____ Relation to 4-Her _____</p>

In addition to the parent/guardian(s) and emergency contact listed, please list the names of two additional authorized persons to pick up the above mentioned child. The additional authorized persons will not be contacted in case of an emergency; the parent/guardian(s) or emergency contact information will be used. If an individual who is not listed on this form is permitted to pick up your child/children, the parent/guardian(s) will need to provide written permission (letter or email) to Extension personnel or approved volunteer responsible for the event/activity.

IV. Military Service (if none, skip this section) Relation to member serving: _____

Branch: _____ Status: Active Duty National Guard Reserves Other: _____





V. Health History

Does the 4-H member have, or at any time has had, any of the following? Check YES or NO for each item.

Please explain any YES items in the space provided. Reporting conditions allow Extension personnel and approved volunteer to best support your young person and all information will be kept confidential.

SERIOUS ALLERGIES TO:

Insects Y N Please explain any YES responses, including
 Dairy Y N medications for any allergies.
 Gluten Y N
 Nuts Y N
 Other: _____

MEDICAL CONDITIONS

Asthma Y N Fainting Y N
 Bronchitis Y N Headaches Y N
 Convulsions Y N Heart Condition Y N
 Diabetes Y N Hypoglycemia Y N
 Ear Infection Y N Other: _____
 Contacts/Glasses Y N _____

Please explain any YES responses, including all current medications.

The following over the counter medications may be administered to my child without contacting me:

Acetaminophen	Y N	Decongestant	Y N
Ibuprofen	Y N	Antihistamine Pill	Y N
Antacid	Y N	Hydrocortisone Cream	Y N
Dramamine	Y N	Polysporin Ointment	Y N

Please explain any dietary, physical, etc. restrictions.

Please disclose and explain social, emotional, and/or behavioral health information, including current medications.

VI. REVIEW CONFIRMATION SIGNATURE

All information provided on this form is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. This person has permission to engage in all events and activities. I hereby give permission to the event designee to provide routine health care administer prescription and over the counter medications as noted and seek emergency medical treatment if warranted. I agree to the release of all records necessary for medical treatment, billing, or insurance. In the event I cannot be reached in an emergency, I give permission to the attending physician to secure and administer treatment, including hospitalization.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** / /

VII. SURVEY AND EVALUATION RELEASE

I hereby establish my willingness to participate as an adult (i.e. 4-H leader, other volunteer, parent/guardian, site manager, etc.) and give permission for my child (under 18 years of age) to complete surveys and evaluations that will be used to determine program effectiveness or to promote the program. I understand that participation in surveys and evaluations is voluntary and that my child and I may choose not to participate and may withdraw from surveys and evaluations without impact on my or my child's eligibility to participate in the 4-H program. I understand that my child or I may be asked for consent before completing a survey or an evaluation.

YES **NO** **Initials** _____

VIII. PERMISSION TO PARTICIPATE

I acknowledge that my child is participating in 4-H programs for their own personal benefit and that my child will participate in recreational and other activities as part of the 4-H programs. I understand that some activities may have inherent dangers and physical risks and that no amount of care, caution, instruction or expertise can completely eliminate them. I assume responsibility for all risks, known and unknown, involving my child's participation in 4-H programs and voluntarily authorize my child's participation in reliance upon my own judgement and knowledge of my child's experience and capabilities. I hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service and all related parties from any liability, losses, costs, damages, claims, or causes of action of any kind or nature arising from or related in any way to my child's participation in the 4-H program.

Initials _____

IX. PUBLICITY RELEASE

I hereby grant the 4-H program, University of Kentucky, and their agents, the right to user, reproduce, assign, and/or distribute still pictures, video, and sound recordings of myself or my minor child without compensation for use in promotion, advertising, educational publications, or online content.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** / /

All 4-H members and family/friends/caretakers associated with 4-H members must respect the individual rights, safety and property of others and adhere to this Code of Conduct. A 4-H member may be prohibited from participating in a specific event/program if the participation by the individual poses a danger to the 4-H member and/or others. Safety of all involved in 4-H programs is top priority, the following guidelines are designed to ensure all involved understand their role in participating in a safe and educational environment for all.

WHILE ENROLLED AS A 4-H MEMBER:

- To be a member in good standing it is expected that the 4-H participant attends planned sessions, workshops, field trips, and meetings associated with their enrollment. To be eligible for cumulative events in 4-H, members must complete at least six hours of education in the core program area they are participating in under the expectations laid out by the 4-H program.
- Dress codes will be specific to individual events/program/activities.
- The possession and use of alcoholic beverages tobacco products, vape juice and/or devices, and/or drugs (except for medications prescribed to the participant by a licensed physician, with proper paperwork and accommodations made) are prohibited.
- Possession of firearms not for educational use is prohibited.
- Setting off fire alarms and tampering with fire extinguishing and other emergency equipment are prohibited.
- Gambling of any type is prohibited.
- Respect toward others and facilities shall be demonstrated. Bullying, harassment of others or destruction of property shall not be tolerated. Bullying and harassment can include the use of social media.
- Physical violence is not tolerated.
- Gambling of any type is prohibited.
- Obscene, discriminatory and/or inappropriate language, roughhousing, and insubordination are prohibited at all times.
- Display of overly affectionate or inappropriate attention between participants is prohibited.
- Technological equipment (including but not limited to cell phones, laptops or mp3 players) shall not interfere with the program and may not be allowed in certain situations.
- Articles of clothing which display profanity, products, or slogans which promote tobacco, alcohol, drugs, sex or are in any other way distracting, are prohibited. Each county may adopt additional Code of Conduct guidelines.
- Additional expectations may be required based on the activity/program/event the 4-H members is participating in.

WHILE ATTENDING OVERNIGHT 4-H EXPERIENCES THE FOLLOWING WILL ALSO APPLY:

- All participants must follow the agenda and expectations that are set forth by the program planners. Chaperones/adult volunteers will actively monitor all participants.
- All participants are to be in their assigned area at curfew and comply with quiet hours, lights out, and other rules of the event. Chaperone/adult volunteers will actively monitor all participants.
- No member or volunteer may leave the event/activity/program without the permission of the event planner or adult in charge. An adult shall accompany a 4-H member at any time they leave the grounds. Adults shall notify another adult before leaving the grounds.
- At overnight events, only conference participants may be in sleeping areas. Individuals may only be in their assigned sleeping area. Lounges or common areas may be used only for working committees and social activities.

Any violations of this Code of Conduct shall be reported promptly to the chaperone for the individual and to the person in charge of the event. The person in charge of the event shall have the final responsibility for disciplinary action. Failure to comply with the Code of Conduct by 4-H participants and family/friends/caretakers associated with the 4-H participant may result in penalty including, but not limited to, the following:

- Sent home from the activity or event at their own expense.
- Barred from participation from future 4-H events.
- Assessed the cost of damages for destruction of property.

I, , have read the Code of Conduct and agree to abide by its rules.
(Print Name)

I understand that infraction of this Code of Conduct will result in any or all of the penalties listed above.

Member:	<input type="text" value=""/>	County:	<input type="text" value="WASHINGTON"/>
Parent/Guardian:	<input type="text" value=""/>	Date:	<input type="text" value="/ /"/>

Washington County 4-H Information

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Please check the clubs you are interested in below. The 4-H newsletter will include dates of club meetings and activities. We'll also send information out about clubs/activities to those who indicate interest once they are ready to begin. Once you have returned this enrollment form you may begin attending meetings.

- Young Riders Horse Club
- Hooves & Horns (large livestock and small animal)
- 4-H Teen Advisory Club (7th-12th graders)
- Sharpshooters (Trap, Archery, Rifle, & Pistol)
- Country Ham Club (additional paperwork due at the beginning of December.)
- Best Sew'ers in Town (sewing club)
- Gardening
- Cooking
- Art

- Suggestions for new clubs:

KENTUCKY 4-H



COUNTRY HAM PROJECT



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accommodated
with prior notification.