



# 4-H Express

October/November 2021

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for the future



# Re-enroll Today!

Enroll online at <https://v2.4honline.com/>

For more enrollment information visit: [bit.ly/JoinLC4H](https://bit.ly/JoinLC4H)



- Enroll by November 1st so not to miss out on important communication about future 4-H programs and activities!
- Enroll each family member including adults interested in adult volunteerism. Each year it seems families forget to enroll all adults in the family. So double check all family enrollments.

- Be sure to check the projects you are enrolled in. Update them as needed!



Consider being an adult 4-H Volunteer! There are many ways to be a part of 4-H! For more information:

**[bit.ly/LC4HVolunteers](https://bit.ly/LC4HVolunteers)**

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Even though the Merrill Busy Bees were not able to meet much during the 2020-2021 4-H year, we were able to collect over 40 lbs of tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. We continue to do service projects and this is an important one for our youth.

With the new 4-H year underway, there are a ton of great opportunities in the works! Keep an eye out for more information on:



- VIP Training—Everything you need to know to be a 4-H volunteer! Watch for these required trainings so you can be a volunteer.
- Winter Camp— planning is underway for a 4-H winter camp. We are looking at date in early January!
- County-wide contests— The Communications Contest and the Music and Drama Fest are opportunities to show off your talents to the whole county!

## Where Do I LOOK?

- **Emails**—Watch for emails from 4-HOnline or Holly and Becky's wisc.edu email accounts
- **4-H Newsletter**—In your mail every other month
- **Facebook**—[bit.ly/ExtLinFB](https://bit.ly/ExtLinFB)
- **Instagram**—[bit.ly/LC4HInsta](https://bit.ly/LC4HInsta)
- **4-H Blog**—[bit.ly/LC4HBlog](https://bit.ly/LC4HBlog)
- **Extension Lincoln County Websie**—[bit.ly/ExtLin](https://bit.ly/ExtLin)



# Top Four Reasons to Complete the Older Youth Resume Process!

*Don't ever  
be afraid to  
shine!*

**1. You get to be part of awesome 4-H programs**

If you want to be a 4-H Ambassador or if you would like to be considered for the I Dare You or Key Award, this is the first step!

**2. You can be awarded a scholarship to help pay for 4-H Leadership Opportunities and Trips**

Lincoln County 4-H awards scholarship for 4-H educational opportunities – up to 50% of the cost of the chosen program.

**3. It's great practice for writing a resume**

Resumes have become part of almost everything you will do. If you want to join school clubs or trying to get a summer job or apply to college, you will need a resume. This is a great way to practice your resume skills.

**5. It helps you recognize your amazing accomplishments.**

You do so much more than you realize. By writing down all your accomplishment — both in 4-H and outside of it — you are able to really see how much you have done — and how much more can do!

**For more information on the Older Youth  
Resume Process visit:**

[bit.ly/LC4HOlderYouth](https://bit.ly/LC4HOlderYouth)

**That's also where you will find information  
on all the county, state, and world-wide  
opportunities that 4-H offers!**

**Older Youth Resumes are due: October 15th!**



Lincoln County 4-H Express

Let's Celebrate



# Come and the Lincoln 4-H Fall

**October 30, 2021**  
**Agra Pavilion, Merrill**  
**1-4 PM**



**Celebrate Lincoln County 4-H at  
the Fall Festival!**

There will be project tables and a scavenger hunt. You will get to see displays of amazing things 4-Hers have done while in the program and learn about the volunteers who help make 4-H the wonderful program it is. There will be a dessert auction where you can buy delicious goodies AND support 4-H at the same time. There will be snacks and games and so much more!

**Lincoln County**



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**Grounded in the past,  
Bound for the future!**

**let's celebrate!**



**Invite your friends!**  
**Everyone is WELCOME!**



# join us for County Festival



We are looking for help with the Fall Festival!

We need 4-H youth and adults to:

- make decorations
- set up and take down tables & decorations
- help run the project tables
- make desserts/treats for the Dessert Sale Fundraiser
- make displays showing what you love about 4-H or what great things you did in 4-H this year!

We need YOU to make the  
Fall Festival a success—  
sign up today!

[bit.ly/FallFestivalHelp](https://bit.ly/FallFestivalHelp)





# 4-H Display Contest

Sponsored by Lincoln County 4-H Leader's Association

## Lincoln County



**Grounded in the past,  
Bound for the future!**

Let's Celebrate  
**Lincoln County 4-H**  
during  
**National 4-H Week!**

## Rules and Restrictions

- Open to ALL Lincoln County 4-H clubs and families
- All displays must be visible for the public to see (front yards, store windows, lobby displays, etc.) the **entire week of October 4-10. (They can be inside or outside.)**
- Displays will be judged at the October meeting of the 4-H Board of Directors.
- Only one (1) display per family and/or club may be entered. (A family may do their own display, plus help their club make one.)
- Displays will be judged on eye appeal, neatness, originality and conveying a clear message about the Lincoln County 4-H Centennial.

## **Prizes!**

### Family entry    Club entry

1st-\$10	1st-\$15
2nd-\$6	2nd -\$10
3rd-\$4	3rd. -\$5

## To enter:

- Email [rebecca.kludy@wisc.edu](mailto:rebecca.kludy@wisc.edu) with
  - A picture of the display
  - Name of club or family
  - Names of all who helped make the display
  - Where the display is located
- Entries must be received by **Monday, October 11<sup>h</sup>**.
- Displays must be up the **entire week of Oct 3-9**

## Requirements

- It needs to include
  - A clear message about the "Finding Your Spark" in Lincoln County 4-H or something similar!
  - Contact information of website ("bit.ly/JoinLC4H") or phone ("715-539-1072").
- Displays will be judged at the October 4-H Board of Directors meeting.
- Only one (1) display per family and/or club may be entered. Therefore, a family may do their own display, plus help their club make one.
- Do not place anything over the 4-H Clover. It must be only in green, black or gold/yellow.

During National 4-H Week

October/November 2021



October 3-9, 2021

**SUN**

**Service Project Sunday**



Do something nice for a neighbor or a family member.

**MON**

**Member Monday**



Showcase that you are a member of 4-H!

**TUES**

**Tell Your Story Tuesday**



Share your 4-H Story!

**WED**

**4-H Spirit Day Wednesday!**



Show your 4-H Spirit!

**THUR**

**Throwback Thursday**



Share how you have grown in 4-H.

**FRI**

**Favorite Project Friday**



Share your favorite 4-H project!

**SAT**

**Shoutout Saturday**



Thank someone who supported you in 4-H!



**#national4hweek**

**#lincowi4h**

**Lincoln County 4-H**



Lincoln County 4-H Express



**HALLOWEEN  
COOKIE  
WORKSHOP**

For All Langlade & Lincoln  
County Youth in 5K-12

Choose A Location  
That's Convient To You!

Oct 13th - Merrill  
Oct 14th - Antigo  
6-7:30pm

Register At:  
<https://bit.ly/4HHalloweenCookie21>

Cost:  
\$5 for Enrolled 4-Hers  
\$8 for Youth Not  
Currently Enrolled in 4-H

Made with PosterMyWall.com



# Meet & Greet

**Where: Culvers in Merrill**

**When: Tuesday, Oct 5th**

**Time: 4-5:30pm**



**Stop by to say 'Hi', get a free scoop of  
custard, and win some 4-H SWAG.**

**Wear a 4-H t-shirt for a bonus gift!**

**Bring a friend too! See you at Culvers!**



Check it out!

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# 2021 HONEY BEE POSTER CONTEST

THEME  
Honeybees:  
Why do we  
need them?

## DIVISIONS

- 2nd grade & under
- 3rd-5th grades
- 6th-8th grades
- 9th-12th grades

## PRIZES PER DIVISION

1st place \$35  
2nd place \$25  
3rd place \$15

## RULES

1. Size 11"x14" poster board
2. Print name, age, grade & address clearly on back side
3. Include theme in design
4. Posters become property of WI Honey Producers Association

Mail by OCT. 29, 2021 to:  
Shelly Astle/WHPA  
S4131A St. Hwy 80  
Hillsboro, WI 54634

Questions?  
Call Shelly  
608-489-2456



## October

- 3-9 ----- National 4-H Week
- 5 ----- 4-H Meet 'n Greet, Culvers, Merrill, 4-5:30 pm
- 6 ----- 4-H Robotics Group—LCSC, 6:00 pm
- 11 ----- 4-H Sewing Project—LCSC, 6 pm
- Deadline: Pictures of 4-H Display due to Holly
- 13 ----- Halloween Cookie Workshop—LCSC
- 14 ----- Halloween Cookie Workshop—Antigo
- 15 ----- Deadline: Older Youth Resumes
- 20 ----- 4-H Robotics Group—LCSC, 6:00 pm
- 21 ----- 4-H Horse Project—LCSC, 6:30 pm
- 26 ----- 4-H Board of Directors —LCSC, 6:30 pm
- 30 ----- 4-H Fall Festival—Agra Pavilion, Merrill
- 31 ----- Halloween—Have a Boo-tiful Day!

## November

- 1 ----- Deadline for re-enrollments in 4-H and still be able to exhibit at the County Fair in Junior Division as a 4-H member.
- O' Tannenbaum Registration Due (Mail in)
- 3 ----- 4-H Robotics Group—LCSC, 6:00 pm
- 5-6 ----- WI 4-H Fall Forum, Virtual
- 7 ----- Daylight Saving Time Ends—Turn clocks BACK one hour
- 8 ----- 4-H Sewing Project—LCSC, 6 pm
- 11 ----- Veteran's Day—Thank a Vet for their Service!
- 16 ----- Lincoln County 4-H Annual Meeting—LCSC, 6:00 pm
- 17 ----- 4-H Robotics Group—LCSC, 6:00 pm
- 18 ----- 4-H Horse Project—LCSC, 6:30 pm
- 25 ----- Thanksgiving Day—Lincoln County Extension Office Closed
- 26 ----- Black Friday—Lincoln County Extension Office Closed

## December

- 1 ----- 4-H Robotics Group—LCSC, 6:00 pm
- 2 ----- O' Tannenbaum Set up—St. Stephens Church, Noon-7:00 pm
- 4-5 ----- O' Tannenbaum Tour—St. Stephens Church
- 13 ----- 4-H Sewing Project—LCSC, 6 pm
- 15 ----- 4-H Robotics Group—LCSC, 6:00 pm
- 24 ----- Christmas Eve—Lincoln County Extension Office Closed
- 27 ----- Christmas Day—Lincoln County Extension Office Closed
- 31 ----- New Year's Eve—Lincoln County Extension Office Closed

**NOTE:** LCSC = Lincoln County Service Center, 801 N. Sales St, Merrill

Find your  
*spark*  
with 4-H



# Annual Meeting

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## **Lincoln County 4-H Annual Meeting**

**Tuesday, November 16, 2021  
Lincoln County Service Center  
6:00 pm**



The Board of Directors for the Lincoln County 4-H Leaders Association, Inc. is an organization of adults and older youth who set 4-H program policy, develop the 4-H program budget each year, and assist the County Extension office in planning, implementing and evaluating the Lincoln County 4-H Program.

Each year at the annual meeting — open to all adult and older youth members — the policies and budget for the upcoming year is discussed and voted on. The By Laws for the Association are reviewed and new members for the Board of Directors are elected. In addition, there are presentations from youth and adults who have participated in the many opportunities 4-H offers.

This is the perfect opportunity to help guide the next year of 4-H or just to learn about everything Lincoln County 4-H is doing.

**Join us for the Lincoln County 4-H Leader's  
Association, Inc., annual meeting.**

### **Calling all 4-H older youth!**

Joining the Board of Directors is a great opportunity to help grow Lincoln County 4-H and to ensure the youth of Lincoln County 4-H have a voice in the direction that Lincoln County 4-H takes. Come to the meeting, join the Board of Directors and help make the Best Better!

The Board of Directors for the Lincoln County 4-H Leaders Association was one of the first in the state to have youth members who hold the same participation and voting rights as the adult members?

**Did you?**  
**KNOW?**



Registration opens TODAY for Fall Forum 2021 "Fourward Together"! Youth in 7th grade and up and adult volunteers - let's learn together! Friday, November 5-Saturday, November 6 will bring youth and adult leaders together over zoom to connect, collaborate, celebrate, and to build excitement for the new 4-H year.

**November 5-6, 2021**

2021 Fall Forum will be held virtually via Zoom. This year's event will include:

- A keynote address by Chad Littlefield of We and Me, Inc.
- Two opportunities to participate in dozens of youth- and adult-led workshops on Saturday afternoon
- Choose your own adventure interactive sessions on Friday night
- Introductions to Wisconsin Leadership Council Candidates AND Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame Laureates
- And so much more! You won't want to miss it! 2021 Fall Forum Tentative Schedule

Registration will be open through October 10, but register early for a chance at a prize! Cost for 2021 Fall Forum will be \$30.

Check out our website for more information about how to register; our keynote, Chad Littlefield; Saturday workshop options; and our Hall of Fame Laureates! Visit the site at: [bit.ly/FallForum21](https://bit.ly/FallForum21)

**Register through 4-HOnline!**

We need you!

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Are you an artist, writer, photographer? Do you know everything there is to know about social media? Maybe you want to be on radio or television? Do you want to share your talents with the world?



## The Lincoln County 4-H needs you!

The Lincoln County 4-H is looking for **Older Youth** who would like to help spread the word about 4-H! We would like to make sure everyone knows the amazingness of Lincoln County 4-H — and 4-H youth. We need youth to take pictures of events, write press releases and articles, post to social media and talk on the radio or TV.

Interested in helping? Have any other great ideas on how to share the love of 4-H?

## Become a 4-H Influencer!

Contact Becky at 715-539-1074 or [rebecca.kludy@wisc.edu](mailto:rebecca.kludy@wisc.edu).  
**DON'T WORRY!** Once you talk to her, she will give you her phone number and you can use text to communicate!



Help share the  
amazingness  
of 4-H!





# Are you interested in traveling?

**American Spirit East**

**Citizen Washington Focus**

**National 4-H Conference**

**WI 4-H Youth Conference**

**National 4-H Congress**

**Want to experience 4-H  
beyond your club and  
county?**

Check out these amazing opportunities! There is something for youth starting in 6th grade and above – and even for 4-H adult leaders! From a statewide conference at

UW-Madison to a trip to the National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, GA, there's an opportunity for you! Traveling with and meeting other 4-Hers is a wonderful Educational Experience that you do not want to miss. Register for these amazing opportunities through your family's 4-H Online account.

## Watch for more information!

### State 4-H Arts Groups!

Three State 4-H Arts Groups are formed every year to give 4-H youth the opportunity to develop their artistic and leadership skills. They then have the opportunity for real-world applications of these skills at the 4-H and Youth Conference and the Wisconsin State Fair.

**Arts Team**

**Communications  
Team**

**Drama Company**

**To see everything that 4-H offers visit  
[bit.ly/4HStateOpportunities](http://bit.ly/4HStateOpportunities)**

Wisconsin 4-H International Programs emphasizes the 4-H values of belonging and understanding through international exchange. In today's ever changing world the skill of global citizenship becomes more and more important all the time. Help the youth in your community build bridges and connect with others from around the world!

## Get Involved!

<https://bit.ly/4HInternational>

### Homestay Abroad

Every summer 4-H youth can apply for the amazing opportunity to experience life in another country by living abroad with a host family for one month

### Host for One Month

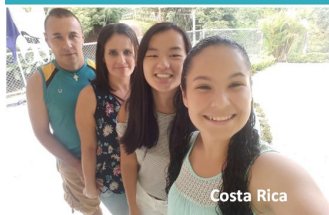
Hosting a young person from another country is a wonderful opportunity to expand your horizons, learn about another culture and develop lifelong friendships without even leaving your home!



States' 4-H International Exchange Programs

## 2022 OUTBOUND PROGRAMS

Costa Rica · Japan · Korea · Norway · Romania · Taiwan · Argentina



Costa Rica



Japan



Norway



South Korea



Romania



Taiwan



Argentina

**Applications Now Open!**



## Horse Project Meetings

Interested in the horse project?

The Lincoln County 4-H House Project meets every month! Join us on the third Thursday of the month, 6:30 pm at the Lincoln County Service Center, in room 156.

Any questions please email Krissi at

[Kjschultz2018@gmail.com](mailto:Kjschultz2018@gmail.com)



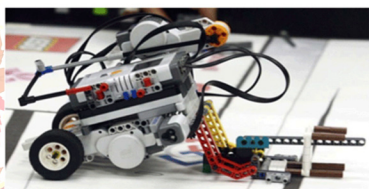
# ROBOTICS SPIN CLUB

The Lincoln County 4-H

**ROBOTICS SPIN CLUB**

is ready for you to join! Youth of all ages are able to join.

**Bring your non-4-H friends, too.**



Meetings twice a month on  
the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays!

  
**MINDSTORMS**  
EV3

Visit: [bit.ly/LC4HRobotics](http://bit.ly/LC4HRobotics)

# Volunteer Opportunities

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Lincoln County 4-H is full of talented and motivated young adults who are looking to make a positive impact on Lincoln County and the world.

There's just one thing missing—

# YOU!

***Do you have a hobby to share?***

***A skill to teach?***

***An interest in working with youth?***

We're looking for volunteers to host a few workshops for 4-Hers to learn a new skill. Classes could be one time only or spread over a few meetings. Topics and meeting times would be at the discretion of the 4-H adult volunteer(s) leading the workshops.

**Ideas:** Photography Tips; Canvas or Rock Painting; Knitting or Crocheting; Creating Christmas Wreaths; Snowshoeing/hiking; Candy Making/ Designing; Or **WHATEVER** our volunteers would like to share.



Contact Holly if you would like to lead a workshop:  
holly.luerssen@wisc.edu or 715-539-1072

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## Sewing Project Meetings

Do you have an interest in sewing? Maxine is offering opportunities for all clothing project members in Lincoln County to develop their skills as they work on various clothing projects.

**When:** The second Monday of each month from 6-8 p.m.

**Where:** The Lincoln County Service Center in Lower Level Conference Room 156 at 801 N. Sales Street in Merrill

Maxine is offering the opportunity for Clothing Project members to work on various clothing projects. Youth may bring their own projects to work on or work on a group project.

**If you have any questions contact Maxine at mafehrmann@yahoo.com or (715) 212-2838.**







We are excited to be thinking about the Holiday season, as we are in the preliminary phase of organizing the annual O'Tannenbaum Tour for 2021.

The Tour will be held inside the Fellowship Hall at St. Stephen's United Church of Christ at 903 E Second Street, Merrill WI. The Tour will be held on Saturday, December 4, 2021, from 10AM-7PM and Sunday, December 5, 2021, from 10AM to 3PM.

We know how magical the Merrill Christmas Parade is, and hope to enhance the magic as you step into the O'Tannenbaum Tour. The tour takes you through a mystical forest of decorated trees, wreaths and gift baskets.

Raffle tickets may be purchased for all items displayed Saturday and Sunday during the tour hours. The drawing for the winners will be held on Sunday, December 5, 2021 at 3:15 PM. **All items will be available for pick up on Sunday from 4:30 PM - 6 PM.** All proceeds will go toward Lincoln County 4-H and other community programs.

If you are interested in participating in our O'Tannenbaum Tour, please see the five different options listed below.

1. Decorate a 4' or 6' Tree from topper to skirt. Tree stands are provided.
2. Donate a completed Gift Basket.
3. Donate a decorated Wreath.
4. Donate Money to a 4-H Club of your choice.
5. Make a monetary donation to the committee to defer costs of printing and advertising.



If you are interested in participating, please fill out the attached form. We have limited space for the trees, baskets and wreaths, so you will want to sign up early. Be sure to print your individual or business/organization's name, address and phone number clearly. This information will be printed in a program to be used by all attendees. If you have any questions about the Tour, please contact Sue Kunkel at 715-536-3209 or Ann Stoeckmann at 715-536-3016.

Happy Holidays!

O'Tannenbaum Tour Committee: Ann Stoeckmann, Sue Kunkel, Cindi Christiansen, Cheryl Buck, Tammy Klade, Francine Cieslicki, Tricia Lazare, Amara Lazare, Debbie Schleif, Katie Taylor, Stacy Biever, Lori Anderson-Maim and Leah Beyer.



# Registration

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## Annual O'Tannenbaum Tour 2021

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Individual, Business or Organization)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

- 1) **Decorate a Tree** from topper to skirt. The frees, stands, and extension cords will be provided.

Please circle the size of tree you wish to decorate:     4'     or     6'.

Please provide a theme name and a short description:

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- 2) **Provide .a Gift Basket.** The basket must be completed and wrapped. Please attach a list of items included in your basket.

Please provide a theme name and a short description:

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- 3) **Decorate a Wreath.** Please provide us with the size or shape of your wreath.

- 4) **Donate to a 4-H Club.** You may pick the 4-H Club you wish your donation to go to or we can find a 4-H Club that could use additional funds. Name of 4-H Club

- 5) **Monetary Donation** to help us with our printing and advertising expenses. Please provide us the dollar amount of the donation you wish to make..\_\_\_\_\_

**Note:** Decorating hours will be Thursday, December 2, 2021, between Noon and 7PM at St. Stephen's Church Fellowship Hall. You may drop off the baskets and wreaths during the decorating hours. Please use the Second Street entrance as marked.

To ensure that your name appears in the program, please return this form to Cindi Christiansen at 100 W. St Paul St, Merrill WI 54452 by November 1, 2019.

Thank you for your participation!





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**Youth can enroll/re-enroll in Lincoln County 4-H at ANY TIME.** All enrolled youth can participate in Lincoln County 4-H programs and projects. The following deadlines apply only for eligibility to show in the Junior Division at the Lincoln County Fair.

## **Youth Enrollment Deadlines**

### **To show at the Lincoln County Fair in the Jr. Division**

#### **November 1st**

Deadline for re-enrollments to join 4-H and still be able to exhibit at the county fair in Junior Division as a 4-H member. (If a youth has been absent/inactive as a 4-H member for more than 12 months, they would be considered a new member upon joining 4-H again.)

#### **March 1st**

Deadline for new members to join 4-H and still be able to exhibit at the county fair in the Junior Division.

#### **May 1st**

Last date to change (add or drop) a project. Youth must be enrolled in the project by this date to exhibit in that project area at the county fair in Jr. Division.

#### **June/July 15th (depending on fair dates)**

This deadline is set by the Lincoln County Fair. Fair information and the Fair Entry Book can be found at the Lincoln County Fair website: [www.lincolndofair.com](http://www.lincolndofair.com)