

4-H Ex



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**Check your** <u>4-H Online</u> **Account!** Be prepared for summer and the fair by being up-to-date with your 4-H registration!

- <u>Youth</u>: Double Check Project Enrollment. You can change your project enrollments if needed, but do that ASAP. Last day to add or change projects on 4-H Online is June 1st
- <u>Adults</u>: Are you associated with a club? Check Club Volunteer Role and select a club. Are you associated with a project? Check Project Volunteer Role and select a project.
- <u>Adult Approvals</u>: Are you needing a background check, VIP Training or Mandated Reporter Training? Approvals will not be given until all three areas are completed per State 4-H guidelines. If you are not an approved volunteer, you are not able to lead or supervise 4-H activities!
- <u>Events & Activities</u>: More and more event and activity enrollments will be done through 4-H online. Check out the current opportunities for youth and adults now.
- <u>Broadcast Emails</u>: Broadcast emails are a tool our office uses to share out important information for projects, activities, trainings, and more. Be sure to read emails sent through 4-H online.
- <u>Enrollments</u>: Do you know someone that forgot to enroll in 4-H this year? Or, do you know someone you could invite in join 4-H? Share the enrollment website information with them. Then let us know at the office and we will mail out some 4-H information to encourage them to enroll.
- <u>Questions?</u> Contact Becky she'll be happy to help.

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Lincoln County 4-H is looking for the perfect person to lead our program!



As you probably know, Lincoln County 4-H is between 4-H educators. We are now in the process of hiring the new person for this vital position. The best person for the job may already be part of our 4-H community, and you can help us find them!

This 80% position will work with the awesome 4-H youth and volunteers of Lincoln County "To Make the Best Better"! If you – or anyone you know – would be perfect for this position, visit <u>https://go.wisc.edu/tpl3rn</u> to learn more or to apply! Applications close May 19, 2022.





themselves and others

Choose Health+ is a six week program (seven weeks in Tomahawk) that focuses on improving the ability for children to make healthy decisions and form habits that have an impact on their overall health. We accomplish this in a few ways, including teaching healthy, easy, and affordable recipes that a kid can cook, using fun, active games to encourage an active

lifestyle; and providing calming activities to encourage thinking before they act.

Choose Health+

The program provides material and skills kids can take home. Participants will learn how to interpret food labels, make informed decisions about what they eat, bring home easy and healthy recipes, as well as learn strategies to calm down in the event of a stressful situation, and be more mindful of their emotions.

This program is being run by Lincoln County 4-H as outreach programming. There's no need to be enrolled in 4-H to register. The material will be taught by



Sawyer Miller, UW-Extension Lincoln County's 4-H AmeriCorps Vista.





# Are you interested in being a 4-H club leader or project leader? Or, perhaps you are interested in being a 4-H camp chaperone! Maybe you became an official 4-H volunteer many years ago and you are looking for a refresher on things that

may have been updated since then. Then this training is for you!

#### JOIN ONE TODAY!

Wednesday, May 18th (6:00-8:00 p.m.)

Tuesday, June 7th (10:00 a.m. - Noon)

Wednesday, June 15 (1:00 - 3:00 p.m.)

All are held virtually

Register here: https://tinyurl.com/4-HVIP2022



Volunteer Trainings!

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ATTENTION ADULT VOLUNTEERS! Supporting Youth Mental Health Training

Starting next year (2022-2023 4-H year) ALL volunteers serving as chaperones or adult advisors will have to be trained in supporting YMH.

There are 12 virtual trainings currently open-- and more on the way!

For more information visit: BIT.LY/SUPPORTYMH

Youth Mental Health

Even if this training won't be a requirement for you, this is a perfect opportunity to learn how you can help those who are struggling.

**Supporting Youth Mental Health for Volunteers Training–**Supporting YMH, for short–is here to help volunteers know how to support youth when they're down, whether it's simply a bad day or it's more than that.

Wisconsin 4-H is transitioning Supporting YMH to be a requirement for all adults who will be serving as chaperones, or adult volunteers on overnight youth experiences. Next year (2022-2023 4 -H year) ALL volunteers serving as chaperones, or adult advisors, will have to be trained.

For more information and to register for one of the trainings, visit <u>bit.ly/SupportYMH</u>

To learn more about the topic, check out Youth MentalHealth First Aid Training classes at <u>bit.ly/MHCommPrograms</u>



County-Wide Projects

# **MASS Project Update**

Please keep an eye on the Facebook page for upcoming educational credit opportunities. If you attend something virtually, a write up of what you learned (no longer than a page; handwritten) and a confirmation of registration email printed off (if available) should be turned in together. These virtual events will count towards your educational credits.

YQCA—YQCA training is on-line at <u>www.yqcaprogram.org</u>



Important Information ! • Bring in your forms to the Extension office — don't wait until the last minute!

• Bidder slips — Each participant need 3 slips. Remember: Youth in the same families MUST have unique bidders.

• All paperwork is due to the Extension officeby July 15th.

• Don't forget to register for the fair. Keep an eye on the fair website (<u>www.lincolncofair.com</u>) to know when the fair book is up and registration opens!



The 4-H Dog is ready to get started! Now is the time to check on the dog's vaccines. Are they up to date? They must be current by June 6, 2022 or they may not attend the training workshops.

#### <u>Mark these dates!</u>

May 16th — Orientation Meeting at the Lincoln County Service Center @ 6:30pm Monslay, June 6th — First Dog Training Workshop @ 6:30pm Every Monslay to the fair — Weekly Dog Training Workshops @ 6::30pm

August 13— Dog Show for Lincoln County Fair @ 8:00 am

Visit <u>bitly/LC4HDogProject</u> for more information and to download all the necessary paperwork

Have questions? Contact Bridie Maas at <u>715-218-0607</u> or <u>nugefan73@ymail.com</u>.



Plain & Potato Pancakes, Gheesy Scrambled Eggs , Sausage Links, Real Wisconsin Gheesecurds, Ghocolate & White Milk, Orange & Granberry Juice, Goffee

#### MARC (MERRILL AREA RECREATION COMPLEX)

If you or your club would like to help with the breakfast, please contact Mary Sosnovske at (715) 873-4090 or Stephanie Zoellner at (715) 539-8263 [



# Y-H SPARK DAYS 3 ONE-DAY CONFERENCES

#### 3 ONE-DAY CONFERENCES 3 UW CAMPUSES 3 TRACKS- WHAT SPARKS YOU?

Join us for 4-H Spark Days! These one-day conferences across three UW Campuses will each feature a different track to fuel your sparks.

Each day includes handson sessions, career pathway exploration, great speakers, meeting new 4-H friends from around the state, and fun.

Choose one, or more, that sparks your interest!

REGISTRATION OPENS MAY 2 First come, first served

Receive updates and a registration reminder through our email list

https://go.wisc.edu/uarr89



#### UW RIVER FALLS, JUNE 20

Agriculture & Animal Science

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Explore your sparks and discover career options you may not have considered. Meet faculty and students to learn more about programs and majors in the Colleges of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Science, and more. Experience the campus lab farms, learn about the UWRF college experience, and participate in hands-on sessions.

Find Your Spark in 4-H



#### UW MILWAUKEE, JUNE 21

Urban Agriculture/City Sparks Explore unique programs and majors, including Urban Agriculture, Film, Architecture, Freshwater Sciences, Library Sciences, and more on the UW-Milwaukee Campus! Meet people from local community organizations, professionals in different career fields, college students from UWM and MATC, and youth from across the state. You don't want to miss this!



#### UW MADISON, JUNE 22

#### Arts & Culture

Explore your creative side and how to create a creative life post-high school. Workshop choices include theater arts, dance, photography, and media. Led by Wisconsin 4-H Arts Team, Drama Company, and other community partners.





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2023 WI 4-H



#### **Registration Opens July 1** Grades: 10th-12th as of January 1, 2023

Advanced Space Academy explores college and career preparation through an immersive experience in science, engineering, technology and math.

Trainees experience a variety of astronaut training exercises, engineering challenges and team-building activities all culminating in an extended-duration simulated space mission.

For more information: <u>www.spacecamp.com/space/advancedacademy</u>

# Join NASA for the #LaunchAmerica Mission!

The #LaunchAmerica NASA Social is a Facebook group that any social media user can request permission to join. NASA Social participants will have the opportunity to:

- Connect virtually with a community of people excited about the #LaunchAmerica mission
- Interact with NASA representatives in real time.
- Virtually view the undocking and splashdown of Dragon Endeavour

For more information, visit:

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www.nasa.gov/social/launchamerica





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AREA ANIMAL SCIENCE DAYS!

Registration Open!

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Registrations are open for the 2022 Area Animal Science Day! We hope your team is going to join us for a day of competition, learning, and fun! Don't have a team? Individuals can still go!

For more information about the event and registering, visit:

https://go.wisc.edu/i2cm9b





# WISCONSIN STATE FAIR AUGUST 5-15, 2021

...But wait, there's more!

# YOU can enter your projects into the state fair!

Under the Wisconsin State Fair's updated guidelines for 2022 entries, exhibitors are encouraged to self-nominate their own project exhibits for judging. For more information on what you can enter into the State Fair, visit <u>wistatefair.com/</u> <u>competitions/</u>



Wisconsin State 4-H Gymkhana is an annual horse and pony competition for youth in grades 6—13, featuring speed pattern racing events such as Cloverleaf barrels, flag race, plug race, pole bending, LT special, and key races. This event is a fun and challenging opportunity for 4-H youth to showcase their skills and connect with other 4-H members from across the state.

For more information visit *bit.ly/3Kf1nVD* 

Wisconsin 4-H provides a "Horse Association Handbook" that tells you almost everything you need to know about the Wisconsin 4-H Project! It covers:

- Rules and Guidelines
- Statewide Events: Gymkhana, Horse Expo, Model Horse show, and MORE
- Information on national events

Find the handbook here: <u>https://go.wisc.edu/nqaxor</u>



# Calendar of Events

http://bit.ly/LC4HCalendar

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- 18 -----4-H Robotics Group—LCSC, 6:30 pm
- 19 -----4-H Horse Project—LCSC, 6:30 pm
- ------<u>Deadline</u>: Applications for Lincoln County 4-H Educator (P. 2)
- 24 -----Lincoln County 4-H Leader's Assoc. Board Meeting-LCSC, 6:00 pm
- 30 ------ Memorial Day—Lincoln County Extension Office Closed 🌌

#### June

1 <b>Deadline:</b> for youth to add or change projects
4-H Robotics Group—LCSC, 6:30 pm
64-H Dog Project Training Workshop—6:30 pm (p. 6)
7 VIP Training (Zoom)—10 am (p. 4)
Mandatory Dairy Project Meeting-LCSC, 7 pm (p. 7)
12Dairy Breakfast—MARC, 8 am—Noon
134-H Sewing Project—LCSC, 6:00 pm
4-H Dog Project Training Workshop—6:30 pm (p. 6)
15VIP Training (Zoom)—10 am (p. 4)
4-H Robotics Group—LCSC, 6:30 pm
164-H Horse Project—LCSC, 6:30 pm
204-H Dog Project Training Workshop—6:30 pm (p. 6)
274-H Dog Project Training Workshop—6:30 pm (p. 6)
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- 6-----4-H Robotics Group—LCSC, 6:30 pm
- 11 -----4-H Sewing Project—LCSC, 6:00 pm
- -----4-H Dog Project Training Workshop—6:30 pm (p. 6)
- 15 ----- Deadline: Project entry for Lincoln County Fair (p. 23)
- 18 ------4-H Dog Project Training Workshop—6:30 pm (p. 6)
- 20 -----4-H Robotics Group-LCSC, 6:30 pm
- 21 ----- 4-H Horse Project—LCSC, 6:30 pm
- 26 ------Lincoln County 4-H Leader's Assoc. Board Meeting-LCSC, 6:00 pm

#### August

- 6-----4-H Dog Project Training Workshop—6:30 pm (p. 6)
- 13 ----- Lincoln County Dog Show-8:00 am (p. 6)
- 17-21 ----- Lincoln County Fair (p. 22)

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



Lincoln County 4-H provides may opportunities for youth to participate in educational trips, travel experiences and leadership programs. An important aspect of taking part in these opportunities is helping the youth learn about the financial cost of these programs — and how they can help fund them.

Earn Money for 4-H Activities!

Individual fundraising is a daunting task for many youth (and parents)! Working at the Dairyland Stand during the fair is a great way for youth to earn funds toward 4-H activities and to learn the basics of entrepreneurship.

Last year, worker's at the Dairyland Stand earned \$25.59 fundraising credit per 2-hour shift! When you sign up for a shift at the Dairyland Stand you will be credited with part of the profits earned, based on the number of hours you work. Those funds can then be used for any future 4H activity: camp, trips, conferences or even club activities!

It gets even better: ADULTS who volunteer for shifts earn the

same credit and they can earmark those funds for 4-H activities they want to support: a specific youth's activities, general scholarships for specific programs, funds for a specific club or county-wide project group, or towards a 4-H led community service project!



Sign up for the Dairlyland stand is now open! Sign up today~ <u>https://signup.com/go/tEXajjc</u>

It's a win-win! Not only do Dairyland workers get to earn funds toward 4-H activities, they do it at the FAIR. Also: Ice Cream.



EACH OF YOU LEFT A MARK IN THE **4-H** PROGRAM. WHETHER YOU ARE ON YOUR WAY TO COLLEGE OR THE WORKFORCE MAY YOUR FUTURE BE FULL OF MANY BLESSINGS.

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Celebrate Our Graduates

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L-R: Leo Lazare, Amara Lazare, Ian Schuetze Kekoa Schuetze, & Siobhan Schuetze.

# COMMUNICATION CONTEST RESULTS

- Leo Lazare (Junior Division), Merrill Busy Bees Blue Ribbon and Best in Show for reading of prose: *Don't Let the Pidgeon Drive the Bus*
- Siobhan Schuetze (Intermediate Division), Prairie River Eagles Blue Ribbon for reading of prose: *Real Friends vs. The Other Kind'*by Annie Fox
- Amara Lazare (Intermediate Division), Merrill Busy Bees Blue Ribbon and Best of Show for original speech: *Power of the Moon*
- Kekoa Schuetze (Senior Division), Prairie River Eagles Blue Ribbon and Best in Show for reading of prose: *Behold ... The Dragons!* by Gail Gibbons
- Ian Schuetze (Senior Division), Prairie River Eagles Red ribbon for reading of prose: "Murx der Waldschrat" by Gabriele Nink from "Mein dickes buntes Buch der 4 1/2 Minuten Geschichten"

Thank you, Connie Creighton, for judging our event and sharing your talent and expertise with the youth.

Thank you also to Maxine and Peter Schuetze for coordinating the event



Earlier this year, Wisconsin 4-H offered a "Hit Me with Your Best Shot" photo contest. Youth in grades K-13 in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin were encouraged to enter a picture. Lincoln County's own Katelyn Schult entered!

Thank you Katelyn for sharing your talents!

# 'Hit Me with Your Best Shot'

4-H Photography Contest—2022 Sponsored by University of Minnesota Extension/Minnesota 4-H Photography

### Katelyn Schult, Lincoln County, 10th grade

This photo is special to me because I took it in a butterfly garden where the butterflies were constantly moving. I was lucky to find one that had landed, but because it was on the bottom of the flower I had to move my camera to get this shot. I also really like how the background colors compliment the flower and the butterfly.

Judge's Comments: The coloring is beautiful. The contrast between the background and subject is perfect. Moving to get the best angle worked for you. I would try cropping some of the left side off because of the bright white on that side. A viewer's eyes are attracted to the brightest area.



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To check out all the entries — and get some great ideas for your own photography entries for the fair, you can view the slideshow for the entire contest here: <u>https://bit.ly/3kKLJao</u>

One of the greatest benefits of being part of 4-H is the opportunity to have others look at what you do and teach you ways that you can improve. However, it takes no small amount of courage to put your work out for critique. 4-H helps cultivate that courage and provides youth safe and supportive opportunities to grow their ability to take risks and to make the best, better!



#### Congratulations Pine River Pioneer/Sunrise



The Pine River Pioneer/Sunrise won the contest for which club could recruit the most new members! They had 22 new members! Not only did they get 22 new (and AWESOME) members, but they got a pizza party!

#### WAY TO GO!

The Merrill Busy Bees participated as a part of community service. They collected eight bags of shampoo, soaps, hygiene products, deodorant, tooth brushes, tooth paste and mouthwash, for the community drive for hygiene products at Gary's Mobile.





The club also collected small stuffed animals for Easter to be given to residents at Pine Crest, Woodland Court and Bell Towers and collected pop top tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. They collected close to 40 lbs. over the year.







The Hi-Lo's 4-H Club had a water safety night, followed by a fun night at the Tomahawk School Pool. Educational and fun. They would like to give a big thank you to Judy Koshak for lifeguarding



## LEARNING BY DOING!



Sharing Your Talents!

May/June 2022





SO SUPER AVESOME

Cloverbud member, Cullen Callahan and his

family gave a presentation on sap collection and maple syrup to the Hi-Lo's 4-H club.

Have you or someone in your club done something awesome? Did someone give a presentation or share a skill or talent with others?

Has your club been part of a community service project? Held an amazing club event? SHARE IT HERE!

> Email the information and pictures to Becky at rebecca.kludy@wisc.edu

Inspire others to shine, too!



When planning 4-H club or group meetings, it's important to include the three parts of a meeting. Those three parts are commonly known as Business, Education and Recreation, Sometimes it's challenging to think about meetings using those terms – so we'd like to introduce you to a different perspective – Leading (Business), Learning (Education) and Laughing (Recreation)!



Leading (Business, 15-20 minutes): This is the official club decision making part of the meeting, when you, as a club, decide what you're going to do as a club. This part of the meeting is led by the youth leaders (sometimes officers, but this is where YOUTH VOICE is important!)

Learning (Education, 20-30 minutes): 4-H is all about education. During this part of the meeting, you, as a club, learn something. This could be a guest speaker, a member demonstration, community service, or a project. Don't forget to use your youth members as teachers!

Laughing (Recreation, 15-20 minutes): If we are not having fun in 4-H, we are missing a huge opportunity! A name game, team builder, service project or activity is a great way to build relationships, get to know members and families, and make club memories. And don't forget the snack time – food brings people together! You may even have a youth member who is willing to lead these activities!









WHAT 4-H PROJECT DID YOU SIGN UP FOR? BEEF, CAMPING, PHOTOGRAPHY, ROCK HOUNDING, WEAVING, OR...?

EXTENSION HAS FABULOUS CURRICULUM TO HELP YOU LEARN OR LEAD A PROJECT WORKSHOP. WE HAVE GREAT RESOURCES IN OUR OFFICE TO HELP YOU GET STARTED. IF WE DON'T HAVE IT, WE WILL FIND IT FOR YOU.

LET US KNOW HOW WE CAN HELP YOU PREPARE FOR FAIR!





Get started on your projects and plan on taking part!

# Beautify the Fairgrounds during the Fair

Many clubs participate in the Fair Board flower planter project each year. The Fair Board is asking all those interested in helping to "beautify" the fairgrounds to bring in flower planters/displays this year. Planters/dispays will be judged and certificates will be awarded.

The theme of the 2022 Fair is "Moov'in on with Tradition" Planters can be decorated to reflect this theme. Here is your chance to really show off your creative talents! Promote your club or activity and help make the fairgrounds a beautiful place. Participants will need to furnish all the supplies and to keep it watered during the fair, if needed.

Finished pots/displays should be dropped off at the fair office during the daytime August 15-17. If you have any questions please contact Sue Kunkel at 715-536-3209.

## Help Out with the fair!

If you would like to help out at the fair, we would love to have you!

You can –

- work in the fair office! Call Cindi at 715-218-7649 and leave a message
- Be a 4-H Fair Ambassador and help out with the judges and entries by running water, bringing supplies, etc. – Contact the 4-H office 715-539-1072
- work at the Dairyland Stand (and earn funds for 4-H activities)! Sign up at https: <u>signup.com/go/uUqPsSL</u> See Page 13 for more info!

# Fair Entry Process

May/June 2022



1. The 2022 Fair Exhibitor's Handbook will be available online at the Lincoln County Fair website (www.lincolncofair.com) by clicking on the Exhibitor tab. The handbook is in PDF format and can be printed off entirely or just the sections you are interested in. Watch our facebook to learn when the book is out!

Each year, as with every handbook, there are always changes to the departments, general information, judging times, etc. Please be sure to review these sections to keep current on what's happening at the fair this year.

2. Fair entries should be done online. Go to www.lincolncofair.com and click on the Exhibitors tab and then Entries. Deadline for entering is July 15, 2022, until midnight online or postmarked.

If you don't get two emails, you are NOT signed up! If you have completed your online fair entry properly, you will receive two emails—one indicating that you have an account followed by a second one that lists all of the entries you have made. Please be sure to double check this second email and keep for your records. If you do not receive this second email, you have not completed the entry process properly and need to go back into your account to complete the entry process. In most cases, you have not completed the final step where you agree to abide by the fair rules and hit submit.

**<u>Remember</u>**: Junior Division exhibitors must enter Junior Department if one exists for their projects. They may only enter Open Division if there is no Jr. Department (i.e. Open Antiques) or they were not enrolled as a 4-H member by the 4-H enrollment deadlines.

- 3. If you need to do a paper entry form, they are available at the Extension Office. You will need to make a copy of the entry form before submitting. You will not get a copy back with your entry tags.
- 4. **2022 Entry fees:** 1-40 entries are free; more than 40 entries are \$10. <u>You are</u> responsible to pay for the number of entries you enter even if you do not bring them to the fair.
- 5. All fees need to be mailed to the Lincoln County Fair office at P O Box 921, Merrill, WI 54452. Checks should be made payable to the "Lincoln County Fair Association". No credit/debit cards. Exhibitor tags will not be given out if the fees are not paid. The UW-Extension office cannot and will not accept any fees. Any paper entries should also be mailed to the Lincoln County Fair office along with any applicable fees. If you have questions on the entry process or any questions on the handbook, please contact Cindi Christiansen at (715) 218-7649.

The Lincoln County Fair thanks you for your continued support and looks forward to a great Fair!

Submitted by Cindi Christiansen, Lincoln County Fair Association



Official Business Penalty for Private Use, \$300 **RETURN ADDRESS REQUESTED** 

# Lincoln County 4-H Cancellation Policy Lincoln County 4-H Programs (county, club and groups) are automatically canceled if, in Lincoln County or the county where the event is scheduled to occur: 1. Schools close early or are canceled OR

 2. the National Weather Service has issued a WEATHER WARNING
(Winter Storm, Wind Chill, Tornado, Blizzard or Severe Thunderstorm Warning) for that county.



