



COMMUNICATOR

Statewide Scholarships

Each year, the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation provides a sum of money to the State 4-H Office for needs-based scholarships for youth to participate in statewide Educational Experiences. Wisconsin 4-H believes that cost should not be a barrier to program participation. Youth can apply for a scholarship by submitting their information at the Qualtrics form linked below. The responses to this form will remain confidential and will only be shared with a small committee that will be managing the scholarship funds.

Statewide Educational Experiences Scholarship Form: https://uwmadison.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3QR9t0bW0JFHlou

Each youth should submit one form per program they are participating in. Staff will do their best to assess each request and make a determination on the amount awarded when the scholarships are reviewed.

Programs

This scholarship fund is available to any youth who is attending one of our Statewide Educational Experiences. Examples of these experiences are:

- Advanced Space Academy
- Animal Science Programming (AASD, Quiz Bowl, Skillathon, Judging Contests)
- Arts Camp or ArtBEAT!
- Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF)
- Fall Forum
- National 4-H Congress
- National 4-H Conference
- Space Camp
- State Arts Team (Drama Company or Arts)
- Summer Academy
- Other Programs

*** Don't forget you are eligible to apply for a trip scholarship in St. Croix County as well to help cover the some of the cost of the trip.**

Forms can be found HERE: <https://stcroix.extension.wisc.edu/files/2022/08/2022-23-FINAL-Scholarship-Application-AND-Forms-Consolidated-FINAL-2022.08.01.pdf>

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4-H Pledge

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

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*St. Croix County 4-H
and
Extension St Croix County*

How to Make a 4-H Clover Catcher

Make a 4-H Clover Catcher and use it to connect with others and learn about the Wisconsin 4-H Movement!

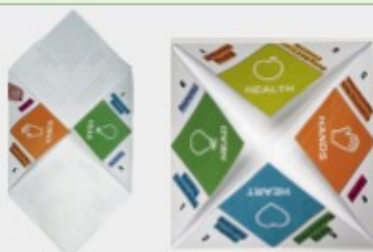
Step 1:

Using a 4-H clover sheet, remove the bookmark and cut around the outside lines.



Step 2:

With the pictures (head, heart, hands, health) and words face down, fold each corner to the middle.



Step 3:

With the pictures (head, heart, hands, health) face down, fold each new corner to the middle.



Step 4:

Fold your square in half, and then in half again (it will look like a small square). The more you fold it back and forth, the easier it will move.



Step 5:

Put your thumbs into the hand and health, and your pointer fingers into head and heart.



Need help?: You can locate a video tutorial by using the QR code to the right, OR by going to the URL:
<https://go.wisc.edu/2u8tc7>



How To Play:

1. Ask the other person to pick a word from the outside of the clover catcher (head, heart, hands, health).
2. Spell the word out loud and open and close the "mouth" of the catcher as you say each letter. (you can do this as many times as you want).
3. With the catcher open, ask the person to pick one of the 4-H Movement Values. Open and close the catcher as many times as the number listed with the value. (you can do this as many times as you want).
4. On the last time, flip the inner flap of the value selected and ask the question listed. Have that person answer the question!

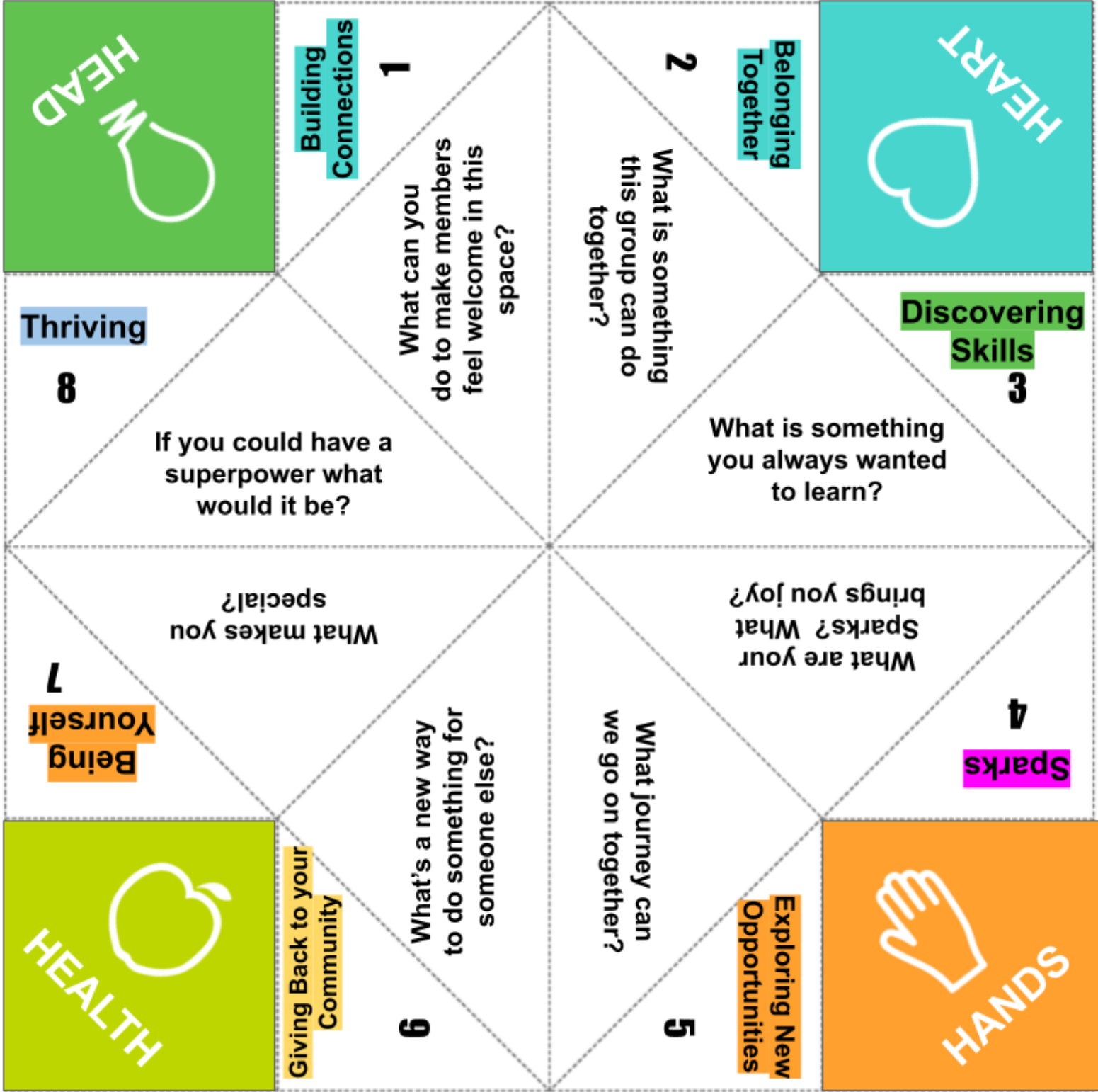


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 UW Madison Division of Extension, Wisconsin 4-H. Adapted
 from Michigan State University Extension 4-H Clover Catcher.



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Belonging Together

Recognize, understand, respect, and appreciate each other;

Being Yourself

Find and share your authentic sparks and interests;

Building Connections

Grow positive relationships with peers and adults;

Discovering Skills

Develop skills through hands-on learning to help you succeed and thrive;

Exploring New Opportunities

Open the door to new experiences, projects and places;

Giving Back to Your Community

Make meaningful contributions through community service and leadership.

The Wisconsin 4-H MOVEMENT

Clover Catcher

CALENDAR

March

- 1 Enrollment Deadline to show at St. Croix Co. Fair under 4-H
- 2 Dog Project Committee Meeting
- 4 3-D Printing
- 6 Horse Project Drill Team Commitment Meeting
- 6 Monthly Horse Project Meeting
- 7 Full Moon - Telescope Viewing
- 9 Cloverbuds @ Home
- 12 4-H Day @ Trollhaugen
- 13 VIP Training (RSVP Deadline March 6)
- 13 Robotics Programming
- 14 Livestock Committee Meeting
- 15 4-H Deadline to add/delete projects
- 21 Leaders Association Meeting
- 27 Robotics Programming
- 30 Dog Project Kick Off Meeting
- 31 4-H Scholarship Applications Due



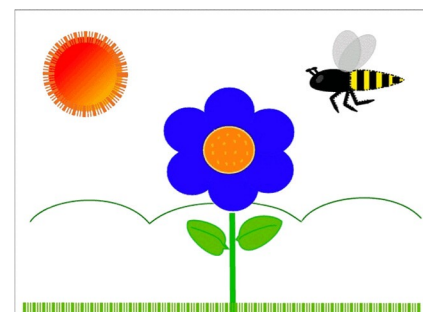
April

- 1 Fair Registration Opens
- 2 Dog Project Kick Off Meeting
- 3 Monthly Horse Project Meeting
- 10 Robotics Programming
- 11 Livestock Committee Meeting
- 13 Cloverbuds @ Home
- 15 Horse Project Kick Off Meeting
- 17 Rocket Building
- 17 Dairy Committee Meeting
- 24 Robotics Programming
- 27 Dog Obedience Orientation
- 29 Cupcake Decorating Workshop



May

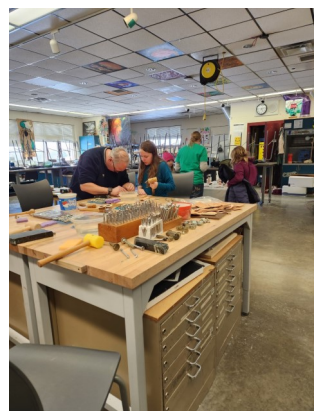
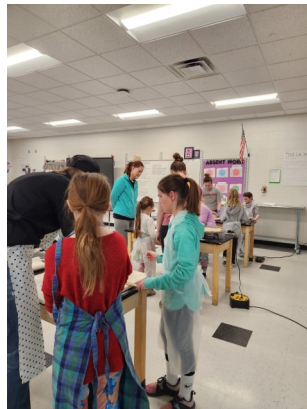
- 1 Monthly Horse Project Meeting
- 8 Robotics Programming
- 9 Livestock Meeting
- 22 Robotics Programming
- 29 UWEX Office Closed - HOLIDAY
- 31 Fair Entry Deadline



Clover College 2023

On Saturday, February 25th we hosted 90 K - 5th grade youth from St. Croix, Pierce and Polk Counties for Clover College at Spring Valley School. It was a fun filled day with a variety of workshops for youth to explore different 4-H projects. Youth took home several completed fair projects.

A **HUGE THANK YOU** to the volunteers in all the project areas that make this event a great experience for the youth. Also a special thank you to Spring Valley School for hosting the event!




CLUB INFORMATION

Barron, Polk, Pierce, St. Croix

4-H SUMMER CAMP

More Information coming Soon!
June 14-16 at Camp Kiwanis
15987 St. Croix Trail N. Marine on St. Croix, MN 55047



REGISTER ONLINE
BEGINNING MARCH 1
WI.4HONLINE.COM

3-6 Grade
(Base Camp)

6-8 Grade
(Outpost Camp)

Register March 1-April 1 Limited space available.
Payment Deadline April 15

Registration for 4-H Camp is open! Don't miss out on this super fun annual tradition! Spots are limited. Please register through 4-H Online.

FAIR PREMIUM BOOKS

The 2023-2024 Fair Exhibitor Premium Books will be going to the printer this week. Be sure to watch your weekly email blasts for information as to when and where the books will be available for Club Leaders to pick up for each family. Just a friendly reminder that Online entries will begin April 1 and conclude May 31 at midnight.



Foods Project Save the Date:

Saturday, April 29th
9 am - 12 pm
Cake Decorating
UW Extension Office



Clover University Update

There will be no Clover University in 2023!

Look for a new and improved experience in 2024!!!



Food Stand update:

It is almost that time of the year again. We sent an email to the leaders and I am thankful many of you have signed up already. We have a few shifts left. If you would like to sign up for the 2023 fair, please contact Debbie dstevens.gstevens@gmail.com or 715 684-9696. The first who contact me, get their first choice. You may sign up for more than one time slot, if you'd like to. We will be paying large groups \$150(was \$100) and small groups \$100(was \$50) per hour. An increase from the past few years. We will also pay the clubs that take more than one shift, an extra \$50.

We will be making the 4 kinds of malts and root beer floats this year. We might be adding strawberry shortcake and brownies /cookies with ice cream and whipped cream. We are not doing banana splits, pulled pork, beans or meals. If you are signing up for a large group, please make sure you have enough people to cover the malts, sandwich making, grills, cashier, etc. Younger youth are welcome to work the front. Thank you in advance for making the food stand work!

Open shifts:

Hours and work schedule:

<u>Stand Open</u>	<u>Shift Hours</u>	<u># people needed</u>
Wed: 11 – 8	Filled	
Thurs: 11 – 10	1:30 – 4:30 pm	11-12 people
Fri: 10 – 10	9:30 am – 11:30	11-12 people
	11:30 am – 2:30	20-22 people
	2:30 – 5:00 pm	20-22 people
	7:30 – 10:30 pm	20-22 people
Sat: 10 – 10:30	8:30 – 11 pm	20-22 people
Sun: 11– 4	Filled	



Thank you
Food Stand Committee

SUMMER 4-H INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY

- 5 REASONS TO INTERN WITH 4-H**
- 1** Build Leadership & Job Skills
 - 2** Gain Experience Working in Youth Education
 - 3** Explore Career Opportunities with Extension
 - 4** Great Resume Builder
 - 5** Have Fun While Working

To learn more information about the position and to apply, please visit <https://studentjobs.hr.wisc.edu/en-us/job/504066/polk-county-4h-youth-development-summer-intern#.Y872a9e0ccU.link>



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Join the 4-H Team this
Summer - Opportunity in
Polk County!
Application Closes March 17

Visit: <https://studentjobs.hr.wisc.edu/en-us/job/504066/polk-county-4h-youth-development-summer-intern?fbclid=IwAR1LF3FXsAcXe2BT3hiPZUGTN175ZUiJ-BpKBTCCG4-6VRSgJTQOptmGwF4xc>

4-H Day @ Trollhaugen - Sunday, March 12th 2023

Program Schedule:

Skiing and Snowboarding

Arrival - 11:30am arrival

Free Beginner Lessons - 12:00pm-1:00pm

Free Snowsports Merit Badge Test - 2:30pm



Tubing

Arrival 15-30 minutes prior to your tubing time (12pm, 2pm, 4pm starts)

Fees:

Lift Ticket \$21

Rental Package (ski or snowboard - includes helmet) \$19

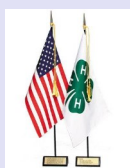
Tubing Ticket \$17 - 2 hours

How To Register:

Call 715-755-2955 x223 or email rose@trollhaugen.com Clubs and Youth must pre-register by **BY MARCH 3th, 2023** (Space is Limited and we may reach our capacity before this date - so please reserve as soon as possible).

Visit the website for more information: <https://trollhaugen.com/scout-and-4-h-days/>

What's Up with Your Club?



Would you like your Club featured in the next St. Croix County 4-H Communicator? It's simple! Write up a short article telling us just how fun your club's event / meeting was and make sure to include a picture with the names of the members featured. Let us and other clubs know the good work you are doing in the community! Once you have completed your story send it to Laura at laura.hinz@wisc.edu

Attention 4-H High School Seniors 2023!!

St. Croix County 4-H Educational Scholarships are now available! Each year, the SCC 4-H Leaders Association has granted scholarships to graduating seniors who are pursuing a post secondary education. Check out the link below for the details on how to apply for a 2023 4-H Scholarship - Deadline for all applications is **Friday, March 31, 2023 at 5pm.**

NEW TRADE SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP - If you are planning to pursue a career in the trades (which could include, but not be limited to, the fields of welding, construction, plumbing, carpentry, electrician, etc.) and are enrolled or plan to enroll in a vocational program for the 2023 – 2024 academic school year, this scholarship is for you! See link to detailed application below!

For help with creating cover letters and resumes, applicants should reach out to their club leaders, teachers or parents. There are also sample resumes at: <https://stcroix.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-scholarships/>

- St. Croix County 4-H Educational Scholarship Application 2023 <https://stcroix.extension.wisc.edu/files/2023/02/2023-Scholarship-Description-Application-FINAL-2023.01.29.pdf>
- St. Croix County 4-H TRADE Education Scholarship Application 2023 <https://stcroix.extension.wisc.edu/files/2023/02/2023-TRADE-Education-Scholarship-Description-Application-FINAL-2023.01.29.pdf>
- Betty Utecht Forgivable Loan Application 2023 (for the field of nursing) <https://stcroix.extension.wisc.edu/files/2023/02/2023-Betty-Utecht-Forgivable-Loan-Application-FINAL-2023.01.29.pdf>



2022-2023 4-H TRIP PARTICIPANTS

Reminder to members attending 4-H trips this year - don't forget you are eligible to apply for a trip scholarship to help cover the some of the cost of the trip.

Forms can be found **HERE:** <https://stcroix.extension.wisc.edu/files/2022/08/2022-23-FINAL-Scholarship-Application-AND-Forms-Consolidated-FINAL-2022.08.01.pdf>

Deadline – For trips scheduled in February 2023-June 30, 2023, application deadline is no later than March 31, 2023 at 5:00pm.

WISCONSIN 4-H FOUNDATION is now accepting scholarship applications

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation will award more than \$20,000 in scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin 4-H members and alumni pursuing higher education in 2023. To be considered for financial support, applications must be received by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation via email by **Wednesday, March 15, 2023, 5:00 pm.**

For more information, eligibility and how to apply: <https://wis4hfoundation.org/scholarships/>



9-PIN Tournament

March 12th, 2023

\$25 Entry Fee

SCRATCH GAMES - MUST BE 18 OR OLDER

Early Shift

Registration at 10 am

Bowling at 11 am

Limit 40 Bowlers

Late Shift

Registration at 2 pm

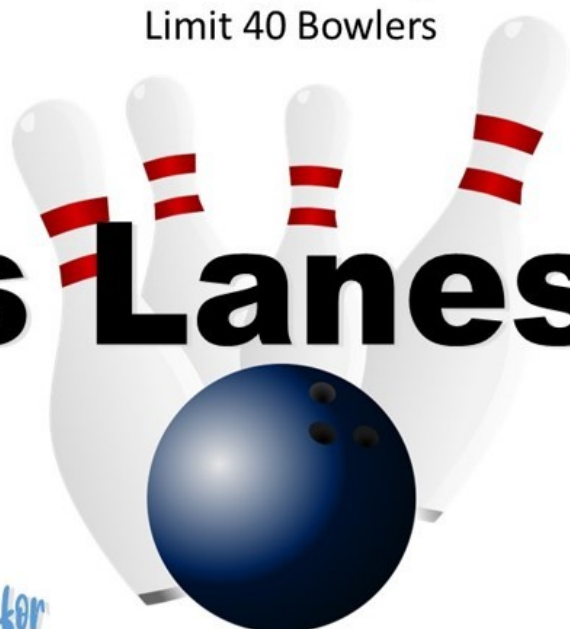
Bowling at 3 pm

Limit 40 Bowlers

Held At

Striker's Lanes

**780 Cedar Street
Baldwin, WI 54002**



*Proceeds for
Oakland Ramblers 4-H Activities with a donation to the St. Croix County Friends of the Fair*

Contact John Bazille (715-684-9529) to Sign up

LEADER NEWS

VIP Trainings - Required for New 4-H Volunteers

If you have adults who are interested in becoming certified 4-H volunteers they are required to take the Volunteer in Preparation Training (VIP). Completion of a VIP Training is one of the requirements to becoming a certified 4-H volunteer. All VIP Trainings will be held both in person and virtually (Zoom). These trainings take 1—1 1/2 hours to complete. For more information contact Sky sky.holt@wisc.edu

March 13 @ 6:30 pm (RSVP by March 6) - Balsam Lake

TO REGISTER FOR A TRAINING GO TO:

<https://forms.gle/REsfjNRwhZdKyaqH7>

Steps to Becoming a 4-H Volunteer

- 1.) Enroll in 4-HOnline
- 2.) Complete a National Background Check
- 3.) Attend VIP Training
- 4.) Complete online Mandated Reporter Training
- 5.) Complete online Title IX Training
- 6.) Complete Safe Spaces Training (effective Dec. 1)

Supporting Youth Mental Health for Volunteers Training

Build skills to support youth mental health. Sign up today!

Adults who volunteer with young people, care about young people. One way to show we care is to give help and support when someone is feeling down. That's what the Supporting Youth Mental Health for Volunteers Training—Supporting YMH, for short—is all about: knowing how to support youth when they're down, whether it's simply a bad day or it's more than that.

Supporting YMH has two parts:

- 1-hour online training
- 2-hour live training—offered virtually or in-person



Join the YMH Movement

A team of youth, volunteers, and staff developed this training. Now, it's available to you!

Volunteer Requirement:

- **2022-2023 4-H year:** Overnight youth experiences require all volunteers serving as chaperones, or adult advisors, to be trained.

After a volunteer has completed this training, a short booster training will be required every two years.

Register for Training

Choose the time and format (virtual or in-person) that works for you. See site: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/volunteer-resources/training-for-volunteers/supporting-ymh/>



Greetings from the Summer Academy Adult Advisor Committee!

4-H Volunteers are invited to apply to be Summer Academy Adult Advisors now through March 15th. Adult advisors will help create a safe, welcoming environment for our youth during Summer Academy, June 19-22 on the UW-Madison Campus.

These volunteers will have the opportunity to fill several key roles during our week in Madison, including:

- Lead Floor Advisor
- Dorm Monitor
- Theater/Assembly Monitor
- Pedestrian Safety
- Recreation Supervisor



Applications are available both online and paper copies.

Send all paper applications to:

Polk County UW Extension Office, % Lindsay Spindler, 100 Polk Plaza, Suite G600, Balsam Lake, WI 54810

Online application: <https://go.wisc.edu/ppw3zx>

Trainings, as well as an on-site orientation, are a vital part of being an Adult Advisor for this program. You must attend one session for each of the following trainings to become an Adult Advisor for Summer Academy 2023. Each training will be offered twice via Zoom.

- Training 1: Tuesday, April 11, 6:30-8:00 p.m. or Sunday, April 16, 6:30-8:00 p.m. - Roles & Responsibilities of Adult Advisors (Required for ALL)
- Training 2: Tuesday April 25, 6:30-8:00 p.m. or Sunday, April 30, 6:30-8:00 p.m. - Risk Management & Policies (Required for ALL)
- Training 3: Tuesday, May 16, 6:30- 8:00 p.m. or Sunday, May 21, 6:30-8:00 p.m. - Updates, Highlights & Final Preparation (Required for ALL)

4-H Event Insurance

As you plan out your club calendar take note of those activities that may require additional insurance. This insurance will cover all participants (youth/adult, 4-H and non 4-H). The cost is \$0.30/person/day. Contact Sky for insurance coverage.



St. Croix County 4-H Leaders Association Meeting

March 21 @ 7:00pm

UW-Extension Office or via ZOOM

Agenda will be sent out prior to the meeting



Shooting Sports Adult Leader Certification Training Workshops



Requirements for Attending an Adult Certification Workshop

Volunteers planning to be shooting sports 4-H leaders and current 4-H leaders may attend.

(Those completing a certification workshop with pending 4-H leader status must not instruct 4-H youth until 4-H leader status is approved in the county.)

- Age 21 or older to attend.
- Be an approved 4-H leader in your county or working with 4-H staff in your county to gain shooting sports leader status.
- Complete National 4-H Shooting Sport online training. (This one-time training is required for leaders/volunteers attending their first certification workshop.)
- Register for a certification workshop of choice and pay fee by credit card. (Only one certification can be obtained at a Saturday workshop.)
- Attend the complete 8 hours of a Saturday certification workshop.
- You must consult your county 4-H staff regarding your interest in becoming a certified instructor. Always ask their preferred payment method for national online training and your registration fee for a certification workshop. National online training and certification workshops have separate fees requiring a credit card payment.

For additional information and to register, please visit the State 4-H Shooting Sports web

at: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/projects/shooting-sports/leader-certification-training-workshops/> (Please read certification workshop requirements before registering)

2023 Northwestern Workshop, Hudson, WI

Date: Saturday, April 22, 2023

Time: 8AM – 5PM

Disciplines: Archery (This is an archery only workshop.)

Register now: <https://forms.gle/bt6Gsf3CWtWpDwwT7>

Registration Deadline: April 14, 2023

Location: A-1 Archery, 587 Lenertz Rd, Hudson, WI 54016

2023 Southern Workshop

Date: April 22, 2023

Time: 8AM – 5PM

Disciplines: Archery, Muzzleloader, Rifle/Air Rifle, Shotgun

Register now: <https://forms.gle/GQjC7v5QUH1ccupe7>

Registration Deadline: April 14, 2023

Location: Stoughton Conservation Club, 918 Collins Rd, Stoughton, WI 53589

2023 Northern Workshop, Phillips, WI

Date: May 13, 2023

Time: 8AM – 5PM

Disciplines: Archery, Rifle/Air Rifle, Shotgun

Register now: <https://forms.gle/Cvib195vPSbKNP8W9>

Registration Deadline: May 5, 2023

Location: Price County UW-Madison Extension Office, 104 S Eyder Ave # 240, Phillips, WI 54555

St. Croix County 4-H Dairy Member Scholarship - Deadline May 1 **Sponsored by the Schultz Family**

Who is eligible for this award? High school seniors planning to continue their education in any agriculture related field. (Four year college, two year program, vocational or other). Applicant must have been a St. Croix County 4-H dairy member in good standing for a minimum of 3 years and have a minimum of a 3.0 High School GPA.

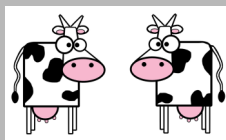
Please contact Cindy Schultz at schultzdairy@hotmail.com for complete information and the application.

Must complete the application, provide two letters of recommendation from non-family members and provide a personal resume. To Cindy by 11:59 pm on **May 1, 2023**.



Dairy Committee Meeting

The next Dairy Committee Meeting will be
Monday April 17, 2023 at 7 pm
@ UW-Extension Office, Baldwin
(conference room)



Attention all 4-H members interested in Dairy Judging!

Tentatively Date: April 11 at 7 pm
Location: Nova Holsteins (Kamms)
Address: 1710 190th St., New Richmond

Please watch the Communicator, email blasts and the dairy youth facebook page for updates.

Save the Dates Shooting Sports:

After many talks, starting in Dec. with Willow River Rod and Gun Club representatives, I am happy to announce that we have successfully locked in Saturday dates for the 2023 4-H season similar to the past few years.

The practice dates are **May 13th and 27th & June 3rd and 24th**.

The competition date will be on **July 8th**.

Shotgun, rimfire rifle, and air rifle will start at 9AM concluding around 10:30AM.

Archery will start at 10:30AM concluding around 12 noon.

We can maneuver some within these time frames to accommodate exhibitors with multiple disciplines but we can not start any earlier than 9AM and the order of the two start times is at the request of the Gun Club. As always exhibitors are required to complete any two of the four practices to be eligible to place on the competition day. Pre practice parents meeting TBD

Questions? Please contact Shawn Weyer:
weyershawn25@gmail.com





Dog Project 2023 - Year at a Glance

Questions? Please reach out to Deb Beyer at deborahbeyer2015@gmail.com or message our Facebook group @St.Croix County 4-H Dog Project Members

<u>Optional - Winter Education and Enrichment Season: January-March</u>	<i>Youth education sessions over the winter are optional for all dog project enrollees. Winter rally and agility training is only for those who have passed several seasons of obedience training and the Dog Bite Prevention class.</i>
February and March Sundays 3-4 pm	Dog Agility and Rally foundation. This is held indoors at Overdale Kennel, N8694 County Road B, Spring Valley WI. 54767. <i>To participate, youth/dog teams must be experienced in obedience training and be at the NOVICE LEVEL or above. They must also have attended the Dog Bite Prevention class.</i> This class will run for a consecutive 8 weeks, dates are subject to change.
March 2 Thursday, 7 pm	St. Croix County 4-H Dog Project committee meeting. This is a business meeting for the project leaders, held at Bank Five Nine, 118 Homestead Drive, Suite #5, New Richmond, WI. Any parents or youth who want to participate in the planning discussions are welcome.
March 15	4-H Youth Project Enrollment Deadline. All youth wanting to participate in the dog project must enroll via 4-H online by this date.
March 26 Sunday 2-3 pm	Jump Building for Agility and Obedience. This is held indoors at Overdale Kennel, N8694 County Road B, Spring Valley WI. This class is open to all dog project members; members attend <u>without</u> their dogs. Cost is \$30.00 per member.
<u>Required - Spring Training Season: April-July</u>	<i>Spring training for the youth/dog teams in obedience is required for all members and is foundational for expanding to additional disciplines. This is preparation for the St. Croix Co. Dog Show.</i>
March 30, 7pm April 2, 4pm	Mandatory Dog Project Kick Off Meeting. Held at the St. Croix County Education Center 1960 8th Ave. Baldwin, WI. All dog project members MUST ATTEND ONE of the two dates offered.
April 27 7:30 pm	Dog obedience orientation. Location TBD. <u>Youth only - no dogs at this session!</u> Dog project members new and old will learn the basics of what to expect in the obedience training sessions, meet the trainers, and have a great time getting to know each other.
May/June	Dog obedience and showmanship weekly training on Thursday evenings. Agility and rally practices resume. Times and places TBD.
June 6	St. Croix County 4-H Dog Project Committee meeting.
June	Grooming clinic and career exploration field trip. Date and time to be determined.
July	Dog Project Fun Show and St. Croix County Fair Dog Show Dates and Times TBD.
<u>Optional - Summer</u>	<i>Training continues for those qualified and interested to show at</i>



Dog Project 2023 - Year at a Glance

Questions? Please reach out to Deb Beyer at deborahbeyer2015@gmail.com or message our Facebook group @St.Croix County 4-H Dog Project Members

Training Season: July-Oct.	<i>the WI state dog show. Annual project year wrap-up.</i>
Aug./Sept.	Optional agility, rally, obedience, showmanship practices resume to prepare for State 4-H dog show participants. Times and places TBD.
Sept. 12	Proposed dog project banquet and annual project year wrap-up.
Sept./Oct.	Dog project promotional events at White Pine Berry Farm and Camp St. Croix. Dates and Times TBD.
Sept/Oct dates TBD	State 4-H Dog Show
Winter Break: Nov.-Dec.	<i>Break from training. Practice 1-2 times only in preparation for the holiday parade.</i>
December	New Richmond Holiday Lights Parade. Date and time TBD.

St. Croix County dog project – an exciting year ahead!

To suit a variety of skill and interest levels, there are a variety of program elements in the dog project and we want to clear up any confusion, since we have a lot to offer year-round. The core required season is spring (April-July) for everyone to get ready for obedience and showmanship at the St. Croix County dog show in July. Everything else is optional and dependent on what skill level you are at.



New dog project members enrolled via 4-H online by March 15, 2023: You are welcome to participate in any of the education sessions this winter, but you are not eligible to bring your dog. Training will begin in April for you, and in May for you and your dog as a team. You will train up until the county fair. If you want to train beyond that (August-October) you can discuss with your trainers and find out what you'd be eligible to do. What you are eligible to do depends on your skill level in obedience training.

For all dog project members – just the basics: No matter what skill level you are at, if you are wanting to do only the basic or minimal amount of training in the dog project, that would mean that you'd go to the mandatory meeting in April and then participate in at least 5 of the 10 sessions of obedience training offered May-July (Thursday evenings). This is the minimal requirement for showing at the County Fair.

Educational classes: These are open to all youth in 4-H, whether enrolled in the dog project or not. The classes are offered as optional learning opportunities for you and your family and are not required, except the Dog Behavior and Dog Bite Prevention class is a prerequisite for those who are eligible and want to train in agility and rally.

Training classes for youth/dog teams: Obedience and showmanship training is offered just May-July and is open to all dog project enrollees – no matter what skill level.

Agility and rally training will be offered throughout much of the year, so youth/dog teams can stay tuned up and keep learning. Agility and rally training is open to youth/dog teams that have passed the basics of obedience and are training at the novice level or higher – they also have participated in the Dog Behavior and Dog Bite Prevention education session.

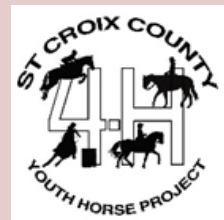
Committee meetings: These business meetings are held quarterly for the dog project volunteer leaders and any other parents or youth who want to help plan the program logistics

Horse Project News

Upcoming 2023 Youth Horse Project Meetings - Ag Center

Youth Meeting 7:00 / all project meeting 7:30

- Monday March 6th
- Monday April 3rd
- Monday May 1st
- Monday June 5th
- Monday July 3rd
- Monday Aug 7th



Special Events - Ag Center unless otherwise noted

- March 6th - Drill team commitment meeting - Ag Center in Baldwin 6:00 pm
- ~~March 26th - Quiz bowl Practice - Ag Center in Baldwin at 6:30pm - CANCELED~~
- April 15th- Kick off Meeting- Ag Center in Baldwin- Arrival time: 8:30am, starting at 9:00am
- April 20th- Kick off Meeting- Star Prairie Town Hall- Arrival time: 6:30pm, starting at 7:00pm
- ~~April 23rd - Quiz Bowl Practice - Ag Center in Baldwin at 6:30pm - CANCELED~~
- June 3rd - 8:00 Am - Day of Clinics - St. Croix County FairGrounds
- June 23 - 25th - Weekend Extravaganza - St. Croix County FairGrounds
- Monday Oct 2, 6:00 - Annual year end banquet and annual meeting - New Richmond American Legion

If you have any questions on the St. Croix County Youth Horse Project, please email

stcroixcountyhorseproject@gmail.com

STEM Happenings:

Robotics:

Join us for Robotics programming to learn how to program a Lego EV3 robot. Open to new and advanced programmers. The **2nd and 4th Mondays starting in January from 6:30-7:30 pm** at the Extension Office.

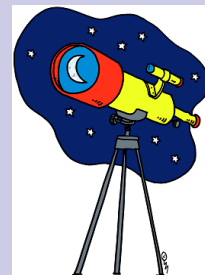
Full Moon:

Ever wanted to see what a full moon looks like up close?

Come use the 4-H telescope on **Sunday, Tuesday, March 7 from 7-8 pm** at the Extension Office.

3-D Printing:

Join us to create a 3-D model that can be used for 3-D printing. On **Saturday, March 4, 9 am-12 pm**, we will have a demonstration on how the 3-D printer works and then you can create a model of your own. Due to the amount of time involved to print, your model will be printed and sent to you a few weeks afterward. **Bring a USB drive to save your work.**



Rockets:

On **April 17 from 6-8 pm** come to the extension office to create a rocket of your own. On **May 6 at 10 am** we will launch the rockets outside, weather permitting.

Please email bj.sippl@gmail.com or text 715-338-1159 to RSVP for any of these events.



Synergy Cooperative Show Feed Meeting Saturday, March 11th 2023

Schedule

10 - 11 AM

Sheep & Goat
Workshops

11 - Noon

Lunch & Buyer Contact
Workshop

Noon - 1

Pig & Beef Workshops

Location:

Baldwin Extension Office

1960 8th Ave Baldwin, WI 54002

RSVP:

RSVP and direct any questions to
Jennifer Catlin 715-357-3038 or
John Bazille 715-684-9529.

***Please RSVP so we can
get a count for lunch!**

SPEAKERS:

Doug Palmer

Synergy Cooperative Show Feeds

John Bazille

Buyer's Contact & Proper Show Attire

Megan Mezera & Jennifer Catlin

Honor Show Chow Feeds and High Octane Feed Supplements



4-H T-Shirt Design Opportunity:

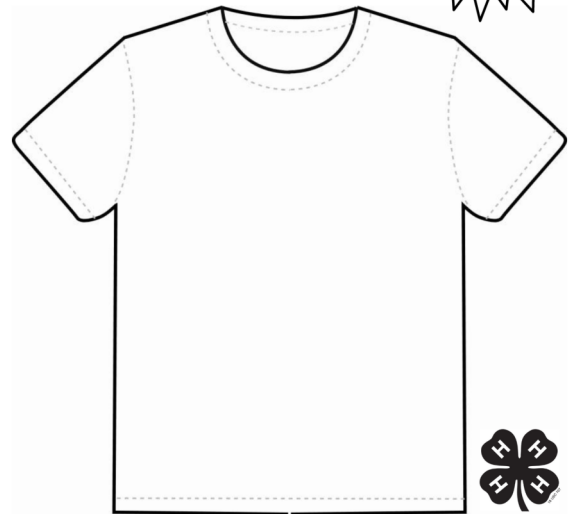
Want to see your design on a statewide 4-H shirt? Turn in a one color design between now and March 20! You can draw your design on the form found here: <https://go.wisc.edu/egj6p2> or on a blank piece of paper. Designs can be free drawn or computer designed. Designs must be original and should use the official clover. Completed designs should be uploaded to: <https://go.wisc.edu/75ts32>



Name: _____
4-H Club: _____
County: _____
Email: _____

T-shirt Design

- Design must include the Official 4-H Clover
- Design must only be on the front and one color
- Please do not use your club/county name on the design as we want the design to represent all of Wisconsin 4-H.
- Have fun and be creative!
- Use this form, or any blank sheet of paper/file
- Submit to: <https://go.wisc.edu/75ts32>



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Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame Nominations Now Open!

Nominations are now open for induction into the 2023 Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame! The Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame is established to recognize 4-H volunteers, financial supporters, staff, and pioneers who made major contributions to the 4-H movement at the local, state, and national levels. You will find the nomination form at <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/wisconsin-4-h-hall-of-fame/>

Review the criteria on the website for more details on requirements. The deadline for submitting nominations is May 19, 2023.

If you have nominated someone in the past and they were not selected to be inducted, they may be nominated again but you must refresh the nomination carefully, considering the criteria. Past laureates are highlighted on the website if you are looking for ideas on potential nominees.

Laureates will be notified in late June if they have been selected for induction in the 2023 class. Induction ceremony for the Class of 2023 will be held in April 2024 (details TBD).

Thank you for your help in finding those special 4-H people to receive this honor!

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OTHER NEWS



Apply for the AGR Competitive Edge Scholarship



Dear Future Badger,

Are you planning to attend college this fall and considering the University of Wisconsin-Madison? If so, Alpha Gamma Rho (AGR) has created the Competitive Edge Conference and Scholarship Program for students admitted to UW-Madison for the fall 2023. This program will help you transition the skills you learned as a high school student to a college campus and adjust to becoming a Wisconsin Badger by getting an early start learning about life at UW-Madison.

Alpha Gamma Rho at the University of Wisconsin-Madison is offering multiple scholarships for incoming students. We encourage all admitted students to apply via the link below. The other part of the scholarship selection process is an interview. Interviews will take place on campus on Saturday, March 25th, unless other arrangements are made.

Along with this scholarship program, a conference will be held on campus, where you will be able to meet other future Badgers, learn from students on campus, and listen to speakers from the university. Parents are encouraged to attend as there will be a program catered towards them as well.

Scholarship Application - Application deadline is March 4th, 2023
www.wisconsinagr.com/competitive-edge

Competitive Edge is designed to provide incoming students and their parents an idea of what to expect while attending UW-Madison. Members of AGR will be on hand to answer questions about personal experiences and the best ways to smoothly transition into college life, as well as the opportunity to speak with students who are a part of the various majors that the university has to offer. Please note that the dress will be business professional for students that will be interviewing.

For more information or questions please contact Competitive Edge Scholarship Program Coordinators, Jacob Roden at jvrod@wisc.edu or 414-750-2240 or Daniel Zhu at dqzhu@wisc.edu or 303-359-6302

On, Wisconsin!

Summer Opportunity from the YMCA Educational Farm:

We are searching for three, full time summer seasonal staff who would be educators on our educational farm here at Camp St. Croix: a Discovery Garden Educator, High Tunnel Educator, and Farm Animal Educator. We would love it if these individuals had a background and experience in agriculture, education, or simply a connection to the land and the source of our food. Experiences and enjoyment in working with kids is also helpful!

We are hiring 16 years olds and up, but the preference would be they are 17-18 or older as they will be working with some machinery (depending on experience and skill level). Pay starts at \$16/hour! Hours are Monday through Friday.

If interested and job description email Anna...

Anna Zimmer
Farm Program Director
YMCA CAMP ST. CROIX
532 County Road F, Hudson
WI 54016
(E) anna.zimmer@ymcamn.org
(P) 651-739-6599



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- Teamwork
- Communication
- Leadership



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WHY SHOULD I ATTEND?

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THE TEAM

Others to be announced on the website.



Hometown Hero Astronaut Dottie Metcalf-Lindenburger, is a former high school science teacher who joined NASA in 2004 and flew to the International Space Station as a Mission Specialist on STS-131. She also commanded an underwater NEEMO mission. A member of the Space Camp Hall of Fame, and speaker on the TedX stage, she loves to speak about and promote STEAM education.



Michelle spent 10 years working at NASA primarily in International Space Station (ISS) Flight Control Operations Planning and as an Astronaut Instructor in the Daily Operations Group. Her passion for inspiring students led to extensive work with other organizations in STEM outreach. She then decided to form Higher Orbits to continue to work to inspire students about the wonders of STEM through spaceflight.

www.GoForLaunch.space

Check website for more information!

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