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What is 4-H?

4-H is America's largest
youth development
organization—empowering
nearly six million young
people with the skills to
lead for a lifetime.

A community for all kids...
In 4-H, we believe in the
power of young people.
We see every child with
valuable strengths and real
influence to improve the
world around us.

We believe...
all young people have
potential, ensuring
access and equity for all,
the practice of positive
youth development by
creating positive
learning experiences,
caring and trusted adult
mentors who cultivate
positive relationships
with youth, and
developing young people
who are empowered,
confident, hard-working,
determined, responsible
and compassionate—seeing
a world beyond themselves
so that they have the life-
long skills to succeed in
college and career.

Summer 4-H Camp ... Just Around the Corner

Even though you may not have put away your winter coat just yet, it's time to start thinking about 4-H summer camps.

Are you ready to experience one of the most fun weeks of your life? Do you like catching bugs, fish, butterflies or crawdads? Maybe you want to fly drones or rockets? Swimming, crafts, riflery, archery, canoeing, or music. Do you like adventure with a climbing wall and zip line? Do you like making new friends and having lots of fun? If any of these things appeal to you, sign up for 4-H camp this summer.

At each of Kentucky's 4-H camps, you'll find all of the fun things above and more. You might come to camp a little nervous and uncertain about what's to come, but you soon find yourself meeting new friends and learning new skills and activities. You will find the time is gone, and all too quickly, it's time to go home.

Of course, you'll be able to take home your memories of the time you spent shooting a bow and arrow, possibly being on the winning team in field relay games, cooling off at the pool and certainly the fun friends and camp staff you met.

4-H camps are open to all youth, ages nine through fourteen. Teens and adults can serve as volunteer chaperones; contact the 4-H office for more details and the volunteer forms.

4-H camps provide a safe, secure and fun environment for Kentucky campers. Two on-site EMT/health care provider are always available. Volunteer chaperones are trained



Campers and Volunteers, Camp '23

and screened. Local 4-H agents will attend camp with your child.

4-H camps have been awarded accreditation by the American Camp Association in recognition of our program using the "best practices in the camping industry" in providing a safe, nurturing, and fun environment for our campers.

Green County 4-H camps at Lake Cumberland from June 11-14. Registration forms are available now and camp will fill up quickly. Camp fees are \$300 and includes everything like transportation, lodging, meals, activities and a camp t-shirt. Youth can earn up to \$75 for camp by being involved in our Speech and Demonstration contest. A \$100 deposit saves your spot with the final payment due by May 23. There is a mandatory camper/adult orientation scheduled for 2:00pm on June 2nd.

Camp provides attendees with a diverse, fun learning environment with a focus on the 4-H philosophy of "learn by doing." For questions on camp, contact the Green County Cooperative Extension Service. See you at camp!

To Make the Best Better



4-H For All

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Looking for Adults who Like to Cook

In March and April, 4-H will be holding cooking project days for youth. We are looking for adults who love cooking and would share their talents. State fair food categories include breads and desserts, but we are interested in other foods and techniques. Any adult interested should contact the 4-H office.



Astronomy Night

Calling all curious young explorers! Are you ready to blast off on an adventure through the cosmos? Join us for an epic Astronomy Discovery Night on March 4 at the 4-H office at 6pm. Unravel the mysteries of our solar system, from fiery suns to icy giants, sparkling stars, and even the occasional comet streak.

Imagine: peering into the night sky through a telescope, feeling the vastness of space unfold before you. You'll learn about planets, stars, galaxies, and more, all while having a blast with hands-on activities.

☐ Register by February 29 by calling the 4-H office.



Speech and Demos

4-H's annual showcase is a celebration of communications and set for April 22 starting at 6pm. The event includes the local contest for Speeches and Demonstrations. Champions advance to the Area Showcase in early May. Youth interested must register by April 17. For more details, contact the 4-H office. All youth participating in county event will receive a \$25 summer camp scholarship; winners that attend the area contest will receive an additional \$50 camp scholarship.

Demonstration Contest

The Demonstration Contest allows 4-H'ers to show how to do something they enjoy. The time limit is 15 minutes for most categories. Competition is against other 4-H'ers based upon age and categories. There are sixteen categories in each age division.

Speech Contest

The 4-H speech contest allows youth to compete against youth who are the same age. The speech may be on any topic. Youth ages 9-13 (as of January 1, 2023) should prepare a speech that is 3-5 minutes; senior 4-Hers should prepare a speech 5-7 minutes.

☐ Register by April 17:

**Visit GreenCounty4-H.org
or call us at 270-932-5311**



4-H Animal Programs

The deadline to complete your interest form for any of the 4-H animal programs including Horse, Dog, Poultry, Rabbits, Beef, Dairy, Sheep, Goats, or Swine is February 15. We are in need of adults willing to help with these animal species. Call the 4-H office for more details.



Senior 4-H Forestry

On February 20, our 4-H state Forestry Specialist, Laurie Thomas will offer a senior youth workshop in Adair County from 9 am till 1 pm. Youth interested in Forestry judging and contest are welcome to attend. It is free for youth age ages 14-18.

☐ Call the 4-H office to register to participate by February 15.



4-H Shooting Sports

The deadline to complete your interest form for any of the 4-H shooting sports programs including archery, rifle, pistol, black powder or trap is February 15. We are in need of adults willing to help with these disciplines and a certified coordinator volunteer. Call the 4-H office for more details.



International Club

The next 4-H International Club meeting is February 28 from 3pm-4:30pm CT. The club is free to join, but all youth must register by Feb 25 to prepare adequate food and supplies. Monthly meetings are scheduled on fourth Wednesdays.

Youth may ride the bus from school to the 4-H office with a parent's note, but they will need to be picked up at 4:30pm.

☐ Register by Feb 25; [4-H Participant Form is required at first meeting youth attends](#)



Engineering Project Design a Rubber Band Car

Calling all innovators and aspiring engineers! Get ready to put your creativity and problem-solving skills to the test at our Rubber Band Racer Challenge, a thrilling activity designed to ignite your passion for science, technology, engineering, and math).

This exciting event, open to youth in grades 4-8, invites you to channel your inner gear head and build the fastest, most innovative rubber band car imaginable. Using simple materials like cardboard, straws, and - of course - rubber bands, you'll be challenged to design, build, and race your miniature masterpiece. The grand finale will be a heart-pounding race where your car will race against others.

The event will be held March 6 from 3-5pm at the 4-H office. Youth may ride the school bus to our office with a school note, but an adult will need to pick them up at 5pm. Mark your calendars for our Rubber Band Racer Challenge! We can't wait to see your incredible creations!

☐ Register by Feb 25; [4-H Participant Form is required to attend.](#)

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Make a Difference in Our Community's Youth

Agriculture is vital to the livelihood of every Kentuckian and it is through programs like 4-H and FFA that we continue to instill these values in youth. Each simple \$10 donation made when renewing an Ag Tag culminates to have a major impact on the youth of Green County.

Kentucky 4-H is one of the most important and influential youth programs in our state and our county. Over 290,000 youth ages 9 to 19 learn about leadership, citizenship and life skills in "learn-by-doing" experiences such as communications and public speaking, through agriculture projects like livestock, gardening, science projects with robotics, 4-H camp, Teen Conference, and many other 4-H programs.

As we look to February and March for 2024 Ag Tag renewals, we ask that you remember to make your voluntary donations on each farm license plate you renew. If every Green Countian renewing an Ag Tag were to make the voluntary \$10 donation, \$21,000 could be raised! Think of the impact that could have on your community and its future leaders!

Please help us in growing leaders, strengthening the agriculture community and funding opportunities for Green County youth this year through Ag Tag voluntary donations! If you have questions or would like to support Green County 4-H directly, please reach out to us.



ELEVATING LEADERS

**YOUR DONATION
YOUR COMMUNITY
ELEVATES KY LEADERS**
GIVE \$10 WITH EACH AG TAG AND
GROW KENTUCKY YOUTH

HALF OF THE FUNDS FOR 4-H AND FFA COME
BACK TO YOUR LOCAL CLUBS AND CHAPTERS
IN YOUR COUNTY.

SUPPORT STATEWIDE PROGRAMS
IMPACTING 274,000 STUDENTS ENROLLED
IN 4-H, FFA AND KY PROUD MEMBERS.

**KENTUCKY
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FARM**

BY MAKING
A \$10 DONATION
WITH YOUR AG TAG,
YOU ARE CHOOSING TO
INVEST DIRECTLY INTO THE
FUTURE OF KENTUCKY
AGRICULTURE. DONATIONS ARE
DIVIDED EQUALLY BETWEEN FFA,
4-H AND KENTUCKY PROUD WITH HALF
GOING DIRECTLY BACK TO YOUR COUNTY.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

