# Taylor County 4-H Email Blast 2.1.19

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<u>-ParliPro Workshop</u>
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### **Deadline Quick Reference**

Summer Camp Counselor/	WPA Pig Project	RSVP for ParliPro	WI State 4-H Livestock Quiz
Chaperone Applications	Scholarship Application	Workshop due February 15	Bowl/4-H Skillathon
due February 8	due <b>February 8</b>		registration due February 22

### **Event Information**

### Youth Leadership Organization (YLO) Meeting

There is a YLO meeting on **February 3, 2019** at 3pm at the UW-Extension Building. All youth in grades 6-13 are welcome to attend! If you have questions, please contact Stephanie at the UW-Extension office.

### Federation of Taylor County 4-H Meeting

There is a Federation of Taylor County 4-H Meeting scheduled for **February 11,2019** at the Extension office starting at 7:30pm. If you have questions or items to add to the agenda, please email Stephanie.

### ParliPro Workshop

A hands-on learning session about parliamentary procedure (parli pro) for youth leaders and adult leaders. The workshop will be facilitated by the UW-River Falls ParliPro Team with the help of Rusk and Taylor County Positive Youth Development Educators. We invite any youth leaders from any organization to attend!

When: February 28, 2019 (time to be announced)

Where: Jump River Community Center

Please RSVP to Stephanie by February 15! Phone: 715-748-3327 x4 or email: <a href="mailto:stephanie.boehnlein@ces.uwex.edu">stephanie.boehnlein@ces.uwex.edu</a>

### WI State 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl and 4-H Skillathon

The 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl and State 4-H Skillathon contests will be held together on Saturday March 2, 2019 at UW Madison Animal Sciences Building, Madison, WI. <u>Deadline for registration is Feb. 22, 2019</u>. <u>Only emailed registrations</u> <u>will be accepted, mailed registrations will NOT be accepted</u>. The cost is \$12 per youth and due at the time of registration. Registration starts at 9 a.m., competitions start at 9:30 a.m. Teams are encouraged to participate in both contests as they will be occurring at the same time. The planning committee reserves the right to alter schedule if needed to manage both contests effectively.

The teams are divided into three age divisions and teams can consist of 3 or 4 members. The junior division are youth who are under 14 years of age as of Jan.1, 2018. The senior division are youth who are all 14 years of age or older as of Jan. 1, 2018. A mixed team must contain at least one youth from each age division.

Livestock Bowl is a quiz competition where all the questions are about beef, sheep, swine, and meat goat topics and students use a buzzer in order to answer the questions. Teams compete in a double elimination format by giving oral answers to questions posed by a moderator. Each match has both an individual and toss-up question round. The winning 4-H senior team will represent Wisconsin at the National 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl competition in Omaha, NE at the AKSARBEN Livestock Exhibition.

Skillathon contest is made up of a written quiz and learning stations such as breed identification, feed identification, equipment identification as well as some team activities such as demonstrating evaluation skills. The top Senior level 4-H team will represent Wisconsin at the National 4-H Skillathon Contest, held each fall in Louisville at the North American International Livestock Exposition.

Competition in Quiz Bowl & Skillathon encourages members to develop a more complete knowledge of animals and related subjects. This contest provides an educational program for all project members, including those who may not own a project animal, and provides a way to develop self-confidence. These programs are a great parallel to some similar programs that breed associations and other organizations conduct such as Junior Cattle Nationals, NJSA (National Junior Swine Association) and the All-American Sheep Show.

For more information and registration information, please contact Bernie O'Rourke, UW Extension Youth Livestock Specialist and contest coordinator at (608) 263-4304, <u>borourke2@ansci.wisc.edu</u> or the Animal Science Youth Website at <u>http://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/programs/quizbowlskillathon/</u>. You can also "like" Wisconsin Youth Livestock Program on Facebook as well.

## **Other Updates**

### Summer Camp Counselors Needed—Application deadline extended!

If you are in 9th grade or above and wish to be a summer camp counselor for Junior or Intermediate camp, please fill out the application on the next page, or submit an online application which can be found on the Taylor County UW-Extension website. Camp counselors are required to be mature and able to relate to campers and staff. They must take leadership responsibility and be able to help evaluate camp. Most qualified applicants will have experience as a camper or counselor. Camp counselors will be chosen based on how closely they meet the criteria of the position. Counselors will be expected to participate in camp counselor training (on April 13) and all camp activities. Camp counselors will serve as a counselor for 5-10 4-H members. See details and the application on the Taylor County UW-Extension website at <a href="https://taylor.uwex.edu/4-h/taylor-county-4-h-camp/">https://taylor.uwex.edu/4-h/taylor-county-4-h-camp/</a>. Applications are due February 8, 2019 to the Extension Office.

### Summer Camp Adult Chaperones and Nurse Needed—Application deadline extended!

Another important role are adult chaperones. Adult chaperones must be 21 or older and have completed the 4-H Leader training. Adult chaperones are a crucial part of camp, we cannot run camp without devoted adults. In past years, there has been a need for more adults to volunteer, especially adult male chaperones. We will need 1 adult per 10 campers as mandated by the state, and one nurse. While this experience is not a "vacation" for adults, it is necessary to have enough adults to provide a safe camp and to be able to provide impactful programming that youth will learn valuable life skills from and remember for a lifetime.

Please consider being an adult chaperone if you meet the qualifications. <u>We will only be able to send youth to camp if</u> <u>we have enough chaperones</u>. If you are interested, please submit a half page letter of interest including why you would like to volunteer as an adult chaperone and your experience working in a camp setting. Letters can be sent to the Extension office or emailed to <u>stephanie.boehnlein@ces.uwex.edu</u> by **February 8, 2019**.

#### Taylor County 4-H Seeking Shooting Sports Project Leader

Currently, the Taylor County 4-H program is seeking a shooting sports project leader to be able to have meetings again. Please contact Stephanie to learn about the requirements if you are interested!

#### **Taylor County 4-H Seeking a Food Stand Manager**

The 4-H Food Stand is looking for a new manager to begin at the 2019 fair. There would be an opportunity for the new person to be mentored at the 2019 fair. If you are interested, contact Stephanie for more information.

### Stephanie's Contact Information email: <u>stephanie.boehnlein@ces.uwex.edu</u> phone: 715-748-1981

#### **Taylor County 4-H Resources**

Taylor County UW-Extension Website: <a href="http://taylor.uwex.edu/">http://taylor.uwex.edu/</a>

4HOnline: https://www.4honline.com/