



Sept/Oct 2024

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Dear 4-H Families and Friends:

Wow! Another 4-H year is about to begin. Enrollment for the 2023-2024 4-H year begins Saturday, September 2 - see inside for more information. Summer was full of 4-H activities - see inside for pictures from various events. I enjoyed seeing many of you and your exhibits at the Taylor County Fair. The fair is a great venue for showcasing the work 4-H members have done and what they have learned throughout the past 4-H

Now it is time to get those record books completed. Part of the learning process is reflecting on what goals you reached, what you learned and what you would like to do different next year. Record keeping is a valuable life skill and can earn you 4-H awards and financial scholarships for 4-H travel experiences. Talk to some of our older 4-Hers about their experiences and start writing your own 4-H Story.

Lots of opportunities are available in the coming 4-H year! Choose what works for you, get involved, and enjoy the journey!

Julie Diepenbrock
4-H Program Educator





2024-25

4-H ENROLLMENT BEGINS SEPTEMBER 2ND!

FOR MORE DETAILS, VISIT:

taylor.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-clubs/

TO REGISTER, VISIT:

v2.4honline.com



Enrollment Deadlines:

November 1—Deadline for 4-H re-enrollments. Youth who have been absent/inactive for more than 12 months are considered a new member upon joining 4-H again.

March 1—Deadline for 4-H members to sign up for all 4-H projects if they plan on exhibiting at the county fair.

After March 1—Youth may still join 4-H, but will not be allowed to exhibit at the Taylor County fair. Youth enrolling after March 1 may still participate in 4-H programs and activities as a member.

4-H Enrollment



Current Members: As soon as the system performs year end and rolls over our data to the new year, families can go in and start re-enrolling. The system processing shouldn't take much time at all, so Monday, September 2nd the system will be ready to start accepting re-enrollments.

Returning members and leaders: we suggest logging in as soon as possible to re-enroll so you don't forget. Re-enrollment will go through Wednesday, November 1st. When you log in to re-enroll, follow these steps:

- Update your contact information if anything has changed
- Update project areas (delete old or add new)
- Review and confirm the waivers and agreements
- Update your health information.

Once you have completely updated your profile, click submit. If you need assistance with enrollment or access to internet, you can stop by the Extension Office during office hours, but remember to bring your 4HOnline password.

It is imperative that members enroll or re-enroll on time **by November 1**. These deadlines are set by the State Office for grant reporting information. Please make sure to give yourself enough time to complete your enrollment so we can have a great 2024-25 4-H Year!

New members: To enroll in 4-H for the first time, please go to v2.4honline.com and create a family profile. It is suggested that you also visit or contact the Extension Office to learn more about 4-H, and/or go to taylor.extension.wisc.edu and look under the 4-H tab to view helpful information for new members, including choosing a club.



IGNITE YOUR SPARK FOR NATIONAL 4-H WEEK



Join the Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council for a statewide service project

We invite your 4-H club to give back to your community. Start thinking about ways your club can volunteer.



Sign up for Service Projects:



<https://go.wisc.edu/n8v617>

Stay tuned for more National 4-H Week activities

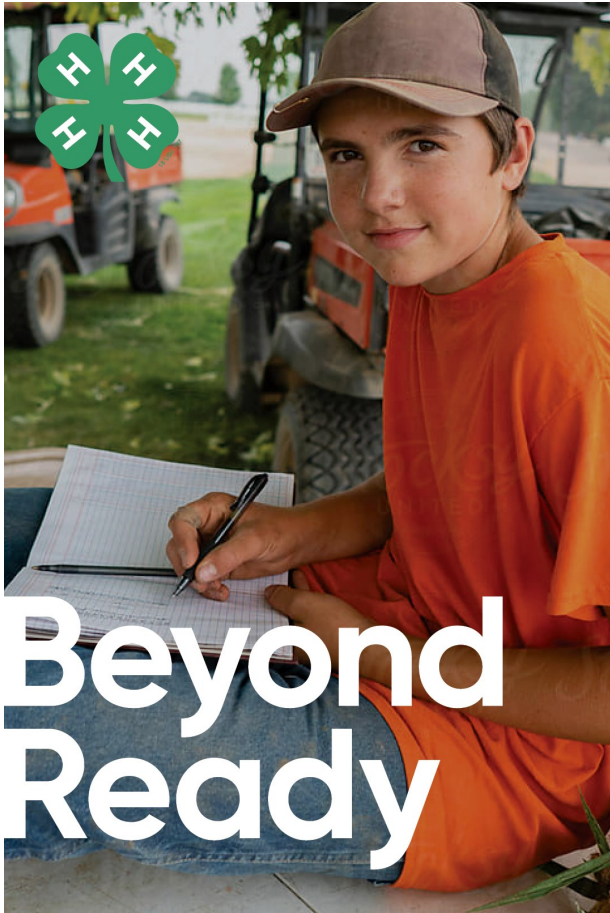


National 4-H Week is October 6-12, and we would like to showcase that week in Wisconsin by encouraging 4-H clubs to participate in a service project around that time. The Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council is excited to announce this year's service project theme: "Make and Deliver." As part of this statewide project, you and your club are encouraged to create meaningful service projects to benefit your community. Once your club has selected a project, please register it at this link: <https://go.wisc.edu/n8v617>. If your club needs help selecting a project or finding reflection ideas, visit this website for more resources: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/projects/community-involvement/service-learning/>

National 4-H Week



Theme:
Beyond Ready
October 6-12, 2024



Join 4-H today at 4-H.org



New Family Festivities

Welcome to 4-H

NEW FAMILY FESTIVITIES

JOIN

Taylor County 4-H Educator, Julie Diepenbrock to learn more about 4-H & what to expect as a member.

Monday, October 28

7-8 pm

Extension Taylor County

925 Donald Street, Mtg Rm 2
Medford



Register @
tinyurl.com/4Hnewfamily



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Youth Opportunity/Help Wanted



TRICK or TREAT FOR THE HUNGRY

YLO: WE WILL HAND OUT DOOR HANGERS
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20TH AND PICK UP
DONATIONS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27TH



4-H Discovery Days

Saturday, October 26th

Please contact Julie if you would be willing to help with activities for 4-H Discovery Days at Huey's Children's Museum.

Interested? Send an email to Julie Diepenbrock at Julie.diepenbrock@wisc.edu



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.)

2024 Central Workshop, Marshfield, WI

Date: September 14, 2024

Time: 8AM - 5PM

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

Registration Information: Registration deadline is **September 11, 2024**. Register here: <https://tinyurl.com/24shooting sports>

Location: Central Wisconsin Sportsmen's Club, [11841 Stadt Rd, Marshfield, WI 54449](#)

Project Information



4-H Arts Camp 2024

By Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development, 10/5/2024 - 10/6/2024



If you're going into grades 6, 7 or 8 and love the "ARTS", why not join us for this year's WI 4-H Arts Camp, October 5-6, 2024, at Upham Woods, WI Dells?! You'll have the opportunity to explore different types of art (theater art, visual art, musical art, dance, and photography), while making new friends, developing new skills and enjoying new experiences. WI 4-H Arts Camp is designed for middle school youth to come together and explore the "ARTS." Participants will participate in five different sessions that focus on different forms of art.

To participate, please complete this registration form before September 16: <https://24wi4hartscamp.4honline.com>

Additional scholarship assistance is available for families. We believe that every 4-Her who wants to come to Arts Camp should be able to! Check with your county educator because many county leader's associations offer financial support for youth who want to attend state experiences. To apply for a state scholarship, ask Kelly for form and submit before September 16.

We hope you will join us for art fun this fall! Contact Laura Pine, lpine@wisc.edu or (608)262-1222, with any questions.



LEGO ROBOTICS!

Check out the After School Program and join 4-H Educator Julie Diepenbrock on fun things you can create with Lego robotics in September!

**September 10th:
MAMS**

**September 11th:
MAES**

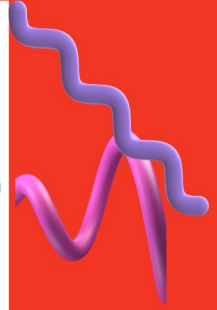
**September 18th:
SES**



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3Doodler



MAKE & TAKE

JOIN 4-H EDUCATOR JULIE DIEPENBROCK AT THE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS OFFERED AT MAES, MAMS, OR SES FOR SOME CREATIVING DOODLING IN OCTOBER!

COME JOIN US



OCTOBER 9TH:
MAMS
OCTOBER 23RD:
MAES
OCTOBER 30TH:
SES





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Club Opportunity



WISCONSIN 4-H FOUNDATION



Could earn your club* **\$50**

*Registered clubs receive \$50 TSC gift card; registered individuals receive \$25 TSC gift card.

See website for details: www.Wis4HFoundation.org

The Fall Tractor Supply Company Paper Clover Campaign is October 2-13, 2024. Sign your club up today!



All Wisconsin 4-H clubs are eligible to submit their idea for a new ice cream flavor, along with a flavor description and interesting flavor name.

Entries are accepted September 1, 2024, through November 15, 2024.

Five finalists are selected by a panel of Cedar Crest Ice Cream flavor experts from all entries received. One flavor is awarded top honors and a \$500 gift. The winning flavor makes its debut in parlors in the summer of 2025. All five finalists receive an ice cream party for their 4-H club.



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Jul/Aug Callie Cat
Winner: Sam Nitz

Youth Opportunity

Callie Cat's 4-H Newsletter Contest



Hey 4-H Youth Members! Callie Cat wants you to read the 4-H newsletter so you can have the opportunity to **win a prize** each newsletter! All you have to do is complete the Callie Cat 4-H Newsletter questions and submit them by the last day of the month the newsletter comes out. If you are in K-5 and submit at least 2/3 correct answers OR in grade 6-13 and submit at least 13/15 correct, while following all submission directions, your name will be put into a drawing for a \$10 gift certificate! There will be 1 winner from each grade group per newsletter. Participants must be 4-H youth members.

Callie Cat 4-H Newsletter Questions:

Grade K-5 Questions:

- 1) What are one of the activities offered for the after school program?
- 2) Where is the New Family Festivities held?
- 3) What are the dates of National 4-H Week?

Grade 6-13 Questions:

- 1) What grades can attend WI 4-H Arts Camp?
- 2) When are Record Books due?
- 3) Where is Lego Robotics held?
- 4) What is the deadline date for 4-H re-enrollments?
- 5) Give one advantage of creating a Record Book?
- 6) What will YLO hand out on October 20th?
- 7) Which 4-H Educational Experience are you most interested in?
- 8) What is Tractor Supply offering?
- 9) When is the Central Workshop in Marshfield?
- 10) Where and when is the New Family Festivities being held?
- 11) When is National 4-H Week?
- 12) Where is the Wisconsin 4-H Fall Forum held?
- 13) Where is Discovery Days held?
- 14) Which is your favorite pic from 4-H Happenings?
- 15) When does 4-H enrollment begin?

Instructions for submitting your entry:

- Answer questions on an 8.5x11 piece of paper. Write you full name and club name in the upper right hand corner of your entry page.
- Submit to: 4-H Agent Attn: Callie Cat Contest, Taylor County Extension, 925 Donald St. Room 103, Medford, WI 54451



Fall Forum is a statewide conference that brings 4-H youth and adult leaders together to connect, collaborate, celebrate, and build excitement and energy for a new year of 4-H. It is for youth in grades 7-13, adult volunteers, and staff. It's a great opportunity for youth and volunteers to discover and explore their sparks and make new friends from all across the state. Everyone will leave inspired and ready for a great 4-H year! This year's theme is "Sparking New Connections."

We anticipate that registration will open on September 3rd in 4-H Online. Stay tuned for more details on registration.

Wisconsin 4-H Fall Forum 2024
Sparking New Connections!

SAVE THE DATE

November 2-3, 2024

Holiday Inn Convention Center
1001 Amber Ave
Stevens Point, WI 54482

The graphic features a central teal watercolor-style circle with the text "SAVE THE DATE" in white cursive. It is surrounded by various icons: a key, a microscope, a sun, a hand holding a seedling, a gear, a microscope, a watering can, and a gear. The background is light teal with a colorful geometric pattern on the right side and a decorative border at the bottom.

Educational Travel Experiences and Record Books

As a 4-H member, you have many opportunities to find your “spark” through experiences at the club, county, state and national level. Sometimes, there are so many choices it can be difficult to learn about them all or reach out and try something new. Are you ready to take the next step in 4-H? Attending a 4-H travel experience might be just what you are looking for.

The Federation of Taylor County 4-H is willing to help fund your 4-H Educational Travel Experience (up to half the cost). To earn an Educational Travel Experience Sponsorship, you need to complete a 4-H Record book, Educational Travel Experience application, and an interview. Check out some of the great opportunities listed in this newsletter and get that record book and application submitted by **Friday, September 6**. Not planning to go on a travel experience? Do a record book anyway! Record books help you set goals for yourself and keep track of all the things you are accomplishing in 4-H.

You can learn more about record books at: <https://taylor.extension.wisc.edu/record-books/> and you can find the Educational Travel Experience application at tinyurl.com/TravelExperiences



State 4-H Educational Experiences



**ADVANCED
SPACE**



ACADEMY



4-H Members grades 10-12
Date: February 15-22, 2025
Location: Hunstville, AL

Advanced Space Academy explores college and career preparation through an immersive experience in science, technology, engineering, and math. Trainees undergo a variety of astronaut training exercises, engineering challenges, and team-building activities, all culminating in an extended duration simulated space mission. Registration open September 4-30th.

SPACE CAMP



Space Camp is back! Learn about and experience the different aspects of life as an astronaut, working for NASA, and exploring places beyond Earth!

4-H Members grades 6-8
Date: April
Location: Hunstville, AL



State 4-H Educational Experiences

NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE



4-H Members grades 10-12

Date: April 11-16, 2025

Location: Arlington, VA

National 4-H Conference annually brings 4-H youth and adults from around the nation to work towards strengthening and expanding the 4-H Youth Development program at the local, state, and national levels. National 4-H Conference is the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture's premier youth development opportunity to engage youth. Applications due October 1, 2024.



4-H Members grades 8-10

Date: June

Location: East Coast

American Spirit East provides the opportunity for youth to experience history and heritage through a 10-day bus journey to the East Coast! Participants increase their knowledge of American history while experiencing where it occurred, have dynamic exposure to diverse cultural experiences and perspectives of the foundation of our nation, and further develop skills in leadership and personal expression of values.

State 4-H Educational Experiences



4-H Members grades 7-10
Date: June
Location: Madison, WI

Summer Academy will help you discover pathways to your future, and learn what it takes to have a career, or a hobby in several SPARK areas including agriculture, STEM, service, leadership, arts, trades, and many more. Also, fun opportunities to build networks and friendships with folks from all over the state of WI.

4-H SPARK DAYS

4-H Members grades 7-12
Date: June
Location: Wisconsin

4-H Spark Days helps youth explore their sparks at different campuses around the State! Each day includes hands-on sessions, career pathway exploration, guest speakers, meeting new 4-H friends from around the state, and fun.



State 4-H Educational Experiences



CITIZENSHIP
WASHINGTON
FOCUS



4-H Members grades 10-12

Date: June

Location: Washington D.C.

Citizenship Washington Focus is the premier week long 4-H citizenship and leadership experience, bringing 4-H delegations from all over the country to stay in Washington D.C., our Nation's Capital! Participants learn about the roles of Senators and Representatives in the United States' government and how these parts work together to form an effective Congress.



Youth Ages 14-18

Date: November

Location: Wisconsin

The mission of **YPCL** is to advance youth voices in Wisconsin by increasing the capacity for youth and adults to share civic leadership in local schools, communities, and organizations.



4-H FALL FORUM

4-H Members grades 7-13

Date: November

Location: Wisconsin

4-H Fall Forum is an opportunity for youth and adult leaders to attend the statewide training weekend with county and state staff. 4-H youth and adult leaders will come together to connect, collaborate, celebrate, and continue building excitement and energy for a new year of 4-H learning.



NATIONAL 4-H CONGRESS

4-H Members grades 9-12

Date: November

Location: Atlanta, GA

National 4-H Congress is a five-day Educational Experience held in Atlanta, GA. Congress is the premiere nation-wide event for 4-Hers to network with others from around the country, Canada, and Puerto Rico. While at Congress, 4-H'ers engage in leadership, citizenship, global awareness, and inclusion.



Calendar of Events

September

- 1—4-H Clubs Annual Financial Reporting Due to UWEX
- 1—Entries open for Cedar Crest Ice Cream Contest
- 2— 4-H Enrollment Begins
- 2—UW Extension Office Closed for Labor Day Observation
- 4-30—Register for Advanced Space Academy, grades 10-12
- 6—Record Books due to Extension
- 6—Travel Experiences Applications due to Extension
- 7—WI 4-H State Horse Gymkhana Show
- 9—Federation Meeting 7:15 p.m. at UWEX
- 10—After school Lego Robotics at MAMS
- 11—After school Lego Robotics at MAES
- 14—Shooting Sports Central Workshop in Marshfield
- 15—Final sign up for Arts Camp, grades 6-8
- 18—After school Lego Robotics at SES



October

- 2—13 TSC Paper Clover Campaign
- 5—6 State Dog Obedience & Showmanship Show—Jefferson County
- 6—12 **National 4-H Week 2024**
- 9—After school 3Doodler at MAMS
- 12—State 4-H Dog Agility Show—Oshkosh
- 14—Federation Meeting 7:15 p.m. at UWEX
- 20—YLO: Trick or Treat for the Hunger—door hanger drop off
- 23—After school 3Doodler at MAES
- 26—Discovery Days @ Huey's Hideaway Children's Museum
- 27—YLO: Trick or Treat for the Hungry—donation pick up
- 28—New 4-H Family Festivities 7:00 p.m. at UWEX
- 30—After school 3Doodler at SES



TC Newsletter Deadlines

October 18—November/December

December 20—January/February

Clubs are welcome to share events or meetings by these dates.

If you have any questions please contact the office 715-748-3327 or

phillips32@wisc.edu

4-H Happenings

2024 Taylor County Day Camps



2024 Huey's Summer Camp

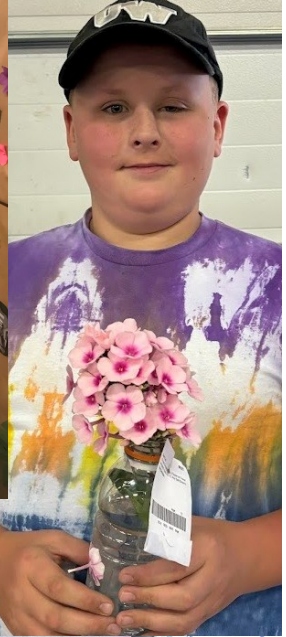


2024 Library Program



4-H Happenings

2024 Taylor County Fair



4-H Happenings

2024 Taylor County Fair—Goosechase



2024 Dog Show/Horse Show





Volunteer Training

All 4-H Volunteer Trainings can be completed online. Once you enter what trainings you need and keep track of your trainings complete (a progress bar shows completed). If you have any questions, contact us.



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2024 WI 4-H VOLUNTEER TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

roll/re-enroll in 4-H Online, it will automatically let you know (sometimes there is a couple of days delay to when it



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RE-ENROLLING

RE-ENROLLING IS ALL DEPENDS ON YEAR

SOURCES
ONLINE SITE
CHECK SHEET
ADMIN DRIVE
FOR INFORMATION

**SUPPORTING YOU,
SUPPORTING YOUTH** (10 mins)
ANNUAL ONLINE

**BUILDING SAFE SPACES
REFRESH** (15 mins)
BI ANNUAL ONLINE

**SUPPORTING YOUTH
MENTAL HEALTH REFRESH** (15 mins)
BI ANNUAL ONLINE

BACKGROUND CHECK
EVERY 2-4 YEARS
HIRERIGHT EMAIL

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MEDFORD WI 54451

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925 Donald St., Rm 103
Medford, WI 54451

Taylor County 4-H is on Facebook & Instagram!

This will be another way to communicate information,
event details and learn more about Taylor County 4-H



Facebook: Taylor County 4-H

Link: <https://www.facebook.com/4h.taylorcounty>



Instagram: uwextaylorcounty4h

Link: <https://instagram.com/taylor.uwex.edu>

Purpose Statement

*"We teach, learn, lead and serve,
connecting people with the University
of Wisconsin, and engaging with them
in transforming lives and communities."*



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