

CLOVER CONNECTION



June 2019 Edition

REMINDER

You can sign up for the Interstate Livestock Youth Show and the Youth Plant Science Days by contacting your Club Leader

“The Greatest Leader Is Not Necessarily The One Who Does The Greatest Things. He Is The One That Gets The People To Do The Greatest Things.”

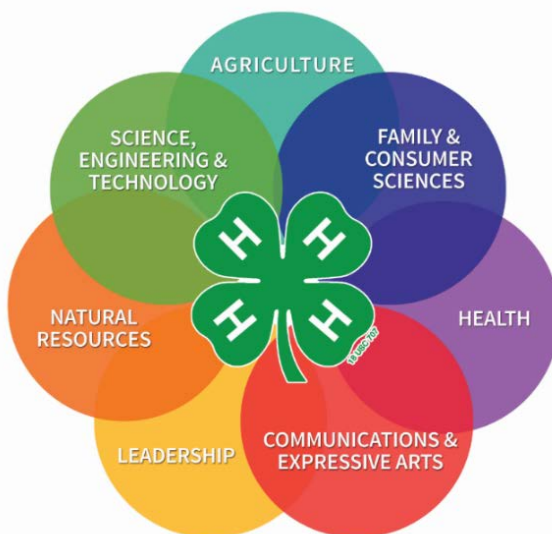
-Ronald Reagan

Club Represented When the Money is Spent?

The Polk County 4-H Leaders Federation Board of Directors is an Important Group for the Polk County 4-H Program. This Board Oversees the Program and Makes Important Decisions About How and Where the Financial Resources of the Program Are Spent. They Also Provide Direction for The Educational Programs. Each Club Can Send One Adult and One Youth Member as Representatives to The Board. Youth Have an Equal Voice at The Table. The Board Meets Six Times a Year.

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FAIR PARK

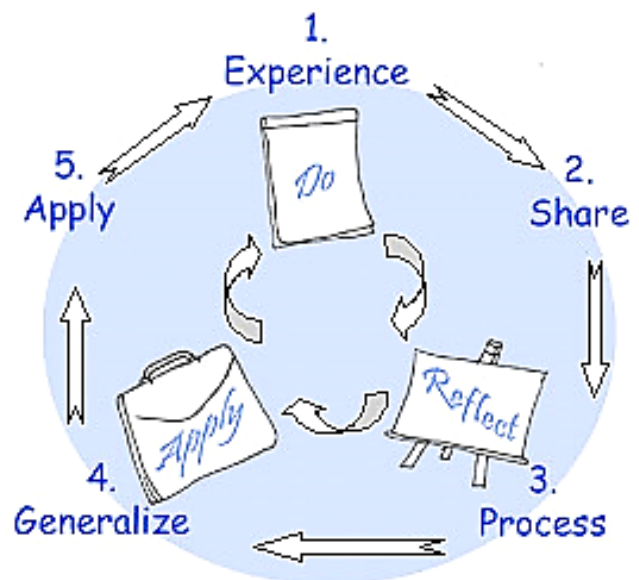
June, 2019



Dear 4-H Families & Friends,

June is here and with it comes all the fun summer activities we can possibly pack into three months!! Many of these activities are learning opportunities for youth through 4-H or a multitude of other experiences. Whether it be 4-H Camp or a family camping adventure; a livestock, dog, cat, or other animal show; training center work; shoot-offs, fly-offs, clothing revue, day camps, or any of the many other opportunities out there, youth can take the learning beyond the experience with the right guiding questions from adult or teen leaders.

Experiential learning takes place when a youth is involved in an activity, looks back at it critically, determines what was useful or important to remember, and uses this information and applies it to other situations. 4-H uses this hands-on learning approach to teach youth skills they can use for life. The five-step experiential learning model guides the process turning activities into fun learning opportunities. Providing an experience alone does not create “experiential learning”. The activity comes first and the learning comes from the thoughts and ideas created as a result of the experience. This learning does not just happen – it takes a caring adult or teen leader to ask the guiding questions to take the learning beyond the activity.



As we work together through the many summer activities available for our youth, let us think about ways to take the learning beyond the activity, and ask those important questions. Enjoy the summer months!!

Sincerely,

Chuck Prissel
4-H Youth Development Agent



What's Going on in Polk County

- 1..... Camp Counselor Training
- 3..... Dog Obedience Class
- 2..... Rabbit Workshop, 2pm
- 4..... Dog Agility/Rally Class
- 10..... Dog Obedience Class
- 11..... Dog Agility/Rally Class
- 15.... Shooting Sports, Pre-Fair Shoot,9am-12pm
- 15..... District Holstein Show
- 16..... District Holstein Show
- 17..... Dog Obedience Class
- 17-19. 4H Camp
- 18..... Area Animal Science Days
- 18..... Dog Agility/Rally Class
- 21..... Interstate Livestock Show
- 22..... Interstate Livestock Show
- 22..... Aerospace Fly-Off, 9am
- 24..... Dog Obedience Class
- 24-27 State 4H Conference
- 25..... Dog Agility/Rally Class
- 27..... Clothing Revue, 7pm, Gvn. Center
- 29..... Cat Show, 10am



- 1..... Dog Obedience Class
- 2..... Dog Agility/Rally Class
- 4..... Happy Independence Day - Office will be Closed
- 8..... Dog Obedience Class
- 9..... Dog Agility/ Rally Class
- 9..... State 4H Plant-Science Day
- 13..... Dog Show: 8am-3pm
- 15..... 4H Ambassador Mtg.
- 24..... Polk County Fair Entry Day
- 25-28... POLK COUNTY FAIR!!



- 1..... WI State Fair Quality Meats Carcass Show
- 1-11...WI State Fair



Did you know that 4-H forms, such as M.E Forms, Records Book Forms, Club Financial Records, etc., are all available right on your own computer!? They are all PDF's and are all printable or writeable. For your convenience, there is also a link to make sure you have the most recent Adobe Acrobat installed on your computer. Just follow the link: <http://polk.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/forms-and-applications/>

What's Up With Your Club?

Would you like your Club featured in the next Clover Newsletter? It's simple! Write up a short article telling us just how fun your club's event 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! To share your clubs story please email Kerry at: kerry.hill2@wisc.edu

4-H Clothing Revue

NEWS FLASH!!!

Clothing, Knitting and Crocheting and Cloverbuds Project members will have two opportunities to participate in Clothing Revue this year. Members may choose which date works best for them. (You may only enter one Revue.)

Polk County Clothing Revue, Thursday, June 27, 7:00 PM at the Polk County Government Center, 100 Polk County Plaza, Balsam Lake, WI

St. Croix County Clothing Revue, Friday, June 28, 6:00 PM at the Ag Center, 1960 8th Ave., Baldwin, WI

Registration Due Date: Friday, June 14. Please indicate on your registration which event you will be attending and mail the entry form to your County Office. We will email registration forms to Project members and are available on the website.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION!!

Members of the Clothing, Knitting or/and Crocheting Project who are 12 years of age at the time of the State Fair are eligible to enter the State Fair Clothing Revue. The registration form is found at:

http://www.wistatefair.com/pdfs/competitions/entry_info/clothing_revue_youth.pdf



Becoming a 4-H Volunteer

4-H Volunteers are valued partners in working with our youth and help make 4-H possible. In order to volunteer, previous 4-H Youth Development experience is not necessary. The most important qualification is a desire to work with young people and help them grow through educational experiences and gain positive life skills. Please consider sharing your time and talents!

Adult volunteers working together with youth make a difference in the lives of young people. Volunteers work with UW- Extension professionals to develop the life skills of youth members, thus benefiting the state, employers and the economy. Volunteers extend the resources of UW-Extensions as they work with staff to deliver educational programs.

VOLUNTEERING IS A PRIVILEGE!

How Does One Become a Volunteer?

If you have not already done so, go to Wisconsin 4HOnline and create a family profile. Instructions are on the <http://polk.uwex.edu> website under the 4-H enrollment tab. If your family is already in the system, DO NOT create a new family profile, just make sure you are entered into your family account and check that you want to be a 4-H volunteer. The state will complete a background check and GIS will contact you through e-mail requesting additional information needed on order for the state to conduct the background check and begin your Volunteer in Preparation (VIP) progress.

Another step in the process, you can take the Online Mandated Reporter Training for 4-H Volunteers. Please see the informational sheet included in the December 2018 Clover Connection, or visit the <http://polk.uwex.edu> website. You can also contact the Polk County Extensions Office at 715.485.8500 for assistance.

Once the background check is complete, and you have completed the Online Mandated Reporter Training for 4-H Volunteers, there is one more important step; taking the Volunteer in Preparation (VIP) Training! **The Polk County Government Center will offer trainings at these specific dates and times:**

Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

Please contact Chuck at 715.485.8600 or Charles.prissel@wisc.edu to register for the classes. Registration is required to ensure we have enough handout materials and to be able to contact you in case of cancellation due to weather or low enrollment.

Name: _____

Club: _____

E-mail: _____

Cell Phone: _____

RABBIT WORKSHOP

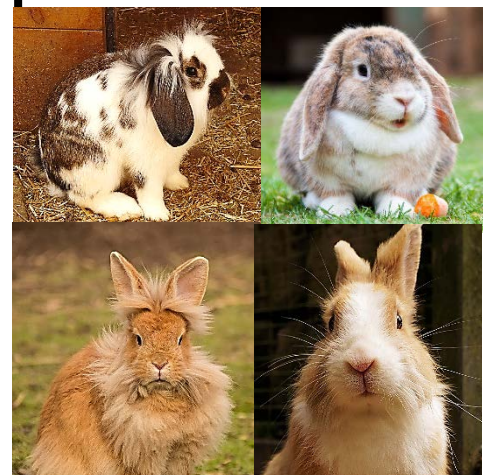
When: Sunday, June 2 at 2pm

Where: Polk County Fair Grounds behind the Rabbit Barn.

We will be tattooing and weighing only rabbits that are going to be exhibit for the County Fair. If your rabbit does not need tattooing, but you have concerns about it, bring it with and we will see it, listen to your concerns, and answer you questions. We will also talk about entering rabbits in the fair.

Questions? Please contact:

**Becky Larson-
715.294.2830 or
Carol Suckut-
715.410.5078**



Polk County Fair Entry Information

The 2019 Polk County Fair Premium Books are available. As in the past, the 2019 Fair Book is also available on-line at

<https://polkcountyfair.com/fair-book/>.

Exhibitors can complete online entry forms this year, please see page 1 of the Fair Book. All paper entry forms must have the Club Organizational leader's signature on the forms prior to being submitted. Youth must be enrolled in a project in order to show entries in related lot numbers.

Books will also be available from the Extension Office and area banks.

School entries are also due June 14th, along with Open and Senior Entries.

ALL ENTRIES SHOULD BE SENT TO,

Michelle Peterson

471 Random Drive

Amery, WI 54001

The dates for the Polk County Fair are July 25-July 28, 2019. Some events will be held ahead of time. Please see the following websites for updates and information:

<http://www.polkcountyfair.com>; or

<http://polk.uwex.edu> or the "Clover Connection" for more details.

ATTENTION!!

No entries will be accepted if postmarked after June 14th, Cloverbuds after June 12th!

POLK COUNTY FAIR SIGN

The Polk County Fair Board is again, sponsoring an outdoor sign contest to promote the Polk County Fair. The sign **MUST** be at least four feet by eight feet (4x8). You **MUST** include the Polk County fair dates, July 25, 26, 27 and 28th, at St. Croix Falls, and your club name must appear on the sign.

The sign needs to be up by July 1, the sign needs to be on private land, not on the road right of way, and you must get permission from the landowner. By July 20, please submit a color 8inx10in photograph of your sign and the location to,

Judy Bainbridge

2267 170th Street

Luck, WI 54853

Phone: 715.553.0801

Judging will focus on creativity and advertisement value, and the Polk County fair board will do all judging. Only new signs will be judged for the first place award of \$200, or the second place of \$100. All clubs that submit a photo will receive \$50 for one sign. All Polk County signs are to be By August 5.

The theme for this is,

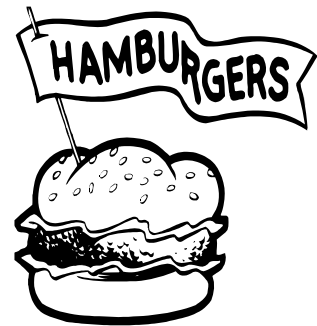
FUN FOR THE WHOLE HERD



Food Stand Sign-Up Sheet

Please sign up NOW for the Food Stand at the 2019 Polk County Fair. We want to get the schedule made out so everyone gets a copy in the July newsletter. Everyone taking a 4-H sponsored trip must take a shift at the Food Stand either with your club or as an individual. We need at least eight youths per shift and you must send three adults for your club's shift. When your club decides, which shift you would like to

work, please contact Kerry at the Extension Office, 485-8600. All shifts need to report 15 minutes early for on-the-job training.



Wednesday, July 24 2019

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| 11:00-3:00 p.m. | 1. | Little Falls Livewires |
| 3:00 – 7:00 p.m. | 1. | Jolly Milltown |
| 7:00 – 10:00 p.m. | 1. | Eagle View |

Thursday, July 25 2019

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| 10:00 am - 2:00 pm | 1. | Forest View |
| | 2. | Indian Creek |
| 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm | 1. | Bone Lake Beavers |
| | 2. | Cushing |
| 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm | 1. | Deronda Diplomats |
| | 2. | |

Friday, July 26 2019

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| 10:00 am - 2:00 pm | 1. | Northern Lights |
| | 2. | Joel Jets |
| 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm | 1. | Lucky Horseshoe |
| | 2. | Beaver Brook Badgers |
| 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm | 1. | |
| | 2. | |

Saturday, July 27 2019

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| 10:00 am - 2:00 pm | 1. | McKinley Vikings |
| | 2. | Pleasant Lake |
| 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm | 1. | Cattail Clovers |
| | 2. | |
| 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm | 1. | West Sweden |
| | 2. | |

Sunday, July 28 2019

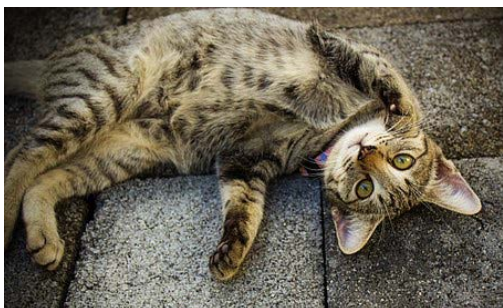
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| 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. | 1. | Knotty Pine |
| 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 1. | Shooting Stars |



PRE-FAIR EVENT SCHEDULE

4-H Cat Project Members; Pet Pal & Cavy Project Members!

This year the Polk County Fair Cat Show will be held prior to the Polk County Fair, on Saturday, June 29th. All cats will be vet checked at 10:00 a.m. and all cage decorating will be done by show time. Show time is 10:30. Cats are to be left in cages until show is done. Please see the Polk County Fair Premium book for cage dimensions and more details. Also, Pet Pals and Cavies will be judged this day also, beginning at noon.



Dog Project Members

The Polk County Pre-Fair Dog Show will be held two weeks before the fair, on Saturday, July 13th, at the Polk County Fairgrounds in St. Croix Falls. Registration begins at 8 a.m. and judging begins at 9:00 a.m. Please mark your calendars now for the pre-fair event.



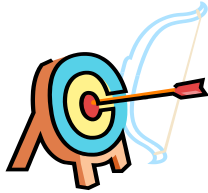
Aerospace Pre-Fair Flying/Launching Dates



To receive premiums and ribbons in lot numbers 1-17 and 23-28, flying and launching sessions will be held at the Polk County Fair Park on Saturday, June 22 and June 29, 2019. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. and flying and judging will begin at 8:30 a.m. for rockets and airplanes. Championship session will be held July 12 at 8:30 a.m., Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. Flying and judging will follow, must register to fly. If you have questions, contact Matt Babcock- 612-308-8888.



To qualify for the championship model airplane and model rocket fly-off in lots 1-17 you must fly three categories: hand launch, catapult launch, and rubber powered. Lots 23-28 must fly two categories; target accuracy and parachute duration, an exhibitor must have attended one of the first two sessions and earned at least one blue ribbon in any of the model airplane or model rocket lots numbers from 1-17 and 23-28.



4-H Shooting Sports

The 4-H Pre-Fair Shooting Sports Events is scheduled for Saturday, June 15 from 9:00am – noon at the Balsam Lake Rod & Gun Club, at Lykens. All Shooting Sports categories – including archery will compete.

The Polk County 4-H Leaders Federation Shooting Sports Committee will host the annual Shoot-Off. The event is open to all project members' grades 4 and up (**not Explorers**). These events are pre-fair events, meaning that participants are eligible to receive fair premiums if they include the correct lot number on their fair entry form. These forms are due June 13 to Michelle Peterson, 471 Random Drive, Amery, WI 54001

You must be enrolled in a shooting sports project unit in order to shoot at these events for premiums. However, because of the educational value of this event, participants can shoot even if they are not participating for premiums in lot numbers. Shooting pointers will be given to participants along with safety education.

In addition to the lot numbers for the shoot-off, on pages 72-93 of the fair premium book, lot numbers 1-11 can be entered on the entry form and you must bring these items to the fair on Wednesday, July 24. These entries will be judged on Friday, July 26.

Youth should be ready to compete on time at this event. The event will conclude promptly at the designated time. Events include, Air Rifle, .22 Rifles, Trap Shooting, Archery, and Black Powder (Muzzleloaders) **NO SCOPES ALLOWED**. Please read and follow instructions on pages 92-93 of the 2019 Polk County Fair Premium Book prior to this event.

If you have any questions on the pre-fair shoot, please contact Chad or Stacey Lutsey at 715.541.4241 (rifle events); or Dave and Carolyn Peterson at 715.491.2388 for archery events.

PARENTS – please look over the guns and bows your youth will be using to make sure they are in good working order. Please make sure the ammunition your youth brings is correct for their firearm.

We will NOT provide Ammunition or Arrows!



Fair Entry Online Registration- New Instructions for 2019!!

Exhibitors at the 2019 Polk County Fair will again be able to submit their Fair Entries online!! Please see complete details on page 1 of the Polk County Fair Book.

Mailed paper entry forms will still be accepted as in the past. All Entries are due June 14, 2019!!!

Exhibitors Entering Plant Soil Projects

Linda Owens will answer questions for anyone with questions on preparing crops or vegetables for display at the fair. If you have questions, please contact Linda at 715.653.2663.



Polk County Fair Prep and Work Days Set for 2019



The Polk County Fair Society has set the following work days to get ready for the 2018 Polk County Fair!! Work dates will be the two Mondays prior to the fair July 15th and 22nd, and Saturday, July 20, as work/set-up days. Times will be 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Polk County Fair Books Available Now!!

Books are sorted by club and should be picked up and distributed at the next club meeting. As in the past, the 2019 Fair Book is also available on-line at <https://polkcountyfair.com/fair-book/>. **Exhibitors can complete online entry forms. Please see page 1 of the Fair Book.** All paper entry forms must have the Club Organizational leader's signature on the forms prior to being submitted. Youth must be enrolled in a project in order to show entries in related lot numbers.

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All entries (including paper Cloverbud Forms) should be sent to:

Michelle Peterson

471 Random Drive

Amery, WI 54001

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****All Cloverbud entries (paper with your child's picture) should be sent to:**

Michelle Peterson

471 Random Drive

Amery, WI 54001

Club News!

Some of the fun stuff the Balsam Lake Shooting Stars 4-H club has been up to this spring.

On April 19th our club sorted 1,006 eggs for the Balsam Lake Fire Department's annual Easter Egg Hunt.



Nate Garvey, Blake Frokjer, Nick Frokjer, Adele Babcock, Jenna Babcock, Tia Jensen, Khole Jensen

On May 5th our club also picked up litter in the ditch on County Road I where we have an Adopt A Highway.



The Boys Team: Sam Lenk, Nick Frokjer, Nate Garvey, Blake Frokjer, Liam Bergeron



On Sunday May 5th our club planted about 50 trees at the new Polk County Highway Department Facility.



Khloe Jensen, Maggie Conlan, Liam Bergeron, Sam Lenk, Nate Garvey, Maddilyn Lund, Tia Jensen

Dairy Promotion Grants Available

The Polk/Burnett Dairy Promotion Council, Inc. is making \$65.00 grants available to youth groups interested in promoting the dairy industry and products.

To receive grant money, please send the following form to Karrie Melin-Swenson by June 10th. **NOTE:** Please do not send any material other than this form.

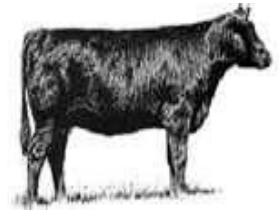
Club Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____

1. What are your clubs dairy promotion goals that will be achieved through your planning activities?
2. Describe your dairy promotion plans.
3. Who will be reached through your activities?
4. What will the cost of your activities be?
5. Did you display our name as a sponsor along with the Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board name (WMMB)?

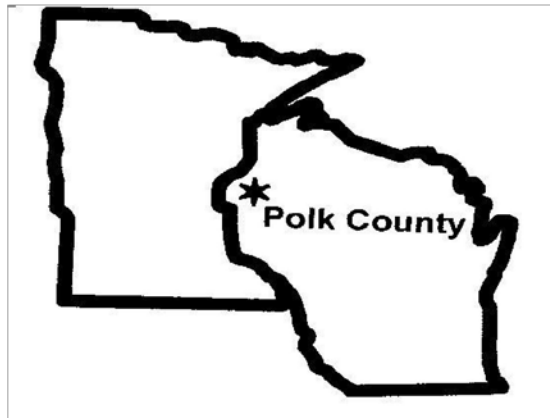
Due June 10th to:
Karrie Melin-Swenson
2218 140th Avenue
St. Croix Falls, WI 54024



2019 INTERSTATE LIVESTOCK YOUTH SHOW

SHEEP - BEEF - GOAT

**POLK COUNTY FAIR PARK
800 LOUISIANA AVE. ST.
CROIX FALLS, WI**



***FRIDAY JUNE 21**

Sheep and Goat camp 4:00 -
6:00 PM Picnic at 6:00

Swine Showmanship Clinic
At 7 pm Friday

**A FUN AND EDUCATIONAL
EXPERIENCE FOR YOUTH**

OF ALL AGES

***SATURDAY JUNE 22**

**Early Registrations due June 15.
Entry fee \$10 per entry.**

**Late Entry June 16 to 8:30am June
22. Entry fee \$20 per entry.**

**** E-MAIL ALL ENTRIES TO:
interstatelivestock@gmail.com**

Camping & hook ups available

For More Information Call or E-mail:

Entries - Charlene Strabel (715) 349-5935 strabel@sirentel.net

Sheep – Debbie Petzel (612) 578-1528 dspetzel@gmail.com

Brian Johnston (715) 553-0179 mabeef@hotmail.com

Goats – Jeanne Alling (715) 553-2488 jeannealling77@gmail.com

Beef – Craig Scholz (715) 269-5403

ckscholz6869@hotmail.com

Show Day Schedule
Registration 7:30 - **Ends at 8:30**

Livestock Quiz 8:30

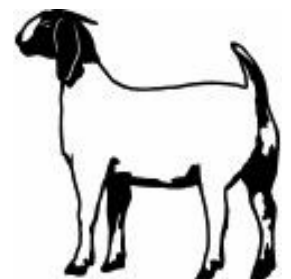
Judging Contest 9:30

Weigh-In 10:30

Livestock Shows Begin – 12:00

Starting with Showmanship

Lunch on Grounds



Like us on Facebook

**Thanks to the 2019 Youth Plant Science Day
sponsors:**

Waushara County Parks Department

Wisconsin 4-H Foundation

Waushara County 4-H Leaders Association

Wisconsin 4-H Plant Science Program Committee

Wisconsin Master Gardener Association Members

Wisconsin Junior Horticulture Association

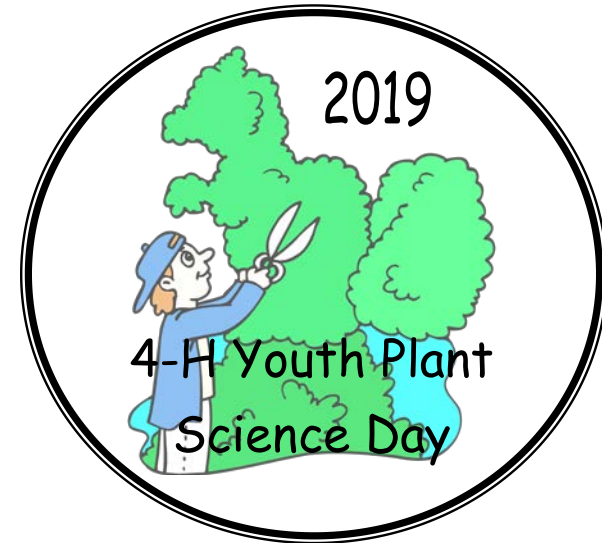


University of Wisconsin, U.S. Department of Agriculture and Wisconsin Counties Cooperating. UW-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming including Title IX and ADA. If you need an accommodation for a disability to participate in this program, please contact UW-Extension at 715-485-8600.

Top four participants in the senior event receive the opportunity to participate at the National Contest in Lincoln, NE October 11-14, 2019.

1985 – 2019

Thirty-five years of teaching youth about horticulture science!



Tuesday July 9, 2019

***Waushara County Fairgrounds
Wautoma, WI***

Registration 9:30 - 10:00 am

Contest & Workshops 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Pre-Registration Deadline June 21st

Walk-ins are welcome but pre-registration is preferred for accurate counts for materials and lunch

2019 Youth Plant Science Day

Calling all youth plant enthusiasts . . .

Plant Science Day will increase and test your knowledge about plant science. You will also get a chance to meet other plant enthusiasts ages 8 and older.

In the morning, regular participants will:

- ✿ Identify fruits, nuts, vegetables, trees, shrubs, flowers, and houseplants.
- ✿ Judge and place classes of plants. (As done at local County Fairs.)
- ✿ Test your knowledge with a written horticulture test.
 - (3rd & 4th grade participants will have an age appropriate exam)



To prepare for the contest please visit

<http://www.njha.org/>

and

<http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4haganimalscience/plant-soil-science/>

to learn more.

In the afternoon, the following workshop will be offered:

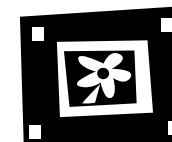
1:00 p.m. — Plant Explore – N - More!!!

An afternoon workshop will expand your horticulture learning rounding out a very fun filled educational day!!



Other Entry Categories:

(Additional contest requirements can be found online at <http://www.njha.org/>)



✿ **Photography:**

Digital - 5 Categories

Still Film - 4 Categories

✿ **Poster Contest:** Standard Size 8½” x 11” size

Theme - Fruit Bowl

✿ **Speaking, Writing, and Demonstrations:**

Speech - 7 to 10 Minutes in Length

Demonstration - 10 to 15 Minutes in Length

Writing - Informative, Creative and Poetry Categories

✿ **Silk Floral Arrangement**

Location/Registration: Please google the address below for a map -

Waushara County Fairgrounds

513 Fair Street

Wautoma, WI 54982

Or call **UW-Extension 920-787-0416** for directions

Register with your County 4-H Youth Development Agent before June 21st. A \$10.00 registration/lunch fee will be collected at the event. DO NOT send the fee with your registration.

Please bring a clip board and a #2 pencil!!