4-H Camp Dates

Mark your calendars because we have the dates for the 2018 4-H Camps. More information is to come with details about each camp, but make sure to get us on your calendar. You won’t want to miss the fun of 4-H Camp at Camp Clover Point!

Counselor Camp—June 1-2
Canine Camp—June 7-9
Traditional 4-H Camp (Boone & Howard) - June 11-14
Shooting Sports Camp—June 21-23

4-H Foundation Scholarships

College is expensive but 4-H can help! 4-H participation and involvement leads young people to explore various careers and educational options. The Missouri 4-H Foundation offers college scholarships that help 4-H members pursue their educational dreams.

In 2018, thanks to generous donor support, the Missouri 4-H Foundation will offer over 50 college scholarships ($500 - $2,500/scholarship). 4-Hers who are current high school seniors and former 4-Hers who are college students are eligible to apply. The scholarship guidelines and application are available on the Missouri 4-H website at www.4h.missouri.edu/recognition/. Check with your local Extension office for the local application due date. Applications are due in the State 4-H Office by March 1, 2018.

Check out the list of scholarships on the 4-H scholarship website and apply! The scholarship application format is almost identical to the 4-H Missouri Recognition Form (MRF). If you completed the MRF, you’ve completed most of the narrative for the scholarship application, too.
4-H Enrollment 2017-2018

1) Please complete enrollment by December 31st. We have project and club leaders who are eager to begin working with the youth and get project meetings started as soon as possible.

2) Remember to update any information that has changed within the last year (addresses, phone numbers, email, health info., authorizations, etc.). We utilize this information to provide a safe environment for your children and provide you with up-to-date information about 4-H.

3) ONLY enroll in projects you plan to participate in this year.

4) Paying by credit card is encouraged; cards are not charged until a staff member “approves” the registration. Please contact the Extension office to discuss alternative payment options.

5) Write down your credentials for 4HOnline. We post the newsletter and other important documents on here and it is utilized to register youth for regional and state events.

6) If you do not receive an email from 4HOnline within 2 weeks of enrolling, please contact the Extension office. A confirmation email indicates a complete enrollment.

If you have any questions or need assistance with registration, please contact Tevin at the Extension office at 573-445-9792 or Booneco@missouri.edu.

Managed Care Coverage for 4-H Membership Dues

Youth covered by Managed Care Plans, also known as Missouri Medicaid/MO HealthNet, are eligible to have their membership in one after-school program or club paid by their insurance company. This includes membership fees for 4-H clubs!

Call the Member Services number for your insurer and request a voucher for each child.

Member Services Phone Numbers

- Aetna Better Health of Missouri 1-800-566-6444
- MissouriCare A WellCare Company 1-800-322-6027
- Home State Health 1-855-694-4663

The insurance company will verify eligibility and send a voucher in the mail with a red or blue stamp on it. Sign and date the voucher form and send the form to your County Extension Office and your insurance company will pay for your child’s membership in 4-H.
4-H Regional Representative

Are you interested in representing Missouri 4-H’ers, assisting with planning, and implementing major 4-H events such as 4-H Congress and Teen Conference? Would you like to represent the State 4-H Council at special events and provide youth input. If so, serving as a NE Regional Representative may be the position for you. Find out more about what council does on their website: [4h.missouri.edu/missouri-4h-council.aspx](http://4h.missouri.edu/missouri-4h-council.aspx). Applications are also available on the website; they are due to the Extension Office by January 12, 2018.

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“4-H teamwork, you are an essential piece.”

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New Volunteer Enrollment Process

Being a 4-H volunteer is satisfying and can positively influence youth ages 5-18. Becoming a 4-H volunteer is not hard; however, it is important to start and complete the steps in a timely manner so that youth are engaged in the 4-H activities they signed up for as soon as possible. Applicants should strive to complete all volunteer application steps by 12/31/17.

A — Applicants (new and returning) need to ask local 4-H staff about current volunteer needs. Ask to see volunteer role descriptions to identify a role that might be a good fit.

B — Build or update your volunteer profile at [mo.4honline.com](http://mo.4honline.com)

C — Complete the one-time 4-H volunteer orientation, if you are a brand new 4-H volunteer applicant. The orientation helps new applicants learn basic terms, organizational structure, and safety practices.

D — Determine if you need to complete the Background Check Consent Form (LG639, dated 7/13/16). See the NEW background check information at [4h.missouri.edu/volunteer.aspx](http://4h.missouri.edu/volunteer.aspx)

F — Final Approval

Local 4-H staff review applicant data and make the best match between volunteer applicants and current volunteer roles. If you are approved for a volunteer role for the current program year (i.e., Oct. 1st thru September 30th), the staff approves your 4HOnline profile. In that case, a message is sent to the email address as listed in your 4HOnline volunteer profile. If you are not selected as a volunteer for the current program year, the staff will send a letter or email to you regarding your status.

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Sr. 4-H Council

**Officers:**
- President: Kathy Thiessen
- Vice President: Justin Rapp
- Secretary: Brenda Wilsdorf
- Treasurer: Eric Walters
- Reporter: Julie Holle

**2017-2018 Meeting Dates**

*All meetings start at 6:30 pm.*
- October 24, 2017
- November 28, 2017
- January 23, 2018
- February 27, 2017
- March 27, 2018
- April 24, 2018
- May 22, 2018
- June 26, 2018
- August 28, 2018
- September 25, 2018
2018 Sr. Council Committees

All senior council 4-H committees must be in place by October 1st. Our bylaws state that a minimum of 4-6 persons should serve on our committees. You do not have to be a member of Senior Council to serve, but you do have to be an approved volunteer. Please contact Kathy Thiessen or Brooke Jameson to sign up for a committee.

- Bylaws Committee
- Fundraising/BBQ Committee
- Awards & Recognition Committee
- Achievement Day/Fashion Revue Committee
- Audit Committee
- Membership & Promotion Committee
- Budget Committee
- Nominating Committee

Any and all volunteers are encouraged to participate on committees. If you are interested please contact jamesonb@missouri.edu to be added.

Horsemanship Committee Meeting

The next horsemanship committee meeting is scheduled for December 6 at 6:30pm at the Boone County Extension Office.

Shooting Sports Committee Meeting

The next shooting sports committee meeting is scheduled for December 7 at 6:00pm at the Boone County Extension Office.

2018 4-H BBQ Committee Meeting

The BBQ Committee has set their first meeting for December 13, 2017 at 6:30 pm at the Boone County Extension Office.

Anyone wishing to serve on this committee please plan to attend this meeting: please bring any suggestions you have to make the BBQ better.
Missouri 4-H Shirts—For Sale

Have you heard? There are new Missouri 4-H t-shirts available for you to purchase! The shirts are black, short-sleeved with a new green and white logo. Available sizes include youth small, youth medium, adult small, adult medium, adult large, adult X-Large, adult 2XL and adult 3XL. The shirts will be available for purchase through 4HOnline for $11 each, through December 15, 2018. You will find the shirt sales listed as an event in 4HOnline, for which you may register. You will pay for your shirt(s) just like you do when you register for the year, for state events, or trainings.

So how will you get the shirts? It is not cost effective to mail the shirts to you directly, so delivery will be made to your county or region and your 4-H faculty and/or staff will make arrangements regarding local delivery/pick-up.

Will you have to wait until December or January to get your shirt? The shirts will hopefully be delivered to your region and/or county in a timely manner. Do not count on them for holiday gifts.

Can you still purchase them after December 15, 2018? Certainly, but other arrangements, besides 4HOnline will need to be made. If you have any questions please contact your county 4-H faculty or staff.

Army Ants Holiday Drone Camp

Parents receive a programmable Airblock drone to wrap and put under the tree. Then kids bring their Airblock to a fun camp where they learn about the science of drones and pick up programming skills to control their flying machines.

When: Two-day camp is Dec. 27-28, Choose either the morning (9:30 am-noon) or afternoon (1:00–3:30 pm) class.

Recommended age range: 4th-8th grade. No previous experience needed.

Requirement: An appropriate iOS or Android mobile device (iPhone, iPad, Android phone or tablet) is needed to operate the Airblock and must be brought to camp. The only preparation needed is to charge the Airblock batteries before camp!

Cost: $189. The Airblock toy alone is a $179 value and can be configured into a hovercraft and other modes, check it out here: goo.gl/2JvkD3

Sign up today at www.armyants.us!
Teen Conference

Get your ticket to leadership this March! Go on location for an epic leadership adventure at the 2018 State 4-H Teen Conference! The theme is Lights...Camera... LEADERSHIP! and your State 4-H Council teens are making this another fun and exciting event for youth ages 11-13. Teen Conference is the first big trip away from home for many 4-H’ers, and it’s a good choice. You’ll meet amazing new friends, learn how to be a better leader and get a heads-up on all the exciting things waiting for you as a 4-H teenager! Teen Conference is safe and fun, and the hotel is super nice. Cost is $179 (if you share the large bed with a friend you select) or $229 (if you prefer your own bed). The production starts just after noon on Saturday, March 24th and the wraps at 11 a.m. on the 25th. Teen Conference registration is open at http://mo.4honline.com from December 1 to February 15. Be sure you don’t miss out!

Calling 4-H Photographers

Is photography your passion? Do you like a challenge?? If so, consider applying for Photo Corps, Missouri’s state 4-H photography team. Enthusiastic 4-H photographers will challenge their photo skills and learn with a team fellow photographers from across the state. The group works via social media, so no travel is required. This awesome opportunity is open to all members, ages 12-18, that have completed at least one year of 4-H photography.

To apply, visit mo.4honline.com. Applications will remain open until January 1. Don’t miss out on the opportunity to be a part of the 2018 team, apply today!
Katy Trail Alpines Dairy Goat Essay Contest

Eligibility:
The contest is open to all active 4-H members enrolled in the dairy goat project for the current 4-H year.

Deadline:
Essays must be submitted no later than December 15, 2017 to lpn1995mo@aol.com.

Requirements:
Essays should be two to three paragraphs in length about why you would like a dairy goat wether, what you would like to learn about goats, and what you would like to do with your goat (for example, show in the Boone County fair, take walks with the goat, etc.). Essays should include your name, age, years in 4-H, and contact information in the top left hand corner of the page. Submissions that do not meet this requirement will be disqualified.

The essay winner will receive a one month old Alpine wether, to be bottle fed for at least a month more. The goat will be awarded at the dairy goat meeting in March or April. If your essay is selected as the winning essay you are expected to:

- Attend dairy goat project meetings.
- Care for your goat daily.
- Show at the Boone County Fair (if possible).

After successfully caring for the wether, the 4-H member will receive a $100 discount on a registered Alpine doe kid in the spring of the following year from Katy Trail Alpines.

Judges: Essays will be judged by Mary Ellen Kerr and Miriam Carlos.

This essay contest and all awards are sponsored by Katy Trail Alpines.
Calendar of Events

All forms, applications, etc. are due at 4:30 on due date unless otherwise noted.

December

Ham Day .................................................. December 2
4-H Foundation Quiz Night ................................ December 2
Horsemanship Committee Mtg. ................................ December 6
Shooting Sports Committee Mtg. .......................... December 7
BBQ Committee Mtg. ....................................... December 13
Jr. Council .................................................. December 18
Extension Office Closed (Christmas) ......................... December 25-26
Extension Office Closed (New Years) ....................... December 29

January

Extension Office Closed (New Years) ....................... January 1
Shooting Sports Committee Mtg. ........................... January 9
Regional Rep Applications Due ............................. January 12
Jr. Council .................................................. January 15
MHSA Horse Bowl Contest .................................. January 27

February

YCLS Registration Closes ..................................... February 1
4-H Expo Registration Due .................................. February 1
Beef Weigh-in .............................................. February 10
4-H Expo .................................................... February 17
Mid MO Expo ............................................... February 24

Upcoming Event Dates

YCLS (Registration Closes February 1) ..................... March 2-4
BOCOMO ................................................... March 10
Teen Conference .......................................... March 24-25
Stage Congress ............................................. May 30-June 1
Canine Camp ............................................... June 7-9
4-H Camp .................................................... June 11-14
4-H Alumni Camp .......................................... June 15-16
Shooting Sports Camp ....................................... June 21-23

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Newsletter Deadline
Club information, meeting schedules, or anything else you want published in the newsletter must be emailed to the Extension Office by the 25th of the month.

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YOUTH LIVESTOCK EXPO
December 14, 6:30 p.m. at 4-H Center in Mexico

- ANIMAL SELECTION
- ANIMAL NUTRITION
- PROJECT LEADER TRAINING
- DINNER

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OR AUDRAINCO@MISSOURI.EDU
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College & Career Readiness for the whole family!

WHEN
February 17, 2018
10am-2pm

WHERE
MACC Campus
Moberly, MO

WHO
Clover Kids
Youth 8-10
Youth 11-18
Adults

WHY
Fun, hands-on, age appropriate activities that focus on building futures!
Family Name: _________________________________ Email: _________________________________

# Youth 5-7 years old __________
# of Youth 8-10 years old __________
# Youth 11-18 years old __________
# of Non 4-H Friends __________
# of Adults __________

Learning needs that we should be aware of to provide a better learning environment?
(Please indicate age of participant): ______________________________________________________________________
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Food or Dietary Needs? __________________________________________________________________________________________
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*Payment is due at the time of registration
MHSA Horse Bowl Contest

January 27, 2018 - 8am-12pm
Stephens College | Columbia, MO

Register by January 12, 2018

Teams & individuals are encouraged to compete!

Registration forms can be downloaded at extension.missouri.edu/boone/forms.aspx or picked up at the Boone County MU Extension Office

Junior, Intermediate & Senior Divisions!

Prizes & Scholarships awarded to winning teams & high scoring individuals

Awards presented at the MHSA Banquet (ticket required)

The MHSA Horse Bowl contest will provide an opportunity for youth to demonstrate their knowledge of equine related subject matter in a competitive setting where attitudes of friendliness and fairness prevail.

For questions or more information about the event:

Janet Thompson
573-964-5197
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Brooke Jameson
573-445-9792
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An educational event where you can learn about and enjoy:

Fencing  Food  Fence Wires & Fencing
Pest/Insect ID  Vendors  Pest Management
Small Animals  Demos  Small Animal Care
Hops Production  Raffles  Planting Hops
Lawn/Garden Care  Auctions  Lawn Care
Weed Management  and more!

Drop in
9am-3pm

Battle High School
7575 E St.
Charles Rd
Columbia MO

Saturday
February 24

Advanced tickets are available online for $7, or pay $10 at the door.
Tickets and program information are available at extension.missouri.edu/boone or call us at 573-445-9792.
Interested in sponsorships? Call us at 573-445-9792.

The Courage to Lead!
Missouri Youth Civic Leaders Summit
March 2-4, 2018

Weekend Highlights...
- Teen & Adult Speakers!
- Leadership Workshops!
- Team Talent Showcase!
- EDGE Challenge Course!
- Out-of-State Guest Teams!
- Youth-Led Networking!
- On-Site Service Projects!
- Team Mini-Grant Planning!

You’re Invited!
All teens ages 14-18 and adult leaders who want to make a difference in your communities and world!
Assemble a team from your club, council, school, community, or county. Register by Feb 1, 2018!

http://4h.missouri.edu/YCLS/main
http://mocomunitybetterment.com/Youth/YouthHome.aspx
State 4-H Congress

May 30– June 1, 2018

Fee: $225.00

How to Register:
You must be at least 14 years of age before January 1, 2018 to attend. You may attend more than once, subject to county approval. The cost of this year’s conference is $225.00 includes housing, meals, Congress activities, and t-shirt.

Registration through 4HOnline (http://mo.4honline.com) will open on March 1, 2018 and extend through April 15, 2018. We cannot accept registrations after April 15.

Registration Dates:
- February 1 for Chaperones
- March 1 for delegates

All New Leadership Sessions
New Focus on college/career sessions.

Delegates will be able to select two sessions

Congress Dodgeball Tournament! Make a team of 5 or a team can be made for you. Register and pay for your team at check in for congress. $5 per person

Scholarships Available for a limited amount of delegates. $50 will be awarded to each selected delegate. Please contact your county youth specialist for the application.