4-H Online Enrollment is now Live

The 4-H Online enrollment system is now ready for members and volunteers. A detailed message was sent on October 1st and multiple reminders since to describe the enrollment process. Please check your personal information and credit card information for expired cards. If you have questions, need technical assistance, or to borrow a computer for enrollment, please let us know.

Volunteer Orientation, Screening and Online Enrollment

This is a reminder that all 4-H volunteers must complete the volunteer orientation. This is a one time requirement. If you have already completed orientation, you do not have to do it again. You can do this inside the 4-H Online system. If you have already completed your orientation in the past and are getting this prompt accidentally, please let us know and we can make a change inside the system.

Regional Representatives Wanted

The State 4-H Council is an elected body of 4-H youth who serve one year. Council members help plan and carry out State 4-H Congress and State 4-H Teen Conference. They meet 5 to 6 times a year. Four 4-H members from each region will be elected to the State 4-H Council at State 4-H Congress in the summer, however the process starts now. Youth who wish to become a Regional Representative must submit an application form and letter to the Extension Center no later than January 2nd. You must be age 14–17 as of December 31, 2018 to apply. Visit the website or contact Dana for an application if you are interested. You will be called in for an interview at a later date.

BOAC Grants

Missouri Department of Agriculture Building Our American Communities grant applications must be postmarked by December 1. Applications are available by accessing the website at http://mda.mo.gov/connect/youth/boac.php. I encourage clubs to consider applying for a BOAC grant. There has been a need expressed for a storage shed at Daniel Boone Gun Club. Also, projects at the St. Charles County fairgrounds are good to consider for these grants. Contact Snap, Fair Board President, to find out what projects they need funding for. If your club would like assistance with the application, please let us know.

Extension Council Election—Seeking Adults and now Youth

The St. Charles County Extension Council is looking for individuals interested in serving on the Council. If you are interested in being a candidate, please con-
tact the Extension office. The Extension Council oversees all of the Extension programs and manages the finances that support Extension in St. Charles County.

The Extension Council Youth Leadership (ECYL) Program supports County Extension Councils in diversifying their membership to include youth and young adults on councils.

The goals of the program are to:

- support Extension councils in engaging youth, ages 14-17, in non-voting capacities (voting members must be at least 18 years old by Missouri State Statutes);

- support Extension councils in engaging more young adults, ages 18-25, in voting positions; and integrate youth-young adult participation into ongoing council leadership development.

Through ECYL, councils gain fresh ideas, new energy, and generational insights from youth and young adults. Having young people serve on councils leads to enhanced dialogue and decision-making, and increases council linkages to other youth and adults in the community. Interested? Contact us for more information.

**Be the Voice of Youth as a CYL!**

County Youth Liaisons (CYLs) are the links between Missouri communities around the state to State 4-H Council. A CYL’s job is to stay informed about what is going on in their county and what is going on at the State 4-H Council level and relay questions, answers, and updates between the two. You will also help your Youth Specialist by being the voice of youth at meetings and events when asked. You must 13-18 years old, in good standing with your 4-H club, enthusiastic about 4-H and excited to help your peers get the most out of it. If you’re interested in taking on this new and exciting leadership role on behalf of your county, please contact Dana at joerlingd@missouri.edu or 636-970-3000.

**4-H Feeding Missouri**

The goal of 4-H Feeding Missouri is to raise one million meals the month of February in a first-of-its-kind statewide food drive, and every 4-H club in the state can contribute to its success! From February 1-28, 4-Hers across Missouri will engage in a friendly service competition to see which clubs can contribute the greatest amount of food, donations and volunteer hours. They’ll have an opportunity to organize and/or participate in food drives, fundraising, volunteerism and educational outreach to learn about hunger and food insecurity. Stay tuned for more information!

In the meantime, please consider including educational opportunities about hunger and food insecurity during club meetings and other events leading up to the February drive. Included on the 4-H Feeding Missouri webpage is a resource section that features a “4-H: Empowering Youth to End Hunger in Their Communities Toolkit” with ready-made activities for youth to learn about this topic. You can draw from this resource to help youth learn about hunger and food insecurity.

**Citizenship Washington Focus**

The Citizenship Washington Focus trip is scheduled and confirmed for June 22-July 1, 2019! The delegate application is attached to this EYC. 4-H Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) is a weeklong summer program in Washington, DC where high school students learn about government and citizenship. Youth get a chance to see George Washington’s home of Mount Vernon, Arlington National Cemetery, many of the memorials located in Washington, D.C., as well as all of the Smithsonian Museums. The groups will also take advantage of being in the Nation’s Capital to meet with senators and representatives on Capitol Hill!

A statewide delegation of teens and chaperones from Missouri attend CWF every other summer. The Summer 2019 trip will include one group of approx. 35 youth, ages 15-19, traveling together with the trip coordinator and chaperones. Estimated trip cost will be $2,000 per youth, paid in four installments over several months. Youth applications will be due by December 3, 2018, along with the first payment installment. Remaining installment due dates will be January 14, February 15, and April 15, 2019.

Go here for more details: [http://www.4h.missouri.edu/CWF/main](http://www.4h.missouri.edu/CWF/main)

**4-H Volunteer Impact Study – You May Be Contacted**

What you do makes a difference! We are excited to share that our state will be participating in 4-H Volunteer Impact Study of volunteers in the North Central Region.

This survey is being conducted as a part of 12 state effort
to document the impact of volunteering.

It will focus on three areas:

- the personal benefits of your volunteer experience;
- the impact you have on the organization by volunteering; and
- how your volunteer efforts contribute to your community in which you live and work.

A random sample of volunteers of 1000 volunteers from each state will be surveyed. This study will be conducted through an electronic survey. If you are selected you will receive an e-mail to let you know you have been selected to participate.

You may be picked! If you are, please respond. We want to hear from you and learn from your volunteer experiences.

Your comments will be used to quantify the personal, organizational and public impacts of volunteers involved with 4-H Youth Development Programs in our twelve state region.

Your impact is great and we want to hear from you!

- Re-usable water bottle
- I.D. badges
- Backpack
- Transportation to and from Orlando
- Overnight habitat accommodations at Sea World
- All meals at Sea World
- All special events at Sea World
- Sea World Rescue facilities
- Park admission to both Sea World and Busch Gardens
- Behind the scene access
- Veterinary practices and care facilities
- Animal encounters
- Proper dress and equipment required for Zoo areas
- Photo access and camp video (produced after camp concludes)
- Unique animal experiences based on age which will be revealed at Camp
- Access to America’s 4th most popular theme park rides
- World class shows and entertainment
- New Year's fireworks display
- Lifelong friendships
- Transportation back to airport on Wednesday, January 2nd.

Not included in the $592 fee:
- Airfare to and from Tampa, FL
- Money for souvenirs

Remember to pack:
- Long jeans and shorts to handle the December temps in Florida
- Camera (other than phone) Campers may not have their phone with them at all times.

Required health paperwork will be submitted directly to Busch Gardens - Health Staff will be with us at all times and monitoring any required medicine or health issues.

Ready to register? [http://www.cvent.com/d/wbq01w/4W](http://www.cvent.com/d/wbq01w/4W)  Registration closes December 1, 2018

Questions? Contact Dana Joerling at joer-lingd@missouri.edu or 636-970-3000.

### 4-H Zoo Apprentice Experience

The 2018 Zoo Apprentice/Junior Zoo apprentice experience will be held December 29, 2018-January 2, 2019, at Busch Gardens in Tampa, FL and Sea World, Orlando, FL.

**Junior Zoo Apprentice: Ages 10-13**

**Senior Zoo Apprentice: Ages 14-18**

The $592 registration fee includes:
- Airport pick-up and transportation on Saturday to Busch Gardens
- All lodging
- 24/7 Staff Escorts including Zoo Staff, Education Staff, Youth Professionals & Health Staff
- Three camp t-shirts
- Staff will process needed laundry during the week
- All meals and lodge snacks

[http://www.4h.missouri.edu/zoo_camp/main](http://www.4h.missouri.edu/zoo_camp/main)
Club Corner

During the **Junior Leaders** October meeting, we introduced the new officers and decided who was going to the officer training. We discussed our service project. We will go to Our Ladies Inn and help with their Christmas shop by bringing in presents. We selected the Fun Festival committees and did a service project by making Christmas cards for veterans. (Dan Veheige, Reporter)

The **Pauldingville 4-H Club** met on October 16, 2018 at Shiloh UCC. The new 2018-2019 officers were installed. The Texas Roadhouse fundraiser night results were presented. Our recreation leader told us about non-electronic games to play while you are riding in a car. Our club plan was presented and approved for the year. 4-H enrollment procedures were discussed. We talked about our upcoming bonding movie party and a family fun day for December. We also discussed upcoming fundraisers for the club. Everyone was asked to bring a canned good for the church food drive next month. Members shared their individual achievements. We signed a thank you card to give to the Veterans at the Wentzville VFW for Veterans Day. The meeting was adjourned and we shared a healthy snack. (Kaitlyn O'Donnell, Reporter/Historian)

The **Point Prairie 4-H Club** is off to a great start! We have close to 70 members in our club. In October we had a fun Halloween party including snacks, games, pumpkin carving and costume contest. Our club just celebrated Veteran's Day by making dinner and serving it to our local VFW members. It was a great evening for everyone. (Clare Dahm, Reporter)

Clovers & Congratulations

★ To the members of the report form judging committee, for their tireless work to review this year’s forms.

4-H Move Across Missouri

MOVE in 2019! 4-H MOVE promotes physical activity and encourages youth to engage in a broad range of activities such as walking, biking, running, swimming, dance, taekwondo, gardening and more.

Enrollment for new and re-enrollment for current MOVErs begins January 1, 2018 and continues until May 1 (please make sure to register by May 1 so you can participate in the competition!).

Here’s what youth and adults need to do to participate:

Enroll in the Move Across Missouri (MOVE) project (HF775) in 4HOnline in their profile. Enrollment in 4-H MOVE does not count as a part of county limits on projects.

Using a paper tracking system found on the 4-H website at: [http://4h.missouri.edu/4hmove/moveinfo](http://4h.missouri.edu/4hmove/moveinfo), youth and their families can “log” the number of minutes they accumulate throughout the year and during the competitive component of the MOVE program (scroll to the bottom of the website page and click “My Move Activity Log”). Record keeping through the paper tracking system is important because the competition period will be from February 1 to April 30. Youth and families will submit their total number of minutes logged and activities (basketball, running, chores, etc.) throughout the 12 week competitive period between May 1 - 15 in 4HOnline.

4-Hers and adults can register for the competitive event as individuals and/or as part of a team. An individual MOVEr may also be a part of a team. A team can consist of a family or members of a 4-H club or group. MOVE awards will be provided.
Support our funding — brick by brick

Brick by brick we continue to extend the pathway that meanders through the on-site demonstration gardens. It has become a place for all to enjoy the peacefulness and awe-inspiring beauty of nature. A brick with your name or the name of someone to remember extends the path one brick at a time. Your generosity will support the funding of all programs at MU Extension in St. Charles County. Together we can make a difference. [Brick order form (PDF)] | [Online ordering]