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### Youth Animal Science Programs Feature Dogs, Poultry

LIBERTY, NY—Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC) announces two new 4-H animal science program opportunities that encourage youth (age 5-18) to reach personal goals and develop skills that add value to their animal projects. Programs held at the Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty.

2<sup>nd</sup> Fridays Jan 11- Jun 7 | Dog Achievement Series: On the second Friday each month from 6:30-8 pm, youth can experience non-competitive activities for dog lovers, divided into beginner, intermediate, and advanced levels. Each month, youth will work on different topics and creatively document progress along the way.

Saturday, Jan 26 | Poultry Palooza: Guest speakers and hands-on, educational activities make up this exciting program for young poultry enthusiasts from 1-3 pm. Topics will cover showmanship, judging, egg judging, coops, biosecurity, disease, nutrition, poultry quiz bowl, and more!

Cost of each program is \$8 per youth or \$5 per 4-H member. Space is limited and registration with non-refundable payment is required in advance by visiting [www.sullivancee.org/events](http://www.sullivancee.org/events), emailing [sullivan@cornell.edu](mailto:sullivan@cornell.edu), or calling CCESC at 845-292-6180. Payment can be made by check, cash, or credit. Additional donations for CCESC programs are appreciated.

Any Sullivan County youth ages 5-18 can apply to enroll in 4-H for free, all year long. To learn more about 4-H, call CCESC at 845-292-6180 or visit <http://sullivancee.org/4-h-youth-development>.

Cornell Cooperative Extension's 4-H Youth Development program empowers any youth ages 5-18 to reach their full potential, working and learning in partnership with caring adults. 4-H members have opportunities to connect to Cornell University resources and gain career readiness skills through hands-on activities and "learning by doing".

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