## Cornell Cooperative Extension Orange County

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Dear Orange County 4-H Families,

We hope this message finds you all safe and healthy. In our continued efforts to be proactive, Orange County 4-H takes every precaution to ensure the safety of the 4-H community. Given the uncertainty surrounding COVID-19, and due to an abundance of caution, we are making changes for the best health and safety of all.

Orange County 4-H is announcing the immediate suspension of all youth programming and volunteer activities and we are cancelling/postponing, and/or moving to a web based approach all events for April and May events/activities/programs. This includes the following:

- Horse Dressage Clinic March 29<sup>th</sup> Canceled
- Horse Bowl and Dairy Bowl practices April and May Canceled study online with Zoom!
- Incubation and Embryology Classes Canceled look for online lessons (coming soon)
- Dog Classes April and May Canceled
- **Day of Code** April 11<sup>th</sup> Canceled (possibly virtual)
- Archery, Beginner and Intermediate/Advanced Canceled
- **Horse Level Day** April 17<sup>th</sup> Canceled
- **Photography Show** April 18<sup>th</sup> Postponed (working on virtual)
- Calf Sale May 9<sup>th</sup> Canceled
- **Dairy Trip** May 30<sup>th</sup> Canceled
- Work Nights for Fair May 12<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> Postponed
- **Public Presentations** Both County & District Postponed (updates to follow)
- **PiNY** (Produced in NY) Postponed (possibly virtual)
- **Art Programs** Canceled (working on virtual)
- **Cloverbud Adventures** Canceled (working on virtual)
- **Robotics** Canceled (possibly virtual)
- **Computer Science** Making shift to virtual (updates to follow)

We will try our best to reschedule as many of these programs as possible. If you paid a fee for any of the above programs/activities, you will be automatically registered for the new date or you will be refunded if you are unable to attend on the new date.



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Please also note that the following New York State 4-H programs are canceled/postponed as well:

- **Dairy Discovery Day** March 27-28 Canceled
- National 4-H Conference March 28-April 2 postponed until Sep 26-Oct 1, 2020
- Staff In-Service April 1-2 Moving to virtual
- State Horse Bowl April 18 Postponed to June 6
- **STARR** April 24-26 Postponed until possibly fall
- **Animal Crackers** May 2 Canceled
- State 4-H Dairy Bowl postponed, tentative new date June 6, 2020
- SUNY Cobleskill Block and Bridle Club Spring Clinic Canceled

At this time, our staff will continue to work on furthering our mission of positive youth development programing. We wish you and your loved ones a safe journey through these difficult times. Remember to take care of your health while remaining compassionate to the needs of the greater community.

Regards,

The Orange County 4-H Staff

