

# Cornell Cooperative Extension Columbia and Greene Counties

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Dear 4-H Family,

What a time it has been, right? We here at Columbia and Greene 4-H are trying really hard to create opportunities that our 4-H members will enjoy and learn from AND that fulfill the COVID-19 safety requirements.

We are very excited to be able to offer this 4-H animal science clinic. As you know, the COVID-19 safety requirements seem to change from day to day. But, we do have guidance that has come from the State 4-H Office, that take into consideration those NYS guidelines as well as the expectations of CCE Administration and our insurance carrier. Behind the scenes, I have written a COVID-19 Safety Plan for this event. The following is included so I ask that you read this carefully and plan to comply with all aspects.

Please keep in mind that we do understand that not all families and youth are comfortable with meeting in person at this time. We do totally understand and, with that, there is absolutely no expectation that a 4-H member participate in this clinic as a requirement for participation in any other 4-H animal science opportunity this year.

If you plan to attend, please:

1. Register every person in your family who plans to attend – 4-H member or not, including all children and adults. Use the registration link on the flier or contact Emily Warrington at 518-318-1210 or [ew387@cornell.edu](mailto:ew387@cornell.edu) with the information. Please consider not bringing children who are not enrolled in this 4-H project area – to make it easier to keep the numbers low. We may need to limit attendance and will be in touch before the clinic if this is necessary.
2. Let us know who is arriving by 5:30PM to have a bite to eat – pizza, water, fruit – so we can plan accordingly.
3. Complete the enclosed “Assumption of the Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/COVID-19”. One per family is fine, just list all participants at the bottom of the form. Please bring this with you to the clinic – you will need one for each clinic attended.
4. Each person at the clinic must wear a mask if within 6 feet of any other person in attendance. Those in attendance may remove their mask when further than 6 feet from others but please be sure that everyone has a mask as there will be times when the 6 foot distance will not be able to happen.
5. Each person in attendance must sign in upon arrival.
6. Hand sanitizer will be available. Encourage all in attendance to use it often, especially after touching something you did not personally bring along.

Thank you so much for your help and support on this. I know it is not easy but I sure am happy we can begin to meet in person so we can continue our 4-H “learn by doing”.

Sincerely, Linda Tripp, 4-H Issue Leader – please contact me with any questions – 518-318-1193 or [Lke2@cornell.edu](mailto:Lke2@cornell.edu).



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