



4-H Youth Enrollment

The New 4-H Year Begins October 1, 2023!

HOW TO ENROLL: Only paper forms accepted

****NO online enrollment option this year****

- Option 1: Stop by CCE Niagara and fill out paperwork in person (copies available at front desk beginning Monday, October 2) & copies available in front foyer after hours
- Option 2: Fill out paperwork at your October/November club or animal species meetings; forms available in the training center; seal enrollment form in envelope with your cash or check payment; drop into the NEW locked drop box in training center after meeting (black box mounted to wall in hallway by the shop doors)
- Option 3: Print a paper copy out online at home, fill out, mail in with check or drop off to office. If you come after hours, you can leave it in the front foyer locked drop box. Available on our website <https://cceniagaracounty.org/4-h-youth/forms/enrollment-forms>

ENROLLMENT FEES:

- First time enrolling/New Members between Oct. 1-March 1 = \$25 per child
- Returning members, re-enrolling between Oct. 1-Nov. 30 = \$25 per child
- Returning members, re-enrolling between Dec. 1-March 1 = \$35 per child (includes \$10 late fee)
- Maximum of \$65 per family for 3 or more children living in same household (between Oct. 1-March 1)
- Not accepting any 4-H Enrollments or Re-Enrollments after March 1
- Your enrollment fee is due at time of submitted enrollment form (check, cash, or credit card). DO NOT submit enrollment forms without payment, forms will not be accepted without payment.

My Child is in 4-H: Now What?

Once enrolled 4-H'ers are invited to participate in a variety of programs! Here is a list of all the opportunities that are offered:

County-Wide Animal Science Programs:

- Livestock Auction, Beef, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goats, Cats, Dogs, Equine, Meat Goats, Working Goats, Poultry, Rabbits/Cavy, Pheasants, Sheep, and Swine Educational Meetings

County-Wide Programs

- Entomology, Shooting Sports, Public Presentations & Niagara Nature (**NEW, this year!**)

Workshops

- Arts & Crafts, Photography, Natural Resources, Sewing, field trips, Foods/Baking, and more

The 4-H Clover Scene is the best source of communication and to see what's new and to use it as your guide. "Like" us on Facebook (Niagara County 4-H Program) to stay connected and see what other 4-H'ers are doing.

What are the 4-H Standards of Recognition?

4-H Standards of Recognition is a tool to help individual members set and achieve goals and are part of our recognition model. Recognition is an important part of the 4-H experience; it helps master skills and knowledge by providing feedback on progress towards goals. Here's how it works:

At the beginning of the 4-H year, youth decide which level of recognition they would like to receive. The levels are "Learn By Doing", "Making the Best Better", "Heart of 4-H" and "Grow a True Leader". There are also 4 levels for Cloverbuds: "Head", "Heart", "Hands" and "Health". To help youth decide, they should review the Standard of Recognition performance measure chart with their parent or club leader. The chart outlines what a member needs to do in order to achieve each level of recognition. For example, if a 4-H member wants to achieve the "Learn By Doing" standard, he/she would need to plan to do the following throughout the course of the 4-H year:

1. Complete 4 projects from at least 1 project area or more
2. Exhibit at least 2 entries at the 4-H Fair
3. Participate in 4 activities or competitions
4. Completing 2 hours of Community Service
5. Write 3 things I learned through the projects that I participated in
6. Participate in club or county 4-H Public Presentations

For more information please go to our website to see all the Standards of Recognition levels along with the application. <https://cceniagaracounty.org/4-h-youth/forms/scholarship-award-forms>

Congratulations to this year's Cloverbud participants:

Cloverbuds– Jack Henry, Sadie Henry, Miranda Kyle, Cameron Capitumino, Levi Jackson and Justin Jackson

Congratulations to this year's 4-H award winners:

"Learn by Doing"- Scott Maxwell and Brayden Lindke

"Making the Best Better"- Cole Jackson, Blake Lindke and Luke Henry

"Heart of 4-H"- Madison Marshall, Anna Henry, Jackson Philpott, Corey Tang and Elizabeth Nicks

"Grow a True Leader"- Bailey Tang, Bella Muck, Emily Jago, Michellynn Schroeder and Brooklyn Capitumino



CCE Office Schedule

Office Closed

Veterans Day Friday, November 11

Thanksgiving Thurs. & Friday, Nov. 23 & 24

Christmas December 25– January 1

Premium Money

Any 4-H member (does not include Cloverbuds) who exhibited an animal at the Niagara County Fair in 2023 and/or entered exhibits in the training center, AND was re-enrolled in 4-H by May 1, 2023 – will receive premium money. If you didn't pick it up at Achievement Night, you can stop by CCE administration office any time during business hours to pick up your cash. Please do so by **November 30** to pick up your money.

Niagara County Fair Specials

Did you receive a 4-H Sponsors "special" award during the Niagara County Fair or Achievement Night? If so, a cash prize has been given to you for your outstanding work in a project area. Club Leaders and Individuals can pick up the checks any time between now or by 12/21/23. Checks will not be mailed. You may send a stamped self-addressed envelope if you wish us to mail it. Checks not picked up by **December 21, 2023** will be forfeited back to Niagara County 4-H Sponsors.

4-H Japanese Exchange

Have you heard about the 4-H Japanese Exchange Program? If you have but didn't know what was involved or this is the first you have heard of it... we have a family that was willing to share their experiences with you.

Hosting a Foreign Exchange Student by Anna Owen

My family and I decided to host a student from Japan because we wanted to experience getting to know someone from another country and to share our cultural difference and similarities. We have hosted for two years and have had two students stay with us. The students we have hosted stay for the summer. They stay from mid July to mid August. However, there is an option to host for one year. We have never participate in that but are looking forward to doing it in the future.

I would highly recommend hosting a foreign exchange student. It is so much fun sharing your everyday life with someone who wants to learn about your culture. It can be as simple as sharing a bowl of cereal in the morning with them or showing them how to use a microwave.

There are many highlights to hosting. Both years we hosted we went to the Maid of the Mist. Both Shiho and Natsu, our students loved it. We also got to travel to Syracuse to meet them and also where we have to take them back to say goodbye. When you go, they have two amazing ceremonies. One before their stay and one at the end of their stay. Both include a catered lunch with lots of yummy food and desserts. The students get to talk about the highlights of their stay. Shiho, our first student, loved animals. We went horse-back riding, she loved our fair and the lemonade.

Hosting a foreign exchange student is very rewarding. You get to be involved in many activities. You can take them to places such as Niagara Falls and the county fair. They are here to experience your everyday life in the summer. So whatever it is you do, they get to do as well. I would highly recommend this experience in which you will gain a friend for life from across the world.



Host families must

- Be able to host for 4 weeks in the summer
- Be able to travel to Syracuse (twice)
- Have a child of similar age (within 3 years older or younger)
- A bed for the delegate
- Apply to the NYS 4-H Japanese Exchange Program
- Approval upon a home inspection

Hosting A Foreign Exchange Students by Averie Owen

My family and I decided to host a student from Japan to get to know their culture and to gain a friend from far away. We have hosted for two years and have two students stay with us. The students stay with us during the summer from July to August. You can have the choice to host for an academic year.

I would definitely recommend this to others. It seems that no matter who you are and who you host you will both enjoy the experience. It is so much fun hosting.

There are so many highlights when hosting a delegate. I love getting to know them and sharing cultures just as much as they do with us. It is nerve racking (in a good way) first meeting them because you're both new to each other. Once you get to know them, you have the time of your life! Some of the best parts of their stay were the fair, Niagara Falls, restaurants, pets, family, friends, swimming, learning a new language and so much more. It is hard to let go when it is time to say goodbye.

There is so much to keep you involved while hosting. First, there are two ceremonies, one before and one after the stay. It takes place at a hotel ballroom in Syracuse, NY. They include speeches and a show is performed by the delegates at the first ceremony and then sharing favorite memories at the goodbye ceremony. Lunch is served at both. The activities you can experience together are endless. You can participate in the fair by showing an animal or doing a craft. You can visit Niagara Falls, ride the Maid of the Mist and hike the gorge. You can take them to many restaurants, amusement parks and have them meet all your friends.

Most importantly, I have gained so many memories through hosting and I have gained two best friends.



**If this program interests you please contact Kathy Bowers for more information
at krc8@cornell.edu!**

Workshops

Crafting with Iesa Towel Apron

Date: Monday, November 6,

Time: 6:00pm

Place: Memorial Room

Cost: \$.50

RSVP: by November 3, Iesa 716-523-4981

Ages: 5-14

If you've never sewn, please come at 6:00 and learn the parts of a sewing machine and then how to operate it before starting your apron. Others can start at 6:30. Please bring the following: kitchen towel (no directional pattern) and matching pot holder, 2 yards of 3/4" or 1" ribbon, thread, scissors, pins and seam ripper. A sewing machine if you have one. There are some available to use. Please call with any questions. Limited to 6. All children must have an adult with them. (Does not need to know sewing)

Embroidery

Date: Saturday, November, 18
Saturday, December 2

Time: 12:00-2:00pm

Continuing to learn new stitches.



Mitten Ornament Beginner Hand Sewing

Date: Monday, November 20

Time: 6:00pm

Place: Memorial Room

Cost: \$3

RSVP: by November 17 to Iesa 716-523-4981

Ages: 5 and up

This class the second class for anyone who has never done hand sewing before. In this class you will sew, a mitten ornament. Everything is precut and has sewing holes. You'll be learning the blanket stitch. Everything is provided.

Mannequin Modeling

I want to thank Artisan Alley for letting us use their window front to do some mannequin modeling again this year. If you have done any sewing with me this year or in the past, you are welcome to join. All of the kids that attended in the past have had a great time and did a wonderful job. Mannequin modeling is wearing or showing off what you have made in window facing out for the public to see. You go in 10-minute intervals. There's room in window for more than one person. We will start at 5. At 6 is a light up parade that you are welcome to stay and watch. Bring props to add to your outfit. Some kids wore pj's and brought their pillowcases that they made, or bowl and spoon when wearing apron. Please call with any questions. -Iesa

When: Friday, December 1

Where: Artisan Alley 2714 Main Street, Newfane

RSVP: by November 30, Iesa at 716-523-4981

Finger Knitted Wreath Cloverbuds

Date: Monday, December 4

Time: 6:00-7:30m

Place: Memorial Room

Cost: \$2

RSVP: by December 1 to Iesa 716-523-4981

Ages: 5-7

This is a quick and easy project. This is great for working fine motor skills. Learn to finger knit then make it into a wreath and decorate. Everything is provided.

Hanging Kitchen Towel

Date: Monday, December 11

Time: 6:00-7:30m

Place: Memorial Room

RSVP: by December 8 to Iesa 716-523-4981

Ages: 8 and up

This is great easy sewing project, but not for anyone with no sewing experience (must have gone through a couple of beginner sewing projects with me) With a kitchen towel, potholder and a pretty button, make a towel that doesn't fall off your cupboard drawer. Learn how to do the gathering stitch and sew a button on. Makes a great gift. There should be enough time for you to make two. Some sewing experience is required. Bring kitchen towels, flat potholder, button and sewing supplies such as thread, scissors, seam ripper, and anything else that you should find in your sewing box

Baking with Becky Wilson Apple and Pumpkin Pies

Date: Wednesday, November 8 or
Thursday, November 9

Time: 5:30pm

Place: Large Meeting Room

RSVP: to dsweeney7371@gmail.com by November 1

If you are interested in coming at 4:30pm to help peel and measure apples, please come!

Becky Wilson is a retired BOCES Special Education Teacher and 4-H Alumni. She was a very active 4-H foods member from ages 9-19. Becky belonged to the Five Corners Lads and Lassies Club in Pendleton and had fun during those years with the Millers as head leaders. She also participated in sewing, gardening, conservation, demonstrations (public presentations) and showed a horse one year. She won a trip to the Adirondacks and the Citizenship trip to Washington DC. She worked many hours at the Niagara County Fair in the 4-H Milk Bar and 4-H Pie Kitchen where pies were made and sold. She is most proud of winning a blue ribbon at the Apple Pie Contests.

STEM

Sphero Robots

Date: Thursday, November 9

Time 5:00- 6:00pm

Place: Training Center Auditorium

RSVP: Christina Wright at ckw38@cornell.edu by Friday, November 6

Ages: 8+

Fee: \$2

Learn to control a rolling robot and race your friends!

Ozobot Obstacle Course

Date: Tuesday, November 14

Time: 5:00-6:00pm

Place: Large Meeting Room

RSVP: Christina Wright at ckw38@cornell.edu by Friday, November 10

Ages: 5+

Fee: \$2

Youth will design an obstacle course for your tiny robot using color coding

Lego Engineering Club

Date: Tuesday November 21

Time: 4:30- 6:00pm

Place: Memorial Room

RSVP: Christina Wright at ckw38@cornell.edu by Friday, November 17

Ages: 5+

Fee : \$2

Youth are given a building challenge and have fun sharing their original designs.

Interested in being a workshop instructor?

Have a topic you would like to teach or share with youth? Email Kathy Bowers at krc8@cornell.edu

Niagara Nature **NEW!!!!!!** Battle Bugs!

Date: Wednesday, November 29

Time: Large Meeting Room

Place: 6:30-7:30pm (or until done playing!)

RSVP: by November 27 to Heidi Feltz at hmk3@cornell.edu

You are about to embark on a very interesting journey into the world of biological control! You might think your little brother or sister is a pest, but they are nothing compared to insect pests! Insect pests eat our food and destroy our environment. But we can stop them! Save our Food! Save our habitats! Who are the bad guys and who are the good guys? Build your own insect and play video games in this workshop!

Cloverbud Snowman Ornament

Date: Thursday, December 7

Time: 6:00pm-7:00pm

Place: Memorial Room

RSVP: by December 4, Kathy at krc8@cornell.edu

Ages: 4-H'ers ages 5-8

Youth will make a snowman ornament by putting it together, painting it and adding decorative touches.

Workshops

It is very important to **RSVP** for the workshops so that the instructors can be prepared and in case the class is canceled due to lack of participation! A minimum of 5 people per class in order to hold it.



4-H Public Presentations 2024

Save the Dates!

Registration Forms Coming Soon...

- Registration Forms Due: Wednesday, January 10
- Optional Pre-Game Practice: Tuesday, February 6 (4-7pm) & Saturday, February 10 (9am-4pm)
- Presentation Dates: Saturday, February 24 & Thursday February 29

Live Animal Presentations Only in Memorial Room: Saturday, February 24

Agricultural Activities

Animal Science Members

****NEW** Re-Enrollment deadline for returning members is January 5, 2024**

- Returning/Re-enrolling members must re-enroll by January 5, 2024, to be eligible to show/exhibit animals at the 2024 Niagara County Fair. Re-enrollments received between January 6, 2024-March 1, 2024, can still participate in 4-H and attend all animal meetings & 4-H programs, but are not permitted to show animals at fair in 2024. This is a hard deadline and exceptions will not be made.
- First time enrolling/new members - must enroll by March 1, 2024, and meet the minimum meeting requirements (explained below) to be eligible to show any animal species at 2024 fair.
- Each Clover Bud & 4-H Member must attend at least 5 species meetings per year (between September 2023-July 2024) to meet minimum meeting requirements, to be eligible to show/exhibit animals of any species, at the 2024 Niagara County Fair.
- County level 4-H public presentations can count towards ONE of those 5 meetings, for those showing multiple species, counts for only 1 animal species of 4-H'er's choice *Decide at time of public presentation sign up
- Farm Safety Course (newly offered in 2024) can count towards ONE of those 5 meetings, for only 1 animal species of 4-H'er's choice (if showing multiple species) *Decide at time of course sign-in
- Each animal species program/leader has the right to require additional requirements in order to be eligible to show that species within their program, at leader's discretion.

4-H Dairy Cattle Cloverbud Meetings

Date: Thursday, November 16

Time: 6:00pm

Place: Large Meeting Room

RSVP: by November 6, contact Debi Sweeney at dsweeney7371@gmail.com or 716-795-9257 to ensure there are enough supplies for each member

All 5,6, 7 year old members are welcome to join the club that meets monthly in the Large Meeting Room at 6:00 p.m. All members will learn the 7 breeds of dairy cattle; a variety of topics such as farm safety, parts of a cow, dairy nutrition, and preparing a calf for the fair. They will make cow crafts to enter in the fair and end each meeting with dairy product refreshments. All parents are encouraged to provide helping hands. Please call if you have any questions.

Future scheduled dates:

December 13
January 18
February 15
March 12
April 18
May 16
June 13
July Workbee
July 31 - August 4 Fair



Working Goats

Working goats will be holding two meetings on their meeting dates unless otherwise noted. The first meeting will start at 6:00 pm and it will be for Cloverbuds and new members. It is Goat 101. The second meeting will start at 7:00 pm and be Goat 202 - for those members who have been in the program for awhile and it will introduce new learning.



Looking for other animal science meetings? Check the calendar for upcoming meetings.



Virtual Field Trips

Join Nebraska 4-H as you can go on-site to learn more about science, agriculture, technology, and more! Virtual Field Trips offer facility tours, educational experiences, and additional resources for teachers. Virtual Field Trips are perfect for youth in 7th-12th grades. Sessions are recorded and made available for on-demand viewing.

<https://4h.unl.edu/virtual-field-trips>

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Calendar

Date	Time	Place	Topic	Type
October 24	7:00pm	AUD	Dairy Cattle	Meeting
October 28	12:00pm	MR	Embroidery Class	Sewing
October 30	4:30pm	LMR	Video Game Design	Workshop
November 6	4:30pm	LMR	Video Game Design	Workshop
November 6	6:00pm	MR	Towel Apron	Workshop
November 8	4:30pm	LMR	Peel Apples	Workshop
November 8	5:30pm	LMR	Baking with Becky	Workshop
November 9	4:30pm	LMR	Peel Apples	Workshop
November 9	5:30pm	LMR	Baking with Becky	Workshop
November 9	5:00pm	AUD	Spheros	Workshop
November 13	7:00pm	LMR	Beef	Meeting
November 14	5:00pm	LMR	Ozobots	Workshop
November 14	6:00pm	AUD	Working Goats Cloverbud	Meeting
November 14	6:30pm	LMR	Beef Cloverbuds	Meeting
November 14	7:00pm	AUD	Working Goats	Meeting
November 15	6:30pm	LMR	Sheep	Meeting
November 16	6:00pm	LMR	Dairy Cattle Cloverbud	Meeting
November 18	10:00am	AUD	Working Goats 5 Star	Test
November 18	12:00pm	MR	Embroidery	Workshop
November 20	6:00pm	MR	Mitten Ornament	Workshop
November 20	7:00pm	AUD	Poultry	Meeting
November 21	5:00pm	MR	Lego Club	Workshop
November 21	7:00pm	AUD	Dairy Cattle	Meeting
November 27	7:00pm	AUD	Swine	Meeting
November 29	6:30pm	LMR	Niagara Nature	Workshop
November 30	6:30pm	AUD	Rabbit & Cavy	Meeting
December 1	5:00pm	Newfane	Mannequin Modeling	Activity
December 2	12:00pm	MR	Embroidery	Workshop
December 4	6:00pm	MR	Finger knitting Cloverbud	Workshop
December 7	6:00pm	MR	Snowman Cloverbud	Workshop
December 11	6:00pm	MR	Hanging Kitchen Towel	Workshop
December 11	7:00pm	LMR	Beef	Meeting
December 12	6:30pm	LMR	Beef Cloverbuds	Meeting
December 13	6:00pm	LMR	Dairy Cattle Cloverbud	Meeting
December 13	8:00pm	LMR	Dairy Cattle	Meeting
December 14	7:00pm	AUD	Poultry	Meeting
December 25-January 1 CCE Offices are Closed				

Room Key

Administration Building-BR (Board Room), ADMIN (Administration Building), MR (Memorial Room)

Training Center- TC (Training Center), AUD (Auditorium), LMR (Large Meeting Room), SMR (Small Meeting Room)

Out Buildings- SHOW (Showring), BARN (Animal Species Barn), MB (Merchants Building), GH (Greenhouse), AEB-Agricultural Education Building, TBA- To Be Announced