The Animal Science Leaders Webinar Series started in 2013. This series provides an excellent opportunity for volunteers, teen leaders, and UME staff to gain knowledge and skills in various animal science, youth development, and club management topics from their home. Program updates, rule/policy changes, and upcoming events in the Animal Science program will also be discussed.

The new Animal Science Project Leaders/Volunteers Webinar Series will be held each month, January through May, 2013. All sessions will be held 7:00-8:00 pm via the UME Connect system. The dates and topics are as follows:

- January 29 - Topic: Animal Science Program Updates - This session will provide an overview of Animal Science Program Updates for 2013. Instructors: Chris Anderson, Kiera Finucane, Jennifer Reynolds.

- February 26 - Topic: Preparing for Competitive Events - This session will provide a brief overview of the various Statewide 4-H Animal Science competitive events and helpful tips for preparing 4-H members and club/county teams for these events. Instructors: Chris Anderson, April Barczewski, Bonnie Boyden, David Gordon.

- March 25 - Topic: Animal Science Project Records - This session will provide an overview for the new Maryland 4-H Animal Science Projects Records. Instructors: Chris Anderson, Sheryl Bennett-Dowdy.

- April 30 - Topic: Risk Management for Animal Projects/Activities - This session will provide an overview of various risk management considerations and strategies for animal related 4-H events and activities. Instructors: Chris Anderson, Karol Dyson, Denise Frebertshauser.

- May 28 - Topic: Sportsmanship in 4-H Animal Projects - This session will provide an opportunity to discuss methods to teach and promote good sportsmanship in 4-H animal science project work and related events. Instructors: Chris Anderson, Donielle Axline.

Volunteers are requested to visit the AGNR Calendar to register for each session at: http://www.agnr.umd.edu/AGNRCalendar/.

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