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Representation for MD 4-H State Council



We are pleased to announce that Garrett County 4-H will have two members representing us in 2022 on the MD 4-H State Council. Robert and Richard Deatelhauser from the Finzel 4-H Club have been approved as members.

The Maryland 4-H State Council is the premier leadership opportunity in Maryland. It comprises active 4-H members from around the state interested in developing high level leadership skills and representing their county 4-H program. State Council members have the opportunity to learn from each other, volunteers, and faculty/staff outside of their club and county. The State Council is led by a youth officer team and faculty/staff advisors.

Any active Maryland 4-H youth age 13-18 (as of January 1 of the upcoming program year) may apply to be on the Maryland 4-H State Council. Membership is verified through 4-H Online.

We look forward to working with Robert and Richard in the coming year!

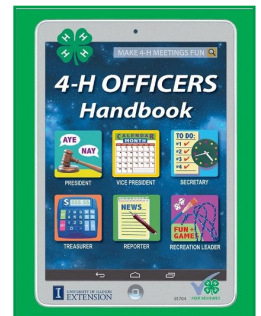


Are You a 4-H Club Officer in 2022?

Each year our 4-H clubs elect a slate of club officers. The officers work with the club volunteer leaders to plan and run the meetings. There are online resources that can help 4-H members learn about what is required for officer positions.

If you are a current 4-H officer in your club, or if you are thinking about running for office in the future, please check out this website: <https://go.umd.edu/MDofficertraining> Click on presentation mode "Present" and then click on the position title to learn information.

Each year, the 4-H Office provides copies of guides for club officers to the club leaders. Additional information can be ordered from National 4-H Council at: <https://shop4-h.org/products/4-h-officers-handbook>



Calendar of Events

February, 2022

- 1 Enrollment in 4-H Online for Market Animal Projects
- 1 **DUE:** Record Books, Club Secretary Books, Club Recognition Form, Livestock Contracts
- 22 4-H Dog Fun Day
- 25 **DUE:** Broiler Project Orders

March, 2022

- 1 Preferred Date for Volunteer Enrollment
- 12 Livestock Skillathon Contest~Montgomery County Fairgrounds

April, 2022

- 3 Achievement Program 2:00 pm-4:00 pm

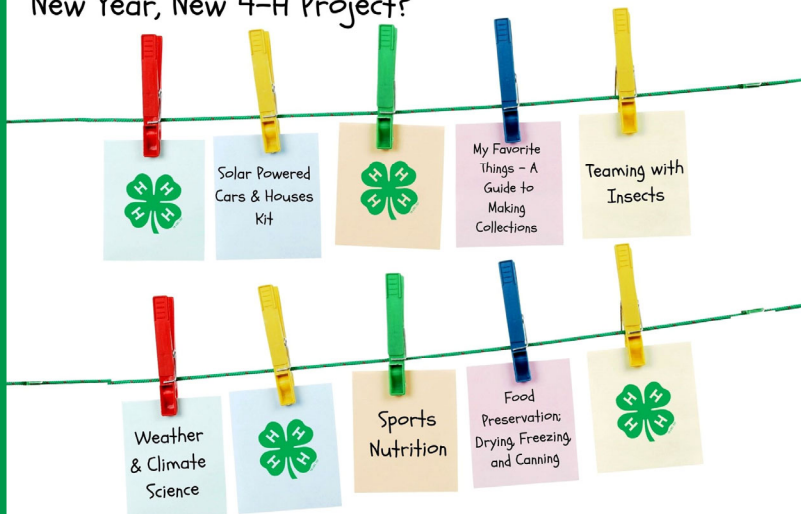
May, 2022

- 13 Spring Weigh-In 1pm-8 pm
- 14 Western MD District Show starting at 9:00 am

June, 2022

- 13 Broiler Show

New Year, New 4-H Project?



These and MANY more can be found at this website: <https://shop4-h.org/pages/4hcurriculum>

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If you have a financial/disability need that requires special assistance for participation in any of the programs, please contact the office at 301 334-6960.

Enjoying Nature in the Wintertime

The American Camp Association supports 4-H camping. They remind us of reasons to get outdoors and enjoy nature, even in the winter.



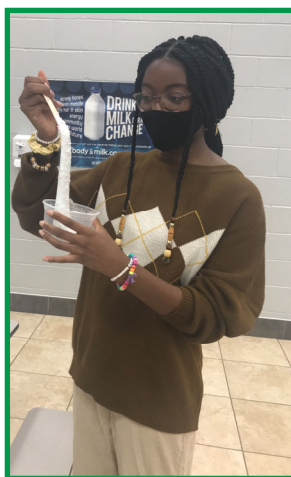
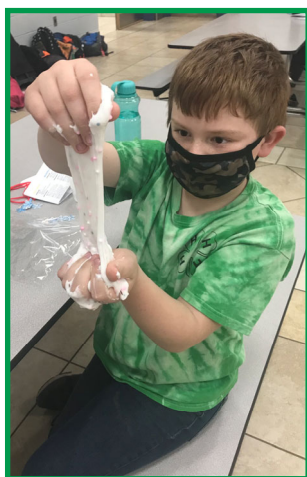
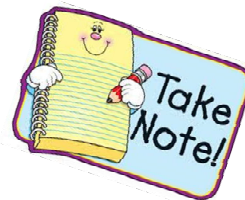
1. Being outdoors helps to clear your mind of worries
2. Provides a chance to find beauty in small details
3. A brisk walk can make you feel more alive
4. Enjoy the simple pleasures in life
5. Offers a break from technology



Wishing you all a healthy and happy winter season!

Broiler Project

It is that time again! Southern States of Oakland has agreed to sponsor the Broiler Project for Garrett County 4-H Youth. Southern States will provide **10 broiler type chicks** to each participant, in return, **youth will be required to purchase two bags of starter feed when they pick up their chicks**. The registration form is included in this month's Partyline. All forms must be returned to the Garrett County office by February 25th. The chicks should arrive the week of April 10th based on the availability of chicks from Southern States at the time of this newsletter. The Broiler Show is scheduled for June 13th. If you have any questions, please contact Roberta at 301-334-6980.



4-H Stem Enrichment

One of the 4-H STEM Enrichment activities for December at the Partners After School @ Friendsville and Grantsville programs was preparing slime and learning it is a non-Newtonian fluid, a liquid whose viscosity changes depending on pressure. Youth were provided everything needed to complete the lesson in their individual STEM kits provided by 4-H through the NMP11 Tech Wizards grant. The program emphasizes the need for focusing and Investing in STEM education and the importance of preparing students for careers and jobs in STEM-related fields.

4-H Dog Fun Day

When: February 22, 2022, 1:00-3:00 pm to be held virtually via Zoom

Participants will learn about, practice and try their hand at:

- Virtual 4-H Dog Skillathon
- Virtual 4-H Dog Bowl
- Other Fun Activities to do in the 4-H Dog Project

Participants will need access to a computer and a cell phone/tablet, each device will need Internet connection. Registration will open soon via 4-H Online. Registration deadline: February 17, 2022



Attendance Update for Youth Enrolled in Market Livestock Projects

The Garrett County Livestock Association and the Garrett County 4-H staff recognize that COVID has continued to disrupt normal programming. Since illness and quarantining requirements continue in 2022, the club attendance requirement for youth enrolled in market livestock projects will be waived for the 2022 fair. Record books will still be required.

Both the Livestock Association and the 4-H staff continue to encourage families to attend all meetings that can be held safely. We all recognize the benefit to youth to participate in the social and leadership opportunities that these club meetings provide. We also encourage youth to accept the responsibility of caring for their animals throughout the year.



Learning to be an effective public speaker is one of the skills most valued by 4-H graduates. Join us this year for the Garrett County 4-H Public Speaking Contest, to be held on Thursday, March 17th, 2022 from 4 pm-7 pm (by appointment time) at the 4-H Extension Office. The Public Speaking Categories include Prepared, Extemporaneous, Interpretation, Radio Spots. Please only select 2 categories. County winners for each category will be invited to participate in the Maryland State Public Speaking Contest scheduled to be held on April 23rd at the Carroll County Extension Office. Call the Extension Office at (301) 334-6960 for more information.

Please register at: <https://forms.gle/smk3DkfZuwT5jrM16>

Registration deadline is February 17, 2022.

For the Public Speaking Guidelines, visit: <https://extension.umd.edu/locations/garrett-county/4-h-youth-development/events>

Ages: (as of Jan. 1st) ~ Junior: 8 to 10 ~ Intermediate: 11 to 13 ~ Senior: 14 to 18

Members may compete in four categories:

Prepared: Contestants may speak on any topic. It may be wise to discuss topics that could be considered controversial with your 4-H Leader or Educator before the contest. The speech may be written for a specific audience such as a 4-H Club, PTA, or a Rotary club. Note cards containing a key word outline are permitted. Only Juniors may use a complete script. **Memorization is not encouraged.**

Junior: 3-5 minutes

Intermediate & Senior: 4-6 minutes

Extemporaneous: Speakers will draw three topics and choose one topic to use. Contestants may use one side of up to four, or both sides of up to two, 5 x 8 inch note cards to write their key word outline. Extemporaneous speakers will be shown color time cards at correctly timed intervals indicating "1 Minute", "30 Seconds" and "Stop".

Junior & Intermediate: 2 to 3 minutes (maximum 30 minutes to prepare).

Senior: 3 to 5 minutes (maximum 15 minutes to prepare)

Radio Spots: Should be exactly 30 seconds in length and may include a musical or sound effect introduction and/or background, but may not include a spoken introduction or "tag" by anyone other than the contestant. If music or sound effect is used, the contestant must provide and operate the sound-making device. The contestant will provide a complete written script (including notations about music/sound effects) to the timekeeper to aid in timing accuracy. Musical/sound effect introductions and endings are considered a part of the radio spot and must not cause the 30 second time limit to be exceeded. The spot should **relate to 4-H**, be **original**, and be **created by the contestant**.

30 second spot – for all 3-age divisions.

Interpretation - 3 Types:

Dramatic Interpretation: Oral interpretation, memorized by the speaker or selection of narrative or dramatic literature. Monologues are acceptable.

Poetry Interpretation: A memorized interpretation by the speaker.

Humorous Interpretation: A memorized oral interpretation of a humorous selection by the speaker. Cuttings may be taken from published plays or prose.

Visual aides are not permitted. Appropriate gestures are encouraged. For Dramatic Interpretation, contestant may opt to sit for presentation. Podium use is optional. Contestants are to bring two (2) copies of the script including reference.

Junior & Intermediate: 2 to 3 minutes

Senior: 3 to 5 minutes

General Notes:

Judges may ask questions of contestants in the **prepared** and **extemporaneous** categories related to the speech's topic. Due to time constraints, questioning should be limited to two or three minutes per speaker. Questions will not be asked in the radio spot category.

Member must be present. No tapes or videos will be used.

Visual aids, including posters, are not permitted. Appropriate gestures are encouraged.

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Save the Dates!

*Spring Weigh-In~May 13, 2022

*Western MD District Show~May 14, 2022

*GC Agriculture Fair~July 30, 2022~August 6, 2022

*MD State Fair~August 25, 2022~September 5, 2022

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