



Upcoming Events

May

- **May 1** - 4-H enrollments & Livestock Registrations due
- **May 7** - Last day of paper clovers at TSC
- **May 13** - Western MD 4-H/FFA District Show
- **May 17** - State Fair livestock tagging
- **May 20** - Launch into Leadership
- **May 29** - UME Office closed, Memorial Day

June

- **June 1** - Poultry, Rabbit, State Fair, and Feeder Calf (tagged 5/17) registrations due.
- **June 19** - UME Office closed, Juneteenth



ALLEGANY COUNTY 4-H PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

Congratulations to the members who participated in the Allegany County 4-H Public Speaking Contest on March 31. The participants who received the champion award can compete at the Maryland 4-H Public Speaking Contest on April 29, 2023, at the University of Maryland in College Park.

Pictured: First row - Cameron Strawderman, Natalie Moore, James Burkett, Hansen Buser, Edward Buser, Savannah Kimble, Jacob Ritchie, and Lawson Ritchie
Back row - Maria Eckard, Malia Strawderman, Anthony Simon, and Kaleb Ritchie



Western Maryland 4-H/FFA District Show

The Western Maryland 4-H/FFA District Show will be held **May 13, 2023** at the Garrett County Fairgrounds in McHenry, MD.

The Western Maryland 4-H/FFA District Show is one of the four regional Spring Livestock Shows for Maryland 4-H and FFA members. Shows are beef, dairy and meat goats, sheep, and swine.

For more information and registration forms, email jparrish@umd.edu or go to <https://bit.ly/DistrictShow>

All entry forms are due **May 5, 2022.**



4-H SECOND SPRING LIVESTOCK TAGGING

A second tagging will be held **May 17, 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.** at the fairgrounds. Only these animals will be tagged:

- Feeder Calves
- State Fair entries

If you plan to participate, please email jparrish@umd.edu or call 301-724-3320.

LIVESTOCK REGISTRATIONS FORMS

Livestock registration forms (tagged April 22) are due May 1:

- ◆ County Bred Entry Forms
- ◆ Bred & Owned Entry Forms
- ◆ Breeding Animals and Registered Animals
- ◆ Horse and Horse Lease (if applicable) - When leasing, be prepared that all animals are on the grounds the week of fair.

Livestock registration forms are due June 1:

- ◆ Feeder Calves tagged on **May 17**
- ◆ State Fair Entries - Market Lambs, Market Goats, Market Swine
- ◆ Rabbit - Tattoo identification required
- ◆ Poultry - Band identification required (Bands for market birds will be supplied by the 4-H Office).

No Exceptions to Deadlines

**2023 MDA Animal Health and Show Requirements
can be found here:**

<https://bit.ly/2023MDA>



QUALITY ASSURANCE REQUIREMENT

All 4-H members exhibiting animals are required to complete the online training program when they reach each 4-H age division (as of January 1 of the current year):

- Juniors (ages 8-10)
- Intermediates (ages 11-13)
- Seniors (ages 14-18)

OR when as Intermediate and Senior 4-H members, they choose to show a new species since last completing the program within their age division.

New members and members changing age divisions will receive notification from our office. If you are unsure of your QA status, you may email jparrish@umd.edu or call 301-724-3320.

Quality Assurance must be completed by **July 1, 2023** to show any animals at the 2023 Allegany County Fair. **The system is closed at this time. Once the system opens, the link will be shared.**

LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

LAUNCH INTO LEADERSHIP

All 4-H members age 8-18 are invited to come join the Maryland 4-H State Council for this virtual youth leadership event on **Saturday, May 20th from 1:00-3:00 pm via Zoom**. Register today and come join the conversation on Saturday!

This session will include a Youth Voice Town Hall with the Maryland 4-H Program Leader, an educational session presented by Maryland 4-H State Council Members, engaging energizers and networking time.

Register to attend: go.umd.edu/2023LIL

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. Reach out to Ms. Jamie, State Council Coordinator, if you have any questions at jkenton@umd.edu.

2023 TEEN LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

The Maryland 4-H Program will be hosting a one-day Teen Leadership summit for youth ages 13-18 on the University of Maryland, College Park Campus this June.

This event will offer educational workshops, networking opportunities and a chance to get a feel of a college campus!

More information will be coming soon, so keep an eye on our Youth and Adult Leadership page on the State 4-H website.

<https://extension.umd.edu/programs/4-h-youth-development>



4-H DIAMOND CLOVER AWARD PROGRAM

The award consists of six levels that require a 4-H member to plan and accomplish a broad range of age-appropriate goals, acquiring valuable life skills as they progress. Completion of the Diamond Clover levels is optional. Members may begin Level 1 at 4-H age 9 and may complete one level per year. Older members may begin at an appropriate higher level in order to complete Level 6 by 4-H age 18.

There are six levels in the program: Level 1 – Amethyst, Level 2 – Aquamarine, Level 3 – Ruby, Level 4 – Sapphire, Level 5 – Emerald, and Level 6 – Diamond.

For more information on the Diamond Clover program, email jparrish@umd.edu.



4-H Bingo Celebration



Outstanding Intermediate - Hunter Raines
Outstanding Junior - Kaleb Thompson
Outstanding Senior - Maria Eckard
Best First Time Book - Adalynn Mallow
Outstanding 4-Her - Charlie O'Boyle





Scholarships*

4-H Scholarships

- Allegany County 4-H Scholarship - Offered to present or former members of the 4-H program in Allegany County with a minimum of two active years. Questions - Email jparrish@umd.edu. For an application, go to <https://go.umd.edu/ACscholarship>. Due June 1.
- The Maryland 4-H Foundation Scholarship - Offered to current Maryland 4-H members or alumni. <https://www.mymaryland4hfoundation.com/> Click on How We Give. Due June 15.

Allegany County Ag Expo Scholarship

Offered to present and former Ag Expo participants. For an application go to <http://bit.ly/3Eyx0td>. Due June 1.

***For students enrolled at an accredited college, university or post-secondary technical training program for the fall and spring semesters of the upcoming academic year.**



Kids thrive when given the tools to succeed. CLOVER offers a supportive space to achieve. To learn now and to sign up, go to <https://4-h.org/clover/about/>

CLOVER creates impactful learning experiences in partnership with 100+ top-tier universities.



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CLOVER has interactive, exciting activities for everyone ages 5-18.



Collaborates with 100+ universities

We create content in collaboration with universities throughout the U.S.



Interactive content and gamification

Earn rewards and customize your experience as you explore CLOVER.

FROSTBURG RISE AND SHINE CLUB



Annie Stark, Environmental Science teacher at Allegany High School, talked to the club about the Three Sister Plants – squash, corn, and beans. Then members potted their own to take home.

Club members also made landscapes with paper and various recyclable items for Earth Day

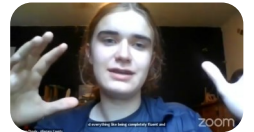


STUDENT ROUNDTABLE

Allegany County 4-Hers Jude Gibson-Thoele and Lawson Ritchie recently participated in a virtual roundtable discussion with the Maryland State Board of Education and the Maryland State Department of Education. The Student Roundtable was co-facilitated by State Superintendent of Maryland Schools Mohammed Choudhury on Wednesday April 26.

During the roundtable, the group discussed the development of the State Board and MSDE's strategic plan and for students to share their input and ideas that will shape the future of education in Maryland.

The event was livestreamed YouTube. You can watch the recording here https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XeydlCnlv3I&list=PLU9D_H7zVKxADa9BpB7-BVP0X561mrKdV&index=4



4-H Photos Wanted



Submit your 4-H photos for the newsletter.

Send photos with a brief description to jparrish@umd.edu

4-H Bulletin Board

UNIVERSITY OF
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Youth, 4-H & Adult

Rabbit Show &
Showmanship



Garrett County Fairgrounds Show Ring
Saturday, June 24, 2023
9:00 a.m.

See reverse side for registration form

- Pre-Registration Required -

Deadline: June 16, 2023

Contact Rachel Schmidt at
ditechchick_25@yahoo.com or
240-522-3226

No Limit on Rabbits

All Rabbits must be Tattooed
and Brought in Leak Proof
Containers

Food and drinks will be sold by Hopper's 4-H Club

Cost: \$3.00 per rabbit for adults only-payable at the event

Sponsored by University of Maryland Extension & Hopper's 4-H Club

Frostburg Children's Business Fair



Sunday, May 7th
Frostburg City Place
1:00 to 4:00

A one day event to shop
companies that have been
built by kids FOR kids.

Open to the public

Come support
the kids in our
community!

Contact us with questions
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PARKS &
RECREATION



Save the Date!

May 1, 2023
4-H Enrollments Due

4-H Members must be enrolled by May 1
to participate in fair.

May 6 & 7
MD Sheep & Wool Festival
West Friendship, MD

For more information, go to
<https://sheepandwool.org/2022-maryland-sheep-wool-festival/>

May 13, 2023
Western MD 4-H FFA District Show
Garrett County
<https://bit.ly/DistrictShow>

June 1, 2023
Allegany County 4-H & MD 4-H
Scholarships Due

June 25 to 29, 2023
Camp Algawa

July 14 to 22, 2023
Allegany County Fair

July 18, 2023
Robotics Competition at
Allegany County Fair

Watch for details in future newsletters.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- ★ Landyn Allen
- ★ Maelea Cramer
- ★ Maria Eckard
- ★ Graham Fike
- ★ Makenzie Friend
- ★ Jason Gamber
- ★ Mitchell Garlitz
- ★ Colby Geil
- ★ Madilyn Harman
- ★ Isabella Kinsinger
- ★ Sylvy Koch
- ★ Cameron Miller
- ★ Henry Nelson
- ★ Jacob Ritchie
- ★ Everett Sagal
- ★ Ethan Unger
- ★ Carmen Whetstone

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Facebook - [University of Maryland Extension - Allegany County 4-H](#)

Website - <https://go.umd.edu/AlleganyCounty4-H>

Text Reminders

Sign up using the directions below for each text reminder list.

All things 4-H in 2023, text
@4halleg23 to the number 81010

2023 4-H fair information, text
@ac4h23fair to the number 81010

2023 4-H livestock and animal science information, text
@ac4h23barn to the number 81010

Need 4-H help, call 301-724-3320 or:

Jessica Mellon, Extension Educator
jmellon2@umd.edu

Contact Jessica, if your club is interested in a tech workshop/activity or for STEM volunteer opportunities such as robotics, STEM, coding, Makey Makeys, Arduinos.

Jody Parrish, Administrative Assistant II
jparrish@umd.edu

Contact Jody for anything related to 4-H Online, club paperwork, newsletters, record books, fairgrounds usage, scholarships and 4-H indoor exhibits at fair.

Toni Richards, Administrative Assistant I
tonir@umd.edu

Contact Toni if you need assistance with club promotional materials, social media posts, community service ideas, and newspaper article submissions.