



Event Calendar

- **May 3 - Spring tagging**
- **May 5 - Livestock registrations due**
- **May 16 - Cupcake entries due**
- **May 26 - Memorial Day, UME closed**
- **June 1 - Scholarship Forms Due**
- **June 2 - Poultry and Rabbit registrations due**
- **June 28 - Barn setup for fair**

Spring 4-H/FFA Livestock Tagging

Tagging will be held **Saturday, May 3**, at the Allegany County Fairgrounds. Tagging will begin at 8 a.m. and end by 12 p.m.

Only these animals will be tagged:

- Market - Lambs, Goats, Swine, Feeder Steers
- Breeding - Beef, Sheep, Meat Goats, Dairy Goats
- State Fair Entries

Livestock Registration Forms

No Exceptions to Deadlines

Breeding/Market Livestock & Horse registration forms and the following are due May 5:

- County Bred Entry Form
- Bred & Owned Entry Form
- Breed association paper for registered breeding livestock.
- Horse Lease and Release (if applicable)

Rabbit & Poultry registration forms are due June 2:

- Rabbit - Tattoo identification is required.
- Poultry - Band identification is required. (Market bands will be available from the 4-H Office).

Registration Forms can be found here
<https://go.umd.edu/AC-forms>



4-H Cupcake Wars

Calling all bakers!



Between May 1 and May 16, 2025, submit a photo of your uniquely decorated cupcake to Toni at tonir@umd.edu.

Rules:

- Be a registered Allegany County 4-H member (ages 5 to 18).
- Bake and decorate the cupcake yourself.
- One entry per person.
- Submit the photo of only your cupcake by 4 pm on May 16.

One winner from each age group will receive a baking-themed prize. Winners will be announced on Tuesday, May 20, on our Facebook page and in an email announcement.

If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this event, please contact your local University of Maryland Extension Office at 301-724-3320 by May 2, 2025.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.



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/3EyxOtd>. 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.**

Animal Science News

Western Maryland 4-H/FFA District Show



Saturday, May 10, 2025
Garrett County Fairgrounds
McHenry, MD



Entry Deadline ~ Friday, May 2, 2025

For registrations forms email jparrish@umd.edu

If you need special assistance to participate in the Western Maryland 4-H/FFA District Show, please contact the office at 301-724-3320 or email mharman2@umd.edu by April 30, 2025.

★2025 Live Poultry Exhibitions★

The latest update from MDA (shown below) prohibits live poultry exhibitions through May 27. A decision on the remainder of the show season will be made on May 27.

For complete show requirements go to <https://mda.maryland.gov/AnimalHealth/Pages/default.aspx> And click on *Fairs and Shows Requirements*.

ANIMAL HEALTH ALERT HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA

FEBRUARY 2025: DUE TO THE RECENT OUTBREAK OF HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA (HPAI) IN BOTH COMMERCIAL AND BACKYARD FLOCKS IN MARYLAND, THE 2025 ANIMAL HEALTH FAIR AND SHOW REQUIREMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

NO POULTRY EXHIBITIONS WILL BE ALLOWED PRIOR TO MAY 27, 2025.

A DECISION WILL BE MADE ON MAY 27, 2025 REGARDING POULTRY EXHIBITIONS FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SHOW SEASON.

MARYLAND 4-H HORSE EVENTS



2025 Maryland 4-H Horse Judging/Hippology Contests - June 14, 2025, at the Howard County Fairgrounds. Updated Rules & Regulations for the 2025 contest coming soon.

2025 Maryland 4-H Visual Equine Art Contest - The 2025 Visual Equine Art Contest will again be held by virtual submission beginning on **July 1, 2025**. More details and information coming soon.

4-H Celebration Bingo



- ★ Best Junior Book - Jacob Ritchie
- ★ Best Intermediate Book - Natalie Moore
- ★ Best Senior Book - Lawson Ritchie
- ★ Outstanding 4-Her - Charlie O'Boyle
- ★ Best First Year Books (not pictured):
 - ★ Colt Kifer
 - ★ Tristan Kifer

ALLEGANY COUNTY 4-H PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST



Congratulations to the participants of the 2025 contest. Champions* are eligible to participate in the Maryland 4-H Public Speaking Contest on April 26 at the University of Maryland.

*Front:: *Natalie Moore, *Sylvy Koch, *Emily Kwok, and Lettie Rinehart*

*Back: Cameron Strawderman, Malia Strawderman, *Joseph Khachan, *Ripken Roque, *Ethan Kwok, and *Layla Rinehart.*

Not Shown: Waylynn Shingler and Harry Vassiliadi

AG EXPLORATION DAY

Thank you to all who collaborated, participated, volunteered, and coordinated to make our Plant the Seed: Ag Exploration Day a success. Thank you for sharing your passion for agriculture with the 6th-grade students at Washington Middle School.



PLEDGE YOUR HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE

Thank you to the Hare Raisers 4-H club for sharing their rabbits and the Thompson family and Barb Scarlett for helping at the City of Cumberland Easter Egg Hunt. It was a beautiful day!

Pictured:

- Emberleigh Wiley, Adelyn Toey, and Phinley Wiley
- Kaleb, Bailey, and Heather Thompson



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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| ★ Addison Brown | ★ Keegan Hawkins | ★ Khushi Rathod |
| ★ Reagan Burroughs | ★ Eloise Hensley | ★ Jacob Ritchie |
| ★ Lincoln Garlitz | ★ Ezra Knippenberg | ★ Andrew Robinette |
| ★ Mitchell Garlitz | ★ Sylvy Koch | ★ Walker Scarlett |
| ★ Maddison Hawkins | ★ Spencer Leasure | ★ Ryder Tucker |
| | | ★ Marina Williams |

Save the Date!

Rabbit and Poultry
Registrations Due

June 2, 2025
4-H/UME Office

Barn Set Up for Fair

June 28, 2025
8:00 a.m.
Fairgrounds

Allegany County Fair
& Ag Expo

July 11 to 19, 2025
Fairgrounds

4-H Photos Wanted

Send us your 4-H photos for our
newsletters, social media, and more.

Send photos with a brief description to
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