2016-2017 4-H Re-Enrollment

Did you know??

- Re-enrollment begins as early as September 3rd!
- There is no penalty for re-enrolling as soon as possible (we encourage you to get started early!)
- The last day for existing 4-H members to re-enroll is November 1st

Why Should You Re-Enroll Early?

- Members & leaders cannot register for events through 4honline until they complete their re-enrollment
- Club leaders do not have an accurate roster until you re-enroll
- Families will not get project or grade specific information until you re-enroll
- Volunteers do not have liability coverage until you re-enroll
- 4-H programs & activities do not have up to date health information until you re-enroll
- You will not receive county wide or state wide 4-H communications until you complete your re-enrollment.

How Do I Re-Enroll??

- Login to your existing 4honline profile
- On the family home screen, click the “Continue to Family” button
- Click the edit button next to the member you wish to re-enroll
- At the bottom of the screen, click on the “Enroll for 2016-2017” button
- Review the existing information, and update as necessary
- **Please be sure to select your correspondence preference!**
- On the additional information screen, review the agreement statements & photo release.
- Update your health form!!
- Update your projects (these are the categories you can enter in at the fair)
- Click submit! You have now completed your re-enrollment!

If you have any questions, or need assistance completing the re-enrollment process, please contact the Wood County 4-H Office at 715-421-8439 or by email at woodcounty4h@co.wood.wi.us
4-H Statewide Opportunities

Youth & Adult Leaders Needed!! Apply by September 30th!

Consider Applying for the Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council
Are you interested in building leadership in others? Do you enjoy planning and organizing? Do you get excited about working with a team of youth and adults to make a difference?
Have you served on or chaired county committees, been a county Ambassador, youth leader, adult mentor, taught countywide workshops, served as a camp counselor, worked with afterschool programs, worked on a team of youth and adults to plan workshops????
If you said YES, then you may want to consider applying to be on the Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council. This may be an experience you would enjoy and you could contribute on a statewide level.

The Council is a team of youth and adult leaders focused on:
- Advocating for Wisconsin 4-H
- Providing input into enhancing the Wisconsin 4-H Program
- Modeling youth and adult partnerships
- Taking a lead to provide education and leadership opportunities for others
Together, youth and adults take a lead in Youth Conference, plan and teach at Fall Forum, promote 4-H at the Governor’s Blue Ribbon Meat Products Auction, get involved in promoting 4-H at State Fair .... And more!

Demonstrated Skills and Expectations ----
- Leadership in local and county 4-H programs
- Teamwork and cooperation
- Verbal and written communication skills
- Public relations skills
- Positive role model
- Positive attitude

Who can apply: 9th-11th grade youth members in good standing
4-H enrolled and certified adult volunteers
See application for details – There are specific requirements for youth and adults on page 2.

Time Commitment: Council members are expected to attend and participate in the following:
- Fall Forum (Friday evening – Sunday noon);
- Winter Retreat (Friday evening – Sunday afternoon);
- Spring Planning Meeting (Friday evening – Saturday evening);
- Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference (Saturday – Thursday) not all adults need to participate in Youth Conference; statewide Wislines (4 per year)
- Other statewide events that some Council members participate in include: the Governor’s Meat Products Auction at the Wisconsin State Fair; promotion activity center at the Youth Building at the Wisconsin State Fair; Farm Bureau’s Annual Meeting; Wisconsin 4-H Foundation fundraisers

Cost: The majority of the Leadership Council expenses are covered by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation and Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development.
Council members are responsible for registration fees and lodging at Fall Forum; meals at training events as well as other supplies such as t-shirts; transportation to workshops and trainings; and additional t-shirt or apparel costs.
Support for costs may be available from your county leaders’ association or other sources.
Cost should not be a barrier for application.

For More Information: http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hvolunteers/wi-4-h-leader-council/
4-H Statewide Opportunities

2016 Fall Forum
Adult and Youth Leaders - Mark Your Calendars for Fall Forum and Hall of Fame Celebration
Don’t miss out on a great statewide workshop for youth and adult leaders!!!
What: Fall Forum and Hall of Fame Celebration
When: November 4-6, 2016 (starting with registration at 6:00 p.m. Friday, November 4 and ending 10:30 a.m. November 6)
Where: Green Lake Conference Center, Green Lake
Who: Each county is encouraged to send a delegation of youth and adults
  7th – 13th grade youth
  Adult volunteer leaders
Cost: Registration Fee (includes meals, breaks, facility fees and supplies)
  $85 registration fee per person (Friday – Sunday)
  $75 registration fee per person (Saturday - Sunday)
  $70 registration fee (Saturday (lunch and dinner)
  $50 registration fee (Saturday – lunch only)
Lodging: Adults
  $45/night if there are two adults
  $75 - Single adult room
  $25/night with three or more adults per room
Youth
  $25/night with three – four youth per room
Note: The room cost increases if there is more than one person. This is why the room rates are not half of the single room rate

The program kicks off Friday evening with over 15 interactive sessions. Saturday offers more than 25 workshops to choose from. Top off the night with a special celebration where up to 10 people will be inducted into the Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame. An evening of circle dancing and table games will follow the celebration. Plus an ice cream hospitality sponsored by Cedar Crest Ice Cream. Sunday morning brings a high energy program that you can use at the club or community level. All youth participants need to have a chaperon who has completed Youth Protection identified when they register.

The top 10 reasons why youth and adult leaders will want to attend!
• 15+ interactive sessions Friday night... science, health, games, exploring Upham Woods,
• 25+ sessions Saturday from science and SPIN Clubs to Cloverbuds and team building
• Hear the Vision for Wisconsin 4-H from State Program Director Dale Leidheiser
• Get to meet adults and youth from around the state
• See youth adult partnerships in action
• Networking and idea sharing
• Be part of Wisconsin’s largest university youth outreach program!!
• Great ideas and projects to take home to use in clubs, schools and community settings
• Have fun! Celebrate Wisconsin 4-H and learn more about Growing 4-H in Wisconsin!

Register through 4HOnline beginning early September.
Registration will end September 30. (You must re-enroll first)
This program is partially funded by the WI 4-H Foundation.
Upcoming Opportunities

National 4-H Week Lawn Display Contest

National 4-H Week will be held October 2nd-8th 2016.

In an effort to promote 4-H, the Wood County 4-H Leaders Association is encouraging all 4-H families and clubs to make a 4-H display promoting 4-H during this week. Follow these guidelines to compete:

1. The display should tell a message about 4-H, the theme is “4-H Grows Here”
2. All displays must be inside or outside, easy for the public to see (front yards, stores, banks, club corners, schools, etc.) and must be displayed for the entire week.
3. A color photo of the display must be sent to the UW-Extension Office by October 17th to be judged. Please include the club name or family name and location of the display.
4. Only one display per family or club. A family may do their own display, plus help their club make one.
5. Displays will be judged on eye appeal, neatness, conveying a clear message about 4-H, location and originality.
6. Displays should include the club name and meeting information.

Prizes
Family Entry: 1st - $10, 2nd- $6, 3rd- $5
Club Entry: 1st -$15, 2nd- $10, 3rd $5

Winners will be announced at the awards recognition in November.
There are some promotional materials available through the Wood County 4-H Office. Please contact our office if you are interested in any additional materials.
Photos can be emailed to Woodcounty4h@co.wood.wi.us or mailed to the Wood County 4-H Office at PO Box 8095, Wisconsin Rapids WI 54495
Shooting Sports Certification Workshops

A statewide Shooting Sports Leader Certification workshop will be held this fall on September 9-10. Certification workshops are designed to teach leaders how to conduct safe, supervised, shooting experiences for 4-H members enrolled in shooting sports projects.

**Central Area Statewide Certification Workshop – September 9-10, 2016**

*Central Wisconsin Sportsmens Club, Marshfield*

Disciplines: Archery, Coordinator, Muzzleloader, Pistol, Rifle and Shotgun

Registration deadline: August 26, 2016

**Cost:**

- **$70**—12-Hour Certification—Includes instructor manuals, equipment, ammunition, Friday pm snack, Saturday lunch, and Saturday am and pm snacks, or
- **$55**—Saturday Discipline-Only—Leaders who completed the 12-hour workshop starting in 2012 may only need register for a Saturday discipline session of choice and pay a reduced $55 workshop fee.

More information is available at [http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hshootingsports/certification-workshops/](http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hshootingsports/certification-workshops/)

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Spill The Beans Video Contest Results

**Congratulations Mason Seidl from AIM!** Five student winners have been announced in the Spill the Beans Video Contest. The competition encouraged Wisconsin 4-H and FFA members in grades 3 to 13 to create videos that share the importance of soybeans with urban, non-agriculture consumers. Winners in each category receive cash prizes and will be recognized at the 2016 Wisconsin State Fair, where their videos will be played for visitors. The $300 First Place Prize for students in grades 3 to 6 has been awarded to Mason Seidl of Marshfield. Adam Christofferson of Clinton receives the $150 Second Place award, and the $75 Third Place Prize goes to Annika Waltenberg of Amherst. Each of these three students is also a $100 winner in the Video Production award category for videos demonstrating the highest production quality. The winning students in grades 7 to 13 are Roseanne Crave of Waterloo, who won the $300 First Place Prize, and Dawson Firlus of Mauston, who was awarded the $150 Second Place Prize. Sponsors of #Spill the Beans included Wisconsin Soybean Marketing Board, Wisconsin Beef Council, Wisconsin Pork Association, Pam Jahnke—The Fabulous Farm Babe, Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development, University of Wisconsin Extension, Wisconsin FFA, UW-Madison Department of Animal Sciences and Wisconsin State Fair. For the competition, participating students produced short videos—two minutes or less—highlighting the importance of soybeans in 4-H and FFA students’ livestock fair projects and in their everyday lives. Bob Karls, Executive Director of the Wisconsin Soybean Marketing Board, says, “These videos are a great way to engage urban youth in agriculture. We are excited that the videos will be played during the Wisconsin State Fair. When urban adults and youth visit animal barns at the fair, they will see the videos and hear 4-H and FFA youth talk about animal agriculture and soybeans.” This program was brought to you through a collaborative effort of Wisconsin Soybean Marketing Board and University of Wisconsin Extension. For more information about Wisconsin agriculture, visit www.wisoybean.org. To learn about the Spill the Beans Video Contest, visit [http://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/spillthebeans-video-contest/](http://fyi.uwex.edu/youthlivestock/spillthebeans-video-contest/).

To view Mason’s video, please visit [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TWjmHo4L_rY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TWjmHo4L_rY)
Awards & Trips Applications

Award Applications are due September 23rd!
Each year the Wood County 4-H Leaders Association gives out a number of awards to recognize the hard work our members and volunteers have put into their club and community.

Electronic copies of the applications can be found at http://wood.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/

Trip applications for space camp, national congress, national conference, Citizen Washington Focus and key award are due October 15th. If you would like more information about these trips, please feel free to contact the Wood County 4-H Office

4-H Member & Volunteer Recognition Night
Mark your calendars!! The annual 4-H member & volunteer recognition night will be held on Friday November 11th beginning at 6:00pm at the Pittsville School auditorium.

“Be the Nominee” at the 2016 Cloverbud Fall Fest

Place: Pittsville Community Hall
Date: October 15, 2016
Time: 9:30-11:30am
Cost: $3.00

Cloverbuds in grade K-2nd grade are invited to learn about the election process in an exciting and interactive way. Please register through 4honline no later than October 1st!

2016-2017 Trip Opportunities

Citizenship Washington Focus
- Travel 9 days during June or July
- Cost: $1100 (approx.) with up to 50% support for up to 3 delegates
- Grade at Time of Application: 10-12 grade (min age 15 at time of trip)
- Application Includes: Preference Sheet & Member Evaluation
- Application Due Date: October 15th

Space Camp
- Travel 5 days in April
- Cost: $500 (approx.) with approx. $100 support
- Grade at Time of Application: 6-8 grade at time of trip
- Application Includes: Preference Sheet & Space Camp Application
- Application Due Date: October 15th

National Congress
- Travel 5 days in late November/ early December
- Cost: $1100 (approx.) with up to 50% support
- Grade at Time of Application: 10-12 grade (maximum age of 18 by January 1st)
- Application Includes: Preference Sheet & Member Evaluation
- Application Due Date: October 15th

Leadership Washington Focus
- Travel 7 days July 16-21, 2017 (tentative date)
- Cost: $1100 (approx.) with 50% support for up to 4 delegates
- Grade at Time of Application: 6-8
- Application Includes: Preference Sheet & Member Evaluation
- Application Due Date: October 15th

National Conference
- Travel 6 days March 25-30, 2017
- Additional selection process at state level
- Cost: $1100 (approx.) with support up to 50%
- Grade at Time of Application: 10-12 grade (maximum age of 18 by January 1st)
- Application Includes: Preference Sheet & Member Evaluation
- Application Due Date: October 15th

Key Award
- Recognizes 4-H youth with consistent growth in leadership skills
- Application Includes: Preference Sheet & Member Evaluation
- Application Due Date: October 15th
Member’s Guide to 4-H Portfolios

Why a 4-H Portfolio?
A 4-H portfolio is used to show others what you have accomplished, learned or produced in each project area and your other 4-H involvements. The advantages of portfolios would be to encourage you to keep record of your 4-H work so as you mature, you would have the information needed to help you complete scholarships, job applications, college entrance applications, and award forms and to have a record of your 4-H experiences. Portfolios will help set your goals and show accomplishments throughout your 4-H years. A portfolio shows growth over time. Wood County 4-H members in grade 3 through 13th are encouraged to complete a portfolio. Portfolios can be critiqued and awards given. For consideration portfolios are to be turned in to your 4-H Club General Leader by the fourth Monday in September. (Please check with your leader to determine if they have an earlier deadline.)

Putting Together YOUR 4-H Portfolio
After you have completed all of your portfolio forms, please put them in the order listed below. You may want to include a table of contents and divider pages between each project, but they are not required. Records may be completed on a computer. If written it must be done in black or blue ink.

**Purchase a 3 ring binder and complete the BLUE cover and place in the front of your book.**

- **General Information:** A new general information page is completed each year. Add a picture of yourself if possible. This should be the 1st page in your portfolio.

- **Permanent Record:** The Permanent Record (PR) stays with your portfolio from year to year. You do not get a new one. Move the PR to the current year that you are working on. List and/or update your PR each year and total the points at the bottom of each activity section. All starred items must be explained on The Explanation of Starred (*) Items page. A new Explanation of Starred (*) Items page should be added each year to the PR.

- **Activity Reflection:** This section will show what things you accomplished in 4-H that are not directly related to a specific project. Please select no more than three (3) activities to reflect upon. Examples would be: Creative Arts Day, recreational activities through the club or county, committees served on, community service projects, camp, etc. For each activity please include the following information: How did the experience affect you. What was your role and how did it make you feel about yourself or others. Would you participate again, why or why not? You may use more than one ARF. The Activity Reflection form may include photos with captions telling about the activity. Activity Reflections can be more than one page. Portfolios are not scrapbooks so please DO NOT INCLUDE programs, ribbons, certificates.

- **Project Story:** One Project Story page for each project you are enrolled in.

**Goals for the year** – This will include what you wish to accomplish in your 4-H project. This is to be done at the beginning of the 4-H year. Good goals have three characteristics. 1. **Action** (how you will do something); 2. **Result(s)** (what you are going to do); and 3. **Timetable** (when you are going to do it). For additional help in goal setting see our website at: http://wood.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-record-bookportfolios/. The Projection Reflection form may include photos with captions telling about the project. Project Reflections can be more than one page. Portfolios are not scrapbooks so please DO NOT INCLUDE programs, ribbons, certificates, etc.

- **Project Reflection** – Please include the information below on your Project Reflection:
  * **Skills Learned or Used:** Members will list the skills learned or used for their project reflection and should show how the member has grown in skill. At a younger age, this would mainly be skills learned but as a member matures, many of the skills learned will turn into abilities used and improved on.
  * **Goals met:** Here you should show that the goals set at the beginning of the project were met.
  * **Project Accomplishment:** Examples would be meetings attended, exhibits made, contests entered, etc.
  * **What you would do differently/same next year. Why?**

- **4-H and You!** Complete the page to summarize your year’s activities and project work and include at the end of your yearly records. A new 4-H and You page needs to be added each year.

Good Luck and please ask for help if you need it!
Wood County 4-H Dairy Delegation to the Wi State Fair Jr Show

Written by Jerry Lang—Central Wisconsin State Fair Jr Fair Dairy Superintendent

On Tuesday August 2nd, 23 youth and 32 head of cattle left the Marshfield Fairgrounds at 7:00 am for the Wisconsin State Fair Jr Dairy Show. What a wonderful group of young adults from all over Wood County. Everyone was assigned a job to do and it took until noon on the 3rd to accomplish the exhibit and display the way we wanted it to look.

Showmanship was on Thursday. All of our exhibitors entered and the lucky ones making it through the first heat were Mikhayla Pumper took 5th, Morgyn Haumschild took 5th, Shelby Lang took 4th, Paige Proctor took 2nd, Tiffany Karl took 1st, Hannah Hensel took 6th, Aaliyah Borchert took 4th, Emma Dorshorst took 5th and Brice Thiel took 6th. There usually was between 18 & 22 kids per heat with a total of 29 heats competing. Then came the tough one with only one heat per age level. Results were Mikhayla Pumper 12th, Morgyn Haumschild 11th, Shelby Lang 10th, Paige Proctor 17th, Tiffany Karl 5th, Hannah Hensel 11th, Emma Dorshorst 10th, Brice Thiel 14th, and Aaliyah Borchert took 1st and the overall champion of the 12 year old heat. Aaliyah then competed against all the age levels and did a mighty fine job, but did not make it in the top five.

Friday and Saturday was the junior show. Holsteins had 426 head shown. The results of the show were:
Cheyenne Karl spring calf 9th, Mikhayla Pumper spring calf 13th, Emma Dorshorst winter calf 20th-4th bred & owned, Paige Proctor winter calf 8th, Elizabeth Behlin winter calf 22nd, Aaliyah Borchert winter calf 1st with Tree Hayven – Integral Declan and went on to claim the calf championship!! Tremendous!!
Cheyenne Karl fall calf 3rd, Morgyn Haumschild fall calf 15th, Laney Schmitt summer yearling 14th
Kaelynn Meacham spring yearling 16th, Laney Schmitt spring yearling 21st, Rainna Simone spring yearling 15th, Mikhayla Pumper fall yearling 4th

Red & White holstiens had 73 head shown. The results of the show were:
Hannah Hensel fall calf 10th, Amanda Gehrke winter yearling 5th,
Sam Minch winter yearling 5th & fall yearling 6th
Jersey’s had 87 head shown. The results are:
Tiffany Karl summer yearling 1st with Cea-N-Nik Big Show Cinn, Amanda Gehrke Spring Yearling 8th
Brown Swiss 86 head shown
Alysha Bauer winter calf 11th, fall calf 21st, Raina Simone spring yearling 7th, Brice Theil winter yearling 3rd
Milking Shorthorn 31 head shown
Kenni Bores winter calf 2nd, fall calf 6th, Kaitlyn Yahnke fall calf 3rd
Guernsey 53 head shown
Joshua Lang fall calf 5th, Shelby Lang spring yearling 6th, Elizabeth Pankratz fall yearling 7th, Joshua Lang winter yearling 5th, Emily Pankratz fall yearling 9th, Cody Bauer fall yearling 10th.

In the overall dairy exhibitor award, Sam Minch took 7th place, very well done. Jerry Lang & Susan Miller chaperoned all of our youth. Our educational display took a mighty powerful 2nd place. A lot of praise on that goes to the Rod Bauer family on their hard work before the fair. In County Heardsmanship, which definitely takes tremendous work ethic from all the youth while on barn duty, received 2nd place large counties of 28 counties and picked up $200 to help with all the expenses. What a wonderful & fantastic feat that was.

On Saturday evening, we had a wonderful pizza party and then 2 trips down the giant slide. We arrived back home at 5:30 on Sunday afternoon, all were sound.

Other State Fair Results
Exhibitors for Junior Beef:
Adam Zee: 3rd place Registered Angus Heifer
4th place Crossbred Steer, Showmanship Participant
Exhibitors for Junior Hog:
Hunter Langhoff: Reserve Champion Lightweight Crossbred Barrow, Champion 19-year-old Showman
3rd Overall Showman, 4th place Swine Premier Exhibitor
Exhibitors for Junior Sheep:
Jacob Schulz: Reserve Champion Hampshire Market Lamb
Champion 18-year-old Showman,
Supreme Champion Showman, 6th Place Shropshire Market Lamb, Class Winner Commercial Ewe
Martina Schulz: Reserve Champion Dorset Market Lamb
3rd place 15-year-old Showmanship, 5th Place Natural Color Market Lamb, 3rd Place Commercial Ewe
Rebecca Sturgis: 2nd place 14-year-old Showmanship,
7th Place Suffolk Market Lamb, 6th Place Crossbred Market Lamb, 7th Place Commercial Ewe
Calendar Of Events

Upcoming Events
8/30/16       Central Wisconsin State Fair Jr Fair Entry Day!
9/3/16        4-H Re-Enrollment Begins
9/9-10        Shooting Sports Certification Workshop at Central Wi Sportsmen's Club
9/15/18       State 4-H Horse Expo
9/22/16       Award Applications are Due
9/26/16       Portfolios Due to 4-H Office
10/1-2        4-H Arts Camp
10/2-8        National 4-H Week Lawn Display Contest
10/15/16      Trip Applications Due
11/4-6        Fall Forum
11/11/16      4-H Member & Volunteer Recognition Night
3/25/17       4-H National Conference Trip
7/8/17        Camp Upham Woods July 8th-21st 2017
7/16/17       Leadership Washington Focus Trip July 16th-21st 2017

For a complete list of upcoming 4-H events, please visit our calendar at http://wood.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/

Does your club have upcoming events that you would like to share with the county? Please email your events to ahenke@co.wood.wi.us by the 10th of each month to have it published in the Youth Connections.
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