

Wood County 4-H YOUTH CONNECTIONS



JULY 2026

400 Market Street | PO Box 8095 | Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495 | 715.421-8439



ANNUAL AUTHORIZATION

June 30th marks the end of the fiscal year in 4-H and that means it's time to begin work on your club's Annual Authorization.

The Annual Authorization combines the previous Charter and Annual Financial Report requirements. The Annual Authorization grants 4-H Clubs and Groups official charter status, allowing them to use the 4-H Name and Emblem.

Paper copies were distributed at the May Leaders Association meeting. If you did not attend in person, the document can be downloaded and printed from:

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/4h-resources/annual-authorization-for-wisconsin-4-h-clubs-and-groups/>

As soon as you receive your June bank statement, you can begin completing the Annual Authorization. It should be turned in to Laura in hard copy, paper format.

If you have any questions about completing this important document, reach out to Laura.

The deadline to have the Annual Authorization submitted is September 1. NO EXCEPTIONS.



CONNECT WITH US!

 Wood County 4-H, WI

 4hwoodcountywi

woodcounty4h@woodcountywi.gov

<http://wood.extension.wisc.edu>

4-H PLEDGE

*I pledge my HEAD to clearer thinking,
my HEART to greater loyalty,
my HANDS to larger service
and my HEALTH to better living,
for my club, my community,
my country and my world.*

WOOD COUNTY 4-H STAFF

Laura Huber, 4-H Educator

Trina Bores, AmeriCorps Member

Alissa Juedes, AmeriCorps Member

Wendy Young, Support Staff



CWSF REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2026 Central Wisconsin State Junior Fair is open at <https://faireentry.com/Fair/SignIn/24234>! **All entries must be submitted before July 15th - NO EXCEPTIONS!**

A few notes and reminders:

- youth must have been a member of 4-H before **March 1, 2026**, to be eligible to show at this year's fair
- when entering Classes or Lots that have a grade requirement, it is the grade that the youth just FINISHED
- if you are showing animals, have your Premise ID ready before you begin registration
- be sure to enter ALL of your exhibitors and add ALL of your entries before you click the **Continue to Payment** button. If you don't do this, your account will be locked until a staff member can fix it (very inconvenient on the weekend).
- entries in Department 32J - Junior Fair Booths (club booth, historian scrapbook or banner), should NOT be registered under an individual exhibitor. To register these, create a new exhibitor within your family - using the name of your club as the exhibitor's name - and add the entry there.



After you submit your entries, be sure to watch for an email that they were accepted. If there are errors, your entries will be sent back and it is YOUR responsibility to correct them.

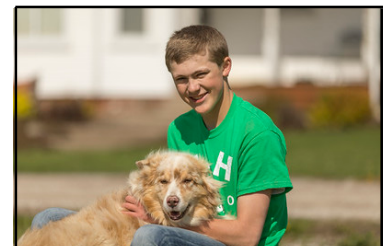
Reach out to the Extension Office with entry questions.

DOG PROJECT MEETINGS

There are a few dates left on the Wood County 4-H Dog Project's summer schedule!

Mark your calendar:

- Sunday, July 5
- Tuesday, July 7



All sessions will be held at the John C. Lang Building at the Marshfield Fairgrounds and start at 5:30pm.

Be sure to bring your dog, a 6-foot leash, a collar and vaccination records.

Reach out to Betty Peterson at peterstonb1208@gmail.com with questions.

Please note: Wisconsin 4-H policy requires all dogs be current on Rabies & DHLPP vaccinations. Bordetella is also recommended. Please check your records now, and schedule vaccinations, as needed, prior to our first meeting.

FOODS REVUE

JULY 9 | 3:00PM | HEWITT VILLAGE HALL

What is Foods Revue?

Foods Revue is an event that allows you to gain experience in planning, preparing, evaluating, and serving food as part of a meal or snack. Pick out a recipe, make it at home, and bring it to the event! The judge will ask you some questions about the recipe you chose and offer some feedback. Find out more information below.

Who can Participate?

Foods Revue and Dessert Revue are open to any Junior Fair youth.

- Members in grades 4-13 will receive a placed ribbon. Premiums will be paid for those that have entered through Fair Entry, as well as register for this event.
- Members in grade 3 will receive a place ribbon. This does not count as one of their 6 projects for the fair.
- Younger Members in grades K-2 will receive a participation ribbon. This does not count as one of their 4 projects for the fair.

Full rules can be found online at: <https://wood.extension.wisc.edu/4-h/registration-forms-2/>

Registration is open at: <https://forms.gle/RjffBoGFMRiiKt346>

Registration is due July 6th.

Reach out to Jodie Budtke (djbudtke@yahoo.com) with questions.

WOOD COUNTY FOOD & DESSERT REVUE

Wednesday, July 8, 2026
3pm @ Hewitt Village Hall

Register at the
link below by
Monday, July 6



4-H AT THE WR DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET

Wood County 4-H will be at the Wisconsin Rapids Downtown Farmers Market on July 9 and July 30 with hands-on activities and crafts.

Plan to stop down from 8:00am-1:00pm to check out our booth as well as all of the other great vendors.

SAVE THE DATE!

Find Wood County 4-H at the
**Wisconsin Rapids Downtown
Farmers Market**

Find our booth to participate in fun and
hands-on activities & crafts!

Visit us on the following Thursdays
from 8:00am-1:00pm:

- July 9
- July 30



SWIM NIGHT

JULY 16 | 4:00-7:00PM | WITTER PARK AQUATICS CENTER

We have reserved the Witter Park Aquatics Center on July 16th from 4:00-7:00pm for Wood County 4-H members to enjoy a fun night of swimming.

To find out more about the Aquatics Center, visit: <https://www.wirapids.gov/469/Witter-Park-Aquatics-Center>

Registration is now open at <https://bit.ly/4-HSwim> and closes on July 13th!

Tell your friends and plan to join us!



**WOOD COUNTY 4-H
SWIM DAY!**

At the Wisconsin Rapids Aquatic Center

**Thursday, July 16th
4:00-7:00pm**

\$3 entry for Wood County 4-H members and volunteers!

Register by July 13th!



<https://bit.ly/4-HSwim>

Come enjoy a swim with your Wood County 4-H friends!
Children under the age of 12 must be supervised by a trusted adult.



UW-MADISON EXTENSION
WOOD COUNTY

The University of Wisconsin-Madison Division of Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming in compliance with state and federal law.

CRAFTING & CREATING WITH I HEART ART

AUGUST 13 | 9:00-11:00AM (K-5TH GRADE); 12:00-2:00PM (6-8TH GRADE) | I HEART ART STUDIO

Explore your creative side this summer with some time at I Heart Art Studio. We have 2 sessions set up, split by grade level. Both are guaranteed to be tons of fun!

Registration is open at <https://bit.ly/IHeartArt4-H> and will close on July 27th!

Open to Wood County 4-H members!



 UW-MADISON EXTENSION
WOOD COUNTY

Join 4-H at
**I HEART
ART
STUDIOS**

*i heart art
STUDIOS*

GRADES K-8

for a day of crafting and creating!

- ✓ Thursday, August 13th
- ✓ 9:00-11:00am > Kindergarten-5th Grade
Art Lab with stations!
- ✓ 12:00-2:00pm > 6th-8th Grade
Canvas painting class!

REGISTER BY JULY 27TH!



**COST:
\$15 PER
ENROLLED
4-HER**

[HTTPS://BIT.LY/IHEARTART4-H](https://bit.ly/IHeartArt4-H)

APPAREL & DECAL SALE

The Wood County 4-H Leaders Association has organized an apparel and decal sale for members to show off their 4-H pride.

There are t-shirts, sweatshirts, hats, bags, 4-H decals and more!

Items will be sorted and distributed to club leaders at the Leaders Association meeting on July 27th.

The final day to order at the link below is July 5th!

https://premierprintingink.com/Wood_County_4-H/shop/home

WOOD COUNTY 4-H DECAL SALE



Large - 4"x6"
Small - 2"x3"

Border is cut along
black/white edge.
Exterior
Application
(back is sticky)



On sale NOW
through
JULY 5TH!



SCAN HERE

Order Link:
https://premierprintingink.com/Wood_County_4-H/shop/home

Sponsored by the Wood County 4-H Leaders Association

WOOD COUNTY 4-H APPAREL & MORE

FEATURED DESIGN!



More style &
color options
available!

Sweatshirts,
jackets &
more!



On sale NOW
through
JULY 5TH!



SCAN HERE

Order Link:
https://premierprintingink.com/Wood_County_4-H/shop/home

Sponsored by the Wood County 4-H Leaders Association

2026 PLAT BOOKS

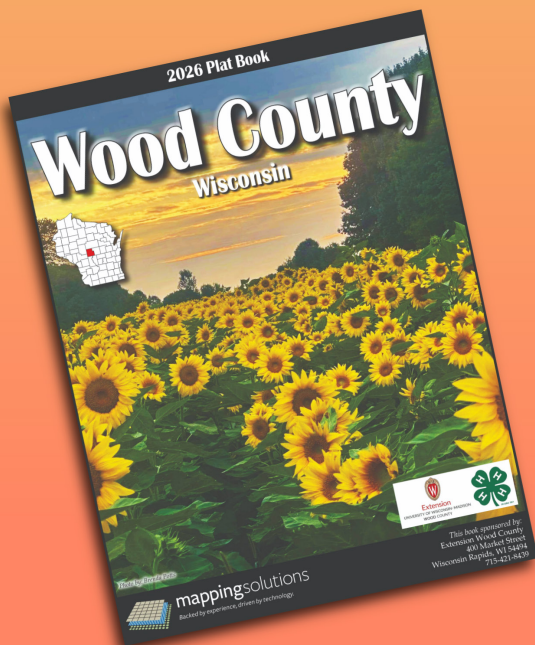
The 2026 Wood County plat books are now available. Many clubs have already contacted local businesses, asking them to sell the books, but we can always use more sales locations throughout the county!

If your club wants to sell books at a local business, let us know so we can get books to you and add the business to the list below!

Remember, your club will get \$5 for every book sold!

2026 Wood County plat books are available at the following locations:

- Chasteen Hoesley Insurance Agency, Pittsville
- Extension Wood County Office, Wisconsin Rapids
- First State Bank, Auburndale
- First State Bank, Wisconsin Rapids
- MACCI, Marshfield
- Nasonville Dairy, Marshfield
- Nekoosa Port Edwards State Bank, Nekoosa



*Thank you for
supporting
Wood County 4-H.*



UPCOMING EVENTS

- **JULY 1:** Cloverbud Camp; 10:00AM-2:00PM; Helen's House - WR Municipal Zoo
- **JULY 5, 12, 19:** CW4HSS Shotgun Practice; 5:30PM; Central Wisconsin Sportsmens Club
- **JULY 7-9:** Discover Wisconsin
- **JULY 8:** Foods Revue; 3:00PM; Hewitt Village Hall
- **JULY 9:** Wood County 4-H @ WR Farmers Market; 8:00AM - 1:00PM
- **JULY 16:** Wood County 4-H Swim Night; 4:00-7:00PM; Witter Park Aquatic Center
- **JULY 21-24:** Wisconsin Discovers to St. Louis
- **JULY 30:** Wood County 4-H @ WR Farmers Market; 8:00AM - 1:00PM

STAY CONNECTED WITH WOOD COUNTY 4-H

Be sure that you are staying connected and getting all the latest information and event details!

While we try to include everything in the newsletter, sometimes we like to send reminders or something exciting comes up between issues that we want to share right away.

Follow our Facebook and Instagram pages to make sure you don't miss an update. Our web calendar is also updated in real time to look ahead at future events or to confirm event times and locations.



Online Calendar: <https://wood.extension.wisc.edu/4-h/>

