



# Schoharie County 4-H Newsletter



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What's inside:

## Year-End Achievement Recognition and more!

In recognition of 4-H youth, leader,  
and volunteer achievement in the  
2019-2020 Schoharie County 4-H  
Youth Development program



# HAPPY NEW YEAR

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Schoharie and Otsego Counties wishes you a happy and healthy new year.

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## 4-H Youth Development Mission Statement

The mission of Cornell Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development is to build youth-adult partnerships to enable youth to become fully engaged in their learning process. New York State 4-H is a leader in enabling youth to develop the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and abilities to become productive citizens and is a catalyst for positive change to meet the needs of a diverse and changing society.

### Through 4-H Youth Development, youth will:

- . Practice effective problem-solving and decision-making skills
- . Possess positive work attitudes and skills
- . Value diversity
- . Accept community and social responsibility
- . Contribute to positive relationships with families, peers, and community
- . Demonstrate communication and leadership skills
- . Value lifelong learning

### Cornell Cooperative Extension values:

- . 4-H Youth development as the focus of all youth development activities
- . Partnerships for supporting, conducting, and extending the program

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# Schoharie County 4-H Meeting, Activity & Event COVID-19 Safety Guidelines



Given the recent changes in guidelines for gatherings, we are passing along guidance in relation to in-person 4-H Meetings/activities/events

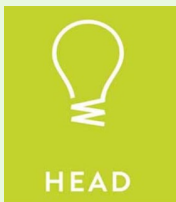
- Limit total numbers to maximum of 10
- If your meeting attendants/club member's school district is on only remote learning then you cannot be hosting an in-person meeting
- Please remember that refreshments need to be served in such a way that everyone is eating and drinking while seated & physically distanced.
- Pre-packaged food and drinks only
- Masks must be on at all times
- Reminder—no meetings in private homes

These guidelines have been put in place to keep our 4-H families as safe as possible. Please let us know if you have any questions or suggestions. We appreciate and value the work our adult volunteers do with youth, even if it's not in-person.

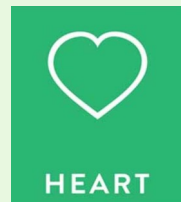


## The 4-H Emblem

The emblem is a four leaf clover with an "H" in each leaf. The letters in the emblem stand for HEAD, HEART, HANDS, and HEALTH which are the foundation for all 4-H programs.



**HEAD...** Learning to think, making decisions, understanding the "whys", gaining new and valuable knowledge



**HEART...** Being concerned with the welfare of others, accepting responsibilities of citizenship, determining values and attitudes by which to live, learning how to work with others



**HANDS...** Learning new skills, perfecting skills already known, developing pride in work and respect for it

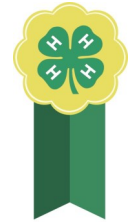


**HEALTH...** Practicing healthful living, protecting the well-being of self and others, making constructive use of leisure time

**4-H Club MOTTO:**  
To Make the Best Better

**4-H Club METHOD:**  
Learn by Doing

# 2019-2020 4-H Clubs & Club Leaders



*Thank You!*

Animal Aggies (Leader: Jennifer Walrath)  
Backyard Kidz (Leader: Rebecca Whiteman)  
Clover Club (Leader: Sarah Davis)  
Clover Cousins (Leader: Kelly Coons)  
Die Hard Dairy (Leader: Lydia VanEvera)  
Driftwood Riders (Leader: Sandra Emanuel)  
Everything Under the Sun (Leader: Amber Lape)  
Green Tree Club (Leader: Stephanie Lincoln)  
The Happy Hoofsters (Leader: Shelby Beretz)  
Jefferson Generals (Leader: Faye Harris)  
Milkin' Maniacs (Leader: Sarah Blood)  
Mountain Maniacs (Leader: Cori Bissonette)  
Ready to Ride (Leader: Kerry Moreland)  
Rider's Club (Leader: Jan Ryder)  
Thundering Hooves (Leader: Theresa Kaya)  
Wandering Pathfinders (Leader: Michele Strobeck)

4-H leaders and other adult volunteers share their time, talents, and interests with 4-H members in order to help youth grow into caring and contributing citizens.

Schoharie County has many wonderful 4-H volunteers and adult leaders who give their time and special skills to make a difference in the lives of 4-H youth. Thank you for continuing to "make the best better".

# 2019-2020 4-H Volunteers



*Thank You!*

Colleen Badger  
Jessica Barrett  
Bettina Brundage  
Paige Bulmer  
Jessica Butler  
Tiffany Canning  
Isabelle Charbonnel  
Jennifer Conard  
Amy Cornwell  
Carrie Edsall  
Kelly Edsall  
Michelle Echnert  
Andrea Falco  
Taylor Foland  
Gwendolyn Freiermuht  
Laura Gagnon  
Sarah Gaida  
Liz Goblet-Schubert

Jennifer Green  
Elizabeth Hackney  
Charles Harris  
Heather Haslun  
Julie Herzog  
Sarah Hoose  
Jonathan Kaya  
Lisa Kuehnle  
JoAnne King  
Randi Korona  
Lynette Lawyer  
Crystal Liddle  
Sarah Lloyd  
Rebecca Louch  
Meghan Mazzariello  
Jennifer McGurn  
Joe Moore  
Lacy Parrish

Julia Phillips  
Hannah Pizza  
Rachel Pollard  
Stacey Price  
Tammy Reagan  
Cheryl Rechnitzer  
Jennifer Rogers  
Michael Rogers  
Brionna Ryder  
Connie Ryder  
Karen Schaffer  
John Shaw Jr.  
Rebecca Shaw  
Brianna Slater  
Patrick Slavinski  
Kimberly Smith

Melinda Smith  
Beth Spaulding  
Eric Stanton  
Amy Sulas  
Jennifer Swift  
Tammy Tansey  
Cynthia Traverse  
Phyllis VanAmburgh  
John VanDerwerken  
Jacob VanEvera  
Teresa VanWormer  
Ben Weikart  
Kelly Yacobucci  
Julie Yorks  
Kory Yorks  
Darlene Zurek



# CLOVERBUDS



## The following youth have received 4-H CLOVERBUD YEAR COMPLETION

Ella Coons  
Ransom Echter  
Theoden Freiermuht  
Kai Hoose  
Parker Hoose

Arrietta Kuehnie  
Levi Lape  
Evangeline Pollard  
Jackson Rogers  
Emma Slater

Aubree Stanton  
Sophia Trombley  
Logan VanEvera  
Rosie Zurek

*Cloverbud members with 2019-2020 4-H Year Completion have documented meeting attendance,, have completed at least three Cloverbud 4-H activities, and have had a 4-H Year-End Completion sheet submitted to the 4-H office for review.*

## The following youth have received 4-H CLOVERBUD YEAR PARTICIPATION

Keith Baciusica  
Autumn Ballard  
Bryar Bissonette  
Edgar Charbonnel  
Fiora Corallo  
Isla Corallo  
Tessa Davis  
Mackenzie English  
Declan Hahl  
Madailein Hahl  
Lillian Harris

Ella Haslun  
Gabrielle Hughes  
Matthew Hughes  
Teresa Jones  
Keagan Kehrer  
Kaden Korona  
Daniel Krug  
Addison Langlais  
Alastir Langlais  
Ryan Matice  
Ava Moreland

Ty Moreland  
Lila Phillips  
Steven Pinder  
Joseph Pizza  
Emma Slater  
Carole VanDerwerken  
Elon VanDerwerken  
Leo VanValkenburgh  
Zoe Whittaker





## The following youth have received 4-H YEAR COMPLETION & OUTSTANDING 4-H MEMBER



Chloe Armstrong  
Alex Badger  
Jillian Barnett  
Sydney Benac  
Shyanne Beretz  
Elizabeth Echnr  
Dallas Foland  
Elise Kossmann  
Nathan Kuehne  
Madison Lape  
Ashley Moorhead

Carleigh Reed  
Jackson Reed  
Makayla Ryder  
Aiden Schoenecker  
MacKenzie Schoenecker  
Jackson Shaw  
Olivia Valhos  
Hannah Vedder  
MaKayla Vedder  
Benjamin Walrath  
Claudia Walrath

*2019-2020 Outstanding 4-H Members have completed a year's worth of work from at least two documented projects, presented in the county wide 4-H Public Presentation event, and have submitted a 4-H Portfolio book and Year-End Completion sheet to the 4-H office for review.*

## The following youth have received 4-H YEAR COMPLETION



Lilah Coons  
Annika Falco  
Eleanor Gagnon  
Chandler Kniskern  
Maya Korona  
Alexandria Lincoln

Brooke Lincoln  
Tyler Lloyd  
Emma Rogers  
Skylar Shook  
Isabella Slater  
Cadem Stanton

Olivia VanEvera  
Case Yacobucci  
Mason Yacobucci  
Elizabeth Zurek  
Malachai Zurek

*Members with 2019-2020 4-H Year Completion have completed at least one 4-H project and have submitted a 4-H Portfolio book and Year-End Completion sheet to the 4-H office for review.*

# The following youth have received 4-H YEAR PARTICIPATION



Eliana Allen  
Charlotte Barrett  
Samantha Barrett  
Ava Bissonette  
Leah Brundage  
Patrick Bulmer  
Alena Butler  
Alyssum Butler  
Brady Canning  
Sierra Carr  
Isaac Conard  
Lily Conroe  
Ronald Cook  
Rubie Cook  
Isabella Cornwell  
Danika Davis  
Jackson Danner  
Layla Danner  
Jacob Enyart  
Luke Enyart  
Rylee Fancher  
Miriah Foland  
DaCoda Germain  
Maryn Glassbrenner  
Mollie Goblet-Schubert  
Bryan Graham  
Alicia Gray  
Brooke Green  
Owen Green  
Larissa Hackney  
Mylan Hackney  
Ashten Haley  
Iriyah Haley  
Mikayla Harris  
Brooke Haslun  
Anneliese Herzog

Callie Hempstead  
Garrett Hempstead  
Adam Hockman  
Andrew Hughes  
Danielle Hughes  
Peyten Johns  
Isabella Jones  
Karleigh Kehrer  
Anna King  
Emma Lacko  
Emma Laraway  
Haley Lawyer  
Kyle Lawyer  
James Liddle  
Amelia Louch  
Augustus Mason  
Daisy Mason  
Emily Mazzariello  
Peyton Mazzariello  
Andrew McConnelee  
Thomas McConnelee  
Alexzina Merritt  
Cassie Miller  
Dalton Oliver  
Lillian Parrish  
Olivia Parrish  
Julianna Perillo  
Jason Pinder  
Griffin Pizza  
Elijah Rechnitzer  
Kylie Rechnitzer  
Ethan Reed  
Rowan Roberts  
Aidan Rotman  
Jackson Ryder  
Leland Ryder

Logan Ryder  
Cecilia Shultes  
Sean Shults  
Blake Smart  
Abigail Smith  
Alexandrea Smith  
Brandon Smith  
Dawson Smith  
Samuel Smith  
Carly Spaulding  
Grayson Stoesser  
Michael Stoesser  
Grant Strobeck  
Griffin Strobeck  
Gracie Styga  
Hannah Sulas  
William Sulas  
Isabella Swartout  
Levi Szentmiklosy  
Hunter Tansey  
McKenzie Tansey  
Savannah Traverse  
Oliver VanAmburgh  
Stella VanZutphen  
Jeremy Wayman  
Madeline Warner  
Hannah Wetsell  
William Wetsell  
Abigail Whiteman  
Emmalee Whiteman  
Raelyn Whiteman  
Shawna Whiteman  
Raya Williams  
Chloe Wohlfarth  
Caden Yorks

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# INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

## 4-H YEAR 2019-2020

### Level 1 - Heart of 4-H

- ◇ Complete 3 projects from at least 2 different project areas
- ◇ Complete a minimum of 4 hours of Community Service
- ◇ Participate in COUNTY level 4-H Public Presentations

### Level 2 - Above and Beyond

- ◇ Complete 5 projects from at least 3 different project areas (cumulative)
- ◇ Complete a minimum of 6 hours of Community Service
- ◇ Participate in COUNTY level 4-H Public Presentations
- ◇ Spend at least 2 hours on marketing 4-H

*In addition to completing the above requirements, both award winners also participated in the 2020 4-H Virtual Showcase*

*Congratulations!*

**Madison Lape**

Heart of 4-H  
(Level 1)

Award Recipient

**Jackson Shaw**

Above and Beyond  
(Level 2)

Award Recipient

Chloe Armstrong  
Alex Badger  
Jillian Barnett  
Sydney Benac  
Shyanne Beretz  
Patrick Bulmer  
Fiora Corallo  
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MaKayla Vedder  
Benjamin Walrath  
Claudia Walrath  
Caden Yorks

Listed here in recognition  
are the 4-H youth who  
participated in the 2020  
county-level Public  
Presentations.

## 2020 4-H Public Presentations

Through 4-H Public Presentations, youth learn how to create a presentation and develop the skills needed to present it before an audience. They learn about the research process and the steps needed to organize information into an interesting and create presentation.





The following 4-H Clubs have received the 2019-2020  
**Annual Seal of Achievement & Outstanding 4-H Club**

 **Animal Aggies**

 **Everything Under the Sun**

 **Die Hard Dairy**

 **The Happy Hoofsters**



To receive the 2019-2020 **Annual Seal of Achievement**, a 4-H Club must have a majority of club members complete a year's worth of work on a project, present at a 4-H Public Presentation Event or exhibit a 4-H project in the Virtual Showcase, and submit 4-H Year End completion sheets.

To receive 2019-2020 **Outstanding 4-H Club**, a 4-H Club must complete the Annual Seal of Achievement, have leaders participate in 4-H Training, and have club members who participate in at least three of the following: promote during National 4-H Week, 4-H Exhibit in the 2020 Virtual Showcase, 4-H Community Service, participate in county wide fundraiser, participate in Office Training, or receive Outstanding Club Officer.

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**EARN-AN-ANIMAL**  
 Program Completion

The following youth have successfully completed the Schoharie County 4-H  
 2020 Earn-An-Animal Program

**Levi Szentmiklosy**

**Beef Calf**  
**\$500 Refund**



**Brady Canning**

**Laying Hens**  
**\$50 Refund**

The 4-H Earn-An-Animal program allows for Schoharie County youth (ages 8-18) to earn funding towards a project animal to raise and show as their own. Youth not only learn how to care for their animal, they experience the process of researching, selecting and purchasing an animal. 4-H youth are able to further develop their planning, time management, organization, and record keeping skills.

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# Virtual Showcase

## Participants

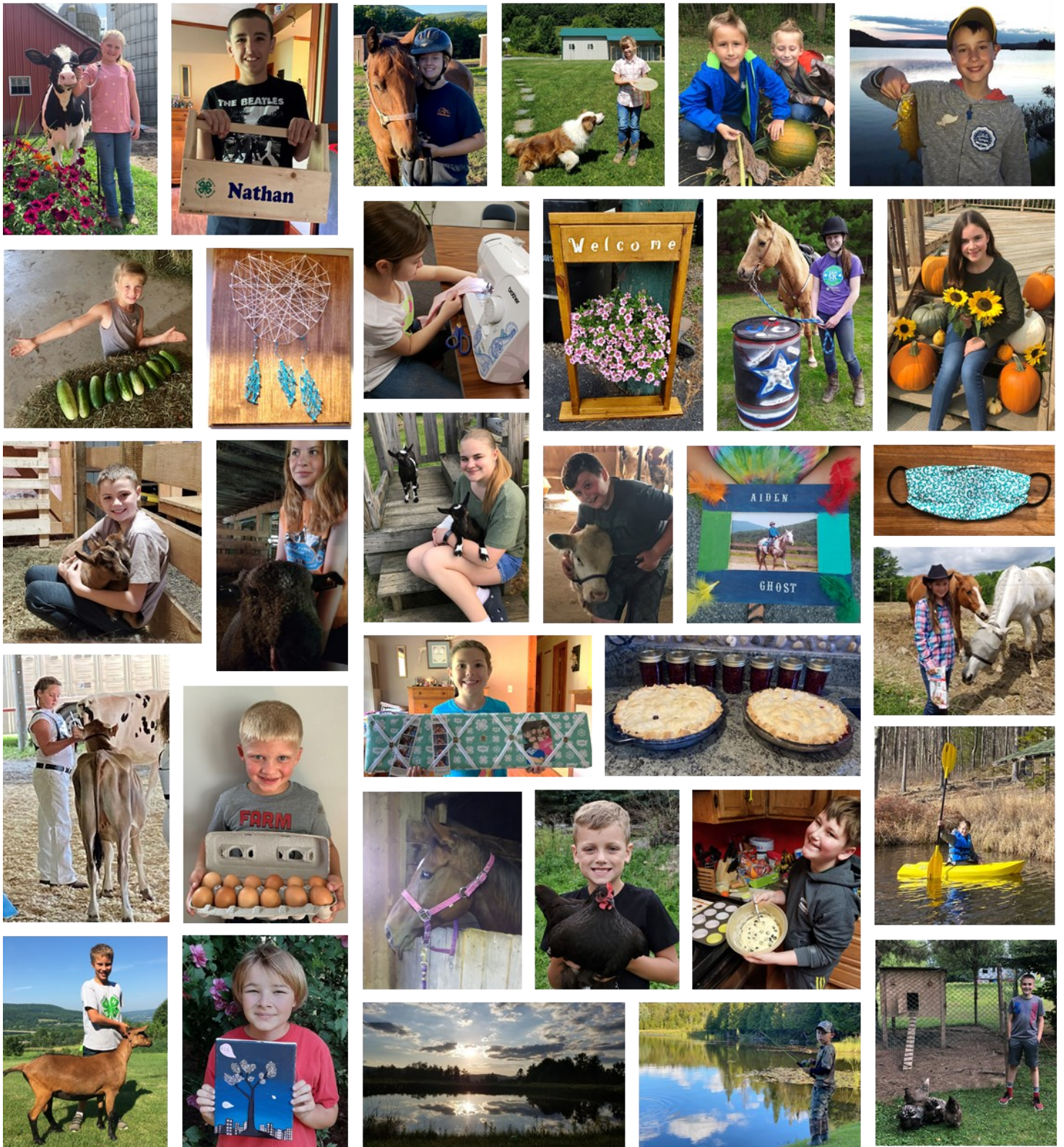
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With the absence of the Schoharie County Sunshine fair, CCE collaborated to create a Virtual Showcase for 4-H youth. Through this showcase, 4-H'ers were able to present their non-animal and animal projects, including animal showmanship to their clubs, friends, and families. Although this showcase did not replace the fair, it did create a memorable record to celebrate youth accomplishments, hard work, and perseverance.





The 2020 Schoharie County 4-H Virtual Showcase is available for viewing on the Association's webpage, [ceschoharie-otsego.org](https://www.ceschoharie-otsego.org) or through the 4-H Schoharie County YouTube Channel [https://youtu.be/x\\_uUVrKb0WM](https://youtu.be/x_uUVrKb0WM)

# Upcoming Events

<b>JANUARY</b>	
1	Happy New Year!
15	Earn-An-Animal Applications Due
18	Martin Luther King Jr. Day - Office Closed
20	4-H Fly By: Introduction to Birding - 6:30PM (register to receive Zoom link)
27	4-H Fly By: Birds of Prey - 6:30 PM (register to receive Zoom link)
28	Earn-An-Animal Applicant Interviews
28	Virtual Dairy Bowl Practice Introductions - 7 PM (pre-registration required)
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	
3	4-H Fly By: Gamebirds and Waterfowl - 6:30 PM (register to receive Zoom link)
4	Virtual Dairy Bowl Practice - 7 PM (pre-registration required)
5	Beef Livestock Auction Applications Due
10	4-H Fly By: Avian Citizen Science Projects - 6:30 PM (Register to receive Zoom link)
15	Presidents' Day - Office Closed
18	Virtual Dairy Bowl Practice - 7 PM (pre-registration required)
20	Public Presentation Workshop - 9 AM via Zoom (pre-registration required)
<b>MARCH</b>	
5	Virtual Dairy Bowl Practice - 7 PM (pre-registration required)
18	Earn-An-Animal Program Orientation, 6 PM, Location TBD
19	Virtual Dairy Bowl Practice - 7 PM (pre-registration required)
20	Public Presentation Event - Location TBD

## **4-H Public Presentation Training**

**Saturday, February 20, 2021 at 9 a.m. via Zoom**

Registration deadline is Friday, February 12, 2021

Register with Catherine Roberts, [cmr336@cornell.edu](mailto:cmr336@cornell.edu)

518-234-4303 ext 113

**MARK YOUR CALENDER!**

## **4-H Public Presentation Day**

**Saturday, March 20, 2021 Location TBD**

More details to come!



It's never too early to start thinking about a topic you would enjoy talking about and what kind of presentation you would like to give at this year's 4-H Public Presentation Day. Our training workshop will feature some tips about selecting a topic and creating a poster and/or visual aids. Youth participants will learn the parts of a presentation and how to organize their thoughts. Each participant will gain some practice in speaking in front of others.

# 4-H Fly By

Virtual Zoom series on Ornithology, the study of birds.  
Each short 45 min. session will be jam-packed with educational fun  
Coordinated by Cornell University Youth Nature and Outdoor Education  
Program Work Team

**January 20, 2021: 6:30pm: *Introduction to Birding*** with Renee Hopkins, CCE Livingston, and Linda Brosch, CCE Oswego

**January 27, 2021: 6:30pm: *Birds of Prey*** with Heidi Feltz, CCE Niagara and Wolcottsville Wildlife Rescue

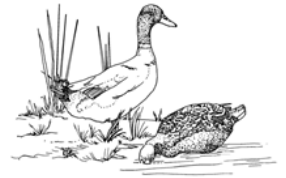
**February 3, 2021: 6:30pm: *Gamebirds and Waterfowl*** with Nathan Kennedy, CCE Seneca and John Bowe, CCE Warren

**February 10, 2021: 6:30pm: *Avian Citizen Science Projects*** with Kelly Schaeffer, Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology

- There is no cost for this program.
- Who can attend: Cloverbuds, 4-H members, Leaders and other key volunteers
- A bird identification guide will be provided to those that participate in all 4 sessions. Maximum number of guides given to a family will be one.
- Registration is through the below link or scan the QR code. Please register each member of a family individually.



**Registration Link:**  
[https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/4H FlyBy\\_235](https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/4H FlyBy_235)



STATEWIDE 4-H DAIRY COMMITTEE PRESENTS

## VIRTUAL 4-H DAIRY BOWL PRACTICES



**DATES:**

JANUARY 28 (INTRODUCTIONS)  
FEBRUARY 4 & 18  
MARCH 5 & 19

**TIME:** 7 PM

**REGISTER AT:**

[HTTPS://CORNELL.ZOOM.US/MEETING/REGISTER/TJYSDEGGPJOQGTOSNKP2OZ2MXQJLIQJ0R99W](https://cornell.zoom.us/join/https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/4H FlyBy_235)

**TOPICS INCLUDE:**

HOOF HEALTH, REPRODUCTION,  
DIGESTIVE SYSTEM / NUTRITION,  
AND MASTITIS / UDDER HEALTH

EACH SESSION WILL END WITH DAIRY  
BOWL QUESTIONS THROUGH KAHOOT

# Host a Virtual Club Meeting or Activity



*Check out our YouTube Channel to view instructions on how to set up a Google Meet or Zoom account/session for virtual club meetings!*

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMmify56z5sQ77px2ig455Q>



## 4-H Online Learning



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Follow New York State 4-H on Facebook for statewide programs being offered online.

Follow our local Facebook page *Schoharie County 4-H* for local programs, updates and more!

# VIRTUAL 4-H MEETING ETIQUETTE

Making Club Conference Calls Fun for All



## NOISE

**We all want to hear you, not your background**



HEAD

If you don't have headphones with a mic that allow everyone to just hear you, practice muting when you don't have anything to say. This will help everyone hear better!

## GUIDELINES & AGENDA

**All Meetings should have a plan**



HEART

Just like in-person meetings we want an agenda or plan for what we are going to talk about. That could mean that you've scheduled time for checking in and hearing how everyone is doing with their project. Keeping the group focused helps us use our time well.

## ENGAGE

**Everyone should have something to share**



HANDS

It's easy to get distracted, so keep calls short but frequent. Try your best to stay engaged and share your thoughts and ideas. Don't be an "air-hog" and encourage others that you haven't heard from to speak too.

## REPEAT & SUMMARIZE

**Distractions Happen**



HEALTH

If you've shared about something that's really cool re-state briefly what you've shared so anyone fighting distractions (like funny dogs or younger siblings) don't miss out.

Flyer Resource: Washington State University Extension 4-H

## Remember to Make it fun!

**Ice-breakers** offer a fun way to check in with individual members, provide a team building exercise, or take a break and refocus the group.

Try including virtual activities like **Demonstrations**, **In-House Scavenger Hunts**, **Show-N-Tell**, **Craft or Cooking Activities**, or a 4-H themed **Jeopardy** game!

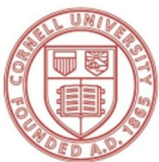


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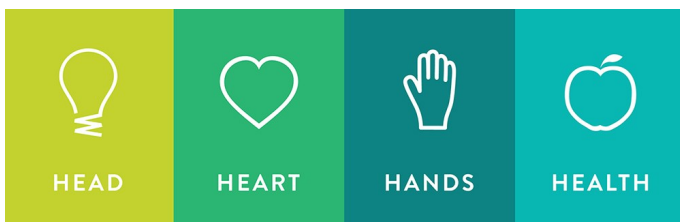


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 **4-H GROWS HERE**

## Cobleskill Office Hours

**Monday through Friday  
 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**



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