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4-H Virtual Showcase Judges Training Continues! Links to Session Recordings and Registration for Remaining Sessions Are Here!!

Preregistration REQUIRED!

Have you thought about becoming a judge for 4-H? Are you already a judge for 4-H? Have you been through the basics of judging for 4-H? Can you make a successful 4-H comment sandwich? We are looking for current 4-H judges and new volunteers who have subject matter knowledge who are willing to learn, judge, and interact with 4-H youth virtually.

We have a few class sessions (now recorded) that are for everyone – like “Technology Basics” and “Basics of Judging for 4-H” – then we move into subject matter sessions.

Below is the outline for dates/times (recordings) and short descriptions for the training sessions. We will be collecting registration/contact information from those who wish to participate and creating a list to share around the state. Session 6 updates/times, as well as our final session, Session 7, which will be a round table discussion format – how to register for those zoom sessions is noted below.

To register/sign-up, please follow the directions below for each session you wish to participate in (or follow the link for the recordings). Once registered for those sessions that have breakout rooms, please e-mail Pam Watson at pwatson@wsu.edu with the subject line: Virtual Judges Training. In the body of the e-mail please list the sessions and subject matter/species/area of interest (this can be one e-mail if participating in multiple sessions). Please register twelve (12) hours in advance of the first training you wish to participate in to receive the password for participation. Each session (or time) may have a different zoom address and password.

The timeline is as follows

Recorded! 1st Session for all participants – Technology Basics, Sat., July 18th, 10 AM-noon

Recording Length – about 2 hours. The Link: https://wsu.zoom.us/rec/share/_MBEIbfu0250WZXk0x7ZB71hM9vdaaa81nQb8_VZyRpQrLTtT_TbKot_0i9oGq1K0?startTime=1595091927000

If you would like to be added to the WA State 4-H Virtual Judges list after taking your training sessions please contact Pam Watson at pwatson@wsu.edu with “Virtual Judge” in the subject line.
Recorded! 2nd Session for all participants – Basics of Judging for 4-H, Saturday, July 18th, 1 -3 PM

Recording Length – about 2 hours. The Link:
https://wsu.zoom.us/rec/share/69FpbJrz9VN0aInPx3j9Qu0dMdvMaaa80ClaqaEMy6Bmt7MAM9obwpl6jzxaadE?startTime=1595102805000

If you would like to be added to the WA State 4-H Virtual Judges list after taking your training sessions please contact Pam Watson at pwatson@wsu.edu with “Virtual Judge” in the subject line.

Recorded! 3rd Session Performance Animals, Sunday, July 19th, 1-3 PM (horse, dog, llama, goat trail) – This meeting had breakout rooms!

Recording Length – about 1 hour, 20 minutes. Includes general session and llama/goat breakout discussion (about the last 30 minutes). The Link:
https://wsu.zoom.us/rec/share/3u1QMKH0tSRlb8-K7hHQ0rwcwP4rDX6a8h3IWqPYFyhILMDqIlb6ioL7hMmFoe0mj?startTime=1595189439000

Horse breakout discussion – This session was not recorded; the link to discussion document is here.

Dog breakout discussion https://emailwsu-my.sharepoint.com/personal/tracie_hanson_wsu_edu/Documents/Attachments/zoom_0.mp4

If you would like to be added to the WA State 4-H Virtual Judges list after taking your training sessions please contact Pam Watson at pwatson@wsu.edu with “Virtual Judge” in the subject line and list the subject areas you would like to be listed under, this can be one e-mail for multiple areas.

Recorded! 4th Session – Large Livestock, Sunday, July 19th, 3-5 PM (beef, sheep, swine, goat, dairy cattle)-

Recording- about 1 hour and 40 minutes. All species stayed together for general discussion and more. The Link:
https://wsu.zoom.us/rec/share/4It5Pena9WNIHImX5xH5dL4GMdXXaaa80CVNrfmkm1uMjNAuL6a04RULo-Nv4sC?startTime=1595196394000

If you would like to be added to the WA State 4-H Virtual Judges list after taking your training sessions please contact Pam Watson at pwatson@wsu.edu with “Virtual Judge” in the subject line and list the subject areas you would like to be listed under, this can be one e-mail for multiple areas.
UPCOMING SESSIONS

5th Session Small Animals, Tuesday, July 21st, 6-8 PM (poultry, rabbit, cavy, cat, pocket pet/world of small animals)- This meeting may have breakout rooms!

You are invited to a Zoom meeting. When: July 21, 2020 (TONIGHT!) 06:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Register at least 2 hours in advance for this meeting! The Link: https://wsu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUvduGspj8oEtK5bwQyMG_5MBE9Kgt83pON
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

6th Plus Extended Sessions – Static Display Items/Still life, Public Presentations, Arts, Environmental, STEM, Textiles, Foods, EDU Posters, Activities, Contests and more. Saturday, July 25th, start time 10 AM and order of presentations listed below:

Session 6A –
11 AM- Noon, Textile Arts – needle arts, single entries, quilting and contests/activities

You are invited to a Zoom meeting, please pre-register at the link below.
When: Jul 25, 2020 10:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Register at least 12 hours in advance for this meeting: https://wsu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcld-uorz8oHdLPc3AULB1J4Ov-0TcPGJe
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. Please join us either at 10 or 11 or stay for two hours for both trainings – the zoom address for these two will be the same.

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Session 6B –
1-2 PM, Garden Science, Natural Resources, STEM, and Shooting Sports
2-3 PM, Educational displays/posters, Public Presentations/Demonstrations/General activities/Contests
3-4 PM, Expressive Arts – Photography/Videography, Fine Art, Arts and Crafts

You are invited to a Zoom meeting, please pre-register at the link below.
When: Jul 25, 2020 01:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Register at least 12 hours in advance for this meeting: https://wsu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUtuf6orj4oGdHX7rRzkNvWg0WRe9UBwM
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. Please join us either at 1 or 2 or 3 or stay for two or three hours of the trainings, the zoom address for these three will be the same. You may also attend the first class, leave for an hour and re-join us for the last class.
Final Session, Session 7, optional – 4-H Virtual Judges Round Table – All speakers and participants may attend.  
Tuesday, Aug. 4th, 6-7:30 PM

You are invited to a Zoom meeting, please pre-register at the link below.  
When: Aug 4, 2020 06:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Register at least 12 hours in advance for this meeting:  
https://wsu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0oceChqj0jG9eIun8RUMzILFCws_fKbNIF  
After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Please share this training event far and wide as we invite experienced and new volunteers to train/re-train as judges as we all navigate our new virtual world of 4-H Shows!

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Virtual 4-H State Hippology Contest Scheduled for August 4th – Registration Packet is Now Available!

The State Hippology contest will be held virtually on Tuesday, August 4th at 2:00 p.m.  The registration packet is now available by clicking here.

A practice contest is available at https://campus.extension.org/course/view.php?id=1855.

You will need to create a free extension account and then pay $5 to access the practice contest. The practice contest is open to ALL! If you do not have Hippology in your county, please log in and give it a try!! We hope you enjoy it!! Coaches and contestants of state teams are encouraged to log in and use the practice contest to prepare.
If you have any questions about the practice contest, the state contest, or getting Hippology started in your county, please contact Kim Baker at kim.baker@wsu.edu.

Information on “Coming Together for Racial Understanding” Extension Study Circles to be Distributed Soon!

Thank you to those who have expressed a desire to be involved in this vital conversation! – signup for different slots will be on a first come basis. Information on signing up for these sessions is coming soon.

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The link to the following document is July2020RacismAndEquity-v4
The Washington State 4-H Fair is Cancelled

At 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, the Washington State Fair announced the cancellation of the 2020 fair.

The Washington State Fair announcement can be viewed here:

https://news.thefair.com/public/viewmessage/html/41324/1ejxdnkrygamauzdc727q04x8tq0/83756447204c2faf424331222bd9831b

This cancellation will result in the cancellation of the face-to-face Washington State 4-H Fair for 2020 as well. The WA State 4-H Fair Board has been meeting and will continue meeting over the next two weeks to determine what fair activities and exhibits can be conducted virtually. Several factors will be considered before making a final decision. The results of our deliberations will then go out to our 4-H family no later than July 25.

Best Regards,
Tom Gwin
State 4-H Fair Manager

Statewide 4-H Equine Meeting Scheduled for July 23!!

Mark your calendars for the first ever Statewide 4-H Equine Zoom, scheduled for Thursday, July 23rd at 6:30 p.m. This will be a facilitated conversation around the following topic areas; I would like to have one representative from each county respond to the following topics/questions:

1. What is your county doing with virtual showcase in your 4-H horse program? Please share successes and challenges.
2. What is your county doing related to virtual education as related to your horse program?
3. Other questions/comments.

The zoom link is provided in the flyer below.

For questions, contact Jennifer Leach, State 4-H Equine Specialist, by email, either jleach@wsu.edu or LeachJ@co.cowlitz.wa.us.
California State 4-H Virtual State Leadership Conference Invites Out-Of-State Youth!

Jenna Colburn, Statewide Community Education Specialist for Civic Engagement and Leadership for California 4-H directs California’s State Leadership Conference. For obvious reasons, the conference is going virtual this year, and they are taking this as an opportunity to expand their audience by inviting youth outside of the California 4-H program. They are hopeful some Washington 4-H youths would be interested in attending. A lot of hard work has gone into creating an educational and fun event.

The schedule of events and information to register can be found here https://ucanr.edu/sites/4hstateleadership/. The deadline is coming soon.
WASHINGTON STATE 4-H ADVISORY 2020 MEETING MINUTES AND SUMMARIES NOW AVAILABLE!

Would you like to know more about what happens at the State 4-H Advisory Board meetings? You will find a summary of the minutes and the full minutes at extension.wsu.edu/4h/state-advisory-board/

Links to the minutes and summaries for the January 2020 and May 2020 meetings have just been added!

4-H VOLUNTEER AWARD NOMINATION DEADLINES ARE APPROACHING!

Make sure to nominate your fabulous volunteers for the many awards available through the State 4-H program. The award categories and deadlines for each award are listed below.

August 1:
Alumni Award
Salute to Excellence Award (Less than 10 years)
Salute to Excellence Award (Lifetime-Over 10 years)
Heather Rider Award
Volunteer’s Staff Award

September 1
Outstanding County Volunteer
Outstanding Teen Leader
Washington State Friend of 4-H

Please note: Due to the lead time required to prepare a virtual event, all deadlines will be strictly enforced; no late entries will be accepted.
Our New State Ambassador Program – Moving Forward With a Clear Vision In 2020!

The Washington 4-H State Ambassadors have a new team of youth leaders from all 4 districts!

They are:

NW District: Samantha Ollis, Danaya Snavely, and Raya Jakobsen.

SW District: Raegan Boyse, Bethany Jacks, Camille Talbot, Mariah Moran, and Sara Baldwin.

SE District: Alana Phillips, Riley Ziegler, Chloe Clyburn, Tori Gutierrez, and Elsie Cziske.

NE District: Peyton Distad, Hayley McDonald, and Peter Minick.

The team also includes state ambassador alumni Hannah Lea and Victoria D’Arienzo as planning team members, as well as Hailey Fagerness and Grant Hollar serving as team support consultants.

Our state ambassadors have chosen to start their work by focusing their action projects in the following areas: Increasing 4-H Awareness, Increasing Teen Involvement in 4-H, and Positive Community Support. Better networking with youth leaders from all over the state is a key priority, as it will allow the team to help them further strengthen the skills and contributions they can provide in their own counties.

We will continue to work together virtually using Zoom video conference calls and our Slack discussion group and will add in-person activities when this becomes possible.
Senior 4-H members interested in becoming an active member of the SA team can email 4-H State Ambassadors at wa4h.sa@wsu.edu (Corrected e-mail Address).

WSU Extension 4-H Steps Up to State Of Washington Lieutenant Governor’s Office’s Mask Making Challenge!

The State of Washington Lieutenant Governor’s Office recently issued a Mask Making Challenge, and information went out about the challenge last week – but not in Tuesday News, unfortunately! WSU Extension Offices have been designated to act as distribution points for the Mask Kits (Which include enough fabric for 10 masks) and for them to advertise and recruit for this challenge.

A link to the information flyer distributed for the Mask Making Challenge is here. A link to the suggested instructions for making masks is here.

Thank you for your support and efforts toward this project!

National 4-H Council Announces Tractor Supply Company Summer Online Campaign

From Sara Hutches, 4-H Council:

As many of you know, this spring, the Tractor Supply Company (TSC) Spring Paper Clover campaign was postponed as we waited to see how the COVID pandemic would unfold. We were hopeful that this would be a short interruption and we’d be able to continue as planned. Unfortunately, months later, many of 4-H programs are restricted from in-person programming and stores are still working to minimize face to face customer interaction. The more we explored options
around rescheduling, the more it became clear that we needed to go in a different
direction, one that doesn’t depend on in-person interaction and that wouldn’t
jeopardize the success of the Fall Paper Clover Campaign by having too many
similar customer asks in a short time frame.

As a result, we are excited to announce that TSC is working with us to host a 100%
online fundraising campaign this summer. From July 15-26, 2020 customers can
donate at online check out This should work for both online (shipped) purchases
and curbside pickup. The funds for this campaign will be distributed to local 4-H
programs via the Fourward Fund.

We’ve done a little bit with TSC in online fundraising before, but nothing near this
extensive. We are excited to use this challenging time period to see how we can
grow digital point-of-sale fundraising so that when we return to a “normal” Paper
Clovers campaign, we can apply those learnings.

This all being said, we are full steam ahead planning for Fall Paper Clover. The dates
are the same as before, 10/7/20-10/18/20. TSC is planning on providing additional
promotion to try to make it a huge kickoff to the 4-H year. We are hopeful that
we will be able to have kids in-store but may need to consider alternatives at that
time.

We will provide social graphics to help in promoting the Summer online donation
campaign digitally, but those won’t be ready until right before the campaign
begins. In addition, because this is different than our regular Paper Clover
campaign and entirely digital, we don’t expect individual clubs and
4-Hers to participate like normal, just have them mark their calendars for the fall.

Thanks again for your flexibility and patience!

Share Your STEM Project Or Activity on the 4-H STEM Showcase
Instagram Page!

An @4HSTEMShowcase Instagram page has been created, and we would love to
profile 4-Her’s STEM projects from around the state on it. If it’s science of any
kind – tech, engineering, or math – we want to see it!

It’s easy to share. Just send a jpeg with the 4-Her’s first name, county name and
project they are sharing to Michelle Green at michelle.green@wsu.edu. If the
county has an Instagram page, we will tag them if it posts. We have 4-Hers doing
awesome things, and we want to see them learning by doing!
National 4-H Council Shares Survey on COVID-19 Effects on Youth Mental Health and Loneliness

A new survey commissioned by National 4-H Council, and conducted by the Harris Poll, finds that 7 in 10 teens are struggling with their mental health in the wake of COVID-19. More than half of those surveyed shared that the pandemic has increased their feelings of loneliness, with 64 percent believing it will have a lasting impact on their mental health. The survey, conducted in May 2020, is among the first to examine the impact this unprecedented public health crisis has had on U.S. teens. The aims of the survey are to help practitioners gain a deeper understanding of the state of teen mental health and to gather teen perspectives on the issue as 4-H aims to empower young people with the resources and support to address their health and well-being head on.

Read the full article at

https://4-h.org/media/new-survey-finds-7-in-10-teens-are-struggling-with-mental-health/

COVID-19 RESOURCES

Handout from WSDA Animal Services Livestock Inspection Program Addresses Brand Inspection Requirements for Cattle in Youth Market Sales

The WSDA Animal Services Livestock Inspection Program has created a handout with regard to brand inspections required for cattle that change ownership as it pertains to 4-H kids/fairs.

The document can be found by clicking here.

WSDA Shares Update on Out-of-State Pigs Coming to Washington Due to COVID-19

The Washington State Department of Agriculture, Animal Services Division has recently released a document regarding the increased importing of pigs to Washington due to COVID-19 related closures and production slowdowns. The
WASHINGTON STATE RESOURCE GUIDE FOR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS:
Caring for Your Family During COVID-19

The Washington State Department of Children, Youth and Families has created a resource for parents during COVID-19. The \textit{WASHINGTON STATE RESOURCE GUIDE FOR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS: Caring for Your Family During COVID-19} was developed to help parents and their families navigate the pandemic and the days to follow. The publication is available at

\url{https://www.dcyf.wa.gov/sites/default/files/pubs/FS_0039.pdf}.

WSDA Shares Recommendations for Reducing COVID-19 Risk in Groups of People Caring for Groups of Animals

The Washington State Department of Agriculture has recently made some recommendations regarding reducing COVID-19 risk in animal care. The documents are available by clicking on the title below:

\textbf{Cleaning and Disinfection Protocol}
\textbf{Caretaker Contact List}
\textbf{Group Livestock Care Instructions}
\textbf{Group Livestock Care Schedule}
\textbf{WSDA Group Care of Livestock}

Keeping Your Distance to Stay Safe

With the number of COVID-19 cases increasing every day, psychologists offer insights on how to separate yourself from others, while still getting the social support you need.

\url{https://www.apa.org/practice/programs/dmhi/research-information/social-distancing}

A Reminder: COVID-19 Resources Available from WSU Extension

The WSU Extension COVID-19 Updates and Resources page is updated as new information becomes available. The Link to the page is

\url{https://extension.wsu.edu/covid-19/}
Additional Equine Resources Added to Horse Project Page

Extension Horses COVID-19 Infographics for Equine Owners and Facilities have been added to the Horse Project page. They are located under the “Other Resources and Websites” link and are intended to provide general information.

Everyday Actions to Help Prevent the Spread of Respiratory Viruses

Here are everyday actions to help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

A WSU hand-washing video can be accessed here.

There’s also this link to the Washington State Department of Health’s ‘WashYourHandsingTon” web page.

WSU has established an informational website that is being frequently updated – it can be found here. It has general information from the Center for Disease Control and the Washington State Department of Health.

Because of differing levels of outbreaks and risk of exposure to covid-19 and the coronavirus in different communities, please refer to your local health department and your local County Extension Office for information applicable to your community.