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To Our 4-H Family,

You have all been made aware of the cancellation of the 2020 WA State 4-H Fair and the Washington State Fair due to COVID-19.

The Washington State 4-H Fair Board has been in serious discussions as to what fair exhibits and activities we will be able to conduct in a virtual format this year. We have already announced our plans for Virtual Still Life Exhibits. The Virtual Exhibit Guide and Entry Form is available by clicking here (Guide) and here (Entry Form). They are also available on the State 4-H Fair website.

For fair activities, we will only be able to offer Public Presentations in a virtual format. This will include public presentations, public speaking, and the national equine presentations. One change for this year is that live animals may be used in virtual public presentations. Details on the virtual public presentations and how to register will be released in the next few weeks.

All other activities (judging contests, groom squad, 4-H in action, performing arts, kitchen activities, and fashion revue) will not be offered in a virtual format. For those judging contests that have been used as national contest qualifiers (equine and livestock), WSU staff will take responsibility for developing a qualifying contest outside of the confines of the State 4-H Fair.

For the animal projects, we will not be able to offer virtual animal shows this year. The WA State 4-H Fair simply does not have the staff or volunteers to put together a positive learning experience for our youth exhibitors. We encourage counties and 4-H clubs to provide opportunities for your members to showcase their animal projects this year.

While we will miss face to face contact with our fair exhibitors in 2020, we hope you will join us for the 2021 WA State 4-H Fair.

Best Regards,

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More 4-H Virtual Showcase Judges Training Links to Session Recordings are Available! Register for the Final Session Today!!

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/_MBEIbfu0250WZXk0x7ZB7IhM9vdaaa81nQb8_VZyRpOQtT_TbKot_0i9oGq1K0?startTime=1595091927000

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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:
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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)

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

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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/4It5Pena9WNIHlImX5xH5dL4GMdXXaaa80CVNr_pfmk1uMjNAuL6a04RULo-Nv4sC?startTime=1595196394000

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Recorded! 5th Session Small Animals, Tues., July 21st, 6-8 PM (poultry, rabbit, cavy, cat, pocket pet/world of small animals)-

Recording - about 1 hour and 55 min., all species stayed together for general discussion and more.
https://wsu.zoom.us/rec/share/w-gtK-3w2TNIU8_B9HD2SKALFbjFT6a803Ib_RYyD5mUbnP-9lsY2Yj4XITrwc?startTime=1595380031000

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Recorded! 6th Plus Extended Sessions-Static Display items/Still life, Public Pres., Arts, Environmental, STEM, Textiles, Foods, EDU Posters, Activities, Contests and more!

Saturday, July 25th, start time 10 AM-noon, and 1 PM -4 PM and order of presentations listed below

Session 6A part 1 – 10-11 AM, Foods – Preservation and single entries/ cooking contests/ activities
Session 6A part 2 11 AM- Noon, Textile Arts – needle arts, single entries, quilting and contests/activities

Recording – about 2 hours, stayed together the entire time
https://wsu.zoom.us/rec/share/5PR6NrLqy01IfKStFjmV68bG5n4T6a8hiFl_vFexU4vJyvX09ovRmEEqznj-iE4F?startTime=1595696899000

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Session 6B Part 1 – 1-2 PM, Garden Science, Natural Resources, STEM, and Shooting Sports

Recording – about 1 hour, stayed together the entire time
https://wsu.zoom.us/rec/share/78hMA6_e2D1lb6_d-GfiWYUKXd_JT6a81iRNq_lbyErcwnWlFatleZMneQAvpdbl?startTime=1595707745000

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Session 6B Part 2 2-3 PM, Educational displays/posters, Public Presentations/Demonstrations/General activities/Contests

Recording – about 1 hour, stayed together the entire time
https://wsu.zoom.us/rec/share/78hMA6_e2D1lb6_d-GfiWYUKXd_JT6a81iRNq_lbyErcwnWlFatleZMneQAvpdbl?startTime=1595711488000

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Session 6B Part 3 3-4 PM, Expressive Arts – Photography/videography, fine art, arts and crafts

Recording – about 1 hour and 15 min., stayed together the entire time https://wsu.zoom.us/rec/share/78hMA6_e2D1jb6_d-GfiWYUKXd_JT6a81iRNq_jbyErcwnWIfatleZMneQAvpdbl?startTime=1595715113000

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UPCOMING – SESSION 7

Final Session, Session 7, optional – 4-H Virtual Judges Round Table – All speakers and participants my 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/tJ0oceChqj0jG9eJun8RUMzILFCws_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!

Pam Watson, M.Ed.
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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.

Reminder – 4-H Volunteer Award Nomination Deadlines are Approaching!

PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO THE LEAD TIME REQUIRED TO PREPARE A VIRTUAL EVENT, THE DEADLINE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED – NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.
You’re Invited! The Next Fireside Chat Hosted by Southeast Washington 4-H Advisory Board Members is Coming Up!

Join us for a series of Fireside Chats this summer! Parents, leaders, and Extension personnel are welcome to join the Southeast Washington 4-H Advisory Board members as we host a session each month. Please pre-register to receive the Zoom link information at https://rebrand.ly/firesidechat2020.
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

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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!

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!

WASHINGTON MASK 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!

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 document, titled “What you should know about out-of-state pigs in Washington State” is available by clicking here.
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 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


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:

Cleaning and Disinfection Protocol
Caretaker Contact List
Group Livestock Care Instructions
Group Livestock Care Schedule
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.

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

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.