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Reminder: WSU Extension Offices Closed for 4th of July Holiday
In observation of Independence Day many Extension offices will be closed. Have a safe and happy holiday!

Recording of 4-H Poultry Virtual Fit and Show Clinic Now Available
The recording of the 4-H Poultry Virtual Fit and Show clinic is now available! The clinic is for any youth or volunteer looking for basic information on fair preparation for poultry including Fitting & Showing, pest control, and bathing. The recording is approximately 1.5 hours. We’d appreciate it if you’d take the survey at the end.

You can access the recording at https://bit.ly/45K0p01 or scan the QR code on the graphic below. The workshop took place on June 9th and was hosted by the WSU Small and Companion Animal Committee and Explore 4-H with WSU Extension.
**Harry Burcalow 4-H Endowment for Innovation Grants Awardees**

The WSU Extension 4-H Youth Development Program is honored to share the Harry Burcalow 4-H Endowment for Innovative Grants with Washington State 4-H youth. This grant supports efforts focused on developing youth competencies and meeting essential needs of youth. The experience provides 4-H members the ability to develop life-long group interaction skills, leadership skills, and decision-making skills. Plus, all efforts are based on adults and youth working together.

The June 2024 awardees are the [Benton-Franklin 4-H Horse Department](#), the [Spokane County 4-H Hippology Team](#), and the [4-H Teen Advisory Committee](#). Learn more about the Harry Burcalow 4-H Endowment for Innovative Grants at [https://bit.ly/harryburcalowgrant](https://bit.ly/harryburcalowgrant).

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**Save the Date – Level 2 Shooting Sports Training in October**

It’s that time again – National 4-H has set a date for the Level 2 training for shooting sports. The next one will be October 27 – November 1 in Columbia, NC. Registration information will be available soon!

As a reminder, Level 2 instructors are volunteers who train new Level 1 4-H shooting sports instructors. They must be certified and fully enrolled in 4-H when they attend training, and they need to have been a level 1 shooting sports volunteer for at least one year prior to the training.

If you have volunteers you think may be qualified, send their first and last name and we will reach out to them with the application when it becomes available. Volunteers must pay their own way to and from the conference. If you have any questions, contact Ashley [a.hernandez-hall@wsu.edu](mailto:a.hernandez-hall@wsu.edu).
State 4-H Horse Medallion Donations Needed

Donations are needed to provide the Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals for all the Equine classes plus the Groom Squad and Equine Presentations Contests (Judging Medals are already sponsored). The total cost last year was $2,700. Please consider a donation so that our outstanding members may receive this special recognition!

All donors will be listed on posters in the barns and announced during the events. Contributions are welcome from County Programs, Clubs, individuals and businesses. Please make checks payable to Snohomish County 4-H Horse Program (who have been acting as the banker since the 1980’s) and note “State Medals” on the memo line. Mail to Pat Pehling
7310 83rd AVE SE
Snohomish WA 98290

Any questions can be directed to Pat Pehling at pehling@frontier.com.

State Dog Committee Optional Assessment for the 2023–2024 Program Year

The State 4-H Dog Leaders’ Committee has implemented a sustainable way of funding the needs of the State Dog Project regarding awards, equipment, and other requirements to provide an outstanding experience for each of our 4-H members who attend state-level events.

The State 4-H Dog Leaders’ Committee asks each county dog program to contribute an assessment, a $3.00 fee for the exhibitor allotment for your county dog show days at State Fair from the previous year. This is a suggested donation amount, and since this allotment is based on the county entries at State Fair from the previous year, it provides a sustainable and equitable way for each county to support the State Dog Project. (For example, if your county had a State Fair allotment of ten your county suggested contribution would be $30.00 for the current year.)

You may find out your allotment for the current year from your county Extension office 4-H
staff or you may send an email to the contacts listed below. Please note that this assessment is not mandatory and does not in any way affect your county dog program’s participation in 4-H state events – but provides an opportunity to support the State 4-H Dog Project. We would like to receive your donation by August 1st. Please make your checks payable to the WA ST 4-H Dog Project and mail to:
Sarah Gunderson
P.O. Box 850
Carnation, WA 98014–0850

If you have questions regarding specifics details on how the funds are used or allocated, please contact
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On behalf of the State 4-H Dog committee, thank you for your support.