

KING COUNTY 4-H NEWS

4-H Positive Youth Development

State fair info

The State 4-H Fair Board has updated the 2023 Fair Exhibitor guide. Several sections, including the judging contest and equine portions, have undergone major changes. There is also a new Class 10 – 4-H Youth Showcase which gives our youth an opportunity to display their 4-H experiences on Labor Day Weekend!

Links to the complete guide, as well as each separate section, can be found at

<https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/fairs/state-4-h-fair/exhibitor-guide/>

Please read the guide carefully and let us know if there are additional refinements which may be helpful at st4hfair@gmail.com.

State fair volunteer opportunity

The Washington State 4-H Fair board encourages individuals with an interest in serving youth development to offer their time and talents in support of the State 4-H Fair as volunteers.

Please send an email to 4-H Fair Board President Kirk Gresham at st4hfair@gmail.com with any questions, for more information, or to volunteer.
Thank You!

King County Fair thank you

A huge round of applause for all that participated in our King County Fair - our amazing youth showed their animals and still life projects, participated in kitchen and sewing activities demonstrated at the Fair as well as in Youth in Action projects. The culmination of the year's projects by our 4-H'ers is always a highlight! Without the support and time of parents and 4-H volunteers, this event would not happen and we thank you!

Another round of thanks to those that supported the Cookshack this year with their time - it is much appreciated!

Volunteers that provided time at the Fair or before/after, please contact Michelle at michelle.green@wsu.edu if you would like us to input your hours into Give Pulse volunteer hours reporting system.

Fall Kickoff/Leaders Meeting - save the date Oct 3rd - info coming soon!

KC 4-H Association Zoom

Join us for the next 4-H meeting **Thursday, Sept 10th** at 7 pm. ZOOM LOG IN - Go to zoom.us, join meeting, log in with 4257380105
passcode: 4h2020

[https://wsu.zoom.us/j/4257380105?](https://wsu.zoom.us/j/4257380105?pwd=dXFlaXhSQXM2Ni8reU9JcTh3ZmRSQT09)

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WA State Jr. Poultry Expo - State Fair

There is not a 4-H competition at the WA 4-H State Fair. You can enter the WA Jr Poultry Exposition at the Fair. Youth do not need to prequalify to enter. You can find more information at <https://www.thefair.com/get-involved/competitive-exhibits/>. Thank you, Nancy

Washington Junior Poultry Exposition
at the Washington State Fair
Final planning for the Fall Fair are under way!

We hope to have the premium book posted shortly. Here are a few important dates so you may begin planning:

Sept 1 - Entry forms due
Sept 19 (6-8pm) & Sept 20 (6-8am) -
Coop In
Sept 22 - Egg Display contest
Sept 23 - Showmanship & Judging
Sept 24 - Nomenclature, Banquet,
Chicken Dress Up Contest, Coop Out
We cannot wait to see you at
Washington State Fair!

King Co Rabbit & Cavy State Fair meeting - Aug 30th

WHEN: 8/30/23

TIME: 6PM -7:30PM

WHERE: 4H OFFICE (560 NACHES
AVENUE SW, SUITE 130, RENTON)

DETAILS:

**Join us for a refresher on judging & oral reasons before state fair. One class of judging for rabbits and one class for cavies. We will jointly work though an oral reason worksheet to help you get back into the habit!

** Pick-up your tickets for your first day of fair/ coop in

**review any changes or info for state fair

IMPORTANT NOTE: you should begin preventative treatment for mites in both rabbits and cavies for state fair by 8/23. 8/23/23 is 3 weeks prior to coop-in. This will allow you to treat two times before fair and ensure your animals make it through vet check!

Please RSVP by 8/25 to sueswansonadams@comcast.net so we can make sure we have supplies and snacks for everyone.

State Fair letters and tickets - projects

For youth that are participating at State Fair, letters will be sent by email soon about pertinent information you need to know before going to Fair.

Tickets for participating youth and volunteers will be distributed to your club leader. If you are a club leader, please let Nancy know how you would like to receive your tickets to distribute to families with kids showing at the Fair. Note: Horse project members will get their tickets from Sheila at Vet Check.

If you have any questions, contact Nancy at nbaskett@wsu.edu

Notes for Club Leaders:

Club updates

To prepare for the next 4-H year the King Co 4-H Office needs to add projects to your club list and make changes to the club information to the King County 4-h website. Club leaders need to have all projects their club is doing on their 4-H Online profile, as well.

The main club leader needs to send the following information to Nbaskett@wsu.edu

- Club name:
- Leader's name
- Club projects
- Best way for the public to contact the club:
- Club location:
- If known, meeting day and time.

Sterling Volunteers - background updates

Sterling Volunteers handles our background checks for new and continuing volunteers. This is done once every three years - if you are due to receive an updated check, the email will come directly from them when you registered. If you have any email or address changes, please let us know.

Give Pulse - do you need help getting started?

Have you claimed your GivePulse account? Do you need to be added to the system? If you need assistance getting started with GivePulse our volunteer hours reporting system, please contact Michelle at michelle.green@wsu.edu

This is a critical piece in volunteering that we need to do to stay compliant with WSU policies for volunteers.

4-H Online Enrollment date

4-H Enrollment starts on October 1st. If a person tries to re-enroll before Oct 1st they will receive a message they do not meet the age requirement. (This is from 4-H Online not WA State)

New leaders for clubs

New leaders of clubs - please contact Nancy Baskett at nbaskett@wsu.edu or 253-224-2884 if you are taking over the leadership of a club to verify all requirements have been met. Please let me know if you are interested in an in-person training on a Saturday or on Zoom in the evenings.

New Volunteer Enrollment Process Changes

This year, all new volunteers must complete their application, trainings and background check before they can go to 4-H online to enroll. Please have all new volunteers email Nancy Baskett at nbaskett@wsu.edu to start the process.



Announcing a great new opportunity to Promote 4-H...

Washington State 4-H Youth Showcase

Presented in the Dog/Cat Barns Labor Day Weekend – Friday thru Monday



Come and help us spread the word about 4-H to State Fair goes Labor Day weekend. Both adults and youth are encouraged to come and share their experiences. This is the Fair's opening weekend and we want to share clovers with everyone!

Drawing everyone into the two buildings will be an opportunity to take part in a fun, hands-on recycling challenge.

The Dog/Cat Benching Barn will have general 4-H Information booths for counties to share program information, volunteer opportunities, and project membership promotion.

Teen Programming opportunities will be presented with members sharing their learning opportunities at Teen Conference, participating in the WSU 4-H Know Your Government Program, and being a youth representative as a State Ambassador or Fair Board member!

The Dog/Cat Showring Building will host even more action where members can sign up to do a Public Presentation and earn premium while educating the public about agriculture, home arts and healthy living, leadership, civic engagement, science and technology.

Make your project come to life in the 4-H In Action arena! Come as an individual or bring your whole club to demonstrate what you have learned from taking part in 4-H!

Class 10 – 4-H Youth Showcase has been created for you to participate in this exciting event!

AND additional premium may be awarded to entries for 4-H Club/Group Displays (Class 48), Public Presentation or Speech (Class 1-3), 4-H In Action (Class 8), Educational Displays promoting 4-H (Class 70), WA Agricultural Product Ed Displays (Class 75), 4-H Videography (Class 156), and 4-H Promotional Photos (Class 157) used for display during this Showcase event.

Get a pass for you & your chaperone from your County 4-H Office - Arrive early to set up your display!

Can't attend the Washington State Fair this year?

No problem!! We are encouraging youth from across the State to send in videos of their 4-H experiences for us to share during the entire weekend.

Display Ideas Welcome!

Adults interested in sharing your 4-H volunteer experiences and promoting our programs are encouraged email us to select a time slot, too.

For more info or questions, please email st4hfair@gmail.com

Help to showcase how Washington State University 4-H Youth Development is developing young people to become productive citizens who are engaged in positive change, meeting the needs of a diverse and changing society.



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Washington State 4-H Policy and Procedure Guidebook

The EM0758 4H Policies and Procedures been updated on 10.03.2022. It is recommended that leaders review the Washington State 4-H Policy and Procedure Guidebook each year. The updated Guidebook can be found at: <https://bit.ly/3QyS6N6>

The following age groups (as reflected on October 1st of the current 4-H year) are identified for special programs and activity participation, including all competitive events/activities, within the WSU 4-H Youth Development Program:

Cloverbuds: 5 to 7 years of age

Youth Members: 8 to 18 years of age, split into three distinct groups:

Junior: 8 to 10 years of age

Intermediate: 11 to 13 years of age

Senior: 14 to 18 years of age

- Cross-age division competitive events are not allowed. In those situations where teams cannot be filled with same age-level members, younger members may move up an age group to compete with an older age group, but older group ages may not move down an age group to compete against a younger age group.

Reasonable Accommodation Requests

Reasonable accommodations are available for participants, members, volunteers, and those attending 4-H sponsored events with a documented disability. If an individual has a disability and needs reasonable accommodations to fully participate in a 4-H program, the individual should contact the WSU King Co Extension office. All accommodations MUST be reported to the State 4-H office.

To request a reasonable accommodation for a 4-H participant, please follow these instructions.

1. Completely fill out the form on page 2 of this document titled "Washington State University 4-H Youth Development Program Reasonable Accommodation Request Form."
2. Return your completed document to the King Co 4-H Office or email to Nbaskett@wsu.edu
3. Please read and understand the additional information following the form that outlines definitions and other information regarding the Reasonable Accommodation process. Washington State University 4-H Youth Development Program Reasonable Accommodation Request Form is available: <http://bit.ly/3CAfioj>

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GivePulse - Volunteer hours reporting

Have you heard about Give Pulse? It is the new reporting system for submitting your 4-H hours. One of the benefits to using this site is to record your impacts from things like club meetings, projects, community service and of course, the Fair! These impacts are not just a time contribution to the youth you work with, they also contribute a financial impact with your efforts to Washington State 4-H. When you log in your hours, you are also protected by Washington State L & I if you are injured while working as a 4-H volunteer.

Your first step is to log in and claim your account. If you share an email with another 4-H volunteer, you will need to have your own account for each person attached to a unique email address. You should have all received an invitation today from your email of record to log in and claim your account.

At this link, you can view our training videos on Give Pulse, including the main training video for Volunteers, as well as individual ones on: Claim your account, log into your account, Create an Impact and Register for an Event: <https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/for-volunteers/volunteer-hours-report/>

You can download and use the App for your device or log in through your computer browser once you have claimed your account at this link:
<https://wsu.givepulse.com/group/453121>

If you haven't logged into our old volunteer reporting system for a while, here is your chance to catch up on adding your hours. You can add them all the way back to January 1, 2022 for this 4-H year. Questions? Contact us at kingcounty.4h@wsu.edu.

Thank you for all you do to support our 4-H members in King County - we couldn't do it without your time and effort.



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