

**WSU Extension Grays Harbor County 4-H Youth Development  
News for May 2023**

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**IMPORTANT DATES** More events and info on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/graysharbor4h/>

- **Apr 24:** 4-H Fair Committee Meeting 6 pm via Zoom or at the WSU Extension office, Elma
- **Apr 26:** 4-H Camp Committee Meeting, 6 pm via Zoom
- **Apr 26 – May 7:** Paper Clover Campaign at Tractor Supply Company
- **Apr 30:** 4-H Public Presentation Registration Due at <https://tinyurl.com/4-HPresentations>
- **May 1:** GH 4-H Horse Council Meeting, 6:30 pm via Zoom or the WSU Extension office
- **May 3:** Grays Harbor Youth Livestock Auction Mandatory Quality Assurance Meeting, EHS Library
- **May 4:** GH 4-H Horse Council Gaming Show Early Registrations Due
- **May 8:** GH 4-H Council Scholarship Applications Due
- **May 15:** 4-H Summer Camp registration starts online <https://v2.4honline.com>
- **May 15:** Registration Due for State Teen Conference <https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/stc/>
- **May 18:** GH 4-H Council e-board Meeting, 6 pm via Zoom or at the WSU Extension office, Elma
- **May 22:** 4-H Fair Committee Meeting 6 pm via Zoom or at the WSU Extension office, Elma
- **May 24:** 4-H Camp Committee Meeting, 6 pm via Zoom
- **May 24:** GHC Fair Board hosts Fair Volunteer Meeting, 6 pm GHC Fairgrounds Pavilion
- **May 29:** WSU Extension Office Closed in observance of Memorial Day



**4-H COUNCIL MEETINGS – Join Us Digitally or In Person**

We would love to have you join us for the next 4-H Horse Council meeting at 6:30 pm on Monday, May 1 and June 5. Join us at the next 4-H Council meeting at 6 pm on Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. We hope that you will add attendance at 4-H Council meetings to your plans.

The meetings are the best way to share your ideas, get up to the minute information and help shape the direction of YOUR 4-H program. The meetings will be held in person with the option to join remotely, and you can join us via Zoom or with a phone call if you have a Zoom account by clicking the relevant link at <https://www.facebook.com/graysharbor4h/>. Connect with Tracie to test the system in advance.



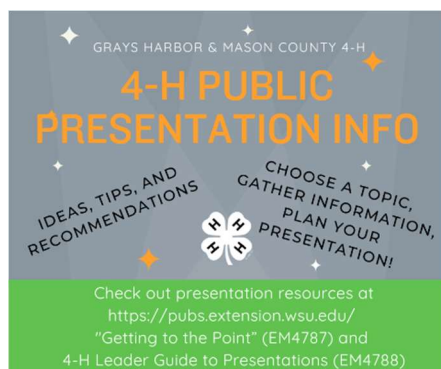
**GRAYS HARBOR 4-H SCHOLARSHIP – Due May 8**

The Grays Harbor County 4-H Council is pleased to offer educational scholarships to graduating high school seniors currently enrolled in the Grays Harbor County 4-H Program. The application is available at <https://tinyurl.com/GH4-HScholarship> and is due on May 8.



**PUBLIC PRESENTATION EVENTS** – Saturday, May 6 & Saturday, May 20  
**Register for the Spring 4-H Public Presentation events by April 30** at  
<https://tinyurl.com/4-HPresentations>

4-H members have the option of scheduling a virtual presentation or an in-person presentation. The in-person Spring Public Presentation events will take place at the Tractor Supply Company in Shelton and at the WSU Extension Office in Elma.



### GETTING READY TO PRESENT - PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Learning how to communicate your thoughts and ideas to others is an important life skill and helpful as you prepare your 4-H Public Presentation. “Getting to the Point” is a publication full of ideas, recommendations and tips for shaping your effective, organized, and successful presentation. Leaders may also want to review the 4-H Leader Guide, which defines the 4-H leader’s role in presentations and has suggestions for how leaders can provide guidance for youth – from the beginner to seasoned presenters. So...choose a subject, gather information, work out a plan, practice, and get ready to deliver a

memorable presentation! “Getting to the Point” (WSU Publication EM4787) and 4-H Leader Guide (WSU Publication EM4788) are available at <https://pubs.extension.wsu.edu/>



### RABBIT VACCINATION CLINIC – May 12

Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease Virus (RHDV) vaccination required to exhibit non-market rabbit projects at the 2023 Grays Harbor County Fair.

Reservations Required! Save the date and make a reservation by contacting Mary, the GHC Fair Rabbit Superintendent, at [tinkerbelle\\_1977@comcast.net](mailto:tinkerbelle_1977@comcast.net) or (360) 359-0554

### WELCOMING NEW 4-H VOLUNTEERS

With the new 4-H year comes many opportunities to get plugged in and become a certified adult volunteer with the Grays Harbor County 4-H Youth Development Program!

If your 4-H club is welcoming new adult volunteers to the team, or you know someone who is interested, feel free to reach out to Tracie at [tracie.hanson@wsu.edu](mailto:tracie.hanson@wsu.edu) to schedule a time to connect. Resources and more information are also available at <https://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/4-h/become-a-4-h-volunteer/>



**WA STATE 4-H EQUINE SCIENCE & HORSEMANSHIP SERIES—Apr. 27 & May 25**  
All are invited to attend to learn more about horses! Sessions will incorporate hands-on opportunities and fun learning games!

Use this link to sign up and receive the zoom link:

<https://bit.ly/WA4-HEquineScience>

Registered participants will be emailed a suggested supply list prior to each session for the hands-on component.

Hosted virtually on the 4th Thursday of the month, December 2022 – December 2023 (\*5th Thursday in November 2023, due to Thanksgiving) from 6:30 – 7:30 pm.



### GH 4-H Horse Council Hosts Upcoming Horse Show Opportunities

The Grays Harbor 4-H Horse Council invites enrolled 4-H members and community members (8 years old and above) to participate in the following equine opportunities at the Grays Harbor County Fairgrounds in Elma.

➤ Saturday, April 29 - Gaming Show (6 classes)

<https://forms.office.com/r/YhYECzFARb>

➤ Saturday, May 13 - Gaming Show (6 classes)

Registration is open until May 4 at

<https://forms.office.com/r/ELnXUazXUm>

Registration forms are available to print at

<https://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/2023/02/horse-shows-hosted-by-gh-4-h-horse-council/> and are also available at the WSU Extension office in Elma.

### 4-H STATE LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST – Registration Due June 9



Make plans to attend the 2023 Washington 4-H State Livestock Judging Contest, scheduled for Saturday, June 24, 2023 from 8am to 5pm at the Ardell Pavilion on the Grant County Fairgrounds in Moses Lake, Washington.

More details available at <https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/news/> including contest rules and guidelines, as well as registration forms

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## SAVE THE DATE! Summer camp registration starts online on May 15!

Camp registration is online through your 4-H profile at

<https://v2.4honline.com>

Dates: July 8-13, 2023

Location: Panhandle Lake 4-H Camp

Cost: \$225 per camper (Junior & Intermediate age groups)

For more information check out our camping website:

<https://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/4-h/camping/> and

<https://extension.wsu.edu/mason/4-h-youth-families/4-h-camping/>

## WASHINGTON STATE 4-H TEEN CONFERENCE 2023 is open for registration! – Due May 15



Registration for 4-H members will take place in 4-H

Online <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in> in events.

Registration cost is \$295.

There are some amazing workshops lined up and we expect many of them to fill up. So, you'll want to register as soon as possible so that you get your first choice in workshops. On April 24, we will open registration up to those not enrolled in 4-H and to other WSU youth programs. At that time, a paper/fillable registration form will be made available. Please see the WA State 4-H website for details, including workshop descriptions, for this conference.

The Teen Conference page is <https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/stc/>

*4-H teaches life skills that lead young people to become self-directing, positive, contributing members of our society. Extension programs are available to all without discrimination. Evidence of noncompliance may be reported through your local Extension office. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication or program information or reasonable accommodation need to contact Tracie Hanson at PO Box 3018, Elma, WA 98541, (360)482-2934, [tracie.hanson@wsu.edu](mailto:tracie.hanson@wsu.edu) at least two weeks prior to the event. Our county is partnering with neighboring counties—the Constellation group of Mason, Pacific, Lewis, Thurston, etc., to send out e-newsletters. Some articles are from other counties, and include helpful information or invitations to participate in local, regional, or statewide events. Please read carefully. "These notices are provided for informational purposes only, and do not imply any endorsement of a particular brand or product."*

*Disclaimer: By posting the above "free to a good home" information, WSU Grays Harbor County Extension 4-H does not endorse or give approval for any of these free animals to be used as 4-H project animals. Contact the animal owners at your own risk.*

*Cooperating agencies: Washington State University, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and Grays Harbor County Extension.*

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