## WSU Extension Grays Harbor County 4-H Youth Development News for December 2023

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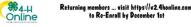
IMPORTANT DATES More events and info on Facebook at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/graysharbor4h/">https://www.facebook.com/graysharbor4h/</a>

- Dec 1: 4-H Club Renewal & Annual Financial Documents Due
- Dec 1: 4-H Re-Enrollment Due for Returning 4-H members and volunteers
- Dec 4: GH 4-H Horse Council Meeting, 6:30 pm via Zoom or the WSU Extension office
- Dec 15: RSVPs DUE for Summer Camp Counselor Training & Info Meeting, <a href="heather.doran@wsu.edu">heather.doran@wsu.edu</a>
- Dec 21: GH 4-H Council Meeting, 6:30 pm via Zoom or at the WSU Extension office, Elma
- Dec 22-26: WSU Extension office CLOSED
- Dec 29: 4-H Summer Camp Counselor Training & Info Meeting for teens & adults, 6pm, Shelton YMCA
- **Dec 31**: News Blast will only be sent to 4-H members and families who have submitted updated profiles in 4-H Online
- Jan 1: WSU Extension office CLOSED
- Jan 8: (Tentative Date) GH 4-H Horse Council Meeting, 6:30 pm via Zoom or the WSU Extension office
- Jan 18: GH 4-H Council Mtng, 6:30 pm, WSU Extension office or <a href="https://wsu.zoom.us/j/292376086">https://wsu.zoom.us/j/292376086</a>
- Jan 24: RSVPs Due for Public Presentation Workshop <a href="https://forms.office.com/r/FUwyVVL0h2">https://forms.office.com/r/FUwyVVL0h2</a>
- Jan 28: 4-H Public Presentation Workshop, 1 pm, WSU Extension office, Elma

### WELCOME TO THE NEW 4-H YEAR! Re-enroll by December 1

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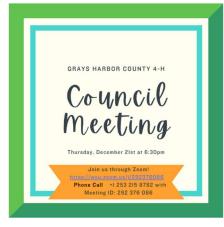


We are excited for you to join this year - Enrollment for the 2023-2024 year is open for all. Please log in to your 4-H Online account to submit your yearly enrollment: https://v2.4honline.com/

Returning Members ... Ewe have a deadline approaching! The re-enrollment deadline is December 1 for all programs including fair & summer camp.

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



We would love to have you join us for the next at the next Horse Council meeting at 6:30 pm on Monday, December 4, and the next 4-H Council meeting at 6:30 pm on Thursday, December 21. We hope that you will add attendance at 4-H Council meetings to your plans.

These 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 link at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/graysharbor4h/">https://www.facebook.com/graysharbor4h/</a> Connect with Tracie to test the system in advance.

#### 4-H CAMP COUNSELOR TRAINING & INFO MEETING



We are currently looking for adult volunteers and youth camp counselors to join us at camp. We will be holding a kickoff informational meeting and playing some fun games on **December 29, at the Shelton YMCA from 6-9pm**.

Please RSVP by 12/15 to <a href="heather.doran@wsu.edu">heather.doran@wsu.edu</a> if you plan on attending, or if you cannot attend but want to be a counselor this year. Adults who are interested in volunteering, and youth in 9-12th grade are invited to join us to learn about becoming a camp staff member. New counselors should plan on having an adult present for the first hour to learn about counselor requirements. Adult volunteer roles include: chaperones, activity leaders, kitchen help,

office help, evening program help - and more!

### 4-H PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS WORKSHOP - January 28



Join us to learn about the 4-H Public Presentation contest! This session will be held at the WSU Extension office in Elma on Sunday, January 28 from 1 - 3 pm.

All ages are welcome. Limited space available.

RSVPs will close on Wednesday, January 24 unless spaces are filled sooner. Once workshop capacity has been reached, families will be placed on a waiting list for a future 4-H Public Presentation Workshop.

For more information on the 4-H Public Presentations activity, visit <a href="https://pubs.extension.wsu.edu/">https://pubs.extension.wsu.edu/</a> and search for "Getting to the Point" (WSU Publication EM4787) and 4-H Leader Guide (WSU Publication EM4788). For more information on the 4-H Public Speaking Activity, check out the 4-H Member Manual (WSU Publication EM4903e).

#### **4-H MARKET LIVESTOCK PROJECT UPDATES**

If you are interested in enrolling in a 4-H market livestock project and participating in the livestock auction (for members in the Junior, Intermediate, and Senior age groups), there are some new expectations and details to be aware of. These resources are available at <a href="https://extension.wsu.edu/qraysharbor/4-h/links/">https://extension.wsu.edu/qraysharbor/4-h/links/</a>.



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, <a href="mailto:tracie.hanson@wsu.edu">tracie.hanson@wsu.edu</a> 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."

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