

Kittitas County 4-H FOCUS

Calendar

March 9	Horsemanship & Safety Training Day-Open to all Kittitas County 4-H Members-8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Manastash Room at the Fairgrounds
March 10	Beef Work Day, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Bloom Pavilion
March 19	Livestock Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Armory Room B
March 23	Beef Weigh-In, Pre-Show and Judging Contest, 7 a.m., Bloom Pavilion
March 26	Teen Committee Meeting, 5:45 p.m., Armory Room B
March 26	4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Naneum Room
April 1	1st Horse Judging Contest, 6:00 p.m., Bloom Pavilion
April 13	4-H Bread Baking Contest, 8:00 a.m., EHS Home Economics Room
April 13	Bits & Buckles Schooling Show, 8:00 a.m., Bloom Pavilion
April 14	Swine Clinic and Judging Contest, 1:00 p.m., Teanaway Hall at the Fairgrounds
April 27	4-H Horse Leader's Show, Bloom Pavilion
April 30	Teen Committee Meeting, 5:45 p.m., Armory Room B
April 30	4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Naneum Room
April 30	4-H Horse Certificates due in Extension Office
April 30	YQCA deadline

Club Business

True Leaders In Service

This April, as part of True Leaders in Service and National Volunteer Appreciation Month, 4-H'ers across the nation will pledge their hands to larger service – leading positive change that empowers their peers and their communities. True Leaders in Service will officially kick-off the first day of April and culminate with the National 4-H Day of Service on Saturday, April 27, 2019.

Sign up your club or event today to take part in True Leaders in Service. <https://4-h.org/get-involved/true-leaders-in-service/#!overview>.

There is an excellent toolkit provided by National 4-H Council and the University of Illinois Extension that you can use. Check it out here: <https://4-h.org/get-involved/true-leaders-in-service/#!toolkit>.

4-H Demonstration Tips

- Choose a topic you know well so you're able to understand & answer questions
- Be sure to use visuals (poster)
 - Posters Tips
 - * All Titles should be **at least 2" tall and 5/16" thick, supporting text should be no smaller than 1/2" tall and 3/32" thick**
 - * Black on yellow works best
 - * Check to see if it can be seen from a distance
 - * Use a straight edge if writing freehand
- Use a loud and clear voice
- Be prepared for questions
- Note cards are clues - don't write it all out and read it
- Time your presentation. Juniors try for 3-8 min., intermediates 5-15 min., seniors 8-20 min.
- Don't forget!!!
 - * A zinger (opening statement to catch attention)
 - * A closing
 - * Repeat questions

Refer to "Getting to the Point: How to do a 4-H Public Presentation" (EM4787E) and "Public Presentations, Demonstrations, and Illustrated Talks" (EM4788) at the Extension Office or online at <https://pubs.wsu.edu>.

**Happy
St. Patrick's
Day!**

WSU Kittitas County 4-H Youth Development Vision Statement:

The WSU Kittitas County 4-H program is a community recognized and supported quality youth development program that helps youth of the county acquire practical hands-on experiences and life skills enabling them to become self-directing, productive, and contributing members of a diverse and chang-

Record Book Tips – March

- Update Calendar and Project Diary (Level 1) or Project Journal (Level 2) with March dates.
- Permanent Record - Record “Leadership” in Project and Exhibit Summary, page 2/3. Judging (page 5) may be listed if attending the beef judging at the Beef Clinic. If you had leadership roles at this event record them on the Leadership page 12/13.
- List any project meetings as well as club meetings in the project journal section of your record book.

4-H Forms and Policies Online

4-H forms and policies are available on our website: www.kittitas.wsu.edu.

Record Book: Level 1 & Level 2, Project & Permanent Record; Additional Project Record Level 1 & 2, Cloverbud Record Book

- Record Book Completion Checklist
- Medal of Honor Application & Judging Sheet
- Friend of 4-H Nomination Form
- Outstanding 4-H Leader Nomination Form
- Animal Commitment to Excellence
- Cavy Advancement Checklist
- Dog Project Record
- Horse Certificate
- Horse Lease Forms
- Horse Quality Assurance, 1st & 2nd year member
- Horse Member Advancement Checklist
- Leadership Project Record
- Animal Health Records
- Practice Animal Parts – Beef, Swine, Lamb, Goat
- Practice Cost Sheets – Beef, Swine, Sheep, Goat
- Ride the Wind Log
- Shared Animal Project Agreement
- Washington State 4-H Policy
- Kittitas County 4-H Scholarship Application/Criteria
- Kittitas County 4-H Policy
- Kittitas County 4-H Complaint Policy
- Kittitas County 4-H Council Constitution & By-Laws
- 4-H Dog Policy – Kittitas County
- 4-H/FFA Livestock Policy - Kittitas County
- 4-H Small Animal Policy – Kittitas County
- 4-H Horse Policy – Kittitas County
- 4-H Shooting Sports Policy – Kittitas County
- 4-H Horse Medal Patterns
- 4-H Photography Exhibit Card
- Bread Baking Record
- Food Preservation Record

More information and resources are also available on the State 4-H website at: <https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/>.

Opportunities

Washington 4-H International Exchange

Washington 4-H International Exchange is looking for host families. There are 20 Japanese delegates ranging in age from 12-17 arriving on July 26 and leaving August 21. No special activities are required or expected. These are great kids from families much like yours. They're excited to make friends, learn about Washington, practice their English, and be a part of your family for a few weeks this summer. Each family should have a designated host sibling who would be the same gender and within 3-4 years of the international delegate.

Call Dianna Ullery at 360-867-2153 or email diana.ullery@wsu.edu if you have questions. To apply, visit www.states4hexchange.org.

Teen Opportunities

Kittitas County 4-H Scholarships

Kittitas County 4-H Council is sponsoring four scholarships in the amount of \$1000 each:

4-H Endowment Trust Fund Scholarship-Awarded to a graduating senior actively involved in leadership.

Jeanette K. Burghart 4-H Memorial Scholarship-Awarded to a graduating senior who has been actively engaged in 4-H Know Your Government (May have been current year, and/or earlier years.)

Barbara Schnebly Shaw Scholarship-Awarded to a graduating senior or a college student, that has not received a Kittitas County 4-H Scholarship, who excelled in demonstrations and/or club leadership.

Barbara Schnebly Shaw Scholarship-Awarded to a college student who has previously received a Kittitas County 4-H Scholarship and who excelled in demonstrations and/or club leadership.

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Have a cumulative high school/college GPA of 2.0 or better or equivalent
- Be a member, or past member, of Kittitas County 4-H.
- Submit letter of application with application form
- Submit a 2-page (maximum) essay on your 4-H experiences and how they have affected you, include adequate details of what 4-H has done to prepare you for the future.
- Submit two letters of recommendation-from someone other than family members.
- Submit a resume that includes your 4-H involvement.
- Submit current transcripts.
- Submit previous year, or last one available, 4-H record book including up-to-date permanent record.
- Submit most recent KYG 4-H record book including up-to-date permanent record.

Applications are due to the Extension Office by April 15, 2019. Applications and criteria are available at the Extension Office, or at <http://www.kittitas.wsu.edu>.

Swauk Teanaway Grange Scholarship

The Swauk Teanaway Grange will award \$1000 in scholarship money to high school senior(s). Applications are due March 15, and are available at the Extension Office or at <http://www.swaukteanawaygrange.com>. for more information., contact Sally Gililand at (206) 854-2936 or e-mail sallygililand@gmail.com.

Friends of the Fair Scholarships

Friends of the Fair are offering three \$1,500 scholarships to 2019 Kittitas County High School Graduates. Applications available at the Fair Office, the Extension Office or at <http://www.kittitascountyfair.com/friends/2019-FOF-Scholarship-Application.pdf>. Applications are due April 15. If you have questions call Heather at 929-4087.

Elementary Agriculture Appreciation Day

Senior 4-H members are welcome to assist with this year's Elementary Agriculture Appreciation Day April 9 at the Fairgrounds. Please contact Mark Crowley: mark-crowley@conserveva.net; 509-925-3352 ext. 5 for more information or to sign up to participate in this leadership opportunity.

Family & Consumer Science Information

Bread Baking Contest

The 4-H Bread Baking Contest is scheduled for Saturday, April 13, in the Ellensburg High School Home Economics room. Set up is at 8:00 a.m. and baking begins at 8:30.

The **Bread Baking Contest** is open to junior, intermediate and senior members in the Foods & Nutrition project. This contest is a qualifying event for junior, intermediate and senior food project members that are interested in competing at the State Fair in Puyallup in September. Junior members may participate at the State Fair with a quick bread entry with a time limit of 2 hours.

TO ENTER:

1. Pick up a packet at the Extension Office after March 11.
2. Contact the Superintendent, Rose Brooks, by e-mail – rbrooks9331@reagan.com by **April 3 to register.**

Members registering after the April 3 deadline will be put on a waiting list if there are a large number of entries.

3. Prepare the Bread Baking Worksheet before the contest.



Dog Project Information

Dog Project Dates

- June 8 Dog Judging Contest and Dog Bowl, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Dog Arena, Fairgrounds
- July 13-14 Dog Pre-Show Qualifier, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Fairgrounds Dog Arena



Small Animal Information

Small Animal Dates for 2019

The dates for small animal events have been secured at the Kittitas County Fairgrounds. They are as follows:

- May 4 4-H Poultry Pre-Show
May 11 4-H Rabbit/Cavy Pre-Show

Livestock Project Information

Livestock Judging Team Congratulations

Congratulations to Tess Preppernau, Bailey Sherley, Kelby Svendsen, and Courtney Bach. They represented Washington State and Kittitas County at the Western National Roundup in Denver, Colorado in early January. This is the first time that the entire Washington State Team has been made up of all Kittitas County 4-H members. They judged twelve classes of livestock and gave six sets of reasons.

The team placed 9th in Swine, 17th in Beef, 20th in Goats, 22nd in Sheep, 20th in Reasons, and 18th Overall. Great job representing Kittitas County and Washington State!

Beef Work Day-Date and Location Change!

The Beef Work Day has been changed to **Sunday, March 10** from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and the location will be the **Bloom Pavilion at the Fairgrounds**. Bring your steer and equipment. They will be working on Fitting and Showing and judging. There will also be a practice show ring set up. We look forward to seeing any beef members that would like to participate. Contact Erin Tostenson at 929-0440 for more information.

4-H Livestock Committee Meeting

The next Livestock Committee meeting will be March 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the Armory Room B. Meeting dates have been set for 2018 - 3rd Tuesday @ 7:00 p.m.:

- May 21, 2019
June 18, 2019 – Old Fair Office
August 20, 2019
September 17, 2019
October 15, 2019
November 19, 2019

Beef Weigh-In and Pre-Show

The upcoming **Beef Weigh-In and Pre-Show** will be held on **Saturday, March 23** in **Bloom Pavilion** beginning at **7:00 a.m.**

The show schedule:

7:00 –8:45 am	WEIGH AND TAG STEERS Steer Livestock Sale Raffle tickets due at Weigh-In
8:50 am	REQUIRED – Fair Information meeting in Pavilion for <u>participants and parents</u>
9:00 am	BEEF JUDGING CONTEST- Feeder Steers, Heifers, Beef Parts, Oral Reasons
10:30 am	Fitting & Showing Classes

Those members who plan to exhibit market steers at the Kittitas County Fair must have their animal(s) weighed at this time. This is a **required** event. Youth are also reminded that they are **required to turn in a PRODUCER SIGNED COPY of the Producer/Breeder Affidavit & Market Animal Health for each steer that they weigh.**

After the steers are weighed-in and tagged there will be a **REQUIRED Kittitas County Fair Information meeting in Bloom Pavilion for participants and parents.** Following this meeting will be the Beef Judging contest which is open to all livestock members to participate in. The judging contest will have classes of Feeder Steers, Heifers, Beef Parts, and Oral Reasons.

Following the Beef Judging Contest, youth that ear tagged steers are **required** to participate in Showmanship classes. Steers are to be clean with no tags. They do not need to be fitted.

- The steer should be shown with a halter and show stick.
- Showman should have neat clean clothes and boots – appropriate to weather.

Showmanship guidelines are the same as showing at Fair. After Showmanship classes there will be an optional Showing opportunity. This is an opportunity to prepare for showmanship classes in the fall.

Exhibitors who have a conflict with the March 23 date are required to write a letter to the Livestock Committee Chairman, 901 E 7th Avenue, Suite 2, Ellensburg, WA 98926 asking to be excused from the Beef Clinic by March 19 to be at the Livestock Committee meeting. The letter needs to be written by the 4-H or FFA member requesting the excuse, address the reason for not attending, who will weigh the animal, who will show the animal, and a plan to make up for this missed activity. The 4-H Livestock Committee will review these requests. Members must have another exhibitor weigh and show their steer in their absence.

Attendance at Pre Fair Activities

The **Beef – Dairy Pre-Show/Clinic, Swine Clinic, Sheep Pre-Show, Goat Pre-Show and Llama/Alpaca Pre-Show** are **required** activities for 4-H and FFA members to attend to be able to show and sell their Livestock at the Kittitas County Fair. If there is an emergency or problem with attending these events a **letter must** be written to the **4-H Livestock Committee PRIOR** to the event. **The letter needs to address the reason for not attending pre-shows or clinic, who will weigh and show the animal in a feeder class (if applicable), a plan to make up for this missed activity and be written by the 4-H or FFA member requesting the excuse.** This means if a 4-H/FFA member has a problem with attending the **Beef - Dairy Pre-Show**, then a letter must be submitted to the Extension Office, addressed to the Livestock Committee in time for the Livestock Committee meeting on **March 19**. If a 4-H/FFA member has a problem attending the **Swine Clinic**, then a letter needs to be submitted to the Livestock Committee by the Livestock Committee meeting on **March 19**. If a 4-H/FFA member has a problem attending the **Sheep Pre-Show, Goat Clinic or Llama/Alpaca Pre-Show**, then a letter needs to be submitted to the Livestock Committee by the Livestock Committee meeting on **May 21**.

Animal Health Record Form

Animal Health Record forms need to be completed on all market project animals.

1. **A COPY of the updated Producer/Breeder Affidavit & Market Animal Health Record with the original producer/breeder affidavit SIGNED (single form) is required to be turned in at spring weigh-in and/or pre-show for each species.**
2. The updated Producer/Breeder Affidavit & Market Animal Health Record are required to be in youths record book when it is turned in for the Up to Date check in July. There are animal specific forms (1 per animal) for Market Beef, Dairy Heifer, Lamb, Swine, Goat, Individual Goat, Dairy Goat, Llama-Alpaca.
3. Youth need to have the **updated Producer/Breeder Affidavit & Market Animal Health Record forms with them and hand to the Vet on duty at the Kittitas County Fair Vet Check.** The forms should be signed by the youth and parents on that day. These forms are available at the Extension Office or on the Extension website: www.kittitas.wsu.edu.

By federal law meat processors must identify the origin of animals entering the food supply; state law requires animal disease traceability made possible through the transfer of health records from one owner to the next. Without this record turned in you will not be able to sell your animal at the Kittitas County Junior Livestock Sale.

Swine Clinic & Judging Contest

The Swine Clinic is scheduled for **Sunday, April 14** at 1:00 p.m. in Teanaway Hall at the Kittitas County Fairgrounds. There will be a Swine Judging Contest at 2:00 p.m. **This event is mandatory for 4-H and FFA members who wish to show swine at the Kittitas County Fair this year. Members having a conflict are required to write a letter requesting to be excused to: Livestock Committee Chair, 901 E 7th Avenue, Suite 2, Ellensburg, WA 98926, by the Livestock Committee meeting March 19. The letter needs to be written by the 4-H or FFA member requesting the excuse, address the reason for not attending, and a plan to make up for this missed activity.**

Youth Quality Care of Animals

Youth Quality Care of Animals training is required of all youth in the beef, goat, sheep, and swine projects for the 2019 4-H program year.

To schedule a YQCA training for your club contact Becky Carollo, Kittitas FFA Advisor rebecca_carollo@ksd403.org or Tip Hudson at the Extension Office, 962-7507 or e-mail hudson@wsu.edu. The training needs to be completed every year by April 30. You must sign up online and pay the \$3 fee PRIOR to attending.

Kittitas County Llama/Alpaca Pre-Show/Clinic

Kittitas County Llama/Alpaca Pre-Show/Clinic is scheduled for June 15 at 1:00 p.m. at the Kittitas County Fairgrounds in Bloom Pavilion. There will be workshops and classes on Fitting and Showing, Trail obstacles, Public Relations.

Any Llama/Alpaca project member who has an emergency or problem attending the Llama/Alpaca Pre-Show/Clinic needs to write a letter wishing to be excused from this obligation to: Livestock Committee Chair, 901 E 7th Avenue, Suite 2, Ellensburg, WA 98926, to be submitted at the Livestock Committee meeting on May 21. The letter needs to address the reason for not attending, a plan to make up for this missed activity and be written by the 4-H or FFA member requesting the excuse.

Livestock Dates for 2019

The dates for livestock events have been secured at the Kittitas County Fairgrounds. They are as follows:

March 23	Beef Pre-Show
April 14	Swine Clinic
June 15	Sheep Pre-Show
June 15	Goat Clinic
June 15	Llama/Alpaca Pre-Show
June 16	Swine Weigh-In

2019 LIVESTOCK DAYS ON FEED

STEERS	158 Days
LAMBS	74 Days
GOATS	74 Days
HOGS	73 Days

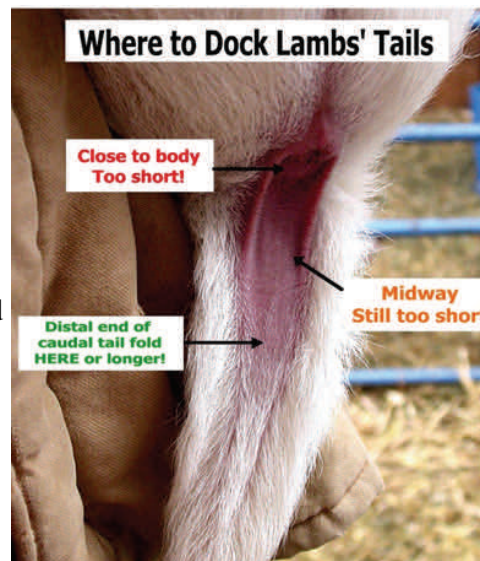


Lamb Tail Docking Policy

Market lambs must be docked wethers or ewes. All Market Lambs should exhibit appropriate tail docking. Appropriate tail docking practice is to remove the tail at the distal termination of the caudal fold. Docking should be performed within two weeks of birth for optimum animal health and the tail must be healed at the time of the Sheep Pre-Show. Any lambs that show signs of prolapse or tails surgically removed will be disqualified as determined by Veterinarian at Kittitas County Fair.

Docking is done to aid in animal health. A long tail tends to accumulate soft feces and attract parasites. When properly docked, the caudal folds (beneath the tail) direct fecal material away from the body to maintain hygiene. In this way, the tail prevents fly strike on the sensitive tissues of the hindquarters (can result in fatality) and provides physical protection of the anal and vulvar area. A tail that is too long results in fecal accumulation, a tail too short significantly increases the risk of dangerous rectal prolapse since nerves and muscle attachments can be severed.

Exhibitors should ask breeders if they appropriately dock their market lambs. In any case, market lambs tails will not be measured at either the Sheep Pre-Show or at the Kittitas County Fair.



Horse Project Information

Horsemanship & Safety Training Day

Horsemanship & Safety Training Day will be Saturday, March 9 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Manastash Room. This training day is open to all 4-H Horse project members, Cloverbuds are encouraged to come! Anyone in 4-H is welcome to attend. The emphasis for the training days will be on horse health care, safety, and show preparation. This is a very worthwhile event that will help 4-H horse members be successful with their horse project. The committee organizers request that at least one parent be present with their 4-H member attending.

Horse Judging Contest Information

There will be two judging contests held. Youth enrolled in the Horse Project are required to participate in one county horse judging event to be eligible to compete at the Kittitas County Junior Horse Fair and complete the 4-H year. For intermediate and senior members to be eligible to judge on the Kittitas County 4-H State Horse Judging team, they must judge in both county judging events completing oral reasons. All members are encouraged to participate in both contests. It is important to study and know the horse parts. Please see the link below for The 4-H Horse Project Book, page 17 is Parts of the Horse. <http://cru.cahe.wsu.edu/CEPublications/pnw587/pnw587.pdf>. Novice members will judge in their age group.

The first 4-H Horse Judging Contest will be held on **Monday, April 1 at 6:00 p.m. in Bloom Pavilion**. The classes will be Quarter Horse Geldings Halter Class, Western Pleasure, and Western Equitation with Oral Reasons on this class, and a horse parts worksheet.

The second 4-H Horse Judging Contest will be held **Saturday, July 13, time TBD in Bloom Pavilion during Horse Training Days**. Classes TBD; Oral Reasons.

Bits and Buckles Schooling Show

The Bits and Buckles Open Schooling Show will be held Saturday, April 13 at Bloom Pavilion on the Kittitas County Fairgrounds. This is a good show to start the year, gain experience, learn something and have FUN. For more information contact Bobbi Broderius at 925-3311.

4-H Horse Leaders Spring Open Show

The 4-H Horse Leaders Spring Show will be held Saturday, April 27. For more information contact Connie Dunnington at 925-6264 no calls after 9:00 p.m., please!

Horse Certificates Due April 30

A Horse Identification Certificate for each horse being carried as a 4-H Horse Project needs to be filed at the Extension Office by 5:00 p.m., April 30 to be eligible to exhibit the animal in the Junior Division of the Kittitas County Fair. **The certificate needs to be signed every year.** For a horse that will be used for the first time the leader or member may pick up a 4-H Horse Certificate C0233 form at the Extension Office or Kittitas County 4-H website <http://extension.wsu.edu/kittitas>. This needs to be filled out and brought back to the Extension Office to be signed. The member will keep the original and put it in their record book. If this same horse is used in following years the original needs to come in each year to be signed at the Extension Office. If a horse is leased then a Kittitas County Lease form must be used. A copy of the lease is to be filed with the horse certificate.

Horse Certificates need to be completely filled out with all the proper signatures. Incomplete certificates will not be accepted or signed by the Extension Office.

2019 HORSE 4-H DATES

March 9	4-H Horse Training & Safety Day— Manastash Room-8:30 am – 2:30 pm
April 1	1 st Horse Judging – Bloom Pavilion – 6:00 pm
April 13	Bits & Buckles Schooling Show - Bloom Pavilion 8am – 7pm
April 27	4-H Spring Horse Show – Bloom Pavilion – 8am – 7pm
April 30	Horse Certificates Due by 5:00 p.m.
June 17, 24	Monday Night Riding – Rodeo Arena 7-9pm
June	Kittitas County Demonstration Contest Deadline – <u>last published Contest Date in June</u>
July 13-14	4-H Horse Fair Training Day & 2 nd Horse Judging, Bloom Pavilion 8am- 8pm
July 15, 22, 29	Monday Night Riding – Rodeo Arena 7-9pm
July 26-28	4-H Horse Pre-Show – Bloom Pavilion – 8am – 8pm
August 9	State Fair Interest form due by 5:00 pm
August 13	Junior Horse Fair: Barn Open for Decorations
August 14	Junior Horse Fair: R.V. Parking Open
August 15-18	Kittitas County Junior Horse Fair – Bloom Pavilion & Rodeo Arena
8/29 – 9/2	Kittitas County Fair
September 29	4-H Horse Recruitment Show – Bloom Pavilion – 8am – 8pm
October 5	Bits & Buckles 4-H Gaming Schooling Show 8am-8pm

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