



4-H Friday Update

February 19, 2021

WSU Grant County Extension 4-H Program

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Hello,

I hope you have been enjoying the shortest month of the year. February always seems to fly by and it is a good reminder how important just a few days can be! March only has three more days than February, but it always seems so much longer.

Many people struggle this time of year as the buzz of the holidays has passed and winter may seem to drag on. The snow that has come recently is a great reminder that February is definitely a winter month! Please remember to reach out to others with a phone call, an email or a written note to check in on them. Even if they are 'fine' just the fact that you reached out will boost their spirits.

If your club is interested in learning more about resuming in-person activity, please attend our last informational Grant County Zoom Discussion and Training Meeting this coming Tuesday at 7PM. See the 4-H Meetings notice box below for more information. Those who have not received a welcome back kit, please contact your leader.

Several 4-H events and news articles are featured in the [WSU Extension 4-H Tuesday News](#) each week. Please read the Tuesday News to stay up-to-date on 4-H events and information at <https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/news> #4HGrowsHere #WA4H

Enjoy your weekend.

Carolyn Russo

4-H Program Coordinator
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4-H Project Leader Information

A Note to Project Leaders: please make sure your enrollment is complete before the ownership dates of the projects you are leading. Our 4-H members must have a current certified project leader in order to be involved.

If you have questions, please email grant.4h@wsu.edu

New 4-H Facebook Site for Virtual Trainings!



Please join our **Explore 4-H Facebook Page!** There are over 30 online trainings that are open to everyone. Find it at <https://www.facebook.com/Explore4HWSUExtension/>. Please go to this site and "like" it. Thanks!

Also, See [Explore 4-H with WSU on the Events Calendar](#).

Important and Essential Poultry Meeting

For all 4-H and FFA poultry members, leaders and families.

Monday February 22, 2021 7:30pm

(to receive the zoom link, please rsvp to Darcy Hundtoft at dhundtoft4h@gmail.com)

We are experiencing some issues in our poultry world that need to be addressed that will affect our entire poultry community. The current embargo on live animal shipments may limit supplies and availability of your project birds. Many traditional chick suppliers are not able to receive shipments.

There are some other local chick supply options but we need to discuss these. We are looking forward to having a fair this August but would like to go over program expectations so we can avoid some of the challenges we have had in the past. Please join us Monday evening.



Virtual Cat Show on February 20!



Please register to get access to the Zoom link.

TIME:

- Fitting and showing be done live by appointment Saturday February 20.
- Photos will be due by 3PM
- Judging tests will be sent out by 10AM and will be due by 3PM

See additional details and information at this week's [Tuesday News](#)

Join the Washington State 4-H Ambassadors!

Apply here: <https://forms.gle/BpKdyYmkPHbCxc02A>

WE WANT YOU!

Join the Washington State 4-H Ambassadors!

Make the future of 4-H in Washington State brighter!

Connect and interact with teens to
make the future of 4-H better than
the day before!

Email us at wa4hsa@gmail.com if
you have questions!

Apply Today!

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication or program information or reasonable accommodation should contact kim.belanger@wsu.edu, 509-243-2009 or 509-751-9190 at least two weeks prior to the event.



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Save the Dates! State Equine Contests!

WASHINGTON STATE 4-H EQUINE CONTESTS **SAVE THE DATES!**

May 1, 2021

STATE 4-H HORSE BOWL CONTEST

June 5, 2021

STATE 4-H HIPPOLOGY CONTEST



Both contests will be virtual. Minimal registration fee.

Questions: kim.baker@wsu.edu | 425-357-6007

Registration details will be uploaded to the WA State 4-H website:

<https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/events/category/animal-science/horse/>

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WSU Compliance and Civil Rights (CCR) Office: <https://ccr.wsu.edu> | ccr@wsu.edu | 509-335-8288.

Recognize 4-H Teens With A \$5,000 Award



How are your 4-H teens changing the world? Encourage your 4-H'ers ages 13 – 19 to apply to the Invisalign® ChangeMakers Awards Initiative by March 31, 2021.

By sharing how they're making positive change in their communities, teens could win one of 100 cash awards (30 will be awarded to 4-H'ers!).

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We recognize that you as leaders, volunteers and 4-H members have experienced nearly a year of unprecedented alterations to the traditional delivery of the 4-H Program. Thank you for continuing with us and for your patience. We know it has been difficult, but we value each of you and your dedication to 'make the best better.'

WSU is going to begin considering in-person gathering on a very limited basis. The process of activity approval is rather involved. [Read more...](#)

Online Horse Judging Camp Scheduled During February!

Online horse judging camp is for anyone thinking about giving horse judging a try! The camp includes at-home assignments, reasons critique, 4 interactive virtual meetings, quizzes, and certificate of completion!

The fee for this course is \$30. [Purchase and enroll in this course.](#)

For more information, read the full article in the [4-H Tuesday News](#).

4-H Livestock Virtual Clinics to be Hosted by Spokane County 4-H!

You are welcome to attend a livestock virtual 4-H clinic. ZOOM with local experts and gain knowledge on livestock species-specific topics to help you be successful in your project area and show ring. Clinic description. Youth will be divided in beginner and advanced breakout ZOOM rooms with area specialists.

4-H Livestock Virtual Clinic:

February 20 — Cattle | February 27 — Hog | March 6 — Sheep | March 13 — Goat

4-H Livestock Virtual Clinic [Details and Information](#)

Questions: email kmccloskey@spokanecounty.org or text 509-979-9118

Livestock Field Days Coming in March and April!

Mark your calendars - we are going virtual!

YOUTH LIVESTOCK FIELD DAYS



March 20, 2021
9 AM - 12 PM PST

Cost: \$5.00 per registration per session
(scholarships available, request one at registration)



March 27, 2021
9 AM - 12 PM PST



April 3, 2021
9 AM - 12 PM PST



April 10, 2021
9 AM - 12 PM PST

To register visit:

<http://bit.ly/2021livestockfielddayregistration>

For questions, please contact:

WSU Asotin County Extension: 509-243-2009

UI Benewah County Extension: 208-245-2422

UI Nez Perce County Extension: 208-799-3096

WSU Whitman County Extension: 509-397-6290

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For more information, read the full article in the 4-H Tuesday News.

4-H Council Commemorates 2021 Black History Month



Learn more about the blog series at

<https://4-h.org/about/blog/black-history-month-celebrating-innovation-diversity-leadership/>

Follow this link to read the 2020 stories that highlighted 4-H alumni who are 1890 administrators/leaders.

Experience 4-H Virtual Small Animal Series!



The Washington State 4-H Small Animal Committee has added new topics to the Experience 4-H – Virtual Small Animal series! Check out what is upcoming! Please pre-register by clicking the link for the workshop you would like to attend. Youth age 9 and younger need to have an adult helper attend with the youth participant. Thank you to the Washington State 4-H Small Animal Committee for providing these workshops that are being facilitated by many individuals across the state!

February 20, 1 to 3 p.m. PST – [Market Rabbits & Poultry](#)

March 6, 1 p.m. PST – [Poultry Basics](#)

Future Topics: Cavy Basics, Rabbit Basics, Poultry & Rabbits for Home Use, and Rabbit/Cavy Judging Contests.

Questions? e-mail tc4h@co.thurston.wa.us



Notice About Paying Enrollment Fees

We prefer you mail your 4-H Enrollment fee payments but if you are planning on coming to the office, please make an appointment with Abby. The office is currently closed to the public. Abby can record your information and meet you out front to collect the payment.

Please make checks payable to: WSU

Mail to: WSU Grant County Extension | 1525 E. Wheeler Rd. | Moses Lake, WA 98837

Contact: Abby Simonson at abby.simonson@wsu.edu or 509.754.2011 Ext 4313

4-H Enrollment

Please log in to [4HOnline](#) and update your profile. Please make checks payable to: WSU.

For those seeking assistance please complete a [4-H Membership Fee Scholarship Application](#).

WSU Extension Adult/Youth Interactions During COVID-19

As we are all in communication via technology with youth at this time, I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone of WSU Extension's policy on interactions. Under this policy, AT NO TIME should one adult be meeting or communicating with youth WITHOUT the presence of another adult. This policy pertains to Zoom conferences, telephone conversations, text messages, social media posts, etc. To facilitate communication, make certain to cc another adult on written communications, and invite another adult to be present during virtual meetings. The second adult is recommended to be a WSU volunteer; other adults can serve in this role if you're in a pinch.

Jana S. Ferris | Volunteer Specialist, WSU Extension | 425.595.2950

Washington State 4-H – WSU Tuesday News



4-H Tuesday News!



Check out today's stories and more!
<https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/news>

WSU 4-H Youth Development Tuesday News

Washington State University Extension – 4-H Youth Development publishes a weekly newsletter that announces events and news around the state and in the 4-H world. Stay up-to-date with Washington State 4-H!

See more of Washington State 4-H – WSU...read the [Tuesday News](#) each week.

4-H Meetings

Informational Grant County Zoom Discussion and Training Meetings

Each Tuesday in February at 7PM.

Email grant.4h@wsu.edu to RSVP and to have a packet sent to you.

Grant County Horse Council Meeting

Thursday, February 18th, 7PM

Join Zoom Meeting from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS, or Android:

<https://wsu.zoom.us/j/98028596088>

Meeting ID: 980 2859 6088

Phone: 1.253.215.8782

Grant County Fair Poultry Leader Meeting

Monday, February 22, 2021 at 7:30PM

Please [RSVP](#), via Email, to Darcy Hundtoft, poultry superintendent:
dhundtoft4h@gmail.com to receive the zoom link for the meeting.

Regional Virtual Office Hours

Monday-Thursday from 2-3pm.

To join follow this zoom link:

wsu.zoom.us/j/99817857399?pwd=SDh2Y2Y5YjdXazlnTIRjdVVNdGIZZz09

Note: In response to Covid-19, all in person meetings are cancelled until further notice. 4-H members are not permitted to meet face to face until phase four. Virtual Meetings will be announced in the 4-H Friday Update.

**Information for Members, Volunteer Leaders, and Parents and
Animal Ownership Dates**

In response to COVID-19, the WSU Extension offices are closed to the public until further notice. All Grant County WSU Extension staff and faculty are working and available by phone, email, or appointment only. Visit your local extension office website for contact information and your county health department for information regarding COVID-19.