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- *Central WA Jr Livestock Show, April 29-May 1,*
<http://www.centralwashingtonjuniorlivestockshow.com/>
- *4-H Fashion Revue -Judging-April 24, Revue-April 27,*
<http://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/4-h/4-h-events/>
- *4-H Talent Show, April 27,*
<http://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/4-h/4-h-events/>
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- *YA4-H! Teen Teaching Openings,*
<http://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/job-opportunities/>
- *Sagebrush Riders Horse Show & Gaming Qualifier,*
<http://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/4-h/4-h-events/4-h-horse-events/>
- *Equine Webinar Series,*
https://nebraskaextension.zoom.us/meeting/register/e_d40d0bfc29bc113dc2040ba88984b7b
- *WSU Extension Animal Ag Website,*
<http://extension.wsu.edu/animalag>
- *Report Your Volunteer Hours for each month,*
<http://ext.wsu.edu/Volunteers/logon.aspx>

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

April 15-21, 2018

National Volunteer Week, brought to you by Points of Light, is an opportunity to recognize and thank volunteers who lend their time, talent, voice and support to causes they care about in their community. Their stories can serve to inspire others to find ways to take action that creates change.

During National Volunteer Week, we celebrate the impact of volunteer service and the power of changemakers to come together to tackle tough challenges, and build stronger, more vibrant communities.

It's a time of year when organizations across the country honor volunteers for their selfless contributions and recognize the irreplaceable impact of their time, energy, and caring all year round. We make it easy and affordable for you to participate, with decorations and volunteer appreciation gifts that honor your volunteers for their selfless contributions. From volunteer pins and tech essentials to meal accessories and more, Positive Promotions offers every type of volunteer gifts and rewards to show your sincere appreciation.

Visit the websites for Volunteer Awards:

President's Volunteer Service Award
Points of Light Tribute Awards
<https://www.presidentialserviceawards.gov/>
<http://www.pointsoflight.org/signature-events/points-light-tribute-awards>

"We make a living by what we do, but we make a life by what we give." – Winston Churchill

YOUTH MEMBERS ENROLLMENT STATUS "PENDING"

If your **membership status shows** pending, there are 3 possible reasons. – Your enrollment should be approved before participating in any 4-H events.

1. You have selected **"Pay by Check"**. Membership fee is \$25.00 per youth member. Leaders/Volunteers do not pay the membership fee. Please make the check payable to WSU Yakima County Extension, and mail to WSU Extension, 2403 S 18th Street, Ste 100, Union Gap, WA 98903.
2. Your family may have thought you paid with a **credit card**, you may have possibly entered your credit card information, but did not check the box marked **"Pay by Credit Card"**. If you did not check the "Pay by Credit Card" box, the system defaults to automatically mark the "Pay by Check" option and will not charge your credit card. In this case, you will either need to pay by check or request a sponsorship. If you want to pay by credit card, please contact Bonnie 574-1600.
3. If you need a sponsorship for the \$25.00 4-H enrollment fee. contact Bonnie or Jenny at the 4-H office at (509) 574-1600. These sponsorships are confidential.

EQUINE WEBINAR SERIES

The Nebraska Equine Webinar Series is a great place for 4-H leaders/parents and senior aged youth to gain knowledge in many different areas. This webinar series is open to horse leaders/parents from other states as well.

Register in advance for this meeting: <https://nebraskaextension.zoom.us/meeting/register/ed40d0bfc29bc113dc2040ba88984b7b>

NE Equine Webinar Series

- Apr 9, 2018 6:00 pm
- May 14, 2018 6:00 pm
- Jun 11, 2018 6:00 pm
- Jul 9, 2018 6:00 pm
- Aug 13, 2018 6:00 pm
- Sep 10, 2018 6:00 pm

Time shows in [Central Time \(US and Canada\)](#)

All webinars will be recorded so that if you cannot participate at the time of the event you can watch the webinar later.

4-H EXPRESSIVE ARTS CONTEST GUIDELINES (Poster Contest)

The Expressive Arts (Poster Contest) gives 4-H members an opportunity to use the visual medium of poster fine art to promote public understanding and support of the 4-H program. 4-H'ers are encouraged to develop their visual communication skills to communicate to the external audience about 4-H.

All posters must be designed on, or affixed to, standard poster board of 14" by 22" dimensions. They may be horizontal or vertical. Posters must have one main idea "Everybody Needs Milk", keep words minimum, usually less than five (5). Don't use too many different colors that clash. Black lettering on dark board is hard to see.

Examples of posters include illustrations of 4-H youth preparing healthy meals titled "4-H is Good for Me"; A frog leaping across a lily pad titled "Leap for 4-H"; 4-H'ers working with the rocketry curriculum could be titled "Shoot for the Stars".

The poster contest guidelines are available in the January Focus, 4-H website and in the Extension Office. Posters are due on the following dates:

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|-------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| UV – 3/12/18 | CV – 4/10/18 | LV – 4/7/18 |
| Diane Jones
833-3175 | Barbara Harrer
848-2883
70 N Falen, Harrah | Robin Scott
839-4937 |

County Expressive Arts (Poster) – April 16, 2018
(blue ribbon winners only) – Diane Jones 833-3175

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS DATES AND GUIDELINES

Member manual #EM4787E, *How to Make a 4-H Public Presentation* is available in the Extension Office. Registration forms and score sheets are available for download on the 4-H website.



<http://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/4-h/4-h-forms/public-presentation-demonstration-forms/>

- A. Title:** Choose a short, interesting title that gives a hint of the subject of your demonstration but doesn't tell the whole story.
- B. Introduction:** A good introduction will get your audience interested in your demonstration.
- C. Body:** The body is the part of the demonstration in which you tell and show how to do something.
- D. Summary:** In the summary, review briefly the important parts of your presentation.
- E. In a Presentation:** Use your own words and speak clearly. There is no need to memorize your presentations. Cue cards with only key words may be used.

Public Presentations are scheduled for the following dates and locations:

Upper Valley	Central Valley	Lower Valley
Call to Schedule	5/5/18	3/31/18
Diane Jones 833-3175	Call to schedule Barbara Harrer 848-2883	Call to schedule Robin Scott 839-4937

County Public Presentation Contest, 5/11/18, 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Extension Conference Room, 2403 S 18th Street, Union Gap, Call Barbara Harrer 848-2883 to schedule presentation time.



HELP PREVENT SALMONELLA WASH YOUR HANDS!

Spring is here, and baby chicks have arrived at the feed stores. This spring, we ask for your help with educating kids about the risk of Salmonella infection from contact with live poultry, such as chickens, ducks, geese, and turkeys. Raising backyard flocks for eggs, meat, and other benefits seems increasingly popular. This trend may be contributing to an ongoing increase of Salmonella outbreaks, including here in Washington.

Over 300 people in our state became sick after their contact with live poultry in the past six years—many were young children. Many people raising backyard flocks may not be aware that all poultry, even birds that appear clean and healthy can carry *Salmonella* bacteria. The bacteria can contaminate a bird's body and anything near the area where they are housed, such as cages or coops. People who come into contact with contamination can then get *Salmonella* illness.

Please share the educational materials with 4-H members involved in poultry projects. (After you touch a duck or chick, **WASH YOUR HANDS**, so you don't get sick). The materials are also available in Spanish. The materials are available in the Extension office or from the Department of Health website. [Salmonella from Chicks & Ducklings](#)



FAIR / SHOW NEWS

CENTRAL WASHINGTON JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW ORAL REASONS CONTEST

One set of oral reasons will be required of 4-H Seniors and Intermediates. Juniors may participate, but not required at the CWJLS Livestock Judging Contest. Thank You to the Board for providing this important and necessary opportunity for our youth.

Judging contest members are required to compete in the oral reasons class at State 4-H Fair in Puyallup. Here are a few tips for participants:

What are oral reasons? It is selecting and ranking the best of comparable items or animals and giving reasons for those chosen selections.

How are oral reasons judged? There are four important points to a good set of oral reasons:

- Knowledge of Subject.....40%
- Appropriate Terms.....25%
- Presentation.....20%
- Organization15%

Your judge will look for accurate, clear-cut comparisons, knowledge of important qualities, ability to organize ideas and state them clearly, use of descriptive terms and general poise and confidence.

How to prepare for oral reasons: A suggested training form for organizing oral reasons is below:

I place this class of (*Name of Class*) _____ and _____.

I place (*compare/grant*) _____ over _____ because _____.

For these reasons, I place this class of (*name of class*) _____, _____ & _____.

SAMPLE TERMS (Swine Judging terms used):

	<u>Desirable</u>	<u>Undesirable</u>
GENERAL:	Growthy	Small
	Lean	Fat, Light-muscled
FRAME:	Long-sided	Short-sided
	More total volume of muscle	Light
MUSCLE:	Loose	
	Trimmer	Excess
FAT:	Cleaner	Wasty
SKELETAL STRUCTURE:	Level Rump	Steep Rump
	Prominent	Inverted teat
UNDERLINE:	Well-spaced	Blind teat
SEX-GILTS:	Feminine-headed	Masculine-headed
	Longer	Shorter
CARCASS:	Level Rump	Steep Rump

CWJLS LAMB SHEARING

Central Washington Junior Livestock Show Lamb shearing is scheduled for **April 7** at 9:00 AM at the Toppenish Junior Livestock Showgrounds. Contact David Funk by phone or text to schedule your appointment 570-2947. Cost is \$10.00 per lamb.

CENTRAL WASHINGTON JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW INFORMATION

The Central Washington Junior Livestock Show will be **April 29 – May 2, 2018**. Visit the CWJLS website <http://www.centralwashingtonjuniorlivestockshow.com/>.

Download the premium book, final entry card, and calendar of Events. Click the tabs for information for each exhibit species, beef, swine and lamb. **April 10, FINAL ENTRY DEADLINE – NO EXCEPTIONS!**

For more information, contact Show Secretary Peggy Cuillier 509-877-6332 or Ken Stroud 509-877-5776

CENTRAL WA JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW 4-H OR FFA EXHIBITORS SALE SUPPORT

You can support any exhibitor by bidding on their market animal on the day of the sale. You will have the choice of taking it home (TAKE HOME) or having it sent to the butcher of your choice (CUSTOM), or "turning the animal" (TURN). "Turning the animal" means you win the bid and tell the auctioneer to "turn the animal", you do not get the animal it will be sent to the packing plant, you pay the difference from floor price (the price the packing plant pays) and what your winning bid was. Example, you bid \$2.50 on a 250-pound pig, the floor price is \$1.50 and you turn the animal. You will pay the difference of \$2.50 (your bid) minus \$1.50 (floor price). Therefore, you will pay \$250 and the packing plant will pay \$375. The exhibitor will receive \$625.00. Take home animals must be removed from the grounds by you immediately after the sale.

If you wish to support an exhibitor by doing "Add on Support", this can be done any day of the show. You will determine an amount you wish to give directly to the exhibitor (\$15 minimum per animal). Stop by the show office and complete the "Add on Support" form. Any questions ask the show office.

Custom, Take Home and Add on Support are to be paid the day of the sale.

WEST VALLEY FAIR

"Fun for the Whole Herd", West Valley Fair, **July 19-21**. Horse and Dog show, **July 14**.

There will be a MANDATORY meeting, **April 12, 7:00 pm**, West Valley Fairgrounds.

All exhibitors are **required** to participate in at least one fairground work day prior to the fair. Those not participating in a work day will be required to put in 3 hours of clean up time during the fair. Work days will be **9:00 am. April 14, May 12, June 23, and July 7**. Make sure you sign-in when attend a work day to receive credit.

Show entry deadlines are:

- May 1 – Club pre-entry forms due
- June 1 – Cat, Critter & Livestock Show entry due
- July 7 – Dog Show & Horse Show entry due
- July 14 – Family & Consumer Science entries taken at the Blue Barn.

Visit the West Valley Fair Facebook page for more information. <https://www.facebook.com/WestValleyFair/>.

EQUI-FAIR SCHOOLING SHOW

April 21, Riverside Arena, Corner of Hwy 24 & University Pkwy, Yakima. Office opens at 7:00 AM, Show starts at 8:00 AM. Showmanship/4-H Fitting & Showing, Performance, Trail, Reining, Working Ranch Horse, Driving, Gaming and Medal Classes offered. 4-H Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Divisions, Walk/Trot and Open Classes.

Pre-Entry Due **April 14** (one week) prior to show. 4-H Medal Classes must be pre-entered **TWO WEEKS** prior to show.

Mail entry forms to Kim Lansing, 831 N Forsell Rd., Grandview, WA 98930. For more information 339-0247, ms.berly@yahoo.com. Entry forms available in the Extension office or download from the 4-H website, <http://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/4-h/4-h-events/4-h-horse-events/>.

SAGEBRUSH RIDERS "SPRING FLING" HORSE SHOW AND GAMING SHOW QUALIFIER

The Sagebrush Riders 4-H club will host their "Spring Fling" 4-H & Open Performance & Gaming Horse Show on **May 5** at Hart Arena, 151 Ray Symmonds Rd., Yakima.

Office opens at 7:30 AM, Classes start at 8:00 AM. Class divisions are Senior, Intermediate, Junior, Youth Walk/Trot and Open classes. All riders must be at least 8 years of age as of October 1, 2017

Out of County participants are welcome. 4-Hers wishing to ride for medals must pre-register.

You may pay the day of the show with no post entry fee as long as registration form is received in the mail or emailed at least one week prior to show. Pre-entry must be postmarked by **April 28, 2018**. All 4-H medal classes MUST be pre-entered. For more information visit the 4-H website <http://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/4-h/4-h-events/4-h-horse-events/> or contact Heather Duffield 945-4915.

This is a Yakima County State Fair qualifying show for 4-H performance and gaming events. 4-Hers wishing to ride for medals must pre-register. Out of county participants are welcome.

YAKIMA VALLEY FAIR & RODEO

The Yakima Valley Fair & Rodeo will be **August 8 – 12** at the Grandview Fairgrounds.

Beef Exhibitors: Weigh in will be **April 14**, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm at YVFR fairgrounds. Beef will not have a top weight at April weigh in. Beef will need to weigh between 1100lb and 1500lb for fair weight.

Swine, Sheep & Goat Exhibitors: Weigh in will be **June 2**, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm at the fairgrounds. At this time, swine exhibitors will just pick up tags. Sheep and Goats will be weighed. Shavings for sheep and goats will be used this year, plan your pen(s) with kickboards.

Registration deadline will be **June 1**, Small Animal registration deadline will be **July 1**. Registration will be on-line <http://yvfair-rodeo.org/>. Visit the website for more information and forms.

YAKIMA VALLEY FAIR & RODEO 4-H GAMING & HORSE SHOW

August 8, Yakima Valley Fairgrounds, Grandview. Entries due July 15 for medal classes, all other class entries are due day of event. Entry form and more information will be posted on the 4-H website and in upcoming 4-H Focus newsletters.

PROJECT NEWS**4-H GOAT WORKSHOP**

Jennifer Jones will be hosting a goat workshop on Friday, **April 6 at 6:30 pm** at the WSU Extension Conference Room, 2403 S 18th Street, Union Gap.

Topics will include, but are not limited to:

- Type of goats – Meat, Dairy and Fiber
- What to look for when purchasing your goat
- Types of show goat breeds (dairy or meat)
- Equipment/supplies your goat will need
- Questions?

This is a free workshop, for any 4-H member, parent, leader or volunteer who will be showing or has an interest in showing goats.

RSVP is encouraged to Extension office, so there will be enough handouts for everyone. Drop-ins are welcome.

COUNTY NEWS**ALL AREA PERFORMING ARTS**

The All Area Performing Arts (Talent Contest) will be held in conjunction with the Fashion Revue Show on **April 27** at the Fruitvale Grange, 2908 Castlevale Rd, Yakima. All Blue Ribbon winners will be invited to compete at the Central WA State Fair this fall. All participants must be enrolled in Yakima County 4-H to participate in this fun 4-H promotional event.

Need to register by April 15. Registration information and forms are available in the Extension office or on-line at the 4-H website <http://ext100.wsu.edu/yakima/4-h/4-h-events/>.

4-H FASHION REVUE – THEME "Dreams"

Fashion Revue judging of garments will be **Tuesday, April 24** at the Yakima County Extension Conference Room from 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Contact the Extension office 574-1600, to schedule appointments for Tuesday, **April 24** judging. Entry deadline is **April 15**.

The Fashion Revue Show will be held on Friday, **April 27**, practice at 6:00 pm and show at 6:30 pm at the Fruitvale Grange, 2908 Castlevale Rd, Yakima. For information on the Fashion Revue Show, contact Ilene Bushnell 728-1693, or the Extension office.

Forms are available on the 4-H website. <http://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/4-h/4-h-forms/fashionrevue-forms/>.

STATE NEWS

“RAISE YOUR HAND FOR WA STATE 4-H”

The annual national 4-H alumni engagement campaign “Raise Your Hand for Washington State 4-H” is set to begin on **April 1 through May 15**. This campaign is not a fundraising event, but targeted toward getting alumni and friends of 4-H to identify themselves through a simple web form. The website for alumni/friends to sign up is www.4-h.org/RaiseYourHand

This year, the three states with the most “hands raised” will win \$20,000, \$10,000, and \$5,000!

RABBIT HEMORRHAGIC DISEASE

RHDV2 has not yet been reported in Washington. However, RHDV2 has been isolated from dead rabbits in Delta BC Canada (~15 miles from the Canada/US WA border). Since this RHDV2 calicivirus can survive for up to 200 days in dead rabbits in burrows and the environment, and can spread by insects as mechanical vectors, it is likely to come to U.S./WA. If RHDV2 is reported in WA, our State veterinarian, Dr. Joseph, would initiate a news release to alert rabbit owners, fairs, shelters, County animal control staff, veterinarians and the public.

Taking animals to the fair [or other gatherings] is always a risk for contacting disease. The incubation period (time from first exposure until the onset of clinical signs) for RHDV2 has been reported to be approximately 3 days (up to 9 days). It is possible for people to bring apparently healthy rabbits across the US/CA border or to the fair, and the rabbit could subsequently succumb to RHDV2. The best protection for rabbits is for the owners to practice good biosecurity, or request a veterinarian to import a RHDV2 vaccine and vaccinate rabbits at risk.

WSDA RHDV2, www.WASStateDeptAg.blogspot.com
WSDA RHDV2, The direct link to the specific rabbit article:

<https://wastatedeptag.blogspot.com/2018/03/washington-rabbit-owners-be-aware-of.html>

WAC 16-54-030; Certificate of veterinary inspection, and entry permit requirements.

(2) Certificate of veterinary inspection:

(a) A certificate of veterinary inspection must accompany all animals entering Washington State, except where specifically exempted in this chapter. Certificates of veterinary inspection expire thirty days from the date of issuance.

<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/wac/default.aspx?cite=16-54-030>

APHIS USDA Pet Travel - Bringing Rabbits into the US. USDA APHIS Veterinary Services (VS) does not have any animal health requirements related to bringing (importing) a pet rabbit into the United States (U.S.) from a foreign country. <https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/pet-travel/bring-pet-into-the-united-states/pet-rabbits-into-us>

WSU EXTENSION LAUNCHES STATEWIDE ANIMAL AG WEBSITE

Animal agriculture has an important role in Washington's economy and communities. WSU Extension faculty and specialists involved in animal agriculture production from across Washington state have launched an updated version of the Washington State University Extension Animal Ag Website (<http://extension.wsu.edu/animalag>). Information from the WSU Extension Central Animal Agriculture website (www.animalag.wsu.edu) will be included in the new site and the URL will direct users to the new statewide site.

Relying on traditions of excellence and combining modern technology with current advancements in scientific research, the WSU Extension Animal Ag Team delivers educational programs and resources to aid livestock producers in developing practices to respond to new opportunities, challenges, and demands. This new website feature factsheets, event program details, and resource team member contact information for topics including beef cattle, dairy cattle, sheep/goats, horses, other minor food animal species, forages/pasture, and water quality. The website also features resources for youth livestock producers and there is also a section of factsheets available in Spanish. The goal in developing the new statewide based website was to make it more user friendly, allowing WSU Extension clientele to efficiently and effectively access animal agriculture information.

For more information on adding WSU Extension animal ag events or resources to the new website please contact Sarah M. Smith at smithsm@wsu.edu, Amber Adams-Progar at amber.adams-progar@wsu.edu, or Janet Schmidt at schmidtj@wsu.edu.

VOLUNTEER/LEADER NEWS

WASHINGTON STATE 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS TRAINING, WAITSBURG GUN CLUB

April 28, 2018

Training Disciplines Offered: Pistol & Rifle
(minimum of 10 participants needed/discipline)

This training and certification meets the educational training requirements to serve as a 4-H Shooting Sports volunteer leader within Washington State. In accordance with state policies, 4-H Shooting Sports instructors at the county level must:

- Be 21 years of age (18 years old for assistant instructors), screened, trained, and appointed as a current 4-H Leader through their local County Extension Office.
- **All** leaders **must attend** the classroom session from 6:00 pm- 9:00 pm.
- Be trained and certified for each discipline (Pistol, Rifle) that they will be teaching at the county.
- Successfully complete a minimum of 11 hours of Extension approved/sanctioned instructor training.

Training Information: Waitsburg Gun Club, 81 Bramleit Rd, Waitsburg, WA 99361

Schedule:

8:30 am – 9:00 am Registration
9:00 am – Noon Discipline Instruction at the

Range

12:00 – 12:30 pm Lunch – provided
12:30 pm – 5:00 pm Continue discipline instruction

and recognition

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm Dinner – provided
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm Classroom Instruction

Registration fee is \$50.00 (Includes facilities, instructors, printed materials, lunch and dinner). Registration forms and fees must be received by **April 18**. For additional questions or information, please contact Melanie Owens at mowend@wsu.edu, (509) 524-2685.

[Donate Your Hours Here!](#)

**YOUR TIME MATTERS!
DONATE HOURS TO 4-H**

Leaders, every hour you spend supporting 4-H is a donation. By donating your volunteer hours, you give

Yakima County 4-H the numeric proof we need to show our funders and higher-officials that our programs are greatly valued and needed. Officially donating (reporting) your hours also make you eligible for the Department of Labor and Industries medical aid program. Participation in the medical aid program allows an injured volunteer's medical expenses to be paid by the Department of Labor and Industries. **What qualifies as volunteer hours?** Anything and everything you do for 4-H! Teaching, planning, prepping, shopping, paperwork, training, driving, calling, mentoring, presenting, emailing, even reading this! If it's for 4-H, it counts!

<http://ext.wsu.edu/Volunteers/logon.aspx>.

Before you can log your hours, your account will need to be activated into the Volunteer Reporting System. Bonnie 574-1600 set up your new account or if you are having problems logging into the volunteer reporting site.

You can change your Volunteer Hours Database Username. If you do, please let the Extension office know your new username ID, it will need to be changed in the 4-H online enrollment by the Extension staff.

TEEN NEWS

TEEN LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

June 29 – July 1, Lazy-F Camp, Ellensburg, WA

The Teen Leadership Summit gives 6-10th graders the opportunity to develop leadership skills including goal setting, meeting facilitation, communication, planning and leading activities, youth/adult partnerships, cultural awareness, time management, and public speaking.

Registration is through 4-Online. Teen Summit Registration closes May 25. Teen Summit checks are due in the County Extension office on June 1. Watch the registration video on how to enroll through 4-Online is available on the Teen Leadership Summit webpage: <http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/youth/teen-leadership-summit/>

Contact your State Ambassadors with questions, wa4hsa@gmail.com.

NEWS YOU CAN USE

VOLUNTEER TO HOST AN INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE DELEGATE

Washington 4-H International Exchange is hosting youth delegates from Costa Rica, Japan, and South Korea this summer. We're looking for families that would like to gain a global perspective by sharing their home with an international delegate. The host family commitment is **July 22 – August 17** for Japan and South Korea delegates, **June 26 – July 21** for Costa Rica delegates. No special activities are required or expected during the homestay, just a real Washington family experience for all.

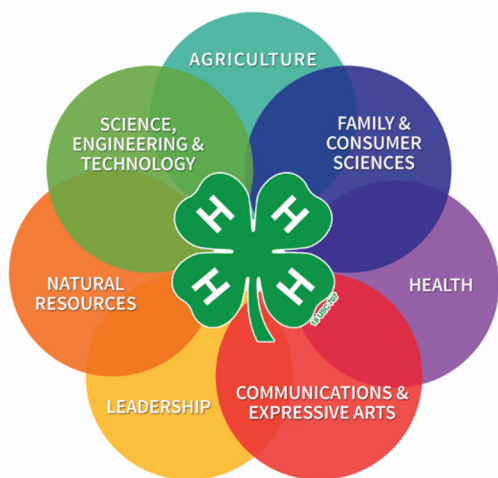
These are great kids from families much like yours. They're excited to make friends, learn about Washington, practice their English, and be a part of your family for 4 weeks this summer.

Visit the website the for the delegate lists and some answers for host family questions.

<http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/youth/global-4-h/international-exchanges/>

Now is the time to submit your family summer hosting application. Host families should have a designated host sibling who would be the same gender and within 3-4 years of the international delegate's age. Screening for new host families includes 4-H background checks for all family members over 18 who will be in the home during the exchange period, and a home visit.

If you have questions call Dianna Ullery (360) 867-2153), dianna.ullery@wsu.edu. You can apply to be a Host Family at www.states4hexchange.org



Yakima County

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EXTENSION

“WSU Yakima County Extension empowers our families, communities, and local partners through a network of educators and volunteers to provide research-based outreach and creative solutions to enhance agricultural productivity, environmental stewardship, and quality of life.”

Alison White

Regional Specialist, 4-H Youth Development

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Bonnie Abercrombie

Program Specialist, 4-H Office Support

DATES TO REMEMBER

APRIL 2018

April 1- May 15, Raise Your Hand for 4-H, www.4-h.org/RaiseYourHand

1	4-H State Hippology Contest Registration deadline	Kim Lobb kmlobb@gmail.com , 425-737-7535
6	6:30 PM, 4-H Goat Workshop, Extension Office Conference Room, 2403 S 18 th Street, Union Gap	574-1600
6	1:00 PM – 6:00 PM, Open House at Community Center, Sunnyside	Jenny Loyd 574-1600
7	9:00 AM, CWJLS Lamb Shearing Day, Toppenish Showgrounds, Call to schedule appt.	David Funk 570-2947
7	Lower Valley Poster Contest, bring to public presentation day, March 31 or turn in by April 7	Robin Scott 839-4937
7	Taking Care of Our Earth, Springtime Youth Fun, Master Gardner Greenhouse, 1522 S 18 th Ave, Yakima, http://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/home-garden/master-gardeners/master-gardener-events/#youth	
9	6:00 PM, Equine Webinar Series, https://nebraskaextension.zoom.us/meeting/register/ed40d0bfc29bc113dc2040ba88984b7b	
10	Central Valley Poster Contest, Contact Barbara Harrer to drop off posters.	Barbara Harrer 848-2883
10	CWJLS FINAL ENTRY Deadline , Show Office, Toppenish Showgrounds	Ken Stroud 877-5776, Peggy Cuillier 877-6332
12	7:00 PM, MANDATORY Meeting for West Valley Fair Exhibitors, Fair Meeting, Blue Barn	Greg Boisselle 941-8720
14	8:00 AM-12:00 PM, Yakima Valley Fair & Rodeo Beef Weigh in, Grandview Fairgrounds	http://yvfair-rodeo.org/
14	9:00 AM, West Valley Fair Workdays, West Valley Fairgrounds, Wiley City	Greg Boisselle 941-8720
14	Pre-Entry Due, Equi-Fair Schooling Show	Kim Lansing 339-0247
15	Fashion Revue and Talent Show Entries Due to Extension Office	Bonnie Abercrombie 574-1600
15	Report March's Volunteer Hours http://ext.wsu.edu/Volunteers/logon.aspx	
16	County Poster Contest, drop off at the Extension before April 16, or deliver to Diane	Diane Jones 833-3175
16	6:30 PM, YVF&R Meeting, Grandview Livestock Building, 812 Wallace Way, Grandview	Yvonne Graham 305-1871
19	7:00 PM, CWJLS Meeting, Show Office, Toppenish Showgrounds	Ken Stroud 877-5776, Peggy Cuillier 877-6332
15-21	National Volunteer Week	https://ww2.pointsoflight.org/nvw
21	8:00 AM, Equi-Fair Schooling Show, Riverside Arena,	Kim Lansing 339-0247
21	9:00 AM, CWJLS Clean Up Day – Toppenish Showgrounds, 4-H, FFA, Parents help is needed	Ken Stroud 877-5776, Peggy Cuillier 877-6332
24	4:00-7:00 PM, Fashion Revue and modeling judging of garments, Extension Office	Ilene Bushnell 728-1693
27	6:30 PM, Fashion Revue, Fruitvale Grange	Ilene Bushnell 728-1693
27	6:30 PM, County Talent Show, Following Fashion Revue, Fruitvale Grange, 2908 Castlevale Rd., Yakima	
28	Pre-Entry due for, Sagebrush Riders Horse Show	Heather Duffield 945-4915

April 2018, Continued

28	Pistol & Rifle Disciplines, 4-H Shooting Sports Training, Waitsburg Gun Club, Waitsburg	Melanie Owens 5242685
28-29	April Fools Boer Goat Weekend Show, State Fair Park, Yakima, cbgashow@gmail.com	Patti Butler 388-6565
Apr 29- May 2	Central Washington Junior Livestock Show, Toppenish Showgrounds, Exhibitor record books due at office between 11:AM-3:00 PM.	Ken Stroud 877-5776, Peggy Cuillier 877-6332

MAY 2018

Apr 29- May 2	Central Washington Junior Livestock Show, Toppenish Showgrounds, Exhibitor record books due at office between 11:AM-3:00 PM.	Ken Stroud 877-5776, Peggy Cuillier 877-6332
1	West Valley Fair Club Pre-entries due	
	Upper Valley Public Presentations Contest, Contact Diane Jones to schedule your presentation	Diane Jones 833-3175
3	CWJLS After show clean-up. All help is needed from members, parents, leaders	
5	Central Valley Public Presentations, Contact Barbara to schedule appointment	Barbara Harrer 848-2883
5	8:00 AM, Sagebrush Riders 4H Horse Show, Hart Arena, 151 Ray Symmonds Rd., Yakima	Heather Duffield 945-4915
6-11	Level 2 Shooting Sports Training Workshop, Madrid, Iowa	Tonie Gwin tgwin@co.pacific.wa.us
10	7:00 PM WV Fair Meeting,	Greg Boisselle 941-8720
11	4:00 PM – 8:00 PM, County Public Presentations, WSU Extension Conference Room	Bonnie Abercrombie 574-1600
12	9:00 AM, West Valley Fair Workdays, West Valley Fairgrounds, Wiley City	Greg Boisselle 941-8720
14	6:00 PM, Equine Webinar Series, https://nebraskaextension.zoom.us/meeting/register/ed40d0bfc29bc113dc2040ba88984b7b	
15	Report April's Volunteer Hours	http://ext.wsu.edu/Volunteers/logon.aspx
28	Extension Office Closed, Memorial Day Observed	
17	7:00 PM, CWJLS Meeting, Show Office, Toppenish Showgrounds	Ken Stroud 877-5776, Peggy Cuillier 877-6332
21	6:30 PM, YVF&R Meeting, Grandview Livestock Building, 812 Wallace Way, Grandview	Yvonne Graham 305-1871
26	Western Games Qualifier, more information to come later	Angela Faulkner

JUNE 2018

1	West Valley Fair Cat, Critter and Livestock Show Entries Due	
1	Yakima Valley Fair & Rodeo Registration deadline- MUST be entered by this date to show at Grandview Fair	
2	8:00 AM-12:00 PM, Yakima Valley Fair & Rodeo Beef Weigh in, Grandview Fairgrounds	http://yvfair-rodeo.org/
11	6:00 PM, Equine Webinar Series, https://nebraskaextension.zoom.us/meeting/register/ed40d0bfc29bc113dc2040ba88984b7b	
14	7:00 PM WV Fair Meeting, Blue Barn, West Valley Fairgrounds, Wiley City	Greg Boisselle 941-8720
15	Report May's Volunteer Hours	http://ext.wsu.edu/Volunteers/logon.aspx
16	Western Games Qualifier, more information to come later	Angela Faulkner
17-23	4-H Horse Camp, Panhandle Lake 4-H Camp, Shelton, WA, http://extension.wsu.edu/mason/2018/01/4-h-horse-camp/ Kathy Fuller 360-427-9670, Ext 681	
18	6:30 PM, YVF&R Meeting, Grandview Livestock Building, 812 Wallace Way, Grandview	Yvonne Graham 305-1871
23	9:00 AM, West Valley Fair Workdays, West Valley Fairgrounds, Wiley City	Greg Boisselle 941-8720
6/29- 7/1	Teen Leadership Summit, Lazy-F Camp, Ellensburg, WA http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/youth/teen-leadership-summit/	

JULY 2018

1	Yakima Valley Fair & Rodeo Small Animal registration deadline. Register on line http://yvfair-rodeo.org/	
7	9:00 AM, West Valley Fair Workdays, West Valley Fairgrounds, Wiley City	Greg Boisselle 941-8720
7	West Valley Fair Dog Show Entries Due	https://www.facebook.com/WestValleyFair/
9	6:00 PM, Equine Webinar Series, https://nebraskaextension.zoom.us/meeting/register/ed40d0bfc29bc113dc2040ba88984b7b	
12	7:00 PM WV Fair Meeting, Blue Barn, West Valley Fairgrounds, Wiley City	Greg Boisselle 941-8720
4	Extension Office Closed, Independence Day Observed	
14	WV Fair Blue Barn Entries – Family & Consumer Science, Blue Barn Entries taken	Diane Jones 833-3175
14	West Valley Dog Show, West Valley Fairgrounds	Becky Johnson 509-697-3889
14	West Valley Fair Horse Show	https://www.facebook.com/WestValleyFair/
16	6:30 PM, YVF&R Meeting, Grandview Livestock Building, 812 Wallace Way, Grandview	Yvonne Graham 305-1871
15	Report June's Volunteer Hours	http://ext.wsu.edu/Volunteers/logon.aspx
19-21	West Valley Fair, West Valley Fairgrounds, Wiley City,	https://www.facebook.com/WestValleyFair/
21	Western Games Qualifier, more information to come later	Angela Faulkner

AUGUST 2018

8	Possible YVF & Rodeo Gaming Show, More information to come later	
8-12	Yakima Valley Fair & Rodeo, Grandview Fairgrounds	http://yvfair-rodeo.org/
9	7:00 PM WV Fair Meeting,	Greg Boisselle 941-8720
10-12	WSJHS, More information to come later	
13	6:00 PM, Equine Webinar Series, https://nebraskaextension.zoom.us/meeting/register/ed40d0bfc29bc113dc2040ba88984b7b	
15	Report July's Volunteer Hours	http://ext.wsu.edu/Volunteers/logon.aspx
19	6:30 PM, YVF&R Meeting, Grandview Livestock Building, 812 Wallace Way, Grandview	Yvonne Graham 305-1871
25	Western Games Qualifier, more information to come later	Angela Faulkner

SEPTEMBER 2018

3	Extension Office Closed, Labor Day Observed	
10	6:00 PM, Equine Webinar Series, https://nebraskaextension.zoom.us/meeting/register/ed40d0bfc29bc113dc2040ba88984b7b	
13	7:00 PM WV Fair Meeting,	Greg Boisselle 941-8720
17	6:30 PM, YVF&R Meeting, Grandview Livestock Building, 812 Wallace Way, Grandview	Yvonne Graham 305-1871

OCTOBER 2018

11	7:00 PM WV Fair Meeting,	Greg Boisselle 941-8720
15	6:30 PM, YVF&R Meeting, Grandview Livestock Building, 812 Wallace Way, Grandview	Yvonne Graham 305-1871

NOVEMBER 2018

10	7:00 PM WV Fair Meeting,	Greg Boisselle 941-8720
12	Extension Office Closed, Veterans Day Observed	
19	6:30 PM, YVF&R Meeting, Grandview Livestock Building, 812 Wallace Way, Grandview	Yvonne Graham 305-1871
22-23	Extension Office Closed, Thanksgiving Day Observed	

DECEMBER 2018

13	WV Fair Meeting, No Meeting held in December	Greg Boisselle 941-8720
19	6:30 PM, YVF&R Meeting, Grandview Livestock Building, 812 Wallace Way, Grandview	Yvonne Graham 305-1871
25	Extension Office Closed, Christmas Day Observed	