



Pierce County 4-H Clover Report

JUNE, 2023



CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2023

Congratulations to the soon-to-be graduating high school seniors of the Class of 2023. The Pierce County 4-H Council believes in the 4-H Program and the life skills it develops: Leadership, teamwork, communication skills, goal setting, service learning, management, initiative, self-discipline, and decision making. We are happy to acknowledge those youth who have worked with 4-H, and we believe in their future. The Pierce County 4-H Leaders Council offers scholarships from \$250 to \$750 to selected 4-H high school senior members bound for post-high school education. The scholarship application can be found at

<https://extension.wsu.edu/pierce/join-4-h/grants-scholarships/>

in both MS Word and fillable PDF. Applications MUST be received by our office on or before June 16th along with all required documentation. Interviews with the scholarship committee will be scheduled through 4Honline in the following two weeks. Scholarships will be presented at the Pierce County Fair.

In 2024, the Pierce County 4-H Leaders Council scholarship program will align with the Washington State 4-H scholarship timeline. Applications will be due in March, which will allow recipients to be recognized before the end of the school year.

LOOKING FOR ADULTS TO WORK WITH YOUTH AT BOTH ENDS OF OUR AGE RANGE

Are you good working with teens or five- to seven-year-olds? If this is not you but you know someone that would be great, let the 4-H Office know their contact information and we will contact them directly. These do not need to be currently approve volunteers, but they need to be willing to become certified 4-H volunteers.

We are looking for volunteers to help advise the Teen Leaders program. This position is mentoring teen leaders to build a program that includes teens from around Pierce County. This program is not meant to replace their primary club, but add an additional opportunity for leadership development, socialize with other teens, and give back to the community.

The second position is working with Cloverbuds. This position would help to plan a program for Cloverbuds and their parents. This person will work with Cloverbud parents to plan and run activities. We are looking at both in-person and zoom programs to supplement what they are working on in their clubs.

JUNE CALENDAR

- 1st, Fair Entry Opens for Fair
- 1st, Horse Board Meeting
- 3rd, Dog Qualifying Show
- 5th, Dog Leaders Meeting
- 10-11th, Horse Qualifying Show
- 13th, Fair Board Meeting
- 15th, Leaders Council Meeting
- 17th, Poster Laminating
- 22nd, Monthly Program Zoom 7 pm

JULY CALENDAR

- 4th, Independence Day
- 6th, Poster Laminating
- 8th-9th, Horse Qualifying Show and poster turn in
- 10th, Dog Leaders Meeting
- 11th, Fair Board Meeting
- 12th, Horse Board Meeting
- 12th, Posters due in Fair Entry
- 13th, Poster turn in 9-6
- 17th, Poster Judging
- 18th, Fair Superintendents Meeting
- 19th, Horse Leaders Meeting
- 20th, Leaders Council Meeting
- 20th, Animal/Kitchen Activities Entries Due
- 25th, Fair Board Meeting

Extension programs and employment are available to all without discrimination. Evidence of noncompliance may be reported through your local Extension office. Anyone attending a program that requires auxiliary aids or services should contact Brian Brandt at 253-798-3250 or bbrandt@wsu.edu at least two weeks prior to any event.



USE OF COUNTY FACILITIES FOR CLUB/PROJECT MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Pierce County 4-H now has access to Pierce County facilities for 4-H Club and project meetings and activities. The following facilities are available on a preregistered space available basis. E-mail [Brian Brandt](mailto:brian.brandt@pc4h.org) with your meeting/event purpose, dates, time, and facility requested.

Frontier Park
Horse Arena and Barns 1 & 2
Dog Barn and Dog Arena
Rabbit Barn

Lakewood Community Center, 9112 Lakewood Dr SW
Room 203

PIERCE COUNTY LEADERS COUNCIL SMALL ANIMAL FUN'RAISER

Get practice showing your animals for the upcoming Fair season. The Pierce County Leaders Council invites all youth to an open Cavy, Rabbit, and Poultry show on June 10, 2023 at Frontier Park, 21606 Meridian E, Graham, WA 98338. The show will take place in the Rabbit Barn at the back of the park near the large parking lot.

Rabbits and Cavies will begin at 9:00 a.m. with Poultry following at 11:00 a.m. The show will include showmanship and judging. The fee is \$10 per animal payable at the door. The funds generated by the Fun'Raiser go toward grants and scholarships for Pierce County 4-H Members.

POSTER LAMINATING

This year there will be two opportunities for members to laminate their posters for FREE. The first will be at the 4-H Office, 3602 Pacific Avenue, on June 17th from 10 am to 2 pm. The second will be at the Pierce County Fair Office at Frontier Park in Graham on July 6th from 6 pm to 8 pm. Help preserve your poster and keep it looking good at the Fair by laminating your poster for free.

EXCHANGE FAMILIES NEEDED

Washington State 4-H Exchange program is looking for a few more families to serve as host families for Japanese youth. The program goes from mid-July to mid-August and does not require any special planning.

For more information go to the [Exchange website](https://extension.wsu.edu/4h/youth/global-4-h/international-exchanges/)

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or contact [Carolyn Russo](mailto:carolyn.russo@wsu.edu) carolyn.russo@wsu.edu





S.T.E.M OPPORTUNITIES AT FAIR

4-H members enrolled in a S.T.E.M. related project have a challenge to meet at the Pierce County Fair to show that you have mastery of your project.

There are multiple opportunities for showing your S.T.E.M. skills

- Enter individual exhibits that you have created this year in the S.T.E.M. Department.
- Take on the S.T.E.M. Showcase in the S.T.E.M. Events Department. The S.T.E.M. Showcase which involves an interactive STEM skills presentation of at least 20 minutes as an individual or as a group. Exhibitors also need to design at least one handout for the general public.
- The S.T.E.M. Challenge is a set of four different challenges including 3-D Printing, Stop Motion Photography, Squishy Circuits, and 3Doodlers. Exhibitors can try one or more of the challenges. There will be a set time limit for the completion of each project determined by the judge prior to starting.

Check out pages 10-15 for the S.T.E.M. Department and Page 16 for the S.T.E.M. Events Department in the

[4-H Activities Exhibitor Guide](#)

VIRTUAL HERDSMANSHIP

A good way to share your personal 4-H story is to enter the Virtual Herdsmanship class offered in all animal departments. If your entry is complete, it will earn you 10 premium points. You can only enter once per department.

Upload a photo of you with your animal and a word or PDF document with the following information:

- Introduction with first name, club name, and years in 4-H
- A little about your animal
- A little about your experience in 4-H

ACCOMMODATION DOCUMENT

If 4-H members have documented physical, emotional, or mental issue, the family can submit a request for reasonable accommodation. The request must be on the [current form](#). Once the accommodation is approved you will receive a letter that will inform the superintendent and judges of the accommodation needs. If you have received an accommodation in the past, check to see if it is up to date. If it is not up to date submit a new form to receive an updated letter.





Rabbit, Cavies and Poultry Pierce County 4-H Fun'Raiser Event



June 10th 2023

Frontier Park

21606 Meridian E, Graham, WA 98338

Rabbit Barn

\$10 per animal



Rabbits & Cavies

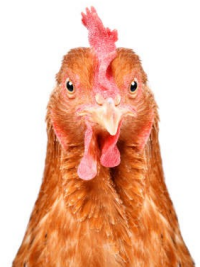
Showmanship 9 AM

Judging Practice/Clinic to Follow

Poultry

Showmanship 11 AM

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PIERCE COUNTY 4-H

HORSE JUDGING BUCKLE SERIES

- JUNE 17TH AND JULY 15TH
- ALL HELD AT PIERCE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
- ***10 AM START TIME***
- ***SIGN IN STARTS AT 9 AM***

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! EVENT WILL START WITH A JUDGING WORKSHOP. BRING WRITING UTENSIL, CLIPBOARD, PAPER, 4-H HORSE JUDGING GUIDE AND WILLINGNESS TO LEARN. MUST ATTEND 2 OUT OF THE 3 TO QUALIFY FOR THE BUCKLE AWARDS. INDIVIDUAL PRIZES WILL ALSO BE GIVEN. THE STATE FAIR JUDGING TEAMS WILL BE SELECTED FROM THIS SERIES ALSO. JUNIORS ARE NOW ABLE TO MAKE THE STATE JUDGING TEAM.