



Pierce County 4-H

Clover Report

November, 2023



2023 TEEN RALLY

The 2023 Teen Rally will take place on December 9th with an optional sleep over to December 10th. Registration will open at 10:00 pm on Saturday, October 28th, in 4HOnline and close on Friday, December 1st. Attendance is limited to the first 68 youth from King, Kitsap, Pierce, and Thurston Counties. The fee for the Teen Rally is \$45 and will be invoiced through PayPal after registration is approved.

Teen Rally will be held at the WSU Puyallup Research and Extension Center, 2606 W Pioneer Way, Puyallup. Registration will be 9:30-10:00 am in Allmendinger Hall. There will be three 90-minute sessions of workshops, team building activities, a surprise group activity and more. Saturday night there will be opportunities to watch movies, play board games or just hang out with other 4-H Teens. There will be a group wrap up session on Sunday for those who stay the night.

ENROLLMENT

The incentive patches for youth and adults enrolling for the 23/24 program year are going fast. There are only a little over 100 patches left. Open Enrollment is open until April 30th, but youth and adults must not be going to multiple meetings until their enrollment has been approved. Families are able to add and change projects in their profiles until April 30th, club changes and project changes after April 30th must be done by the 4-H Office. Waivers are available for those needing financial assistance by e-mailing mike.seiber@wsu.edu.

YEAR END PAPERWORK

Clubs have until December 1st to turn in their year end paperwork. This includes the following. If you need copies of the forms, contact the 4-H Office.

- 4-H Club Chartering Documentation
- Annual Financial Summary
- Property Inventory
- Request to Maintain Excess Funds
- Bank Signature Card (if signers changed this year)
- Graduate Survey

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

- 4th Fair Board Retreat
- 6th Dog Leaders Mtg
- 10th Veterans' Day (Observed)
- 16th Leaders Council Mtg
- 18th Info Fair at Office
- 23rd Thanksgiving
- 24th Thanksgiving Holiday
- 30th 4-H Program Zoom

DECEMBER CALENDAR

- 1st Year End Paperwork Due
- 4th Dog Leaders Mtg
- 9 - 10th Teen Rally
- 11th Fair Board Mtg
- 25th Christmas Day
- 26th Christmas Holiday
- 25-29th Office Closed

JANUARY CALENDAR

- 1st New Years Day
- 8th Dog Leaders Mtg
- 9th Fair Board Mtg
- 11th Horse Board Mtg
- 15th M.L. King Holiday
- 17th Horse Leaders Mtg
- 18th Leaders Council Mtg
- 25th Program Zoom
- 27th Super Saturday

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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.



INFO FAIR

The final Information Fair will take place on November 18th at the 4-H Office, 3602 Pacific Avenue in Tacoma. The Info Fair will be 10:00am to 2:00 pm. All clubs are invited to set up a table to tell about their club to prospective members and future leaders. Small animals are allowed at club tables. Please RSVP to the 4-H Office if you will be attending.

KNOW YOUR GOVERNMENT—TEEN CONFERENCE

IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

KNOW YOUR GOVERNMENT CONFERENCE
FEBRUARY 17-19, 2024 Olympia WA

Conference for teens 14-18 years old

Participants will explore political parties and the nomination process. During pre-conference orientation, participants will learn about different political parties, the nomination process, the development of resolutions that support planks that make up a party platform, and how to use parliamentary procedure when conducting a meeting. At the conference in February, delegates will nominate a KYG party candidate and finalize a KYG party platform to share with legislators at the Legislative Dinner on the final evening of the conference.

Pre conference orientation dates - TBD

Registration open from Mid December - Mid January 2024

SUPER SATURDAY

Save January 27th on your calendar for the 2024 Super Saturday. We are in the process of building the program and are looking for instructors to lead one of the over 50 workshops held on this day. The Workshop Proposal is attached to this newsletter.

PIERCE COUNTY VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

Pierce County Government holds an annual volunteer banquet to honor and recognize volunteers who have given generously of their time, talent, and expertise to Pierce County Government. While all volunteers are special, some are outstanding and deserve special recognition. 4-H Volunteers are eligible for this recognition as WSU Extension falls under Pierce County Human Services.

Who is eligible?

Any person or group actively involved in volunteer efforts that directly benefited any Pierce County government department.

Volunteers may be members of boards, commissions, task forces, interns, 4-H leaders, or individuals who assisted with research, clerical duties, special projects, etc.

Person or group who was active in County Government sometime in the past 12 months.

Person or group who did **not** receive wages for volunteer service and reported directly to a county department or staff member.

How do I nominate someone?

Complete one form for each nominee or group. Any individual or group may nominate one or more volunteer or group; however, be sure to specify why each individual or group being nominated is special and unique.

All questions must be answered completely on the nomination form. Failure to do so may disqualify your nomination. Nominations are due by January 7, 2024. The Volunteer Recognition Event is on Saturday, March 16, 2024.



GIVEPULSE

According to WSU Policy, all 4-H leaders **must** enter their volunteer hours into the GivePulse system at least quarterly. By entering your volunteer hours, you are covered by WSU liability and Washington State L & I Insurance. If hours are not entered consistently, the State does not see you as an active volunteer in the program and may not cover you with insurance if there is an accident or incident.

CLOVERBUDS / TEEN LEADER VOLUNTEERS

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.

ANIMALS

Beat the rush and enter or recertify the animals you are using for your 4-H projects. All animals used at the Pierce County Fair must be entered into 4HOnline. Animals need to be recertified each year. You can also add back-up animals to be used if there is a problem with your primary animals.

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Be a part of an international program that brings youth from Asia to learn about the typical American family. Most of the youth will be 13-15 years of age and a host family needs to have a youth within 3 years of the Asian youth. The exchange youth must be provided with their own bed but does not need their own room. Families do have the chance to see the exchange youth's interests before committing to a specific youth delegate. Families do not need to plan special activities for the youth, but it does make the visit more enjoyable for both the family and the exchange youth. Your family will also have the chance to learn a little about the delegates county. Last year there were youth from Japan and South Korea.





Call for Workshop Proposals 2024 Pierce and King County Super Saturday January 27, 2024

4-H of Pierce King Counties is seeking workshop proposals for its 2024 Super Saturday. This event brings together many youth and adult volunteers from 4-H of Pierce and King Counties and our communities, to learn, share, and have fun. Our objective is to promote the Essential Elements of 4-H:

1. Belonging – providing an inclusive, safe environment with caring adults for youth to “Learn by Doing.”
2. Generosity – valuing and practicing service for others.
3. Independence – developing skills and confidence for self-discipline and leadership now and in the future. Linking greater power and influence with responsibility for decisions made and actions taken.
4. Mastery – building knowledge, skills, attitudes, and relationships through experiences over time, thus “Making the Best Better.”

Super Saturday Overview

Pierce and King Counties Super Saturday is an event that brings together more than 130 youth and adult volunteers from 4-H of Pierce King Counties and our communities, to learn, share, and have fun. Each class is 50 minutes long, with three classes in the morning and then two after a lunch break. Our goal is to provide workshops which will educate, empower, and enlighten our youth and leaders. We think that your particular expertise will contribute to a valuable learning experience.

This year we would like to include (for members and leaders) a series of **The Basics of Judging/Judging Contests** (how to judge and how to prepare to be judged), **How to Run a Club Meeting, and Leadership Development & Team Building**. Additional class suggestions and ideas are welcome!

We invite you to join us for a fun-filled day with friendship, sharing, and learning!

General Information

- Handouts are the responsibility of the presenter.
- Pierce County 4-H can furnish easels, newsprint, and markers. *Please check with the 4-H office for additional equipment.
- If materials for class are needed, PC Leaders' Council will reimburse the presenter up to \$35.00 for each class, with receipts, on the day of Super Saturday. (No additional fees will be collected from class participants.) (No reimbursements will be made after January 31, 2024)
- Lunch will be provided to presenters (and one co-presenter).
- Presenters (and one co-presenter) may take classes free of charge.

All workshop proposals must be postmarked or e-mailed by December 8, 2023

Submission by e-mail is preferred to: mike.seiber@wsu.edu

Mailing Address: 3602 Pacific Avenue, Suite 200, Tacoma WA 98418

2024 Super Saturday Workshop Proposal

Workshop Title: _____ Class Number (Staff Only) _____

Primary Presenter Name: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail: _____ Club/Group _____

Co-Presenter(s) _____

Please select all that apply to you: ___ Volunteer ___ Youth ___ Faculty/Staff ___ First-time Presenter

While helpful to all, I'm targeting this audience in my/our workshop (check all that apply)

Age Group: ___ 5-7 years old ___ 8-10 years old ___ 11-13 years old ___ 14-18 years old ___ Adult

Please explain what the participants will learn (Limit to 50 words or less)

Workshop description as you would like it to appear in the printed program (Limit to 50 words or less)

Presentation Format: ___ Interactive ___ Small Group Activity ___ Game
___ Discussion ___ Audio-visual ___ Panel

How would you describe this workshop? ___ Training/Serious ___ Project Related ___ General Interest

Does this workshop need open space for movement? ___ Yes ___ No

Does this workshop require a non-carpeted floor ___ Yes ___ No

Do you want a Participant Limit (Workshops are capped at 25 unless limited): Limit 25 or _____

Are you willing to teach this Workshop more than one session? ___ Yes ___ No

Equipment/Supplies Needed: Most classrooms have whiteboards and some have video projectors

___ Projector ___ Computer ___ Flipchart ___ Markers ___ Scissors Other _____

Special Request: _____

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