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LATAH COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

"To Make the Best Better"

LATAH COUNTY 4-H OFFICE

Happy Holidays! I hope you all enjoyed Thanksgiving with loved ones last week. I will be travelling Nov 29-Dec 5 to see family, but Ember and Zoey are excellent resources while I am away. The office will be intermittently staffed Dec 25 through Jan 1 to celebrate Christmas.

-Jessie Van Buren

2023-2024 ENROLLMENT

Latah County enrollment for the new 4-H year in ZSuite is open. If you already have a ZSuite account, please do not create a new account. Enrollment will happen through your existing family account.

Enrollment is not considered COMPLETE until your dues are paid via check, cash, or credit card over the phone:

General Members: \$25 Horse Members: \$30

Leaders: \$5 Family Cap (3+ members): \$75

New this year: Latah County 4-H enrollment (ZSuite submitted & dues paid) will be due March 31 in order to have a project at the Latah County Fair.

Coming soon: Latah County will soon have an online payment platform! A link to pay dues online will be sent out when it becomes available and will be provided in ZSuite.

CHECK PICKUP/THANK YOUS

Checks for 4-H youth are at the Extension Office. Checks will only be given to exhibitors/parents once all thank you cards (buyer and add-on supporters) have been verified. The Extension office will be checking to make sure every supporter on the exhibitor's list from LMAS is completed and turned in.

Checks for FFA students are with their advisor. The advisors also have a copy of the thank you lists to verify cards have been completed. FFA exhibitors' thank you cards can be verified at the Extension Office, but checks will still be with their advisor.

DONATIONS NEEDED

Joe Stanley is planning a computer science workshop for this spring that will include dissecting computers, so we are needing donations of old computers (working or not)! Thank you in advance!



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Teen Opportunities

4-H COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

College scholarships for the 2023-2024 school year are available for 4-H youth who plan to attend post-secondary institutions in Idaho. For information on the scholarships available and how to apply: https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/4h/programs/scholarships.

Applications are due by December 15. Please plan ahead and apply early. If you have questions, please contact the UI 4-H Office at 208-885-7700 or fourh@uidaho.edu.



Teen Opportunities

Idaho 4HH

Know Your Comennment Container eace

February 17-19, 2024

Boise, Idaho

Youth Experience

Open to youth in grades 8 to 10 (2 years total unless selected to serve on the Steering Committee)

Participants in the Legislative Workshop learn about the state government decision making process by participating in mock committee meetings with guidance from legislators at the Capitol then participating in a mock legislative session.

Participants in the Judicial Workshop learn about the Idaho court system, how laws affect teenagers and participate in mock trials held at the Ada County Courthouse. They take tours of the Supreme court building and visit with judges and attorneys.

Learn how the state government decision making process works.

Learn how teens can participate politically to influence state government.

Action to improve communities requires knowledge of government and how it works. Join 4-H'ers from across the state to see our government in action.





Mission

 Provide 4-H members an opportunity to become knowledgeable about the decision-making process in their communities and state. This strengthens the connection between youth and our political system

Get Involved

For more information about the Know Your Government Conference:

- REGISTER and learn more at the KYG Conference website.
 https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/4h/events/know-your-government
- Delegates that have attended two years and are currently in the 9th or 10th grade can apply to become members of the Know Your Government Steering Committee. The following positions (the numbers indicate number of positions needed) are selected each year:
 - Legislators (6)
 - a Judges (6)
 - a Reporters (8)
 - Chief Justice (1)
 - Speaker of the House (1)
 - Social Media/Video Producer (1)
 - News Editor (1)

Mike Knutz Conference Chair 208-736-3608 mknutz@uidaho.edu

REGISTER STARTING DEC. 5



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Event Information



JANUARY 6 • DEER PARK HIGH SCHOOL

9 A.M. - 2 P.M.

\$5 EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION // \$10 AT THE DOOR

EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS

Feed & Nutrition with Cara Shepherd Livestock Sessions with Breeders Oral Reasons with an Expert FARM I.D. QUIZ & SKILLATHON

3 - 7:30 P.M.

Battle of the Blue Contest Evening

FFA Creed, 4-H Demos, Prepared Speaking, Mock Interview \$5/Entry per contest • Ages 9-19 Must Register by January 1.

Use QR Code to register, all fees are non-refundable Questions? Call or text Alvx at 509-951-4213

Mark your calendars for this year's UI/WSU Youth **Livestock Field Days!**

- March 9 Beef
- March 23 Swine
- April 6 Sheep/Goat

These are open to all 4-H & FFA youth/adults in the region! Registration information coming soon!







CLOVERBUD ACTIVITY SERIES

Mark your calendars for 2023-2024 dates!

Wednesday, November 8, 2023

Wednesday, February 7, 2024

Wednesday, May 8, 2024

5:30pm-7:30pm, Latah County Fairgrounds

Leaders and teens in the county will offer three activities for Cloverbud youth that are tailored to the season (fall, winter, spring). Siblings are more than welcome to participate! Dinner for the participants and volunteers will be provided!

Cloverbuds is designed for younger 4-H members ages 5-7. It is focused on noncompetitive, cooperative learning. Cloverbuds can exhibit a small animal (rabbit, poultry, cavy, pet goat) or a static exhibit. Activities completed during this series can be submitted as a static exhibit.

2023-2024 4-H Dates to Remember

December 15	Online	Scholarship Appli ons DUE (State)	
December 17		Beef - Cow Crazy Christmas (County)	
Dec 29—Jan1	Rathdrum, Idaho	Northern Teen Retreat (District)	
January 17	Latah County Fairgrounds	Swine - Project 101 (County)	
January 17		Beef - Diseases (County)	
January 22	Latah County Fairgrounds	Leaders Mee ngs (County)	
February 7	Latah County Fairgrounds	Cloverbud y Night (County)	
February 17-19	Boise	Know Your Government (State)	
February 24	Lewiston High School	Super Saturday (Regional)	
February 25	Latah County Fairgrounds	Model Horse Show (County)	
February 26	Latah County Fairgrounds	Leader Training—ZSuite (County)	
March 9	Aso n County Fairgrounds	Beef Field Day (Regional)	
March 23	TBD	Swine Field Day (Regional)	
March 25	Latah County Fairgrounds	Leaders Mee ngs (County)	
March 31	Extension Office	Enrollment DUE (County)	
March 31	Jim Logan, Fairgrounds	Chip Gilliam Appli ons DUE (County)	
April 6	UI Campus, Moscow	Sheep/Goat Field Day (Regional)	
April 22	Latah County Fairgrounds	Leader Training (County)	
May 8	Latah County Fairgrounds	Cloverbud y Night (County)	

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on county events and other
regional opportunities!

