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LATAH COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

“To Make the Best Better”

LATAH COUNTY 4-H OFFICE

The month of November finds most of us transitioning toward the holidays. While the reality of this year may bring some changes to our plans in the coming weeks, remember to set some time aside to do something meaningful for you. If your plans involve traveling to see family or friends or having visitors come to you, be sure to plan ahead to make sure you are staying safe and healthy.

Our office is busy closing out the 2019-2020 4-H year, completing year-end reporting, and rolling out the new 4-H year. Thanks to those of you who have already enrolled, we are excited to see so many families returning!

This is a great time to start thinking about your 4-H goals for the year ahead. What new skills do you want to learn? What existing skills do you want to continue refining? If you have thought about getting involved in a new project, this is the time to ask questions, weigh your options, and decide what you want to prioritize. If you are a teen, don't forget about all the upcoming statewide event opportunities at your fingertips—Know Your Government, Ambassadors, and STAC are great ways to meet new friends and develop additional leadership skills!

We are excited about the new 4-H year and the new opportunities each year provides to you as 4-H members. On behalf of our team at Latah County Extension, Happy Thanksgiving!

Sara Fluor
 Associate Extension Educator
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COVID-19 & 4-H PROGRAM PROTOCOLS



NEW COVID RESTRICTIONS ON GATHERING SIZE

On October 26, Governor Brad Little signed a [statewide public health order](#) moving Idaho **back** into a **modified Stage 3** of the [Idaho Rebounds plan](#) as healthcare facilities throughout the state face alarming demand and capacity constraints due to increasing COVID-19 spread. This health order is in place until further notice from the Idaho Governor's office.

Impact to 4-H Under the New Stage 3 Order:

- Indoor gatherings are limited to **50 people or less.**
- Outdoor gatherings are limited to 25% capacity.
- Physical distancing requirements of 6' are in place for gatherings of all types. Continue following recommended protocols for minimizing transmission of the virus available at Rebound.Idaho.Gov. Wear a face covering, wash your hands regularly, have hand sanitizer available, cover coughs and sneezes, and please stay home if you are feeling unwell.
- Per the City of Moscow's emergency public health order, face coverings and physical distancing of 6' within Moscow city limits is required. If your club or project group meets in Moscow, please plan accordingly. If any clubs need a box of disposable masks, contact the Extension office and we will provide you with one.

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GENERAL 4-H NEWS

ANNUAL ENROLLMENT

October 1 marks the start of the 2020-2021 4-H year. You are not considered a 4-H member until you complete enrollment through 4-H Online. Mark your calendar each fall—enrollment is completed annually.

***SYSTEM UPDATE:** 4-H Online was updated to version 2.0 in October and can now be used on mobile devices, tablets, laptops and desktops. For best results, please use Google Chrome, Firefox or Safari as your internet browser.

- Go to <https://v2.4honline.com>
- Login to your 4-H Online account with your existing credentials. Do not create a new account if you are a returning member or leader.
- With the 2.0 upgrade, you may be asked to reset your password.
- Update your contact information.
- Update your project list! This helps us plan for fair each year. Be sure to add any new projects to your profile and drop any projects you are no longer doing.
- **ACTIVATE your enrollment by paying your dues via check, cash, or credit card over the phone:**

General Members: \$25

Horse Members: \$30

Leaders: \$5

Family Cap (3+ members): \$75

***Members are not covered by 4-H accident insurance until dues are paid!**

Need help? Visit <https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/4h/4honline/help> for step-by-step guides and a video tutorial.



4-H RESOURCES, DOCUMENTS & RECORDS

The new 4-H year is a great time to review all the resources available to 4-H families. Check out the UI Extension 4-H Youth Development website for more! <https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/4h/documents-records>

A few things to make note of on the above website:

- **Idaho 4-H Policies & Procedures**—the most current version is Oct. 1, 2020-Sept. 30, 2022. It is the responsibility of all members, leaders, and parents/guardians to follow these policies and procedures.
- **Idaho 4-H Project Requirements Handbook**—not sure what is required of your specific project? Use the project requirement handbook throughout the year to answer your questions!
- Club documents & resources—annual plan templates, financial summary forms, Parliamentary Procedure, officer handbooks, etc.
- Information for major statewide events such as STAC, KYG, Ambassadors, National 4-H Congress, and more!

HOW TO STAY UP TO DATE

- ✓ Check your email regularly. Email is the quickest and most efficient way to reach 4-H families. Not sure who to expect emails from?
 - 1) 4-H Online bulk email list serve
 - 2) UI Extension 4-H Educator, Sara Fluer
 - 3) Your 4-H club and project leaders
- ✓ Keep your project list up to date in 4-H Online. Much of our communication is project-based. If you haven't enrolled in a certain project, you will not receive updates from the Extension office and may miss information from your leader(s).
- ✓ Read the 4-H Newsletter. Find previous editions on our website: <https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/county/latah/4-h>
- ✓ Follow [Latah County 4-H](#) on Facebook.



LATAH COUNTY AWARDS

CANCELED—Due to the recent restrictions on gathering size statewide (see pg. 1), we have had to cancel the November 15 Latah County Awards Night, as we will be unable to hold an indoor event without exceeding the gathering capacity of 50.

Instead, we invite clubs to recognize and celebrate the outstanding accomplishments of their members at the club level. We encourage you to plan a date in November or December to celebrate the accomplishments of your club members together.

Club Organizational Leaders will receive a box containing:

- Year pins for all members who successfully completed a project(s).
- Any awards and certificates for recipients of county awards.
- Market animal record books will be returned.

The year-end award slideshow will be released county-wide on November 15 for viewing. Leaders are welcome to incorporate this presentation into their own club awards, if they so choose.

If you would like Extension to attend your club awards ceremony to assist with handing out awards, please contact Sara Fluer at sfluer@uidaho.edu ASAP.

Clubs, thank you for recognizing your member's accomplishments!

AMBASSADOR NEWS

Teens, take your leadership and 4-H promotion skills to the next level and become a 4-H Ambassador!

Idaho 4-H Ambassadors are youth leaders who promote 4-H using their skills, knowledge and leadership abilities.

They serve to strengthen the 4-H program through education, recruitment and public relations. District 4-H Ambassador Retreats are geared for younger teens (seventh grade or older).

The 2020 Idaho 4-H Ambassador Summit has been **postponed** to Nov. 12-14, 2021. The Ambassador Steering Committee is working hard to enhance the



quality of programs for the District Retreats.

Northern District Ambassador Retreat

- January 16-18, 2021—Sandpoint, ID
- Open to active, enrolled Idaho 4-H youth who are 13 years (as of Jan. 1) or have completed 6th grade.
- Cost: \$60
- Registration open in 4-H Online Nov. 9 - Dec. 21
- Theme: Health. 4-H Health is for healthy living and lifestyles. Learn more about social-emotional, mental, and physical healthy choices—all of which impact personal safety.

Please visit <https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/4h/events/ambassador-retreats> for more information on the District Retreats.

Latah County was represented by two Ambassadors in 2019, and we cannot wait for more teens to participate in this leadership opportunity!

4-H COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2020-2021



4-H College Scholarships are available for 4-H youth who plan to attend post-secondary institutions in Idaho. Please review the information on the scholarships available and how to apply by visiting our 4-H Scholarships page at <https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/4h/programs/scholarships>. Applications are due **December 15**.

Reminder: High School Senior FAFSA application for college opens October 1. Be sure to complete it as soon as possible as many schools use that information for awarding scholarships in early January. Contact your local High School Counselor for information.

If you have questions about 4-H college scholarships, please contact the UI Extension 4-H Youth Development office at 208-885-6321 or fourh@uidaho.edu.

LIVESTOCK NEWS

FAIR PHOTOS

Kai Eiselein Photography was on site during 2020 Livestock Weekend to take photos. Visit <https://www.palousesports.com/proofing> to order photos.

THANK YOU NOTES

Thanks to everyone who has already sent thank you notes to 2020 Livestock Weekend sponsors! If you still need to drop a thank you note in the mail, addresses are below:

Latah County Commissioners: Tom Lamar, Kathie LaFortune, Dave McGraw for clearing the way to make the weekend possible, when the public parts of the Fair had to be canceled.
PO Box 8068, Moscow, ID 83843

Cheetah Electric for sponsoring tickets for the haircut program, and for their cash awards drawing.
206 W Morton St, Moscow, ID 83843

Paradise Lodge #17 AF&AM, Potlatch Chapter #48 OES for sponsoring tickets for the haircut program.
PO Box 9052, Moscow, ID 83843

ReMax for sponsoring the swine show.
776 Indian Hills Dr, Moscow, ID 83843

Rosauers Supermarkets for the gift cards for Grand and Reserve winners.
411 N Main St, Moscow, ID 83843

PotlatchDeltic for sponsoring the beef show.
301 D Street Suite A, Lewiston, ID 83501

Bennett Lumber Products for donating the shavings.
PO Box 130, Princeton, ID 83857

Latah Sanitation for removing the used shavings.
401 N Jackson St., Moscow, ID 83843

Latah Market Animal Sale Sponsors

The McGregor Company
PO Box 740, Colfax, WA 99111

Washington Trust Bank
222 E Troy Rd, Moscow, ID 83843

Pape Machinery
1906 S Main St, Moscow, ID 83843

Moscow RV Center
1303 S Logan St, Moscow, ID 83843

Corrected Mailing Address!

Bear Creek Equipment
1235 Old Hwy 8, Deary, ID 83823

LEADER'S CORNER

Upcoming meetings for Horse Leaders, Livestock Leaders, & Leader's Council:

- **November 23, 2020**
- **January 25, 2021**
- **March 22, 2021**
- **May 24, 2021**
- **July 26, 2021**
- **September 27, 2021**

Meetings will be held at the Latah County Fairgrounds unless otherwise noted. Groups meet as follows:

- Horse Leaders—5:30 pm
- Livestock Leaders—6:00 pm
- Leaders Council—6:30 pm

LEADER TRAINING

Returning leaders, to maintain your certification for the 2020-2021 4-H year, you must:

- Enroll in the new 4-H year in 4-H Online.
- Complete the Protecting Minors Training— it can be done in 4-H Online during enrollment. It takes less than 20 minutes and automatically records the date completed.
- We recommend a minimum of 2 additional hours of continuing education related to 4-H, youth development, or your project area. Some ideas:
 - * CALS Speaker Series—[Temple Grandin](#) lecture. Found on UI website.
 - * [Stewards of Children](#)—offered through Gritman Medical Center. We will reimburse you the cost of the class if you provide proof of attendance.
 - * Super Saturday Leader Training in collaboration with Clearwater, Nez Perce, Idaho and Lewis Counties—TBA Spring 2021.
 - * Stay tuned for additional opportunities throughout the year!

4-H CALENDAR 2020-2021

NOVEMBER

- 1—Club Financial Audits Due
- 2—KYG Registration opens in 4-H Online
- 9—Registration opens in 4-H Online for Ambassador Retreat
- ~~15—County Awards Night~~ **CANCELED**
- 23—Leader's Council Meeting

DECEMBER

- 21—Registration closes for Ambassador Retreat

JANUARY

- 6—KYG Registration closes in 4-H Online
- 16-18—Northern District Ambassador Retreat
- 25—Leader's Council Meeting

FEBRUARY

- 13-15—Know Your Government Conference—Boise
- 21—Model Horse Show

MARCH

- 6—Horse Bowl
- 22—Leader's Council Meeting

APRIL

- TBA—Market Beef Tagging/Weigh-in

More 2021 dates to be released in the coming months. Stay tuned!

