

# The Lafayette Marquee

## 4-H Newsletter

October 2023



As the end of National 4-H Week closes for 2023 did you take time to reflect on all of the reasons why YOU Love 4-H? Why is 4-H an important program where you invest your time, talents, and energy? Why are your children involved in 4-H? Is it for the social aspect, the projects, the sense of belonging or relationship building that takes place? Is your family a first-generation 4-H family or has your family been apart of 4-H for generations? So many questions, so little time!

Food for thought, statistically: 4-H is an organization with worldwide prestige, alive and well in over 50 countries. Six million youth, nationwide, are learning how to be better humans in 4-H. The 4-H Thriving Model roots itself in the developmental context of research-based programming where the 4 major components are: SPARKS, Belonging, Relationships, and Engagement. The 4-H Thriving Model is the theory of change for positive youth development in 4-H where the research proves that high quality 4-H programs with, “youth who achieve positive developmental outcomes are more likely to also achieve long-term outcomes marked by vocational or academic success, civic engagement, employability and economic stability and happiness and well-being.” In short, 4-H = happier, more productive citizens.

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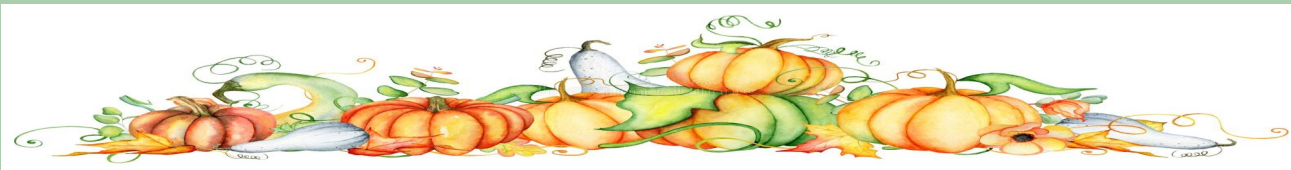
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# 4-H EVENTS

## Calendar of Events

- October 2023**
  - 01 American Spirit East Pre-Registration **OPENS**
  - 1-7 National 4-H Week
  - 14 FALL Cloverbud Fun Day w/Green County Extension
  - 19-21 FLOCKING TOGETHER ~ Small Ruminant Workshop—Arlington, WI
  - 20-22 YPCL (Youth as Partners in Civic Leadership) - Upham Woods, WI Dells
  - 21-22 Spur & Fur Fun Show—Lafayette County Fairgrounds
  
- November 2023**
  - 01 4-H Re-enrollment **CLOSES** for **CURRENT** members
  - 01 4-H Club & Group Charter Applications **DUE**
  - 01 WI 4-H Foundation CELEBRATE the ARTS Art Contest **OPENS**
  - 4-5 Fall Forum - Green Lake, WI
  - 15 Cedar Crest Ice Cream Flavor Naming Contest **CLOSES**
  - 15 American Spirit East Pre-Registration **CLOSES**
  - 15 Space Camp Registration **OPENS** (4HOnline)
  - 18-19 WI 4-H Arts Camp - Upham Woods, WI Dells (grades 6-8)
  - 24-28 National 4-H Congress - Atlanta, GA (grades 9-12)
  
- December 2023**
  - 1-31 4H Online Registration **OPENS** for Citizenship Washington Focus, Washington D.C.
  - 01 American Spirit East—Notifications sent to Participants
  
- January 2024**
  - 05 American Spirit East Payments **DUE**
  - 10 WI 4-H Foundation CELEBRATE the ARTS Art Contest **CLOSES**
  - 15 WI 4-H State Arts Teams (Drama Company & Arts Team) Registration **DUE**
  
- February 2024**
  - 02 4-H Enrollment **CLOSES** for **NEW** members
  
- March 2024**
  - 15-17 4-H ArtBEAT! Camp - Upham Woods, WI Dells (grades 3-5)
  
- April 2024**
  - 18-22 Space Camp - Huntsville, AL (grades 6-8)
  - 19-24 National 4-H Conference - Washington D.C. (grades 10-12)
  
- June 2024**
  - 14-23 American Spirit East Travel
  - 21-30 American Spirit East Travel



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## 4-H Pledge/FtFH

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### 4-H PLEDGE

I pledge my head to clearer thinking,  
My heart to greater loyalty,  
My hands to larger service,  
And my health to better living,  
For my club, my community, my country, and my



HEAD



HEART



HANDS



HEALTH

**Health** stands for healthy lifestyles, character, ethics, stress management and disease prevention. Our programming empowers youth to be healthy – body and mind – with the skills to make healthy decisions and lead healthy lifestyles. Having the confidence and skills to lead healthy lifestyles not only improves overall well-being; it enables youth to tackle life's challenges today and become leaders in their lives, careers and communities as they grow into responsible adulthood.

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## Fill the Floral Hall

- \* Next Gathering: October 22nd & November 12th
- \* Open to ALL Youth & Adults
- \* Leathercraft (Oct. 22nd)                      \* Mesh Wreaths (Nov. 12th)
- \* We'll provide the space, time, and skilled expertise
- \* Check Extension's website and the Facebook page
- \* If you are interested in leading a project area, please reach out to the Extension Office OR Lynnette Boatman at [lhboatman@gmail.com](mailto:lhboatman@gmail.com)

## Local Opportunities



October 21 & 22, 2023  
 Lafayette County Fairgrounds  
 Darlington, WI

DAY OF SHOW ENTRIES ARE WELCOMED!

Each Day:  
 Registration and check in begins at 7:30 a.m.  
 Show starts promptly at 9:00 a.m.

Poultry Show on Saturday October 21  
 Rabbits Show Sunday October 22

Awards for ALL breed/class champion and reserves!  
 Showmanship awards for all age divisions!  
 Raffle each day at Noon  
 Coloring Contest  
 Breed ID Contest

Local food vendors and equipment dealer will be on site!

**ALL KIDS AGES 4-19 ARE WELCOME TO SHOW!**

*Pullorum test papers are required, birds will be cooped  
 Rabbits will shown from carriers*

**OPEN to ALL Youth ages 4-19**

**Registration begins at 7:30 a.m.**

**Show starts at 9:00 a.m.**

**Poultry ~ October 21st**

**Rabbits ~ October 22nd**

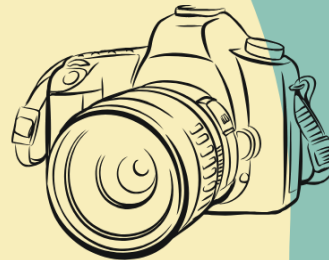
◆ **Raffles**

◆ **Coloring Contest**

◆ **Breed ID Contest**

Contact: [mktorstenson@yahoo.com](mailto:mktorstenson@yahoo.com) for more information.

# FALL PHOTOGRAPHY CHALLENGE



Submit your **BEST Fall Photos** of **Lafayette County**

Open to ALL Lafayette County Residents

Submission Deadline: **Monday, November 27th**

Photos can be: color, black & white, sepia, or computer edited

Submit to: [brandi.kent@wisc.edu](mailto:brandi.kent@wisc.edu)



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**WI 4-H State Opportunities**



**FLOCKING TOGETHER**  
IN-PERSON THREE DAY SMALL RUMINANT WORKSHOP

**UW-Madison Arlington Research Station Sheep Unit**  
*October 19-21, 2023*

**THURSDAY | 5:30 - 9:00 PM**  
**ARLINGTON RESEARCH STATION PUBLIC EVENTS BLDG**  
Activities include registration, introduction to presenters and the sheep unit, and a biosecurity session. Thursday will be a chance to mingle with participants and get to know the event staff. The barn will be dosing at 9:00 PM.

**FRIDAY | 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM**  
**ARLINGTON RESEARCH STATION PUBLIC EVENTS BLDG**  
**ARLINGTON SHEEP UNIT FARM**  
Sessions will cover nutrition, parasites, pasture management, record keeping, goal setting, and a time to work with the facilitators on creating plans for participant's operations. Todd will host a pasture walk after lunch to discuss pasture management. We will have a lamb cook-out on early Friday evening followed by time for participants to work on their individual management plans and recordkeeping. Again, the workshop will end at 9:00 PM.

**SATURDAY | 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM**  
**ARLINGTON RESEARCH STATION PUBLIC EVENTS BLDG**  
The focus for Saturday is reproduction, enterprise budgets, and health plans.

The Flocking Together Workshop is intended for beginning sheep and goat producers. The workshop will immerse participants in learning about nutrition, pasture and parasite management, recordkeeping, reproduction, budgets, and herd health management plans. Participants will learn from UW-Madison Extension staff Todd Taylor, Carolyn Ihde, and Lyssa Seefeldt; Iowa State University Animal Science Lecturer Ann Kolthoff; and Executive Director of the National Sheep Improvement Program (NSIP) Rusty Burgett. Presenters will engage participants through lectures, discussions, hands-on activities, personalized planning, and live demonstrations. There will even be a lamb cook-out with Cody Hiemke!

Participants are encouraged to bring a digital device such as a laptop or tablet and current flock records for a chance to get expert assistance in creating management plans and budgets during open work sessions. Paper resources will be available for all participants, therefore, digital devices will not be required.

The content and method of instructional delivery are geared toward adults; therefore, older youth (14+) are preferred. A registration fee will be charged for each participant.

**REGISTER**  **REGISTER VIA EVENTBRITE**

<https://bit.ly/FlockingTogether23>

The lambing barn will open at 7:00 AM on Friday and Saturday for an early morning visit to check on baby lambs.



**FLOCKING TOGETHER**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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 <https://livestock.extensionwisc.edu>

**REGISTER VIA EVENTBRITE**

**VISIT**  
<https://bit.ly/FlockingTogether23>



*Use phone camera to scan*

**LIMITED AVAILABILITY. SECURE YOUR SPOT BY REGISTERING NOW!**

The registration fee is \$150.00 per participant. Please register by October 13, 2023.

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*Workshop fee includes:*

*Workshop Materials*  
*Individualized Work Sessions*  
*Thursday and Friday Lunch*  
*Friday Lamb Cook-out*  
*Educational Sessions*

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**Grades 6-8**  
**November 18-19, 2023**  
**Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells, WI**



**4-H Arts Camps**, an overnight experience for grades 6-8, features six different diverse art tracks. Possible topics include music, photography, communication, theater, culinary arts, and art in nature. Arts Camp provides older youth and adults with leadership development opportunities and offers middle school youth the fun of a 4-H camping experience focused on arts.

**Registration: 4-Home (through your 4Home account)**

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**WI 4-H State Opportunities**

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## Youth as Partners in Civic Leadership (YPCL)

Youth Grades: 9–12, Adults 19–20, 21+

October 20–22, 2023

Upham Woods, Wisconsin Dells, WI

The mission of YPCL is to advance youth voices in Wisconsin by increasing the capacity for youth and adults to share civic leadership in local schools, communities, and organizations.

**Registration Opens: September 1, 2023 (4HOnline)**



### Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Celebrates the Arts

The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation provides support for arts and communications programs that encourage youth to develop strong leadership, creative and communications skills. Each year the Foundation highlights 4-H artists through the Celebrate the Arts art contest.

**Contest Runs: November 1, 2023-January 15, 2024**

Check out the website for more information, contest rules, and deadlines.

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/projects/arts-communication/celebrate-the-arts/>

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## WI 4-H State Opportunities

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# 2023 WI 4-H Horse Conference

(NO Horses, People-only)

UW-River Falls Campus & Lab Farm

November 11-12, 2023

Current 4-H members (7th grade & Older) & 4-H Volunteers

Cost: \$75.00/person

Registration: October 2nd–November 3rd, 2023

Register through 4HOnline

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/state-4-h-horse-leaders-conference/>



4-H Connects online! Follow Wisconsin 4-H on Facebook and Instagram or visit <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/virtual-learning-community/> for more information on dates of specific meetings.

**Registration can be completed in 4HOnline.**

## 4-H Volunteers/Thrive Model

### Volunteers MAKE 4-H possible!

The most important qualifications are:

- a desire to work with young people to help them learn new things and gain life skills; and
- wanting to provide youth with positive experiences in a safe and welcoming environment.

#### Volunteering Gains:

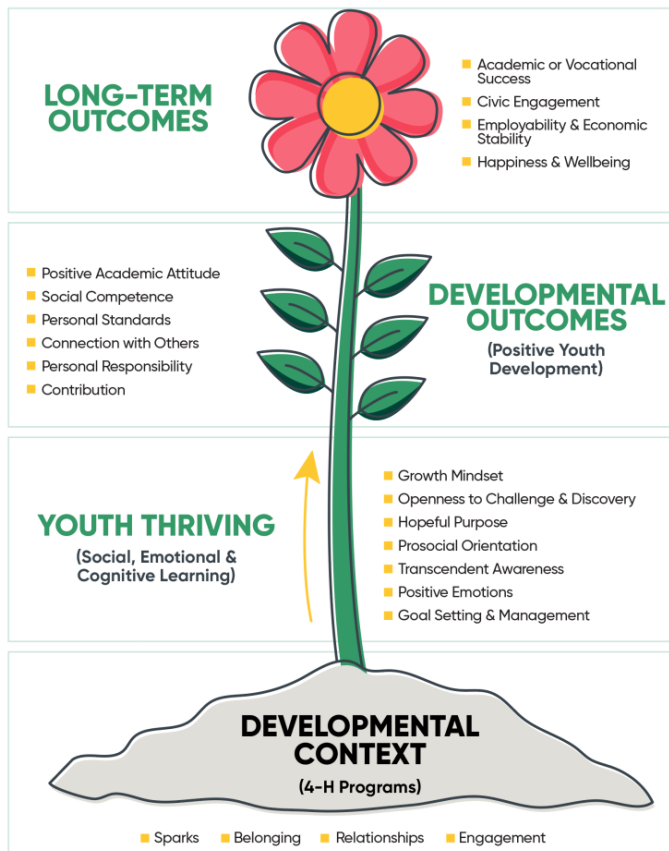
- ◆ Skills in Teaching
- ◆ Leading Effective Meetings
- ◆ Developing Communication Skills

#### ~ Communities Impacted~

- \* Stronger Communities
- \* Community Connections
- \* Increased Civic Involvement
- \* Improved Health of Communities

#### Volunteering Options-

- Activity/Event Volunteer
- Adult Advisor/Chaperone
- Club Enrollment Coordinator
- Club Leader
- Committee Volunteer
- Project Leader



### 4-H Thriving Model

The 4-H Thriving Model is the theory of change for positive youth development in 4-H. The model illustrates the process of positive youth development in 4-H programs by connecting high quality program settings to the promotion of youth thriving.

#### Developmental Context:

#### Where youth can belong and grow!

High quality 4-H program settings provide youth a place to belong, matter and explore their personal spark. High quality settings foster developmental relationships with youth, relationships that express care, challenge growth, and share power.



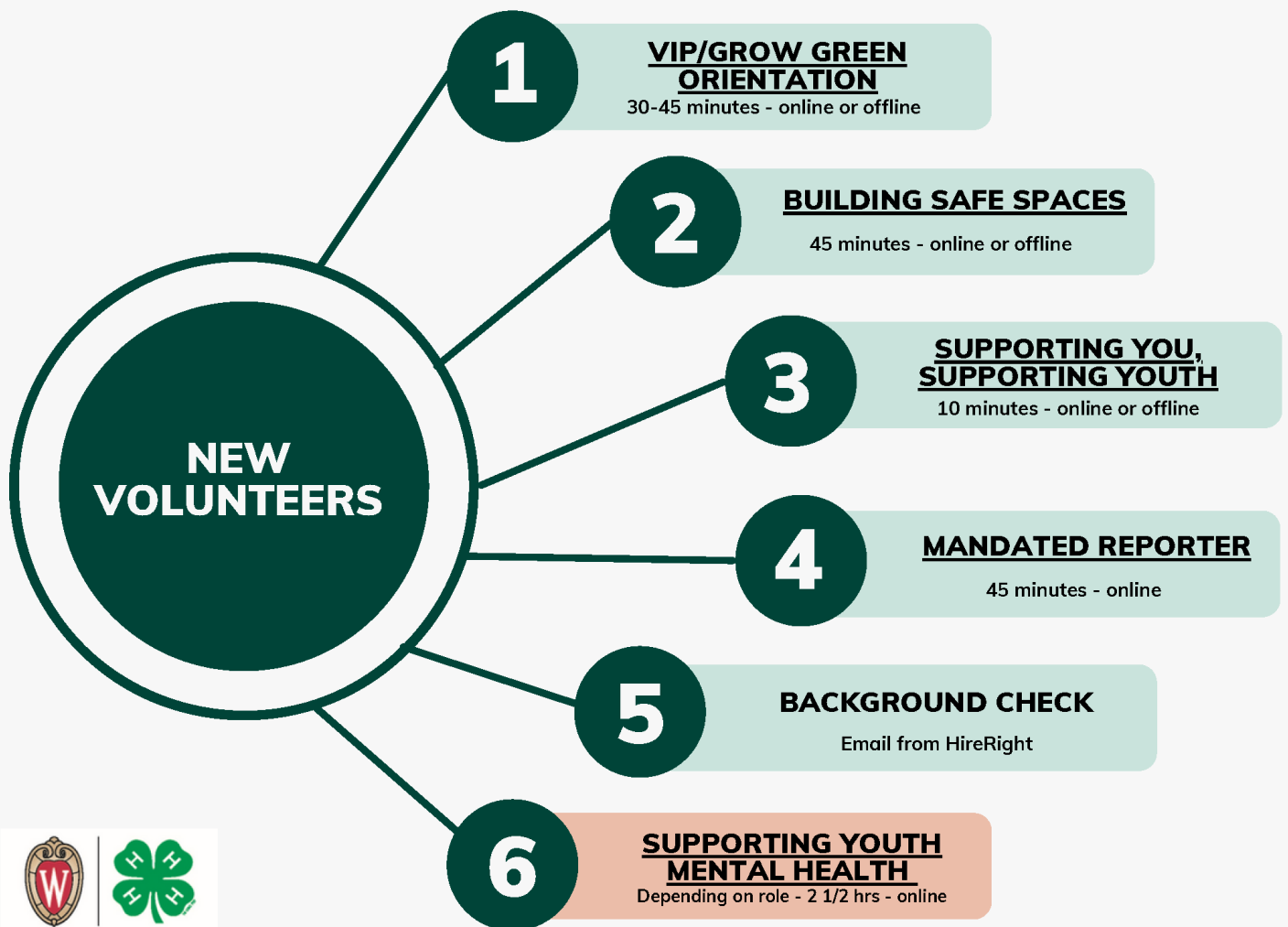
**NEW 4-H Volunteers**

# How can I volunteer within Lafayette County 4-H?

## Volunteering Options-

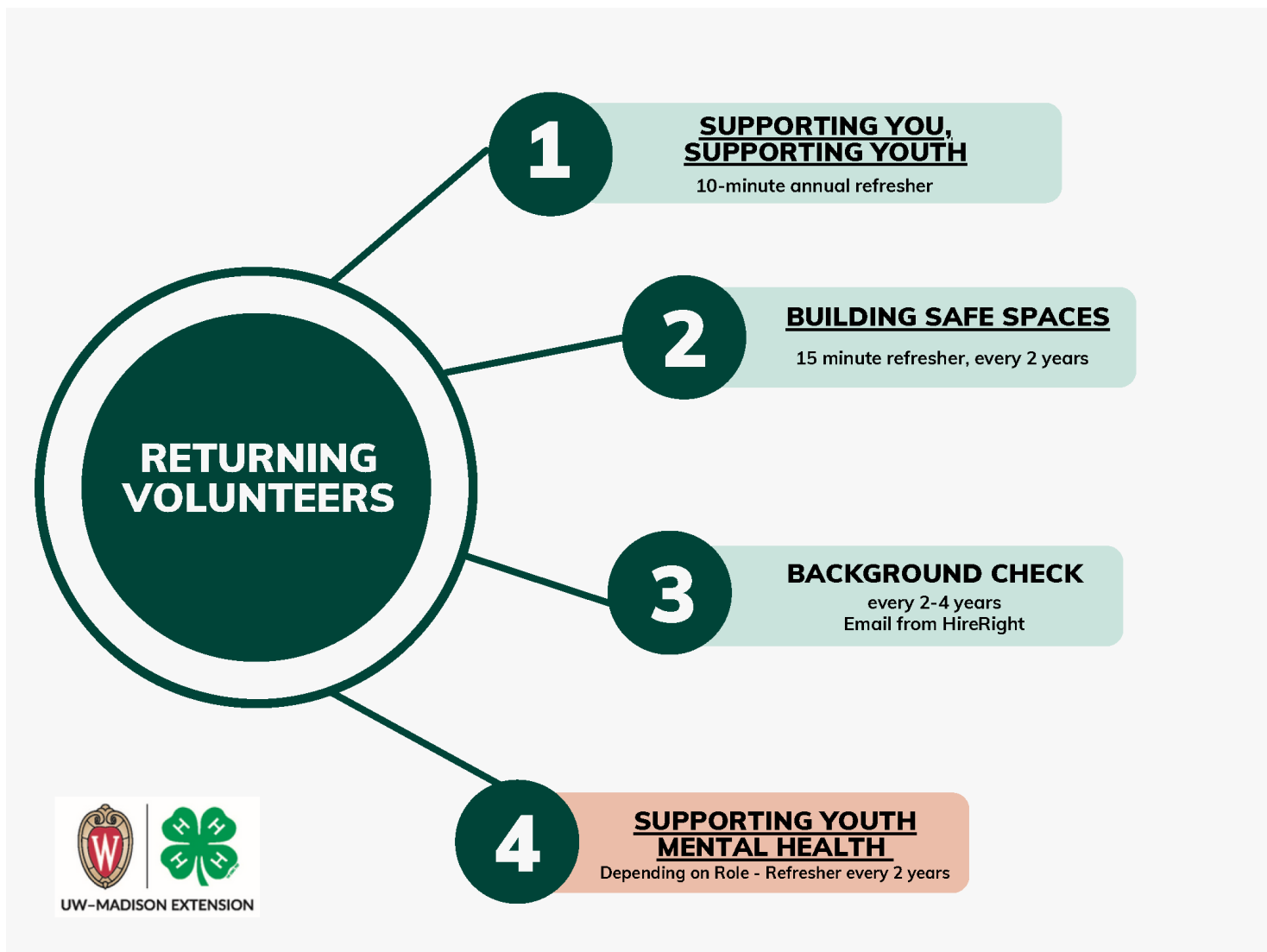
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Your volunteer association within WI 4-H matters, please select your volunteering options based on your areas of commitment. <https://lafayette.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/volunteers/>



## Returning 4-H Volunteers

# WHAT TRAININGS DO RETURNING 4-H VOLUNTEERS NEED TO COMPLETE?



## HOW ARE YOU CONNECTED TO 4-H?

Activity/Event Volunteer : [https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/files/2020/09/4-H-Activity\\_Event-Volunteer-Position-Description.pdf](https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/files/2020/09/4-H-Activity_Event-Volunteer-Position-Description.pdf)

Adult Advisor/Chaperone: [https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/files/2020/09/Adult-Advisor\\_Chaperone-Position-Description.pdf](https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/files/2020/09/Adult-Advisor_Chaperone-Position-Description.pdf)

Club Enrollment Coordinator: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/files/2020/09/Club-Enrollment-Coordinator-Position-Description.pdf>

Club Leader: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/files/2020/09/Club-Leader-Position-Description.pdf>

Committee Volunteer: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/files/2020/09/Committee-Volunteer-Position-Description.pdf>

Project Leader: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/files/2020/09/Project-Leader-Position-Description.pdf>

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**Contests**

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## Cedar Crest Ice Cream Flavor Naming Contest



September 1 through November 15, 2023

Who: Open to ALL Wisconsin 4-H Clubs

[www.cedarcresticecream.com](http://www.cedarcresticecream.com)



U P C O M I N G . . . **2024 Conservation Poster Contest**—Lafayette County

**“May the Forest be With You, Always”**

. . . More Information to Come . . . Soon!

## 4-H Shooting Sports

# Lafayette County Shooting Sports

Disciplines: Archery, Air Rifle, Air Pistol, .22 Rifle,  
.22 Pistol, Shotgun/Trap



Shooting Sports

Gun Clinic Dates: **FALL DATES FORTHCOMING**

\*\*IF you are interested in participating, please make sure to ENROLL in the Shooting Sports Project Area; specifically, Air Rifle, Air Pistol, .22 Rifle, Trap, and **\*\*NEW\*\*** this year .22 Pistol.

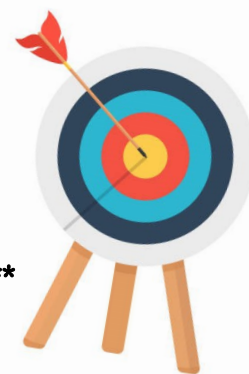
Email communications will be sent to the parents of those youth who are enrolled in the project area(s). If you have questions, please reach out to the Extension Office to be placed on the rosters to receive the email notifications for practices.

\*REMINDER\* **ALL youth** participating in live-round disciplines (.22 Rifle, .22 Pistol, and Shotgun/Trap) **must** be 12 years old. There are **no** exceptions!!

<https://lafayette.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/projects/shooting-sports/>

## Lafayette County 4-H Archery

Project Meeting Dates and Time  
to be shared this Fall!



**\*\*Make sure that you're enrolled in Archery so you get will the information.\*\***

If interested in volunteering, please contact Hailee at the Extension Office to register for WI State 4-H Certification Trainings. [hailee.kammerud@wisc.edu](mailto:hailee.kammerud@wisc.edu)

## WI State 4-H

### What ELSE does 4-H have to offer?

#### Communication Arts:

- \* [Art Lab](#) (grades 9-12)
- \* [State Arts Teams](#) {4-H Drama Company & 4-H Art Team} (grades 9-13)

#### Dairy & Animal Science Program:

- \* [Area Animal Science Days](#)
- \* [State Dairy Judging Contest](#)

#### Dog Program:

- \* [State Dog Agility Show](#)
- \* [State Dog Obedience & Showmanship Show](#)
- \* State Dog Quiz Bowl

#### Horse Program:

- \* [State 4-H Gymkhana](#) -
- \* [State 4-H Horse Education Days, Horse Bowl, & Hippology Contest](#)
- \* [State Horse Expo](#)
- \* [State 4-H Horse Leader's Conference](#) - November 12-13, 2023
- \* [4-H Hunt & Dressage Show](#)
- \* [Midwest Horse Fair Tack Sale](#)

#### Leadership:

- \* [Spark Days](#)

#### Livestock Program:

- \* [Area Animal Science Days](#)
- \* [State Livestock Judging Contest](#)
- \* [Meats Judging Contest](#)
- \* [Livestock Quiz Bowl & Skill-a-Thon Contest](#)

#### Global Citizenship:

- \* [International Exchange](#)
- \* [Summer Outbound Travel Program](#)
- \* [Summer Inbound Hosting Program](#)

#### Shooting Sports:

- \* [Competitive Shoots](#)





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My heart to greater loyalty,  
My hands to larger service,  
And my health to better living,  
For my club, my community, my country, and my world.

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