February 2024



The Lafayette Marquee

WHY do YOU love 4-H?

Do you love 4-H for the local experiences, project days, shooting sports, state travel experiences, SPARKS, belonging, relationships, or engagement? Or do you love 4-H for another reason? 4-H is built on the context of 3 foundational pieces:

- * Facilitating Youth Sparks
- * Youth Program Quality Principles
- * Fostering Developmental Relationships

By building on the context of these 3 foundational pieces, 4-H will support youth in thriving. Thriving youth are motivated in school, interact in positive ways, set high personal standards, contribute to their families and communities, and take personal responsibility for themselves and the world around them. Are your youth vested in getting out ALL that 4-H has to offer or is there room left to grow?

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FEBRUARY 2024	02	4-H Enrollment CLOSES for NEW members
	04	4–H Archery Clinic ~ Belmont Schools (1:00-4:00 pm)
	09	4-H Air Rifle Clinic ~ Darlington Gun Club (5:00-7:30 pm)
	18	4–H Archery Clinic ~ Belmont Schools (1:00-4:00 pm)
	18	Leaders Association Meeting ~ MPB - 6:00 pm
	24	Fill-the-Floral Hall "Mesh Wreaths" ~ MPB - 10:00 am
	26	Winter Photography Challenge Photos DUE
MARCH 2024	01	4-H Camper Registration OPENS in 4H Online
	01	State 4-H Livestock Skill-a-thon & Quiz Bowl Registration CLOSES
	01	Air Rifle Clinic ~ Darlington Gun Club (5:00-7:30 pm)
	02	Air Rifle Clinic ~ Darlington Gun Club (11:00 am-1:45 pm)
	09	Iowa & Lafayette 4-H "Day in the Arts" ~ Belmont Schools - 1:00 pm
	10	4–H Archery Clinic ~ Belmont Schools (1:00-4:00 pm)
	15	Air Rifle Clinic ~ Darlington Gun Club (5:00-7:30 pm)
	15-17	4-H ArtBEAT! Camp - Upham Woods, WI Dells (grades 3-5)
	16	State 4-H Livestock Skill-a-thon & Quiz Bowl (UW-Madison)
	16	Fill-the-Floral Hall "Paint Pouring" ~ MPB ~ 10:00 am
	16	Maple Syrup Experience ~ 1:00 pm
	17	4–H Archery Clinic ~ Belmont Schools (1:00-4:00 pm)
	22	Air Pistol Clinic ~ Darlington Gun Club (TBD)
	29	Air Pistol Clinic ~ Darlington Gun Club (TBD)
	30	Air Pistol Clinic ~ Darlington Gun Club (TBD)
APRIL 2024	05	Air Pistol Clinic ~ Darlington Gun Club (TBD)
	06	Air Pistol Clinic ~ Darlington Gun Club (TBD)
	07	4–H Archery Clinic ~ Belmont Schools (1:00-4:00 pm)
	18-22	Space Camp - Huntsville, AL (grades 6-8)
	21	4–H Archery Clinic ~ Belmont Schools (1:00-4:00 pm)
	21	Leaders Association Meeting ~ MPB ~ 6:00 pm
	19-24	National 4-H Conference - Washington D.C. (grades 10-12)
MAY 2024	05	4–H Archery Clinic ~ Belmont Schools (1:00-4:00 pm)
JUNE 2024	14-23	American Spirit East Travel
	16	Leaders Association Meeting ~ MPB ~ 6:00 pm
	18-21	4-H Summer Camp ~ Upham Woods, WI Dells
	21-30	American Spirit East Travel
	24-28	Summer Academy - UW-Madison Campus



Heart stands for volunteering, community service and reaching out to create a more inclusive, equitable world.

Service is a hallmark of all 4-H programs, teaching youth about the importance of giving back, improving our communities and developing innovative solutions to solve problems, large or small. 4-H'ers learn skills such as teamwork, critical thinking, community engagement and build a sense of compassion, confidence and pride.

Fill the Floral Hall

* Next Gathering: March 16th 10:00 a.m.

Multipurpose Building ~ 11974 Ames Rd. Darlington

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* 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 https://www.uhites.com Boatman@gmail.com

Local Opportunities



ENTRIES ARE LIMITED TO A <u>TOTAL</u> OF 2 ENTRIES PER CATEGORY

For example: Music category (one vocal solo, one dance) Communication Arts category (one demonstration, one poster) Photography category (one or two entries) Art, Drawing, Painting, Craft category (one craft, one drawing)

Scholarships

Lafayette County 4-H Leaders Scholarship

Open to graduating high school seniors and college freshmen that are **current** Lafayette County 4-H members with **at least** four years or more of membership. Preference will be given to members who have not yet received this scholar-ship.

Application must be postmarked by April 15. Scholarship winners will be announced at their local Senior Awards Program. Lafayette County 4-H Leaders Association will award scholarships of not less than \$100.

https://lafayette.extension.wisc.edu/files/2024/01/4-H-Leaders-Scholarship-1-29-23.pdf

Donald Booth Memorial 4-H Scholarship

Open to graduating high school seniors and college freshmen that are **current** Lafayette County 4-H members with **at least** four years or more of membership. Preference will be given to members who have not yet received this scholarship.

Application must be postmarked by April 15. Scholarship winners will be announced at their local Senior Awards Program. Lafayette County 4-H Leaders Association will award 2 scholarships of not less than \$250.

https://lafayette.extension.wisc.edu/files/2024/01/Donald-Booth-Memorial-4-H-Scholarship-App-2023.pdf



The Wisconsin Pork Association (WPA) is offering several scholarships to high school seniors and also college students.

Southwest Wisconsin Pork Producers Scholarship: Due Apr. 1st 2024

Awarded to a high school or college student from either Iowa, Grant, or Lafayette County Wisconsin who has a vested interest in agriculture-preferably the swine industry. (1) \$1,000 scholarship.

https://wppa.org/youth/scholarships



The Wisconsin Rural Opportunities Foundation (WROF), Inc. is delighted to announce the 2024–2025 WROF, Inc. Premier Scholarship Awards Program! The WROF, Inc. will present to five rural Wisconsin high school seniors pursuing post-secondary education with plans to return to rural Wisconsin upon graduation each with a scholarship award of \$3,000. The application will be available on this webpage until 11:59 pm on Wednesday, March 6, 2024.

https://www.wrof.org/scholarships/wrof-premier-scholarship-application/

Scholarships (cont'd)

Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Scholarships

 Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships are awarded to students based on demonstrated personal growth through 4-H, development and leadership in 4-H, academic performance and future educational goals.

To be eligible for Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships:

- Students must have been a Wisconsin 4–H member for at least three years
- GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale
- Enrolled or planning to enroll at a university, college or technical school during 2023–2024

Deadline: Received by the WI 4-H Foundation via email by Friday, March 1, 2024, at 5:00 pm

Wisconsin Dairy Goat Association "Share-A-Kid"

Ages: Youth 10-17 years old by January 1, 2024

Who: 4-H, FFA, WDGA, or other Agricultural group

• Only 1 goat may be awarded per family per year, however, siblings are

encouraged to enter.

• Youth may only win one time.

• Winners are required to show their goat at County Fair or in an open class goat show this Year or the following depending on when fair entries close.

Deadline: APRIL 1, 2024

https://www.wdga.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/2024-Share-a-Kid.docx.pdf



Applications are now open for 2024 Insight FS Scholarship. Scholarships are available to any high school senior enrolled in a college and must have maintained a satisfactory grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4 point scale. Be active or seeking membership in local agriculture groups, including membership in his/her local 4-H or FFA Chapter. Be a dependent of an Insight FS customer

or employee. The primary goal of the program is to encourage area students to prepare for a career in agriculture or agribusiness.

Applications and official transcripts must be received by March 31, 2024 to be eligible.

https://www.insightfs.com/Sustainability/Commitment/To-Our-Communities/Scholarship-Program?fbclid=IwAR3ACL3zCtfsWsLMr5BQO_a8tlZP1wHX6zxOuc0axVdTK1mb2rniRcEU0G8

The Competitive Edge Scholarship

The Competitive Edge Scholarship Program offers up to four (4) \$3,000 scholarships to incoming students at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Application deadline is March 3, 2024.

https://mailchi.mp/60319a1e9848/competitive-edge-scholarship-program-2024





4-H Shooting Sports

Lafayette County Shooting Sports Disciplines: Archery, Air Rifle, Air Pistol, .22 Rifle, .22 Pistol, Shotgun/Trap



Gun Clinic Dates:

Air Rifle Clinics: March 1, March 2, March 15 ~ Darlington Gun Club

Pre-registration is required - Contact the Extension Office to get the links

Air Pistol Clinics: Starting Mid/End of March

**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.

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

Lafayette County 4-H Archery

Clinic Dates: March 10, 17; April 7, 21; May 5

Location: Belmont Community Schools (646 E. Liberty St. Belmont, WI)

**Make sure that you're enrolled in Archery by selecting ARCHERY under "Projects" on 4H Online for each interested youth. This will guarantee that you'll receive communications for the Archery Project.

** If interested in volunteering, please contact Hailee at the Extension Office to register for WI State 4-H Certification Trainings. <u>hailee.kammerud@wisc.edu</u>

4-H Shooting Sports—State Certification





NEW & Returning 4-H Volunteers



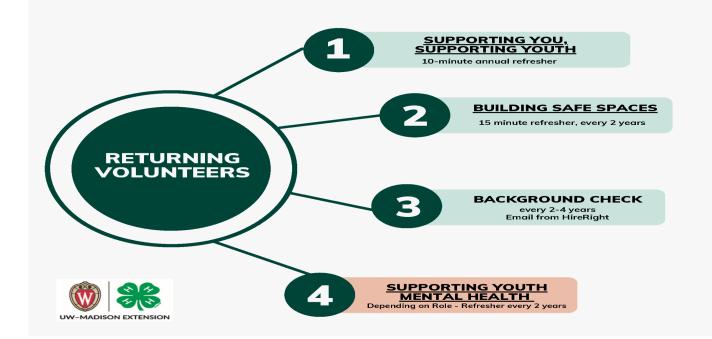
How can I volunteer within Lafayette County 4-11?

Volunteering Options-

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

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/



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

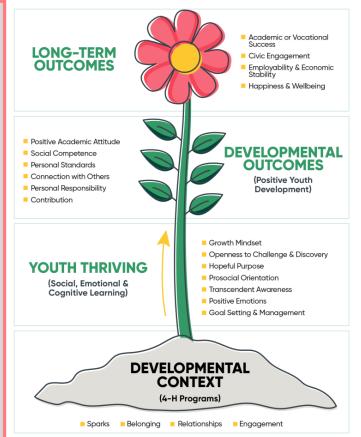
- wanting to provide youth with positive experiences in a safe and welcoming environment.

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.

Summer Intern 2024



4-H Intern Position Link



More Info

https://www.iowacounty.org/employment-opportunities



WI State 4-H

What ELSE does 4-H have to offer?

Communication Arts:

- * Art Lab
- * State Arts Teams

Dairy & Animal Science Program:

- * Area Animal Science Days
- * State Dairy Judging Contest

<u>Dog Program:</u>

- * 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
- * <u>State Horse Expo</u>
- * State 4-H Horse Leader's Conference
- * 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

4-H CAMP/ Hours Update

Grant & Lafayette County 4-H C A M P

June 18-21, 2024

Upham Woods, WI Dells



Open to 4-H youth in 3rd—7th grades. Registration will open in March on 4H Online.

CAMP COUNSELORS...NEEDED!

Applications are STILL OPEN.

https://lafayette.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-camp/

Return applications to the Lafayette County Extension Office at

700 Main St. Darlington, WI 53530 OR

email to: hailee.kammerud@wisc.edu

2024 4-H Camp Counselor Application (MS Word)

2024 4-H Camp Counselor Application (pdf)

Holiday Hours:

Closed
Friday, March 29, 2024
Monday, May 27, 2024
Thursday, July 4, 2024



Lafayette County Agriculture & Extension Education Committee:

Lee Gill Rita Buchholz Kriss Marion Jeff Berget Tim Olmstead

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 world.

THE LAFAYETTE MARQUEE—4-H NEWSLETTER

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