

Fresno County 4-H Guidelines

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4-H News articles due for *Guidelines*– March 20th
Please send articles to-
tnewton@ucanr.edu

Words To Live By:

“Don’t be afraid of the space between your dreams and reality. If you can dream it, you can make it so.” By Belva Davis



Our programs are open to all potential participants. Please contact the Fresno County UCCE office (two weeks prior to the activity), at (559) 241-7515, if you have any barriers to participation requiring any accommodation.



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County Presentation Day– Plan to Participate!

Saturday, March 25, 2023

Pre-entries due: March 13!!!!

<https://surveys.ucanr.edu/survey.cfm?surveynumber=40022>

Check-in 9:00 AM and Presentations Begin at 9:30 AM

Fancher Creek Elementary School– 5948 East Tulare Street, Fresno



Presentation Day gives members the chance to communicate an idea or concept to an audience. You may choose from-
**Demonstration/illustrated Talk* * *Science or Engineering Presentation* * *Educational Display Talk* **Informative Prepared Speech* * *Persuasive Prepared Speech* **Impromptu Speech* **Interpretive Reading* **Share the 4-H Fun Skit* **Cultural Arts* .

For detailed information on how to give a presentation and explanation of the categories available to participate in, go to:

<https://4h.ucanr.edu/files/2193.pdf>

Volunteers are needed to serve as Evaluators (adults) and Room Monitors (youth). No experience is needed. A detailed Orientation will be given. New Evaluators will be paired with more experienced evaluators.

To volunteer as an evaluator (adult): <https://surveys.ucanr.edu/survey.cfm?surveynumber=1202>

To volunteer as a room monitor (youth): <https://surveys.ucanr.edu/survey.cfm?surveynumber=29654>

Questions? Please contact Georgene Diener at 559-269-1177 or georgenediener@gmail.com

4-H Camp Goes to Boot Camp

Head to Camp Keola for “Boot Camp” training! 4-H Camp will be held June 20-24th at Camp Keola on Huntington Lake and the *theme is 4-H Boot Camp*. Camp is open to all 4-Hers age 9 (just finished 4th grade) and through members who have just finished 8th grade. Camp is five days of intensive training in the areas of fishing, crafts, sports and games.

Who should attend? EVERYONE

Why should you go? To have fun with fellow 4-Hers over summer vacation.

How do you sign up? On line applications will be available mid March and slots are filled on a first come basis. **We will be accepting 92 campers** this year So..... be sure to get your applications in soon!

How much does it cost? The cost for each camper is \$325 with scholarships available through Tractor Supply (please see your CCL for details on scholarships.)

We hope to see you at Boot Camp this summer!

Submitted by: Ian Wenstrand



Color Me Green Run– April 1st!

The *Color Me Green Run* is a local 5K run/walk taking place at Dry Creek Park on April 1st. Registration Fees are \$15 for kids and \$25 for adults. *All proceeds benefit Fresno County 4-H Scholarships*.

Online registration is open NOW!

<https://runsignup.com/Race/CA/Clovis/Color5KRun>

March 11th entry fees go up by \$5. At this event there will be carnival games, photo booth, face paint, and small animal exhibits. Runners and walkers will get “Showered in Colorful Dye” when participating. When registering online, the 4-H member with the most referred runners will get a prize and the 4-H Club with most participants will get a pizza party.

Check-in starts at 8:00 AM: Runners start at 9:00 AM and Walkers start at 9:10 AM. This event is highly recommended and is a great way to get outside in the spring. Questions contact Theresa J. at theresaj2263@gmail.com



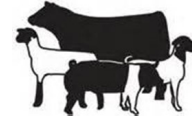


Livestock Achievement Day

April 22 at Reedley College

Event begins at 8:30 AM

Pre-Register by April 8th



It's time to register for...Fresno County 4-H Livestock Achievement Day, taking place on *Saturday, April 22, 2023*, at Reedley College. All Fresno County 4-H members currently enrolled in Beef Cattle, Sheep, Swine, Meat Goat, or Dairy Goat Projects, this is your chance to "Show What You Know" about the livestock you raise!

Pre-registration is required by **April 8th** to participate, so please register today! Registration at link below:

<https://surveys.ucanr.edu/survey.cfm?surveynumber=40189>

Here are the details about the event:

- ◆ There is a \$2.00 fee for each member who is participating.
- ◆ Members will show what they know by completing various skills and information related to their species of livestock. Please visit the 4-H website for study guides and other resources:

https://ucanr.edu/sites/4-H-Fresno/Projects/Livestock_Achievement/Livestock_Achievement_Resources/

- ◆ Please note, while members can register to show what they know for more than one species if they are enrolled in that species project, due to time constraints and the format of Livestock Achievement Day, it is highly recommended that members who are in multiple livestock projects choose just one species to focus on for Livestock Achievement Day.
- ◆ Livestock will be provided for this event and no 4-H uniform is required, but members must wear close-toed shoes or boots and long pants.
- ◆ All registrants will receive an email by 04/15/23, with more details and reminders about the event.

Parent and leader help is needed to make this event a success; no livestock experience is required. Please contact Susanne Carroll (559) 269-9959, if you are available to help or if you have any questions.

We hope to see everyone at Livestock Achievement Day!

If you have any questions, please contact the species lead below:

- ◆ Beef Cattle – Susanne Carroll (269-9959)
- ◆ Sheep – Georgene Diener (269-1177) or Suzanne Marshal
- ◆ Dairy Goats – Clara O'Daniel (593-0449)
- ◆ Swine – Hannah Rothenfluh (287-5604)
- ◆ Meat Goats – Savanna Duncan (909-4744)

Kahoot!

Hey, 4-H members...do you want to show what you know or learn more about livestock? Then join us on the first Thursday of every month, January through May, at 7 PM, via Zoom for a rousing game of Kahoot!

The next game is Thursday, April 6th, at 7 PM

Here's the Zoom link...hope to "see" everyone there! Join Zoom Meeting- Link A <https://UCOP.zoom.us/j/354592487> Dial: 1-669-900-6833 US Toll Meeting ID: 354 592 487 Password: 042020



Fresno County 4-H Horse Show- NEW DATE- Sunday, April 16th, 2023

Verde View Farms~Kathy Pettit Ranch -1683 N. Del Rey Avenue, Sanger, CA 93657

Hosted by Fairmont 4-H Horse Group

7:45 Registration – Show starts 8:30 SHARP!

All disciplines- English – Western - Gymkhana

Website for Entry Form: <https://ucanr.edu/sites/4-H-Fresno/>

Club Attendance Contest / February – April

Win a Pizza and Ice Cream Party for your club! Healthy competition is always fun! Leadership Council is sponsoring this Club Attendance Contest. The 4-H club with the highest percentage of members attending Community Club meetings those 3 monthswill be awarded the party during your club meeting the month of May. CCL or Club Secretary must report monthly attendance (total youth present) to 4-H Program Secretary, Elizabeth by email: elramirez@ucanr.edu

Ways to increase attendance may include-

- ◆ Call new members to remind them to attend meetings
- ◆ Buddy system– pair an older member with a new or younger member
- ◆ Make all members feel welcome at meetings
- ◆ Give members an opportunity to participate in the meeting– reports etc.
- ◆ Include physical activity in meetings– recreation is fun!



CURRENT STANDINGS - 1st : Blossom Trail 83% 2nd: American Union 75% 3rd: Reedley 61%

~ Clubs MUST report monthly to be eligible to win ~



Investing in the Future of American Agriculture– *AgDiscovery*

Are you a middle or high school student looking for a one-of-a-kind summer internship with an opportunity to live and study on a college campus and improve your résumé for college?

Are you a teacher or parent looking for opportunities to expand your students' view of agriculture? Look no further! The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) offers you an opportunity of a lifetime! *AgDiscovery* is a free summer outreach program to help teenagers explore careers in agricultural sciences.

As an *AgDiscovery* student, you'll live on a college campus for 2–4 weeks and learn from university professors and USDA experts—plant and animal scientists, biotechnologists, veterinarians, wildlife biologists, administrative professionals, and others. You'll gain hands-on experience through labs, workshops, and field trips; participate in character- and team-building activities; and join in many other fun and educational events. It's a unique chance to get a first-hand look at the many exciting career paths in agriculture.

This year, 22 colleges and universities are participating in *AgDiscovery*. Each school's program focuses on a specific area of interest to our Nation's agriculture, from plant health, entomology, and biotechnology to veterinary science, animal welfare, food science, and agribusiness.

Does this sound like something you would like to experience? For more information-

<https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/#search/tlnewton%40ucanr.edu/FMfcgzGcrrDpBhFffxrzRHQfkCICXw?projector=1&messagePartId=0.2>

4-H Fair—SATURDAY, MAY 13th, 2023

Reedley College

Find a class to enter your project work for a chance to earn ribbons, and medals– this is your time to shine! Items from photography, cooking and foods, sewing, plants, arts and crafts, posters, woodworking and much more can be entered! Plan to participate and show your skills. This event is open to the public for viewing at the conclusion of judging.

Please find exhibitor handbook and additional details on the 4-H website-

https://ucanr.edu/sites/4-H-Fresno/Events/4-H_Fair/



Small Animal Achievement Day

(Includes Pygmy Goats, Rabbits, & Poultry)



Saturday, April 15, 2023

8:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Fee to participate: \$2 per class.



Collins Country -5201 North Dockery Avenue, Clovis

Plan to bring your own animal for the skills portion of the Achievement Test and the special activities. Arrive anytime between 8:00 AM and 1:00 PM if you are testing in one species. If you are testing in multiple species, plan to arrive by 12:00 PM.

Special activities are planned from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM. Bring a costume for your animal and enter the costume class! There will also be an obstacle course for goats and another for poultry.

For more information, contact

- ◆ Anne Cehrs- 618-0250 for Pygmy Goats
- ◆ Janet Moore- 246-2987 for Poultry
- ◆ Marcie West- 575-3274 for Rabbits



Pygmy Goat Study Guide:

https://ucanr.edu/sites/4-H-Fresno/Projects/Pygmy_goat/

Rabbit and Poultry Study Guide:

https://ucanr.edu/sites/4-H-Fresno/Fur_-_Feathers_Achievement/

Ways to participate in 4-H Fair May 13th, 2023

~ Dog & Poultry Shows Return ~

DOG SHOW – Showmanship, Obedience



RABBIT SHOW – Showmanship, Breed Classes



POULTRY SHOW – Showmanship, Breed Classes



STILL EXHIBITS – Numerous Classes

Foods, Photography, Arts & Crafts & More

ACTIVITY BOOTHS – Clubs Offer Make & Take, Games, Educational Activities

See county website for 4-H Fair Handbook

https://ucanr.edu/sites/4-H-Fresno/Events/4-H_Fair/

Central Valley 4-H Fashion Revue

Saturday, April 15th at 1:00 PM
Fresno Fairgrounds

See website for entry links & event details
https://ucanr.edu/sites/4-H-Fresno/Events/Fashion_Revue/



Categories for everyone! Do you like to model?? Are you a Fashionista?? Enjoy Shopping??

Consumer Science Purchased category open to all 4-H'ers. Sewing project categories include Traditional, Make It With Wool, & Quilts. Other open categories are Softie Challenge, Leather Creations, & Costume Challenge. [Online entry here](#)

All entries including commentaries due April 1st, 2023.

Commentaries emailed to: fresnocountysierra4h@gmail.com
Questions contact Shaun 559-301-2810 (text please)

2023 California 4-H State Hybrid Archery Tournament

ATTENTION ARCHERS ~ Don't miss the 2nd Annual California State 4-H, Hybrid Archery Shooting Sports Tournament, sponsored by Merced County 4-H and the River Oaks Range. Postal and In Person options for participation.

Entry deadline March 17th. In person date May 28th. Postal target return deadline May 30th . Participation must be administered by Archery Project Leader. Please see county website for all rules, details, and entry forms.

https://ucanr.edu/sites/4-H-Fresno/Annual_Events_Page/Upcoming_Shooting_Sports_Events/



Review of Festive Food Faire January 7, 2023

This year's Festive Food Faire was so fun! There were lots of people and it was good to see everyone! Competitors arrived early to set up their displays. They also had the option to participate in Showmanship for one of their entries, which earned them credit for a Communication Skill. We all then went to a separate building for Consumer Science and Plant Judging competitions. This year they included topics like ranking the best heads of lettuce, which beans look the best, which knife was best for peeling an apple, the best paper selection for a resume, and more. For this, ribbons were given out through 10th place! We also played bingo and got to pick cool prizes. There were also multiple community service opportunities. One was to bring food for the food drive. Another was to make Valentine's cards for veterans. And then, we also made tie blankets together. Lots of ribbons and medals were awarded and everyone enjoyed sampling all the delicious foods. Thank you to everyone who made it a great day!

~Submitted by Rylee Nielsen from Renegades 4-H

State 4-H Shooting Sports Match 2023

It's time to sharpen up your shooting skills (air rifle, .22 rifle, .22 hand gun, skeet, and trap) and start preparing for the 39th Annual State 4-H Shooting Sports Match, sponsored by the Siskiyou County 4-H Council. Registration is now open and all **entries MUST be postmarked by-**

March 15, 2023

Please complete entries, collect fees, and bring form with club check to the Fresno County 4-H office for the required signatures. The County Office will submit to Siskiyou County 4-H.

For complete details and to download the rules and registration packet, please visit:

https://ucanr.edu/sites/ca4H/Events/Shooting_Sports_events/



4-H SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2023



For upcoming 4-H graduating high seniors, don't miss the opportunity to apply for local Fresno County 4-H scholarships made available thanks to many generous sponsors.

Application deadline is-

Friday, April 7 th , 2023

In person interviews to be held-

Wednesday. April 19 th , 2023

Interview location to be announced.

Applications will be available on county website beginning February 17 th .

Click under Youth Members at top tab which will take you here

https://ucanr.edu/sites/4-H-Fresno/Youth_Members/Scholarships/



Fresno County Ambassador Program

The California 4-H County Ambassador Program is a leadership development opportunity for older youth. It is delivered at the county level.

County Ambassadors are the champions of the 4-H program in their county while they are developing their leadership skills.

4-H County Ambassadors are role models for their fellow 4-H members, their county, and their community.

Annual Plan of Action

County Ambassadors develop an annual Plan of Action that includes choosing and developing three leadership competencies and completing one service learning project. County Ambassadors choose from six leadership competencies: Minimum age of 15. [More info here](#)

Advise, Advocate, Mentor, Plan, Promote, Teach



County Ambassador Resources

[County Ambassador Handbook](#)

[County Ambassador Forms](#)

[2022-2023 County Ambassador Essential Series Workshops](#)

This video gives an overview of the County Ambassador program for youth and adult volunteers and staff. [County Ambassador Program Overview Video](#)

Found at: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/Leadership/CountyAmbassador/>

We are currently looking to fill the position of Ambassador Advisor consisting of an adult mentor working along side youth Ambassadors. Contact Tracy Newton if interested tnewton@ucanr.edu

For additional information on Fresno County Ambassador Program

Plan to attend the mandatory meeting on Wednesday, March 22nd at 6:30 PM

Meeting held in person at the 4-H Office 550 E. Shaw Avenue Ste# 210-B. Please respond using the below survey to attend. Attendance does not commit you to applying, simply a time of gathering details and information.

<https://surveys.ucanr.edu/survey.cfm?surveynumber=40302>