

Yolo County 4-H Program Update

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Dear 4-H Families,

Many of you have reached out to us about the status of Spring Show. Please know we are working hard to get accurate answers and information out to our 4-H families.

After speaking with the Yolo County Fairgrounds, we have learned that the International Association of Fairs and Expositions will not allow the Yolo County Fairgrounds to reopen until mid-May (at the earliest). Due to information updates daily if not hourly, that information could change at any time.

What this means for our members and their projects for Spring Show:

***Farm Connection Day is cancelled.**

***We are exploring alternative options for Spring Show.**

We do know that Spring Show will look differently this year. We are investigating alternatives, such as virtual creative arts and sciences submissions and a virtual livestock show and auction. You should continue to plan for an event. We will communicate details on the process once we have decided how to move forward with this plan.

For all projects:

- 1) Find resources that can support your learning. Reach out to your project leader for guidance.
- 2) Connect with others in your club and project and hold virtual meetings.

If you have a livestock project:

- 1) Continue to feed and care for your animals. Remember social distancing guidelines. If your animal is at a shared site, set up a schedule to stagger times when members are there.
- 3) Look for buyers. Reach out if you need help with a buyer's letter or resources to solicit a potential buyer.
- 4) In preparation of the possibility of an on-line auction, we suggest you take some good photos of you in your 4-H attire with your animal. You can also use this image in buyer solicitations.

If you have a creative arts & sciences project:

- 1) You may find you have even more time now to practice, prepare and plan your entry. Please continue to explore your interests.

Please remember we are all in this together. If you have questions or concerns, reach out to your 4-H leaders and staff. This will help to stop rumors and inaccurate information. All county program updates are posted to our website at <http://yolo4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/>. Please check here for the most up-to-date information.

We wish your family the best during this time,



Marcel Horowitz, and the Yolo County 4-H Team