



December 2019 4-H ESSENTIALS

THE DUTCHESS COUNTY 4-H'ERS
IMPORTANT NEWS GUIDE.

CLUB REPORTS

Any club reports, meeting minutes, etc. from 2018-19 should be sent to the office ASAP!

Please be sure to send 2019-2020 elected officers and your club meeting schedule to the 4-H office!

ADVISORY REPORTS

Advisory meeting schedule and meeting minutes MUST be sent to the 4-H office

Take a look at our 2019-2020 Calendar. Contact the office if your event is not listed or if you have any questions!

IMPORTANT DATES:

January:

- 1st - Application Deadline for Capital Days
- 7th - DCTA meeting, 6:30 pm @ FHC
- 11th - Horse Bowl & Hippology
- 26th - Cloverbud Public Presentation Workshop

February:

- 8th - Fair review & discussion with Liz (Leaders Only)
- 15th - County Horse Communications
- 29th - District Horse Bowl & Hippology

TOYS 4 TOTS



A note from Alison, a Dutchess County 4-Her who is a member of the Dutchess County Teen Ambassadors as well as the Dutchess County Long

Rifles Club:

I have been volunteering for Toys-for-Tots every holiday season for the last several years and while volunteering I noticed an issue. Many times there were not enough toys, especially for the teens. Last year I started a drive through 4-H to help combat this. I graciously ask of our 4-H community to donate toys, toys for kids 13-17 would be even better! The Farm and Home Center in Millbrook will be our collection point. Clubs could also collect from everyone who is donating in their club, then contact myself and I can arrange to pick them up. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

You can contact me [HERE](#)! Thank you!

BECOME A TEEN AMBASSADOR

Are you a teen that's interested in being an ambassador for the Dutchess County 4-H program? We have many exciting projects planned such as community service, fundraising and a trip to Kentucky!

If you are interested in joining please contact [Faith Shultz](#) and join us at our next meeting on **Tuesday January 7th, 6:30 pm at the Farm & Home Center**

Snow date: Tuesday January 14th



IMPROVING OUR WORLD



DUTCHESS COUNTY TEEN AMBASSADORS

39th ANNUAL 4-H RABBIT & CAVY WORKSHOP

HOLD THE DATE: SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2019
Blackston Valley Regional Technical High School - Upton, MA

Open to youth and adults from throughout the Northeast
Commercial exhibits and a raffle

Registration Form available on the MA 4-H website [HERE](#)
Sponsored by the Massachusetts 4-H Rabbit Committee

Please contact Carrie Sears with any questions
413-545-5302 or ccsears@umext.umass.edu

2020 DC 4-H VETERINARY SCIENCE PROGRAM

Our Veterinary Science Education days offer a range of specialist topics across different species. Youth must be 13 years or older and active 4-H members in order to participate.



For more information about dates, topics and how to sign up, [CLICK HERE!](#)

NYS 4-H CAPITAL DAYS: May 17 - 20, 2020

4-H Capital Days is a NYSACCE4-HE sponsored event that gives youth an opportunity to meet and interact with legislators and tell their 4-H story. 4-H Capital Days creates awareness of career opportunities in New York State government, better understand state government, and network with delegates from other counties.

[HERE](#) is the application for the Teen Planning Committee for 4-H Capital Days due [January 1st](#)

RIVER POOL AT BEACON YOUTH ALLIANCE

WANTED!

Students, artists, musicians, poets, dancers and photographers who would like to gain community service hours by using their creative talents to advocate for River Pool at Beacon.

Click [HERE](#) to watch a video made by advocates of the program from John Jay High School

Contact information:

Email: youthalliance@riverpool.org

Instagram: [rpab_youthalliance](https://www.instagram.com/rpab_youthalliance)

Website: www.riverpool.org

4-H Club Reminders:

All meeting minutes, advisory minutes and independent member reports are due by the 10th of the following month.

Don't forget to fill out and submit a **PERMISSION TO FUNDRAISE** form to the 4-H Office before a planned fundraiser. Clubs **CANNOT** fundraise without the form filed. You can find it [here!](#)