



Dutchess County 4-H

February Opportunities



OPPORTUNITIES FOR 4-H'ers, CLUBS & COMMUNITIES!

We encourage all youth to take advantage of these phenomenal opportunities offered to 4-H members. If you see an event you would be interested in attending, please let the [office](#) know so we can get a group together and facilitate the planning process! Scholarships may also be available for 4-H'ers, contact the [office](#) to find out more!

Climate Change Curriculum Contest

We want YOU - to design a logo and give our project a name!

Are you passionate about climate change issues and want to inspire others to work toward positive change? Do you have a flair for graphic design or catchy titles? Cornell Garden-Based Learning's newest *Climate Change for Youth* curriculum needs a name and a logo!

Enter your artwork or title ideas! We have two opportunities and you can either both or either:

1. Design a logo that best captures the spirit of young people making a difference through action that involves the garden, gardening, and other people in your community.
2. Propose a title that best captures the spirit of climate change action for young people that involved gardening whether at home, at school, or in your community. We will emphasize personal voice and agency and the sense that reflection and small actions can make a big difference.

What's in it for you?

The two winners will get an all-expense paid trip to the 4-H Youth Development Statewide Event of your choice, along with statewide recognition, as well as features in Extension Insider and the Cornell Horticulture blog.

How do I enter?

Send your entry to Donna Alese Cook, dm72@cornell.edu by February 28th. Youth ages



YQCA training is designed to keep youth up to date on content related to industry standards and government regulation. Orange County 4-H and will be hosting a YQCA program at CCE Orange in Middletown, NY on **Saturday March 14th**. For more information [CLICK HERE](#). **Registration** is \$10 per youth and is due on **March 10th**. For more information, please contact [Margaret Smith](#), 845-344-1234.

AgDiscovery 2020

AgDiscovery is a 2 to 4 week summer outreach program targeting middle and high school students who are interested in learning more about plants, animals and agribusiness. Students will gain experience through hands-on labs, workshops, and field trips. Applications are due **March 20th**.

March Dog Madness

An annual conference for adult and teenage 4-H volunteer leaders. Workshops engage participants in science based information training. Current animal health, animal behavior, industry trends and youth development issues are addressed. This event will be held in **Orange County on March 22nd**. For more information [CLICK HERE!](#)

2020 NY Youth Institute's Global Challenge



THE WORLD FOOD PRIZE NEW YORK YOUTH INSTITUTE
MARCH 27, 2020 AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY



BE A
HUNGER
HERO

REGISTER AND SUBMIT YOUR
PAPER BY FEBRUARY 28, 2020

QUALIFY FOR
INTERNSHIPS

GAIN
PROFESSIONAL
EXPERIENCE

RESEARCH
A GLOBAL
CHALLENGE

PROPOSE
YOUR
SOLUTION

TAKE ACTION
IN YOUR
COMMUNITY

BUILD
LEADERSHIP
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THE WORLD
FOOD PRIZE

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The New York Youth Institute is a life-changing experience at Cornell University where high school students engage with local leaders and experts on critical global challenges, participate in hands-on activities, and explore exciting ways to make a difference in New York and around the world.

Students research issues they care about, and propose their ideas to solve these grand challenges.

The New York Youth Institute is hosted by Cornell University with the generous support College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, CALS International Programs, the New York FFA, and New York 4-H. [Learn More Here.](#)

Dairy Discovery Workshop

Dairy Discovery is a hands-on workshop held annually at Cornell University on **March 27 - 28**. It is a state-wide program for youth ages 14-19 years old. Each year the youth spend time on campus learning about dairy careers and rotating through a series of hands-on stations which focus on a specific aspect of the dairy field each year.

TUFTS Adventures in Veterinary Medicine Program

Are you or do you know an aspiring veterinarian? [Adventures in Veterinary Medicine](#) (AVM) is a fun and engaging career exploration program for middle and high school students who are interested in pursuing a veterinary career. We invite 4-H youth to apply to AVM and discover if this exciting career is right for them!

AVM attendees will explore the wide variety of opportunities available within veterinary medicine and see first-hand what attending veterinary school is really like. Sessions include lectures by Tufts faculty and vet students, interesting laboratories, demonstrations, and hands-on activities with animals.

Applications for summer 2020 are now available! For more information about the program, including dates, eligibility, and tuition, please [visit the AVM website](#) or contact AVM@tufts.edu.

SUNY Cobleskill Block and Bridle Club's Spring Clinic



The [livestock judging clinic](#) at SUNY Cobleskill is planned for **Saturday April 25th**. Please contact [Melissa Keller](#) for more details.

STARR 2020

On **April 24 - 26**, the [State Teen Action Representative Retreat \(STARR\)](#) on is a three-day, fun-filled event where 4-H teens participate in a variety of workshops and activities meant to challenge, excite and further develop life skill.

Animal Crackers 2020

The annual [Animal Crackers program](#) on **Saturday May 2nd** provides New York youth with fun, hands-on, science-oriented learning experiences on Animal Science topics. This workshop is for 4-H members interested in learning more about their favorite livestock, companion or pet animal species. Participants will learn about different aspects of animal care, interact and exchange information with faculty, staff, student, professional producers, industry experts, and more, utilizing the unique facilities of Cornell University.

2020 NYS 4-H Horse Judging Contest



The 2020 4-H horse judging contest will be held at Cornell University on **Saturday May 9**. To register please contact the [Dutchess County 4-H office](#), the deadline to enter is *May 1st*. For more information or questions about this event, please visit their website: <http://4h.ansci.cornell.edu/animal-programs/horses/horse-judging-contest/>

4-H Capital Days

4-H Capital Days is a NYSACCE4-HE sponsored event held **May 17 - 19th** 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 NYS government, better understand state government, and network with delegates from other counties.

NY 4-H STEM Camp

CCE Delaware County is running an amazing [NYS 4-H STEM Camp](#) at 4-H Camp Shankitunk in Delaware County **June 19 - 21**. Online registration is open to all NYS 4-Hers 10 and older and can be found [HERE](#). The cost is \$75/child which includes all activities, food and accommodation. Parents can chose to stay if they wish at the same price. Adults wishing to accompany their youth need to be background checked by completing this [form](#) and returning it to the [4-H office](#). Please let the [Dutchess County 4-H Office](#) know if you enroll. Contact [Emily Roach](#) with questions regarding this event.

Career Explorations

Nearly 500 4-H youth and chaperones attend the action-packed, three-day [Career Explorations](#) event to immerse themselves in exploring their future education, career opportunities, and to experience Cornell University and campus life! Cornell faculty and graduate students conduct engaged-learning workshops in two age-specific tracks:

1. Focus for Teens programs for youth entering grades 10-12
2. University U programs for youth entering grades 8-9

On **June 30 - July 2** over 20 programs are offered to help youth understand what a particular career field entails, what type of education they would need to pursue, and to learn from the experiences of the program facilitators.

2020 International Exchange Program Seeking Host Families



LOOKING FOR HOST FAMILIES!

Experience the richness of the world without leaving home! NYS 4-H sponsors Japanese Youth ages 12-17 for one month between July-August. These eager Japanese youth want to experience American culture, make new friends and improve their English by staying with your family.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Email NYS IE Coordinator **Autumn Lavine**
aml84@cornell.edu or visit
nys4-h.org/international-exchange



NYS is excited to again be hosting 18 Japanese delegates and 2 chaperones this summer! For more information about the program you may visit [NYS 4-H Website](#) or the [States' 4-H Website](#) or contact [Autumn Lavine](#).



Blue Seal Discount

Blue Seal in Fishkill offers a 4-H/FFA Member Discount of 10% off all supplies and feed for registered animals/projects. Please fill out [this form](#) and return it to Blue Seal!

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