

Dutchess County 4-H March 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 <u>office</u> know so we can get a group together and facilitate the planning process! Scholarships may also be available for 4-H'ers, contact the <u>office</u> to find out more!

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.

TUFTS Adventures in Veterinary Medicine Program



School of Veterinary Medicine

Are you or do you know an aspiring veterinarian? <u>Adventures in Veterinary</u> <u>Medicine</u> (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 <u>visit the AVM website</u> or

contact AVM@tufts.edu.

Animal Crackers 2020

The annual <u>Animal Crackers program</u>, "Bovine, Sheep and Swine - How Divine!" on **Saturday May 2nd** will highlight dairy, beef, swine and sheep topics. 4-H youth 9 - 12 years old or those with beginner to intermediate knowledge of the covered species are invited to participate. Interesting, educational, hands-on activities are planned to make Animal Crackers a memorable learning event. Participants will have the opportunity to learn about dairy or livestock care, biology, and management while having fun participating in a variety of activities, with 4-H'ers from across NYS.

Our goal is to get enough 4-H'ers to fill a bus to go!

There is a \$15/youth cost to attend the program - adult chaperones are free. Attendees are asked to bring their own lunch. Register by **April 24th** by contacting the <u>4-H Office</u>!



The <u>2021 4-H Youth in Action Application</u> is now open! In 4-H you've developed your passion. You've found your purpose. You've inspired others - and now you're moving forward. Share how 4-H propelled you to change your community and you could earn a \$5,000 scholarship and a trip to Washington, D.C. for National 4-H Council's Legacy Awards! Please Review the <u>4-H Youth in Action Application Guidelines</u>, deadline to apply is **April 27, 2020**.

NYS 4-H Forestry Weekend

NYS 4-H Forestry Weekend **May 8-10** at 4-H Camp Shankitunk, Delaware County. Join youth from across the state for a weekend of forestry activities, games and competition. This three-day event is for youth aged 10 and up (as well as staff and volunteers) interested in learning more about forests, and to select the NYS team that will go to the 2020 National 4-H Forestry Invitational (must be 14-19 for the national event). <u>View</u> <u>Registration Packet HERE!</u>



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

4-H Capital Days

<u>4-H Capital Days</u> 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 <u>NYS 4-H STEM Camp</u> at 4-H Camp Shankitunk in Delaware County **June 19 - 21**. Online registration is open to all NYS 4-H'ers 10 and older and can be found <u>HERE</u>. 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 competing this <u>form</u> and returning it to the <u>4-H office</u>. Please let the <u>Dutchess County 4-H</u> <u>Office</u> know if you enroll. Contact <u>Emily Roach</u> with questions regarding this event.

Career Explorations

Nearly 500 4-H youth and chaperones attend the action-packed, three-day <u>Career</u> <u>Explorations</u> 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



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



STARR 2020

The <u>State Teen Action Representative Retreat (STARR)</u> 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. **Postponed until Fall.**

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 <u>this form</u> and return it to Blue Seal!

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