

# GROWING UP GREEN

Cabarrus County 4-H Newsletter



## County Council 2021

The 2021 Cabarrus County Council Officer Team consists of:

- President - Kayla Anderson
- Vice President - Kai Lisk
- Secretary - Natalie Spears
- Reporter - Ireland Lowder
- County Council Adult Liaison - Amber Hyatt-Lisk
- County Council Program Coordinator - Kenethia Banks

### What is County Council?

This group meets regularly throughout the year bringing all of our 4-H'ers from across the county together to learn, share and grow. All enrolled 4-H club members and at-large members are welcome to attend.

### What happens at the meetings?

Generally these meetings happen on county due dates (Project Records, Expressive Arts, etc). A business meeting will take place first where each club is able to give an update on what they have been doing since the last County Council meeting. The meeting is led by the County Council Officers. Special activities are available for Cloverbuds during the long part of the meeting. After the business meeting, there will be a program activity for everyone. This program is planned and presented by the County Council Officers.

### When is the next County Council Meeting?

April 23, 2021 at 6 pm. In-Person at 715 Cabarrus Avenue West.  
Program: "Green Carpet" Photo Walk Through for your Family! Dress nicely for photos!

### What will happen at the next County Council Meeting?

We will meet outside, so bring a chair. Youth only will be involved in the meeting. Please wait in your vehicle upon arrival. Masks are required and temps will be checked.

4-H'ers are keeping busy! Photos Left to Right: Cloverbuds did spring string art, we have 42 classrooms hatching eggs, Cabarrus County won the District Spirit Stick at South Central District Teen Retreat!

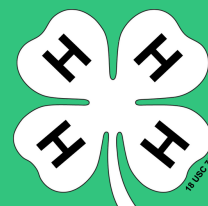
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# Presentations, Char-Grill and Public Speaking

All of these competitions take place at County Activity Day. This year, we will be hosting them in-person at the County Extension Center May 24, 25, and 27 during assigned time slots. Registration is at [v2.4honline.com](http://v2.4honline.com)

Rules and Regulations can be found at <https://go.ncsu.edu/2021nc4hhandbook>

## Presentations

Presentations - Share your passion! Design a presentation or demonstration of your favorite things. Research on a specific topic and show what you know. Demonstrate how to do your favorite hobby. Showcase your collection. Ideas are limitless. Choose from 32 different categories, including an Open Class. Anything goes (must be school appropriate)! Presentations can include technology, props, posters, and any visual aid. Limited to 6 ft. table space. Register in 4-H Online by May 17. There are new categories this year, so make sure to check out the handbook.

## Public Speaking

Public Speaking - Youth may prepare 5-7 minute speeches on any topic. Speeches do not include any props, posters or visual aides. Select Public Speaking in 4-H Online registration to participate.

## District Activity Day

The district competition will be virtual again this year. County Activity Day will be recorded as your district submission. Youth are able to re-record if desired. Videos are due May 28.

## Char-Grill

Char-Grill will be held in person on June 25, 2021 at the Rowan County Extension Center. There are new categories for this year, so make sure to check out the handbook. Those interested in competing in Char-Grill will work individually with 4-H Agent as we are new to this program. Happy Grilling!

There are lots of upcoming programs from across the state.

These are posted regularly on our Cabarrus County 4-H Facebook Group. Please join to keep informed.



## THOUGHTS FROM YOUR 4-H AGENT

Spring is a great time to do some cleaning. Help your neighbors, friends and families to shake off those "Winter Blues" by spending time with them and helping them with whatever they need. We can all use a little more help from our friends. Now is a great time to reflect on your 4-H project. Is everything on track? What have you completed and what do you still need to do? Keeping up with things, writing them down and keeping them organized is a life skill we all must take time to do. Happy Spring!

*Tracy*

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## Summer Programs

This Summer will be a mix of in-person, virtual and hybrid opportunities. Check out our summer programs at [go.ncsu.edu/cabarrus4hsummer](http://go.ncsu.edu/cabarrus4hsummer). Thank you to all who have worked hard to make summer happen! Registration will be at [go.ncsu.edu/registercabarrus](http://go.ncsu.edu/registercabarrus)

Overnight Residential Camp- Enjoy 6 days of traditional camping experience at Betsy Jeff Penn 4-H Center in Reidsville, NC July 4-9 Registration \$450

Day Camps & SPIN Clubs- These great one-session classes or multiple session clubs are an easy way to explore a new interest.

NC 4-H Congress - Join us in-person as we attend the NC Virtual Congress. This state-wide teen leadership program allows for civic engagement, community service and workshops for professional development. Registration coming soon.

Citizenship Focus - This virtual state-wide program is perfect for those youth who have an idea for change that they want to make happen in their local communities.

Follow Cabarrus 4-H and NC 4-H on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, YouTube and TikTok for more upcoming programs.

### Did you know?

**4-H develops job skills! Each year, NC 4-H offers the AIRE competition. It allows young people to complete an Application and Resume, participate in a video interview and create a video essay to earn scholarships to attend national 4-H events! This year's contest is still on! Open to 4-H'ers ages 11-18. See website for details. LOCAL DEADLINE: June 1.**

## EXPRESSIVE ARTS ENTRIES DUE

Entries due April 23 in 4-H Office.

Register in [v2.4honline.com](http://v2.4honline.com)

Any items completed in the last 12 months are eligible. Categories include: Sewing, drawing and painting, 3-D Art, Models, Floral, Edible Art, 4-H Promotional Items, Photography and much more! See all details in 4-H Online. Youth can enter one item per category.

Ribbons and prizes are awarded per category for each age division (Cloverbud, Junior & Senior).

## AIRE

Youth gain job skills in this NC 4-H competition.

We will work together to build your application, Interview, Resume and Essay skills. Join us for an AIRE Workshop on May 4th 6-8 p.m. at the 4-H Office. This workshop will be offered virtually and in-person. Register in 4-H Online.

## AMBASSADORS

The NC Ambassadors program is a way for 4-H'ers to gain personal development skills while also serving our local 4-H program through community service and leadership. Ambassadors can earn four levels and have required classes and hours.

Check out the NC Ambassadors website for more information.

If you are currently working on a Ambassador Portfolio, they are due to Tracy by June 1, 2021.

See more info on our website

<https://cabarrus.ces.ncsu.edu/categories/4-h-youth-development/>

# Mark Your Calendars!

April 23 - Expressive Arts Entries Due

April 23 - County Council Meeting - Come walk our "Green Carpet" for fun family photos!

May 1-10 - Expressive Arts Display: Downtown Concord

May 13 - Cabarrus 4-H Foundation Meeting

May 14-16 South Qualifying 4-H Horse Show

May 17 Presentation Topics Due in 4-H Online.

## Outdoor Pursuits Club

We are actively planning new and exciting activities. Keep up to date with all of our fun stuff on all of our social medias. Make sure your information is up to date in [nc.4honline.com](http://nc.4honline.com) so you will get our most recent communications.

Register for upcoming camps,  
classes and events at:  
<http://go.ncsu.edu/registercabarrus>

NC State University and NC A&T State University commit themselves to positive action to secure equal opportunity and prohibit discrimination and harassment regardless of age, color, disability, family and marital status, genetic information, national origin, political beliefs, race, religion, sexual identity (including pregnancy) and veteran status. NC State, NC A&T, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and local governments cooperating.

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