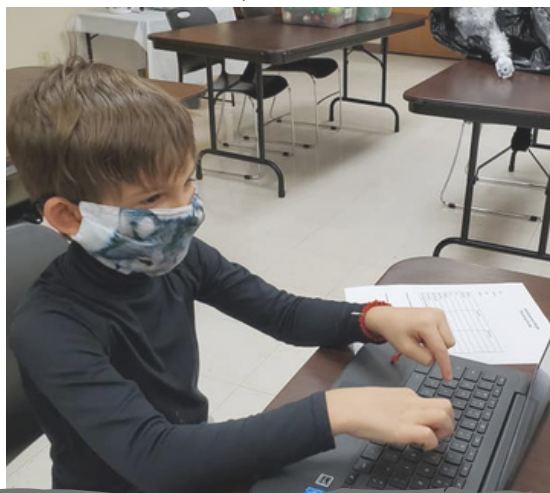
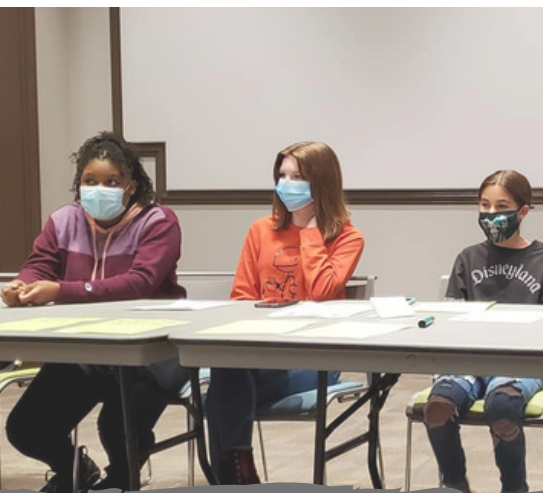


GROWING UP GREEN

Cabarrus County 4-H Newsletter



Kick off the New Year!

With our January County Council Meeting, we have officially wrapped up 2021. Now off to 2022. We hit the ground running with upcoming Horse Bowl competitions and new clubs starting. The new 2022 calendar has been released and the County Council is excited to offer some great programs this year. Mark your calendars now!

Achievement Night is scheduled for February 11 at the Cabarrus Arena. More details will be forthcoming. Your family should receive an official invite in the mail.

Please make sure to re-enroll in v2.4honline.com. All youth and volunteers will need to re-enroll for 2022. If an adult needs to do a background check, you will be notified. Youth must be approved prior to participating in any 4-H competition or trip.

4-H Club charters are required each year. Clubs may not be available for registration in 4-H Online if club charter applications have not been completed.

Help Needed

Our office is short staffed and we could definitely use your help! Please see the signup genius post on Facebook or in your email. We could use help every day from 11 a.m to 1 p.m to help in the office. Otherwise, if you are able to give an hour or two at another time, please contact tracy_lecompte@ncsu.edu to schedule your time or give a short heads up to see what can be done. There is always something to do!

Starting the New Year right! Left: County Council current & incoming officers lead the January meeting. Middle: Achievement Night Planning team hard at work. Right: South Central District Winter Enrichment teens explore Kannapolis's West Ave District.

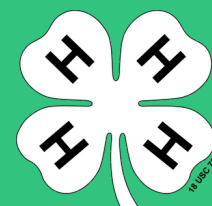
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Planning for Summer

If you would like to play a role in our summer planning, please join us for our Advisory Committee meeting on February 3, 6 p.m at the 4-H Office.

Summer Junior & Cloverbud Leaders

Youth ages 14-18 can apply to serve as Junior Leaders. Junior Leaders help to lead summer day classes throughout June, July and August. Other roles include daily office tasks such as phone calls, data entry, copying and paperwork management. May plan and implement entire classes with appropriate support and interest level. No minimum time requirements, no experience necessary. Youth serving over 60 hours will earn higher ranking for 4-H trip scholarships.

Youth ages 10-14 may serve as Cloverbud Leaders. These youth will work with the 4-H Afterschool program and Cloverbud camps to instruct activities, assist with setup, planning and logistics at day classes. No experience necessary. Generally, this is a one week time commitment.

Summer Intern

Seeking someone 18+ to help manage logistics for our summer program. Will serve 2-4 hours a week in office, plus plan and instruct 4-5 day camps. Will manage Junior Leaders as appropriate, create evaluations for classes, file paperwork, make reminder phone calls, and computer registration program. Must be computer-savvy with good personal skills. Apply at the 4-H office or contact Tracy_lecompte@ncsu.edu Stipend may be available pending 4-H Foundation approval of funds.

Adult Volunteers

Seeking Adult Volunteers to help with instruction and implementation of 4-H Summer Fling Classes. If you have a passion for sharing your skills with the next generation, know of a great activity you want to share with youth or have a friend who would be great for this, please let us know at <https://forms.gle/5c4F76vTzFwKA6MGA>

Registration

Registration will be available by the end of the February. If you have a class request, or would like to teach a class and are not able to attend the meeting, please let us know at <https://forms.gle/5c4F76vTzFwKA6MGA>

Residential Camp

Registration is Now Open!

Betsy Jeff Penn 4-H Center 7/10/-7/15
go.ncsu.edu/registercabarrus

Specialty Camps

Shorting Sports, Wildlife, Sailing, Cloverbud, Horse, and so much more!

Contact Tracy_lecompte@ncsu.edu for more details.

Join us!

Advisory Committee - Summer Planning Meeting
February 3
6 p.m. at the 4-H Office

WHEP Competition Practice
February 1
5:30 p.m. at the Mt. Pleasant Library

THOUGHTS FROM YOUR 4-H AGENT

January is a great time to reflect on last year with big hopes for this year. 4-H has a lot of tools to help you do that. You can also google things like: affirmation statements, vision boards, yearly planners, etc. If you need help, don't hesitate to ask!

Tracy

4-H Foundation Board

Who we are

The Cabarrus 4-H Foundation was started to build funds to support our local 4-H program. The Foundation sponsors many of the awards at Achievement Night and trip scholarships based on your 4-H project work. The Board of Directors works to raise and manage funds to ensure continued support. Directors serve three-year terms. Seeking new board members to start May 2020 as well as committee members.

What we do

The Board of Directors meets regularly to manage funds in an endowment with the NC Agriculture Foundation. We host fundraisers throughout the year and work for sustainability of these funds. New Board members are elected at the Annual Meeting each year. Please plan to join us at this year's Annual Meeting on May 11 at the Extension Office at 6 p.m. Dinner will be provided.

Service Opportunities

Advisory Member

Seeking adults and youth interested in planning summer. Meet February 3 at 6 pm at the 4-H Office.

Office Help

We could use your families help at the Extension Office. Please let Tracy know if you have an hour or two to give throughout the week.

Club Updates

Club Reporters -
Please send club updates to
Tracy_lecompte@ncsu.edu

*Your Club
Info Here!
Submit by 1st of month!*

DISTRICT & STATE OFFICERS

Teens interested in running for a district or state 4-H office must submit their paperwork by Feb 1. See Tracy for more details.

NC 4-H HONOR CLUB

Each year, 0.5% of the state 4-H club members are eligible to join the honorable ranks of NC 4-H Honor Club. Check <https://nc4h.ces.ncsu.edu/youth-3/4-h-teen-programs/nc-4-h-honor-club/> to see if you qualify. Applications are due Feb 1.

SOUTH CENTRAL DISTRICT TEEN RETREAT

Save the date for March 5-6 All teens ages 13-18 are welcome to attend this two day leadership event at Millstone 4-H Center packed with all the fun things! See our District Officers in action, have fun in great workshops, meet other teens from across the district.

Registration coming soon at
go.ncsu.edu/registercabarrus

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

NC 4-H offers a variety of scholarships for graduating High School seniors. The scholarship list can be found at <https://nc4h.ces.ncsu.edu/youth-3/4-h-awards-incentives-programs-2/>

See Tracy for more details.

All applications are due Feb 1.

See more info on our website

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



4-H Happenings

- January 29 - South Central District Horse Bowl
- January 29 - Judging in January
- February 1 - All state awards & scholarship applications are due!
- February 1 - District & State Officer Apps Due.
- February 1 - WHEP Practice 5:30 p.m Mt. Pleasant Library
- February 5 - NC 4-H Volunteer Virtual Meeting
- February 3 - Advisory Committee: Summer Planning
- February 11 - Achievement Night - Cabarrus Arena
- February 12 - NC Hippology Contest
- February 15 - 4-H VLA - All Adults Welcome 6 p.m.
- February 22 - Extension Advisory Leadership Council

Presentations

As you plan, you may already know your presentation topic. Feel free to let Tracy know when you decide. A sign-up sheet will be kept on her office door.

- County Activity Day - May 26
- District Activity Day - June 17
- State Presentation Finals - July 16

Talent Show

Have a talent to share? Sign up today to share with our 4-H'ers at our March County Council Meeting. Email act description to tracy_lecompte@ncsu.edu

Wildlife & Forestry

Join in the fun of a wildlife and forestry learning competition. Youth will learn to identify samples, discuss food cycles, and evaluate ecosystems for health and habitats. Meets 2/1 5:30 p.m at Mt Pleasant Library.

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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