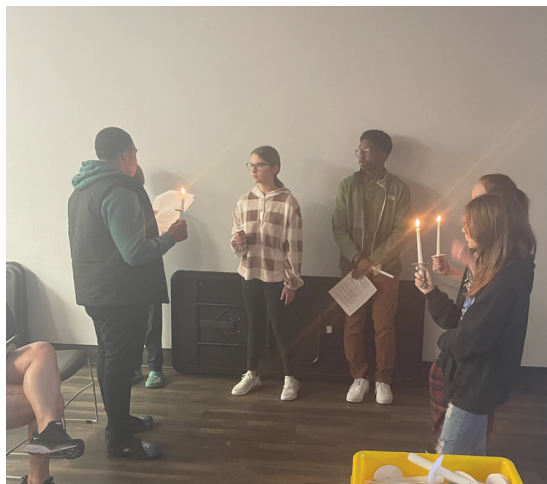


# GROWING UP GREEN

## *Cabarrus County 4-H January Newsletter*



## Kick off the New Year!

January has been a busy Month for Cabarrus County 4-H. We are so excited to kickstart the year. We have big plans for 2023 and this is just the beginning!

- January 5th, we had our first County Council meeting. We turned in project record books, portfolios, and scrapbooks at this meeting. We also inducted the County Council Officers and Club Officers for 2023.
- January 11th, our club leaders came together for their first training of the year. We set expectations and went over volunteer guidelines. Our next club leader training will be May 8th.
- January 10th, the 4-H Foundation had their bimonthly meeting. Their next meeting will be on March 21st.
- January 14th, three Cabarrus County teens attended the South Central District Winter Enrichment. They were able to interact with others teens in our district and attended sessions.
- January 23rd, we held our officer training for all new 2023 officers. The youth learned about their roles and how to make a motion. We look forward to seeing our officers put their skills to the test!
- January 26th, Cloverbuddies had their kickoff meeting and made dragon eggs! What a fun night!
- January 28th, Fynnegan Farms 4-H Club competed in the South Central District Horse Bowl. Thank you for representing Cabarrus County.
- Starting January 31st, our Youth Market Work Sessions Begin!

Starting the New Year right! Left: 2023 Office Training for our Club Officers. Youth learned how to make a motion by making trail mix. Middle: Officer inductions for 2023. Right: Teen 4-H'er working together at Winter Enrichment.

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## Planning for Summer

If you would like to play a role in our summer planning, please join us for our Summer Planning Committee meeting on February 16th at 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. You 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 oneweek time commitment. Applications now open at <https://cabarrus.ces.ncsu.edu/cabarrus-county-4-h-summer-leaders/>*

### Summer Intern

We are currently seeking a Summer Intern. They can apply through NCSU. We are excited about this partnership and look forward to incorporating new ideas into our summer programming. You can apply at <https://cpdcenter.famu.edu/jobs/nc-state-university-extension-summer-internships-nc-state-extension-summer-internship-program/>

### 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 contact Molly at [molly\\_kleman@ncsu.edu](mailto:molly_kleman@ncsu.edu)

### Registration

Registration will be available by the beginning of March for Summer Fling classes. If you have a class request, or would like to teach a class and are not able to attend the meeting, please let Molly know via email [molly\\_kleman@ncsu.edu](mailto:molly_kleman@ncsu.edu)

## Residential Camp

### Registration is Now Open!

Betsy Jeff Penn 4-H Center 7/9-7/14

\$525 Scholarships Available

[go.ncsu.edu/registercabarrus](https://go.ncsu.edu/registercabarrus)

### Specialty Camps

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

Contact [molly\\_kleman@ncsu.edu](mailto:molly_kleman@ncsu.edu) for more details.

Join us!

Summer Planning Meeting

February 3

6 p.m. at the 4-H Office

WHEP Competition Practice

Contact Molly if you want to join the team!

## 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!

Molly

## 4-H Foundation Board

### Who we are

The Cabarrus 4-H Foundation was formed 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 work to raise and manage funds to ensure continued support. Directors serve three-year terms. The Foundation will be having a 50/50 raffle at achievement night.

### 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. We will have an annual meeting where we encourage everyone to attend to learn more about what we do to support 4-H throughout the year.

## Service Opportunities

### Advisory Member

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

### Office Help

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

### Roly Poly Fest

May 20th looking for 3-4 adult or youth volunteers to showcase the 4-H program and provide 1-2 activity for youth. Molly will work with you directly to get activities gathered.

## DISTRICT & STATE OFFICERS

Teens interested in running for a district or state 4-H office must submit their paperwork by Feb 24th. See Molly 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 1st.

## SOUTH CENTRAL DISTRICT TEEN RETREAT

Save the date for March 4-5. All teens ages 13-18 are welcome to attend this twoday 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](https://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

at <https://nc4h.ces.ncsu.edu/youth-3/4-h-awards-incentives-programs-2/>

See Molly for more details.

All applications are due Feb 1st.

**See more info on our website**

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

JANUARY 2023

# 4-H Happenings

- January 28 South Central District Horse Bowl
- February 1 All state awards & scholarship applications are due!
- February 1 AgriBusiness Scholarship Application Due
- February 3-4 NC Volunteer Leaders Conference
- February 5 NC 4-H Volunteer Virtual Meeting
- February 16 Summer Fling Planning Committee
- February 24 District & State Officer Apps Due.
- February 28 Achievement Night

## Presentations

As you plan, you may already know your presentation topic. Feel free to let Molly know when you decide. You will be able to register in 4-H Online Soon!

County Activity Day - May 24th

District Activity Day - June 17th

State Presentation Finals - July 22nd

## Talent Show

Have a talent to share? Sign up today to share with our 4-H'ers at our April 27th 4-H Talent Show.

Register At:

<https://cabarrus.ces.ncsu.edu/local-competition/>



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