



JANUARY 31, 2025

4-H Family News

Ingham County



4-H STILL LIFE WORKSHOP

Seeking teens and adult session facilitators

SHARE YOUR SKILLS AND TALENTS!
JOIN US FOR AN EXCITING WORKSHOP WHERE
YOUR CREATIVITY, IDEAS, AND ENERGY WILL HELP
MAKE THE 2025 PROJECTS EVEN BETTER!

SATURDAY, MARCH 8TH • NORTH AURELIUS SCHOOL
SESSIONS RANGE FROM 1 TO 4 HOURS

Please complete session form: <https://forms.gle/kqdpXWiu1ZsLsr6MA>

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4-H Great Lakes & Natural Resources Camp

Seeking Camp Counselors

If you are:

- 16-20 years old
- Enjoy working with kids and the outdoors
- Available July 25 - August 2, 2025



Join our team this summer at Camp Chickagami in Presque Isle for an enriching week of leadership and personal growth as you guide 13-15 year old campers on adventured filled learning experiences! To learn more or register, contact:

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Ingham County 4-H

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COUNTY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Horse Committee Meeting Wednesday, February 12, 6:30 pm Hilliard Bldg
4-H Council Committee Meeting Wednesday, February 19, 6:30 pm Hilliard Bldg
Presidents Day - County Holiday MSUE Office Closed Monday, February 17

REGISTER NOW!

MICHIGAN 4-H State Hippology Contest

March 15, 2025 at Michigan State University

The annual Michigan 4-H Hippology Contest allows youth in horse and pony projects to test their equine knowledge.

Youth aged 5-19 are eligible to participate in the Michigan 4-H State Hippology Contest. Cloverbuds, Junior and Senior divisions as well as Junior Novice and Senior Novice allow for youth to demonstrate their comprehensive equine knowledge and skills in an engaging setting.

REGISTER HERE:

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/2025-michigan-4-h-state-hippology-contest>



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Join Us Online

WILD SPARTANS

SCIENCE * RESEARCH * CAREERS * CONSERVATION

“THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN TRIBES AND FISH”

WITH JASON SMITH
BAY MILLS INDIAN COMMUNITY

February 11 | 6:30 PM EST

Registration required:

https://events.anr.msu.edu/wildspartans2024_25



MICHIGAN 4-H HORSE PROGRAM WINTER WEBINAR SERIES

January 15th at 6pm: How to buy a horse with Paula Hitzler

January 29th at 6pm: The basics of Equine Management with David Lindsay

February 5th at 6pm: Equine Nutrition basics with Dr. Christine Skelly

February 18th at 6pm: Being a better boarder and Running a boarding facility with Taylor Fabus

March 12th at 6pm: From the judges' perspective: Showmanship with Dr. Karen Waite

March 26th at 6pm: From the judges' perspective: Ranch Riding with Dr. Alyssa Logan

Any further questions email David Lindsay, Extension Educator at lindsa75@msu.edu



February 4th through April 30th, 2025

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/penpal25>

Registration deadline:

Friday, January 24, 2025, or when all spots are filled.



ANIMAL SCIENCE CAREER QUEST

OVERVIEW

Animal Science Career Quest is February 15, 2025 on MSU's campus in East Lansing for youth ages 12-19 (as of January 1, 2025) and 4-H volunteers.

Participants will learn all about the available opportunities within the fields of animal science and veterinary medicine, not just as a student, but also long-term career options. There will be breakout sessions dedicated to various fields.

Participation is limited to 100 people (85 youth, 15 volunteers)

***Past attendees should select different breakout session options than what they have already attended at Career Quest programs in previous years.*

SCHEDULE OVERVIEW (all times EST)

Saturday, February 15

- **7:30** Registration begins
- **8:30** Welcome
- **9:00** Species Sessions
- **10:45** Career Exploration and Workforce Prep Activity
- **11:30** MSU Animal Science Program Overview
- **12:15** Lunch*
- **1:00** Learning Labs
- **5:00** Dinner*
- **6:00** Discipline Sessions
- **8:00** Conclusion

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DATES, LOCATION, FEES

WHEN: February 15, 2025

WHERE: Michigan State University campus in East Lansing – Anthony Hall and the South Campus Farms

WHO: Youth ages 12-19 and 4-H volunteers

COST: \$35

NOTE: No overnight lodging is provided; this is the sole responsibility of the program participant. Transportation to and from the South Campus Animal Farms will be provided for youth participants who are attending Learning Lab sessions at a farm; adults attending Learning Lab sessions at a farm will be responsible for their own transportation.

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ANIMAL SCIENCE CAREER QUEST

SPECIES and DISCIPLINE SESSIONS DESCRIPTION

Saturday morning, participants will learn about the types of animal studied and taught about in the Department of Animal Science. There will be two sessions, each 45 minutes long. All species options are available during both time blocks, except poultry and rabbits which will be offered one time. Species sessions will be pre-selected during registration. Please select each species session only once.

Species: Beef Cattle, Companion Animals, Dairy Cattle, Horses, Poultry, Rabbits and Cavies, Sheep and Goats, and Swine

See below for a full list of session offerings for **Saturday afternoon's** 90-minute Learning Lab sessions.

Saturday evening, participants will learn about different disciplines, or topics, studied and taught about in the Department of Animal Science. There will be two sessions, each 50 minutes long. All discipline options are available during both time blocks. Discipline sessions will be pre-selected during registration. Please only attend each discipline session once.

Disciplines: Animal Behavior and Welfare, Animal Health, Animal Nutrition, Animal Reproduction, and Education and Outreach

Learning Lab Session Offerings

- **Building Skills for Your Future** (Anthony Hall)
- **Veterinary Medicine and Nursing** (Anthony Hall)
- **Leader Dogs for the Blind** (Anthony Hall)
- **Egg-stravaganza!** (Anthony Hall)
- **Intro to Livestock Judging** (Anthony Hall)
- **Intro to Carcass Evaluation and Meats Judging*** (Anthony Hall)
- **Dairy Nutrition** (Anthony Hall)
- **Intro to Rabbit and Cavy Management** (Anthony Hall)
- **Intro to Horse Judging*** ([Horse Teaching and Research Center](#))
- **Intro to Horse Management*** ([Horse Teaching and Research Center](#))
- **Intro to Dairy Cattle Judging*** ([Dairy Cattle Teaching and Research Center](#))

HORSE JUDGING WORKSHOP

WHEN

January 31-Feb. 1, 2025
Friday workshop, 6:30-8:30p
Saturday contest, 8:30-10:30a

WHERE

MSU Pavilion

4301 Farm Lane, Lansing, MI

FEATURING

Friday evening's workshop will feature
carded judge & clinician Dr. Karen
Waite on Evaluating Halter.

Saturday's practice contest will have 3
classes with opportunity to give oral
reasons: Halter, Ranch Rail and
Horsemanship

ALL AGES WELCOME

PRE-REGISTER
\$15 per youth/adult/coach

REGISTER AT THE DOOR
\$20 per youth/coach/adult

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BENEFITING

All proceeds of event will
go directly to the MSU
Horse Judging Team

Online registration and
payment is available at:
https://commerce.cashnet.com/msu_3645



2025 Calendar of Statewide Animal Science Events

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January 25	State 4-H Rabbit and Cavy Show & Expo
February 15	4-H Animal Science Career Quest
March 1-2	4-H Dairy Conference
March 8	4-H Spring Livestock Workshop
March 15	4-H Hippology State Contest
March 29	4-H & FFA Horse Judging State Contest
May 8	4-H & FFA Meats Judging State Contest
June 11-12	Youth Livestock Judging Camp
June 25	4-H & FFA Livestock Judging State Contest
June 28	4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl
July 7-8 & 9-10	4-H Animal and Veterinary Science Camp
July 15-17	4-H Youth Dairy Days
August 14-17	4-H State Horse Show

Other programs could include the State 4-H Dog Show, species workshops, and more!



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information
about these
programs!

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MICHIGAN 4-H HORSE PROGRAM



2025 DATES OF IMPORTANCE!!!

*January 31 & February 1: Horse Judging
Workshop and Practice Contest*

March 15: State 4-H Hippology Contest

*March 29: Michigan 4-H/FFA State
Horse Judging Contest*

*August 14-17: Michigan 4-H State Horse
Show*



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2025 MI 4-H STATEWIDE DAIRY EVENTS

March
1-2

MI 4-H Dairy Conference

Michigan State University

June
28

State 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl Contest

Anthony Hall, Michigan State University

July
14-17

MI 4-H Dairy Days

Michigan State University

Sept. 28- **National 4-H Dairy Conference**
Oct. 2 Madison, WI

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February 8-9, 2025
Eagle Village - Hersey, MI
COST: \$120 for 4-H Members



Who Should Attend? 4-H Youth Ages 8 to 12
 Youth and adults who attend 4-H Winterfest will spend 2 days learning about exciting project areas while meeting youth from around the state. This event offers participants and chaperones an opportunity to experience Eagle Ville in an overnight camp setting. Youth participate in hands-on sessions.

Cost includes: food, lodging, Winterfest swag, project supplies, and eagle village adventures.

REGISTER TODAY!

<https://4hwinterfest2025.4honline.com>

WORKSHOP #1 - Saturday	
Crafts Around the World - Africa/Asia	
Leather Stamping	
Sandpaper T-Shirt	
All about Turkeys	
Disc Golf	
WORKSHOPS - Sunday	
#2	#3
Crafts Around the World - Europe	Crafts Around the World - Europe
String It Together	String It Together
I am AWESOME!	I am AWESOME!
Racing Rubber Band Cars	Racing Rubber Band Cars

Workshop 1

Crafts Around the World – Africa and Asia: Enjoy learning how to make simple, traditional cultural crafts worldwide. Journey around the continents, learn how to make simple crafts and have fun creating.

Leather Stamping – Explore leather stamping and make some fun items that you can keep or give as gifts. Also great to show at your local fair!!

Sandpaper T-Shirt - Make a fun designed t-shirt with crayon and sandpaper! Come explore a new way to be creative.

All about Turkeys - Learn about turkeys, both wild and domestic, habitats, sounds they make, what they eat and make a turkey feather necklace.

Disc Golf - Learn about the history and game of Disc Golf. Practice making some throughs and seeing if you can get a hole in one!!

Workshop 2 and 3

Crafts Around the World – Europe: Enjoy learning how to make simple, traditional cultural crafts worldwide. Journey around the continents, learn how to make simple crafts and have fun creating

String it Together - Learn how to create your own piece of string art!

Curiosity Clenched the Cat - Did you know you can show your cat at the local fair? Many counties in Michigan have a cat class at their fair! Your county could be one of them, and the furry friend that you already have at home and care for daily could be your ticket to clenching the cat title! Take this 1 hour workshop to learn how to perform showmanship for the cat class. You will also learn basic cat anatomy, grooming, vet check information, and care.

I am AWESOME! - Join us to learn more about positive affirmations and being your own bucket filler. In this workshop we will explore creative mindfulness activities and create an interactive tool to bring home to continue spreading positivity in ourselves and others.

Racing Rubber Band Race Cars - Have you ever played with one of those toy cars that you rolled backwards and then booms forward on its own? In this activity you will engineer and race your own version of that toy car and explore physics in the process.

4-H Animal Science Career Quest



February 15, 2025

Michigan 4-H Day at the Breslin

Reserve your free tickets today!



March 1, 2025

2025 4-H Cash Composition Contest



Learn about credit

Answer this year's question in **300 words or less**

Submit your essay by **February 28, 2025**

Possibly win a **\$100 gift card!**

Open to 9-19 year olds in Michigan

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Extra Credit UNION

2025 MI 4-H DAIRY CONFERENCE



REGISTRATION IS OPEN!
Registration Closes February 6th, 2025

MICHIGAN 4-H SPARK & SHARE SUMMIT

March 8th
9 am - 5:30 pm

Bavarian Inn
Lodge &
Conference
Center
Frankenmuth, MI

A great opportunity for 4-H volunteers and 4-H teens to learn new projects & information to take back to their 4-H Programs!

Register by Feb. 8th at <https://events.anr.msu.edu/SELeaderMeet2025>



MARCH 16-18, 2025

4-H CAPITOL EXPERIENCE



COST \$365

OPEN TO HIGH SCHOOL AGE YOUTH EXPERIENCE STATE GOVERNMENT IN ACTION AND LEARN HOW TO INFLUENCE POLICY ISSUES.
INTERACT WITH LEGISLATORS, STATE AGENCY STAFF, LOBBYISTS AND OTHER RESOURCE PEOPLE!

PLEASE REGISTER BY MARCH 1ST AT: [HTTPS://EVENTS.ANR.MSU.EDU/CAPITOLEXP2025/](https://events.anr.msu.edu/CAPITOLEXP2025/)

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