



APRIL 25, 2025

4-H Family News

Ingham County



CONGRATULATIONS

LIAM LOWER

CONGRATULATIONS TO LIAM LOWER FOR WINNING THIS YEAR'S MICHIGAN 4-H CASH COMPOSITION CONTEST!

THIS YEAR'S ESSAY WAS ON CREDIT INCLUDING WHEN CREDIT CAN BE A GOOD DECISION AND WHEN IT CAN BE A CHALLENGE OR ISSUE FOR SOMEONE. THEY SHARED TIPS AND STRATEGIES ON HOW TO WISELY AND SAFELY BORROW MONEY. THEIR HARD WORK PAID OFF AND, THANKS TO A GENEROUS SPONSORSHIP FROM EXTRA CREDIT UNION, EACH OF THE 6 WINNERS WON A \$100 E-GIFT CARD.

WE ARE PROUD OF YOU, LIAM LOWER!



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Ingham County 4-H

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YQCA

YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS

CERTIFICATION CLASS 2025

Tuesday, May 6
Hilliard Building, Mason, MI 48854
6:30pm - 8:00 pm
Conference Room A
Cost: \$3.00

Register online at yqcaprogram.org



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GARDENING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for gardening and urban farming projects this summer! Volunteer duties include; maintenance of garden beds, introducing plant science to youth, and more!

Contact Rachel for more info

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Ingham County
4-H

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Calling All Volunteers! We Need Your Help!

Join us during the Hesse-Earl Youth Fishing Program this summer! Volunteer duties include; event set up, demonstrating how to cast and tie a hook on a line, fishing with kiddos, and more!



Volunteers are needed from 8am - noon
May 3, 2025 Hawk Island Lansing
May 10, 2025 Hawk Island, Lansing
May 17, 2025 Motz Park, St. Johns

JOIN US →

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Visit Our Website
<https://www.canr.msu.edu/ingham/4-h/>



SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



DUE THURSDAY, MAY 1ST
MICHIGAN YOUTH LIVESTOCK
SCHOLARSHIP FUND 2025



DUE MONDAY JULY 28TH
BILL WHEELER MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP

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- Tuesday, May 6 Hillard Building
121 E. Maple Street, Mason, MI 48854
- Monday, May 19 - Conference Room A
- Monday, June 2
- Monday, June 16 Cost: \$3.00

Register online at yqcaprogram.org



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Make the Most of Your Market Animal Project
Wednesday, April 30 - Goal Getters
6:30PM - 7:30PM Zoom
Cost: Free

Make the Most of Your Market Animal Project
Wednesday, May 7 – Talk the Talk
6:30PM - 7:30PM Zoom
Cost: Free

Learn how to set SMART goals to enhance your livestock marketing success. This session will equip youth with practical strategies to develop a goal, stay focused, and achieve it. This approach allows you to track progress, stay focused, and successfully prepare their animals for events like county fairs

Effective communication is key to successfully selling livestock. This session covers tools and techniques to connect with buyers, convey product value, and empower youth with practical tips for impactful auctions and markets

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Michigan 4-H Volunteer Webinar Series: Fueling or Squashing the Rumor Mill

May 15, 2025 12:00PM - 1:00PM Zoom
May 15, 2025 7:00PM – 8:00PM Zoom

Contact: Christine Heverly sisungch@msu.edu

A webinar series that will provide Michigan 4-H volunteers with a variety of learning opportunities to help them grow as a volunteer and support the Michigan 4-Her's. This session is: Fueling or Squashing the Rumor Mill. We'll focus on supporting youth who face rumors about their projects and how to prevent the spread of misinformation. This webinar will provide strategies for volunteers to help youth handle rumors with confidence, address concerns constructively, and foster a respectful, supportive environment where positive communication thrives.

2025 EATON COUNTY 4-H PRE-FAIR DOG FUN MATCH



Pre-Registration is preferred
Please return forms to the Eaton County MSU
Extension office in-person or via email by
Monday, April 28th, 2025

Day-of Registration will be from 7:30am-9:00am
Class Fees:
\$6.00 per class (Pre-Registration)
\$8.00 per class (Day of Show)

Registration packet and full information can be
found here:
https://www.canr.msu.edu/eaton/eaton_county_4_h/eaton_county_4_h_associations_and_committees/dog_committee

Please contact Jessie Gottl to learn more:
517-543-2310 | gottljess@msu.edu

Saturday, May 17th, 2025

Pavilion, Eaton County Fairgrounds 1025
S. Cochran Ave, Charlotte, MI



MICHIGAN 4-H ADULTING 101 WEBINAR

STAY SAFE OUT THERE



From hiking trails to bustling cities, learn practical strategies to be prepared no matter where you go.

May 15, 2025 at 6 p.m. EST

FREE ON ZOOM



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**4-H
and
FFA
Meats
Judging
State
Contest**

May 7, 2025

MSU Meat Lab



SAVE



**May 8
2025**

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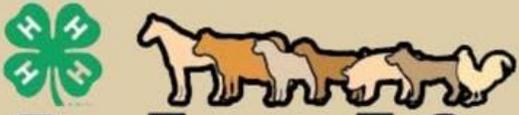
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Michigan Youth Livestock
Judging Camp 2025
June 11, 2025 - June 12, 2025
MSU Campus

More details to come!

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4-H Animal & Veterinary SCIENCE CAMP

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July 7-8 and 9-10, 2025

Registration opens April 1 at noon

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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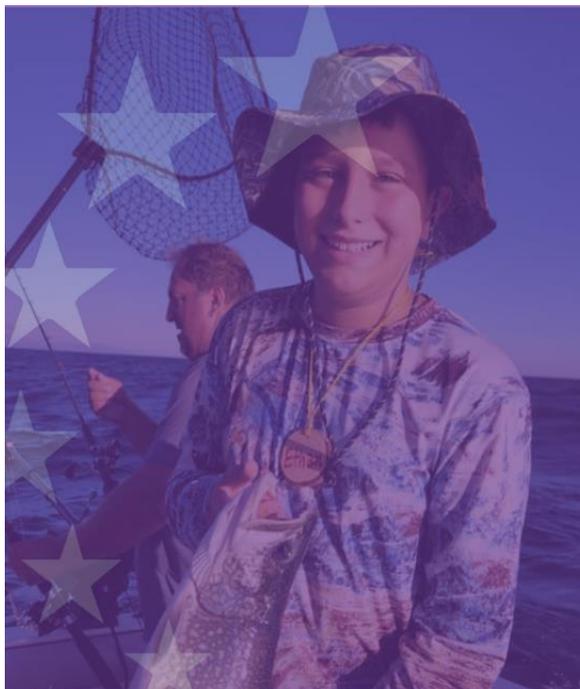
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REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

4-H GREAT LAKES & NATURAL RESOURCES CAMP

July 27-August 2, 2025
Camp Chickagami
Presque Isle, MI

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY Extension  4-H GROWS HERE



4-H GREAT LAKES & NATURAL RESOURCES CAMP

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!



SPACE FORCE



U.S. AIR FORCE

FOR DEPARTMENT OF AIR FORCE DEPENDENTS

JULY 27 - AUGUST 2, 2025

A week-long residential summer camp experience for youth ages 13-15. Camp is full of experiential learning opportunities focused on natural resources and the Great Lakes and taught by MSUE CYI and Sea Grant staff, MSU Fisheries and Wildlife faculty, and their partners. Additional recreation sessions include swimming, sailing, fishing, snorkeling, archery, campfires, and more!

Scholarship Applications due by 3/21/25 at 7 pm.

TO APPLY, CONTACT KATE KING:
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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-
Oct. 2 **National 4-H Dairy Conference**
Madison, WI

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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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Still Life

2025 Changes for fair highlights

Theme – Explore The Magic of 4-H

From the fair office:

Cost of wristband = \$12.00

Drapery will not be provided in the still life building for club booths

From 4-H

With the exception of **Buymanship** in Clothing and Textiles there will be **No Report Forms**

Projects will be conference judged – if youth are not able to attend during the conference judging there will be an absentee form for them to complete

New Department: Nose Work for Dogs – Superintendent Merrick Morehouse mgm71115@gmail.com

Still Life Sale

Youth will be going through the sale **one** time

Youth may choose to combine blue ribbon projects that complement each other for their one trip through the sale.

Both the market plan and project must be in the still life sale area by noon on Monday, July 28. If an exhibitor does not have both items in place by noon, Monday, July 28, 2025 they will be ineligible to sell during this year's sale.

New section to Clothing and Textiles = Weaving – classes are Basketry Wicker, Basketry Other, Weaving Other Arts and Crafts – kits are allowed

New section to Science – Robotics – classes are Robotic Design; Educational Display, Lego Robotics, Junk Drawer Robotics, Kits, Intermediate, Advanced, Sphero Robot

Woodworking – Articles made from kits are not suggested but may be used as part of learning with an adult.

CITIZENSHIP WASHINGTON

FOCUS



Calling all future
change agents!

SAVE THE DATE

June 20-27, 2025



The Michigan 4-H Delegation will leave **by bus** on Friday, June 20 at 1:00pm. We will **stay the night in Gettysburg** and tour the battlegrounds the next morning before heading to the Hyatt Regency in Bethesda, MD for **6 days** of eventful programming. This includes **meetings with our Senators and Representatives**, tours of many **monuments** provided by a licensed DC tour guide, **incredible workshops** that teach life skills like civil discourse and critical thinking, and much more!

The total **cost is \$2,500.00** (includes transportation from East Lansing and back, all lodging, conference costs, and most meals). Six meals and spending money will need to be provided by participants.

For additional information, go to the website at:
<https://4-h.org/events/citizenship-washington-focus/>

Enroll in 4-H Online at <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in> and then **register through Events**.

Contact your County 4-H Program Coordinator to **find out about local scholarships**:
<https://www.canr.msu.edu/outreach/county>

For more information, contact Liana Pepin at deisenro@msu.edu or **906-315-2663**

“Visiting DC was incredible, giving me the opportunity to visit historical monuments and museums that I had never seen. I really liked when we got to tour the Capitol Building as well as meet with our Congressional representatives. I also met people from all over the USA and made long-lasting friendships. It was truly one of the best weeks of my life and I encourage anyone who has the chance to participate in CWF to take it!” Ansel Frost- 2019 CWF Delegate

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STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Support 4-H with the TSC Spring Paper Clover Campaign



From April 21 – May 5, Tractor Supply Company (TSC) customers across the nation will have the opportunity to support 4-H youth by purchasing a \$1 paper clover at checkout, both online and in stores.

Funds raised will support county, state and national 4-H programming. To learn more regarding the campaign, visit www.tractorsupply.com/tsc/cms/4h.

April 10: Driving Success with Workplace Professionalism

Online

Through a partnership with Toyota, youth will experience a variety of career paths in the automotive industry as well as build workforce readiness skills. This webinar will provide insight on professionalism in the workplace.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/workplace-professionalism

April 16: Michigan 4-H Volunteer Webinar - 4-H Club Fundraising 101

Online

This webinar will provide an overview of Michigan 4-H fundraising policies, ensuring that your efforts align with guidelines and best practices for success.

- **12 p.m. session:** www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series-4-h-club-fundraising-101-noon
- **7 p.m. session:** www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series-4-h-club-fundraising-101-7pm

April 24: 4-H Fly Fishing Series

Adrian, Michigan

Learn to use fly fishing equipment, practice fly casting techniques and tie a variety of knots. Learn about environmental and water quality concerns, as well as a fish's ecosystem as you practice imitating insects and other water critters. Registration deadline is April 18.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-fly-fishing-series

April 30: Make the Most of Your Market Animal Project – Goal Getters

Online

Learn how to set SMART goals to enhance your livestock marketing success. This session will provide practical strategies to develop a goal, stay focused and achieve it.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/market-animal-project-webinar4-30

May 1: Engineering the Future with Careers in Integrated Vehicle Systems (IVS)

Online

Through a partnership with Toyota, youth will experience a variety of career paths in the automotive industry as well as build workforce readiness skills. This webinar focuses on careers in IVS, the backbone of advanced safety in automobiles.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/careers-in-ivs

May 3: Spring 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Workshop for Adults and Teens

Owosso, Michigan

Learn about 4-H Shooting Sports mission policy, risk management and safety, discipline-specific equipment use and care, how to teach shooting fundamentals to youth, range set-up, and more.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/spring-2025-4-h-shooting-sports-instructor-workshop-for-adults-and-teens





STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS

Registration open for 4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp

4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp mixes summer fun and hands-on science education. The camp will be held July 27 – August 2 on the shores of Lake Esau at Camp Chickagami in Presque Isle and is open to youth ages 13-15 during camp.

During this enriching MSU Extension educational program, campers will increase their science literacy and stewardship as they learn from natural resource experts in fields such as Great Lakes coastal and fisheries management, limnology, wildlife, forestry, geography, geology and environmental education. In addition to hands-on learning, attendees also enjoy exciting natural resources recreation activities such as kayaking, swimming, sailing, archery, fishing, snorkeling, evening campfires and more!

Registration is now open! The registration fee is \$525 and includes six nights of lodging, all meals and snacks, a t-shirt and program and activity costs. Space is limited to 70 campers so register today. For more information and to register, visit www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_great_lakes_natural_resources_camp/.



Register for 4-H Exploration Days!

Join 1,000 youth from across Michigan on MSU's campus to explore YOUR future! This three-day pre-college program is designed to help you explore careers, build skills and envision your future. Choose from more than 100 fun learning sessions on a variety of topics that are led by MSU faculty, 4-H staff and volunteers, and other experts. You'll stay in and eat at MSU residence halls, attend sessions in buildings throughout campus, and of course have fun at free-time activities across the university!

4-H Exploration days will be held June 18-20 at MSU in East Lansing. Young people ages 12 to 19 are invited to join the fun! The cost for the 2025 event is \$250, which includes two nights' lodging in a residence hall, meals, learning sessions, an event t-shirt and free-time activities. Contact your local MSU Extension office to find out if your county 4-H program offers scholarships for youth participants.

Registration opened March 20 and closes April 25. You'll want to register soon – sessions fill up fast and are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis! For registration links or more information, visit www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_exploration_days/.

Get your tickets for Michigan 4-H Day with the Detroit Tigers!

Join Michigan 4-H and MSU Extension for a fun day at Comerica Park to watch the Detroit Tigers take on the Baltimore Orioles on Sunday, April 27. Michigan 4-H will be honored as the Group Charity of the Game. To celebrate, 4-H youth, volunteers, staff and their families will enjoy a discounted ticket to the game, as well as:

- Access to a pre-game, on-field opportunity. Michigan 4-H youth are invited to take a lap around the warning track of Comerica Park before the game.
- A portion of each ticket sold donated to Michigan 4-H.

There are several ticketing options available this year, in three main locations, ranging in price from \$22 - 46. In addition, each ticket purchased through the Michigan 4-H link will have the opportunity to purchase an exclusive, co-branded Michigan 4-H and Detroit Tigers jersey (while supplies last). Jerseys can only be purchased by purchasing a ticket through the Michigan 4-H link; however, there is an option to buy tickets without the purchase of a jersey. Learn more at www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-day-with-the-detroit-tigers.

