



OCEANA

4-H Family News

June 2021

MSU Extension resumes limited 4-H face-to-face programming

Over the past several months, MSU Extension has been working diligently to chart a path toward resuming in-person programming during the current public health crisis. Thanks to the thoughtfully crafted guidelines created by MSU Extension professionals, we are excited to share that MSU Extension will resume hosting face-to-face programs and events that adhere to public health guidelines.

As of May 17, Michigan 4-H professionals and volunteers may submit a request to host an in-person event that follows specific guidelines and requirements. The health and safety of program participants and volunteers, as well as their families and our staff, remains the top priority. All guidelines outlined by MSU Extension are based on the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) (CDC), [Michigan Department of Health and Human Services](#) (MDHHS), and the [MSU Community Compact](#) and *must be followed closely*.

As we begin expanding our in-person offerings, communication, transparency and collaboration are essential for the safety and well-being of all parties. MSU Extension expectations regarding programming and events will remain fluid and subject to change at any time based on evolving guidance from the CDC, MDHHS and the MSU Community Compact. Groups should continue to provide options (including virtual) for participation to ensure all participants can remain involved given their individual circumstances.

To learn more about face-to-face program requirements and how to submit your request, please visit the Approved Activities for MSU Extension Volunteers in 2021 website at extension.msu.edu/approvedactivities.

It has been many months since the COVID-19 pandemic landed at our doorsteps. We appreciate the resiliency and commitment that our 4-H'ers have shown during this time. We have witnessed countless examples of 4-H youth and volunteers stepping up and helping their communities, their neighbors, and families. This exemplifies the spirit of the 4-H pledge. While we were glad to continue learning and growing with you virtually through this time, we are truly grateful for the opportunity to reengage in more in-person programming while continuing to protect one another and the public health.

Locally Sarah Schaner, 4-H Program Coordinator, has hosted a **required** leader training so your leaders can begin requesting in person dates, if they are comfortable with that. If they are not comfortable they may still offer zoom, or other virtual, meetings. Leader's may not hold meetings until they have met in person with Sarah to go over procedures and get their PPE kits. Please follow their directions at your meetings so we can continue to move forward!

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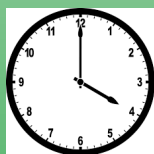
REMINDERS

MARKET ANIMAL PROJECT NOTEBOOKS

If you have not already done so, you can pick up a market notebook at the office. You may also download one at:

[https://
www.canr.msu.edu/
oceana](https://www.canr.msu.edu/oceana)

Our **OFFICE HOURS** are returning to normal beginning Monday, June 7th!!
8:00 a.m.– noon and 1:00 p.m.– 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. If you call, or email ahead, we can have whatever you may need ready for you when you arrive.



YOUR 4-H ONLINE ACCOUNT

If you move, change phone numbers, emails, etc. make sure to change the information in your 4-H online account. Your account is located at:
[https://
v2.4honline.com/](https://v2.4honline.com/)

OCEANA DATES & DEADLINES for Market Projects (all deadlines are 3:00 p.m. unless otherwise indicated)

- June 1– Lamb Project Deadline & LB Lamb
- June 1– Lamb Pictures with breed & ear tag(s) are due to the office. You can pick up your 4-H tags at the office. Let us know you are coming and we can have it ready for you. Call when here and we will run it out to you. We can also leave it in the MSUE drop box if you prefer.
- June 1– Feeder Calf Pictures with breed and tag number due to the office *NOTE– tag MUST be in the ear
- June 14- Youth Council meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the MSUE Office
- June 21- HDC meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the MSUE office
- June 29- Market Livestock & SMAA COMMITTEES meet at MSUE Office at 7:00 p.m.
- July 12- Youth Council meeting. 7:00 p.m. at the MSUE office.
- July 19- HDC Meeting. 7:00 p.m. at the MSUE office.
- July 24- OCHDC Horse show at the Fairgrounds (more info to come)
- July 30– All other SMAA/Jr. Mkt pictures with breeds due to the office
- Aug. 7- OCHDC Horse show at the Fairgrounds (more info to come)
- Aug. 9– Office must be notified in writing of backup animal if being used.

The following dates are TENTATIVE pending COVID restrictions and/or updates from the Oceana Agricultural Society:

- July 30– Potential Buyer's names due
- Aug. 24– Entry day of Fair
- Aug. 26– Market Livestock Auction
- Aug. 28– SMAA/JR Mkt Auction
- Aug 29– Load out day of Fair
- Sept 1– New 4-H year begins

Complete rules were provided with you applications to participate in the market project that you submitted. They can also be found on the Oceana County MSUE website:

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/oceana/>

Join the Virtual Fishing Derby!

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It's time to go Fishin' in Michigan!

Michigan 4-H is proud to partner with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources to offer a FREE a statewide virtual fishing derby on [Free Fishing Weekend](#), June 12-13. Youth ages 5-19 are encouraged to share their fish stories with youth across the state!

Fishing derbies are a great way to build angling skills, increase confidence, learn angler ethics, and have fun! Youth do not need to be 4-H members to participate.

During the fishing derby, youth will complete virtual fishing challenges and submit entries through the Goosechase app, with points awarded for each mission that is completed. Top participants will be eligible for prizes or certificates.

Learn more and register for the derby at <https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-youth-virtual-fishing-derby>.

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OCEANA COUNTY 4-H AMBASSADOR

Want to represent Oceana County 4-H? Would you love to share your 4-H experiences with others?

The Oceana County 4-H Youth Council and their Recognition Committee is looking for an ambassador for the 2021/2022 4-H year to represent the county along with last year's ambassadors.

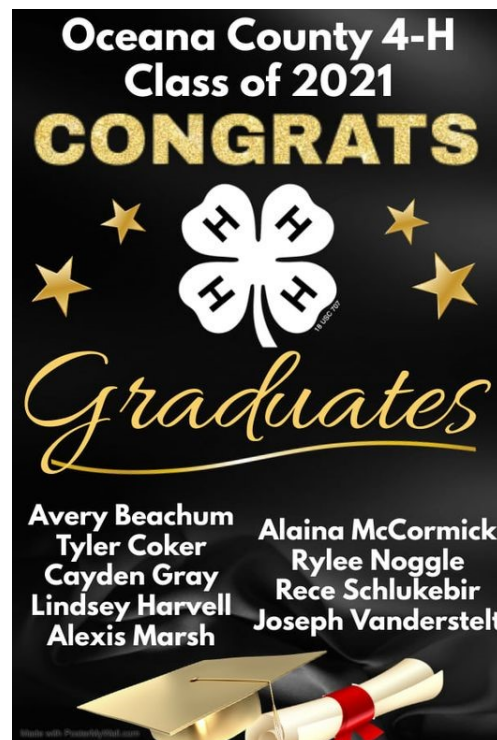
APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR OCEANA COUNTY MSUE PORTAL AT: [HTTPS://WWW.CANR.MSU.EDU/OCEANA](https://www.canr.msu.edu/oceana), IN THE OFFICE OR TONI CAN EMAIL ONE TO YOU IF YOU WOULD LIKE (vanberg2@msu.edu).

Guidelines for 4-H Ambassadors Selection

- Must be a current Oceana County 4-H member who will be at least 13 years old by August 1st.
- Must have completed 2 calendar years of club work by August 31st of this year (this current year counts as 1 of 2 of those years).
- Must have knowledge and experience with the 4-H philosophy, pledge and motto: <http://4h.msue.msu.edu/about/mi.4h.FAQs>
- Has participated in club & county 4-H opportunities that promote 4-H to others.
- Has demonstrated service to the community and others.
- Has demonstrated leadership skill development, their involvement in 4-H, school and community.
- Must be willing and able to meet the availability requirements of the position
- Must be available for a virtual interview session with the Ambassador Committee. (Interview date will be emailed to applicants.)

Must complete the application and submit it to the Oceana County MSU Extension Office by 3:00p.m. Monday, July 26th, 2021.

You may mail it to the office, turn in a paper copy, or email it to Sarah Schaner at schaner4@msu.edu or Toni Van Bergen at vanberg2@msu.edu.



**Capture What's
Great in the
Midwest States 4-H
Photography
Challenge**



Minnesota 4-H is excited to offer another photography challenge to Midwest youth in grades K-13. In this challenge, youth are encouraged to highlight something that stands out about their town, county, state or travels to another Midwest state. There are a lot of hidden gems around the Midwest so get out and capture them!

Submitted photos will be displayed in a slideshow. Volunteer photography judges will provide feedback and recognize the top quality images. All participants will have their names entered in a random drawing for prizes.

Youth can submit up to three (3) images by 11:59 p.m. on June 30, 2021. Find more information at z.umn.edu/Midwest-states-photo-challenge.

4-H Events and Workshops

June 5, 12 and 19: 4-H League of Clovers—Magic Gathering Tournament

Online

The Mason County 4-H League of Clovers Gaming Society is hosting a virtual Magic: The Gathering multi-day event. Participants will meet via Zoom each of the three days to test their mettle against other players. Register by June 2.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-league-of-clovers-live-magic-the-gathering

June 12—13: 4-H Youth Virtual Fishing Derby

Online

Michigan 4-H is proud to partner with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for a statewide virtual fishing derby during Free Fishing Weekend. Youth ages 5-19 will complete virtual fishing challenges and submit entries through the Goosechase app to earn prizes.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-youth-virtual-fishing-derby

June 12: MSU Tollgate Farm Homegrown Gardening

Online

Are you interested in starting a vegetable garden for the first time or are you an experienced veggie gardener looking to explore new ideas? All levels of experience are welcome at this new online series! This session will focus on taking growing to new heights.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/msu-tollgate-farm-homegrown-gardening-series-2021-june-12

June 21: Michigan 4-H and FFA Virtual Livestock Judging Contest

Online

The 2021 Michigan 4-H and FFA Virtual Livestock Judging Contest is designed to help contestants enhance their livestock evaluation and selection skills, as well as improve their communication and decision making skills.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/2021-michigan-4-h-and-ffa-virtual-livestock-judging-contest

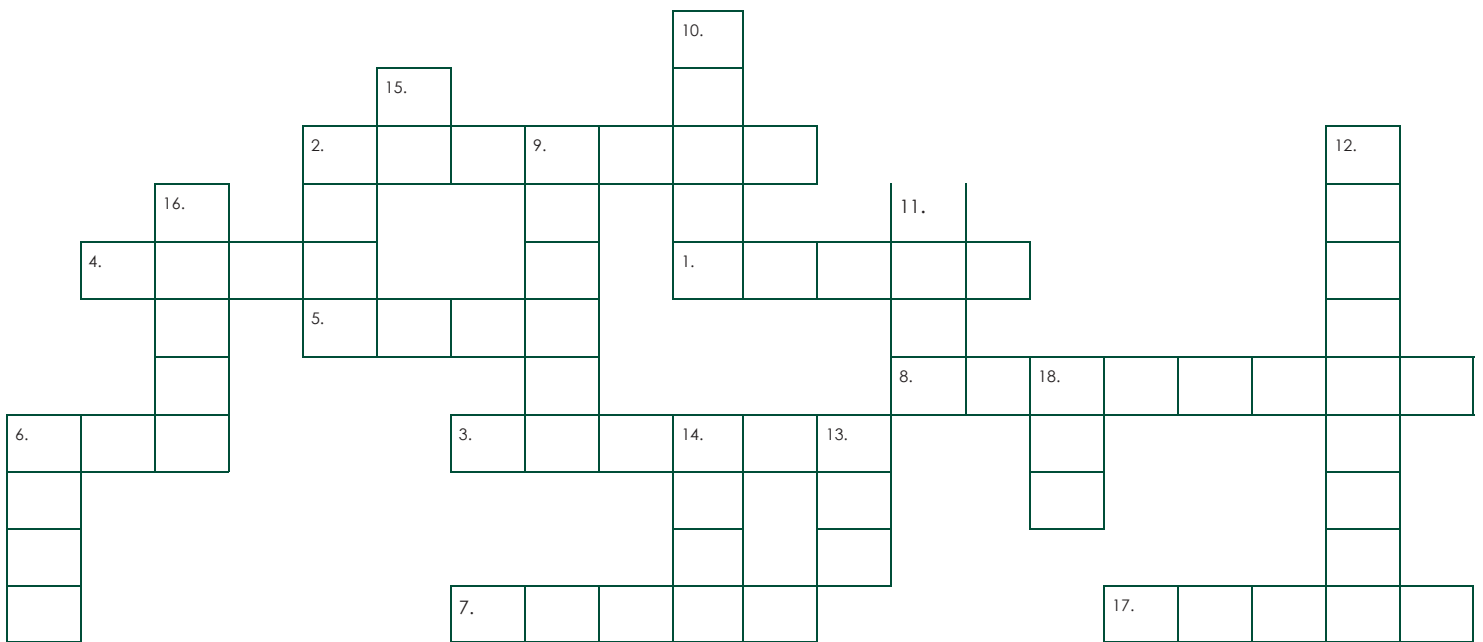
June 30: 4-H in the Kitchen Live! Jalapeno Cheese Dip

Online

In this 4-H in the Kitchen adventure, learn how to make a special jalapeno cheese dip that is very popular around the MSU campus. Attendees will also learn about the science behind jalapenos.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-in-the-kitchen-live-jalapeno-cheese-dip

For the most up-to-date events listing, go to <http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events>.



ACROSS:

1. Our Oceana County 4-H Coordinator's first name
2. A baby goose is called
3. Activities involving skill in making things by hand
4. A young horse
5. A two-beat diagonal gait of the horse where the diagonal pairs of legs move forward at the same time with a moment of suspension between each beat
6. A baby goat
7. A male bovine (or bull) that has been castrated
8. "Who" can join 4-H (as long as 4-H age 5-19)
17. Female cattle bred for the ability to produce large quantities of milk, from which dairy products are made

DOWN:

2. Female pig under the age of 1 year.
6. Make (a garment, blanket, etc.) by interlocking loops of wool or other yarn with knitting needles or on a machine.
9. A group of bunnies born to a doe is called a _____
10. I pledge my _____ to larger service
11. A young male turkey
12. Your leader is not paid, they are a _____
13. The number of meetings required to complete a 4-H year
14. The minimum 4-H age as of Jan. 1st of the current year
15. Do you have to attend Fair to be in 4-H
16. The end of the 4-H pledge is for my club, my community, my country and my _____
18. A female sheep

JUST
FOR
FUN!