



Prince William 4-H

Our Clubs, Our Community

September 11, 2024



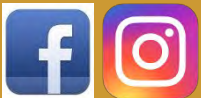
Upcoming Events

- Sep 21 - PW 4-H Young Entrepreneurs Market Day
- Sep 21 - VA 4-H Shotgun Championship
- Sep 27-Oct 6 - State Fair of Virginia
- Sep 29 - PW 4-H Open House
- Oct 1 - Happy 4-H New Year!
- Oct 1 - All Star Applications & Portfolios Due
- Oct 6-12 - National 4-H Week
- Oct 8 - BOCS Proclamation
- Oct 10 - PW 4-H Scholarship Applications Due
- Oct 11 - Coat Donations Due

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Important Prince William 4-H Upcoming Dates

- September 21st: PW4-H Young Entrepreneurs at the Manassas Park Farmer's Market
- September 25th: [All Star Applications](#) are due to Prince William 4-H
- September 29: Prince William 4-H Open House. - [click here to register](#)
- October 1st: * Happy 4-H New Year! **Re-Enroll in 4-H Online - must be enrolled to participate in ANY 4-H club, event, activity, etc.**
 - * *All Star Applications are due to Virginia 4-H from MaryBeth Lerch*
 - * [Portfolios and Project Records](#) are due to Prince William 4-H
 - * Club Reports are due to Prince William 4-H: Treasurer's Report, Secretary Book, and Club Year-End Financial Summary



- October 6-12th: National 4-H Week
- October 8th: Proclamation of National 4-H Week at the Prince William Board of County Supervisors Meeting - all members should attend!
- October 10th: Prince William 4-H Scholarship Applications/Nominations Due ([see Pg 6](#))
- October 11th: Coat Donations for the Coat Drive due to Prince William 4-H
- October 12th: PW 4-H Cloverbud Club - [click here to register](#)
- October 17th: PW 4-H Teen Club Community Service - [click here to register](#)
- October 24th: Prince William 4-H Recognition Day - [click here to register](#)
- November 4th & 5th: PW 4-H Pajama Party SPIN Club - [click here to register](#)

Prince William 4-H New Enrollment and Re-Enrollment



[Click here to login to 4-H Online.](#)

On October 1st, all Prince William 4-H should enroll/re-enroll in 4-H Online for the 2024-2025 4-H Year. Virginia 4-H policy requires all youth participating in any 4-H club, activity, or event to be enrolled PRIOR to participating. The policy will be strictly enforced this year.

- * There is no fee to enroll in Prince William 4-H. *Clubs may have their own club supply fees.*
- * Youth MUST be enrolled before participating in ANY 4-H club, activity, or event. No exceptions. This includes 4-H camps, counselor applications, scholarship applications, horse program, shooting education, all competitions, community service, etc. DO NOT WAIT to enroll.
- * **Enroll by NOVEMBER 1st** to continue to receive the Prince William 4-H Newsletter.

RETURNING PRINCE WILLIAM 4-H MEMBERS

Please login to your 4-H Online account on October 1st and re-enroll. It only takes a few minutes to update your profile. [Please click here for the 4-H Online Returning Member Tip Sheet.](#)

NEW PRINCE WILLIAM 4-H MEMBERS

Please create an account in 4-H Online on October 1st. There is no fee to create an account. [Please click here for the 4-H Online New Member Tip Sheet.](#)

PLEASE DO NOT ENROLL IN 4-H ONLINE UNTIL OCTOBER 1ST.



VIRGINIA 4-H STATE SHOOT



SEPTEMBER 7TH & 8TH, 2024 • HOLIDAY LAKE 4-H CENTER

During the weekend of September 7 & 8, Trigger Time 4-H Shooting Education Club competed in the Virginia 4-H State Shoot. The members traveled to Holiday Lake 4-H Center to compete in the 2-day event. The club had 21 4-H'ers compete in over 20 different disciplines. They had packed days competing in 3 to 8 different disciplines throughout the day. 3D Archery was a new discipline for this year's event. During the down time and evening, the 4-H'ers played gaga ball, fished, or made new friends from other counties. Ducks Unlimited provided t-shirts and goodie bags for the participants. They also held a raffle and Christopher Nevarr won a box of shotgun shells; Kira Lorentz won a basket full of delicious goodies. Prince William 4-H'ers showed great sportsmanship during their matches! We would like to thank all the coaches, parents and adult volunteers that made the weekend a success.





TRAP: INDIVIDUAL
1st Place Kira Lorentz

3P SMALLBORE: INDIVIDUAL
1st Place Lexi Strand
2nd Place Sam Seagle

* Lexi Strand received the PAUL BENNECHE AWARD which is awarded to the overall high scoring competitor in 3-Position Smallbore

3P SMALLBORE: TEAM
1st Place Trigger Time Sr
Lexi Strand, Samantha Seagle, Rebecca Ahrens



JUNIOR SKEET: INDIVIDUAL
1st Place Kira Lorentz

SKEET: TEAM
2nd Place Trigger Time Sr
Jonathon Farr, Ben Stewart, Christopher Nevarr

AIR RIFLE SILHOUETTES: INDIVIDUAL
1st Place (tie) Sam Seagle
1st Place (tie) Noah Richter



AIR RIFLE 3P: INDIVIDUAL
2nd Place Rebecca Ahrens
3rd Place Lexi Strand
5th Place Tanner Ridings

AIR RIFLE 3P: TEAM
1st Place Trigger Time Sr
Rebecca Ahrens, Lexi Strand, Sam Seagle



CONGRATULATIONS 4-H'ERS!
VIRGINIA 4-H NORTHERN DISTRICT SHOOT, AUGUST 10TH
Additional Award Recipients

AIR PISTOL PPP: INDIVIDUAL - INTERNATIONAL STANDING
1st Place Noble Richter
3rd Place Noah Richter

AIR PISTOL PPP: TEAM - INTERNATIONAL STANDING TEAM
1st Place Trigger Time IST
Noble Richter, Noah Richter, Ayden Strand

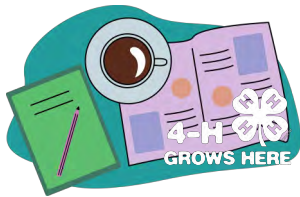
AIR PISTOL SILHOUETTES: INDIVIDUAL
1st Place Valor Richter

JUNIOR INSTINCTIVE ARCHERY
2nd Place Kira Lorentz

PUBLIC SPEAKING
3rd Place Juniors Kira Lorentz
3rd Place Seniors Lexi Strand



Wrapping Up Your 4-H Year - Portfolios Due October 1st!



4-H Project Records and Portfolios are a key element to experiential learning. You'll learn important life skills, such as organization, record keeping, communication, and more. You'll receive feedback so that you can improve each year, as well as awards for outstanding effort. And you'll have a permanent document of your personal growth, memories, and how your 4-H Story has grown!

4-H Project Records and Portfolios are required to reach the highest levels in 4-H because they document and demonstrate your commitment to participation and leadership in 4-H. Turning in successful 4-H Project Records and Portfolios document necessary steps to apply for Virginia 4-H and National 4-H Ambassador Programs. Horse portfolios and Shooting Education portfolios are necessary to compete in state-level competitions. Scored 4-H Project Records and Portfolios are also required for the Virginia 4-H All Star Application.

And if you didn't complete a 4-H Project Record or Portfolio this year, be sure to attend the fall training session so that you don't miss out on this important opportunity!

Virginia 4-H All Star Applications - Due September 25th!



Due to Prince William 4-H for review and signature by Wednesday, September 25th.

Applications must be submitted by Prince William 4-H to Virginia 4-H by Tuesday, October 1st.

[Click here for more information about Virginia 4-H All Stars and to review the applications and process.](#)

It is an honor as well as a responsibility to be asked to join the Virginia 4-H All Stars. It is an opportunity to continue your involvement with 4-H and provide service to 4-H as an All Star. The 4-H All Star program is conducted and overseen by the State 4-H Office and Virginia Cooperative Extension. The Virginia Chapter of 4-H All Stars is a service organization to communities, counties and our state. Virginia 4-H All Star is the highest level of recognition for 4-H'ers. Both youth 4-H'ers and adult volunteers may apply or be nominated.



[Click here for information about our Prince William 4-H Virginia All Stars.](#)

Fall TSC Paper Clover - NEW UPDATES



Dates: November 29th - December 15th

Location: Tractor Supply, Manassas

Who Should Participate: ALL Prince William 4-H Clubs
More information coming soon.

HOLIDAY ORNAMENTS

Launching on October 7th, limited-edition collectible 4-H holiday ornaments will be available in Tractor Supply stores nationwide. Featuring three unique designs for 2024, these ornaments are sure to become a cherished family tradition for 4-H'ers for years to come. 100% of the funds raised from ornament sales will benefit 4-H.

NEW PAPER CLOVER DATES: NOVEMBER 29TH – DECEMBER 15TH

To embrace the holiday spirit, the Paper Clover campaign will move from October to November and December this year, officially launching on Black Friday! Running from November 29th to December 15th, we are thrilled that TSC is hosting this event during the season of giving. We can't wait to see how much we raise for 4-H Camp and Leadership Scholarships!

Slots Still Available! State Fair of Virginia VCE Exhibit

Dates: September 27th - October 6th

Location: 13191 Dawn Blvd., Doswell, VA

Last year we debuted a new Virginia Cooperative Extension Exhibit at the State Fair of Virginia. We've secured the same exhibit space in the Meadow Pavilion for this year. Prince William 4-H adult volunteers and youth are encouraged to contact MaryBeth Lerch at mblerch@vt.edu if you are interested in volunteering at the State Fair. This is an amazing opportunity to help showcase Extension programs - *specifically 4-H* - and make the public aware of what Extension does. **This is also a terrific state-level activity to add to your 4-H resume and Virginia 4-H All Star application.** [Click here to see a video from last year's fair.](#)



Friday – Sept. 27	3 Slots: 5pm – 9pm
Saturday – Sept. 28	1 Slot: 9am – 1pm; 1 Slot: 5pm – 9pm
Sunday – Sept. 29	1 Slot: 9am – 1pm; 1 Slot: 5pm – 9pm
Thursday – Oct. 3	2 Slots: 5pm – 9pm
Saturday – Oct. 5	1 Slot: 9am – 1pm; 2 Slots: 1pm – 5pm; 3 Slots: 5pm – 9pm
Sunday – Oct. 6	2 Slots: 9am – 1pm; 3 Slots: 1pm – 5pm; 3 Slots: 5pm – 9pm

Virginia 4-H Horse Ambassador Applications - OPEN

[Click here for more information and to apply.](#) **Applications due by October 1st.**

Applications are now being accepted for the 2024-2025 Program Year cohort of Virginia 4-H Horse Ambassadors! The Virginia 4-H Horse Ambassador program strives to develop leadership, confidence, and advocacy skills in our Senior 4-H Youth. This team will be led by the Virginia Youth Animal Science Team, Hunter Liles and Katherine Carter, as well as Gloucester VCE Agent, Krista Gustafson. The ambassador term is a full program year, including opportunities to assist locally with their club or unit, attend and assist with State Level 4-H and 4-H Horse Events, and grow their leadership and advocacy skills.



Enrolled and active Virginia 4-H Members, 14 years or older (as of January 1, 2024) are eligible to apply.

Virginia 4-H - Host a College Student from Chile!

Virginia 4-H has created a new 4-H exchange program with Chile. The Virginia 4-H Chile Exchange program is hosting three exchange delegates (1 female and 2 males) from Chile from September 26, 2024 – December 2, 2024. Participants are 18 years of age. All of the exchange delegates are attending agriculture schools in Chile and are interested in our education system, culture, and daily life, and they want to improve language skills.

Host families are needed for each of these delegates. Ideally, families host for 2-3 weeks each. Host families treat the exchange delegate as one of the family members. They should make a conscious effort to help the delegate feel comfortable around friends and include them in activities. It would be good for the exchange delegates to visit some of our schools, learn about our education system, the agriculture programs in our schools as well as about the Career and Technical Education programs. Efforts should be made to include them in some 4-H meetings, programs and activities during their stay. Families will need to assign a bed exclusively to the delegate for the duration of the stay and will need to provide three meals a day. Host families do not have to be farm families.

Interested in hosting an agricultural student from Chile? [Click here to complete the interest form.](#)

Host Chile Exchange Delegate

SEPTEMBER 25- DECEMBER 2, 2024
(CAN CHOOSE TO HOST 1 - 2 WEEKS WITHIN THIS TIME FRAME)

Host needs to provide:

- Bed Exclusively to Delegate
- Three Meals a Day
- Inclusive and Comfortable Environment

Questions? Contact: Glenda Snyder 540-521-9647 or gsnyder@vt.edu

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Prince William 4-H Scholarships - Applications Due Oct 10th

Prince William 4-H has four scholarships available to members. All scholarship applications and nominations are due by **October 10th, 2024**. Scholarships will be presented at the Prince William 4-H Recognition Day on October 24th.



2024 Joanne Guhl Scholarship

Joanne Guhl was a member of the Boots and Saddles 4-H Club who passed away in 1984. Her parents honor her memory by awarding a college scholarship to a PW 4-Her. Applicants must be enrolled in the Prince William 4-H program and must have been accepted at an institution of higher learning. Preference is given to 4-Hers pursuing a career in animal science.

[Please click here to apply for the 2024 Joanne Guhl Scholarship.](#)



2024 Bernard Malo Scholarship

Bernard Malo was a past leader of the Trigger Time 4-H Shooting Education Club. Bernie, a 4-H All Star, was active at the local, district, and state level and gave much to the youth of Virginia. His family, who are all 4-H'ers and friends, started a scholarship fund to honor his memory. Trigger Time 4-H Club members have continued to help this scholarship fund grow. This scholarship is for higher education for those entering as a freshman into any four-year college, community college or vocational school. Trigger Time member applicants are given first consideration. The amount of scholarship may vary from year to year.

[Please click here to apply for the 2024 Bernard Malo Scholarship.](#)



2024 Outstanding 4-H Member Award (Youth)

The Outstanding 4-H Member Award was created to recognize individuals who demonstrate exemplary service to Prince William 4-H through participation in program planning, development, and implementation at the club level and beyond. This yearly award will be given to individuals who strengthen local 4-H clubs and county 4-H by encouraging and promoting youth members and volunteers, helping to recruit new members and leaders, and through leadership responsibility while promoting service through volunteerism.

[Click here to apply for the 2024 Outstanding 4-H Member Award.](#)



2024 Outstanding 4-H Volunteer Award (Adult)

The All Around 4-H Volunteer Award was created to recognize individuals who demonstrate exemplary service to Prince William 4-H through participation in program planning, development, and implementation at the club level and beyond. This yearly award will be given to individuals who strengthen local 4-H clubs and county 4-H by encouraging and promoting youth members and volunteers, helping to recruit new members and leaders, and through leadership responsibility while promoting service through volunteerism.

[Click here to apply for the 2024 Outstanding 4-H Volunteer Award.](#)

Celebrating YOU!

Young Entrepreneurs

at the

Manassas Park Farmers Market

Treat your family & friends to a day of shopping
at our September Market Day and support our
fabulous 4-H'ers!

Featuring: Lauren, Michael, Adam, Jacklyn, Josaphine, Charley, Stella, Sophie,
Thomas, Lee, Koa, Xanthie, Aisling, Chloe, Sarah, Cora, Nisanar and Istau



Prince William 4-H



4-H GROWS HERE

Saturday, September 21st
9 am - 2 pm

Manassas Park Farmer's Market
100 Park Central Plaza
Manassas Park, VA



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PRINCE WILLIAM 4-H



Open House

Sunday, September 29
4-5 PM

Prince William 4-H
Courtyard

Click here to register. Registration is FREE.

**ALL PRINCE WILLIAM 4-H
FAMILIES NEW & OLD SHOULD
ATTEND!**

**FREE
T-SHIRT**

Join us !!

It's time to kick-off the new 4-H year! Join us for a fun hour of all things 4-H:

- Pick up your FREE Prince William 4-H Picture Calendar
- All 4-H youth and adult leaders receive a FREE 4-H t-shirt
- Discover new opportunities
- Learn about Prince William, Northern District, and Virginia State 4-H events
- Connect with friends!



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PRINCE WILLIAM 4-H



CLOVERBUD CLUB

Meets the 2nd Saturday of the Month from October to May from 10am-Noon



OCTOBER 12TH

AT PRINCE WILLIAM 4-H, 8033 ASHTON AVE., MANASSAS



Our October meeting features special guest Thomas Bolles from VCE who will lead our exploration on the care and feeding of small animals. We'll have a demonstration with rabbits and chickens, too. Be sure to bring a stuffed animal! *Registration is free, but required.*

Who Should Attend: Greater Prince William youth ages 5-8 that are interested in learning more about 4-H.*

Cloverbuds complete short-term, hands-on, adult-led, exploratory projects in the 4-H Pillars of civic engagement, STEM, healthy living and agriculture. All 4-H projects are research and curriculum based. We lay the foundation of knowledge to help develop our future community leaders.



Learn more about 4-H at www.pwcva.gov/4-H.

To join this FREE 4-H Club, click here to register for the October meeting. Come grow with us!

4-H GROWS HERE

* A parent or guardian must be present.



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PRINCE WILLIAM 4-H

WINTER Coat Drive

Help families in need with new or gently used winter clothes and coats.



Donation Deadline:
11 October



Drop Off Location:
Prince William 4-H Headquarters
8033 Ashton Ave., #105
Manassas



PW 4-H TEEN CLUB
Community Service Project
Date: October 17th
Location: Boxes of Basics
Who Should Attend:
PW 4-H'ers age 13 and up
Click here to sign up.
** Limited to 8 teens.*



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PRINCE WILLIAM 4-H
**FLANNEL & FALL
 RECOGNITION
 DAY**

CINNAMON SPICE AND ALL THINGS NICE!

Prince William 4-H Recognition Day is an annual celebration of our youth 4-H members and adult volunteers. All Prince William 4-H families are invited to attend. We'll have beverages and ice cream. Please bring a pie to share.

CLICK HERE TO RSVP

24 OCTOBER | **6:30** - 8:30 PM
 2024 | WINDY
 KNOLL
 FARM

SCHOLARSHIPS • AWARDS • RECOGNITIONS
 PIES À LA MODE
 PICTURE SHOW • PERFORMERS • AND MORE!

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PRINCE WILLIAM 4-H



Pajama Party

What's a kid to do with 2 days off from school? Stay in your PJs and get crafty! PW 4-H is hosting a 2-day pajama party where we'll actually be making pajama pants for this 4-H SPIN Project! With your friends, you'll learn the basics of how to use a sewing machine, care for a machine, basic sewing techniques, and more...with the added comfort of staying in your PJs!

NOVEMBER 4 & 5, 9:30 AM - 3 PM

Prince William 4-H Headquarters

Bring a lunch and water bottle. Snacks provided.

Wear your PJs! Invite a friend!

Ages 13 - 19

Click here to register.

Registration is FREE but required.



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2024 State Fair of Virginia Contest Updates



2024 STATE FAIR JUNIOR DAIRYMEN'S CONTEST

Date: Friday, September 27th

Location: State Fair of Virginia, 13191 Dawn Blvd., Doswell, VA

[Click here for Group Entry Form.](#) **Entries due by Friday, September 20th.**

[Click here for more information and competition guides.](#)

The objective of the contest is to provide an educational program for Virginia youth who are interested in improving and testing their knowledge of the dairy industry. The State Fair of Virginia will provide premiums and ribbons for the high scoring teams and individuals. Scholarships are also awarded to the top four individuals in the junior and senior divisions. After receiving the group entry, the leader/advisor will be emailed a link to an Excel file to enter information for each contestant and to make team assignments. Information needed to purchase tickets online at the discounted rate will be included in the email.



2024 STATE FAIR OF VIRGINIA YOUTH LIVESTOCK SHOWS

Dates: October 3-6

Locations: The Meadow Event Park, Doswell, VA

[Click here for Rules and Updates.](#)

A culminating event for youth livestock projects, the Youth Livestock Shows allow youth to exhibit their cattle, sheep, meat goats, and swine and compete in showmanship.

LIVESTOCK SKILLATHON FOR NON-EXHIBITORS:

Thursday, October 3rd from 1:00 to 4:00 pm: EXHIBITORS ONLY

Friday, October 4th from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm: EXHIBITORS and NON-EXHIBITORS

[Click here to register NON-EXHIBITORS.](#)

Enter individuals separately. Each non-exhibitor is allowed to choose TWO species-specific Skillathons and must make that choice on the entry submission. There is no charge for this contest, however non-exhibitor youth and accompanying adults will need to purchase a [competition ticket at this link to enter the Fairgrounds](#). Tickets must be ordered ahead of time or you will be forced to pay general admission at the gate.



2024 STATE FAIR OF VIRGINIA 4-H AND FFA HIPPOLOGY CONTEST

Date: Friday, October 4th

Location: Meadow Event Park, Doswell, VA

[Click here for contest details.](#)

Check In: 10:00 AM; Contest Start Time: 10:30 AM; Awards will follow the event

[Click here to enter.](#) **Entries due by 5 PM on September 20th.**

Student Competition Tickets: Leaders must purchase tickets for daily entry into the fair. You must pre-order tickets or you will be required to pay general admission at the gate. General admission gates do not open until 10 AM. [Click here for tickets.](#) Please reach out to Alison Jones (alisonks@vt.edu) or Andy Seibel (gseibel@vt.edu) with any questions.

Virginia 4-H Shooting Sports Updates

2024 RL HARRIS JR SHOTGUN CHAMPIONSHIP

Date: Saturday, September 21st

Location: Arrowhead Gun Club, 834 Arrowhead Rd., Victoria, VA

Registration is CLOSED.

VIRGINIA 4-H NEW INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATION

Dates: October 12-13

Location: Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center, Appomattox, VA

Registration is due by Friday, September 13th.

The VA 4-H Shooting Education Council is hosting the Instructor Certification session. First-time candidates are required to complete an online training course by Friday, October 4th. Contact your 4-H Club Leader for more information and to register.

Certification Options: Participants can only be certified in one discipline per weekend. The disciplines offered include: 1) Archery; 2) Coordinator; 3) Hunting; 4) Muzzleloading; 5) Pistol; 6) Rifle; 7) Basic Shotgun



OPEN TO PRINCE WILLIAM 4-H'ERS

Center's SCOOP

VIRGINIA 4-H EDUCATIONAL CENTERS

Women's Outdoor Weekend at Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center

October 18-20, 2024

Come join us for a great weekend of learning and fun! Women's Outdoor Weekend is a great opportunity to make new friends, learn new skills outdoors, and get away from the busy world around us. Classes include fishing, birding, archery, canoeing, wild plant ID, self defense, outdoor survival, and more! To register, visit our website at <https://www.holidaylake4h.com/women-s-outdoor-weekend> or contact Tyler Cheely, Program Director, at cheelyt@vt.edu.



Wizards Weekend at the W.E. Skelton 4-H Center

November 8-10th, 2024

Our annual Harry Potter-themed camp, Wizards Weekend, is happening at Skelton November 8-10! Campers ages 9-14 can participate in a weekend of magic, mystery, and Hogwarts-themed fun. Wizards Weekend costs \$125 which covers all food, lodging, supervision, and activities. Participants (campers, teens, adults) can register through our linktree: <https://linktr.ee/skelton4h>. Please contact Rayna Wheeler with any questions at rjwheeler@vt.edu.

Winter in the Woods at Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center

December 7-8th, 2024

Come and enjoy fun winter activities and games in the great outdoors. Activities include nature crafts, winter wonderland hike, cookie making, and more. For more information, visit our website at <https://www.holidaylake4h.com/winterinthewoods> or contact Jack Wagstaff, Natural Resource Education Coordinator, at jwagstaff@vt.edu.



WINTER CLOVERBUDS AT THE NOVA 4-H EDUCATIONAL AND CONFERENCE CENTER

December 6-8th, 2024

Save the Date! Winter Cloverbud Camp Returns December 6-8th, 2024 to the NOVA 4-H Educational and Conference Center for campers ages 5-8 and a trusted adult! Join us for some classic Cloverbud fun with a Winter spin. Registration opens soon! For more information, contact Tatyana Yates, Program Director, at tatyana@vt.edu. Sign up for our email list at <https://linktr.ee/nova4h>



Fall 2024



HOLIDAY LAKE 4-H CENTER

Winter in the Woods

The most wonderful camp of the year!

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7-8

Come & Enjoy Winter Fun Activities & Games in the GREAT OUTDOORS!

\$90 - INCLUDES LODGING, MEALS, ACTIVITIES

REGISTER THROUGH YOUR COUNTY'S 4-H EXTENSION OFFICE
HOLIDAYLAKE4H.COM/CHRISTMAS-CAMP

OVERNIGHT CAMP FOR AGES 7-13

HOMEMADE COOKIES - HOLIDAY NATURE CRAFTS - WINTER WONDERLAND HIKE & MUCH MORE

REGISTRATION OPEN UNTIL NOV. 25



PRINCE WILLIAM 4-H

Pajama Party

Don't forget to register early for the Prince William 4-H Sewing SPIN Project on November 4 & 5!

See [Page 12](#) for details.

Spend your days off in your PJs learning to make pajama bottoms!

[Click here to register.](#)

AIRFIELD 4-H CENTER

FARM CAMP

AGES
9-13

NOVEMBER 22-24, 2024

FARMING FUN WITH HORSES, LIVESTOCK, GARDENING, GAMES, CAMPFIRES, WITH MANY MORE SURPRISES AND ACTIVITIES TO SPARK YOUR CHILD'S INTEREST IN AGRICULTURE

REGISTER ONLINE:

<https://form.jotform.com/242424298409158>

SELECT YOUR DISCIPLINE FOR CLASSES:

- HORSEMANSHIP
- LIVESTOCK
- HORTICULTURE/GARDENING

\$130
PER CAMPER

\$25
PER TRAINED TEEN COUNSELOR



FOR QUESTIONS CONTACT:
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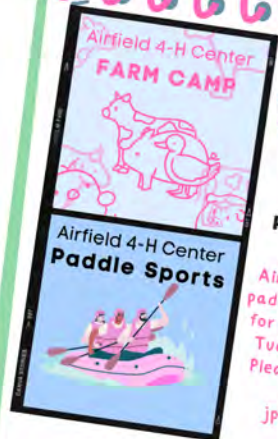


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CENTERS' SCOOP

VIRGINIA 4-H EDUCATIONAL CENTERS

FALL 2024
PART 2



**ADULT CANOE CLINIC
OCTOBER 26TH, 2024**

Adult canoe and kayak class for beginners. When registering for class, please email Program Director, Joey Patterson at jpatt024@vt.edu

PADDLE SPORTS SPECIAL INTEREST CLUB

Airfield 4-H Center is offering a paddle sports special interest club for ages 9-13, taking place every Tuesday afternoon in October. Please contact Joey Patterson, Program Director at jpatt024@vt.edu for more information.

**FARM CAMP
NOVEMBER 22ND-24TH, 2024**

This specialty camp will be an overnight camp for youth ages 9-13 and trained teen counselors ages 14-18, designed to spark the interest of campers who are fascinated by the world of agriculture. Please contact Joey Patterson, Program Director at jpatt024@vt.edu or 757-899-4901 if you have questions.

EXCLUSIVE
AIRFIELD 4-H CENTER

Airfield 4-H Center



PADDLE SPORTS



CANOE & KAYAK
SPECIAL INTEREST CLUB
(AGES 9-13)



EVERY TUESDAY AFTERNOON IN
OCTOBER FROM 4:30-6:00

PACKAGE
\$45
per person

YOU'LL GET

- ☑ Training in Level 1 Canoe and Kayak
- ☑ ACA Level 1 Skills Assessment

Contact Program Director, Joey Patterson to register

Questions: 757-899-4901

To register please email:

jpatt024@vt.edu

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Wakefield, VA 23888

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PADDLE SPORTS



CANOE & KAYAK: ACA LEVEL 1
ADULT (18+) LESSONS



OCTOBER 26, 2024
8:00AM-5:00PM

PACKAGE
\$55
per person

YOU'LL GET

- ☑ Training in Level 1 Canoe and Kayak
- ☑ ACA Level 1 Skills Assessment
- ☑ Lunch included
- ☑ A fun Saturday focused on paddle sports

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Hokie BugFest Insect Collection Contest

GREAT IDEA FOR A 4-H SPIN PROJECT!

Date: October 12th

Time: 10 am - 3 pm

Location: Squires Student Center, Virginia Tech

[Click here for more information and to enter.](#)

The Entomology Department at Virginia Tech in Blacksburg is hosting an Insect Collection Contest at Hokie BugFest. Collect as many insects as you can, identify them as accurately as possible, pin them carefully, and arrange them in a display box. Each collection should have a total of 50 specimens. Double-check your identifications with [Bugguide.net](#).

Who Can Enter?

Junior Collectors: Ages 8 to 13

Senior Collectors: Ages 14 to 18

Any individual, team, or group is eligible. Group or team entries are encouraged. Individuals within groups can contribute their best specimens to the collections, which is judged as a team entry.

Winners: Collections will be awarded first, second, and third place in each age category based on the scoring guidelines. The top collection will be awarded "Best in Show" and will receive a grand prize. All participants and their collections will receive recognition!

Suggested Supplies:

Foam, pins, magnifying glass, and killing jar (a mason jar with a paper towel and a little nail polish remover works well). Make sure to pin insects from your kill jar right away or store them in the freezer until you are ready to pin them.

See the 4-H activity book "[Adventures with Insects](#)" for tips on finding, collecting, and pinning insects.

Save the Date

Hokie BugFest

October 12, 2024
10am - 3pm
Squires Student Center
hokiebugfest.org

Free Admission • Open to Public • Live Bugs • Hands-On Activities
Exhibits from VT Labs, Local Museums, and Community Organizations
Early opening at 9am for those with special needs (SAFE Hour)

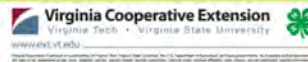
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If you are a person with a disability and desire assistance or accommodation, please notify Whitney Weaver at Virginia Tech Pesticide Programs at (540-231-6543/TDD*) during business hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.
*TDD number is (800) 828-1120.

4-H Insect Collection Contest - Hokie BugFest

READY, SET, COLLECT!

- Hokie BugFest is on Saturday, October 12, 2024 at Squires Student Center in Blacksburg, Virginia.
- Collections may be submitted individually or as teams (drop-off/pick-up information posted online). Pre-registration is required. Entry forms must be submitted by September 20th.
- Collections will be awarded based on scoring guidelines. Visit hokiebugfest.org for further information.



National 4-H

IGNITE BY 4-H

Dates: March 12-16, 2025

Location: Marriott Marquis in Washington, D.C.

[Click here for more information and to register.](#) **Early bird rate ends October 15th.**

The four-day interactive summit helps teens find their spark through inspiring speakers, hands-on workshops, off-site experiences, career exploration, and peer connections. Ignite is a step forward in the journey of becoming beyond ready. At Ignite, teens collaborate, create, and cultivate a passion for expanding their minds and their world - becoming resilient and READY for everything life has to offer. The possibilities are endless at Ignite by 4-H.



LIMITED TIME OFFER: FREE FINANCIAL LITERACY KIT FOR EDUCATORS

[Click here to order the Financial Literacy Kit for Educators.](#) Grades 7-12.

Educators, get ready to transform your classroom! We're excited to offer a FREE Financial Literacy 4-H Discover Box. To claim your free box, simply create a free educator account on CLOVER (or use an existing account) and complete the SMART Goals financial literacy activity. You'll only need to cover a small shipping fee. Our Financial Literacy 4-H Discover Box is packed with engaging activities to teach your students essential money management skills. From budgeting to saving, we've got you covered. Big thanks to the Charles Schwab Foundation's support and partnership for making this possible.



2024 STEM CHALLENGE: FOOD FOR THOUGHT

[Click here for more information and to purchase kit.](#)

Food for Thought is a collection of three engaging activities that equip kids with fundamental knowledge of factors that contribute to Food Security, how people are impacted both globally and locally, and how youth can personally contribute to creating a more food secure community.

Food for Thought is ideal for youth ages 8-14 to spark an interest in STEM and inspire real-world actions to help build food security on an individual and community basis. Each kit contains enough supplies for 6 youth and most supplies are reusable. These activities are highly adaptable for afterschool programs, 4-H clubs, classrooms, home use and more.



CLOVER BY 4-H: LOUISIANA BLUE CRAB DIP

Football has started, and Fall is right around the corner. Indulge in the rich, savory taste of Louisiana with our Blue Crab Dip, featured in Fresh Chefs, a collection of recipes from the 4-H family. This creamy delight brings a taste of the coast to your table. Perfect for any occasion. One bite, and you're hooked! Grades PreK-8. [Click here to access FREE curriculum.](#)



High School Seniors: Invitation to Apply and Tour VT!

Senior 4-H members are starting what will likely be one of the most memorable times of their lives. While they will have a lot of things on their minds already, now is the time for them to start planning for college and learning more about what the **Department of Agricultural, Leadership, and Community Education** has to offer at Virginia Tech!



Here are some items that seniors can check off their lists on the road to Virginia Tech:

- Apply: Review Virginia Tech's [application requirements](#) to make sure students are on track before they [apply here](#).
- Plan their campus visit: Seniors can mark their calendars to explore the campus! On this tour, students can gain answers to all the questions about majors, financial aid, housing, and more. [Plan a visit to Virginia Tech here!](#)
- Learn about majors: Students interested in ALCE should read up on the department's [two majors and two minors here!](#)
Majors: Agricultural and Extension Education (AEE) & Community Leadership and Development (CLD)
Minors: Leadership and Social Change (ILRM) & Teaching and Learning in Agriculture (TLAG)

The Department of Agricultural, Leadership, and Community Education looks forward to getting to know your 4-H members and watching them grow at Virginia Tech. One of ALCE's four strategic priorities is to "Be a Destination for Talent," - which is exactly what our department knows 4-H Seniors are. Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions to our department at mooredm@vt.edu.



Volunteers Needed!

Help Build the New Playspace at Fairmont Park!

Sponsored by  InCommunities **PRINCE WILLIAM**
Parks & Recreation



See reverse for additional project details.

BUILD WEEK

Wednesday - Friday, Oct. 23 - 25 | 9am - 4 pm
Final Build Day: Saturday, Oct. 26 | 8am - 3pm
Ribbon Cutting: Saturday, Oct. 26 | 2:30pm
Fairmont Park 9805 Fairmont Ave, Manassas, VA

The community has spoken and a new playground design has been selected! Build Week for the new playspace at Fairmont Park will take place October 23 - 26 and we need your help to complete the project!

KABOOM!, AWS InCommunities and Prince William County Department of Parks & Recreation ("DPR") invite you, your family and friends to help us build the new playspace during Build Week, October 23 - 26.

Building an entire playground is no easy feat. It will take several days and over 100 volunteers to get the job done! Can we count on you?

Visit FairmontPark.eventbrite.com
or **Scan the QR code to RSVP!**

WHAT TO EXPECT

- All tools, safety glasses and gloves will be provided
- Please wear comfortable, appropriate work attire and closed-toe shoes
- Ample parking will be available onsite
- Activities for children will be scheduled in a separate area away from the construction zone
*Parent/Guardian must be present
- Children are not required to wear safety gear
- Snacks, lunch and water will be provided throughout the day to all volunteers and children
- DPR's Show Mobile will be onsite with music to keep you energized while you work
- Food and water donations welcome
- Volunteers 18+ preferred. Teens 14 and older may volunteer with a parent/guardian

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Donations Needed for the Fairmont Park Build Week

PRINCE WILLIAM 4-H CLUB SERVICE PROJECT OPPORTUNITY!

[See previous page for more information on volunteering during Build Week.](#)

Several children from the Fairmont Park neighborhood (Manassas, VA) recently spent an exciting evening at Unity Braxton Middle School designing their ideal playground. Local families and the Prince William Department of Parks and Recreation, in partnership with KaBOOM! and our corporate sponsor, Amazon Web Services (AWS), will bring these ideas to life by building their dream playground on October 23-26, 2024. We are thrilled to be able to bring these children's big dreams to life!! A playground is so much more than a safe place to play – it is a brain-expander, a friend-maker, and a muscle-builder. Play helps kids grow healthy, happy, and successful through an experience full of creativity, exploration, physical activity, friendship, and adventure. This event is an opportunity to bring members of the community together and unite to accomplish this common goal.

How can you help? There are many ways to participate by volunteering time or by providing food donations for the community participating in the build. See the flyer to RSVP.

Our “wish list” of snack and food items are below. Drop offs of non-perishable items can be dropped off to reception from 8:00 – 3:30pm at George Hellwig Memorial Park. Perishable items must be dropped off to reception from 8:00 – 3:30pm at George Hellwig Memorial Park on October 21st or 22nd (or we can coordinate a pickup for a large donation). At this moment, we are looking for all of these items in whatever quantity you wish to provide. Items must be sealed and unopened.

- Coffee, Teas
- Cases of water
- Drinks (Soda, Seltzer)
- Condiments (Ketchup, Mayo, Mustard, Dry Creamer, Sugar)
- Single-Serve Snacks – Chips, Nuts, Popcorn, Protein Bars, Granola Bars, Cookies, Crackers
- Kid-friendly Single Serve Snacks (Juice Boxes, Crackers, Cookies)
- Napkins, Plates, Hot Cups
- Bananas, Apples, Tomatoes, Lettuce
- Breakfast baked goods (Bear claws, doughnuts, pastries, bagels & cream cheese, etc)
- Sandwich Bread
- Cold Cuts (Cheeses, Meats)



We understand that your time and resources are valuable, and we sincerely appreciate your consideration and potential support for this cause. Please feel free to reach out to us with any questions you may have. Christina Sarik can be reached by email at csarik@pwcgov.org or by phone at 703-792-4280. Alicia Diaz-Johnson is also available at by email at ADiaz-Johnson@pwcgov.org or by phone at 703-792-8178.

VSU Opportunities to Learn about Ag Industries

SHEEP AND GOAT MANAGEMENT, Tuesday, Sep 17 • 5:30PM - 8:30PM

VCE Greensville Office, 105 Oak Street, Emporia, VA

[Click here for more information and to register.](#)

Join us to learn the steps to successfully manage sheep and goats on your farm or homestead. Dr. Dahlia O'Brien, small ruminant specialist at VSU, will speak on the selection and care of small ruminants. Tammy Holler, nutrient management specialist, will speak on pasture management and improving your grass variety.

URBAN FORESTRY, THURSDAY, Sep 19 • 1PM - 3PM

Carver Center, 9432 N James Madison Hwy, Rapidan, VA

[Click here for more information and to register.](#)

Urban forestry is the care and management of single trees and tree populations in the urban setting to improve the urban environment. Learn about the importance of urban forestry and best management practices in Virginia. Discuss resources and tools developed by the USDA Southeast Climate Hub and various partners to manage climate-smart forestry in urban areas. Space is limited to 20 participants.



ATTENTION 4TH GRADERS!

Every Kid Outdoors with the US National Parks



With the school year beginning, and the new 4-H year right around the corner, it's a great time to take advantage of the **Every Kid Outdoors Program from the National Park Service**. The program was created in 2015 in an effort to get more children and families to visit our national parks, and it has been renewed and expanded over the years to now include a wide variety of public lands.

Free Passes! The program is very simple: every 4th grade student (or home school equivalent) in the United States is entitled to get one Every Kid Outdoors pass which is valid from September 1 – August 31 (so it is valid all the way through next summer). The pass will admit that student, any other youth under the age of 16 in the party (other youth do not have to be 4th graders), and up to 3 adults free to any site which charges an entry fee. This does not cover other fees like parking fees, camping permits, etc. but covering the entry fees can represent a significant savings to families. Any eligible student/parent can visit <https://www.everykidoutdoors.gov> to print the free pass or to get more information.

Opportunities for Club or In-School Programming! Educators are also able to print out passes from the website for all of their 4th graders, plus there are activity guides that can be downloaded. **Extension Agents and club leaders ARE considered educators for the purposes of this program!** All you will need to do is visit <https://www.everykidoutdoors.gov/educators.htm>, download any activity guides you would like, and fill out the information to print out the passes. Enter "Virginia 4-H Program" in the box asking for a school or organization name.

The activity guides were developed by the National Park Service, and they are easily adaptable to in-school settings, or for clubs, etc. The four activity guides are: **Exploring Federal Lands & Waters, Environmental Stewardship, Our Nation's Native Peoples, and Citizen Science.**

Where the Pass Can Be Used? The pass can be used at most fee-based sites administered by the following federal agencies: National Park Service • Bureau of Land Management • Bureau of Reclamation • National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration • United States Fish & Wildlife Service • United States Forest Service • United States Army Corps of Engineers



The beginning of the 4-H year is a great time to be thinking about visiting our national parks and recreation areas. Virginia alone has some 22 National Park Service sites which range from Revolutionary War battlefields and natural landmarks, to Civil Rights monuments and cultural heritage. You can find these online at <https://www.nps.gov/state/va/index.htm>.

Many parks also offer educational programming which support our 4-H pillar areas of Agriculture, Civic Engagement, Healthy Living, and STEM. Some of these lessons are available online for educators to use at the Teaching With Historic Places website: <https://www.nps.gov/subjects/teachingwithhistoricplaces/index.htm>.

VT Fall Forestry & Wildlife Field Tours

[Click here for more information and to register.](#) [Click here to watch a short video about the tours.](#)

Join landowners, natural resource professionals, and other outdoor lovers for day-long tours that explore a variety of sustainable forestry and wildlife management practices. Tours visit private, public, and industry-owned lands. Past tours have visited seedling nurseries, timber harvesting operations, sawmills, pine plantations, cooperages, hardwood forests, arboretums, Christmas tree farms, elk habitat, fisheries, hunting plantations, and more. Tours are held in October to showcase the beauty of fall in Virginia. Lunch and travel between stops allow for plenty of fellowship and opportunities to learn from other participants and natural resource professionals.

UPCOMING DATES:

- October 3 - Wise County
- October 11 – Rockingham County
- October 24 – Bedford County
- October 25 - Dinwiddie County





Master Parent Educator

Make a Difference

Become a Volunteer Parent Educator for Virginia Cooperative Extension - Prince William

Applications Accepted Until November 4, 2024



Community Outreach Table

Are you passionate about strengthening families and empowering parents to be their best? Do you want to make a positive impact in your community? Do you enjoy volunteering?

If yes, we invite motivated individuals like you to consider volunteering to teach our research based Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP) classes.

Or if you don't think teaching is your thing, we also need community outreach volunteers and office volunteers to assist with light administrative duties.

Parent Education Volunteers are retirees, teachers, parents, life coaches, and caring professionals with a sense of direction, responsiveness, follow-through and persuasiveness. They have a passion to equip moms, dads and grandparents with the knowledge and tools to become even better caregivers.

Let's get started:

Step 1. Register for a virtual orientation

Contact Savannah Saenz

- Sept. 4, 2024 1:00 PM
- Sept. 24, 2024 7:00 PM
- Oct. 8, 2024 1:00 PM
- Oct. 29, 2024 7:00 PM

Following orientation if you determine that this volunteer opportunity aligns with your interests, and you can fulfill all requirements listed including the two year commitment

Step 2. Submit volunteer application with a one-time fee of \$50 (pay in cash, check, or money order.) Kindly be aware that fees will apply for any returned checks.

Step 3. Observe an entire virtual class: Class is one night a week from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM for seven weeks.

Select one:

- Sept. 10, 2024 - Oct. 22, 2024
- Oct. 2, 2024 - Nov. 13, 2024
- Nov. 5, 2024 - Dec. 17, 2024

Step 4. Complete classroom training on January 11, 2025.

Successfully complete eight hours of in-person training at 8033 Ashton Ave, Manassas. And, complete two hours of on-line civil rights training.

Alternative training date in case of inclement weather is January 25, 2025.

Here's what you can expect as a Volunteer Parent Educator:

- Teach a two hour virtual class series, one night a week for seven consecutive weeks.
- Flexible on-line teaching schedule.
- Teach two class series annually.
- Ongoing support and mentorship.
- The opportunity to connect with and empower parents in the community.

For more information contact either:

Savannah Saenz, Volunteer Coordinator
VCE Prince William
SSaenz@pwcgov.org

Janice A. Buie, Program Manager
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**PRINCE WILLIAM
COUNTY**

8033 Ashton Ave, #105,
Manassas, VA 20109

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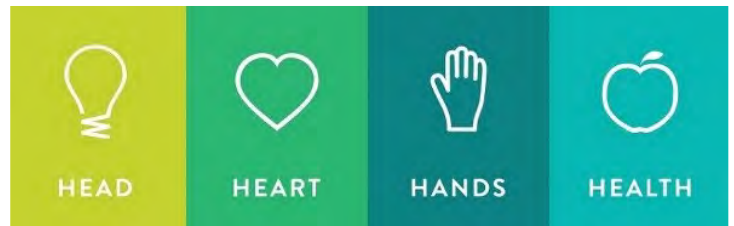
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