

### **4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT NEWSLETTER**

## Colton Rust wins 25th Annual "I Love Cows" Essay Contest



The 2024 Dustin Worthington "I Love Cows" Essay Contest awarded 12 heifers to Kentucky 4-H and FFA members on April 4, 2024 at the Mercer County Cooperative Extension Office in Harrodsburg, KY. The program was established in 2000 after the death of Dustin Worthington, a Mercer County teen who was involved in the

cattle industry. Worthington was killed along with a friend in an automobile accident on April 4, 2000. The I Love Cows Essay Contest was established to share the passion Dustin had for working with cattle. The goal is for youth to develop their heifer and to potentially start their own herd that will aid in helping pay for their education. Winners are encouraged but not required to give back to the program by donating an offspring of the heifer to keep the

program going for future years. To date, 346 animals have been awarded to 4-H and FFA youth across the state of Kentucky. This year there were 56 entries from 27 counties. Colton Rust a Campbell



County 4-H member was selected as one of the contest winners this year. His heifer was donated by Carson Schultz who was a winner in 2018.



### What's Happening in 4-H

Programs or meetings are at the Campbell County Extension Office in Highland Heights unless noted below. For more information on these or other programs offered call the extension office at 859-572-2600.

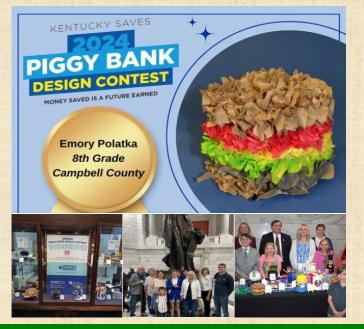
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May 7	Sharp Shooters—6:15pm
May 9	4-H Dog Club—6:30pm Extension Garden
May 13	4-H Teen Leadership—5:30-7:00pm
May 20	4-H Rabbit & Poultry Club—6:00pm Alexandria Fairgrounds
May 20	4-H/FFA Livestock Club Meeting—6:30pm Alexandria Fairgrounds
May 21	4-H Entomology Club—5:00pm
May 22	4-H Prepare for Fair—5:30-7:30
May 23	4-H Dog Club—6:30pm Extension Garden
May 28	4-H Cloverbuds—6:00pm
June 4 & 5	4-H Tree Camp—9am-4pm
June 12	4-H Forestry
June 2-7	4-H Horse Camp
June 6,13, 20 & 27	Paint & Popsicles
June 20	4-H Photography Club—5:00-6:00pm

Congratulations to the Rust and Schultz Families!

## 2024 Piggy Bank Contest Winner!

Congratulations to Campbell County 4-H'er, Emory Polatka! Her piggy bank design was a state champion, and on display during March and April at the Capitol Rotunda in Frankfort! Emory was recognized at the awards program. Great job, Emory!



# Visit Campbell County 4-H on Facebook to see more photos from this event...



## 4-H CLUB REPORTS



### **Campbell Ridge Elementary**

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On March 28, 2024, **Mrs. Waters 4-H Cafe Club** held their monthly meeting at Campbell Ridge Elementary School. After our club president, Addy called the meeting to order, we said the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H pledge. Anastaisa and Mason helped lead the pledges. There were 23 members present at the meeting. The topic for this month's meeting was the egg drop. One thing we did during this months meeting was build egg catchers. Addy, reporter.

On March 28, 2024, **Mrs. Wachter's 4-H Nature Club** held their monthly meeting at Campbell Ridge Elementary School. After our club president Dallas called the meeting to order, we said the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge. Gavin and Wyatt helped lead the pledges. There were 25 members present at the meeting. The topic for this month's meeting was the egg drop. One thing we did during this month's meeting was design an egg catcher. Duela, reporter. On March 28, 2024, **Mrs. Evan's 4-H Gnomies Club** held their monthly meeting at Campbell Ridge Elementary School. After our club president, Vivian called the meeting to order, we said the pledge of allegiance and the 4-H pledge. Rejean and Jax helped lead the pledges. There were 26 members present at the meeting. The topic of this month's meeting was the egg drop. One thing we did during this meeting was build egg catchers to keep eggs from breaking. James, reporter.

On March 28, 2024, **Mrs. Lee's 4-H Bees Club** held their monthly meeting at Campbell Ridge Elementary School. After our club president, Harmony called the meeting to order, we said the pledge of allegiance and the 4-H pledge. Colby and Chris helped lead the pledges. There were 25 members present at the meeting. The topic of this month's meeting was the egg drop. One thing we did during this meeting was make cushions for an egg drop. Wyatt, reporter.



## 4-H CLUB REPORTS



### **Crossroads Elementary School**

On April 17, 2024, **Mrs. Hungate's 4-H Crazy Kids Club** held their monthly meeting at Crossroads Elementary School. After our club president Sophia Q. called the meeting to order, we said the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge. Hayden and Emma helped lead the pledges. There were 24 members present at the meeting. The topic for this month's meeting was reading The Lorax. One thing we did during this meeting was write poems. This was our final meeting for this school year. Cynthia, reporter.

On April 17, 2024, **Mrs. Leffingwell's 4-H Dr. Phill's Cats Club** held their monthly meeting at Crossroads Elementary School. After our club president Aylx called the meeting to order, we said the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge. Trevor and Elin helped lead the pledges. There were 25 members present at the meeting. The topic for this month's meeting was we read The Lorax. One thing we did during this meeting was write poems. This was our final meeting for this school year. Avah, reporter. On April 17, 2024, **Mrs. Hicks 4-H Elephants Club** held their monthly meeting at Crossroads Elementary School. Club president Rhiannon called the meeting to order, we said the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge. Lilly and Nate helped lead the pledges. There were 24 members present at the meeting. The topic for this month's meeting was the environment. One thing we did during this month's meeting was read The Lorax. This was our final meeting for this school year. Courtney, reporter



### Saddle Up 4-H Club The Saddle Up 4-H Club met on April 4 at the Alexandria Fairgrounds. The meeting started at 7 o'clock pm with an hour of education before. Items discussed included horse camp June 2-7, UK AG Field Day on April 18 and our horse shows this summer. There will not be anymore education meetings offered, but if you need more education contact the leaders. Horse

camp forms have been posted on Facebook and are available at the 4-H Office if you need one.

Submitted by Raelynn Steffen



## 4-H Dog Club

The Dog Club finally got to enjoy some sunshine at our club meeting.



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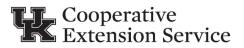
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### **MAY 2024**

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## THIS MONTH'S TOPIC START SMART: WARM UP AND STRETCH!



laying sports and doing other activities are great ways to get exercise and have fun! It is important though, to start off by getting your body ready to play. You do this by warming up and stretching. Warming up gets your muscles, heart, and lungs ready to do extra work. When you play sports or

do other exercise, you move your muscles more and make them work harder than normal. That is a good thing, but if they aren't ready for it, you can get hurt or feel bad. Stretching helps your body loosen up and be ready to move and bend quickly.



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#### How do I warm up?

It is important to warm up your body before starting to play a sport or do heavy exercise. Warming up for five to 10 minutes helps to focus your mind and prepare your body for doing extra work.

Activities that move your whole body or as much of your body as possible at once, get your blood pumping. These can be things like jumping jacks or squat jumps (bending down to touch your toes, and then jumping up into the air with your hands above your head).

Another way to warm up is to start with the activity you are about to do but do it slower. For example, if you are going to swim, start out doing a few slow warm-up laps. Focus on your form instead of speed. If you are going for a run, warm up with a few minutes of fast walking or a light jog. If you play a sport, focus on the muscles that you are going to use the most. For example, if you play baseball, you might warm up your shoulder by throwing the ball softly first, focusing on the movement instead of using all of your power.

#### Stretching the right way

You want to stretch muscles that you have already spent a few minutes warming up, so that they are ready to be flexible.

When you stretch, you want to feel your muscles reach as far as they can go in a certain direction,





but not hurt. When you can feel that your muscles can't go further, do not try to make them. Hold your stretch right there for 15 to 30 seconds. Try to hold your stretch still and not bounce.

You can count out loud while holding your stretch if it helps you stay focused, or you can count in your head.

Always stretch both sides of your body. If you do a right-side stretch, always do a left-side stretch, too.

When you are stretching, remember to breathe! You want to make sure your muscles are able to get plenty of oxygen, too.

#### **Practice to play**

Besides warm-ups and stretches, practice sessions are important for many sports or activities. If you belong to a team, go to as many team practices and games as you can. This will help you and your teammates work together.

Although you should practice regularly, don't overdo it. Allow for a day off for rest between days of activity or switch up your activities. If you run a lot one day, try swimming or strength training the next day. Your doctor or coach can help you make a training plan that's right for your age, skill, and goals.

#### **REFERENCE:**

ADULT

https://kidshealth.org/en/teens/sport-safety.html

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## Saying...



## is very important and means a lot!

Even in the fast-paced society that we live in today, saying thank you is still very important and means a lot. Saying thank you whether it's to a 4-H donor or sponsor, a family member or friend goes a long way to show appreciation. Saying thank you is important for a 4-H show or fair donation, for a birthday gift or a graduation gift or even a wedding gift. As we enter the time for graduations, weddings and county fairs please remember to say thank you! An easy way to say thank you is with a thank you note.

Why write a thank you note?

- to give donors, buyers, friends and family recognition for their support and kindness
- to thank them for their support of your 4-H Project, birthday or graduation or wedding
- to show that you care and are willing to go the extra mile to say thanks
- to make the donor or gift giver to feel appreciated and in return they are more likely to repeat their actions
- it doesn't take much time to sit down and write a sincere thank you note!

Clearly then, the act of expressing your appreciation through a few words in a thank you note, is an important way to show your gratitude for someone and their time.

## 4-H Prepare for Fair Club



Come create award-winning projects to enter into the State Fair & Alexandria Fair!

YOUTH IN 4TH-8TH GRADE ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE CLUB. WE MEET MONTHLY AT THE CAMPBELL COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE FROM 5:30-7:30.

> REGISTRATION OPENS JANUARY 3RD

REGISTER AT HTTPS://CAMPBELL.CA.UKY.EDU/ OR 859-572-2600 REGISTERING FOR THE JANUARY MEETING REGISTERS FOR ALL MEETINGS

### <u>Meeting Dates</u>

IANUARY 24	MAY 22	
	JUNE 26*	
	JULY 17*	
	AUGUST 21	
Monthly participation		

is REQUIRED. \*MEETS FROM 2PM-4PM

QUESTIONS? EMAIL Kellsey.agnew@uky.edu or call 859-572-2600

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What is your 4-H Age?

Jan. 1st - Dec. 31, 2014, their 4-H Age is 9 Jan. 1st - Dec. 31, 2013, their 4-H Age is 10 Jan. 1st - Dec. 31, 2012, their 4-H Age is 11 Jan. 1st - Dec. 31, 2011, their 4-H Age is 12 Jan. 1st - Dec. 31, 2010, their 4-H Age is 13 Jan. 1st - Dec. 31, 2009, their 4-H Age is 14 Jan. 1st - Dec. 31, 2008, their 4-H Age is 15 Jan. 1st - Dec. 31, 2008, their 4-H Age is 15 Jan. 1st - Dec. 31, 2007, their 4-H Age is 16 Jan. 1st - Dec. 31, 2006, their 4-H Age is 17 Jan. 1st - Dec. 31, 2005, their 4-H Age is 18 Jan. 1st - Dec. 31, 2004, their 4-H Age is 19 and no longer eligible to be a 4-H member

> College of Agriculture, Food and Environment



Learn all about trees, enjoy nature, and work on forestry fair entries!

Environmental Education Center 1261 Race Track Road Alexandria, KY 41001 June 4 & 5 9:00am-4:00pm

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Register online at campbell.ca.uky.edu or by phone: (859) 572-2600. Contact Ginny Butsch with any questions: ginny.butsch@uky.edu Program open to Campbell County youth ages 9-18.

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Let's Protect Our **Environment!** 

4th graders from Campbell Ridge and Crossroads Elementary would like to share a message about the importance of protecting our environment.

**BIG OR SMALL, SHORT OR TALL** WE ALL CAN MAKE POLLUTION STALL Kegan Webster Mrs.Moore-Crossroads Elementary

Don't be mean and cut down trees. Be like the Lorax and protect them or animals will leave. Trever Cebb Ms. Leffingwell Crossroads Elementary

WE NEED MORE TREES! SAVE THE BEES! SAVE THE FLIES, CLEAR THE SKIES! NO MORE SMOKE, THIS IS NOT A JOKE! USE STICKS TO MAKE A S'MORE, WE DO NOT CUT DOWN TREES ANYMORE! EARTH IS LIVING AND WILLING TO BE GIVING, SO DON'T TAKE ALL THE FOOD BECAUSE TO THE ANIMALS THAT IS RUDE! Keje**an** Muench Mrs.Evans-Campbell Ridge Elementary

Recycling is something you should do. Recycling is what everyone should do. **Recycling saves the earth.** I recycle and you should too!

Rhiannon Irs. Hicks- Crossroads Elementary

We don't salute When you pollute We will care When you hurt the air Please don't bother The clean water Maya Lewis Mrs. Lee-Campbell Ridge Elementary

> Help us make a difference!

THE ENVIRONMENT IT'S SO IMPORTANT TO ME WE ALL NEED TO CARE

STOP THE EMISSION STOP ALL THE POLLUTION NOW IT'S MAKING A DENT

JUST PLEASE LISTEN NOW LISTEN NOW TO SAVE THE WORLD COME ON WORLD, LISTEN

**REUSE TO SAVE US RECYCLING WILL HELP IT TOO REDUCE OUR IMPACT!** Charlotte Arnold Mrs. Wachter-Campbell Ridge Elementary

Roses are red, violets are blue I Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle and you should too! Help the world - it's the kind thing to do!

Alivia Slocum Mrs. Waters- Campbell Ridge Elementary

When you look up at the sky what meets your eye? If you were to fly, what would you see? If I were to fly, looking down on the ground, I wouldn't see grass, I'd see trash – loads and loads of trash. We need to change that! Emma Corriveau rs. Hungate- Crossroads Elementary



Congratulations to all the Campbell County 4-H'ers who competed in the C7/C8 Area 4-H Communications Event on April 20!

- 9 year old speech Ellie Wade
- 10 year old speech Skylar Holbrook
- 11 year old speech Aubrey Lauer
- 12 year old speech Macy Humphreys
- Visual Arts demonstration Lillian Wooton
- SET demonstration Arthur Wright
- Foods demonstration Gia Guidugli

Campbell County 4-H is proud of all of you!

The 4-H'ers below will be moving on to compete at the State 4-H Communications Event on July 13!

- Aubrey Lauer
- Macy Humphreys
- Gia Guidugli
- Lillian Wooton











Visit Campbell County 4-H on Facebook to see more photos from this event...

## **4-H Cloverbuds**

What an awesome month of Cloverbuds we learned about the engineering design process and used what we learned to build bridges strong enough for the billy goat to safely cross to the other side.



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## 4-H/FFA Livestock Club

#### **Next Meeting!**

#### May 20, 2024 at 6:30pm at the Alexandria Fairgrounds



## Membership requirements: • 4-H age 9-18 as of January 1, 2023 • Or dues paying member of the FFA

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- Must reside or go to school in Campbell County
   Fill out enrollment forms and attend club
- meetings Complete at least six (6) hours of education from a certified volunteer

#### **Projects offered include:**

Market and breeding beef, sheep and goats, market hogs and country ham

#### Project goals include:

- Expand youth knowledge of the livestock industry
  Learn about selection, nutrition, health and daily
- care, marketing and showing of livestock. Learn responsibility and the value of hard work
- Gain life skills such as decision making and communication skills





## 4-H / FFA - UK Ag Field Day

On April 18 over 2300 4-H and FFA members traveled to the University of Kentucky for the UK Agriculture Field Day. The day included educational displays and competitions, exploring the UK Campus and meeting new friends. Congratulations to all of our Campbell County youth who participated. We are proud of you!

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# 4-H Photography Club

Join us monthly in 2024 to learn how to capture the world through the lens of the camera!

Individuals are encouraged to bring a Cell Phone to use for this program. If no Cell Phone is brought, a digital camera will be provided.



- Thursday June 20th
- Thursday July 11th
- Thursday August 8th—Hosted at Environmental Education Center
- Thursday September 12th
- Thursday October 17th
- Thursday November 14th

Thursday December 12th



Meeting Monthly on Thursday Nights from 5:00-6:00

Campbell County Extension Office 3500 Alexandria Pike Highland Heights, KY 41076

Register online at campbell.ca.uky.edu or by phone: (859) 572-2600. Registration Deadline is **ONE WEEK before meeting**.

> Contact Simon Boschert with any questions: simon.boschert99@uky.edu

Program open to Campbell County youth ages 9-15.

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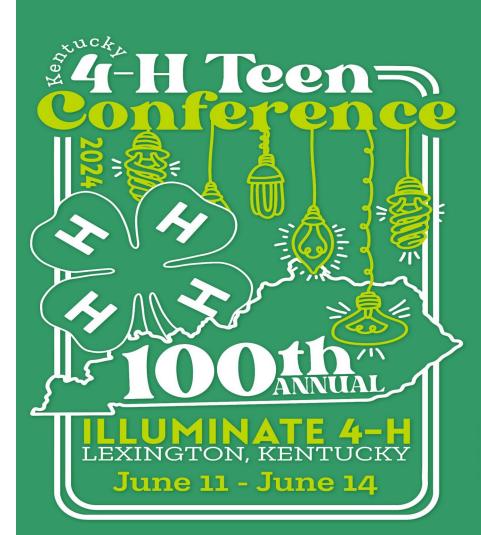
July 8 & 11\* 1:00-3:00pm \*Must attend both days

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Explore college, future career paths, and gain leadership skills with 4-H

### LOCATION

University of Kentucky Lexington, KY

**PRICE** \$150

Contact Sherri at sfarley@uky.edu for details and a registration packet

## Deadline to register is May 15, 2024

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