



UW-MADISON EXTENSION
Waupaca County



4-H FORECAST

June/July 2021

WISCONSIN 4-H COVID-19 POLICY

Effective June 2, all fully vaccinated Wisconsin 4-H staff, volunteers and participants are no longer required to wear masks during programs. We ask that individuals who are not fully vaccinated, including youth under 12, continue to wear masks. Staff and volunteers will not enforce mask wearing or ask for proof of vaccination for those not wearing masks. Masks may still be worn if preferred and individual masking choices should not be interpreted as an indicator of vaccination status.

- **Outdoors:** Physical distancing is no longer required outdoors for vaccinated people. Individuals who are not vaccinated should maintain 6 feet of physical distancing and, if physical distancing is not possible, wear a face covering.
- **Indoors:** There are no group size limits on indoor gatherings as long as a minimum of 6 feet of physical distancing is able to be maintained, regardless of vaccination status.
- **Transportation:** Any individual who is not vaccinated should wear a face covering when driving or riding with others. Vehicle occupancy is recommended to be no more than 50 percent of capacity when traveling with an unvaccinated individual(s).

This updated policy applies to all Wisconsin 4-H programs including overnight programs, 4-H programs at county fairs and food stands.

As a reminder, Wisconsin 4-H staff, volunteers and participants should continue to follow local public health guidance.

(Updated June 2, 2021)

Wisconsin 4-H Division of Extension

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/wisconsin-4-h-covid-19-policy/>

4-H POLICIES AND CLUB MEETINGS/EVENTS

Updated WI 4-H Policies for Projects and Activities

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/wisconsin-4-h-policies/4-h-project-and-activity-policies/>

As clubs begin to think about summer and fall activities, there have been some new and/or updated policies for WI 4-H. Please review the website listed above so your club is planning activities that are approved for 4-H participation. One example is that using **trampolines** is **not** an approved 4-H activity. This means even at a trampoline park, this is not an approved 4-H activity.



Participants could do other things like go karts that may be a part of the park facility, but not trampolines. Summer is also a popular time for clubs to plan participation in **parades** and this is ok, please just look at the parade policy for what is expected to participate in a parade. <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/files/2020/10/4-H-Members-Participating-in-Parades-FINAL.pdf>

Check the full website for policies about roller skating, swimming, laser tag, fishing, and more to be sure you are in compliance with 4-H policy.

Reminders for 4-H Club Meetings

Many clubs are starting to meet again on a more regular basis and moving back to in person options. Enclosed in this newsletter is an Exploring 4-H newsletter that applies to all families and clubs, not just new families. Remember 4-H meetings should usually include a mix of business, education, and recreation. The handout also briefly covers parliamentary procedure and making a motion, which is another important process in club meetings. If you would like more ideas about the three parts of a meeting, check out these recorded workshops from last fall that highlighted each. Extra handouts are also linked for more great ideas.

<https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/resources/volunteer-resources/training-for-volunteers/2020-annual-leader-training-leading-learning-laughing/>

COUNTY FAIR

2021 Waupaca County Fair

Check out the Waupaca County Fair website at <http://waupacacountyfair.org/>



Entry Information will be released soon and fair entries are due July 13. Exhibit questions should go to the Waupaca County Fair Exhibitor Coordinator at wcfexhibitorcoordinator@gmail.com.

4-H Projects vs. County Fair Exhibits

What's the difference between 4-H projects and fair exhibits? A **4-H "Project"** is an area of interest you want to learn more about (like a hobby). This is what you sign-up for during enrollment in 4-HOnline (i.e. horse, electricity, dogs, photography, etc.). A project is intended to help you explore, learn, and practice skills in your areas of interest. Youth must choose their projects at the time of enrollment so they have plenty of time to learn about or practice with their project area before the fair.

A **County Fair "Exhibit"** is what you actually take to the fair – like the cabbage you grew, the animal you trained, or the rocket you built while exploring and learning about your projects. There may be some things you do while exploring your project area that you do not take to the fair as exhibits and that is ok. Youth sign up to exhibit at the County Fair during June/early July based on the exhibits and rules listed in the Waupaca County Fair Premium book.



4-H Food Stand Supervisors Needed

The Waupaca County 4-H Leaders' Board is looking for individuals willing to serve as supervisors in the 4-H Food Stand to oversee the running of the food stand during the week of the Waupaca County Fair. The number of hours to work will depend on the number of supervisors and can be divided by up to 4 or 5 people for the week of fair. Supervisors will receive an honorarium from the Leaders' Board (up to \$600 divided between the number of supervisors and hours worked).

A summary of the services the supervisors will perform includes:

- a. Availability to work multiple shifts during the week of the County Fair (a schedule will be confirmed between all supervisors)

- b. Participate in orientation and training prior to the fair regarding food stand licensing requirements, operation, covid guidelines, and practices for working with 4-H youth and adult volunteers.
- c. Ensure the food stand is in compliance with license standards and that workers are following food safety, sanitation, cleaning, and other guidelines that may be in effect.
- d. Check inventory daily during the fair.
- e. Assist with proper running of food stand equipment.
- f. Oversee the worker schedule and orient youth and adults as they come to work in the stand.
- g. Communicate with the other supervisors, the Leaders' Board and other Food Stand volunteers
- h. Coordinate opening and closing of the stand each day depending on your scheduled hours



The need for these contracted supervisor positions is really during the week of the fair. Other responsibilities like initially ordering food for the stand, prep and clean up of the stand and equipment, and other pre and post fair duties are able to be covered by other volunteers. If you are interested in learning more contact penny.tank@wisc.edu. If somebody is interested that is not yet a certified 4-H volunteer, this can be completed prior to the fair.

Calling all 4-H Members and Parents

4-H Food Stand at County Fair - the 4-H Food Stand at the County Fair is going forward this year. A schedule needs to be put together for kitchen and front counter work shifts. There is consideration this year for doing something like a sign up genius to fill shifts or at least partially fill shifts. Clubs are in all different places right now and there is concern about filling shifts for this important 4-H program fundraiser. The goal is to have enough workers on each shift and not so many workers during certain times that people leave because they feel like they aren't doing anything or are told they are not needed. There may be people from all different clubs working together at times and it is important to still maintain the welcoming environment and work together for the benefit of 4-H. Please watch for more information and volunteer to work a few hours and help the county 4-H program raise funds to continue to offer the great opportunities all year.



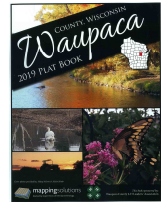
COUNTY NEWS

4-H Broadcast Emails from 4-H Online

One way the Extension Office has been trying to communicate information to a majority of families in the 4-H program is through sending emails from the 4-H Online system. We understand for some, these emails have been pushed to junk email folders. Please add no-reply@4honline.com to your list of email addresses that are ok to be accepted emails. **Especially during this time of COVID-19**, and new information coming out so often, this is one of the only ways for most of the state or specific project areas to get information at the same time.

2019 Plat Books Available

Are you spending more time outside or more time exploring areas closer to home? Remember that 2019 plat books are available from the Extension Waupaca County Office. They can be purchased at the office for \$35.00 or mailed, with a low fee for mailing. Check out <https://waupaca.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/waupaca-county-plat-book/> for more information, and thank you for supporting the Waupaca County 4-H Program!



LEADER OPPORTUNITIES

Youth Mental Health First Aid Training for Volunteers

Saturday, September 25th at the Calumet County Courthouse is a training volunteers may be interested in attending. Youth Mental Health First Aid Training will be from 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. The training is free, and participants are asked to bring their own lunch. Go to this link to register: <https://forms.gle/9KqGpcuF37Ewp8137>

Clover Connection Leader Resource Videos

Are you a club or project leader looking for ideas? Clover Connections is a new video series to help you connect with your club members, run effective meetings and much more. The videos are short and conversational – like if you walked into the office and asked a question on the topic. The videos feature relevant content that is driven by the needs and interests of our adult and youth volunteers. New Clover Connections video each week – watch our social media channels for links and more information!



Current Clover Connection videos can be found at:
<http://bit.ly/CloverConnections> or https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLWYkTfJ_LDJbQxoDTzctjb3emV956zvO7

LEADERS' BOARD and ASSOCIATION

The next Leaders' Board Meeting will be held in person on Tuesday, July 27, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., at Manawa City Hall.

The annual Leaders' Association Meeting will be on Tuesday, July 27, 2021, at 7:30 p.m., at Manawa City Hall.

Membership and voting rights in the 4-H Leaders' Association includes youth members in grades 7 and above with at least one year of 4-H enrollment. Every youth protection certified adult 4-H leader in Waupaca County 4-H is also a member. The purposes of the Leaders' Association are:

- To improve, foster, promote and develop youth through the 4-H program in Waupaca County.
- To provide an opportunity for 4-H youth and adult club leaders to coordinate their efforts.
- To accept funds for the advancement of the 4-H/Youth Development program.
- To assist in planning and carrying out the annual 4-H/Youth Development program.
- To provide an interchange of ideas, opportunities, and issues.
- To promote good public relations and service to the community.
- To establish policies.

You are encouraged to participate and help make the 4-H program the best it can be.

MEMBER/CLUB OPPORTUNITIES

State Fair Youth Expo Deadline Extended

If you are between 12 and 19 and interested in submitting a project for judging and display at the WI State Fair or performing a music, drama or other type of performing piece, check out this State Fair website.



The deadline for both of these opportunities has been extended to June 30. https://wistatefair.com/competitions/youth-expo/?mc_cid=7d621eec7f&mc_eid=7a93eafb2a

Day Camp Opportunities Outside of the County

Calumet and Outagamie Counties are planning some day camps and Waupaca youth are invited too. There are also some themed day camps:



- ⇒ Farm Wisconsin Discovery Center, Manitowoc Wednesday, July 21 Open to youth grades 3-13
- ⇒ Outdoor Survival at Brillion Nature Center Thursday, July 22 Open to youth grades 3-6
- ⇒ Intro to Programming, Gearbox Labs Camp held at the Calumet County Courthouse, Room #025 Friday, July 23 Open to youth grades 6-13

Check out this website for more information and to register. <https://calumet.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-day-camps/>

Record Book Pages

For members, record books are a valuable part of the 4-H experience. They are intended to help you develop lifelong skills such as:

- ◆ Setting goals
- ◆ Planning and organizing
- ◆ Communicating in writing
- ◆ Evaluating effort and progress

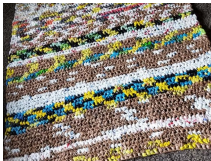


Once completed, members experience personal satisfaction from completing a worthwhile task. You also have a valuable record of accomplishments that can be used when applying for awards, scholarships, college or a job! Remember to begin saving information for your record books throughout the year.

Similar to last year, printed copies of record book pages will be given to those that want them. We will not be printing and handing out record book pages to all members as in the past unless requested through your club leader or the extension office. General leaders will be receiving an email shortly asking who in their club may want printed pages, please let them know your

interest. In a few weeks, you will also be able to access record book pages on the Waupaca County 4-H website here <https://waupaca.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-program-topics/record-book-pages/> . On this website there is a powerpoint that you can look at for tips and sample record book pages/project story examples that was created last spring since in person record book workshops were not able to be held.

Get Involved in the Plarn Mats Service Learning Project



Did you know about one trillion single-use plastic bags are used every day in the U.S? That's according to EarthDay.org. And many in our community are experiencing homelessness. Wisconsin 4-H has created a service project to reuse plastic bags and to help the community. It's the 2nd Annual Wisconsin 4-H Service Learning Project for 2021.

Youth can take part in the Plarn Mats project. Plarn is plastic yarn, made by looping plastic bags. The plarn is then crocheted together to create a mat. The mat can be used to lie on or to help with warmth.

Youth of all ages can participate in the project. If you work with a group of youth who are interested in doing a service-learning project, please contact Penny Tank or visit the Plarn Mats Service Learning Project resource website at <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/4h-resources/plarn-mats/>

4-H PROJECTS

Dog project started weekly agility, obedience, and showmanship classes on Tuesday nights at the Fairgrounds. <https://waupaca.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-dog-project/> Cloverbuds recently received a letter about participation in the dog project with stuffed animals. If interested, turn in your registration form soon.



Horse project also has weekly worknights on Wednesday nights. <https://waupaca.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-program-topics/waupaca-county-4-h-horse-and-pony-project/>

Large Animal is offering a YQCA, beef, sheep, and swine workshop on Saturday, June 12 at the Fairgrounds. Project members received an email about registering for the sessions you wish to attend.



Large Market Animal and Small Market Animal both have their next meeting on Wednesday, July 14th at the Fairgrounds. Large Market is at 6:30 p.m. and Small Market will begin at 7:15 p.m. or following the end of the Large Market meeting. This is the meeting where details about the sale are discussed, all participants are encouraged to attend.

There is a **poultry** workshop on Saturday, June 12 at the Fairgrounds. Project members should have received a blast email about the workshop and registering.



A **rabbit fun show** is planned for Saturday, July 17 at the Fairgrounds in Weyauwega. Registration is from 9:00 – 9:30 a.m. and the show runs from 10:00 a.m. until approx 1:30 p.m. Classes are based on the Waupaca County Fair premium book. The cost to enter is \$1.00 per animal.

Photography Contest

The Minnesota 4-H Photography Committee is excited to announce a new photography challenge open to all 4-H members in grades K-13 across the Midwest. The "Capture What's Great in Midwest States" 4-H Photography Challenge will run through 11:59 p.m. on June 30, 2021. Highlight something that stands out about your 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. Volunteer photography judges will provide feedback on the galleries. Prizes will be awarded to the top images and random prize drawing winners will also be recognized. Find more information here:
<https://extension.umn.edu/event/4-h-photography-challenge-capture-whats-great-midwest-states>

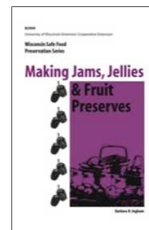


Latest Food Preservation Bulletins One Click Away

Quick! What's the hot water bath processing time for pints of dill pickles? Can I mix raspberries and blueberries in a batch of jelly? How do I know when carrots are completely dried? These and other food preservation questions can be answered by

downloading the most up-to-date bulletin from the Extension Learning Store learningstore.uwex.edu/Food-Preservation-and-Safety-C60.aspx Printed copies may also be purchased from the Waupaca County Extension Office or other county extension offices across the state of Wisconsin. Sample titles include:

- Canning Fruits Safely
- Canning Salsa Safely
- Freezing Fruits and Vegetables
- Harvesting Vegetables from the Home Garden
- Homemade Pickles and Relishes
- Making Jams, Jellies and Fruit Preserves
- Tomatoes Tart and Tasty



Wisconsin Shooting Sports Project

If you are enrolled in shooting sports projects be sure to go to the State 4-H Shooting Sports website for the latest news and information, including certification requirements of adult volunteers and safety guidelines that need to be followed for project meetings <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hshootingsports/>



CLUB HAPPENINGS

Whether you are meeting in person or virtually, we would still encourage club secretaries to send minutes to the Extension Office at penny.tank@wisc.edu. Even if you do not have a formal meeting and plan a service project for a month or a team building activity that is important to keep track of for club records.

Baldwins Mill – The club had a meeting and did roadside clean up.

Lind Center Beavers – The club did town hall clean up, started to discuss barn decoration ideas for the fair and are planning a summer activity.

Sandy Knoll – reports were given on making cards for Meals on Wheels, project meetings, and the club Nailed It-4-H Style competition. Members are planning to participate in Caledonia Fest and are doing a State Park Challenge.

Wolf River Rascals – club members did roadside clean up and the club is planning a summer tour.



Woodland Badgers – club families made baskets for residents of Kindred Hearts, highway clean up was done and the club is planning a summer activity.

THANK YOU

- Volunteers who helped create 4-H Project Days box and class ideas!
- Lego Contest participants (those members who won the various categories are in bold) – **August Johnson**, Bryce Burmeister, William Warren, **Cadence Johnson**, **Paul Schultz**, **Egen Retzlaff**, Brynn Amaral, Josh Tank, Isabella Havlik, Josephine Rynish, **Benjamin Murphy**, Trenton Baumgart, Hailey Burmeister, **Katie Johnson**, Onan Retzlaff, Baden Tedlie, **Owen Boettcher**, Logan Johnson
- Abbey Acker, Evan Retzlaff, Rylee Nelson, and Sarah Burmeister for helping with New Family Night.
- Allie Knoespel for planning and leading the marshmallow catapult zoom and project box for Project Days
- Evan Retzlaff for teaching a poultry workshop for Project Days
- Garrett Knoespel for organizing and teaching the rocket build and launch for Project Days
- Amy & Lora Korth, Ted & Gloria Bigalke, Evan Retzlaff, Verena Bartel, Sarah Burmeister, Amy Stuhr, Ronna Herminath, and Jill Vyse for your help planning and running the first Waupaca County 4-H Family Scavenger Hunt
- Thank you to all 4-H volunteers and families that have been trying to stay connected in a variety of ways!

CONGRATULATIONS

- Virtual Music, Drama and Speaking Contest participants: Abbey Acker, Brynn Amaral, Renna Amaral, Abigail Elmhorst, Brooklyn Grimm, Justin Kong, Kersten Zimmerman.

- MaKieyela Raisler, Dayton Community 4-H, who won a market goat in an essay contest locally.

MISCELLANEOUS

Waupaca County 4-H Graduates

We are interested in highlighting the accomplishments of Waupaca County 4-H graduates. Members can graduate from 4-H the same year they graduate from high school or they can choose to stay in one year after high school graduation. Youth in grades 12 & 13 are asked to complete this google form <https://bit.ly/3x1usxE>



NEW Building Bridges Facebook Page

If you're looking for resources and services that strengthen Hispanic/Latinx individuals and families in Waupaca County, there is a new Facebook page for you. This is a new site and more will continue to be posted. <https://www.facebook.com/buildingbridgeswaupaca/>



NEW STATE 4-H WEBSITE

Please take a few minutes to check out the updated state 4-H website for a number of resources and information. The web address is <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/>

Waupaca County 4-H Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/Waupaca-County-4-H-497545503725584>

Extension Waupaca County Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/WaupacaCountyUWEX/>

Mission of the Waupaca County
4-H Leaders' Association...
*to develop, guide, educate and support
4-H youth and leaders within Waupaca County.*

WAUPACA COUNTY 4-H SMALL ANIMAL

RABBIT FUN SHOW

WHEN

July 17, 2021

WHERE

**Waupaca County Fairgrounds
602 E South St, Weyauwega WI**

Rabbit Fun Show Only

Awards will be provided.

Food and drinks available for purchase

**All proceeds benefit the Waupaca County 4-H Small
Market Animal Project**

Volunteers needed:

Contact Tanya Zimmerman 715-823-5020

Kari Riley 715-281-7003

**OPEN TO ALL
YOUTH 3RD
TO 13TH
GRADE**

ENTRY

\$1 per animal

**Classes are based on
the Waupaca County
Premium Fair book**

SCHEDULE

**Registration
9-9:30**

**Show
10 am to approx. 1:30**

CONTACT INFO

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715-823-5020
[havanacrazy@yahoo.
com](mailto:havanacrazy@yahoo.com)**

EQUIPMENT DEALER

**(pending confirmation)
Roger Moeller
920-595-0431**

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The Wisconsin 4-H MOVEMENT



Sheboygan County 4-H Cat Project Celebrates the 26th Annual Open Household Pet Cat Show!

4-H Sanctioned Event
* Face Coverings are
Required to Attend*



"Mystical, Magical World of Cats"

Sunday July 18 , 2021

9:00am – 3:00pm

Sheboygan Lakers Ice Center

1202 South Wildwood Avenue Sheboygan WI

Admission:
\$2

ages 6 and up
or Cat food
donation of 3 cans
or 1 bag per person
-to be given to local
shelter-

Fun For All!

Vendors,
Raffle Tables,
Silent Auction,
Decorated Cage
Contest,
Cat Costume Contest,
Spectator's
Choice Award,
Food Available

For more information on Exhibitor, Vendor, or Sponsorship Forms, Please
contact sheboygan4hcatproject@gmail.com or Alice Samse 920-467-1558



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