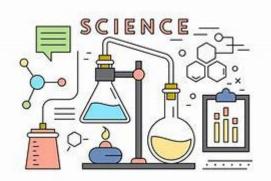


4-H is a welcoming, inclusive and vibrant community where youth and adults are empowered to grow into positive and productive citizens. 4-H is a trusted community partner that provides relevant, experiential learning for all youth.

# **4-H Spotlight**

## **Inspired by Science Photo Contest**



Science is a part of everything we do - from the food we eat, our health and the plants that surround us. It's so ingrained in our everyday lives that we often don't think about how science improves our daily activities.

That's why we're asking you to think about how science has inspired you. Do you use nutritional science to create amazing meals for your family? Does 3-D printing or technology make your life easier? How about using chemistry to create slime? Show us what science has inspired you to do.

Enter the Inspired by Science contest for the chance to win a trip to Washington, D.C. to attend the National Youth Summit on Agri-Science January 10 - 13, 2019. All entries must be submitted by November 2, 2018 at 11:59:59 p.m. ET, limit one entry per person per day. Entrants must be between the ages or 14 - 18, so don't forget to get your parent's help and permission before entering!

The entry form can be found here.

# **Headlines**

### **MQA & YQCA**

The Colorado 4-H Program will be utilizing our State 4-H MQA certification as we have in the past for the 2018 - 2019 4-H year. <u>The youth PQA will no longer be available after May 31,</u> <u>2018.</u>

### **Stock Show U Beef Fitting Clinic**

In conjunction with Back to the Basics XIII, our annual heifer sale which will be held Sunday, November 4th at 2 p.m. at Blind Badger Ranch will be hosting a Stock Show University fitting clinic on Saturday, November 3rd at 3 p.m., located at the Ranch in Fort Morgan, CO. The ranch is located at: Blind Badger Ranch; 3584 County Rd. 22; Fort Morgan, CO 80701; 970-483-5126

- This fitting/showing clinic is a free educational clinic open to all youth and adults interested in the beef project. This program will focus on all areas needed to achieve the Championship look for show day - animal selection, showmanship, feeding, daily hair and animal care and show day grooming/clipping.
- A complimentary dinner will follow around 5 p.m.

- If interested, kindly RSVP to Paula Fox at <u>paula.marie.fox@hotmail.com</u> or by calling 970-483-5126.
- Check out the website, <u>www.blindbadgerranch.com</u> for more details regarding the sale or to request a sale catalog.

### Livestock Judging Starts in November

This year Shelby would like to hold just one practice for both counties as we combine our team with Douglas County to form one Livestock Judging team. Those practices will begin on November 14 and continue November 28 and December 12 at the Douglas County Fairgrounds in Castle Rock, starting at 6 p.m. They will then continue starting January 2, every Wednesday. Please contact Shelby at 303-908-4114 with any questions.

#### **Curriculum Orders**

Organizational Leaders, when doing your curriculum orders for the new year, please make sure to include all books that need to be ordered, even when they are updated (for example: the Horse Manual is being updated this year).

#### **Ready for Re-Enrollment?**

4-H Online has opened for the 2018 - 2019 4-H year. All returning members need to re-enroll by 12/1/18 to avoid a late fee. Returning members can re-enroll from 12/2/18 - 1/31/19 with a \$25 per member late fee. New members have until 4/1/19 to enroll, but the sooner they enroll, the sooner they can get started on their projects.



#### **Horse Advisory Committee**

The Horse Advisory Committee would like to invite interested parents and youth to attend their monthly meetings as your input is important to them. They meet the third Monday of every month (except January and August) at 6:30 p.m. at the Arapahoe County Fairgrounds. For months where the third Monday falls on a holiday, they meet on the third Thursday, same time and place. Jonathan will be sending out a survey via email in the coming weeks seeking feedback from the members. Please watch for it and respond. At the last meeting they elected their officers for the upcoming year. They are: Rhonda Dinan, Chair; Suzy Sefcovic, Vice; Shauna Frericks, Secretary and Sue Sarasin, Treasurer.

#### Livestock Advisory Committee

The Livestock Advisory Committee and myself (Jonathan) would like to thank Kelly Sweeney and Kim Harris for their years of service as members of the committee and as superintendents. They have decided to step down and give others the opportunity to serve in this leadership capacity. As such, Brian Hanlon has stepped into the Beef Superintendent role, but we are still seeking some interested individuals to pick up the reins and serve as Goat Superintendent. The committee is advisory in its function. It provides advice, program support, visibility, resource generation and assists in upholding county, state and national policies in support of the Arapahoe County 4-H Youth Development Program. They assist with coordination, promotion and scheduling of events, activities and shows in Arapahoe County with the CSU 4-H Youth Development Extension agent as well as other responsibilities as outlined in their bylaws. This is specifically accomplished by serving as superintendents at the County Fair although all members on the committee do not have to be superintendents. We would like to invite anyone interested in being a part of the committee to contact Jonathan at the CSU Extension Office via email at jvrabec@arapahoegov.com. The committee meets the third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at O'Malley's Mercantile, however, in November, due to Thanksgiving, they will be meeting on Tuesday, November 13th (same time and location).



## Deadlines

#### **Wreath Sale Deadlines**

**November 7** – All 4-H member orders due to designated club leader November 9 – All 4-H orders due to CSU Extension Office November 28 – Pickup all wreath sale items at Warehouse (for Clubs on the West side of Arapahoe County) November 29 – Pickup all wreath sale items at O'Malley's (for Clubs on the East side of Arapahoe County November 30 thru December 2 – Deliver wreath sale products to customers **December 7** – Sale monies due to Club wreath sale chairperson **December 10** – Sale monies due to 4-H Office

**Re-Enrollment Deadline for Returning 4-H Members** December 1, 2018 (to avoid a late fee)

Late Re-Enrollment Deadline for Returning 4-H Members December 2, 2018 - January 31, 2019 (with a \$25 per member late fee)

Enrollment Deadline for New 4-H Members April 1, 2019

# **Upcoming Events**

#### Jr. Leaders' Meeting

Monday, 11/19, 7 p.m., Arapahoe County CSU Extension Office

#### **Office Closed to the Public**

On Tuesday, 11/6, our office (along with the rest of the buildings on our campus) will be closed to the public due to Elections. Staff will still be available via phone and email only.

#### **Office Closed**

Our office will also be closed on Monday, 11/12 in honor of Veterans' Day.

#### **4-H Volunteer Appreciation Event**

Thursday, 12/6, More information will follow in the coming months to volunteers who are enrolled 4-H volunteers in 4-H Online.

#### 4-H Cooking Camp

Thursday, 1/3 and Friday, 1/4, 2019 for ages 8 - 13. More information will follow in the coming months. There will be a limit of 15 participants.





# **Project Updates**

Dog – New Companion Animal Booklet posted Family & Consumer Science General & Natural Resources Horse Livestock Shooting Sports



## **4-H Resources**

<u>4-H Policies and Procedures</u>
<u>4-H Leader Resources</u>
<u>4-H Foundation</u>
<u>4-H Scholarships</u>

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