



*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

### YouthFest 2019

**When:** February 8 - 10

**Who:** 4-H members whose 4-H age is 9 - 13. Sign up in [4HOnline](#) - registration closes January 25th or when the camp sells out, whichever comes first. Make sure to reserve your spot today - spaces are filling up fast!

**What:** A fun-filled camp weekend with 4-H members from across the state. Join us for great workshops, a chance to meet a race car driver, group games, community service and a dance/movie. Click [here](#) for more details and a camp schedule.

**Cost:** \$140\* - includes camp meals and lodging. Mail checks payable to "Arapahoe County 4-H Foundation" to CSU Extension, Arapahoe County, Attn: Danielle Ardrey, 6934 S. Lima St., Suite B, Centennial, CO 80112. \*Partial first time attendee scholarships are available - please

email Danielle at [dardrey@arapahoegov.com](mailto:dardrey@arapahoegov.com) for more information.

**Where:**

Ponderosa Retreat Center\*

15235 S. Furrow Rd.

Larkspur, CO 80118

\*Danielle Ardrey has spaces available in the Arapahoe County Van for anyone who would like to be picked up and dropped off at the Arapahoe County Fairgrounds. Please email her at [dardrey@arapahoegov.com](mailto:dardrey@arapahoegov.com) if you would like a ride. Space is limited.

## Headlines

### Updated Volunteer Training Instructions

4-H Volunteers that have not completed the 4HOnline training, please do so by using the [updated instructions](#). Once you have completed, please remember to email Shaylen Florez a copy of your certificate to: [sflorez@arapahoegov.com](mailto:sflorez@arapahoegov.com) so that she can put it in your files. Remember, if you want your club to get the points, you need to complete this training!

**Attention** volunteers, please remember to re-enroll in 4HOnline for the 2018 - 2019 year. It is very important that you are in the system, especially if you want to get recognized in the volunteer incentive program.

### 4-H Foundation IVY Award Applications Due

The 4-H Foundation is once again accepting applications for their IVY (Important Volunteer of the Year) award. More information and the application can be found [here](#). The deadline for the application is Friday, February 15.

### 4-H Extravaganza

4-H Extravaganza is our Winter Member/Leader Training. The event is for ALL Arapahoe County 4-H members, families and leaders! Mark your calendars for February 2, 2019 and plan to spend the day at the Fairgrounds to partake in some fun and education. This event will include things like fun project related activities, MQA, a Shooting Sports safety meeting, small and large animal clinics and leader trainings. A schedule and program descriptions will be

available soon.

This is a great opportunity to score points for your club in the volunteer incentive program. Your club will get points for each volunteer session that is attended. If you need a refresher on how the program works, [click here](#).

### **Citizenship Washington Focus**

Are you interested in a trip to Washington D.C.? Then consider applying for the Citizenship Washington Focus trip that will be happening the week of June 22 - 29, 2019. You do have to be 15 as of December 31, 2018 and have 1 year experience in 4-H leadership. Please [click here](#) for more information on the application process. The deadline to apply is Monday, February 4, 2019. Take a chance and apply, it is a wonderful opportunity!

### **Junior Jam's Got Talent**

District 2 would like to invite Colorado State 4-Hers between the ages of 8 - 13 to participate in a one-day leadership experience. They will learn about all the talent we have in the 4-H community, do fun activities and learn new and exciting things!

Who: Any 4-H member between the ages of 8 - 13 in any county

When: March 16th from 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. (early pick up at 6 p.m.)

Where: The McKee Building at The Ranch, Loveland, CO

Cost: \$25 - No refunds after March 4, 2019

For more information, click [here](#) or contact Megan at 970-498-6007.

### **Horse Judging Team Practices Beginning**

Did you know that a study in Indiana found that 93% of 4-H judging team participants went on to attend college with 58% of those receiving a Bachelor's degree and 30% of those going on to earn a Master's degree? Now that I have your attention, it is time to start thinking about joining the Arapahoe County Horse Judging Team!

The Horse Judging Team has started practicing! Its holiday practice schedule will be January 11 (at the NWSS in the Coliseum at 8:30 a.m.). The team's regular practice schedule will resume on January 14 and continue every Monday evening from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. There will be no practice on Martin Luther King Jr. Day. They will be held at the Arapahoe County

Fairgrounds in the classrooms in the Main Hall (enter through the North doors). I (Jonathan Vrabc) will be coaching the team. This past year the team was Reserve State Champions and represented Colorado at the American Quarter Horse Youth World Show competition and at the U.S. Arabian Nationals Judging Contest earning Reserve National Champion honors! I have been coaching for over 20 years in addition to being a judge myself. Members of all ages and project areas are welcome to attend. If you want more information, or are not able to attend practice sessions, please contact Jonathan at [jvrabc@arapahoegov.com](mailto:jvrabc@arapahoegov.com). Judging Teams are a great way to make friends, have fun and build important life skills while learning about horses! Contests will begin in March or April.

### Leftover Items

We have some items for the following clubs that need to be picked up at our office (NOT the Grand Champion/Champion fair awards). If your club name is on this list, please have someone from your club stop by and pick them up.

- Lucky Clovers
- Littleton Clovers
- Smoky Hill
- Antelope Crossing
- Elk Creek
- Highline Foxes
- Bit of Class
- Bar C
- Vaughan Family



These three jackets would like to go home. If you recognize one of these, please stop by the office and pick it up. Any that are not claimed will be donated to Goodwill.



## Project Updates

[Dog](#)

[Family & Consumer Science](#)

[General & Natural Resources](#)

[Horse](#)

[Livestock](#)

[Shooting Sports](#)

**\*\*Please note** - the State Office is in the

process of updating their website and if the links on our website do not work, this will be why. Once the State completes their site, we will then be able to update our links.

## Deadlines

### Late Re-Enrollment Deadline for Returning 4-H Members

January 31, 2019 (with a \$25 per member late fee)

### 4-H Foundation Scholarship Application

February 1, 2019 - [click here](#) for more info

### Enrollment Deadline for New 4-H Members

April 1, 2019



## Upcoming Events

### Consumer Choices Contest

March 9, 2019 - [Registration and more info](#)

The deadline for entries is Friday, February 8, 2019.

### Creative Cooks Contest

March 16, 2019 - [Registration and more info](#)

The deadline for entries is Friday, February 8, 2019.

### Speech and Demonstration Contest



April 26, 2019 - [Registration and more info](#)

Registration deadline: Friday, March 29, 2019.

### **Cake Decorating Contest**

May 10, 2019 - [Registration and more info](#)

### **Rocket Fly Day**

June 23, 9 a.m. We will be doing this with Douglas County. More information will be available as the date gets closer.



## 4-H Resources

[4-H Policies and Procedures](#)

[4-H Leader Resources](#)

[4-H Foundation](#)

[4-H Scholarships](#)



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