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

Speech & Demonstration Contest Deadline
Approaching Quickly!
The registration deadline for the 2019 Speech and Demonstration Contest is TWO WEEKS from today (3/15/19). If you wish to participate, your registration form MUST be turned in by 3/29/19. Late entries WILL NOT be accepted for any reason! Click here for the guidelines and the registration form.

**Headlines**

**Horse Levels Rating Opportunity**
Jefferson County will be holding a leveling day on Sunday, March 17 from 8 - 4:30. They have two raters in the morning who can test to level 2 and then 2 raters in the afternoon who can test to level 4. One hour time slots available. Fee is the standard $15 per test per discipline fee which is paid to the rater. Riders need one time slot per discipline. Two separate time slots will be needed to test Level 2 English and Western. Contact Lisa Stavig for questions or more info on how to register at 303-271-6623 (office), 720-317-9685 (cell) or via email at lstavig@co.jefferson.co.us.

**Upcoming MQA Trainings**
The MQA requirements can be found here. Below is a list of upcoming MQA trainings that are offered close by, including one on May 1 here in Arapahoe County. Be sure to contact the hosting county using the contact information that is provided to get specifics on time and location, or for more information.

- 4/1/19, Lincoln County, Fairgrounds, Hugo, Travis.Taylor@colostate.edu, 719-743-2542
- 4/4/19, Adams County, Bennett High School, Bennett, KKrinkee@adcogov.org, 303-637-8100
- 4/22/19, Adams County, Fairgrounds, Brighton, KKimmel@adcogov.org, 303-637-8100
- 4/23/19, Adams County, Fairgrounds, Brighton, KKimmel@adcogov.org, 303-637-8100
- 4/25/19, Douglas County, Fairgrounds, Castle Rock, claudia.meeks@colostate.edu, 720-733-6940
- 4/26/19, Douglas County, Fairgrounds, Castle Rock, claudia.meeks@colostate.edu, 720-733-6940
- 4/29/19, Boulder County, Fairgrounds, Longmont, brenda.kwang@colostate.edu, 303-678-6381
- 5/1/19, Arapahoe County, Extension Office, Centennial, jvrabec@arapahogov.com, 303-730-1920
Meeting Reminders
If you would like to serve on one of these advisory committees, please contact Jonathan for details ASAP.

- **Livestock Advisory Committee:** March 19, 7 p.m., O'Malley's
- **District 3 Senate Meeting:** March 25, 7 p.m., Arapahoe County Extension Office
- **Shooting Sports Advisory Committee:** April 1, 6:30 p.m., Arapahoe County Fairgrounds
- **Jr. Livestock Committee:** April 2, 6:30 p.m., Arapahoe County Fairgrounds

4-H Pig Sale
There will be a 4-H Pig Sale on March 23, 2019 by Zimmerman Hog Farms at the Douglas County Fairgrounds. It will feature high quality show pigs from Beatrice, NE. Viewing will be from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. and the sale will start at 1 p.m. They will be selling up to 40 pigs farrowed in January. Contact Brian at zimmermanhogfarms@gmail.com or 402-520-2725 for more information.

Horse Safety 101
WHAT? WHO? WHY? SO WHAT? WHERE? "4-H Horse Safety 101" is a presentation developed by agents of the Colorado 4-H Horse Work Team. The Horse project is one of the most high risk 4-H projects that Colorado 4-H insures against. Providing safety education can lower the associated risk. This presentation is designed as a resource to educate 4-H families on the basic safety principals of owning and riding a horse. The presentation includes interactive review slides and supplemental hands on activities. We hope you will join us on Thursday, April 4 at the Fairgrounds at 7 p.m. for this important training as we prepare to kick off our open rides in April! Contact Jonathan at jvrabec@arapahoegov.com for questions.

Arapahoe County Dog Fun Match
Attention Arapahoe County 4-H Dog members! Please come and join us at the 2019 4-H Dog Fun Match on Saturday, April 6 at the Arapahoe County Fairgrounds. Please click here for details about registration and cost.
**Fashion Revue Committee**
Wednesday, April 17, at 5:30 p.m. we will hold our first Fashion Revue Committee conference call. Please contact Shaylen at sflorez@arapahoegov.com if you would like to be on the committee. The call in number will be 970-491-2612. The Fashion Revue is open to members enrolled in Clothing, wearable Heritage Arts and even Buymanship, if you happen to be enrolled in that project! Please make sure that your Cloverbud is aware that they can do the Fashion Revue too. The committee is a fun way to meet new people and plan the workshops, community service and the theme for the Fashion Revue.

**Market Hogs Tag-In/Nomination Process**
Market Hogs will be tagged by the 4-H members at their homes again this year. Tags will be checked out to them and a procedure will need to be followed to qualify your animal to be shown at fair. The process will be similar to last year. A mandatory meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the fairgrounds for all Swine project members to review the procedure and to check out tags. Members will pay their county fair drug testing fee at this time. Remember, this year's minimum weight for Market Hogs is 225 lbs. again.

**Cat and Dog ID**
All 4-H Dog and Cat project members are required to fill out a Colorado 4-H Dog/Cat Identification Form. Dog and Cat ID forms will be online again this year. You do not need to send a hard copy of your Dog ID to the Extension Office. The deadline for completing the Colorado 4-H Dog/Cat Identification in 4HOnline is May 1, 2019.

Directions to add an animal ID:

- Log in to 4HOnline using your family email.
- Go to the member page.
- Scroll down to the list of family members and click on "edit" next to the member's name (just like for enrollment).
- Click on the "Animal/Livestock" button at the top.
- Choose your animal type: Dog or Cat.
- Select "Add Animal".
- Fill out the information and upload your dog or cat’s shot records and photos.
- Click on "Save".

A printed copy of your online Colorado 4-H Dog or Cat ID is required for your Dog e-record and Cat e-record.
Breeding Livestock Registration Required! (Except Breeding Beef)
Cattle, Sheep, Goats (Breeding Boer and Dairy) and Llama/Alpaca. This year we will be requiring breeding livestock to be identified and uploaded (paperwork and photos) into 4honline by May 1st. Similar to Dog and Horse ID’s. Details and instructions are below:

Directions to add an animal ID:

- Log in to 4honline, using your family email.
- Go to the member page.
- Scroll down to the list of family members and click on "edit" next to the member's name (just like enrollment).
- Click on the "Animal/Livestock' button at the top.
- Choose your animal type: Sheep, Beef, Cattle, Goats, Llama/Alpaca.
- Select "Add Animal" for the appropriate project area (NOT for MARKET ANIMALS Except Hogs)
- Fill out the information and upload your forms and photos.
- Upload the "Arapahoe County 4-H Breeding Registration Information Form (Non-Market Animals) - This form should be uploaded in the "County Use Form" section.
- Upload a color photo showing any distinguishing characteristics and ear tag if applicable. (One photo is required, but two are available).
- Upload registration papers, your brand inspection papers or lease agreement, if applicable.
- Note: Ideally these should be in the 4-H member’s name or an immediate family member!
- Click on "Save".

You can find the Breeding ID forms on our website by clicking here. Please read the note on the bottom of the form about animals not born yet. Market Hog Project members will also be able to use this method to submit their market hog nominations once tags have been issued.

Market Lamb and Goat Tag-In
Monday, May 6, 2019 at the Arapahoe County Fairgrounds
All market lambs and goats must attend to be eligible to be shown at County Fair. Animals must be owned by tag-in. All species must be castrated and healed as much as possible prior to tag-in.

Market Lambs & Market Goats - 5-8 p.m.
• All market lambs and market goats must be retinal scanned. There is a $3 fee per animal.
• Weighing of lambs and goats at tag-in is optional.
• All market goats must be dehorned or tipped.
• Retinal scan fees ($3 per animal) and Drug Testing fees ($10 per animals) will be collected at this time. Check or Cash will be accepted, no credit/debit cards.

Producer Classes
What is a producer class? It is a market or breeding class for those of you who raise and show your own animals. Individuals who breed and raise their own show animals will show against one another. This class is in addition to the regular Market and Breeding classes. In order to participate in the producer classes you must be signed up for the corresponding breeding project. Producer's Market Class Animals must be tagged in at the Tag-in for that species under the name of the producer. They must also make weight as well as abide by all other regulations in regards to showing of 4-H market animals. Proof of ownership of the dam must have been established and certified by January 1st in 4-H online or by submitting the form to the CSU Extension Livestock Agent. **It is now time to start to get the bottom half of the Nomination Form completed, signed and submitted with all required supportive documentation no later than May 1.** Keep a copy for your records. Please click here for complete producer class details and forms. It is NOT required that the dam/sire of producer animals be shown at a previous County Fair. This will be awarded at the Achievement Program in October.

Project Updates

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**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

Registration Deadline for Speech and Demonstration Contest
March 29, 2019 - See "Upcoming Events" section below for a link to more information.

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

Upcoming Events

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
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