

4-H Happenings

January 2020

Hamilton County 4-H Public Speaking Contests

4th-5th Grade Club winners: Thursday, January 9th. Registration begins at 5:30 p.m., contest at 6:00 p.m. Location: Chattanooga Public Library, Downtown branch, 1001 Broad Street, Chattanooga, TN 37402.

6th-12th Grade Club winners: Thursday, January 16th. Registration begins at 5:30 p.m., contest at 6:00 p.m. Location: Chattanooga Public Library, Downtown branch, 1001 Broad Street, Chattanooga, TN 37402

4-H Art Poster Contest

The poster is due at your club meeting or the Extension Office by Friday, January 31st, 4:00 p.m. Guidelines: Theme is 4-H; size: 14" X 22", horizontal; nothing may protrude more than 1/8" from poster; no glitter; no use of copyrighted characters without permission; 4-H Clover – must be upright on the poster. On the back of the poster include: your name, grade, school/club, teacher's name.

4-H Chick Chain

This project is for 4th - 12th graders from beginner to experienced small livestock caretakers. Cost is \$40 for 12 birds. Registration and payment deadline is February 21, 2020. No refunds will be given after the deadline. Contact the Extension office for a registration sheet and additional information Chicks are scheduled to arrive in March.

4-H Beekeeping Essay

2020 Theme - Overwintering: Bee Survival through the Cold Season State 1st place wins \$100, national winner receives \$750 March 15, 2020, deadline to submit essay electronically. This contest is open to all 4-H youth. Let us know if you submit an essay. For all guidelines go to: https://4h.tennessee.edu/Pages/beeessay.aspx

4-H Hippology and Horse Bowl

Good luck to the 4-H Mane Attraction Club members. They will represent Hamilton County in the Eastern Region 4-H Hippology Contest and the 4-H Horse Bowl held at UTK on January 18, 2020. They have spent many hours studying and preparing for these contests. These contests are open to all 4th – 12th graders.

4-H Horse Enrollment due

If you plan to show your horse in any 4-H Show during 2020, you must complete a 4-H Horse Enrollment form. The form is due to Extension office by March 1, 2020.

National Cornbread Cook-off for 4th graders

Do you like to cook? If you are in 4th grade you may submit a recipe for the 2020 National Cornbread Cook-off in Marion County. The first-place prize is \$500 cash along with special gifts from Lodge Cast Iron and Martha White. Recipe entry deadline is March 1, 2020. Go to http://nationalcornbread.com/food/cornbread-cook-offs/ for more information (see the 4-H Cook-off). The competition will take place April 26, 2020. If you apply, please let us know at the Extension office (call or email).

2020 Tennessee 4-H Congress

If you are in 9th or 10th grade you are eligible to attend the 73rd Tennessee 4-H Congress, held in Nashville and Murfreesboro, TN. This is the premier 4-H Citizenship and Leadership event for senior high youth. You will learn how a bill is passed, serve as a senator or representative and learn more about state government. 4-H Congress will be held March 22-25, 2020. An adult leader must attend and serve as a leader for our county delegation. Deadline to register is February 7th or until spaces are filled. Check out the website, https://4h.tennessee.edu/Pages/stcong.aspx

4-H Citizenship Club

Create different types of artwork at 4-H Citizenship Club meetings this spring. The Club meets on the second Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. at the Extension office (6183 Adamson Circle). All 4th-12th graders in Hamilton County can join and participate in club activities at no cost. January 11 meeting: Watercolor Basics.

Hamilton Homeschoolers 4-H Club

The Hamilton Homeschoolers 4-H Club meets on the first Monday of each month at 2:30 p.m. at the Extension Office. All 4th-12th graders in Hamilton County can join this club and participate in club activities at no cost. Additional meetings and events may be scheduled. Contact the Extension office for more information.

4-H Portfolios

Senior High 4-H Portfolios in Leadership or Citizenship are due to the Extension office by January 27th. Look for spring dates in the next newsletter. Youth in 6th – 12th may complete a portfolio for competition.

4-H Summer Camps

We have variety of summer camps for youth. We also need adult leaders and teen leaders (9th- 12th grades) to attend (application available). If you need a 4-H Camp scholarship form, contact the office. More camps and dates available. **Junior Camp** for 4th, 5th and 6th graders is June 1-5, Austin 4-H Center, Greeneville, TN **4-H Electric Camp** for 6th and 7th graders is June 29 – July 2, UT Knoxville campus

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