



Get Ready for Summer with 4-H!



Looking for group activities and outdoor fun? 4-H has that! Sign up today for the summer activities of your choice.

Visit the Extension website: Hamilton.Tennessee.edu (click here)

Juniors Day Camp - June 14-18. Grades 4th-6th. \$40.
Extension Office. (click here)

Jr High Outdoor Survival Skills Camp - June 28-July 1.
Grades 6th-8th. \$40. Extension Office. (click here)

4-H Traveling Road Show! - July 8. Grades 4th-8th. \$25.
Chester Frost Park. Try out 4-H camp favorites, including archery, axe throwing, tie-dye, GaGa, wildlife (with live snakes), and more. Registration form (click here)

Quilt Camp - July 14 & 21. Grades 6th-12th. \$25. McDonald, TN (apply by June 1 - click here)

4-H Electric Camp - June 14, 16, 29 or July 1. Grades 6th-7th. \$40. Learn about robotics, drones, electric motors, and electrical safety. Crossville, Greeneville, Jackson, or Columbia, TN ([For more information and to apply by June 1 - click here](#))

A few spaces are available in the **4-H Fashion and Design Camp** July 13. Grades 6th-12th - Contact Nancy Rucker **today** if your teen is interested! (Email nrucker@tennessee.edu) This camp takes place at the Tri-State Exhibition Center in McDonald, TN (just north of the Hamilton County border). Cost is \$25.



Join Hamilton County 4-H

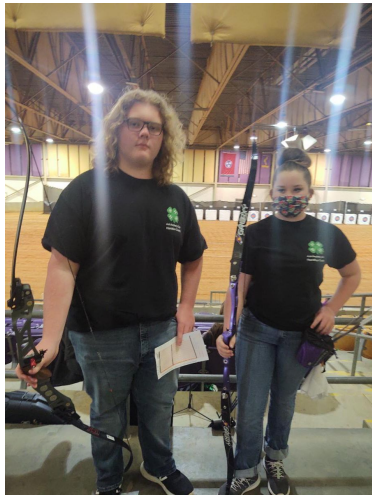
Youth in grades 4th-12th in Hamilton County can join 4-H at any time, and there is no cost to join. Scan the QR code or visit [the online 4-H enrollment form \(click here\)](#) to join today.

4-H Gardening Club

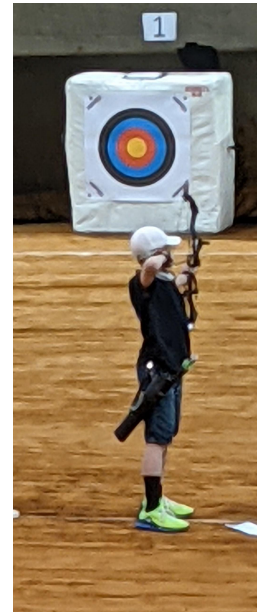


Join the 4-H Gardening Club and come help plant a pizza garden this Saturday, May 1, 9-11 a.m. at the Extension Office! Hamilton County youth in 4th-8th grade can join this group to play in the soil while they learn about plant science, propagation, insects, diseases of plants, and more. This is a registered 4-H Junior Master Gardener program. [For additional details and registration information, click here.](#)

Congratulations!



Jackson Vatter and Madilyn Vatter at the Jamboree. Jackson placed 1st in the Senior High Recurve - field division. Madilyn placed 1st in the Junior High Recurve - field division



Elijah Zimmerman competes in the jr high Compound - Hunter division at the 4-H Archery Jamboree

2021 4-H Archery Jamboree Results

Members of the Hamilton County 4-H Archery Club competed in Cookeville on April 22-24 in the Tennessee 4-H Archery Jamboree. Jackson Vatter won 1st place in the state in the Senior High Recurve - Field division. Madilyn Vatter (Jackson's sister) won 1st place in the state in the Junior High Recurve - Field division. Drew Johnson and Elijah Zimmerman both placed in the top ten in (respectively) Senior High compound and Junior High compound divisions. Jonah Clarkson, Liam Cook, Sophie Cook, Kevin Lawrence and Carter Johnson competed in the Genesis division. Congratulations to all of the Hamilton County competitors!

The 4-H Archery Club will begin the 2021-2022 season in August. If you would like to receive registration information for 4-H Archery when it becomes available, please call the Extension Office (423-855-6113).

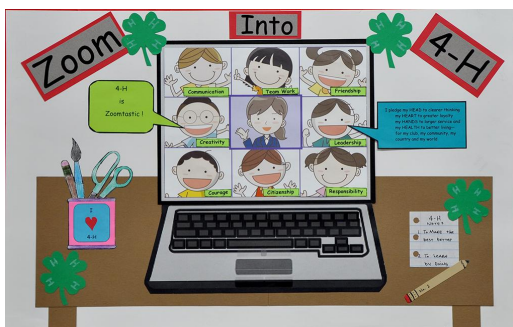


Genesis competitors Jonah Clarkson, Kevin Lawrence, Carter Johnson, Sophie Cook and Liam Cook at the 4-H Tennessee



Drew Johnson competes in the senior high Compound - Open division at the Jamboree held at

4-H Art Poster State Winners Announced



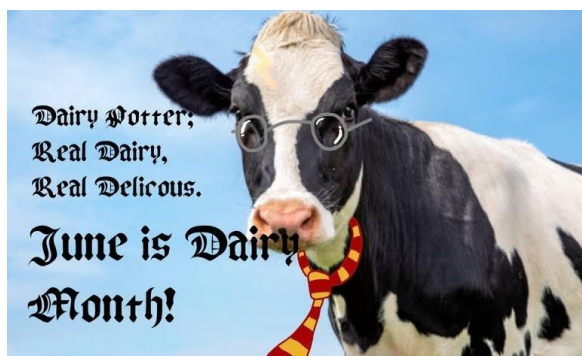
Brinley Underwood's state winning poster



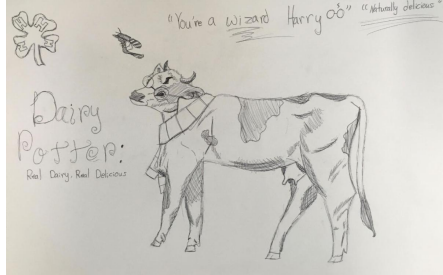
Sophie Cook's state winning digital poster

Brinley Underwood of Ms. Sparks' class 4-H club at Hixson Elementary and Sophie Cook of the 4-H Archery Club were both named state winners for their 4-H Art Posters! Brinley's poster won in the regular poster division, and Sophie's poster won in the digital poster division. Congratulations to Brinley and Sophie! The state-winning posters will be on display during Tennessee 4-H Congress in Murfreesboro August 16-18 and can also be seen on the Tennessee 4-H [state website \(click here\)](#). Each winner will receive a rosette and \$25.

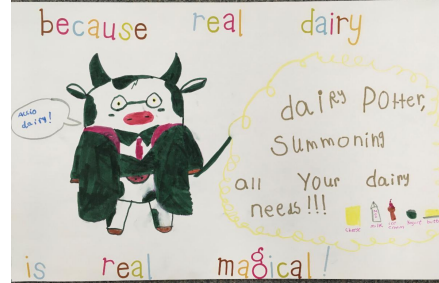
2021 Dairy Poster Winners



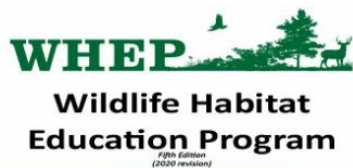
Congratulations to Hannah Carter of the Homeschool 4-H Club! Her digital poster (left) won the June Dairy Month Poster contest for Hamilton County and moves on to the state contest. The theme for this year's contest was "Dairy Potter, Real Dairy, Real Delicious."



Lana Johnson of the 4-H Gardening Club won second place in the County June Dairy Month poster contest



Bethany Beard of Ms. Rutherford's class 4-H Club at Hixson Elementary won third place in the County June Dairy Month poster contest



4-H Wildlife Judging

The Countywide 4-H Wildlife Judging Contest was held on April 24. Congratulations to Hannah Carter, who won the Hamilton County contest! The Eastern Region 4-H Wildlife Judging contest is coming up on **May 20** at Holston Farms in Knoxville. All 4-H members in grades 4th-12th are eligible to participate in this contest, which covers material from the WHEP manual. To register for the Regional contest, contact Extension Agent Maria Sabin (msabin@tennessee.edu).



It's Clover Bowl Time in Tennessee!

The Eastern Region Clover Bowl competition will be held virtually this year and will take place on May 19. Hamilton County will be represented by the 4th grade team from Mr. Clark's classroom at Hixson Elementary: Good luck to Brody Russell, Jace Kinsey, Wyatt Hamerman and Xavier Smith in the contest!

Junior High Academic Conference Registration Open Through May 12!

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CREATIVE ARTS AND

GARDEN AND HOME HORTICULTURE

COMPANION ANIMAL

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REGISTRATION DEADLINE EXTENDED TO MAY 12!

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Academic Conference is ...
your chance to be a college kid for a day! You participate in a challenging, face-to-face, one-day event to learn cool stuff -- just like the college kids do -- but about your 4-H project. It is taught by university faculty, staff and Extension Specialists from four universities across the state.

PICK A PROJECT!

- Monday, June 7
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- Tuesday, June 8
Tennessee Technological University
- Wednesday, June 9
Middle Tennessee State University
- Thursday, June 10
University of Tennessee at Martin

PICK A SCHOOL!

- Meet other 4-H'ers from your region for this face-to-face, one-day event. Can you believe it? We get to be together!!!
- Participate in live demonstrations, hands-on experiments, games, activities, networking, tours and more!
- Talk to your 4-H agent to complete the application process and get registered! The cost is \$25.

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4-H Tech Changemakers

The 4-H Tech Changemakers program uses a teens-as-teachers approach with teen leaders learning digital skills to teach them to adults. Through this process, the teens will become certified Tech Changemakers and work in partnership with Extension to use turnkey 'grab n' go' lesson plans to teach digital skills to adults in our community. The lesson plans will focus on digital skills that help drive economic opportunity, like using Microsoft Word to create resumes or safely navigating the internet to find the best job search websites. Teens in 8th-12th grade - let us know if you would like to learn to be a Tech Changemaker this summer and fall!



4-H Service Project Donations Delivered

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the 4-H Spring Service Project to benefit the Humane Educational Society of Chattanooga! 4-H'ers delivered the donations to the Humane Society last week and toured the brand-new facility. Did you know that the Humane Society takes in 4,000 - 6,000 homeless animals every year? To find out more or to donate to the Humane Society or volunteer to help, **visit their website at <https://www.heschatt.org/> (or click here)**

4-H Healthy Living Ambassadors Announced

Desha Wilkins and Logan Johnson will be Hamilton County's 4-H Healthy Living Ambassadors. These teens will collaborate with Extension on programs in healthy living (nutrition, fitness, substance abuse prevention, mental/social/emotional health, food safety, stress management, meal planning, etc.) and will serve as advocates for healthy living, including

speaking at civic club, FCE, Honor Club, and school related meetings.



Register for Regional & State 4-H Horse Show by May 6



The 2021 Eastern Region 4-H Horse Show will be held May 20-22, 2021 at the Tri-State Expo Center in McDonald, TN. State 4-H Horse Show is June 14-18, 2021 in Shelbyville, TN. For more information, or to register, contact Nancy Rucker (423-855-6113). Registration is due by May 6.

For more information on Hamilton County 4-H or to get the 4-H monthly update by email, call the Extension Office (423-855-6113) or email the 4-H staff:

Nancy Rucker, Extension Agent & County Director: nrucker@tennessee.edu
Maria Sabin, Extension Agent: msabin@tennessee.edu

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