

April Hamilton County 4-H Update



Vote for your favorite photos in the Extension Month Photo Contest at the Facebook page of the UT/TSU Extension Hamilton County! Voting is open through 10 a.m. April 10.

Congratulations!

2023 Hamilton County 4-H Demonstration Contest

Congratulations to all of the competitors in the 2023 Countywide Demonstration Contest held March 12 at the UTC University Center!

First-place winners in this contest advance to the April 28 SEC Multi-County Achievement Contest at Rhea County Middle School, 405 Pierce Drive, Evensville, TN. Check-in

at 5:30 p.m.; Contest begins at 6:00 p.m. To register for the Multi-County Contest, please call the UT/TSU Extension Office by April 25 (423-209-8560) or email Extension Agent Maria Sabin (msabin@tennessee.edu) by April 25.



4th grade Companion Animal: 1st place Hiram Day, CSAS, 2nd place Greyson Cullis, CSAS, 3rd place Shya McFadden, Hixson Elementary, participant Sophia Greene, CSLA.



4th grade Art: 1st place Alex Ervin, CSAS, 2nd place Georgia Ashby, CSLA, 3rd place Madelyn McCamish, CSAS, participants Tilman Gillaspie, NHCES, Mark MacDonald, CSLA, Anderson Barger-Howell, CSLA.



4th grade Animal Science - Horse: 1st place Tabor Simmons, NHCES, 2nd place Nora Herndon, CSAS.



5th grade Recreation: 1st place Sarithra Navaneethakrishnan, CSLA, 2nd place Victoria Averill, NHCES, 3rd place Timothy Shropshire, Rivermont Elementary.



5th grade Art: 1st place Noa Sharpe, CSAS, 2nd place Michelle Yang, CSLA, 3rd place Maya Williams-Hale, CSAS, and Dahlia Romanick, NHCES (tie)



5th grade Performing Arts: 1st place Digvi Bhatt, CSLA, 2nd place DeMitrius Davis, CSAS, 3rd place Jack Dalton, CSLA, participants Amelia Holzmacher, CSLA, Cameron Purvis, CSLA, Maddi Caldwell, CSLA.



4th grade Recreation: 1st place Jackson Kile, CSAS, 2nd place Iva Wilson, CSLA.



5th grade Companion Animal: 1st place Callie Seebach, CSLA, 2nd place Caleb Swain, CSLA.



4th grade Performing Arts: 1st place Audrey Clark, CSAS, 2nd place TiJerria Woodruff-Mason, CSLA.



4th grade Animal Science - Poultry: 1st place Baron Hicks, CSLA.



5th grade Veterinary Science: 1st place Ruby Quattrochi, CSLA.



5th grade Animal Science - Poultry: 1st place Ashtyn Crawley, NHCES.



4th grade Veterinary
Science: 1st place Adeline
Ham, CSAS.



5th grade
Communications/Public
Speaking: 1st place
Jayanth Siddenki, CSLA.



4th grade
Communications/Public
Speaking: 1st place Zoey
McIntosh, Hixson
Elementary.



5th grade Citizenship: 1st
place Sa'Ryia Condra,
CSLA.

4th grade
Computers/Technology: 1st
place Avik Kairuppala,
CSAS, 2nd place Paris
Crafter, Rivermont
Elementary, 3rd place
Aniyah Johnson, CSLA,
participant Arhaan Jamani,
CSAS.

5th grade
Computer/Technology: 1st
place Akhil Kairuppala,
CSAS.



5th grade
Engineering/Safety
Science: 1st place Connor
Purvis, CSLA, 2nd place
Christopher Payne, CSAS,
3rd place Nina Adamovic,
CSAS, participant Levi
Hullender, CSLA.

4th grade
Engineering/Safety
Science: 1st place Andrew
Laymon, CSAS.



4th grade Food Science:
1st place Amelia Martin,
CSAS, 2nd place Jack
Haberkorn, CSLA, 3rd
place Iris Hamby, CSLA.



4th grade Entomology: 1st place Jace Heitmeier, CSAS.



4th grade Environmental Science/Conservation: 1st place Auden Shaw, CSAS, 2nd place Praseeda Bathi, 4-H Gardening Club.



5th grade Food Science: 1st place Nathan Kirby, CSLA, 2nd place Maria Schatz, Rivermont Elementary.



4th grade Electric: 1st place Sam Moffitt, CSAS.



4th grade Forestry Wildlife and Fisheries: 1st place Jia-ya Vaughn, CSAS.



4th grade Leadership and Personal Development: 1st place Beau Brandon, CSLA, 2nd place Quinn Thomsen, Rivermont Elementary.



4th grade Nutrition Health and Fitness: 1st place Juelz Mathis, CSAS.



5th grade Nutrition Health and Fitness: 1st place Sevon Atkins, CSLA, 2nd place Angela Cox, Rivermont Elementary.



5th grade Leadership and Personal Development: 1st place Auburn Harris, NHCES, 2nd place Stanley Obal, CSLA.



4th grade Photography: 1st place Sara Millbank, CSAS.



5th grade Photography: 1st place Emma Rowland, Rivermont Elementary.



4th grade Plant Science: 1st place Ravi Kumbhaj, CSAS.



5th grade 4-H STEM: 1st place Parv Pandya, CSAS.

5th grade Horticulture and Gardening: 1st place Anna Kimball Doescher, CSAS.

5th grade Plant Science: 1st place Ellie Avelis, 4-H Gardening Club, 2nd place Walker Childers, CSAS.

Many thanks to all of the judges for this competition!

2023 4-H Piggy Bank Pageant Winners Announced

Congratulations to the winners of the Hamilton County 2023 4-H Piggy Bank Pageant! First-place winners in this contest will receive a check for \$25 and have the photos of their banks sent to the state contest at UTK. Photos of first-place winners at the state level will be posted online for voting at voteforthepig.tennessee.edu **April 17 - April 24**. Vote for your favorite bank online!



9th-12th grade 1st place piggy bank by Carolina Shank, Creative Arts Club



6th-8th grade 1st place piggy bank by Kyler Loynd, Robotics Club



5th grade 1st place piggy bank by Isbeyri Morales, Hixson Elementary School



4th grade 1st place
piggy bank by Avery
Harris, North
Hamilton County
Elementary School



2nd-3rd grade 1st
place piggy bank by
Nancy Juarez
Mendez, Calvin
Donaldson
Elementary School



Pre-K-1st grade 1st
place piggy bank by
Jerome Wilson,
Calvin Donaldson
Elementary School

2023 SEC Multi-County Public Speaking Contest

Congratulations to the Hamilton County 4-H'ers who participated in the Southeast Corner Multi-County Public Speaking Contest on March 23 in McMinn County! Joel Seo, 4th grade CSLA, won 3rd place. Digvi Bhatt, 5th grade CSLA, and Liam Cook, 7th grade 4-H Archery Club, also participated.



Joel Seo



Liam Cook



State 1st place winning
handmade poster by Eleni
Martinez, above



State 1st place winning digital
poster by Richard Shank,
above

State 4-H Art Poster Contest Winners Announced

Congratulations to Richard Shank, 12th grade Robotics Club, and Eleni Martinez, 4th grade North Hamilton County Elementary School, whose posters won 1st place at the state level competition! You can see all of the first-place winning posters, along with the names of all regional winners at the [state 4-H website](#). First-place winners receive a rosette and a \$25 check.

2023 Tennessee 4-H Congress



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Hamilton County 4-H'ers Sophie Cook and John Wood participated in this year's Tennessee 4-H Congress, held in Nashville and Murfreesboro March 19-22. Susan Wood also attended as the adult volunteer leader.



Eastern Region delegates to 2023 4-H Congress, above



Sophie served as the Hamilton County Reporter. She said “4-H Congress was a very eye opening experience for me. Learning what I did I have a better grasp and understanding for how the government works. I definitely recommend more people come next year I’m sure they will enjoy it.” Read Sophie's article below!

Local 4-H'ers go to Congress

This year marked the 76th annual 4-H Congress session in Nashville.

Two students from Hamilton County were invited to attend. Sophie Cook from East Ridge served as representative and John Wood from Ooltewah served as as senator.



John Wood said “My experience at Congress gave me a better understanding of my own local and state government, along with allowing me to encounter and converse with individuals that I would have most likely never met. Overall, I’m thankful for the opportunity of a lifetime and I certainly will never forget it!”

Some of their favorite experiences included: serving in the House of Representatives and in the Senate, and meeting their representatives and senators, and having Governor Bill Lee speak at their meeting.

4-H Congress is open to 9th and 10th grade youth. For more information about 4-H, call [423-209-8560](tel:423-209-8560) UT / TSU Extension Hamilton County. 4-H is open to all youth in 4th-12th grades.



Sophie and John with Senator Bo Watson and his dog



Sophie and John with
Representative Greg Vital in
Nashville

National Cornbread Cook-Off



4-H Cook-Off Top 10

Sweet Heat & Meat Cornbread Aslan Wiggins Forsyth, GA	Hiram's Honey Garlic Cheesy Cornbread Hiram S. Day III Chattanooga, TN	Louisa's Crabby Cornbread Louisa Thomas Jasper, TN
Totally Tropical Cornbread Muffins Kaitlyn Sharp Whitwell, TN	Pumpkin Spice & Everything Nice Anna Shankles Jasper, TN	Jalapeño & Honey Cornbread Olivia Hope Chambers Belden, MS
Shelby's Crazy Creole Cornbread Shelby Rogers Jasper, TN	Falafel Cornbread Hendrix Hirst Whitwell, TN	Rattlesnake Candy Cornbread Callahan McEntyre Whitwell, TN
		Berry Berry Cornbread with Sweet Berry Butter Layla Agnew Jackson, TN

Come cheer for your favorite recipe!

Sunday, April 30

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Congratulations to Hamilton County 4-H'er Hiram Day, 4th grade student at CSAS, whose recipe for cornbread was one of 10 chosen for the 4-H Cook-Off at the National Cornbread Festival on April 30! Come cheer on Hiram at the National Cornbread Festival in South Pittsburgh. More information is available at the [National Cornbread Festival website](#).

4-H Camp is Coming Up!

4-H Junior Camp - June 5-9, 2023



Registration deadline is May 15, or until full. Grades 4th-6th. Space is limited, and 4-H Junior Camp is filling up fast. Dates are June 5-9 at Camp Clyde Austin in Greeneville, TN. Activities at camp include canoeing, swimming (lessons available; lifeguard on duty), archery, group games, and much more. \$350 fee includes transportation, lodging and dining (all air-conditioned). Online fee payment is available at <https://tiny.utk.edu/4HJrCamp> or pay by check (payable to "University of Tennessee"). Download the

registration packet and find out more about camp at the link below or call the office (423-209-8560) for more information.

[4-H Camp Info](#)

Junior High Camp - July 10-14



Grades 6th-8th as of 1/1/23

Registration is now open for 4-H Junior High Camp! Enjoy a fun week at Camp Clyde Austin in Greeneville, TN. Activities include swimming, fishing, geo-caching, horses, and trips to the zoo, Bays Mountain ropes course and zipline, and canoeing down the Nolichucky River. Fee is \$350. More information and registration forms are available at the 4-H Camps page of the [Extension Office website](#).

4-H Day Camp - June 19-23



Grades 4th-6th. Registration is now open. Space is limited. 4-H Day Camp is held at the UT/TSU Extension Hamilton County office. Activities include archery, arts and crafts, tie-dye, 4-H STEM, nutrition projects, wildlife, group games, and more. Cost is \$60. Download registration forms at the [4-H Camps page of the Extension Office website.](#)

Senior High - Tennessee 4-H Aloha Camp May 26-28

Grades 9th-12th



Registration deadline is April 28. Senior high students can enjoy the first ever Aloha All-Star Camp - filled with fun shops, networking, dancing, and service projects. All 9th through 12th grade youth are eligible to attend (you do not need to be in All-Stars). Cost is \$210. Registration information is available at the [4-H Camps page of the Extension Office website.](#)

4-H Electric Camp - June 26-29



Grades 6th-8th (as of 1/1/23). Registration deadline is May 5. If you love science, this is the camp for you! 4-H Electric Camp is a fun-filled, rewarding adventure in electricity. Campers explore the world of energy, electricity, energy conservation, electrical safety, and other basic sciences in “hands-on” learning activities. Find more information and registration details at the [4-H Camps](#) page of the Extension Office website.

Creative Design Camp - June 5-8



Grades 6th-12th. Registration deadline is April 13. Cost is \$200. Must be able to sew an accurate 1/4" seam. Choose quilt track or fashion track. Find registration brochure and more

information at the [4-H Camps page of the Extension Office website](#).

4-H Club Meetings



Join 4-H Honor Club!

Next meeting is Thursday, April 13 at 5:30 p.m. at the Extension Office

There is a new 4-H Honor Club Application now available. Become a Tennessee 4-H Honor Club member now! You may belong to the group in county if you are in 5th- 12th grade. The state level is open to 6th – 12th graders. Come to the next meeting to learn more. Contact Nancy Rucker

(nrucker@tennessee.edu) to request the form or make an appointment to work on the application.



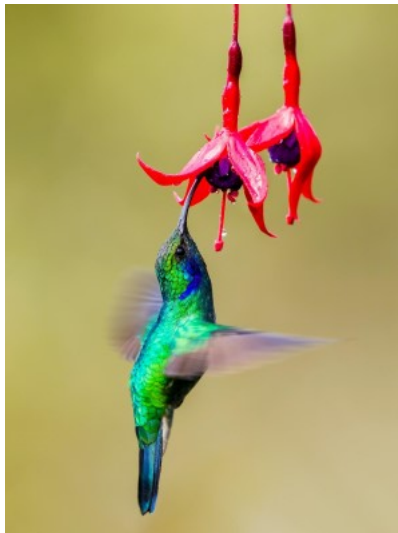
4-H Mane Attraction Horse Club

**Next meeting is Monday, May 1 at 6:30 p.m. at
Saddle Pals Riding Club in Soddy Daisy.**

The 4-H Mane Attraction Horse Club is for grades 4th-12th. You do not need to own a horse to join or to participate in the 4-H Horse Club. Volunteer Leader Adam Presley can be contacted by text at 423-595-5409.

4-H Gardening Club

Hummingbirds with Dee Clark



**Thursday, April 13 at 4:30 p.m. on the first floor of
the Extension Office**

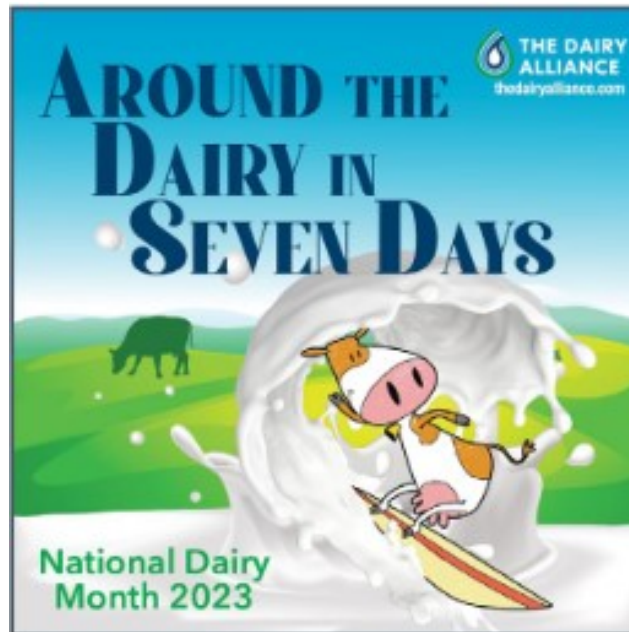
At the April meeting, the 4-H Gardening Club will learn about hummingbirds with Master Gardener Dee Clark! Make a hummingbird feeder to take home. The club members will also plant some of the spring 4-H garden in the raised bed at the Extension

Office. This is a registered Junior Master Gardener club for grades 4th-8th. There is no cost to join or participate. New members are welcome at every meeting. Activities are led by Master Gardeners. Contact 4-H Extension Agent Maria Sabin with any questions (msabin@tennessee.edu).

Competitions You Can Enter!

Dairy Poster Contest

Entries due by April 21



The Dairy Poster contest is sponsored by The Dairy Alliance. Youth in grades 4th-12th create a poster (on posterboard or on the computer) using this year's theme and turn it in to the Extension Office by April 21. Posters created online must be saved as a jpg and emailed to HamiltonCounty4H@tennessee.edu. Use 14 x 22 posterboard for a regular poster entry. Posters must use the theme for the year - the 2023 theme is "Around the Dairy in Seven Days." The idea is to highlight a week in the life of a dairy farmer. State winners will receive \$550 (1st

place), \$300 (2nd place) and \$200 (3rd place). More information and contest guidelines are available at the [Extension Office website](#).

4-H Wildlife Judging April 22 and May 12



Grades 4th-12th can participate in the 4-H Wildlife Judging Program. Learn about species found around us in Tennessee at the [Hamilton County 4-H Wildlife Judging study website](#), then compete at the County contest **April 22** at 11 a.m. at the Extension Office and the Eastern Region 4-H Wildlife Judging contest on Friday, **May 12** at UT Knoxville. To register for the Eastern Region contest, email 4-H Agent Maria Sabin msabin@tennessee.edu. Registration is not required to participate in the County contest.

Eastern Region 4-H Horse Show



Eastern Region 4-H Horse Show will be held June 1-3 at the Roane State Expo Center in Harriman, TN. Registration is due by May 8. To receive the registration packet, contact the Extension Office (423-209-8560). Information is available at [Eastern Region 4-H Livestock Shows | Eastern Region \(tennessee.edu\)](https://www.tennessee.edu/extension/4-h/livestock/shows/)

Invasive Species Poster Contest **4th-8th grade.** *Entries due by July 1*

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Entries Due July 1, 2023

<https://backyardstem.tennessee.edu/invasives>

We are pleased to announce the 2nd Annual Tennessee Invasive Species Youth Poster Contest hosted by Tennessee 4-H, the Tennessee Invasive Plant Council, Weed Wrangle, and the Tennessee Department of Agriculture. The goal of this contest is to spread awareness and knowledge among youth and adult audiences through science-based information and individual creativity to educate others on the impacts of invasive species in Tennessee and beyond. All students in grades 4th-8th in public, private, or home school in Tennessee are eligible to participate.

The event website holds all the information needed to participate.

Deadline for entries is July 1, 2023, and we have prizes for individual student winners as well as for the class with the winning entry.

4-H Scholarship Applications due by May 1, 2023

4-H COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



Tennessee 4-H has 26 college scholarships from which 4-H members can select when they submit a college scholarship application. Applicants can select more than one scholarship.

Apply now for a 4-H scholarship to college by following the instructions at the state website's scholarship page. Visit the page and select "Scholarships" for information and application.

Join 4-H - Grades 4th-12th in Hamilton County can join 4-H at any time, and there is no cost to join.

<https://tiny.utk.edu/HC4H>

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