#### **May Hamilton County 4-H Update**



#### 4-H Camp is Coming Up!

4-H Junior Camp June 10-14, 2024









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 10-14 at Camp Clyde Austin in Greeneville, TN. Activities at camp include canoeing, swimming (lessons available; lifeguard on duty), archery, group games, zipline, and much more. \$360 fee includes transportation, lodging and dining (all air-conditioned). Online fee payment is available at <a href="tiny.utk.edu/4HJrCamp">tiny.utk.edu/4HJrCamp</a> or pay by check (payable to "University of Tennessee"). You can also pay at the Extension Office by cash, check, or credit card. Scholarships are available. 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 8-12



**Grades 6th-8th as of 1/1/24.** 

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, group games, and trips to the zoo, Bays Mountain ropes course and zipline, and canoeing down

the Nolichucky River. Fee is \$390 and is payable online at **2024 Eastern Region Junior High 4-H Camp**. More information and registration forms are available at the **4-H Camps page** of the

#### 4-H Electric Camp June 25-28



Grades 6th- 8th. Application deadline is June 2. 4-H Electric Camp is a fun-filled, rewarding adventure in electricity. You will explore the world of energy, electricity, energy conservation, electrical safety, and other basic sciences in fun-filled, "hands-on" learning activities.

You will work with electrical specialists from across the state in learning centers. Each learning center will consist of hands-on activities to learn by doing. You will also have the chance to meet other 4-H'ers from across Tennessee and explore careers in energy, electricity, and basic sciences. It's an electrifying experience!

Cost is \$325. To register for 4-H Electric Camp, turn in \$325 check (payable to University of Tennessee) or pay by credit card at the Extension Office, **4-H enrollment form with t-shirt size** (Note that only adult shirt sizes are available) to the UT-TSU Extension Hamilton County office by June 3, 2024. Youth attending Electric Camp are required to bring a fully completed **600A** with them to camp.

More information is available at the Electric camp website.

# 4-H Wildlife Judging Competition May 10



Registration deadline is May 4. The Regional 4-H Wildlife Judging Competition is the afternoon of Friday, May 10 in Oak Ridge at the UT-Arboretum. This competition will be based on the 2024 Wildlife Habitat Education Program (WHEP) manual, which can be found online at https://www.whep.org/national-whep-manual/. Youth in grades 4th through 12th can participate in teams or individually.

The WHEP program is great for students interested in hunting or land management, as well as for those who would like to learn more about animals.

There is no cost to participate. To register for the May 10 4-H Wildlife Judging competition, or if you have questions about the contest, please **Email 4-H Agent Maria Sabin**.

#### 4-H Healthy Living Ambassadors

Applications are now being accepted for the 2024-2025 4-H Healthy Living Ambassadors. **The deadline to apply is June 14th** – the earlier the better. There are special opportunities for these ambassadors. Contact the Extension office for the application link and more information. 423-209-8560

**Qualifications** include – youth must be in 9th-11th grade as of January 1st, 2024; must be involved in a 4-H Project; and have an interest in healthy living and wellness.

**Requirements** include - all Healthy Living Ambassadors (HLAs) are required to attend an orientation training (Dates TBD); HLAs will acquire 10 volunteer hours over the 2024-2025 program year; and HLAs are required to attend 4 monthly meetings (held by Zoom and featuring professionals in various health or related fields).

## Extension Month Photo Winners – youth category



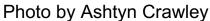




Photo by Anay Srivastava



Photo by Gabriel Lennon



Photo by Kaylee Yim



Photo by Kaden Bing

Photo by Darah Moreland

Congratulations to the 2024 photo winners! Twenty-four youth submitted 55 entries in the contest. These winning photos will be exhibited at the Extension office during 2024-2025.

Cow, Special Markings by Ashtyn Crawley – Animals, Insects and Reptiles category, 2024 Voters Choice Award winner

Bridge over Tennessee River by Anay Srivastava – Hamilton County category

My Chair by Gabriel Lennon – Human Interest category

My Little Sister by Kaylee Yim – People category

Library of Congress by Darah Moreland – Places category

Daisies by Kaden Bing – Plants, Flowers and Trees category

### Congratulations to the 4-H County Clover Bowl Winners!



4th grade first place team from Chattanooga School for Arts and Sciences



5th grade first place team from Chattanooga School for Arts and Sciences

The Hamilton County 4-H Clover Bowl contests were held April 23 and 25. Hamilton County will be represented by 4th, 5th, 6th, and 8th grade teams at the Regional 4-H Clover Bowl contest at UT Knoxville on May 16. Congratulations - and good luck - to all four teams!

### 2024 Dairy Poster Contest Winners



Congratulations to Jack Lamar, 4-H Archery Club, whose poster was chosen as first place in the Hamilton County 4-H Dairy Poster Contest! Jack's poster has been sent to the Dairy Alliance for the state contest. Congratulations also to the second and third place winners in the County contest, Noah Ham, Robotics Club (2nd) and Blakely Vanderpool, NHCES (3rd)!



Noah Ham's poster won second place in the Hamilton County contest



Blakely Vanderpool's poster won third place in the Hamilton County contest

#### 4-H Archery Jamboree









Congratulations to the 4-H Archery Club members who competed in the 2024 4-H Archery Jamboree! The Jamboree was held at Hyder-Burk Pavilion on the campus of TTU, and the competition was divided into divisions by bow type and grade level. Hamilton County's archers - Liam Anderson, Lauren Bardoner, Isabella Connell. Liam Cook, Noah Gallman, Alex Hanning, Nathan Kirby, Atharva Kolappan, Amerika Landis, and Gabriel Lennon - did a great job. Gabriel finished 4th in the state in the archery knowledge skillathon, junior division!

The 4-H Archery Club is on hiatus for the summer, but prospective new club members can plan to attend the Archery Preview Day in August. New archery coaches are needed. See the **state 4-H shooting sports website** for additional details on coaching 4-H shooting sports. Adults who can attend the next 4-H shooting sports instructor training session on August 3 in Greeneville, TN can learn how to coach 4-H archery. Adult volunteers must be able to pass a background check and become certified level 3 4-H volunteers. For more information, email 4-H agent **Maria Sabin** (msabin@tennessee.edu) or call the Office 423-209-8560.

#### **4-H Horse Judging Contest**

Hamilton County youth competed in the 2024 Eastern Region 4-H Horse Judging Contest at Roane State Community College arena. Participants include: Olivia Brown, Aurora Frisoska, Kaida Swadley-Stephens, Addison King, Kailee Coulter, Bella Creek, Mallory Kate Gilley, Evie Nazor-Comer and Alexa Proulx.

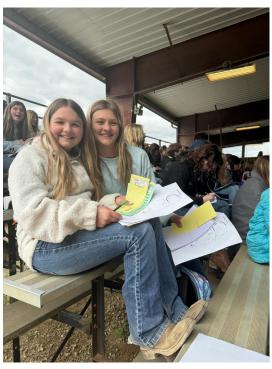
Olivia Brown was the 2nd high individual in the Junior division. The team of Brown, Frisoska and Swadley-Stephens placed 4th in the region.

Addison King was the 4th high individual in the Junior High division. Kailee Coulter was 11th high individual. The team of Coulter, Creek, Gilley, and Nazor-Comer placed 5th in the region.

Alexa Proulx was the 15th high individual in the Senior High division.

The state contest will be held in June at the Tennessee Walking Horse National Celebration





#### 4-H Horse Scholarship

All 12th graders involved in any aspect of the 4-H Horse project may apply for the 2024 Eastern Region 4-H Horse Scholarship. The deadline to apply is May 17th. The scholarship amount is \$500. For an application, call the Extension office and the file will be sent to you.

#### **4-H Academic Conference**

Congratulations to the outstanding Hamilton County 4-H youth selected to attend the 2024 4-H Academic Conference at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville in June. These youth will spend time on in-depth sessions in their project area working with university specialists, professors, and staff. They will live in a UT dorm and have fun experiences each day. These youth submitted applications to attend and will represent Hamilton County and the Eastern Region along with about 160 6th, 7th and 8th graders.

Evelyn Bowers – Veterinary Science

Kaden Bing – Dairy Foods / Food Science and Nutrition Health and Fitness

Kevin Lawrence – Dairy Foods / Food Science and Nutrition Health and Fitness

Ananya Harsha – Creative Arts and Design
Lillian Shank – Consumer Education and Entrepreneurship
Carolina Shank – selected teen leader for Communications and Public

Speaking

If you are interested in attending, you should contact the 4-H office and begin your application for 2025.

#### **June Dairy Month Chairperson**

Congratulations to Beau Duvall, who will serve as Hamilton County's 2024 June Dairy Month Chairperson! Beau will spread the word about the benefits of dairy. Look for Beau's Dairy Trivia posts on the Extension Office's Facebook page in June.



#### **4-H All Star Conference**











The 2024 Eastern Region 4-H All Star Conference was held at the Austin 4-H Center in Greeneville, Tennessee. Youth attending enjoyed a weekend filled with activities related to the theme – 4-H All Star Rodeo. Those attending from Hamilton County include – Beau Duvall, Carter Johnson, Nevaeh Lane, Darah Moreland, Edith Provence and Heidi Provence. Adult leaders Jennifer Duvall and Sandy Flippo also attended and assisted with the conference. Attendees participated in service projects, group activities, elections, banquet and All Star initiation.

Hamilton County youth in grades 4th through 12th can participate in 4-H! Join 4-H at any time - there is no cost to join. To join, complete **the online 4-H enrollment form**. Then, come to a 4-H meeting this month or sign up for 4-H camp this summer!

Join 4-H!

### 4-H Gardening Club meets May 21 at 4:30



The 4-H Gardening Club will meet on Tuesday, May 21 at 4:30-6 p.m. at the Extension Office (6183 Adamson Circle in Chattanooga). This month club members will plant summer vegetables and check on the club's pollinator garden. Youth in Hamilton County in grades 4th-8th are welcome to participate in this club, and there is no cost. New members are welcome at every meeting. Call the office with any questions 423-209-8560 or **email 4-H Agent Maria Sabin**.

# 4-H Mane Attraction Horse Club meets May 6 at 6:30



The 4-H Mane Attraction Horse Club meets on the first Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Saddle Pals Riding Club in Soddy Daisy. Meetings focus on the study of horses, rather than horseback riding, and help members prepare for competitions through 4-H that test knowledge of horses. Hamilton County youth in grades 4th-12th are welcome to participate. Interested in attending the next club meeting? Call the Extension Office 423-209-8560 or text the Club's volunteer leader, Adam Presley (423-595-5409).

### More Opportunities for 4-H Club Members!

#### **4-H Horse Shows**

The 2024 Horse Show packets are ready! If you are interested in showing your horse in the Eastern Region 4-H Horse Show and the Tennessee 4-H Horse Show you need a packet. Please call the office and the packet will be emailed or mailed to you (mailing address is needed). Completed registration forms and payment are due to the Extension office by May 13th.

Eastern Region 4-H Horse Show May 30 – June 1, 2024 Roane State Expo Center Harriman, Tennessee

2024 Tennessee State 4-H Horse Championships June 17-21, 2024

#### **4-H Equine Art Contest**

Entries due by May 10

TENNESSEE 4-H

#### EQUINE ART CONTEST



TENNESSEE 4-H'ERS ARE INVITED TO
PARTICIPATE IN THE EQUINE ART CONTEST:
4-H'ERS MAY ENTER ART FEATURING A
HORSE, PONY, MULE OR DONKEY ON PAPER
IN PEN, PENCIL, CHARCOAL, SOFT OR OIL
PASTELS AND OR MARKERS.
ARTWORK SHOULD BE NO SMALLER THAN
5X7 AND NO LARGER THAN 11X17 INCHES.
PLEASE MOUNT ARTWORK ON MATTE BOARD

NOT IN FRAMES.

CONTACT YOUR COUNTY'S 4-H AGENT FOR DETAILS AND DEADLINES

BE SURE TO INCLUDE YOUR NAME, GRADE, 4-H CLUB AND COUNTY ON BACK OF YOUR ARTWORK ONE ENTRY PER 4-H'ER



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