

WSU Extension Grays Harbor County 4-H Youth Development
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Find us on Facebook – Grays Harbor County 4-H at <https://www.facebook.com/graysharbor4h/>

Other ways to connect with Washington State 4-H through social media:

>>> Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/WashingtonState4H/>

>>> Twitter: <https://twitter.com/wastate4h>

New calendar features! Available online at <http://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/4-h/calendar/>

4-H NATIONAL CHARTERS AWARDED – February 13th

Our list of Chartered Clubs keeps growing! Congratulations to the GH 4-H clubs who have complete the steps to receive a 4-H National Charter! Youth members and adult leaders are invited to receive their official Charter Certificates at the February 4-H Council meeting, which will begin at 6pm at the WSU Extension office in Elma.

PROMOTE SELF-LOVE WITH #LoveMySelfie! – February

This Valentine's Day and the entire month of February, 4-H invites you to love your selfie on social media. Grab your camera and strike a pose to highlight your self-worth, self-love and self-esteem with all of your friends and invite them to participate using #LoveMySelfie. Don't forget to add a sentence or two about what you love about yourself and the unique character traits that make you YOU.

ANIMAL MANAGEMENT & OWNERSHIP DEADLINES – April through June

More information is available at (<http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/>) under section 9, "Animal Management and Ownership." Section 9.6 States: Animals must be under the 4-H member's regular care and management for the following periods of time prior to the official county exhibit activity, including junior livestock shows:

Market Beef - 120 days (*April 1 in GH*)

Breeding Beef - 90 days (*May 1st in GH*)

Equine - 90 days (*May 1st in GH*)

Llama - 90 days (*May 1st in GH*)

Dairy - 90 days (*May 1st in GH*)

Dairy Heifer Replacement - 60 days (*June 1st in GH*)

Cats - 60 days (*June 1st in GH*)

Dogs - 60 days (*June 1st in GH*)

Goat - 60 days (*June 1st in GH*)

Sheep and Swine (Breeding and Market) - 60 days (*June 1st in GH*)

Cavies - 45 days (*June 15th in GH*)

Rabbits and Poultry - 45 days (*June 15th in GH*)

Animals raised by the 4-H member from birth or hatching are exempt from the minimum time periods.

WASHINGTON STATE 4-H SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES – Postmark by March 15th

Washington State 4-H is pleased to offer a number of different scholarships. Current and former Washington State 4-H members are eligible to apply. Applicants must have accumulated at least two years of 4-H affiliation. Applications must be postmarked by March 15. Additional details and scholarship packets are available at <http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/youth/scholarship-opportunities/>.

GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY FAIR – August 2017

We are excited to announce that Grays Harbor County 4-H will be partnering with Mason County 4-H to provide an opportunity for our 4-H members to exhibit their projects and showcase their achievements side by side at the Grays Harbor County Fair in August 2017. This is very exciting for our program, and means there will be new families to connect with as well as new opportunities for fun and learning that every Grays Harbor and Mason County 4-H family will experience. It also means that the Mason County 4-H community will be sharing volunteer time and talents with the Grays Harbor 4-H community to help where they can and where they are needed. Thank you for helping us to welcome the Mason County 4-H community and for helping every 4-H family have a positive experience as we get set to head to fair!

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT – Camp Manager, Panhandle Lake 4-H Camp

Position: Camp Manager, **Company:** Panhandle Lake 4-H Camp
Location: Mason County, Washington State **Website:** <http://panhandle4-hcamp.org/index.html>

Brief Description: This person will be responsible for managing a 450+ acre 4-H camp. The camp includes a combination of bunks for 300+ people, a fully commercial kitchen, a cafeteria that can seat up to 200 people, a livestock area with an arena and a barn, a low challenge course, and a lake with a swimming area and canoes and paddleboats. Panhandle Lake 4-H Camp also has about 220 acres of commercial forest land. The position is full time. Full position description available by request.

SPRINGTIME YOUTH CALF SALE – Grants Due February 21st, Sale March 18th in Monroe

The Springtime Youth Calf Sale (SYCS) calf grant and college scholarship applications are now available. The calf grant is due on Feb. 21 and the college scholarship is due Mar. 1st.

The sale will be held on Saturday, March 18 at the Evergreen State Fairgrounds in Monroe at 1:00pm. There will be quality registered dairy heifers of all breeds ages Sept or Dec 2016 being offered for sale to youth only between the ages of 9-18 yrs enrolled in a dairy project with 4-H or FFA.

Please feel free to share with anyone interested in purchasing a project dairy heifer. Details and forms:

<http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/dairy-endowment-fund/program-activities/springtime-youth-calf-sale/>

CLARK COUNTY 4-H POULTRY SHOW – February 25th, Ridgefield

Save the date for the 19th annual Youth Invitational Poultry Show! Presented by the Prairie Hatchers 4-H Club in Clark County, the show takes place on Feb. 25th, 2017 at the Clark County Fair Grounds in Ridgefield, WA.

You can support the Prairie Hatchers 4-H club by donating to the raffle or the auction (show quality chicks, eggs, and adult birds). The show catalog will be available January 29th. Contact Julie (jlpost35@hotmail.com) or Kierstin (kierstinpost@gmail.com) for information and to request a copy of the show catalog.

USDA POULTRY PRESENTATIONS AVAILABLE

The USDA is offering a limited opportunity to have a veterinarian talk to your poultry group about avian health and how to protect your birds from avian flu. For information and scheduling, contact Dr. Brooke Lucas at brooke.a.lucas@aphis.usda.gov or (360) 603-1520.

4-H teaches life skills that lead young people to become self-directing, positive, contributing members of our society. Extension programs are available to all without discrimination. Evidence of noncompliance may be reported through your local Extension office. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication or program information or reasonable accommodation need to contact Tracie Hanson at PO Box 3018, Elma, WA 98541, (360)482-2934, tracie.hanson@wsu.edu at least two weeks prior to the event.

Our county is partnering with neighboring counties—the Constellation group of Mason, Pacific, Lewis, Thurston, etc., to send out e-newsletters. Some articles are from other counties, and include helpful information or invitations to participate in local, regional, or statewide events. Please read carefully.

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Disclaimer: By posting the above "free to a good home" information, WSU Grays Harbor County Extension 4-H does not endorse or give approval for any of these free animals to be used as 4-H project animals. Contact the animal owners at your own risk.

Cooperating agencies: Washington State University, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and Grays Harbor County Extension.

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