

SEPTEMBER 15, 2023

Join 4-H

Volunteer with 4-H

Enrollment for the 2023-24 4-H year is now open! As long as your child turns 5 by January 1st, they can participate in Michigan 4-H.

Here are the clubs currently open in Wexford County 4-H:

The Business of Baking SPIN Club: Baking & Entrepreneurship Ages 12-19. Fridays, 5-7 pm in Cadillac, Sept 15 - Oct 20. ONE SPOT LEFT.

The Wexford Whatevers: Large Animals Ages 5-19. Mondays. Start date TBD.

The Grands: Small Animals

Ages 5-19. Mondays. Start date TBD.

Model Railroad: Mixed Media Arts Ages 9-19. Mondays. Start date TBD.

Sewing Club: Arts & Crafts

Ages 9-19. Beginning in October. Details TBD.

Wild Ones: Outdoor Recreation & Nature

Ages 5-19. 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 4:30pm. Carl T Johnson Center. *Seeking New Leaders*

General 4-H Experience

This is a holding place for youth who haven't found the right fit with a club being offered or who participate in special events like Explorations Days or camps. Volunteers who are not club leaders should enroll here.

Enroll Now!

Enrollment Guide



Save the Date: 2023 Member Celebration

We're excited to bring back our annual member celebration and awards ceremony this year. We are still finalizing details, but please hold October 14 as a tentative date. This will be a fun event for the family. Stay tuned for details at the end of September.



2023 Photo Dump

Do you have photos from 4-H you'd like to share? We'd love to have them available for success stories, media, and promotion. Please upload them to our google drive. Please do not email or text them - it reduces the quality.

Upload Program Photos



National 4-H Week

National 4-H Week will be celebrated Oct 1-7, 2023 with the theme "I ☐ 4-H".

We will be sharing more details about plans for this week soon. In the meantime, learn more about Michigan 4-H'ers and what our program means to them!

Meet Michigan 4-H'ers

The Business of Baking Club Returns



The Business of Baking Short-Term Special Interest Club **returns next Friday!** This club is open to youth ages 12-19 (based on January 1, 2024) and offers 6 weeks of learning to bake various recipes, to calculate cost per item, and about Michigan Cottage Food Laws so they can launch their own baking business. Enrollment in 4-H Online is required (when it opens). Thank you to Cadillac Meijer for sponsoring this club so we can continue to offer it for free to our community. **The club is restricted to 6 members, first come first served. Email Kate to save your spot today! Kingka26@msu.edu**



4-H Creative Arts Celebration

Only two weeks left to register! Time to get Creative!! Do you love arts & crafts? Do you enjoy sewing & textiles? Do the performing arts provide you with enjoyment? Registration is still open for the 2023 Michigan 4-H Creative Arts Celebration Workshop held October 14-15, 2023, at the



Wild Spartans Returns

Starting in October, the Wild Spartans Series is back! Join 4-H staff as we take a look into life working with fisheries and wildlife! Follow along as we climb through bogs, peer into bear dens, mist net songbirds, snorkel for



Spectacular Youth Leadership Institute

Please save the date for this campus-based leadership program for youth ages 13-19. This year's program will focus on service, Ralph A. MacMullan Center in H Teens and Volunteers - register now as sessions are limited and the registration deadline is September 20th! Connect with instructors and work together on your projects, reconnect, or make new friends, be creative, increase your emotional health, and have an enjoyable experience!

> Register Here

fish, or perhaps even tag deer. Meet natural Roscommon! Open to 4- resources professionals, learn about their field work, and the education and career path they've followed to get there. Monthly Sessions will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm EST starting in October. Each 30-minute session will feature 1-2 guest speakers. Youth will be encouraged to ask questions to learn more through a live Q&A with scientists. This free virtual series is open to 4-H and non-4-H youth ages 12-19 years. Preregistration is required:

community leadership, global leadership and more. Youth will stay at a hotel in the Lansing area and attend classes on MSU's campus. In addition, they will take part of service projects around the Lansing area. Registration will open around September 15th with session information, more details about accommodations and the agenda of the program.

Pre-Registration Required

County Calendar

NEW 4-H YEAR BEGINS!

SEPT 1

September 1 marks the start of the new 4-H year! That means that any of our friends who turned 5 in 2023 are eligible to join our program! (Must be 5 by January 1, 2024). Note: our enrollment system will be down for a few weeks. Stay tuned for more information on club availability and enrollment dates.

The Business of Baking 4-H SPIN Club

SEPT 15

5-7 pm | Cadillac

Learn how to run your own baking business with this 6-week club. Ages 12-19. Space is limited.

Festival of the Pines Archery Tournament

SEPT 16 Maple Grove Park, Lake City Join 4-H volunteer Dale Mosher at Lake City's Annual Festival of the Pines Archery Tournament! Offering both 4-H and open classes, this promises to be a great competition for all! See Kate for an entry form and rules. 4-H Membership is not required to participate in this tournament, but there is a specific 4-H division. www.canr.msu.edu/events/festival-of-the-pines-archerytournament National 4-H Week OCT 1-7 Show your 4-H Pride during National 4-H Week! This year's theme is "I □ 4-H". You can purchase 4-H gear at the 4-H Shop. State Calendar Festival of the Pines Archery Tournament SEPT 16 Maple Grove Park, Lake City Join 4-H volunteer Dale Mosher at Lake City's Annual Festival of the Pines Archery Tournament! Offering both 4-H and open classes, this promises to be a great competition for all! See Kate for an entry form and rules. 4-H Membership is not required to participate in this tournament, but there is a specific 4-H division. www.canr.msu.edu/events/festival-of-the-pines-archerytournament Adulting 101: Your Words Can Make a Difference: How to use Your Voice for Positive Community Change SEPT 18



Zoom | 5 pm

Young people can change the world unlike any other group. They have innovative ideas and aren't mired in cynicism like so many adults. This session will provide some skills and practice on how to influence people in power to make change in your community and world. Pre-registration Required.

https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/adulting101f23

Volunteer Webinar Series: Spice Up Your 4-H Experiences



Join Michigan 4-H on
September 21st at 12pm or
7pm for a free webinar on
Spice up Your 4-H Experience
with 4-H Resources. Find out
what types of 4-H resources
you could be using within your
4-H Experiences that will add
some spice. For more
information and registration

visit: https://www.canr.msu.edu/volunteering/mi-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series.

A Balancing Act: School, Work, and Social Life

SEPT 21



Zoom | 5 pm

Do you need tips to help you keep your life balanced? Are you looking to stay ahead of your obligations related to school, work, and your social life? How do you make sure you take time for yourself? In this FREE, virtual class, you will learn how to organize and prioritize your life in order to achieve success. Presented by two recent college students, "A Balancing Act" will offer you a framework for success in your day-to-day responsibilities, and how to use the resources out there to blend them into a system that works for you. This is a great virtual class, being held on September 28, 2023 from 5-6pm ET, is perfect for students starting a new school year! Anyone looking to maintain balance in their lives is encouraged to attend! Preregistration required.

https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/balancingact

Full List of Statewide Events

Now is the time to Volunteer!

V%LUNTEER WITH WEXFORD 4-H

Your time and talents can make a big impact!







231-779-9480











Wexford County needs new volunteers to offer exciting program to our youth. Our clubs work on your schedule and meet as often as you'd like. We will start you off with a short-term program (6-8 meeting) to see how it works, then can move toward something more permanent, if you choose.

We've also had several parents interested in helping more with clubs. Now is the time to apply so that we can have all hands on deck as we move into fall. Remember, our screening process is for the safety of YOUR children. If you are interacting with any other children that are not yours, we would like you to be screened.

To learn more about volunteering, contact Kate: Kingka26@msu.edu | 231-779-9480

Apply to Volunteer

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