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OKLAHOMA 4-H RISING LEADERS CONFERENCE SLATED APRIL 5

Oklahoma 4-H'ers in third through seventh grades are invited to participate in a one-day educational opportunity that will help them bolster their leadership skills while learning more about 4-H project work.

The Oklahoma 4-H Rising Leaders Conference will take place from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on April 5 on the Oklahoma State University campus.

Sara Randolph, OSU Extension
Southeast District 4-H program
specialist, said the conference allows club members to get hands-on
experience in several project areas.

"Participants will select four workshops throughout the day that will give them a greater insight into the overall possibilities that come with 4-H membership," Randolph said. "We'll feature 14 different workshops during the day."

Some workshop topics include Fuel Like an Athlete, Dog Training 101: Youth Edition, The Sound of Science, The Clover Code and ACE – Activating Civic Engagement.

The Oklahoma 4-H Youth Development program is historically known as an organization in which youth can discover leadership and hone their leadership skills. The Oklahoma 4-H Rising Leaders

Conference will afford participants yet another opportunity to develop skills they'll use throughout their 4 -H career and their lives.

Parents are encouraged to participate in the last rotation. Becky Walker, Pontotoc County OSU Extension 4-H educator, will present 4-H Project Work Development for parents to learn more about the role of project work in a youth's 4-H experience.

"4-H is about fostering positive youth/adult partnerships, and having parents involved is a great way to accomplish this," Randolph said. "This conference is also a fun way to meet like-minded 4-H'ers from across the state. These club members could easily end up being lifelong friends."

The \$20 registration fee is due by March 16 and can be completed through ZSuites. For more information, contact the county OSU Extension office or Randolph at 580-332-4100.

More information about the Oklahoma 4-H Youth Development program is available online.



Be sure to 'like' and follow Garfield County 4-H to keep up on reminders and the latest in 4-H



DATES TO REMEMBER

Tulsa County Horse Clinic Mar. 22 Mar. 26 Cooking Club Mar. 27	Cloverbuds ´	Mar.	5 9 10 11 12 13 15 22 26
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Rising Leaders Conference Apr. 5 Outdoor Adventure Reg. Apr. 10 Shakedown Training Apr. 25-27 Tuesday Tool Time Apr. 29

Healthy Living Ambass. App. May



PLO meeting March 10th 5:30

2024 25 COUNTY OFFICERS

- President Bailey Nickels
- V. President Shelbi Prince
- Secretary Joe Sharp
- Reporter Brett Gainer
- Recreation Leader Josiah Benson
- ◆ Executive Jayton Zimmerman

CLOVERBUDS

March 26th at 4:30 pm.

Please sign up by March 19th.



COOKING CLUB

March 27th at 4:30 pm.

Must sign-up by March 20th.

Remember we are cooking and practicing food

safety.

Please have your child come with their hair pulled back!



LEGO CLUB

March 11th at 4:15 pm at the Extension office.

Must sign up by March 4th.



SEWING CLUB

March 24th at 4:00 pm.

Must sign-up by March 17th.

Information on project will be sent to members closer to time. Also, you ALWAYS need your sewing kit.



HORSE CLUB

March 4th, at 5:30 at the Extension office.

You don't have to own a horse to be in horse club.

Come learn something new!

Join the GroupMe!



ROBOTICS CLUB

Interested in coding and robotics?

Come to the next robotics club meeting March 5th, at

4:00 pm, at the Extension office.

Join the GroupMe!



JUNKY TO FUNKY CRAFT CLUB

March 12th @ 4:30 pm.

Must sign up by March 5th.

Oklahoma 4-H Rising Leaders Conference – Sara Randolph

Are you a Rising Leader in 4-H?

Join us at the Oklahoma 4-H Rising Leaders Conference! This exciting new event is designed for 4-H members in grades 3-7 who want to explore the many opportunities that 4-H has to offer.

Participants will engage in hands-on experiences across a variety of projects, develop essential leadership skills, and make lasting friendships with fellow 4-H members. Whether you're looking to grow as a leader or discover new passions, this conference is a perfect opportunity to connect, learn, and lead in the 4-H community.

The 4-H Rising Leaders Conference will be held on April 5, 2025 at Oklahoma State University, in Ag Hall. The cost will be \$20. Parents/volunteers may attend lunch for an additional \$20 per adult. Please register on ZSuite at:



https://4h.zsuite.org/event-registrations/35785 by March 16.

Registration is limited, and may close before the deadline if we reach 120 registrants before March 16.

4-H Healthy Living Ambassador Application

4-H Healthy Living Ambassadors work both individually and as a team, bringing wellness awareness, programs, and initiatives to communities across Oklahoma. Oklahoma 4-H Healthy Living Ambassadors provide support and programming to local 4-H clubs, county, district, and state programs. Healthy Living Ambassadors will also be called upon to attend health related programs and events.

Oklahoma 4-H Healthy Living Ambassadors will:

- Help set and achieve goals in the 4-H Healthy Living framework
- Support the work of 4-H Healthy Living
- Participate in Oklahoma Healthy Living Summit and conference calls

Work closely with Healthy Living Ambassador Advisor at the Oklahoma State 4-H office and other team members

Applications are due May 1, 2025.

Age of applicants: 4-H members who will be High School Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors, or Seniors during the 2025-26 school year.

The team will consist of up to 10 Oklahoma 4-H members. For more information, contact the office.

VET SCIENCE SHORT COURSE

The Vet Science Short Course will be offered again this year May 28-29, 2025.

Please note that applications are due by **March 7th** and should be submitted to:

ned-reports@okstate.edu

All applicants will be notified of their status by April 1st.

Please call the office to get more information.

4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador Program

Oklahoma 4-H Shooting Sports is founded on Education with components of Recreation and Competition.

In order to build on the Foundation of Education, Oklahoma 4-H Shooting Sports is accepting applications for a teen leadership opportunity through the Oklahoma 4-H Shooting Sports

Ambassador Program.

This program will be taking applications again until March 10, 2025, for youth who will be in the 9th-12th grade for the school year 2025-2026.

If you are interested in applying, please let Jessica know.

Spring Trap

Spring Trap will be starting in March.

For all NEW youth — 1st Shots will be held March 9 @ 2PM at the Gun Club north of town.

Youth must attend 1st Shots if new to the program.

Anyone 10 and up can participate and **MUST** complete OK Hunter education to practice AND be enrolled in 4-H.

If you plan to attend, please let Matt LeCrone know -Matt.LeCrone@okfb.com

Please follow the GroupMe for updated information.



Oklahoma Virtual Rally Dog Competition

Do you and your dog have what it takes to shine in Rally?

Rally is a dog sport where handlers and their dogs navigate a pre-designed course, testing basic commands and obedience in a fun format.

Registration is open for our first quarter Oklahoma 4-H Virtual Rally Dog Competition.

Register in ZSuite and submit your video entry by March 15.

The cost to enter is \$10. Register through zsuites account.



4-H TUESDAY 4-H TUESDAY TOOL TIME



For Volunteers, Parents and Extension Professionals

2025 Quarterly Webinars 6:30 - 7:30**Registration Necessary**

April 29 -Curriculum Smorgasbord: Recreation & Leisure Education; Aerospace & Rocketry; Meteorology July 22 – Club Management; Strengthening Your Club Officers and/ or Leadership Team October 28 – Project Leaders and Project Groups Spark Interest



Registration Link

Dress Review/Impressive Dress Contest

The contest is April 2, 5:30 at the Extension Office.

Information on the contest is on page 28-30 of the green yearbook.

Entries are due March 24.

Tulsa County 4-H Horse Clinic Saturday, March 22, 2025 (10:00 am to 2:00 pm) Registration: 9:00 am Location: Ranger Arena, Tulsa State Fairgrounds

The members of the Tulsa County 4-H Horse Club invite you to join us for our annual Horse Clinic. This clinic is desgined to sharpen your horsemanship skills and expand your horse knowledge in a fun and safe environment.

Clinicians include Sarah Jones former Creek County 4Her and professional trainer and roper, teaching roping; Avery Proffitt, a professional trainer and champion at the Mustang Makeover Youth Show, teaching Showmanship; and Olivia Chatron, a professional trainer who specializes in ranch versatility performance horses, teaching Ranch Riding.

Bring your horse and get ready to make new friends and enjoy a day of horse related activities. Boots and jeans are suggested attire for the day. Ranger Arena is unheated, so please dress for the weather. Negative coggins required.

Lunch will be provided free to participants and will be available for purchase for \$5 for non-participants.

Cost is \$30 a participant and the deadline is Friday March 7, 2025.

Please contact the office for the registration form.

2025 BE THE BEST IN OKLAHOMA 4-H PUBLIC SPEAKING PRE-RECORDED & IN-PERSON CONTESTS

We're celebrating 10 YEARS of Talk in 2025!

Record your presentations at upcoming county and district contests and then enter Be The BEST! Quality videos are appreciated for judging.

Pre-Recorded Video Entries and \$5 due May 2.

Video Upload Link https://form.jotform.com/210336187529155

Send \$5 with the name of the participant to:
Pontotoc County 4-H, 1700 N Broadway, Ada, OK 74820

In-Person Contest Entries and \$5 Due May 2. Contest May 17 @ Ada.

Send a completed copy of the entry form/scoresheet and \$5 to: Pontotoc County 4-H, 1700 N Broadway, Ada, OK 74820.

Entry form available at the extension office.



4-H Outdoor Adventures July 7-13, 2025

Interested in a challenge?

One that requires outdoor skills in backpacking, camping, compass/map reading, outdoor cookery, safety, and working with other people?

A challenge demanding physical conditioning to take on mountain hikes of 4-5 miles a day?

The 2025 4-H Outdoor Adventure Program can offer you those challenges.

Crews made up of 4-H youth and adult volunteers from across the state will have the opportunity to experience this unique and challenging program.

Required: Two and one-half days shakedown training will be held April 25-27, 2025 for participants.

The trip will take place July 7-13, 2025 going to southwest Colorado (Durango area) completing a whitewater rafting trip and day hikes in the beautiful San Juan Mountains.

Youth must be 14 years of age before January 1, 2025.

Registration Deadline is April 10th.

More information can be found at https://4h.okstate.edu/events/outdoor-



IMPRESSIVE DRESS ENTRY

APRIL 2, 2025 (ENTRIES DUE MARCH 24, 2025)

YOU MAY ENTER ONLY 2 CLASSES

NAME CLUB

CLOVERBUD ACTIVE/CASUAL

BEGINNING (3[®] − 5[™]) Dress Wear

INTERMEDIATE (6TH – 8TH) FORMAL WEAR

ADVANCED (9™ – 12™)

CONSUMER BUYING CLASS (6TH - 12TH) MUST HAVE RECEIPTS

FASHION REVUE ENTRY SEWN ITEMS THAT MATCH COUNTY AND STATE FAIR CLASSES UNDER APPAREL FOR APPROPRIATE AGE GROUP

BEGINNING (3RD - 5TH)

INTERMEDIATE (6TH − 8TH)

ADVANCED (9™ - 12™)

NARRATIVES MUST BE INCLUDED WITH ENTRY PLEASE ATTACH TO ENTRY FORM

Example: "Chris Clover is modeling a green button-down oxford shirt and khaki pants. He accents his outfit with brown loafers and a brown belt. Chris wears this outfit to church. He says he chose this shirt because he likes the color green. Chris is a member of the XYZ 4-H Club and is an 8th grader at Enid Middle School."



Camp Counselor Registration SAVE THE DATE! 4-H SUMMER CAMP IS JUNE 12-14!

It is time to start thinking about 4-H Camp! Summer 4-H Camp is scheduled for June 12-14, at Cedar Hills Campground in Binger, OK! If you only heard about the fun we had last year, wait until you hear what we have in store for you this year! To give you an idea, we're partnering with four other counties to make your camping experience go through the roof! Camper registration will be in the April newsletter.

CAMP COUNSELORS - We need you to register NOW if you want to be a counselor!
This year counselors will come the afternoon of June 11th to prepare for campers!

If you would like to be a camp counselor, complete the application today. Counselor Applications are due March 27. You must be finishing the 8th grade and currently enrolled in 4-H. Counselors must be available to participate in a camp-wide interactive Zoom training on April 15 at 6-8 PM.

Counselors will also be responsible for teaching a workshop at camp.

Camp cost for counselors is \$50 and MUST be paid with registration.

NAME: GRADE on Jan 1, 2025:

T-SHIRT SIZE:

ALLERGIES:

UPDATED MEDICAL FORM ON ZSUITES: YES

Rank the Camp Theme you like the best! 1-5

CIRCUS

SPACE

SUPERHERO

BOARD GAMES

PIRATE

DUE MARCH 27!

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Educator, 4-H) at (580-237-1228 or jessica.nickels@okstate.edu) at least two weeks prior to the event."

