



# Lafayette 4-H Hotline

## Careers in Food Science

There are many opportunities for young people to have careers in science. This includes careers in science, technology and engineering, and applied science careers, such as food science and food technology.

By encouraging careers in food science and food technology, you may join people from organizations including the Institute of Food Technologists (IFT), the IFT STEM Food and Ag Council, National 4-H Council, Universities, and representatives from corporations around the world who want to assure there is an abundant, safe food supply for a growing world population.

During this month's lesson we will hear from professionals in a variety of roles within the food science workforce. You just might be inspired to explore more about the fascinating world of food as a potential career path for the future!



## Achievement Day

Achievement Day was held Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at David Thibodaux STEM Magnet Academy. We would like to thank and congratulate all of our Achievement Day participants for attending our first in-person contest day in two years!

Awards were presented during the closing assembly on Achievement Day. Results are posted on our website [4-H Youth Development \(lsuagcenter.com\)](https://www.lsuagcenter.com), [Facebook page](#) and were also sent out to Lafayette Parish 4-H Club Leaders. Congratulations, again!



## April 2022

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### Points of interest:

- Careers in Food Science
- Achievement Day
- Honors Night
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# Honors Night

The Honors Night program will be held on May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at the Scott Event Center (110 Lions Club Rd, Scott, LA 70583). We will likely hold 2 programs on the same evening in order to accommodate the number of members expected to attend. Details will be released as soon as the times and seating capacity have been confirmed.



# Camp Applications

We will continue to accept completed applications for summer camp through April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Applications must be signed by the school club leader and a school administrator prior to being turned in. It is also important that the school club leader rank applications to help us in deciding who is best suited to attend the camping opportunities being offered.

Acceptance letters for overnight camp will begin going out the first week of April in order to make sure all required paperwork and payments are submitted in a timely manner. We will maintain a waitlist for overnight camp spots due to the smaller than usual quota that the parish was given at Camp Grant Walker this year.

Individual day camp dates will be assigned, and more information will be sent to campers who requested these opportunities as a preference instead of overnight camp before the end of April. Parents may volunteer!



# 4-H Scorecards Due!

The 4-H Scorecard for awards was sent out to qualifying Members at the end of March. 4-H Members must have turned in a Record Book to qualify for the Outstanding 4-H'er award.

The scorecard is due April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 to the Lafayette 4-H Office. The link for the scorecard can be found [here](#).

# 4-H University

Attention 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade 4-H members! 4-H University is a time-honored tradition here in Louisiana 4-H. If your parents were 4-H members, they may know the event as short course!

4-H University happens annually in June; 4-H members from all around the state of Louisiana gather to compete in contests, participate in educational tracks, and show off their dance moves.

Last year, 4-H U had to be moved to an online platform to accommodate for Covid-19 restrictions. This year, 4-H U will be back in person on the LSU campus with a few events still competing virtually. Information was sent out to all 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders electronically and hard-copy in the mail. Please review contest details carefully before completing your registration.

Contests available this year include...

- Career Preparation
- Public Speaking
- Photography
- Livestock Judging
- 4-H Has Talent
- Insect Identification
- Fashion Review
- ... and many more!

If you would like to represent Lafayette Parish while also learning new things and meeting new people, 4-H U might just be for you! Registration forms are due to the 4-H Office along with a \$50.00 non-refundable deposit by Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup>. Please let Mrs. Nicole know if there are any questions at [ngerard@agcenter.lsu.edu](mailto:ngerard@agcenter.lsu.edu).



# Dates to Remember

## April 2022

- 1 Horse Possession Date
- 1 First Day of Club Meetings
- 11 4-H Scorecards Due, 4-H Office
- 15 Good Friday, *Office Closed*
- 16 Junior Leader Meeting
- 17 Easter Holiday
- 18 Horse Entries Due, 4-H Office
- 18 Outstanding Senior Applications Due, 4-H Office
- 19 4-H Day at the Capitol, Baton Rouge
- 29 4-H Summer Camp Applications Due, 4-H Office
- 29 4-H U Registration Due, 4-H Office
- 29-30 Acadiana Horse Camp, SugArena

## May 2022

- 6 Camp Counselor Application Due, 4-H Office
- 19-21 LPSS Graduation
- 25 LPSS Last Day of School
- TBA 4-H U Orientation, 4-H Office

## June 2022

- 4 Lafayette Horse Show, SugArena
- 21-24 4-H U, LSU
- 28 Camp Counselor Training, 4-H Office



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## Horse Project

Attention horse exhibitors! As a reminder, horse possession date is Friday, April 1st, 2022. If you are planning on exhibiting horses in the Lafayette 4-H program, entry forms are due to the 4-H Office by Monday, April 18th, 2022. If you have any questions or concerns about this process, please contact Charles Hebert at (337)291-7090 or by email at [chebert@agcenter.lsu.edu](mailto:chebert@agcenter.lsu.edu).

## Shooting Sports

Hold on to your hats, folks! The parish shooting sports tournament has come to a close with 97 members participating and advancing to the regional tournament. Congratulations to these members, good luck at state! We know you will represent Lafayette well.

Sincerely,

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