

Lafayette 4-H Hotline

Collaboration

Collaboration is important because it allows people and groups to work together, share ideas, and solve problems together to achieve a common goal or derive mutual benefits. Collaboration exists at many levels and takes place between individuals and organizations as well as between states and countries. Collaboration allows participants to all add valuable information that helps all sides improve their knowledge bases and work in a time- and resource-efficient manner.

At this month's meeting, members will collaborate with each other to solve a problem. Groups that have better collaboration will be more efficient and more successful.

The content of this lesson will be mirroring the Reading Comprehension and Written Expression tasks for LEAP testing.



Achievement Day 2023

Achievement Day was held Saturday, March 25th at David Thibodaux STEM Magnet Academy. We would like to thank and congratulate all of our Achievement Day participants for attending!

Awards were presented during the closing assembly on Achievement Day. Results are posted on our website, Facebook page and were sent out to Lafayette Parish 4-H Club Leaders. Congratulations again!



April 2023

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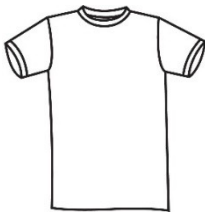
Lafayette 4-H Parish Pride T-Shirts

We are on the hunt for a new design and slogan for the Lafayette Parish 4-H t-shirt. We are looking for ideas that describe 4-H in Lafayette Parish that represents the entire program. The contest is open to all 4-H Club members. The winning slogan will be one that is brief and “catchy”, capturing the spirit of 4-H.

Submissions must also include the

- following: 1- Full name and age of member,
- 2- School Club,
- 3- Complete mailing address and
- 4- Telephone number.

The deadline is **Friday, May 5, 2023**. After final selection the winner will be notified and asked to sign a release for the slogan of the T-shirt.



Honor's Night

The Honor's Night Program will be held on Wednesday, May 10, 2023, at the South Louisiana Community College (320 Devalcourt St. Lafayette, LA 70506). The program will begin at 6:00 PM in the SLCC Auditorium. Invitations will be sent out on May 1st for all members being honored and their parents to attend.



WOW- SW Region Wetlands Day



Date: Monday, June 12, 2023

Location: Palmetto Island State Park, 19501 Pleasant Rd, Abbeville, LA 70510

Eligible Participants: 7-8th graders

Fee: \$25 per camper (lunch and t-shirt included)

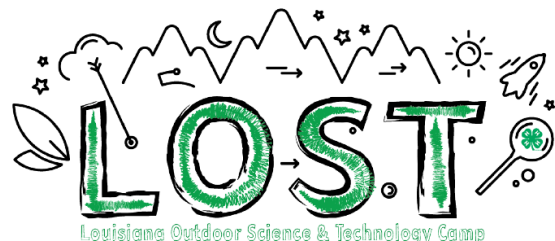
Members can complete the application online at the following link:

<https://forms.microsoft.com/r/wAZ6fXxTD6>

Applications must be submitted to the 4-H Office by Friday, April 21st. Each parish has only been allocated 3 camper spots.

LOST Camp

Louisiana Outdoor Science & Technology Camp (LOST) will be held July 31st -August 3rd at Camp Grant Walker. The cost of camp is \$215.00 per camper which includes housing, meals, snacks, and supplies for all camp activities. All 7th and 8th grade members enrolled in Lafayette 4-H were mailed a registration form due to the 4-H office by **Friday, April 14th**.



4-H Summer Camp Update

4-H Camp will be held **July 24th– July 28th, 2023**. 4-H Camp is for youth in grades 4th – 6th this school year. If you have members interested in going, they will need to get a copy of the camp letter and application to complete and return it to you.

The applications must be signed by both the leader and school administrator before being returned to the Lafayette 4-H Office. We will continue to accept camp applications until April 15th or when all beds are filled.

Parents and Leaders, please look at your summer schedule to see if there is a possibility you can attend as an overnight chaperone! Overnight Chaperone training takes about an hour and is good for five (5) years.



4-H University

Attention 8th-12th 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.

This year, 4-H U will be in person on the LSU campus with a few events still competing virtually. Information was sent out to all 8th-12th 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 Revue
- Robotics
- ... 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 Monday, April 17th. Please let Mrs. Nicole know if there are any questions at ngerard@agcenter.lsu.edu.

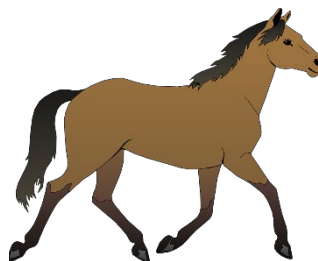


4-H Scorecards Due!

The 4-H Scorecard for awards was delivered during the March monthly meetings. 4-H Members must have turned in a Record Book to qualify for the Outstanding 4-H'er award. The scorecard is due April 5, 2023 to your club leader.

Horse Project

Attention horse exhibitors! As a reminder, the horse possession date is Saturday, April 1, 2023. If you are planning on exhibiting horses in the Lafayette 4-H program, entry into Fair Entry will be due in early April. 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.



Shooting Sports

Hold onto 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.

Dates to Remember

April 2023

- 1 Horse Possession Date
- 3 First Day of Club Meetings
- 7 Good Friday, Office Closed
- 14 LOST Camp Applications due, 4-H Office
- 15 Last Call for 4-H Camp Applications
- 17 Outstanding Senior Applications due, 4-H Office
- 17 4-H U Registration & Deposit due to 4-H Office
- 18 4-H Scorecards due to 4-H Office



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May 2023

- 1 First Day of Club Meetings
- 3 4-H University Orientation, 4-H Office
- 10 4-H Honor's Night, SLCC
- 26 LPSS Last Day of School

Sincerely,

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June 2023

- 9 Camp Counselor Training, Rice Research Station
- 20-23 4-H University, LSU

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