



## Jefferson Parish Clover Connection

### Important Dates:

#### January

6<sup>th</sup>: 4-H Night with the Pelicans

14<sup>th</sup> : MLK Day Service Project

20<sup>th</sup> : Fashion Camp

#### February

5<sup>th</sup>: End of Photography Contest

13<sup>th</sup>: Junior Leader Meeting

#### March

9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> : Junior Leadership Conference

13<sup>th</sup> : Junior Leader Meeting

20<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> – AgMagic on the River

#### April

1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> : New Orleans Spring Garden Show

10<sup>th</sup> : Junior Leader Meeting

19<sup>th</sup> : Food Challenge 2023

## MLK Day of Service 2023

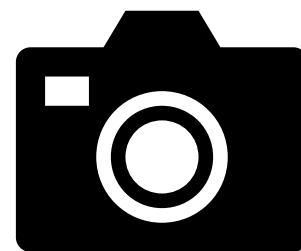


MLK Day is the only federal holiday that is recognized as a national day of service. We encourage all of our 4-H members and families to volunteer in your community this month to honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. You can support your community by collecting canned foods, donating clothes, or participating in a trash pickup in your neighborhood. To find volunteer opportunities, you can visit <https://americorps.gov/join/find-volunteer-opportunity>. If you need help finding the right volunteer opportunity for you or your family, please reach out to our offices.

## 4-H Photography Contest

Our Parish Photography Contest has been extended! We will now take submissions until February 5<sup>th</sup>. Each 4-H member can submit one photo for the contest. Hobbies such as photography are a great way to improve your mental health. For that reason, this year's theme is joy! Take a picture of something that makes you happy or captures the essence of joy. Please do not submit pictures of people or selfies. Participants can also type a brief description of why their photo fits the theme. Entries will be judged based on skill and creativity equally.

Open to 4<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade only. You can enter the contest by visiting <https://bit.ly/3F6hIRI>.



## April

**TBD:** Recycled Container Garden Contest

## May

**8<sup>th</sup>:** Junior Leader Meeting

**TBD:** Southeast Region Culinary Arts Contest

## June

**12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> :** 4-H Summer Camp

**19<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> :** 4-H University

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## AgMagic on the River 2023

Mark your calendars and join us at AgMagic on the River for this one-of-a-kind event at Docville Farm 5124 East St. Bernard Highway, Violet, LA. Docville Farm will be transformed this spring to show "AgMagic", which will take children and adults through a journey of Louisiana agriculture and economically beneficial commodities they use every day. The AgMagic on the River experience will be an interactive, visually stimulating environment that will link food and fiber products we use every day to the forests, field crops and livestock produced by Louisiana farmers, ranchers and forest landowners. This event will be open for families to attend on **March 25, 2022**. For more information, visit our website: <https://bit.ly/3u9M3Ft>



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## NPR Student Podcast Competition

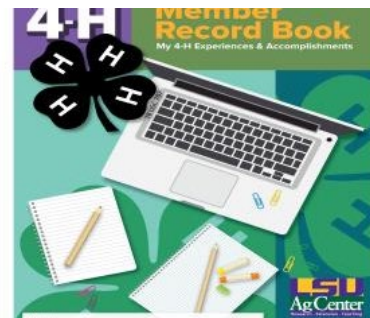


Do you have a story you want to share? Have you and your group of friends ever considered making a podcast? You might be interested in NPR's Student Podcast Competition. There are two categories to participate in: a 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade category and a 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade category. Entries must be submitted by **April 28<sup>th</sup>**. Winners will have their podcast featured on NPR! For rules, visit NPR's site at <https://n.pr/3ljXUYF>. The submission must be submitted by an educator, so please reach out to our office if you intend to participate!

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## Record Book Update

Record-keeping is an important part of every 4-H educational project. Many awards, educational trips and college scholarships are given to club members on the basis of their records and project work. Records show your progress toward your goals. Keep this book from year to year and add to it. You may include up to three years of 4-H work. For a free, editable PDF of a record book, please visit: <https://bit.ly/3X2nplk>



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## 4-H Mental Health Retreat for 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade



Calling All Superheroes in Training!

Join the Louisiana 4-H Citizenship Board on a top-secret mission to conquer your inner villains. Journey through the valleys and mountains of feelings- the highs of joy, the lows of sadness, the raging rivers of anger, and much more. You'll experience it all in the Louisiana 4-H Mental Health Retreat sponsored by the State 4-H Citizenship Board.

Registration will open February 13, 2023, on 4-H Online under the title - Mental Health Retreat - presented by the

State 4-H Citizenship Board.

Two event options to choose from:

- March 20, 2023 – Natchitoches, LA (10:00am-3:00pm) Lunch will be provided
- April 5, 2023 – Port Allen, LA (10:00am-3:00pm) Lunch will be provided

Registration Fee - \$15 per person - This fee must be submitted to complete registration.

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## Special Accommodations

If you require special accommodations due to a disability in order to participate in our activities, please notify the 4-H office @504-736-6519 at least 48 hrs. prior to the event. \*\*For overnight events and camps, please notify the 4-H Office at least 2 weeks in advance.

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