

Jr. Leader Newsline

Lafayette Parish 4-H



Qualifications to Run for Office

By: Grace Martin

When turning in your Project Record books be sure to turn in your Leadership Lessons along with it. This is required if you wish to run for a Junior Leader Office next year. At least seven of the activities must be completed each year. As per the Lafayette Parish Jr. Leader Constitution:

- The qualifications for officers will be that an officer must be at least a sophomore in high school (Exception: Program leaders may be freshmen in high school).
- The President-elect must be a junior in high school and have been an officer for one year.
- To be eligible to be an officer, a junior leader must attend at least 4 meetings by April and must have a completed 4-H Leadership Project Record Book with a score of 75 or above.

The elected officers of the club shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter and two Program Leaders.



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Dates to Remember:

March 16th- Achievement Day, David Thibodaux STEM Academy

March 19st- Strawberry & Fern Pick Up, Second Harvest Food Bank

March 20th- Jr. Leader Meeting & 4-H U Ice Cream Social

April 3rd- Jr. Leader Officer Meeting

April 19th- Jr. Leader Banquet

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Lafayette Jr. Leader Officer Team

President: Victoria Couvillion

President Elect: Grace Martin

Vice President: Laila Horton

Program Leader: Jon Patrick Couvillion

Lafayette 4-H Agents:

Brandi Feller

Nicole Gerard

CHARLES HEBERT

Achievement Day

Thank you to all of the junior leaders who came out to help set-up contest rooms, direct members to their locations, and facilitate the life skills expo. We had a great turnout and couldn't have done it without your help. Contest results will be posted to the Lafayette 4-H social media pages next week.



Camp Counselor Training

Calling all future camp counselors! Training will be held at the Lafayette Parish Office. This will be the 3-hour onsite training required for members to serve in camp counselor roles. Registration will be required by RSVP to Mrs. Nicole at ngerard@agcenter.lsu.edu for anyone wanting interested in training to serve as a camp counselor.

- May 28th, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Lafayette Parish Office, Registration deadline May 3rd.

***Camp Counselor Applications are due Friday, May 3rd**



4-H University

On June 18-21, 2024, 4-H members in 8th-12th grades from across the state will converge on the LSU Campus to EXCEL in over 40 contests.

This is a great opportunity to meet new people, build new skills, and compete at the state level. When you choose a competition to compete in, whether you're competing with a team or as an individual, you learn new skills and expand your knowledge of your topic. Depending on your competition you have a chance to win cash prizes, fun trips, or you get to compete at a national level. At 4-H University you get a taste of college life when you stay in dorms at LSU for a couple of nights and eat at the student Union.

Please review the information packet that was sent out to members and plan to attend our Ice Cream Social on Wednesday, March 20th from 6-7:30 PM to learn more about what 4-H University is all about.



March Birthdays

We have six Jr. Leaders with birthdays this month. Happy Birthday to:

- Pierre Doucet
- Alex Theall
- Lucas LeBlanc
- Lily Barousse
- Laila Horton
- Madison Hill

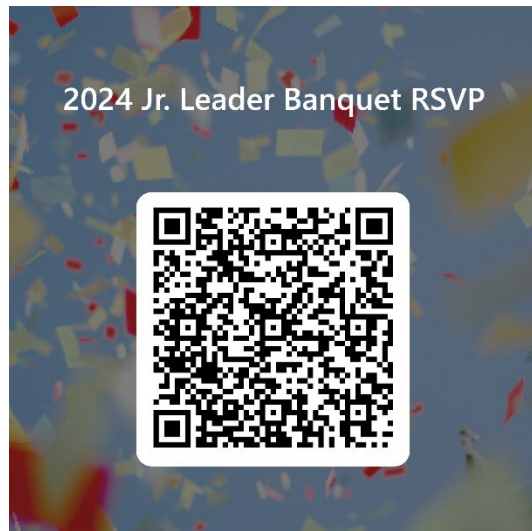
We wish you an amazing birthday!

Jr. Leader Banquet

The 2024 Jr. Leader Banquet will be held on Wednesday, April 17th at 6:00 PM at **Petroleum Club of Lafayette** (111 Heyman Blvd., Lafayette, LA 70503). Anyone attending must RSVP to Mrs. Nicole no later than **April 1st** at the following link: <https://forms.microsoft.com/r/NNK4zRsTiU>

Jr. Leader will need to pay \$10 towards their meal and the balance will be covered by our club account. Any guest attending with you must pay \$30 to cover their meal.

The menu will include a buffet style selection including salad, chicken pasta alfredo, hamburger steak with mushroom gravy, green beans, honey glazed carrots, white rice, garlic mashed potatoes, fruit cobbler, chocolate cake, tea, coffee, and dinner rolls.



Marsh Maneuvers

Marsh Maneuvers is a 4-H camp for high schoolers (**completed 9th-12th grade by July 1, 2024**) that offers hands-on learning about Louisiana's coast! Some of the unique experiences include taking a tour of the marsh in an airboat, helping restore wetlands by planting marsh grass, going crabbing, and touring the Tabasco Factory and Jungle Gardens at Avery Island.

Marsh Maneuvers 2024 will be housed at the Broussard Bunkhouse in Intercoastal City, LA the following weeks:

July 1-5, 2024

July 8-12, 2024

July 15-19, 2024

July 22-26, 2024

There is a \$150 registration fee that is non-

refundable and covers the cost of meals, supplies, and a t-shirt. The fee does not have to be paid until after the 4-H member has been invited to attend.

Contact Mrs. Nicole at ngerard@agcenter.lsu.edu if you are interested so that she can begin the application process.



Kids for Conservation

Jr. Leaders can sign up to work in leading activities for the 2nd Annual Acadiana Area Kids for Conservation on Saturday, April 20, 2024 from 10AM-3PM at Vermilionville. Lunch will be provided by the Acadiana Ducks Unlimited Chapters. We will be leading an outdoor activity and assisting in other planned events for the day. Sign up with Mrs. Nicole if you are interested in participating.

