

4-H Leader Update

April 2023

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!



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Dates to Remember

April 2023

- 1 Horse Possession Date
- 2 First Day of Club Meetings
- 7 Good Friday, Office Closed
- 14 LOST Camp Applications due
- 18 4-H Scorecards due to 4-H Office
- 18 Outstanding Senior Applications due, 4-H Office

May 2023

- 1 First Day of Club Meetings 3 4-H U Orientation
- 10 4-H Honors Program, SLCC

June 2023

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

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.



Club of the Month

If we are unable to attend your meeting this month due to scheduling conflicts, please scan the QR Code below to complete the Club of the Month report form. This form will take approximately 2 minutes for you to be able to share what happened during the meeting that we missed. If you are unable to scan the code, you can click on the following link to access the form: <https://forms.microsoft.com/r/Fx8WFMSHsi>



Check the Lafayette LSU AgCenter website and Lafayette 4-H Facebook pages starting in January to see the Club of the Month winners!

Scorecards Due!

The 4-H scorecard for awards was handed out during March 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 18, 2023 to the Lafayette 4-H Office.

Leaders: you have the option to nominate one member from your club to be an Outstanding 4-H'er. This 4-H'er does not have to have completed a record book. Please submit your club member's name to Mrs. Nicole at ngerard@agcenter.lsu.edu by **April 7, 2023**.

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 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.



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/wAZ6fxTD6>

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 and 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**.

Outstanding Senior

Do you have a graduating 4-H member in your club? Did they complete your record book this year? If you answered yes to both of these questions, they qualify to apply to be an Outstanding Lafayette 4-H Senior!

Applications were sent out to our senior list (applications are digital again this year). If you did not receive an application, please contact Mrs. Nicole at ngerard@agcenter.lsu.edu. Applications for Outstanding Senior are due Monday, April 17th, 2023.

https://lsu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_063blg6waLRldmK

Outstanding Club Award

The Lafayette 4-H Foundation will provide plaques to the outstanding 4-H clubs in Lafayette Parish each year. The emphasis of this award is placed on completed project record books turned in to the 4-H Office.

In order for a club to qualify for the Outstanding Club Award, they must earn at least 350 points based on the scorecard. These scorecards are due Friday, April 21st. Scorecards for this award can be found at https://lsu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9SpzoQHWTdPKnoW

Outstanding Leader Award

Here in Lafayette Parish, we want to recognize our incredible leaders! You can nominate yourself or another leader for these awards.

There are five types of leader awards: Rookie Leader, Outstanding Leader, Service Learning, Rookie Project Leader, and Outstanding Project Leader. The Rookie Leader and Rookie Project Leader awards can be won by leaders with one to three years of experience as a 4-H Leader. The Outstanding Leader and Outstanding Project Leader awards can be won by leaders with over five years of experience as a 4-H Leader. The Service-Learning leader can be won by a leader who has led their club in service learning projects throughout the year.

If you would like to apply for yourself, or nominate another leader, please visit this link: https://lsu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_aaW9uWuFizb0zCS

If you have any questions about these awards, please contact Mr. Charles at chebert@agcenter.lsu.edu.

Welcome Brandi!

Ms. Brandi Feller will be joining the Lafayette LSU AgCenter staff in the month of April as the new 4-H Agent. She is a graduate of Tarleton State University in Stephenville, TX with a Bachelor of Science degree in Ag Services and Development and a minor in Animal Science. She also has a master's degree in Agricultural Education. She is from Boerne, TX and grew up in 4-H. She was involved in livestock shows and judging events as a 4-H member. She is passionate about agriculture and youth development and excited to make a difference in the lives of our Lafayette Parish youth. Please welcome her to Lafayette as she makes the rounds at club meetings this month.

It is the policy of the LSU AgCenter, Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service that no person shall be subjected to discrimination on the grounds of race, color, national origin, gender, age, religion, or disability. If you have a disability which requires special assistance to participate in any aforementioned activity, please contact the 4-H office at (337)291-7090.



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Sincerely,

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April 2023 Meeting Schedule

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 10:30-11:15 Broadmoor 1:15-2:00 Sts. Peter & Paul 3:00-3:45 Fatima	4 8:50-9:30 Comeaux High 2:45-3:45 Teurlings High	5 7:30-8:00 Cathedral-Carmel 10:00-10:45 Acadian Middle 2:40-3:30 St. Thomas More	6 2:00-2:45 Woodvale 3:15-4:15 Northside High	7 Good Friday- No School
8:30-9:30 Prairie Elementary 3:00-4:00 Acadiana Renaissance Charter Academy	9:31-9:56 Milton Middle 2:15-2:50 Live Oak Elem. 3:30-4:30 Lafayette Renaissance Charter Academy	10:09-10:37 Youngsville Middle 1:00-2:00 Ridge Elem. 4:00-4:45 Edgar Martin	8:00-8:30 Acadiana High 2:45-3:45 Acadiana Christian Homeschool	
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	Easter Break- No School			
17 2:45-3:45 Carencro High	18 9:00-9:45 Charles Burke 2:45-3:45 David Thibodaux STEM	19 12:40-1:30 Lafayette Christian Academy 2:20-3:00 Carencro Heights Elem	20 10:05-10:35 Lafayette Middle 2:45-3:15 Southside High 3:45-4:45 Ernest Gallet Elem	21 10:00-11:00 Acadiana Community Homeschool 2:18- 3:03 Judice Middle
2:45-3:45 Lafayette High	1:40-2:30 Green T. Lindon Elem. 3:00-4:00 St. Cecilia	10:10-10:45 Ossun Elem. 2:00-3:00 First Baptist Christian 3:30-4:14 St. Pius Elem	8:15-9:15 Westside 10:15-11:00 Carencro Catholic 2:45-3:30 *St. Genevieve Middle 4:00-4:45 Paul Breaux Middle	2:45-3:30 J W James Elem.
24	25	26	27	28 2:00-3:00 L. Leo Judice
				8:25-9:00 L. J. Alleman 2:45-3:45 Myrtle Place Elem.

Old and New Business: April 2023

Cut and have several non-officer members read these slips during the meeting (you can also send these out virtually).

Pledge of Allegiance (Read this after the president asks for everyone to rise to say the Pledge of Allegiance.)
“I pledge allegiance to the flag...”

4-H Pledge (Read this after the Pledge of Allegiance.)
“I pledge my head to clearer thinking...”

(Read this after the secretary reads the minutes and the president asks for a motion to accept the minutes as read.)
“I move to accept the minutes as read.”

(Read this after a member makes the motion to accept the minutes)
“I second that Motion.”

OLD BUSINESS #1
The following members participated in the Lafayette Parish Achievement Day on Saturday, March 25th.
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OLD BUSINESS #2
The following members participated in the Lafayette Parish Talent and Art Contest.
_____.

NEW BUSINESS #1

Lafayette Parish Honor’s Night will be held at the South Louisiana Community College Auditorium on Wednesday, May 10th. Come out and cheer on our club and members who will be recognized for their many accomplishments this past year.

NEW BUSINESS #2

The Lafayette Parish 4-H Office is making one last call for camp applications. If you haven’t turned yours in yet, time is running out. Applications must be turned in by April 15th!

NEW BUSINESS #3

Applications were sent to all 7th and 8th graders for 2 camp opportunities this summer. LOST (Louisiana Outdoor Science and Technology) Camp will be held at Camp Grant Walker July 31-August 3rd. Get your application turned in ASAP!

(Read this after the president asks for a motion to adjourn—at the end of the meeting.)
“I move to adjourn the meeting.”

(Read after the motion is made to adjourn the meeting).
“I second the Motion.”

Note: Add any old or new business that is pertinent to your club.



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