

January 2022

Jefferson Parish Clover Connection

Important Dates:

January

10th : Junior Leader meeting

21st – 23rd : 4-H Fashion Camp

29th : Parish Cooking Contest

29th: Parish Commodity Ambassador Contest

February

11th: Bicycle Rodeo Registration Deadline

14th : Junior Leader meeting

15th : 4-H State Commodity Ambassador Contest

19th : Bicycle Rodeo

4-H Night with the Pelicans

Calling all basketball fans! Here's your chance to watch a Pelicans game with other 4-H members around the state! 4-H Night with the Pelicans will take place on March 4, 2022. Activities include an exclusive 4-H pre-game party, t-shirt, and a post game photo if you can get 10 or more members of your 4-H club to register. To purchase tickets, you can either submit an order form on our website <https://bit.ly/3F4TaRk> or you can order online at <https://pels.group/4HNight>. The deadline is **February 11, 2022**. We hope to see you and your family there!



Events in January!



New year, new events! Start the year off right by participating in our competitions! On January 29, 2022 we will be holding the **Parish Cooking Contest**. Participants will prepare a dish before the competition begins and have it be judged. There are multiple categories to enter such as Beef, Sugar, Bento Box and more! On January 29, 2022 we will also be hosting the **Parish Commodity Ambassador Contest**. Participants will compete by doing a presentation on one of Louisiana's famous commodities. Deadline to register

is **January 21, 2022**. For full rules and registration, visit <https://bit.ly/3lopAiA> or scan the QR code to the left! Check the webpage regularly for updates as COVID-19 policies will change how the event will take place.



You can reach out to one of your 4-H Agents by emailing heqger@aqcenter.lsu.edu or dhowell@aqcenter.lsu.edu.

March

4th: 4-H Hoops and Clovers Pelicans Game

9th – 12th : Junior Leader Conference (JLC)

14th : Junior Leader meeting

24th – 26th :

CO-OP Conference

TBA: 4-H State Cooking Contest

April

11th: Junior Leader meeting

17th – 23rd : Youth Wetlands Week

17th – 23rd : National Volunteer Week

May

9th : Junior Leader meeting

June

13th – 16th : 4-H Summer Camp

21st – 24th : Louisiana 4-H University

Junior Leaders Service Project



Members of the Jefferson Parish 4-H Junior Leaders club came together on December 18th 2021 to put together holiday craft kits for children staying at a local shelter. The craft kits provided the children staying at the shelter with a way to celebrate the holidays by designing ornaments and creating holiday noise makers. Through their combined efforts, the Junior Leaders were able to make 25 craft kits. The 4-H

Jefferson Parish office wanted to thank Frances Bustillo, Ethan Domingue, John Gross, Gavin House, Maia Peralta, Elizabeth Porrazzo, and Hrilina for the amazing work they did! We also want to thank our volunteers Alaina House for donating the materials needed for the ornaments and Pooja M. Rakhs for taking wonderful pictures of the event.

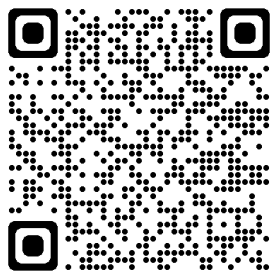
Junior Leader Conference (JLC) and 4-H Online

We are excited to announce details for this year's Junior Leader Conference. JLC will be a one night camp held at **Camp Grant Walker on March 10-11** and repeated on **March 11-12**. Participants will be able to choose which dates to attend. Registration opens on **January 14, 2022**.

This year's theme is "Back To Leadership" and includes sessions such as "Talking to the Past" and "Today's Voices, Tomorrow's Futures. More information will be provided next newsletter. If you will like to participate, you **must** enroll in our new online enrollment system 4-H Online. For how to register to 4-H Online, please visit: <https://lsuagcenter.com/4hconnect>.



Volunteers Needed!



We have many events coming in the near future and need your support! Volunteering with 4-H is a great way to support the youth in your community. There are many ways you can volunteer. For instance, you can be a judge in our Commodities Ambassador or Cooking Contest. Perhaps you would like to assist us in setting up the 4-H Bicycle Rodeo. Or you can simply volunteer as a driver to help our members get to events or camps. We greatly appreciate any help we receive! If you would like to volunteer, please visit <https://lsuagcenter.com/4hconnect> or scan the QR code to the left. These positions require background checks and trainings, so please don't hesitate!

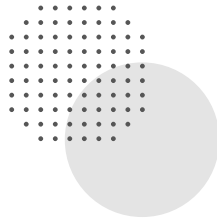
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2022 Co-op Conference

Ever wondered what it would be like to run a business with others? Here is your chance! 8th-12th graders will have the opportunity to sharpen their marketing and financial management skills as they compete in teams to build and manage their own cooperative business at the **2022 Cooperative Enterprise Teen Leadership Conference**. The conference will take place at the Wesley Center in Woodworth LA from **Thursday, March 24th-Saturday, March 26th**. This event is generously sponsored by the Louisiana Council of Farmer Cooperatives. Registration deadline is **February 25th**. Please email hegger@agcenter.lsu.edu for details on registration.



Important Update: COVID-19 and In-Person Events



We here at Jefferson Parish 4-H value the health of our youth in the community. Due to the spike of COVID-19 cases in Jefferson Parish, we will be modifying our events to ensure social distancing precautions take place until further notice. We are striving for all of our events to be safe and enriching for all participants.

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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