

# 4-H Leader Update

May 2022

## May Meetings

Here, once again, is the *Leader Update*. This is the last one for this year, but not the last communication!

As you know, **we won't be attending** 4-H Meetings in May unless we are invited to attend. We are available if you would like us to present 4-H Awards at end-of-the-school year programs. Just ask!

A schedule has been drawn up just in case you've forgotten the day and time of your meeting.

We encourage you all to recognize your club members who worked this year, by treating them to a celebration which might include healthy snacks and fitness activities. Have something that will make them feel special. This may be covered by your 4-H Club treasury.



## 4-H Summer Camp

Selected 4-H members in the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> grades will spend July 25-28 at the 4-H Camp Grant Walker near Pollock, LA. Interested 4-H'ers should have already turned in their camp registration along with a deposit. Balance letters are being send out in May.

The first and second round of invitations were mailed out. Those members that returned their registration forms and deposit have a bed at camp reserved! We have filled our original quota and have requested additional beds. Once we hear if we receive additional beds mid-May, we will notify those members on the waiting list in the order they were received.

The 4-H Camp Scholarship Program is available for 4-H members who need financial assistance. Eligible members must complete the entire page in the camp registration packet to be eligible.

Additionally, if you have funds available through your club treasury, you might consider helping your campers with their camp fees by giving them a scholarship, paying a portion, or directly paying for their fees. If you have any questions or would like a list of the members from your club, please let us know.

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## Dates to Remember

### May 2022

- 4 4-H Honor's Night, Scott Event Center
- 5 4-H U Orientation, 4-H Office
- 13 Camp Counselor App Due, 4-H Office
- 19-21 LPSS Graduation
- 25 LPSS Last Day of School

### June 2022

- 4 Lafayette Horse Show, SugArena
- 21-24 4-H U, LSU
- 28 Camp Counselor Training, Lafayette 4-H Office
- 30-7/2 District Horse Show, SugArena

### July 2022

- 4-8 State Horse Show. Lamar Dixon Expo Center
- 4 Independence Day Holiday, Office Closed
- 18-22 4-H Day Camps, Scott Event Center
- 25-28 4-H Camp, Camp Grant Walker

### August 2022

- 22-25 4-H Agents Association Convention, Lake Charles
- TBD Parish 4-H Leader Training, 4-H Office



## Reminders

- Please, turn in your Club Treasurer's Report/financial report, & Organizational Leader Report, if you have not done so already. Please deliver them to the 4-H Office by May 1st.
- If your 4th, 5th, and 6th graders are bugging you about 4-H Summer Camp, tell them to contact the 4-H Office as invitations have already been mailed.
- If you want to go to camp, call us. We welcome great volunteers. And, believe it or not, it is fun!
- If you want to go to 4-H University, call us. It's lots of fun also!

# 4-H Honors Program

The Honor’s Night program will be held on May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at the Scott Event Center (110 Lions Club Rd, Scott, LA 70583). We are anticipating that the high school and middle school program will begin at 4:45 pm and the elementary school program will follow at 6:30 pm. Please make every effort to attend.

A letter has been sent to every 4-H’er being honored that evening and a list of winners to each school before the event. Please encourage your principals to attend.



# 4-H University

4-H University will be held June 21-24 at LSU; 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.

Last year, 4-H U had to be moved to an online platform to accommodate for Covid-19 restrictions. This year, 4-H U will be back in person on the LSU campus with a few events still competing virtually. Information was sent out to all 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> 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 Review
- ... and many more!

If any of you are interested in helping us train or would like to come as an Adult Leader, please contact Mrs. Nicole at [ngerard@agcenter.lsu.edu](mailto:ngerard@agcenter.lsu.edu). Please remind your members to contact us if they are interested in attending and have not submitted their registration form.



# LOST Camp

LOST Camp (Louisiana Outdoors, Science, and Technology Camp) is scheduled for Tuesday, August 2, 2022 at Acadiana Village in Lafayette, LA. Registration forms are being sent to all 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade members currently enrolled in Lafayette Parish 4-H. Please contact Mr. Paul at [pbongarzone@agcenter.lsu.edu](mailto:pbongarzone@agcenter.lsu.edu) for more information.



# Thank You!

A special thank you to all our club leaders for working so hard this year to bring 4-H programs to their school for the children of Lafayette Parish. We truly could not do what we do without the continued support from all of you. We look forward to things continuing to get back to normal so that we can see all of our members’ smiling faces each month and host all of our parish events in-person.



# Preparing for 2022-2023

During the months of June and July, we will begin sending letters to principals in preparation for the 2022-2023 school year. We would appreciate any assistance from you regarding any request for your meeting time or day of the week. We hold club meeting the first two weeks of each month. In addition, for some of you that are a single leader, now is the time to ask for some assistance from another teacher. If more than one of you are assisting, then you can divide the club duties by each person. You can also recruit parents to assist with some of the activities. Teamwork is the key! If you have any questions or would like to meet with us, please call.

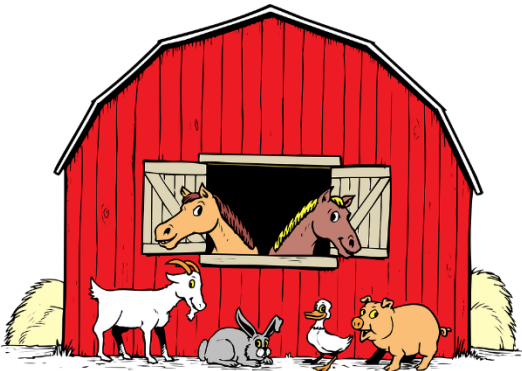
# 2022 Livestock Possession Validation Dates

Members interested in participating in The State Fair of Louisiana this coming Fall should be aware of possession and validation dates for all show animals.

- Market Steers- June 10, 2022
- Commercial Heifers- July 10, 2022
- Commercial Dairy- July 10, 2022
- Market Lambs- July 10, 2022
- Commercial Ewes- July 10, 2022
- “NEW” Wether Dam Goats- July 10, 2022
- Commercial Does- July 10, 2022
- Market Swine- August 10, 2022
- Commercial Gilts- August 10, 2022
- All Registered Animals- August 1, 2022

Order your kits starting May 9, 2022  
Visit [StateFairOfLouisiana.com](http://StateFairOfLouisiana.com) for more information.

If you will be participating in the State Fair Livestock Show, please notify Mrs. Nicole at [ngerard@agcenter.lsu.edu](mailto:ngerard@agcenter.lsu.edu) of the dates you are showing so that a school excuse can be sent to administrators in advance. Requests for school excuses are due to the 4-H Office by October 15, 2022.



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May 2022 Meeting Schedule

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<div>2</div> <div>(Micro) 11:15-11:55 Westminster Christian-Upper</div> <div>(In-Person) 1:15-2:05 Sts. Peter &amp; Paul</div> <div>(In-Person) 3:00-4:00 Acadiana Renaissance Charter</div>	<div>3</div> <div>(In-Person) 2:45-3:30 STM</div> <div>(In-Person) 2:00-3:00 First Baptist Christian</div> <div>(Micro) 4:00-4:45 Edgar Martin</div>	<div>4</div> <div>(In-Person) 7:30-8:15 Cathedral-Carmel</div> <div>(Micro) 1:20-2:20 CPL Middlebrook</div> <div>(Micro) 2:10-3:00 Woodvale</div> <div>(Micro) 2:45-3:45 Lafayette High</div> <div>(In-Person) 4:00-4:50 Westminster Christian-Lower</div>	<div>5</div> <div>(Micro) 8:00-8:30 Acadiana High</div> <div>(Micro) 8:00-9:00 C. Burke</div> <div>(Micro) 9:53-10:23 Carencro High</div> <div>(Macro) 2:00-3:00 Westside</div> <div>(In-Person) 2:45-3:45 Acadiana Christian Homeschool</div>	<div>6</div> <div>(In-Person) 10:00-11:00 Acadiana Community Homeschool</div>
<div>9</div> <div>(Macro) 2:24-3:20 Milton Middle</div> <div>(In-Person) 3:00-3:45 Fatima</div>	<div>10</div> <div>(Micro) 2:00-2:45 L. Leo Judice</div> <div>(Micro) 2:16-3:00 Youngsville Middle</div> <div>(In-Person) 3:30-4:30 Lafayette Renaissance Charter</div>	<div>11</div> <div>(In-Person) 12:40-1:30 Lafayette Christian Academy</div> <div>(Micro) 2:45-3:30 David Thibodaux STEM</div> <div>(In-Person) 3:00-4:00 St. Cecilia</div> <div>(Macro) 4:00-4:45 Ernest Gallet Elem</div>	<div>12</div> <div>(In-Person) 10:35-11:25 Carencro Catholic</div> <div>(Micro) 2:35-3:15 Southside High</div> <div>(In-Person) 2:45-3:30 St. Genevieve Elem/Middle</div>	<div>13</div> <div>(Micro) 2:15-3:00 LJ Alleman</div> <div>(Micro) 2:18-3:03 Judice Middle</div>
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