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LATAH COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

“To Make the Best Better”

LATAH COUNTY 4-H OFFICE

With the holidays in full swing, the next few weeks tend to be a quieter time of year for 4-H, as many of us use this time to be among the company of family and friends, travel, and enjoy winter break. This is a great time of year to submit your annual 4-H enrollment, outline your 4-H goals for the year, explore potential new project areas, and identify new leadership opportunities.

Let our office know if you have ideas or questions about a specific opportunity or project. If you are a teen, don't forget about upcoming statewide events in January and February, like the Northern District Ambassador Retreat and Know Your Government. These are excellent opportunities to take your leadership skills to another level and expand your 4-H network to a district and/or state level.

Enjoy the next few weeks celebrating traditions with your family, learning a new skill over winter break, or pick up a hobby! On behalf of Latah County 4-H, here's wishing you a healthy and happy holiday season! See you in 2022!

Sara Fluer
 Associate Extension Educator
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Upcoming holiday office closures:

December 23-27 (Christmas) & December 31 (New Year's Eve)

SAVE THE DATE!

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REGISTRATION OPEN:
DECEMBER 1-JANUARY 15



DEADLINE to Register for Know Your Government is January 14.

- Log into your family ZSuite account at <https://4h.zsuite.org/>
- Youth must be enrolled in the current 4-H year and in 'Active' status (meaning they have paid their county enrollment dues) in order to register for KYG.
- From youth profile, select 'Events' on left side of your screen. You will find a listing of statewide events—you may need to navigate to page 2 to find KYG.
- Select the pink button, "Register Now" to complete registration.

4-H Members & Returning Leaders...

TIME TO ENROLL IN THE NEW 4-H YEAR!

How to Enroll:

- 1) Go to <https://4h.zsuite.org/>
- 2) Existing users—log in using your family's email address & password. New users—create an account.
- 3) From your Family Dashboard, select the family member you want to enroll.
- 4) Click on the blue button, '**UPDATE ENROLLMENT**', to initiate the 2021-2022 enrollment process. You will update your contact/personal information, sign the required waivers, & make your club & project selections. Please do not enroll using your junk or spam email address. News & updates about 4-H are communicated primarily by email.
- 5) Submit enrollment & follow up by paying your 4-H dues*. See below for payment process.

* Complete your enrollment by paying your dues via check, cash, or call us to pay w/ credit card (service fee applies).

General Members: \$25 Horse Members: \$30 Leaders: \$5 Family Cap (3+ enrolled members): \$75

Enrollment is not considered complete & members are not covered by 4-H accident insurance until dues are paid!



Stay in the loop! Our office sends a monthly newsletter via to all families & leaders.

This is your primary source of information for all Latah County 4-H news.

You can also follow us on Facebook @[LatahCounty4H](#)

GENERAL 4-H NEWS

4-H COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS



4-H College Scholarships are available for Idaho 4-H youth who plan to attend any post-secondary institution, including universities, colleges, technical and trade schools! Applicants are not limited to those planning to attend the University of Idaho or other Idaho institutions. Over 20 scholarships will be awarded with a selection emphasis on 4-H leadership and achievement.

Please review the information on the scholarships available for additional details and requirements! Visit <https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/4h/programs/scholarships> for more information and learn how to apply! Applications are due **December 15**.

Reminder: High School Senior's FAFSA application for college opened on Oct. 1. Be sure to get it completed and turned in as soon as possible as may schools use

that information for awarding scholarships in early January. Contact your local High School Counselor for information.

If you have questions please contact the State UI 4-H Office at 208-885-7700 or fourh@uidaho.edu.

4-H INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE

Idaho 4-H is excited to offer the opportunity of the States' 4-H International Exchange Outbound Summer Program to our 4-H members. Additional information can also be found at www.states4hexchange.org.

The States' 4-H Inbound Summer Programs will be announced in the next few months. Contact Tami Crowley at tcrowley@uidaho.edu with any questions.



YEAR END COUNTY 4-H AWARDS

Be sure to check out the 2020-2021 year-end awards slideshow here: <https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/county/latah/4-h/forms>. Scroll down to the 'Latah County Awards' section to view the slideshow.

Club leaders, if you have not yet collected your club box, please drop by the Extension office to pick it up.

NORTHERN DISTRICT AMBASSADOR RETREAT

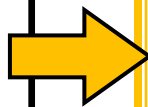
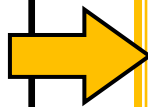
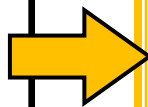
The Northern District Ambassador Retreat will be January 15-16. Details will be coming soon, so check your email and our Facebook page for specifics.

Youth are the best spokespersons for 4-H, and Ambassadors is an opportunity for teens, in 7th grade and up, to learn about promoting 4-H using their skills, knowledge, and leadership abilities. Attend the retreat to meet other peers from the Northern District and polish your leadership skills through 4-H Ambassador workshops!

4-H families and Leaders, don't forget to review these important documents at the beginning and throughout the 4-H year.

Many questions and concerns can be answered by referring to these resources.

This information will be posted in every 4-H newsletter and can be found online on the [UI Extension, 4-H Youth Development website](https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/4h/documents-records).



COUNTY-WIDE PROJECT OPPORTUNITIES

As you think about your 4-H projects for the year ahead, consider some of our county-wide projects! **Enroll as soon as possible so you don't miss out on any opportunities.**

- Shooting Sports—Archery, Shotgun, Rifle
- Dairy Cattle
- Small Animals—Cat, Dog, Cavy, Pocket Pet, Rabbit
- Horse

If you are interested in other projects that your club does not offer, please contact our office. As long as there is a volunteer in the county to lead that project, we can help connect you through another club!

Contact the Extension office if you have questions about how to get involved with any projects.

IMPORTANT 4-H RESOURCES

All 4-H families and leaders should be aware of the following guiding documents for 4-H operations in Latah County and across all Idaho 4-H programs.

Bookmark the UI Extension 4-H Youth Development website for access to all sorts of 4-H resources! <https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/4h/documents-records>

[Idaho 4-H Policies & Procedures](#)

It is the responsibility of all members, leaders, and parents/guardians to follow 4-H policies and procedures, which includes the 4-H Code of Conduct. You are asked to review and consent to this each year during enrollment.

[Idaho 4-H Project Requirements Handbook](#)

Not sure what is required of your project? Need some project specific resources to get started? Use the project requirement handbook throughout the year to answer your questions!

[Latah County Animal Project Policies](#)

This document pertains to county-specific policies for all animal projects, including breeding, market, pet, and small animals.

These are policies that are not already published in the Policies & Procedures and the Project Requirements Handbook. Please make yourself aware of its contents and keep a copy nearby.

ZSUITE CLUB LEADER ACCESS

If you are a Club Organizational Leader who has enrolled in the new 4-H year, paid your dues, and are in 'Active' status in ZSuite, you can request leader access to view your club and member information.

From your personal ZSuite profile, click on your name from your Dashboard household list. An accordion will open and give you the option to request leader access.

LEADER TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

To maintain leader certification, we recommend 4-H leaders complete 2 hours of continuing education related to 4-H, youth development, or your project area. Check out some of the opportunities below:

- New as of mid-November! Once you are enrolled in ZSuite, check out the *Clover Academy* (left side of your screen in the black navigation bar). Here you can participate in two online courses:
 1. **Idaho 4-H Volunteer Orientation Modules**—a great course for brand new or for seasoned volunteers who want to brush up on their knowledge.
 2. **Idaho 4-H Protecting Minors Training**—a short video required of all new volunteers, and every three years for returning volunteers.
- **Latah County ZSuite Club Management Training**—opportunity for club and/or project leaders. All sessions are offered via Zoom. Please register in advance using the link below. We will cover how to request club access/viewing your club roster and running basic reports for Club Leaders; and additional topics as requested or as time allows. Register here for one (or more) trainings: tinyurl.com/3d5m84ne
 1. Thursday, December 9, 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm
 2. Tuesday, December 14, 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
 3. Thursday, January 13, 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

- **QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer) Suicide Prevention**—Idaho 4-H & Idaho Dept. of Health and Welfare have partnered to provide QPR Gatekeeper training to 4-H Volunteers. QPR is designed to teach others the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to respond. This is a no-cost, 1-hour online training that could help save a life. Register at: <http://bit.ly/Idaho4HQPR>. Send your completion certificate to sfluer@uidaho.edu for your leader file.
- **Stewards of Children**—offered through Gritman Medical Center. We will fully reimburse you the cost of the class with proof of attendance.
- If you are taking a training through your employer or other volunteer commitment (such as CPR/First Aid) that you think might apply to your work as a 4-H volunteer, please contact our office about applying it as your annual 4-H training.



Upcoming meetings for Horse Leaders, Animal Project Leaders, & Leader's Council:

- January 24
- March 28
- May 23
- July 25
- September 26

Meetings will be held at the Latah County Fairgrounds unless otherwise noted.

Groups meet as follows:

- Horse Leaders—5:30 pm
- Livestock Leaders—6:00 pm
- Leaders Council—6:30 pm

DECEMBER

- 9—ZSuite Club Management Training for Leaders, Zoom, register at tinyurl.com/3d5m84ne.
- 14—ZSuite Club Management Training for Leaders, Zoom, register at tinyurl.com/3d5m84ne.
- 24-27—Christmas, Latah County Extension closed (holiday)
- 31—New Year's (observed), Latah County Extension closed (holiday)

JANUARY

- 13—ZSuite Club Management Training for Leaders, Zoom, register at tinyurl.com/3d5m84ne.
- 15-16—Northern District Ambassador Retreat, Location TBA
- 17—MLK Day, Latah County Extension closed (holiday)
- 24—Leader's Council meeting

FEBRUARY

- 19-21—Know Your Government Conference
- 21—President's Day, Latah County Extension closed (holiday)
- 27—Model Horse Show

MARCH

- 6—Latah County Horse Bowl
- Annual Livestock Field Days, dates TBA
- 28—Leader's Council meeting

APRIL

- 9—Latah County Horse Judging
- 4-H and FFA Market Beef Weigh-In/Tagging, date TBA

MAY

- 1—Applications due—Latah County 4-H David Trail Green & Gold Scholarship
- 14—live horse judging opportunity in Lewiston, NPC Fairgrounds

This calendar evolves throughout the year. Stay tuned for additional dates TBA for 2022!

