

SMYTH COUNTY



4-H CLOVER CONNECTION

SMYTH 4-H TEXT UPDATES



Register to stay up-to-date with Smyth County 4-H. Day camp, congress, school events, clubs, and more!!! (Free Service)

Text @smyth4h to the number 81010

WHAT IS 4-H?

4-H is a youth development organization that provides hands-on learning experiences in a variety of areas. The name "4-H" stands for the four H's: Head, Heart, Hands, and Health. These represent the organization's goals of developing youth to become outstanding citizens with strong leadership skills.

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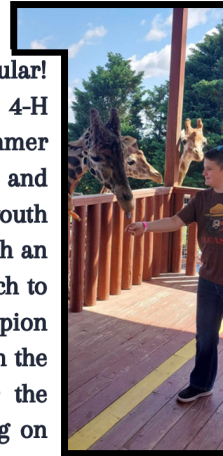
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OUR SUMMER

The Smyth County 4-H summer has been nothing short of spectacular! From feeding giraffes, camp fire songs, celebrating awards at state 4-H congress, to livestock judging. We have truly been blessed this summer with experiences that have created live long memories for youth and families. These experiences are what really promotes positive youth development that will hopefully continue our to mold our county youth an community. When we begin to highlight this summer there is so much to reflect on. 4-H members like Kaysen R. being crowned a state champion the the radio broadcast competition, Charity O. being selected to be on the state livestock judging team, Jersey W. & Kiley B. quaillying for the national 4-H Food challenge, and a plethora of 4-H members taking on summer projects!



DEAR PARENTS,

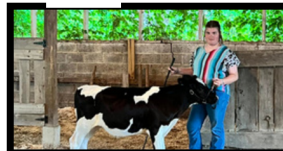
Your children will be involved in a monthly 4-H classroom club. Within this club, your children will be exposed to a water-down version of how business meetings are run in the adult world. In addition, officers (president, Vice president, and a secretary) will be voted on to run our monthly meetings to expose them to election terms (ballot, nominate, etc.) Lastly, your child will have school 4-H projects to participate in. These projects may include public speaking, Pumpkin Project, How To Project, Kids Marketplace, or Share the Fun. At any point during the year you have questions on these 4-H projects please feel free to reach out at any point for clarification or assistance. We are looking forward to seeing the outstanding work of Smyth County students for this and the coming school year!

Bailey Robertson

IMPORTANT DATES



- Sept. 6 - Watershed Field Day
- Sept. 13 - Homeschool Club
- Sept. 27-29 - Apple Festival
- Sept. 27 - Virginia State Fair
- Oct. 1 - National 4-H Food Comp
- Oct. 9 - 4-H Grade Ag Field Day
- Oct. 11 - Homeschool Club
- Oct. 12 - Hokie Bug Fest
- Oct. 31 - Halloween
- Nov. 5 - Election Day
- Nov. 8 - Summer Project Books Due
- Nov. 8 - Homeschool Club
- Nov. 25 - 8th Grade Reality Store
- Nov. 28 - Thanksgiving
- Dec. 25 - Christmas
- Jan 22 - 4-H Day at the Capital
- June 24-17 - 4-H Congress
- July 7-11 - Smyth County 4-H Camp



JOIN OUR SOCIAL MEDIA





JOIN A 4-H CLUB

Be a part of the movement! Join one or all 4 of our Smyth County 4-H clubs. These clubs typically meet once a month & are a blast to be a part of. Do you have an idea for a new club we would love to support the vision! For questions, contact Bailey Robertson.



LIVESTOCK CLUB

The Smyth County 4-H Livestock Club concentrates on projects that are livestock geared; lambs, cattle, poultry, goats, etc. Stockmen's and Livestock Judging teams are meeting regularly to learn and have FUN! If this is something you are interested in joining or volunteering with, please contact the Smyth County Extension Office.



HOME SCHOOL CLUB

Looking for some additional educational, recreational, or just pure fun support? The Smyth County 4-H home school club presents a variety of opportunities for homeschool youth to be a part of. This club meets regularly & offers a great atmosphere for learning.



TEEN CLUB

Looking to get involved with the community and empower yourself/teen? Our Smyth County 4-H Teen Club presents opportunities for residents to grow leadership, citizenship, and life skills that will prove to be beneficial in years to come (jobs, interviews, references).



HORSE CLUB

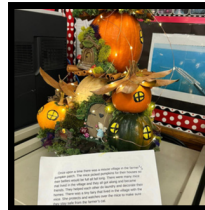
Join our horse club/program! This club's main focus is on hippology. However, some riding and show instruction will be sprinkled in every once in a while. You do not have to own a horse to be a part of this club, and club meetings typically are only once a month!



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PUMPKIN PROJECT



Our annual 4th & 5th grade 4-H Pumpkin project is now upon us! The pumpkin creation must stay within a 13"x13" area, as exceeding this space will result in disqualification. For safety and preservation, no pushpins, punctures, or carvings are not allowed. Tacky Glue or hot glue is recommended. Additionally, your child is required to write at least two paragraphs of a fictional or nonfictional story that is connected to their pumpkin creation. Judges will evaluate the entries based on how well they embody the theme, fit the age group, and the quality of the grammar and story line. This project is a reflection of their 4-H work! We encourage participants to consider donating their creations to a nursing home, hospital, shelter, or other local business as part of the 4-H community service mission." (Due Oct. 4-H Club Meeting)



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NATIONALS

A National competition!! Smyth County's very own Kiley B. and Jersey W. are headed to Texas to compete in the National 4-H food competition in Texas. These two Smyth County natives teamed up with Mackenzie (Wythe County) and Parker of (Scott County) to take on the State level competition at State 4-H Congress which takes place at Virginia Tech each summer. Of course, we all know they ended up being top performers to be able to participate in the National competition in Texas this fall. This competition takes place on October 1st at the Texas State Fair. These 4 young ladies will be going up against the best from a plethora of states! We are extremely proud of these girls' hard work and excited to them represent their home counties!



Jersey W.



Kiley B.



Mackenzie C.



Parker R.



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