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**4-H Newsletter** 

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## What is 4-H?

- 4-H is a youth development organization open to all students in grades 4-12, regardless of race, sex, national origin, or disability.
- 4-H clubs are held once a month in the classroom during school time.
- Each member can excel in 4-H with the wide range of projects, programs, and activities that 4-H offers!

## **4-H Club Contests by Month**

- November Public Speaking
- January Poster Contest
- February Demonstrations (4th & 5th) and Interactive Exhibits (6th - 8th)
- March Photography

I pledge...

my head to clearer thinking, my heart to greater loyalty, my hand, to larger service, and my health to better living for my dub, my community, my country, and my work.

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- Upcoming Event Info Pictures of 4-H Activities
- Contest Results
- Dates of Importance & More!

#### Did your 4-H'er get elected as a club officer?

If so, make sure they give you their invitation to our Smith County 4-H officer training! This training will equip them to successfully lead their club this year.

> Date: Monday, October 4th Time: 5:30 p.m. Location: Smith County Ag Center

What's next?

Learn to give a 4-H speech at our October meeting. You fill in the blanks!

Our Next Meeting Date:

Our Next Meeting Time:



## 4-H Judging Teams by Month

- September Forestry and Poultry Judging
- January Horse Bowl and Hippology
- March Horse Judging
- April Livestock Judging and Archery
- May Wildlife Judging
- August Outdoor Meat Cookery



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# **Important Upcoming Dates**

- September 11 Regional Sheep Show
- September 14 Regional Forestry Judging Contest
- September 16 Community Club Meeting
- September 22 Regional Poultry Judging Contest
- September 23 Chick Chain Show and Sale
- October 4 4-H Cub Officer Training



### Why I Love 4-H

Check out these testimonies from current Smith County 4-H'ers!

"My favorite part of 4-H is getting better at what I like to do. My favorite things are livestock showing, livestock judging, and wildlife judging." - Turner, 6th grade

"I love being a part of a 4-H family that stands by one another. 4-H has taught me more than I could have imagined!" - Kynlee, 8th grade

"I like everything 4-H, especially getting hands-on experience with animals." - Erin, 9th grade

"My favorite part of Smith County 4-H is archery, poultry judging, and being with all the other kids." - Tana, 5th grade

"I love 4-H because of the awards that you can win, the excitement of finishing a project, and the lifelong memories and friendships that are made! My favorite part of Smith County 4-H is everything! I love my friends, my judging teams and competitions, the camps and retreats, and my agent, Mrs. Katie!" - Gabe, 9th grade

#### Below are just a few ways that YOU and YOUR CLUB can receive awards and recognition in 2021!

**BANNER CLUB** – Clubs can earn points to compete for the Banner Club of the Month Award. At the end of the month, the club in each grade division with the most points will win coupons from area restaurants for free food.

ACE OF CLUB AWARD – *End of Year Award* -Monthly banner club scores will be used to determine these top clubs in the county. Each Ace of Club classroom receives an award and a pizza party at the end of the school year.

**100% PUBLIC SPEAKING AWARD** – In the month of November, clubs that have 100% of their members give a speech will receive an award.

**OUTSTANDING SECRETARY AWARD -** All club secretaries are encouraged to turn in their secretary's book after the March meeting for judging of outstanding work. Book will be judged on neatness and accuracy of minutes. The winner from each division (Jr., Jr. High, and Sr.) will be recognized.

**GOLDEN CLOVER AWARD** – To receive this individual award, a 4-H'er must participate in each month's club activities (Public Speaking, Poster, Demonstration/Interactive Exhibit, Photo or Trash to Treasure), participate in a community service project, and participate in at least one county event!

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