



4-H Newsletter

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County Poster Winners

Congratulations to all the 1st place winners from each club that participated in the county poster contest! The top three physical posters and top three digital posters in the county have been sent to compete in the State Poster Contest.

The winning posters belong to:

- **Christian Grayson - 4th Grade, UHS**
- **Mallie Whitaker - 6th Grade, SCMS**
- **Kara Brooks - 5th Grade, SCMS**
- **Lily Brawner - 4th Grade, DES**
- **Greyson Swann - 4th Grade, DES**
- **Samuel Lavender - 5th Grade, UHS**

Honorable mentions were given to:

Rubye Gentry - 5th Grade, UHS; Gabe Harville - 9th Grade, SCHS; and Nicholas Minchey - 6th Grade, SCMS

Check out classroom winning posters on our Facebook page and like and share your favorite!

4-H Poster Contest Participation

In January, 7 clubs had 100% participation in their local club poster contest. Great job!

CES Bush 4th Jenkins 4th Powell 4th	DES Martin 4th	UHS Smith 5th
	FRS Malone 7th Thompson 8th	

March Club Meeting

Turn in your Photo Contest entries!

Additional information about 4-H Camp and other summer activities will be available.

Our Next Meeting Date: _____

Our Next Meeting Time: _____

What's Coming Up?

Livestock Judging & Expo Events

4th - 12th Grade

Spring/Summer 2022



Archery

4th - 12th Grade
Practices Begin
in February!

Wildlife Judging

4th - 12th Grade
Practices Begin in
April!



Poultry Judging

4th - 12th Grade
Summer 2022



Outdoor Meat Cookery

6th - 12th Grade
Summer 2022



2022 Jr. 4-H Camp Sign Ups Coming Soon!



June 13-17, 2022

Clyde M. York 4-H Center

Open to Current 4th - 6th graders

- Sign-ups begin **April 1st** at the UT Extension Office and are first-come, first-served
- A deposit of \$160 or the full amount of \$315 is **required** at the time of registration.
- Partial scholarships are available this year! Applications can be found on our website and are due to our office by **April 11th**.

Cornbread Recipe Contest

Enter a cornbread recipe for your chance to be one of 10 finalists invited to participate in The National Cornbread Festival Youth Cook-Off in South Pittsburg, Tennessee!

The contest is open to all 4th-6th grade 4-H'ers. Your recipe must use Martha White Cornmeal and be cooked in a Lodge cast iron skillet. Cash prizes & awards for finalists!

Recipe entries are due by mail by March 1, 2022.

For full contest rules, call 615-735-2900.

Upcoming Dates

Feb 5 - Region Public Speaking Contest (9th-12th)
March TBD - Region Horse Judging Contest
March 20-23 - State 4-H Congress
April 26-28 - Archery Jamboree
April 14 - Region Livestock Judging Contest
May 10 - Area 2 Project Achievement Day
May 16 - Region Wildlife Judging Contest
May 17 - Cloverbowl
May 30- June 3 - Junior High 4-H Camp (7-8th Grades)
June 2-4 - Central Region Horse Show
June 7 - Multi-County Livestock Clinic
June 13-17 - Junior 4-H Camp (4-6th Grades)
June 14-17 - Junior High Academic Conference
June 20-24 - State 4-H Horse Show
June 28 - July 1 - 4-H Electric Camp, UTK (6-7th Grades)
June 28-30 - Central Region Beef Show
June 30-July 2 - State Beef Expo
July 3-9 - Smith County Fair
July 5-8 - Pioneer Camp
July 11-15 - TARGET Smart Camp
July 18-22 - State 4-H Roundup
July 23 - Regional Goat Show
August 20 - State Goat Show
September 17 - Regional Sheep Show
October 21-22 - Sheep Expo

SERVICE PROJECTS

Mrs. Huddleston's 4th Grade Club at FRS assisted their school's student council in collecting items such as dog and cat food, toys, treats, and litter to donate to a local veterinarian's office. These items will be used to help out our less fortunate furry friends!

Mrs. West's 5th Grade Club and Mr. Craighead's 6th Grade Club at DES held a food and toy drive to help families in need in Smith County. Collected items were donated to the Smith County Help Center around the holidays.

Mrs. Mimms' 6th Grade Club at FRS collected canned food and gift cards so that a local family could have a nice Christmas dinner.

Livestock Projects



The spring and summer months offer 4-H'ers the opportunity to participate in several animal projects. Livestock shows include beef cattle, sheep, goats, and hogs. For more information, contact us at 615-735-2900.

Horse Project

The regional and state horse shows will be held in June. *Please call 615-735-2900 if you plan to show this year to ensure that you receive the forms needed to register your horses!*

Beef, Sheep, and Goat Projects

- The regional and state **beef** shows will be held in late June and early July. All show cattle must be tagged before May 1st.
- The regional **goat** show will be held in July and the state show will be held in August. All goats must be tagged before June 1st.
- The regional **sheep** show will be held in September and the state show will be held in October. All sheep must be tagged before August 15th.

If you are planning to show livestock this year, make sure you let us know by phone or email as soon as possible!

Judging Teams

Judging teams help 4-H'ers learn the importance of teamwork and help develop decision-making skills, the ability to defend decisions, and a strong work ethic.

Livestock Judging Team - First practice is Tuesday, February 22, at 3:30 p.m. at the Smith County Ag Center. *The regional contest is Thursday, April 14 in Murfreesboro.*

Wildlife Judging Team - First practice is Monday, April 5th at 3:30 p.m. at the Smith County Ag Center. *The regional contest is Monday, May 16th.*