







Orange County 4-H December Update

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Could you be the next Orange County Beekeeper?

Would you like to become a beekeeper with an experienced mentor helping you? If you are between the ages of 10 and 16 and an Orange County resident, you can apply for the 2019 Orange County Beekeepers Association Scholarship.

Each year, two new beekeepers are selected and sponsored to participate. Students selected are provided with enrollment in the OCBA Bee School at no charge, an experienced beekeeping mentor to assist, honey bees and beekeeping equipment needed to start beekeeping, and a one year membership in the OCBA.

For more information and to apply by December 3, 2018, visit *theocba.org/apprentice/*.



Project Record Books DUE January 14

Orange County 4-H members are encouraged to be recognized for their work in 2018 4-H projects in the areas of Animal Science, Citizenship & Civic Education, Communication Arts, Environmental Science, Family & Consumer Sciences, Healthy Lifestyles, Plant Science, Personal Development & Leadership, and Science & Technology. Visit go.ncsu.edu/OrangeCounty4H and click on the 'Awards Programs' tab to learn more.

Project books are **DUE by January 14** at 5:00 P.M. The

drop off location will be Orange County Cooperative Extension, 306 Revere Rd. Suite E, Hillsborough, NC 27278. Our office is open 8:00A-5:00P.

See your club leader for assistance with your book. 4-H members can also reach out to 4-H Agent Jonathon Smith if you have any questions.



The World Food Prize- North Carolina Youth Institute

Interested in helping prepare the world to feed 9 billion people by the year 2050? Then this opportunity is for you! Innovator and scientist, Dr. Norman Borlaug, wanted youth to begin a dialogue about world hunger and the ways in which we can impact and assist in fighting to end world hunger and hunger related issues.

High school participants are required to research a global challenge and write a paper about the problem including proposed solutions. Participants will then attend the North Carolina Youth Institute on April 5, 2019. Select students will have the opportunity to attend the World Food Prize in Des Moines, Iowa.

Registration ends February 1, 2019. Follow this link for more information.



Host Families Needed for 4-H International Exchange

North Carolina 4-H offers opportunities for members and their families to become part of a growing tradition that includes leadership, cultural exploration and fun!

Through the Inbound and Outbound programs provided through NC 4-H, families gain a wealth of experience and shared memories that will last a lifetime!

North Carolina 4-H is searching for host families for Summer 2019. Inbound students will be coming from Japan and Costa Rica. Host families will be assigned a sibling of the same gender as their own child and within 2-3 years of age of their own child. The host sibling age range is 10-18. There are a few other requirements.

For more information and to **apply**, visit https://nc4h.ces.ncsu.edu/youth-3/nc-4-h-international-exchange-program/.



North Carolina Youth Legislative Assembly

Youth Legislative Assembly (YLA) is a mock legislative session where high school students voice their opinions and vote on issues concerning local, state and national government. The three-day session is patterned after the NC General Assembly. At the conclusion of YLA, a final report is drafted and distributed to the governor and legislators. YLA is scheduled for April 12-14, 2019.

For more information and to apply, click here.



Represent Orange County 4-H With Our New Shirt

Orange County is pleased to offer a new shirt for 4-H members, parents, and community supporters! Shirts are navy, \$11 each (larger sizes are a bit more), and can be personalized for an additional charge. **Click here** to access the order form.



Youth Ag Summit

The next Youth Ag Summit is scheduled for November 4-6, 2019, in Brasília, Brazil. Its goal is to connect and empower the next generation of "agricultural changemakers". It is held every two years and brings together 100 selected delegates 18 to 25 years old from around the world for networking, debates, skills training, and project development. The objective is to get them to initiate a concrete project dealing with feeding the people on our planet and give them some guidance on how they can accomplish this. Bayer, along with other partners including Nuffield Scholars and AIESEC, selects the delegates and pays all expenses for the delegates to the summit.

The application is open until January 10, 2019, with the 100 selected delegates to be announced in May.

More information can be found by *clicking here*.

Scholarships & More |

Rural Electric Youth Tour- High school students are invited to apply to attend the 2019 Rural Electric Youth Tour. More than 1,500 students attend the conference each year in Washington, D.C., to learn about electric cooperatives, meet elected officials, and tour the nation's capitol. Apply by December 31, 2018. Click here.

The Institute for Future Ag. Leaders (IFAL) is a week-long program June 9-14, 2019, for rising high school seniors interested in the industry of agriculture. Emphasis is placed on: career opportunities, emerging technology, citizenship and leadership development. CLICK HERE FOR IFAL

NC State Livestock Science Camp is a residential summer camp experience June 16-21 for youth ages 14 to 17 years old. Livestock Camp is designed to expand high school students' knowledge of the livestock and agricultural industries and related careers.

Apply by March 15. Click here

Piedmont Electric Membership Corporation Scholarship- Scholarships for high school seniors who are planning to continue their education at a college, university, community college or technical school. In 2019, they will be awarding \$2,000 scholarships. Application due by March 31, 2019. **Click here**.

National FFA Scholarship Program- Are you an FFA member? National FFA provides a large number of scholarship every year to graduating seniors. Visit their page for more information. Applications are due by February 6. <u>Click here</u>.

Carolina Farm Credit Scholarship- To help support students interested in agriculture, Carolina Farm Credit offers scholarships for Western and Central Piedmont North Carolina college students who are connected to agriculture and our cooperative. Click here.

R. Flake Shaw Scholarship- Scholarships are available for rising college freshman intending to pursue a career in agriculture or an agriculturally-related field. Scholarships are awarded for university and community college participants. **Click here**.

North Carolina Teaching Fellows Program- The North Carolina Teaching Fellows

Program is a competitive, merit-based forgivable loans for service program that provides up to \$4,125 a semester (\$8,250 a year) for up to four years to highly-qualified students committed to teaching special education or a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics) field in a North Carolina public school. Apply by January 7. Click here.

College Foundation of North Carolina- A great resource for locating grants and scholarships. Eligibility, award amounts and deadlines, vary. **Click here.**

Does you organization award scholarships? Would you like to promote these opportunities to Orange County 4-H members? Send an email to Jonathon Smith at jonathon_smith@ncsu.edu with details. We will be glad to share with our graduating seniors.

Dates On the Horizon |

DEC 1

Orange County 4-H Holiday Party

Join us as we enjoy holiday snacks and make ornaments to donate to the elderly.

3:00-5:00 P.M.
Orange County
Cooperative Extension

DEC 2

Hillsborough Holiday Parade

4-Hers are invited to join us to walk in the Hillsborough Holiday Parade. Please wear green and meet us at the Extension Center at 2:30 P.M.

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4-H Club Re-enrollment Packets DUE

All 4-H Club Volunteer Leaders should return their annual club chartering and financial forms to the 4-H Office by today. JAN 2

Annual Membership Renewal Begins for All 4-H Members and Volunteers

More details coming soon.



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Extension's 4-H program is the largest youth development organization in North Carolina. We help over

247,000 young people grow into active, contributing citizens each year.

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