

Orange County 4-H February Update

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Teen Retreat 2020: "Bee Yourself, Bee a Leader, Bee in 4-H"

4-H members ages 13 to 18 as of January 1, 2020, are invited to join us for the North Central District Teen Retreat **March 27-28** at Betsy-Jeff Penn 4-H Educational Center. Teen Retreat is a great opportunity for our members to network with teens from across the district, participate in workshops, enjoy a dance, and elect district officers for the coming year. Transportation to and from the event, housing, and meals are included. The cost to attend is \$50. [Sign up here](#) by March 2.



Orange County 4-H Welcomes New 4-H Horse Club "American Made"

Orange County 4-H would like to welcome our newest 4-H club, American Made. This new club is for youth in grades K-12 interested in equine science and will meet just north of Hillsborough near the Arrowhead community. They plan to compete in district and state 4-H horse shows and contests. Contact Sandi Wheelis at sandiwheelis@gmail.com for more information.

Citizenship North Carolina Focus

4-H Citizenship North Carolina Focus will be held **June 15-17, 2020** in Cary at the Embassy Suites by Hilton. This conference for high school 4-H



members is sponsored by North Carolina's Electric Cooperatives- Touchstone Energy. Attendees will have the opportunity to attend citizenship-themed workshops, participate in panel discussions, hear from distinguished speakers, visit with elected officials at the General Assembly, and explore the state Capitol. Space is limited for this program. The total cost per student is \$100 which includes transportation to and from the event, lodging, and most meals.

[Complete an application here](#) by **April 15**. Selected students will be notified by May 1.



Central Piedmont Jr. Livestock Show & Sale Celebrates 75 Years in April

Registration is NOW OPEN for the 75th Annual Central Piedmont Jr. Livestock Show & Sale coming up April 14-15 in Hillsborough. This annual show is for 4-H and FFA youth 5 to 18 years of age from Alamance, Caswell, Chatham, Durham, Granville, Guilford, Orange, Person, Randolph, Rockingham, and Wake Counties. Updated rules & regulations are now posted.

Visit go.ncsu.edu/piedmontlivestockshow for additional information and to register by March 15.



Collegiate Internship 2020

North Carolina Cooperative Extension is excited to offer an internship at the Orange County Center in Hillsborough for Summer 2020.

"We are looking for students who want to make a positive difference for people and improve local communities through education. Do you have: An interest in an Extension career? An interest in serving your community? A genuine interest in

people? A desire to continue to learn and grow professionally? An aspiration to work as part of a team? If you do, we are interested in you! We recruit potential Extension professionals who can lead, teach, motivate, and communicate."

Student applicants must be currently accepted for or enrolled in, a four-year accredited college or university in a course of study relevant to the work of Extension. Students enrolled in Graduate school are also eligible. Student applicants must have completed their junior year of college (prior to the start of the internship) will receive priority.

Visit <https://www.ces.ncsu.edu/internships/> for more information and to apply by February 17.



Renew Your 4-H Membership Today

It is time for 4-H members and adult volunteers to renew their 4-H memberships for 2020. Our membership cycle begins January 1 and ends December 31 each year. While there is still no cost to join North Carolina 4-H, all 4-H members and approved volunteers are required to update and renew their memberships annually to maintain active status in our organization. This includes all Orange County 4-H club members, Orange 4-H Members-At-Large, 4-H volunteers, and students enrolled in 4-H special interest programs such as STEER and the Environmental Sciences Saturday Academy. Re-enrollment will take place on 4-H Online located at nc.4honline.com.

Membership Re-Enrollment Instructions

If your child was a 4-H member in Orange County in 2019, you have a family profile on 4-H Online already. Families will need to log in to nc.4honline.com. If you have forgotten your account password, you can reset your password using the family email address you initially registered with on 4-H Online. Once you reset your family password, you will be able to see your family contact information and the list of your 4-H members in the system.

To renew your child's 4-H membership for 2020, click on 'Edit' next to the child's name and then

scroll down to click on the "Enroll for 2020-2021" button. Follow the prompts and update information as required. Then submit enrollment on the final screen for processing. As in the past, medical information is required to make sure we are able to attend to your student in the event of an emergency. Please make sure you review all information and update accordingly.

4-H membership is open to all youth 5 to 18 years of age as of January 1, 2020.



**THE WORLD
FOOD PRIZE**

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 students 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 2, 2020. Select students will have the opportunity to attend the World Food Prize in Des Moines, Iowa.

Registration ends March 1, 2020. 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 States' 4-H International Exchange Programs, 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 2020. 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/>.



2020 Orange County 4-H Camps: Catalog to Be Released March 1

We are developing a robust selection of summer camps for students of all ages. We currently plan to release our 2020 summer camps catalog on March 1 via our 4-H listserv and social media accounts. If you have any questions in the meantime, contact Jonathon Smith at 919-245-2057 or jonathon_smith@ncsu.edu.

Scholarships & More |

Beekeeping Essay Contest- Encourage your 4-H member to explore more about the fascinating story of the hardworking honey bee by participating in the North Carolina 4-H Beekeeping Essay contest. The essay provides a platform for youth to creatively express their working knowledge and research of the craft of beekeeping. This year's essay is generously sponsored by the North Carolina State Beekeeping Association. Essays are due March 15th at 5:00pm. [Click here](#).

Piedmont Electric Membership Corporation College Scholarship Program-

Applications are DUE by March 31, 2020.

Visit <https://pemc.coop/community/scholarships/> for more information.

Institute for Future Agricultural Leaders (IFAL)- NC Farm Bureau's leadership conference for rising high school seniors. Two conferences take place simultaneously at both NC State University in Raleigh and NC A&T State University in Greensboro the week of June 21 - 26, 2020. Designed for students between 16 and 17 years of age. Students need to be NO YOUNGER than 16 years of age NOR OLDER than 17 years of age as of April 13 of the program year. For more information and to apply, [Click here](#).

NC State Livestock Science Camp- The NC State Livestock Science Camp is a residential summer camp experience for youth 14-17 years old. It is designed to expand high school students' knowledge of the livestock and agricultural industries and related careers. This year's Livestock Camp is June 28-July 3, 2020. [Click here.](#)

NC State University Turfgrass Academy- North Carolina high school youth are invited to attend the Turfgrass Academy April 3-4 to explore NC State University's turfgrass program, learn about the turfgrass degree and turf career options. Youth will experience the NC State University turfgrass program by visiting classroom and research facilities, gain hands-on-experience, and meet with NC State University students to learn about their major. The program will feature guest speakers, scientists, campus tours, as well as visits to the turfgrass field labs and Lonnie Poole Golf Course. For more information about this event, contact Lori_Snyder@ncsu.edu. [Sign Up Here.](#)

NC State University Horticultural Science Summer Institute- Are you interested in all things horticulture? Have you ever wanted to spend a whole week on campus at NC State University? Then this is the opportunity for you! Applications are now available for the Horticultural Science Summer Institute! [Click here](#) to apply by April 15.

College Foundation of North Carolina- A great resource for locating grants and scholarships. Eligibility, award amounts and deadlines, vary. [Click here.](#)

Borrowed Future Podcast- There are multiple routes to college/career and also many ways to pay for it. This new podcast series provides valuable insight into the student loan crisis and helps families think through the many options for advanced education. [Click here.](#)

Does your 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 |

FEB 4	Central Piedmont Jr. Livestock Show & Sale Committee Meeting 6:30 P.M. Orange County Center 306 Revere Rd.	FEB 8	North Central District 4-H Horse Bowl Guilford County Center Good luck to our Orange County teams!
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Hillsborough, NC

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Orange County Ag Summit

Cedar Grove
Community Center

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more.

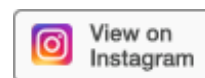
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Students Transforming Expectations & Exploring Real Opportunities (STEER)

For members of the
2019-2020 cohort.



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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.

NC State University and N.C. A&T State University are collectively committed to positive action to secure equal opportunity and prohibit discrimination and harassment regardless of age, color, disability, family and marital status, gender identity, genetic information, national origin, political beliefs, race, religion, sex (including pregnancy), sexual orientation and veteran status. NC State, N.C. A&T, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and local governments cooperating.