



Orange County 4-H February Update

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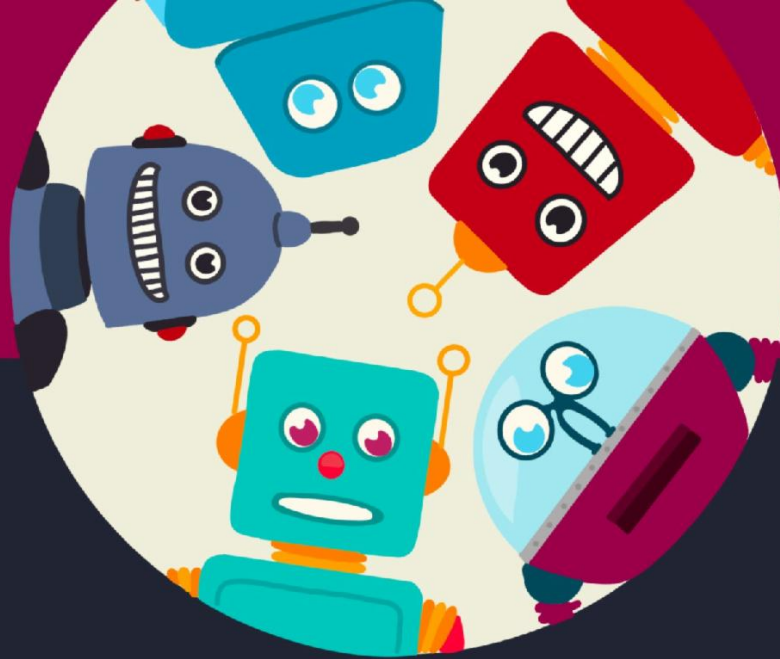
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2021 4-H Enrollment Now Open



4-H enrollment is now open for the new year. Whether you have been a longtime member or this is your first year joining, you will need to enroll at the updated website v2.4honline.com. Students must enroll for the year before participating in any 4-H club meeting or county-wide 4-H activity.

Click here for a guide to assist you with enrolling or re-enrolling.



Orange County 4-H Presents

VIRTUAL CODE YOUR WORLD

*Learn how coding can be found in day-to-day life all
around the world*

March 2nd-4th 4:30-5:30pm

NC Cooperative Extension is an equal opportunity provider. Accommodation requests related to disability should be made by February 26th to Jonathon Smith at jonathon_smith@ncsu.edu



Orange County 4-H COVID-19 Youth Service Award

All over the world, youth are stepping up to address the COVID-19 pandemic. Some are volunteering to deliver groceries to the elderly, some are making masks for those in need, some are creating public issue campaigns to raise awareness of the virus, some are writing thank you notes to frontline workers, and so much more!

Our anonymous donor wishes to recognize one or a team of 4-H members in Orange County in grades 7-12 who are going above and beyond with a 4-H COVID-19 pandemic-related service project. The

recipient of this award will receive a \$100.00 scholarship to support attendance at any 4-H camp or conference they wish to attend (ex. Citizenship Focus, NC 4-H Congress, Healthy Living Summits, NC 4-H Residential Camps, etc.).

4-Hers may enter as an individual or work in teams of 2-3 to plan and implement a project provided they use appropriate social distancing measures which should be documented on the application.

4-H members should apply by completing the form at the link below and then submitting 3-5 photos of their project to 4-H Agent Jonathon Smith at jonathon_smith@ncsu.edu.

Applications are due by March 1, 2021. Applicants must be enrolled in 4-H Online with Orange County.

[Click Here to Learn More and to Apply](#)



At-Home Embryology Projects

We will be partnering with NC State University Extension to host an at-home embryology project for Orange County 4-H members in March or April. Participating members will receive an incubator, fertilized eggs, and additional items to borrow for the project. Participants will also participate in weekly check-ins with our state 4-H embryology specialist and your county 4-H staff. If you are interested in hatching your own chicks at home this spring, contact Jonathon Smith at jonathon_smith@ncsu.edu to be added to our list. At the end of the project, participants can keep their chicks or return them to us and we will find them a home.

This program will be offered FREE but space is limited. More information will be shared with those members expressing interest.



Statewide Virtual Horse Bowl Practices

NC 4-Hers are invited to participate in virtual horsebowl practices for their age division (Junior Rookie, Junior, Senior Rookie, Senior). In order to prepare for the practice, please complete this form no later than 9:00 AM on the day of the practice.

These practices are open to everyone so 4-Hers can learn more about horsebowl, practice answering questions, and meet other horse-loving

4-Hers from across the state! Participants will also become comfortable with playing matches in a virtual format, and have a chance to test their internet connection. There will be a virtual state-wide challenge on March 13 and this same platform will be used for that event!

[Click here](#) to register.



Registration Now Open

REGISTER BY MARCH 15

GO.NCSU.EDU/PIEDMONTLIVESTOCKSHOW



4-H Teen Talk Provides Tips for Living a More Healthy Life in 2021

The beginning of a new year is a great time to take stock of where you are and to set goals for the year ahead. Join Jonathon Smith and Sarah Maddry with special guest Family & Consumer Sciences Extension Agent Ivelisse Colón as they share tips for living a more healthy life in 2021.

Listen on SoundCloud, Apple Podcasts, iHeartRadio, or Spotify.



Youth For the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) Certification

Are you planning to show market hogs at the Central

Piedmont Jr. Livestock Show this year? Then you need YQCA certification. Orange County is hosting an in-person class on Monday, February 8, at 6:00 P.M. To register, go to <http://yqca.org/>, log in with your 4-H Online account credentials, click "Courses" at the top and select "Course List". Scroll down and select your corresponding age. Under instructor-led courses, select North Carolina. Wait just a moment until the "Select Training" button is highlighted. Click the button, select our February 8 course, and pay online.

Other courses may be posted in the coming weeks. And completing the certification online is also an option.



NC State 4-H

Virtual Hippology Academy

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Launching Soon

Self-paced, online modules designed to help coaches and contestants prepare for future contests. The following topics will be featured:

- Study strategies
- Navigating resources
- Practice exams, slide IDs, and stations (for Rookie, Junior and Senior)

This course will only be open to NC 4-H'ers and Coaches and will have a \$15.00 registration fee.

Registration details will soon be available on the NCSU EHH website: <https://equinehusbandry.ces.ncsu.edu/>



High School Members Invited to Attend National 4-H Agri-Science Summit

Orange County 4-H will be sending some of our high school 4-H members (grades 9-12) to the National 4-H Summit on Agri-Science March 5-7. This opportunity will be held virtually this year due to COVID-19.

At this conference, you will "develop the skills and knowledge needed for the challenges facing agriculture, food security, and sustainability. Students will work with each other and experts in the agricultural community in this collaborative, hands-on educational

setting".

Click Here to View the Agenda Contact 4-H Agent Jonathon Smith at jonathon_smith@ncsu.edu if you are interested in attending this conference by February 10. This opportunity is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Registration for this conference is free to Orange County youth thanks to the generous support of the Piedmont Electric Membership Corporation's [Helping Hand Foundation](#).



Orange County Provides Virtual "Farm to Table" Platform for 4th Grade Youth

Orange County and Person County have partnered to create an interactive, virtual Farm to Table program for 4th grade students. This work at your own pace virtual program includes topics ranging from agricultural history to dairy. Each content tab comes with a 5-10 minute video, worksheets or other activities such as Kahoots, recipes/nutritional information if applicable, and a quiz that can be copied and administered to check for comprehension. We have done our best to capture footage of local farms and businesses in Orange County to help students see the connections between where they live and the agriculture around them.

Farm To Table is aligned with **4th Grade Essential Standards 4.G.1 and 4.L.2** though you may find that this program supplements other learning objectives.

Public schools have been provided a link to this website already but we would like to extend this program to homeschool students as well. If you would like more information and a link to the website, have a parent contract Jonathon Smith at jonathon_smith@ncsu.edu.

Scholarships & More

Piedmont Electric Membership Corporation College Scholarship Program - Applications are DUE by March 31, 2021. **Click here** for more information.

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

2021 North Carolina GIS Competition for Grades 4-12- **Click Here** for more information.

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.

[Read more 4-H youth development news »](#)



NC State University and N.C. A&T State University work in tandem, along with federal, state and local governments, to form a strategic partnership called N.C. Cooperative Extension.

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.