



Sept/Oct 2023

4-H Happenings

Welcome to 4-H !

We are excited to have you involved in 4-H this year. 4-H is the largest youth development organization in the world and currently has nearly 200,000 members in Tennessee. 4-H supports classroom curriculum and standards through contests and classroom activities. 4-H doesn't require member fees or dues and anyone in 4th-12th grade is eligible to participate in 4-H activities. We hope you will be active in your club and take part in some of the exciting County 4-H events throughout the year. You will be receiving monthly newsletters to let you know about all the wonderful opportunities you can be a part of; be sure to let us know if you are interested in an activity.



School Closed	Sept. 29
National 4-H Week	Oct. 1-7
TSC Clover Days	Oct. 4-15
Fall Break	Oct. 9-13
School Closed	Oct. 16
Thanksgiving Break	Nov. 20-24
Early Dismissal	Dec. 20
Winter Break	Dec. 21-Jan. 3
Return to School	Jan. 4

4-H Service Project

4-H Honor Club and All Stars are collecting items for Standing Rock Reservation. These are due at your next meeting.

What: Pencils, pens and highlighters.

Challenge: Earn points for School of the Year Awards. Points will be awarded for each package collected AND the top schools will receive additional points.



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4-H Public Speaking Contest

Public Speaking is an important part of daily communication. Show your skills in the public speaking contest. Your speech is due on _____.

Rules are as follows:

- ✓ **Topic:** Select a US President, who served between 1789-1990, and tell us about his impact on the history of the United States.
 - ✓ Things to consider (not limited to these)
 - ✓ What were his years of service?
 - ✓ What good things were accomplished?
 - ✓ What mistakes were made?
 - ✓ Were there any battles or wars?
 - ✓ What impact did he have?
 - ✓ How did his private life impact him as President?
 - ✓ Any other interesting information
- ✓ Speeches do not have to be memorized. Note cards may be used.
- ✓ Speeches should be within the following time limits by grade.
 - ✓ 4th Grade – 1-3 minutes
 - ✓ 5th Grade – 3-5 minutes
- ✓ Points will be deducted if the speech is too short or too long.
- ✓ Ribbons will be awarded in each classroom (purple, blue, red or white).
- ✓ Purple ribbons will be invited to the County Contest.
- ✓ White ribbons mean that you did not follow directions (ex/wrong topic, way too long or short).
- ✓ All good speeches have an introduction, body and conclusion.



4-H Piggy Bank Pageant

America Saves is a program designed to help youth learn the importance of financial health and saving money. By creating your own piggy bank you can start saving towards a goal of your own. Piggy banks will be due at the next 4-H activity on _____.

Rules are as follows:

- ✓ Piggy banks must be made by an individual youth.
- ✓ Piggy banks do not have to be in the shape of a pig.
- ✓ Piggy banks must have an opening to put money in and a way to take money out without breaking or destroying it.
- ✓ Only one entry per member.
- ✓ Piggy banks should be made from recycled materials. Do NOT use anything glass.
- ✓ Use any supplies you want! (paint, sequins, paper, stickers) but NO GLITTER.
- ✓ You cannot simply buy a bank and decorate it.
- ✓ Piggy banks can be no bigger than 12 in x 12 in x 12 in.
- ✓ Be sure to label your pig with your name, teacher, grade and school.



It's important to save money so you can buy or do the things you want in the future. Use your creativity to make a Piggy Bank to hold the money you save!



4-H Honor Club

Where: Extension Office or field trips
Who: Grades 6-12
When: 3rd Monday, Sept 18, Oct 23, Nov. 27
6:00pm-7:00pm



The 4-H Honor Club is open to all 4-H members, even if we do not see you at an "in-school club meeting."

Honor Club is the first step in Tennessee's recognition program for outstanding 4-H members in grades 6-12. It is the starting point for 4-H'ers to have the opportunity to keep on advancing and get to the state level where they can compete, go to different events, network, scholarship opportunities, and have FUN! It all starts here! Become a member, then a 4-H All-Star, and work to receive the Vol State Award (the highest recognition award in 4-H!)

An application is required to be recognized as an official TN 4-H Honor Club member, however don't worry all you need to complete it is to be active and work on your citizenship and leadership involvement by attending meetings of this group.

2024 Summer 4-H Camp

Every summer 4-H offers multiple day and overnight camps. More information will be available in the coming months. Upcoming camps:

- ✓ Junior 4-H Camp (4th-6th) – June 24-28, 2024
- ✓ Target Smart Camp (5th-9th) – May 27-31, 2024
- ✓ Junior High Camp (6th-8th) – July 8-12, 2024
- ✓ Creative Design Camp - TBD
- ✓ Junior High Academic Conference – June TBD
- ✓ Electric Camp – June TBD

TSC Clover Days are a GREAT way to support Hamblen County 4-H Camps! The proceeds from Clover Days directly benefit summer 4-H camps. For every 195 clovers sold at \$1 each, we can provide a scholarship to a 4-H member in need of assistance. TSC Clover Days are October 4-15, 2023.



Paper Clover Campaign

It's Coming Soon: Support 4-H by visiting our local Tractor Supply Co. from Oct 4-15, 2024 and making a donation for your 4-H Paper Clover. Hamblen Co. will receive funds through the Morristown TSC location.



National 4-H Week



Help us celebrate National 4-H Week October 1-7, 2023.

2023-24

4-H Shooting Sports



Hamblen County Shooting Sports is holding an information meeting for parents of youth interested in participating this year! Information will be provided for each discipline offered.

Youth may participate in one, two or three disciplines:

- ✓ Archery
- ✓ BB/Air Rifle
- ✓ Shotgun (Trap)

Where: Hamblen County Courthouse, Large Courtroom

Who: Grades 4-12

When: October 2, 2023 at 6:00pm

Fees: This is a fee based program and fees vary by discipline.

If you would like more information about one of these project groups please contact Mrs. Elizabeth at the 4-H Office (edoan@utk.edu or 423-586-6111).

**VOLUNTEER
Needed!**

4-H Project Groups

4-H'ers are encouraged to choose a project or projects and build their knowledge of the project subject material. They complete activities related to the project area, keep records of their activities, give written and oral demonstrations about their projects, and participate in judging and other contests involving their project.

We are always looking for volunteers that would like to lead project group meetings and provide learning opportunities for youth. If you have any questions or are interested please let us know!

To learn more about a project contact us or check out project activity sheets for ideas on things you can do in your favorite project area at

The 4-H Pledge

I Pledge:

My head to clearer thinking,

My heart to greater loyalty,

My hands to larger service,

and my health to better living

for my club, my community, my country, and my world.

DID YOU KNOW?

- ❖ 4-H Slogan is Learn by Doing!
- ❖ 4-H Motto is To Make the Best Better!
- ❖ 4-H Colors are Green and White

