

# Clubs & Activities

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### 4-H COUNCILS

Separate County Council Meetings are held monthly for 5th grade students (Cloverleaf Council), 6th Grade Students (6th Grade Council), 7th and 8th grade students (Juniors Council) and 9th-12th grade students (Senior Council). During these monthly meetings, 4-H'ers have the opportunity to participate in project activities, plan and carry out community service activities and work with adult staff and volunteers to meet goals. Please refer to the Gwinnett 4-H Calendar for meeting dates, times and locations.

## **CONFERENCES & RETREATS**

Several conferences are held throughout the year that focus on current trends and situations for young people. A state-wide Junior Conference is held in October-November for 7th and 8th Grade 4-H'ers, Fall Forum in December, Senior Leadership Conference in April, and State 4-H Council in July are held for 9th-12th grade 4-H'ers. The National 4-H Conference Citizenship Washington Focus and Youth Issue Conferences are held for Senior 4-H'ers. Selection for these conferences is based upon an application process. Area retreats, combined with counties surrounding Gwinnett, focus on youth leadership, financial awareness and youth survival skills.

### COMMUNITY SERVICE

The Gwinnett County 4-H Council conducts community service projects throughout the year. Projects include activities such as: community clean-ups, adopt-a-highway, Christmas for needy families, landscape projects, Adopt-a-Stream and assisting with community projects. Community service projects vary from year to year depending on the need of the community and interest of participating 4-H'ers.

# **COTTON BOLL & CONSUMER JAMBOREE**

4-H'ers learn to evaluate consumer goods, services and clothing in order to make knowledgeable and rational purchasing decisions when participating in this district event. The winning senior teams advance to state competition. Training classes are held in October and November, with the district contest in November.

# **FORESTRY FIELD DAY**

Forestry Field Day is a judging team event where 4- H'ers learn about one of Georgia's most valuable resources. Participants learn to identify trees, insects and diseases. They also participate in compass and pacing activities. Forestry trainings begin in the summer with the district contest held in September. Senior teams advance to state competition.

### HORSE CLUB

The Hi-Hat Horse Club is a special interest club that meets monthly, through the school year, to provide educational programs about horse breeds, riding, care and training. Members have the opportunity to participate in academic competitions such as Horse Quiz Bowl or Horse Judging. Members range from horseless enthusiasts to competitive horse show riders. All interest levels are welcome. Horse Club meets on the second Tuesday of each month, October – May. This is a non-riding program.

## **POULTRY JUDGING**

The 4-H Poultry Judging Contest gives 4-H'ers the opportunity to learn about poultry, (grades and production) and eggs, (quality and grades). Participants judge live birds, ready-to-cook birds, broken-out eggs and eggs in the shell. Training classes are held during the spring with the district contest in April. Senior teams advance to state competition.

## SUMMER ACTIVITIES & CAMPING

Fun and educational summer activities are planned for 4-H'ers and vary from year to year to include local county events or trips to educational foundations and historic sites throughout Georgia. In addition, a week of summer camp is offered at one of our 4-H camp facilities for Cloverleaf 4-Hers (4th - 6th grades) at Rock Eagle 4-H Center, Junior Camp for 7th and 8th grades, and Senior Leadership Camp for 9th -12th grades.