



# The 4-H Messenger

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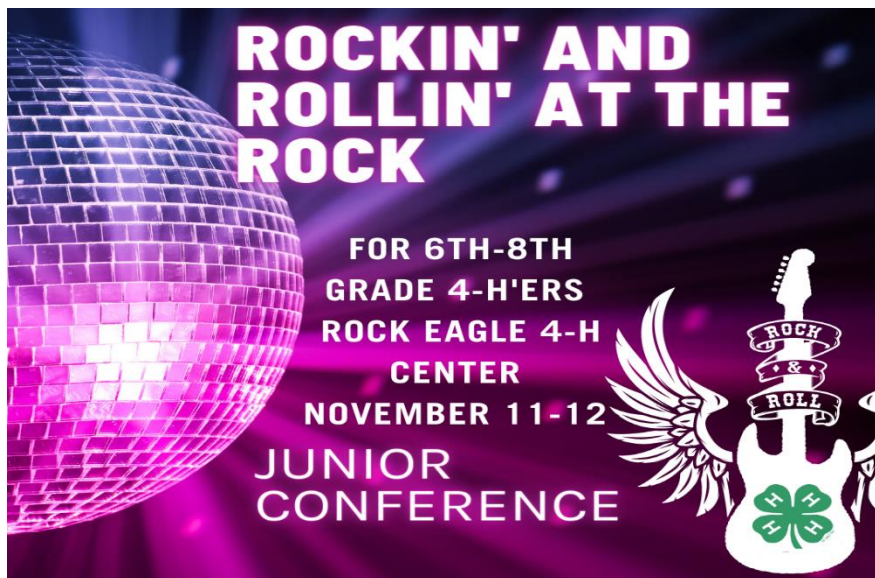
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## Junior Conference at Rock Eagle

**Saturday-Sunday, November 11-12**

**\$40 Registration for 2023 DPA Participants**

**\$90 Registration due at 4-H Office October 27**



6th, 7th, & 8th graders let's get together for a weekend at Rock Eagle 4-H Center with students from all over GA! You will meet new friends, do service projects, workshops, exhibit fair, have a dance, and see Clovers & Co. perform. Register at the Extension/4-H office TODAY located at 275 Cleveland Road near GA square Mall! Registration fee includes Saturday lunch-Sunday Breakfast, lodging & transportation. **Students who competed in DPA in 2023 qualify for a reduced price of \$40.** All other students' registration fee is \$90.



## Start Planning NOW for Summer Camp 2024

Plans are already underway for 2024 4-H Summer Camp! Sixth grade students will camp at Rock Eagle 4-H Center the week of July 8-12. Seventh and Eighth Grade students will have the opportunity to camp at Burton 4-H Center on Tybee Island the week of June 17-21. Mark your calendars and begin making plans now! Summer will be here sooner than you imagine Applications will be available in January.



### **Important Upcoming dates**

Junior Conference at Rock Eagle	November 11-12
DPA Portfolios due at the 4-H office	December 22
Cloverleaf CPA (6th Grade)	February 3 or 10
Jr/Sr DPA (7th-12th grade) at Rock Eagle	March 1-3
Cloverleaf DPA (6th grade) at Jackson County	March 23

# Cloverfest! Fall Festival

Registration starts at 7pm Wednesday September 20

<https://tinyurl.com/4HCloverfest>

You're invited to Cloverfest on **Wednesday, October 11 at 6-7:30 p.m.**



- Cloverfest is a chance for 4-H'ers in grades fifth through seventh grade from across Athens-Clarke County to come together to meet new friends and have a fun, learning experience!
- We'll have exciting events hosted by our High School 4-H'ers including outdoor games, flowers, crafts, snacks, and even line dance class.
- It is **FREE!** Parents must **register** online starting at **7pm Wednesday, September 20**; Signup ends on September 27
- It will be at the 4-H Extension Facility located at 275 Cleveland Road near the GA Square Mall.
- Be one of the first 20 students whose parent signs up online and completes Agreement sent to Parent e-mail.

## Steps to Sign up for Cloverfest! Fall Festival:

1. Have your parent register starting 7pm September 20: <https://tinyurl.com/4HCloverfest> Sign up ends September 27
2. Families notified by email if child receives space: October 2
3. Parent completes Agreement link sent to email listed on registration
4. Have someone bring you to 4-H/ Extension Facility on Wednesday, October 11 at 6pm and pick you up at 7:30pm (275 Cleveland Road near GA square mall)



## Annual 4-H Holiday Card Contest

Design a holiday card for our 4-H Holiday card contest. The winning design will be featured on our Athens-Clarke County 4-H Card. This card will be sent to the mayor, commissioners, the school board and other supporters of 4-H. To enter your own card, just follow these simple IMPORTANT rules:

1. Make your drawing on **white, unlined paper**.
2. The size of the paper must be 8.5 inches by 5.5 inches. This is one half of regular computer printer paper.
3. Put your **NAME, ADDRESS, GRADE, and SCHOOL** on the back of the card.
4. Use a universal December holiday theme rather than depicting one specific holiday and don't forget to include the 4-H symbol.
5. **Submit your card at your October 4-H meeting.**

**Here are a few helpful hints to make your holiday card:** Make your card design attractive and very colorful! Include the 4-H emblem, the four-leaf clover!

**Be CREATIVE!**



## Consumer Judging

Do you like to shop or want to learn how to get the most for your money? Then,

4-H consumer Judging is for You!

**Sign up by September 22 by emailing Ms. Conway: [ebarber@uga.edu](mailto:ebarber@uga.edu)**

Consumer Judging is an after-school activity to prepare for the district competition held in Watkinsville. In consumer judging students will read a scenario which will give details that a person needs when shopping for a particular product. Students will then compare four products in the category and evaluate how each satisfies the stated requirements. The categories for this year's competition are: Bluetooth Speakers, Athletic Socks, Family Games, and Cereal. Also included in the competition students will record a 30 second speech/ advertisement about cotton.

There will be six workshops to prepare for the competition. Workshops will be held at the 4-H office on Tuesday afternoons from **4pm to 5:30 pm** in October & November.

### **Workshop dates are as follows:**

Tuesday October 3	Tuesday October 24
Tuesday October 10	Tuesday October 31
Tuesday October 17	Tuesday November 7

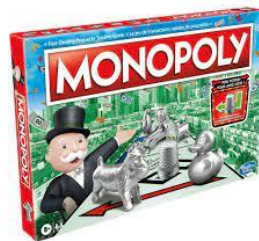
The competition will be held at the Oconee County Civic Center in Watkinsville on **Thursday November 9**. For more information you may contact Ms. Conway at 706-613-3640 or by email: [ebarber@uga.edu](mailto:ebarber@uga.edu)



Bluetooth Speakers



Athletic Socks



Family Games



Cereal



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