

FLASH NEWSLETTER



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If you are an individual with a disability who may require assistance or accommodation in order to participate in or receive the benefit of a service, program or activity of UGA, or if you desire more information, please contact us.

MONTHLY DONATION

New Lotion, Soap or Chapstick/Lip Balm.
Students earn Clover Points for participating, but this is not mandatory.

Georgia 4-H Forms



Don't forget to turn in your Georgia 4-H Forms! All youth who plan to participate in any 4-H activity (outside of in-school club meetings) should complete and return a **Medical Release Form** (yellow sheet) and a **Code of Conduct Form** (green sheet). Both forms must be signed by a parent or legal guardian.

Sign-Up for a Digital Copy of the Flash Newsletter



Parents who would like to sign up to receive a digital copy of the Flash Newsletter each month can do so by scanning

the QR Code or visiting this link: (<https://forms.gle/Q1sXCFjZ2SmJDVv7>).

Elbert County 4-H Fundraisers

Remember all orders for Rada Cutlery and Cloud 9 orders and money must be turned in to the **4-H Office (Blackwell Learning Center) by 4:00pm on Monday, December 2nd**. Krispy Kreme Donuts and Certificates orders with money are

due to the 4-H Office **by 4:00pm on Friday, December 6th.**

Thank you to the following 4-H'ers for participating in the Plant Sale:

Chloe Bradford, Colton Bradford, Michael Hendrix, Allie Stephens, Julianna Walsky and Samantha Walsky. **We appreciate the following students for helping with the Front Door Produce Green Box Fundraiser:** Chloe Bradford, Colton Bradford, Savannah Case, Benton Harris, Myles Hughes, Gracie Kidd (top seller), Miya Maxwell, Chloe McCormick, Allie Molina, Brentley Woodall, Hunter Woodall, Aspen Wright and Avery Wright.

"Earthies" Science Club

FOR 6th GRADERS ONLY.

If you love earth science, then this activity is for you! Join us after school in the **Clover Room** and beyond as we expand on our knowledge of earth science in fun, engaging activities. We will meet after school on **Thursday, December 5th**. A ride must pick you up at **5:00pm** at the ECMS auditorium and you must be a 6th grade student to attend.



Horse Quiz Bowl



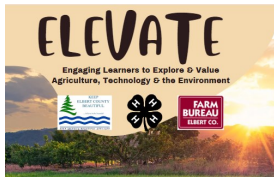
Horse Quiz Bowl is a competitive event where students are charged with learning thousands of pages of horse related content, which they must then answer questions on in a jeopardy styled contest held in January! This is a wonderful way to enhance your knowledge if you are an avid horse lover—but it is not for those who do not want to learn!!! Although fun, there will be homework and tests along the way! Our December practices are: **Wednesday, December 4th, Friday, December 6th, Wednesday, December 11th, Friday, December 13th, and Monday, December 16th**, all in the **Clover Room** at ECMS from **3pm-5pm**.

ELEVATE Afterschool Club

Spend one afternoon a month with us learning a variety of topics, completing projects, and enjoying fun activities! You are sure to love this engaging and interactive time in **4-H Clover Room**. Meetings are held monthly afterschool until **5:00pm**. A ride must pick you up at ECMS.



ELEVATE Continued



ELEVATE stands for: Engaging Learners to Explore & Value Agriculture,

Technology & the Environment. This club is co-sponsored by Keep Elbert County Beautiful & EC Farm Bureau. Students who are interested in being a part of our ELEVATE Club should have their parents complete a registration form at: <https://forms.gle/tC5whYMygGT3n3hu9> or



scan the QR Code to access the registration. Registration must be completed by **December 13th** to receive the meeting

notification. **Students who registered last month do NOT have to register again.**

Portfolio Workshop

All Junior and Senior 4-H'ers (students in the 7th-12th grades) who want to attend



Junior-Senior District Project Achievement with Elbert County 4-H in March must complete a portfolio. Ms. Lauren and Ms. Alex can help you! **Portfolio Workshops** will be held on **Tuesday, December 10**, from **3-5pm**, and on **Wednesday, December 18**, from **1-5pm** in the "Clover Room" at ECMS. **Portfolio appointments can be made by students for December 19th, 20th, and 23rd, as well.** Categories of the portfolio include: 4-H'er background, main project work, main project

helping and sharing, teen leadership, community service and citizenship, 4-H activities and other/school events or information.

Modified Trap Shotgun Team 6th-12th Grades Only!

Students at ECMS & ECCHS are eligible to shoot on the Modified Trap Shotgun Team with Elbert County 4-H. Practices are generally held on Sunday afternoons. Students who are interested in participating should make plans to attend an **Orientation Meeting on Monday, December 16th, at 6:00pm**, in the **Blackwell Learning Center Cafeteria**, with an adult. Practices will start in January. All forms must be completed prior to practice.



Georgia Farm Bureau Middle School Bookmark Contest

This art contest is open to students in the 6-8 grades. Design a bookmark that shows agriculture in Georgia. Agriculture impacts each one of use from the time we wake up until we go to sleep. Your bookmark must be completed on GFB template; ask Ms. Lauren or Ms. Alex for a template. You may use crayons, colored pencils or markers to draw your design about Georgia agriculture. You may only submit one entry. All designs must be your original work. To receive Clover Points, you must turn in your entry to Elbert County 4-H by January 31, 2025. The bookmarks will

be judged on how well the design represents Georgia agriculture and the artistic merit.



2025
Middle School Bookmark Contest

Care Package Items

Requested

Senior 4-H'er Gracie Kidd is a Georgia 4-H Healthy Living Ambassador. As a part of her Ambassador and Project Work, Gracie plans to make "care packages" for patients at the University Cancer and Blood Center in Athens. You have an opportunity to assist with this important endeavor by donating needed items, including: mini crackers, lotion, Chapstick, hard candies or mints, adult coloring books, crossword puzzle or word search books, lap blankets, pens, travel size hand sanitizers, and crayons. Items can be turned in to the 4-H Office, the Clover Room or to the teacher with whom 4-H Club Meetings are held. Please make sure to put your name with any donated items to ensure you get community service Clover Points!



Clubs of the Month

5th Grade: Smith-Burgamy
6th Grade: Whitmire 4th
7th Grade: Walraven 6th
8th Grade: Newman 3rd



HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Anyone who has questions or concerns about the protection of minors involved in UGA programs or activities can contact the Elbert County 4-H Agent (Lauren Dye, LMDYE@UGA.EDU). Additional contacts include the District 4-H Program Development Coordinator (Al Parker, ALPARKER@UGA.EDU) and/or UGA's Director of Compliance for Programs and Activities Serving Minors at programsforminors@uga.edu or 706-542-7255.

Want Clover Points? Parents, please indicate you have seen the December 4-H Flash below. Sign, cut out and return!

Student Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____