FLASH NEWSLETTER

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"Earthies" Science Club

6TH GRADE ONLY. If you love earth science, then this activity is for you! Join us after school in the **Clover Room** as we expand on our



knowledge of earth science in fun, engaging activities. We will meet again on **Thursday, February 8th**. A ride must pick you up at **5:00pm** at the ECMS auditorium and you must be a 6th grade student to attend.

Young Riders 4-H Horse Club

If you like horses, make plans to join the Young Riders Horse Club! This month we will meet during Winter Break for more fun! You do NOT have to own or ride a Horse to participate in this Club! Meet the **Clover Room** at the ECMS (auditorium lobby), from **1:00pm until 5:00pm** on **Tuesday, February 20th.**

Modified Trap Shotgun Team

6th-12th Grades Only!

Students t Elbert County Middle School and Elbert County Comprehensive High School are eligible to shoot on the Modified Trap Shotgun Team with Elbert County 4-H. Practices are held on Sunday afternoons. Students who want to participate and did not attend the Orientation Meeting should contact Ms. Lauren to get the information.

ELEVATE Afterschool Club

Spend your afternoon 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 (ECMS auditorium lobby) and BEYOND! Meetings are held monthly **afterschool until 5:00pm**. A ride must pick you up at ECMS. The next meeting is **Monday, February 26th.** ELEVATE: Engaging Learners to Explore & Value Agriculture, Technology & the Environment. This club is sponsored by Keep Elbert County Beautiful & Elbert County Farm Bureau.

Florida Fresh Strawberry Fundraiser

You can earn Clover Points by selling Florida Fresh Strawberries! Quarts are \$5, 1/2 Flat (4 Quarts)



MONTHLY DONATION

Toilet Paper. Any brand or size package. Students earn Clover Points for participating, but this is not mandatory.

are \$18 and Flats (8 Quarts) are \$30. The more you sell, the more Clover Points you earn! PLUS, you can earn



money towards Summer Camp (if you have registered with your \$75 deposit) or another 4-H activity. Fundraisers help us pay registration for competitive events as well as purchase supplies for programming. Those 4-H'ers who are interested in selling should ask the 4-H Staff for a packet today! All orders are due to the 4-H Center WITH money on Monday, February 19th. If you are going out of town for Winter Break, please turn in your money and order form on the Friday before. Ask Ms. Lauren or Ms. Sophie for a sale packet today!

Trash or Treasure: Valentine Edition

Is it trash or is it treasure? As Valentine's Day approaches,

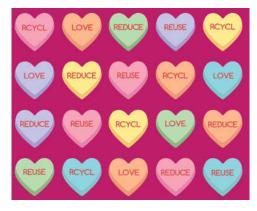


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Trash or Treasure: Valentine Continued

Elbert County 4-H is partnering with Keep Elbert County Beautiful to collect candy wrappers again! They are a treasure instead of trash! All students who turn in candy wrappers will earn Clover Points. You don't have to trash those candy wrappers and doom them to an eternity in a landfill—or, even worse, in our oceans. Collect them and turn them in! Wrappers only—no boxes, sticks or aluminum. Can we collect more than we did for Halloween?!?



State 4-H Horse Show Intent to Show Forms



The Georgia 4-H State Horse Show will be held at the Georgia National Fairgrounds in Perry, this summer June 4th —June 8th. In order to enter the show, 4-H'ers MUST submit an "Intent to Show Form" to the 4-H Office by Wednesday, March 13th. You must own or lease the horse by

March 1, 2024. If you own or lease a horse and would like to compete this summer, please let Ms. Lauren know so she can get you the Intent to Show Form.

Horse Quiz Bowl

Congratulations to our Horse Quiz Bowl Teams who competed in the State Contest on Saturday, January 27th! Both teams did well and the "Blue" Team won 3rd! White Team: Chloe Bradford, Colton Bradford, Kaleigh Heflin and Bailey Martinez. Blue Team: Ayden Evans, Natalie Evans, Zola Graves and Saige Martin.

Portfolio Submission

Congratulations to our 4-H'ers who submitted a portfolio to compete next month at District Project Achievement. Those who submitted a portfolio for judging include: Colton Bradford, Josue Bravo, Bethany Burden, Katie Curlee, Stephanie Espinosa, Ayden Evans, Kaleigh Heflin, Samantha Johnson, Gracie Kidd, Makayla McKnight, Madison Moore, Kush Patel, Lisha Patel, Kennedy Ray, Allie Stephens, Julianna Walsky, Samantha Walsky, Jalyn White and Latayron Williams. We wish them luck in the future!



Clubs of the Month 5th Grade: Mack—Partain & Hopson—Smith 6th Grade: Bonds 1st 7th Grade: Bradley 5th 8th Grade: Tilley 5th





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 February 4-H Flash below. Sign, cut out and return!

Student Name: ____

Parent Signature: _____