

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

Any Personal Hygiene Item (soap, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, etc.)

Students earn Clover Points for participating, but this is not mandatory.

Let's Get WILD! Last Call



Do you LOVE being outside? Do you LOVE hunting or fishing? Do you love wildlife?



Then Elbert County 4-H has the PERFECT event for you! Georgia 4-H Wildlife Judging! If

you are interested in learning about Wildlife with us, PLEASE complete the interest survey! We will only contact students who respond with practice information and the contest information. The Google Form can be accessed at: <https://forms.gle/V51fP9KAVUB2u8Pm7>. Or scan this QR Code to be taken to the interest form. Email Ms. Lauren or Ms. Alex with questions.

Poultry Judging: Last Call

Elbert County 4-H is offering a Poultry Judging Team! Our Team has a history of excellence, we've won the District Contest and placed at State —we are looking for **serious** team



members! Come learn how to evaluate egg quality, body parts, carcass quality and live bird quality! These are valuable skills that you can practice every time you go to the grocery store! Besides, who doesn't love chicken?!? If you are interested in being on this prestigious team, please complete the Google Form at: <https://forms.gle/2qroarDsGT4iq7AP9> or scan the QR Code to be taken to the interest survey.



State 4-H Horse Show EDUCATIONAL CONTESTS

Calling all talented young people!!! The Georgia 4-H State Horse Show offers ways for ALL youth to participate without a horse! The Drawing Contest allows drawings with pencil, chalk, charcoal, pen and ink or pastels. Drawings should NOT be signed on the front or have any personal identification on the front. 4-H'ers may also enter the Painting Contest



using watercolors, acrylic, oil or tempera paints. No names should be on the front



of the artwork. Students may enter the Photography Contest in Color, Black & White, or both. Using technology to help or enhance drawings, paintings or photographs is prohibited. The Essay Contest is for students who enjoy writing about a horse topic. Cloverleaf and Junior 4-H'ers must have at least 200 words, Seniors must have 500. All essays may not be longer than 1,000 words. The Drawing, Painting, Photography, and Essay Contests may be entered without leaving Elbert County! Turn your work into Ms. Lauren or Ms. Alex. Students who would like to travel to the Georgia 4-H State Horse Show in Perry, Georgia, may also enter the Demonstration Contest or the Public Speaking Contest. These contests are similar to Project Achievement. Entry forms for all contests are available at the 4-H Office or staff. All entry forms and entries should be turned in no later than **Friday, May 2, 5:00pm.**



Junior Rally at the Falls



6th - 8th graders have an chance to spend the weekend at Wahsega 4-H Center with other middle school students from the North Districts, April 26 & 27. Fun includes outdoor recreation, high ropes (flying squirrel, zipline or climbing wall), low ropes, workshop rotations, games, campfire, marshmallows roasting and so much more!!! Cost is \$100 and is payable to Elbert County 4-H by April 15. This is a great portfolio activity for those who will attend DPA next year!

Beekeeping Essay

All 4-H'ers are invited to compete in the Georgia 4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest! 1st Place earns \$250, 2nd Place \$100 and 3rd Place \$50. The topic this year is "The Importance of Youth in Beekeeping: How 4-H Members Can Make a Difference!" Students should answer these questions: Why are youth important in beekeeping? How can 4-H members make a difference? How can more young people get involved in beekeeping? What are your future plans as a beekeeper? What is a major contribution a young beekeeper has brought to the industry? Essays should be between 750-1000 words, and will be judged on scope of research, accuracy, creativity, conciseness and logical development of the topic. Please ask Ms. Lauren or Ms. Alex for other



details. Email your entry to the 4-H Staff by the end of the day on Friday, April 11th. Clover Points will be awarded.

Thank You for Fundraisers!



We sincerely appreciate everyone who contributed to the Strawberry and Gourmet Nuts fundraisers!

The following students earned Clover Points: Savannah Adriance, Brantley Almond, Skylar Anderson, Jo'Coby Black, Sophie Black, Josue Bravo, Keyli Brown, Khloe Daley, Raylee Davis, Kamiyah Downer, Emma Engelhardt, Natalie Evans, Jensen Garcia Sanchez. Michael Hendrix, Myla Hood, Jaleyah Huff, Jace Hughes, Adrian Jenkins, Waylon Kidd, Grace Kuykendall, RJ Lane, Aiken Marlow, Saige Martin, Kash Massey, Keira McCan, Aiden McCarty, Natalin McNair, Jaycie Peacock, Kennedy Ray, Landon Spearman, Ava Triplett, Melisa Watkins, Addyson Webb, Brentley & Hunter Woodall and Madilyn Young.

Georgia 4-H Horse Quiz Bowl

Congratulations to our 4-H'ers who practiced and competed at the 2025 State Horse Quiz Bowl Contest. Team



members who competed were Bailey Martinez, Zola Graves, Saige Martin & Natalie Evans. Ayden Evans was a Teen Leader. Other team members who were unable to compete include Melisa Watkins, Farrah Petsche, Aiden McCarty and Chloe Bradford.

Jr-Sr Project Achievement



DPA was amazing!!! Junior 4-H'ers competing were: Lilyian Adams 1st Place; Savannah Adriance 2nd Place; Gracey Baxter 1st Place; Kenjia Davis 2nd Place; Emma Engelhardt 1st Place; Natalie Evans 2nd Place; Myla Hood 1st Place; Grace Kuykendall 1st Place; Bailey Martinez 1st Place; Alivia McCaslan 2nd Place; Natalin McNair 3rd Place; Jeremias Oviedo 3rd Place; Haylee Sorensen 1st Place; Ava Triplett 2nd Place; Kieffer Vang 1st Place; and Addyson Webb 1st Place. Senior 4-H'ers competing were: Colton Bradford 4th Place; Josue Bravo 1st Place; Bethany Burden 4th Place; Ayden Evans 2nd Place; Adrian Jenkins 1st Place; Gracie Kidd 2nd Place; Makayla McKnight 1st Place; Madison Moore 1st Place; Kennedy Ray 4th Place; Allie Stephens 1st Place; Julianna Walsky 2nd Place; and Samantha Walsky 1st Place. Elbert County won three awards: Most 1st-3rd Place Winners, Most 1st Place Winners & Largest Percentage of Winners!

Clubs of the Month

5th Grade: Hopson-Hopson
6th Grade: Hagood 1st
7th Grade: Henle 6th
8th Grade: Newman 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 March 4-H Flash below. Sign, cut out and return!

Student Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____