



Senior 4-H Newsletter

August & September 2023

Gwinnett 4-H Connection

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Senior 4-H Council

2nd floor conference room of the
Gwinnett Annex building
6:30pm-8:00pm
Meeting dates:

First Meeting: August 7
September 11 October 2 November 6
December 4 January 8 February 5
March 4 April 8 May 6

You must complete these
Enrollment Forms
to participate:

[New Member Enrollment](#)
[Returning Member Enrollment](#)

Consumer Judging details page 3 sign up ends
September 20, 2023 call office
678.377.4010

Gwinnett County Fair

Sign-up to work a shift at the 4-H Farm Friends Exhibit in the Big Red Barn. Sign-up comes out in late August. Look for an e-mail from Ms. Brittany our 4-H Agent
Enter Something in the Fair Youth Exhibits registration form page 4 details page 2
Pre-registration deadline Tues, Sept 6 5:00pm
Exhibit Take-in at drop off site only
Friday, Sept 9 from 1:00pm to 6:30pm
Exhibit Pick-up at drop off site only
Monday, Sept 26 from 2:30pm to 6:00pm

Two Fall Break Day Trips

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Hike Trip limit 8 \$5.00 each

Thursday October 5th 8am-5pm

Sign-up by Sept 29

GA National Fair Trip \$30.00

Friday October 6th: 8:00am-8:30pm

Sign-up by Sept 12

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Date, Location, & Time for Senior 4-H Council

Lawrenceville location, the 2nd floor conference room of the Gwinnett Annex building on 750 Perry Street Lawrenceville, Ga 30046. These monthly council meetings are on Monday nights. The meeting starts at 6:30pm and ends at 8:00pm.

Calling All High School Students

Service, leadership, friends, and fun!

Unlock the possibilities with Gwinnett 4-H.

Get the big picture of 4-H in Gwinnett

During the school year:

- * Pick and choose from all the 4-H age appropriate opportunities
- * Earn your way to District Project Achievement
- * Participate on a Judging team
- * Help with a service project
- * Be part of our Horse Club
- * Visit us at the Gwinnett County Fair



Find out how to earn a place on the **2024** Rewards Trip!

4-H is the place for you to shine, develop leadership, and grow self confidence.

October Fall Day Trips

Thursday October 5th, Hike Blood Mountain... Spectacular views 6 miles round trip moderate hiking. Blood Mountain is our first choice destination. The hike destination is weather dependent, location may change due to weather. Sign-up by September 29th. Meet in the lower parking lot by 8:00 am, look for 4-H white van. Return same place by 5:00 pm. Cost \$5.00 per person. Our transportation is limited to 9. Detailed day pack list sent to participants. You bring what is on the list, your lunch, drinks and snacks. Sign-up by turning in Medical Information and Release form with your \$5.00 payment - check, or money order can be mailed in. If you come into the office Monday – Friday 8:00am-4:30pm Master Card, Visa and Discover Credit cards or exact cash can be used.

[Medical Information & Release](#)

Friday October 6th trip \$30.00 GA National Fair in Perry, separate Medical Information & Release form, with payment. Payments can be done together with written designations indicating child for and event(s) applied to. Detail letter will be sent to participants. Transportation limit but larger. Will need to bring additional money for lunch and dinner at the Fair.

JOIN 4-H Today!

Contact:
brittany.james@gwinnettcountry.com

Bring It In - Service Options Aluminum Pop Tabs

Last chance for this year to save aluminum pop tabs. We turn in the pop tabs annually in November at the Junior Conference. The large number of tabs that Georgia 4-H collects will make an impressive contribution to the Ronald McDonald House Charities. Each Gwinnett 4-H participant in the 6th-12th grades will be credited \$.10 per ounce, which is awarded in voucher form applicable toward future 4-H events and activity fees in May of 2024.

Old Eye Glasses

4-H'ers are collecting used eye glasses that will be donated to the Georgia Lions Lighthouse for the Blind. Please bring your donations to the next Council meeting.

The mission of Georgia 4-H is to assist youth in acquiring knowledge, developing life skills, and forming attitudes that will enable them to become self-directing, productive and contributing members of society. This mission is accomplished, through "hands on" learning experiences, focused on agricultural and environmental issues, agriculture awareness, leadership, communication skills, foods and nutrition, health, energy conservation, and citizenship.

Exploring and discovering, encouraging and challenging, that's what Georgia 4-H is all about. As a program of the University of Georgia College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Cooperative Extension System, 4-H is part of the nationwide Extension net-work.

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4-H at the Gwinnett County Fair

Active 4-H members, those in middle school and high school, will receive an e-letter inviting them to sign-up in late August to work a shift at our 4-H Farm Friends educational exhibit. Working one or more shifts counts as a **single activity point**. The e-letter will come from 4-H Agent, Ms. Brittany.

Look for the big red barn between the children's rides and the arena/animal stalls. We have young and friendly farm animals. "Learning by doing" is our 4-H slogan, so don't be shy. Everyone is welcome!

The barn admission fee helps raise funds that cover our District Project Achievement and Judging Team competition fees. It also covers materials and supplies used at council meetings.

Nothing can replace the pride and connection you get from coming in and getting acquainted with our young farm animals.

Youth Exhibit Entry Information

You may wish to enter an exhibit in the county fair. To do so, at the gwinnettcountryfair.com website, under [Adult and Youth Exhibits](#), click on the following links for PDFs featuring information on exhibiting crafts and crops:

[Rules and Entry Classes](#) [Exhibit Application](#)

- * Nine youth divisions, each with multiple categories
- * Unlimited number of items per exhibitor may be entered, but only one item per class
- * Prize money awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places
- * Exhibitor pre-registration is due by 5:00pm Tuesday, September 7
- * Take-in of all items is Friday, September 9, between 1:00pm - 6:30pm at the fairgrounds (only use gate #1 off Davis Road)
- * Pick-up your entered items on Monday, September 26 between 2:30pm - 6:00pm at the fairgrounds (use gate #1 off Davis Rd.)
- * Follow the rules!

Entering one item or more items will count as a **single activity point**.

Why do High School members Want to Earn Activity Points?

Members working toward the Rewards Trip need to earn six activity points to go on the Rewards Trip, as well as: one Judging Team participation, DPA participation, and attendance at four meetings.

What are 4-H Clubs?

4-H clubs are available at the community, project, or special interest group level. Community 4-H clubs have a planned program that runs throughout the year and focuses on a variety of self-chosen learning experiences and activities. Examples include photography, robotics, gardening, animal science, ecology, textiles, and cooking. 4-H community clubs typically meet in the evenings or on the weekend. Each county offers a variety of programs. Project 4-H clubs also provide planned programs that run throughout the year and focus on one project area. Project 4-H clubs typically meet in the evenings or on the weekend. 4-H special interest groups are short-term, focus on a specific learning experience and are not limited to members of 4-H clubs

Forestry Judging Sign-up until August 3

5-12 grades Mock Judging 8-29-23, then Area Competition Sep. 2023 4-H State Competition for top 9-12 graders, 09-30-23 Location TBA

Consumer Judging Sign Up Practice every Tuesday Sept 26 and first 4 Tuesday nights in October. Mock Competition final practice before Area Competition November 2023. Top two 9-12 grade teams at Area Competition move on to State

Poultry Judging Sign Up in February

Practice every Tuesday in March and two in April, but not spring break. April -Area Competition TBA

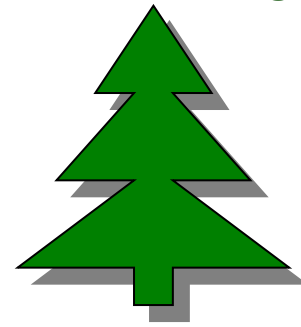
Wildlife Judging Sign Up in January. Spring Break Camp and Practices Wednesdays in March and April. State Competition at Rock Eagle in April or May.

Lifesmarts Sign up in August. Practice will be before senior meetings every month. January will start weekly meetings close to competition.



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Gwinnett 4-H Forestry Team is in the final stages



What is taught at Forestry training?



Learn about different trees



Identify bugs, diseases and conditions that affect trees



Improve or discover your accuracy by walking off measurements and pacing

Learn how to estimate the board feet of lumber in a live standing tree using a scale stick, two eye-balled glances at 66 feet from the base of the tree using a volume table

We are wrapping up this year's practice and attending Area Competition on Tuesday, Sept 5, at Camp Westminster in Conyers, GA Next year look for sign up information to come out in March for summer practice.

Next Judging Team is Consumer Judging; Practice 6:30pm – 8:00pm Starting Sept 26th then four Tuesdays in October, Area Competition estimate time 2:00pm - 9:00pm, October 30 Johnson Park in Conyers, GA Sign up now– Sept 19th!

Do you like to shop? Improve your skills in comparison shopping, learn what to look for, how to spot the best deal, and how to logically state reasons for why this product in the class is the best for the situation scenario given. Four Product Studies for 2023: 1)

- 1) Family Games
- 2) Bluetooth Speakers,
- 3) Cereal,
- 4) Athletic Socks

2023 GA 4-H Consumer Judging Study Guide

Do you like to act? Here is a quick creative and fun part of this competition. Props and/or costumes can be used by all grades. Why cotton? The cotton industry sponsors this competition and donates prizes at the competition.

- 30-second Cotton Commercial with 22" x 14" poster, Grades 4-8
- 90-second Cotton Advertisement (no poster), Grades 9-12

Each of the first four Tuesday night practices focus on one of the product studies. Cotton Commercial or Advertisement is developed with check points at practices. Final practice is our mock competition with cotton commercial / dress rehearsal.

Annual paperwork, if not in yet, is due on sign up. No cost to you for registration, county will cover competition registration.

To sign-up: E-mail: barbara.larson@gwinnettcountry.com

Gwinnett County Fair Registration Form

One (1) person per form



Adult **Youth—Grade** _____ **Master number:** _____
 (For Office Use Only)

A description of your items must be on your form. Example of a photo entry description: Lady sitting on a horse in a field of yellow flowers. See detailed example below of how to complete this form.

Name: _____

Phone number: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Street _____ City _____ Zip Code _____

	Ticket #	Division	Class	Brief Description of Item
EX.	12345	Division 4 Adult Crafts	Class 329 Jewelry- Pink and green Beads	Necklace with red, white and blue beads.
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