

NOVEMBER 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7 <i>Horse Quiz Bowl Practice</i>	8	9 <i>Harvest Festival Junior Conference (11/9-11/10)</i>
10 <i>Junior Conference (11/9-11/10)</i>	11	12 <i>Middle School Club Mtg</i>	13	14 <i>Ila Elementary Club Mtg Horse Quiz Bowl Practice</i>	15 <i>Colbert Elementary Club Mtg</i>	16 <i>Equestrian Drill Team Competition (11/16-11/17)</i>
17	18 <i>Comer Elementary Club Mtg</i>	19 <i>Hull-Sanford Elementary Club Mtg</i>	20 <i>Colt Academy Club Mtg</i>	21 <i>Bridgeway Academy Club Mtg High School Club Mtg Horse Quiz Bowl Practice</i>	22	23
24 <i>Fruit Trees ready for pick up!</i>	25	26	27	28 <i>4H Office CLOSED for Thanksgiving Break</i>	29	30



4-H Connections

Madison County

October 2024

Announcements

Horse Quiz Bowl Practices Start October 24th! Calling all horse enthusiasts! Horse Quiz Bowl will start up soon. This competition teaches students all about horses—care, health, feeding, housing, etc. Practices are held on Thursdays (3:30pm-5pm) and the State 4-H Horse Quiz Bowl Competition is on Saturday, January 25, 2025. Reach out to us if you're interested.

Awards Program! Save the Date of Sunday, October 27th for our 2023-2024 Awards Program. District and State competitors will receive an invitation with all the details.

Superlatives... 6th-12th Graders are encouraged to complete a checklist for an upcoming award. It's based on points earned on that checklist for Gold, Silver, and Bronze Awards. Think back on all of your accomplishments from last year (2023-2024 Academic Year) and contact us for a packet.

Stay Connected!

Website:
<http://caes.uga.edu/extension/madison/>
Facebook:
@UGAExtensionMadisonCounty
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Monthly Newsletter: Passed out in club meetings, posted on our website, emailed to families
Georgia 4-H: georgia4h.org or facebook.com/georgia4h

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

DECEMBER 2024

14th-15th
Fall Forum
14th
State FFA & 4-H Rabbit Show
25th-31st
Christmas Holiday, offices closed

JANUARY 2025

1st
New Years Holiday, offices closed
3rd
Final Copy of Completed Portfolio DUE for Project Achievement
25th
State 4-H Horse Quiz Bowl

FEBRUARY 2025

8th
Cloverleaf Project Achievement
19th-22nd
Georgia Junior National Livestock Show
21st-23rd
Equestrian Drill Team Competition
25th
4-H Day at the Capitol

MARCH 2025

7th-8th
Jr/Sr DPA
22nd
Georgia 4-H State Livestock Judging Contest

APRIL 2025

5th-6th
Senior Conference
11th-16th
National 4-H Conference
19th-20th
Equestrian Drill Team Competition
24th
Area Poultry Judging Contest
26th
Wildlife Judging Contest

MAY 2025

2nd
State Poultry Judging Contest
29th-30th
Georgia 4-H Ambassador Training



To visit the 4-H web page!



TRICK OR TREAT!

Help us make Halloween Candy Bags for pre-K children and Senior Citizens!

- ◆ Earn 5 clover points by donating at least 1 bag or more of candy (**NO nuts, or peanut butter candy**).
- ◆ Turn donations in to your school's collection box or at your October club meeting. You can also bring them to the 4-H Office.
- ◆ Earn an additional 5 clover points by joining us on Monday, October 28th for "packing of the bags". Meet at the Madison County Extension/4-H Office from 3:00pm-5:00pm.



To Make the Best
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Cloverleaf Corner

Clover Points—All 5th graders...All points are due May 1, 2025. All drop offs for points need to be at the 4-H office or in the 4-H box at the front of your school.

- Earn 5 points when you turn in your 4-H Friends book completed!
- Earn 1 point each time you wear a 4-H shirt (or any shirt that is at least 50% GREEN) or UGA shirt to club meetings. Show your SPIRIT!!
- Earn 2 points when you turn in the signed slip from your newsletter!
- Earn 5 points for promoting our annual Fruit Tree Sale Fundraiser!
- Earn up to 40 points for participating in Project Achievement!

Junior Power

MCMS November Club Mtg
Tuesday, November 12th



Junior Conference—November 9-10

6th-8th grade and **selected teen leaders** from 9th-12th grades can register for all the fun at the Rock Eagle 4-H Center Junior Conference.

Participants (excluding teen leaders) have the opportunity to showcase an exhibit focusing on his or her DPA project area. The exhibit can be on a tri-fold board and can highlight any topic of choice based on 4-H'er interest. Awards will be given to the top exhibits! The first 100 participants to register to bring an exhibit will be selected. Let our office know when you register.

Registration is \$100.00 and includes Saturday lunch and dinner, lodging, Sunday breakfast, and transportation. **Deadline to register is Thursday, October 24, 2024.** Drops after Friday, October 25th, will incur a \$30.00 cancellation fee. Spaces are limited so sign up NOW!

MCHS November Club Mtg
Thursday, November 21st

Senior Excitement

Fall Forum—December 14-15

What: Attend fun workshops, do community service, watch Clover's & Company!

Where: Rock Eagle 4-H Center

Cost: **\$105.00** (includes Saturday lunch and dinner, lodging, and Sunday breakfast)

Teen Leader Opportunities for Fall Forum!

Hone in on Skills Teaching Your Own Workshop: You'll provide a topic (one that interests you) and materials needed to conduct a workshop.

Motivate Others by Teaching a Prepared Workshop: You'll teach a lesson developed by our Extension Specialists using materials supplied for you.

Lead a Service Activity: You'll lead a community service activity for participants during the Exhibit and Service Fair. Projects should be easy to do in a short amount of time and provide something for a group in need.

Recreation Leader: You'll be responsible for keeping participants actively engaged through leading recreation, ice breakers, game, etc. throughout the weekend.



Other Opportunities

Exhibitors: Fall Forum participants have the opportunity to showcase an exhibit focusing on his/her DPA project area. The exhibit can be on a tri-fold board. Awards will be given to the top exhibits! The first 100 participants to register to bring an exhibit will be selected.

4-H Cans Hunger: You're encouraged to collect canned goods and non-perishable items to donate to your local food bank. All you have to do is record the number of items you collected and turn that number in at Fall Forum.



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| Apple | Pomegranate | Bunch |
| Pear | Muscadines | Grapes |
| Peach | Blueberries | Goji Berry |
| Pecan | Raspberries | Elderberry |
| Fig | Blackberries | |

Our annual fruit tree fundraiser is here! Please share this information with family and friends. The proceeds we receive from sales helps us fund programs. Rewards Points can be earned by 4th and 5th grade 4-H'ers which helps them earn a reward trip at the end of the year. Scan the QR code above with your smartphone for more information.

WHAT IS PROJECT ACHIEVEMENT?

Project Achievement helps develop skills for a lifetime. You choose a project area that interests you. Once you do that, you research your topic, write, and present a presentation. The process develops leadership, creativity, public speaking, record keeping, and communication skills.

Cloverleaf DPA...Scheduled for **February 8, 2025** in Newton County. If you would like to compete, please reach out and schedule an appointment to plan your presentation.

6th Grade / Junior / Senior DPA Portfolio and Presentations...District Project Achievement is **March 7-9, 2025** at the Rock Eagle 4-H Center. **Showcase/Dress Rehearsal** is on **Sunday, March 2, 2025**. 6th graders are not required to have a portfolio but will need to resent their project (similar to Cloverleaf Project Achievement).

Steps to take NOW!

1. Choose your project area
2. Set up an appointment with us (call 706-795-2281)

Dates to Save (Junior/Senior ONLY)!

- 10/24/2024—Final Rough Draft (Mandatory)
- 11/21/2024—1st Support Page Workshop
- 12/19/2024—2nd Support Page Workshop
- 01/3/2025—Final Copy of Completed Portfolio Due



University of Georgia is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action, Veteran, Disability Institution. If you need a reasonable accommodation or language access services, contact the Madison County Extension Office at 706-795-2281, at least three weeks prior to the program date.

Return this signed portion of the Clover Connection verifying that you and your parents read the newsletter to receive points.

October 2024

4-H'er signature (you) _____ Parent/Guardian Signature _____

School Club _____