

Newsletter



4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT



Cooperative Extension Service

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April 2024

Fair Dates

July 6 Parade

July 13 Tractor Pulls
Benefiting
Kenna Bodell

July 23-26 4-H and
Open Division
Exhibits

Rabbit and Poultry
Show July 27



All meetings will be held at the Ballard County Extension Office, 110 Broadway LaCenter, unless otherwise stated. If school is cancelled due to weather or sickness, our meetings are cancelled too.

April 1	DEADLINE for 4-H Camp Scholarships
April 2	String Piece Quilting, 9am-2pm, bring lunch, call 270-665-9118 to sign up. Limit 10. Plan to bring your lunch. Taught by Sarah Drysdale and Master Clothing Volunteers.
April 12	DEADLINE BY NOON for County Communications Event
April 12	DEADLINE for 4-H Teen Round Up for 6 th -12 th graders
April 15	Leadership Club, 3:20-4:30pm
April 15	Ballard County 4-H Council, 4:30pm
April 16	Ballard County Communications Event 6pm Please consider entering especially if you have done it before. More details in newsletter.
April 17	Horse Club, 3:20-4:30pm
April 18	Technology Club, Ballard Telephone Cooperative, 3:20-4:30pm. Please call 270-665-9118 to sign up!!
April 22	Livestock Club, 3:20-4:30pm
April 26	4-H Teen Round Up, McCracken County Extension Office, 9am-3pm, Transportation provided.
April 26-28	Shooting Sports Coaches Certification, Dawson Springs. Must be preregistered.
April 30	Art Club, 3:20-4:30 West 1 and 2 Communications Event, North Calloway Elementary School, Murray
June TBA	4-H Project Days

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Camp

Camp forms are available on Ballard 4-H Website.

The link is also here:

<https://ballard.ca.uky.edu/4-h-camp-2024>

THANK YOU!!!

For 4-H Camp Scholarships

Ballard County Soil Conservation District
Giving Tree Boutique
Community Club Homemakers

You are making a difference in the lives of youth!

We are filling up quickly for 4-H Camp. The boys spots are full. We have 10 girls spots left. We may have some half scholarships available beyond what is being awarded at this time. If any individual, organization or business would like to contribute to the 4-H Camp Scholarship Fund, we would welcome any donation amount but a ½ scholarship would be \$160 and a full scholarship would be \$320.

We also need to confirm our male and female 4-H Camp Counselors before we can guarantee 4-H Camp spots, so please consider volunteering.

In search of:

We are always wanting to give new opportunities to our Ballard County youth. If you have a passion for something that could help “SPARK” youth interests in hobbies or of even future career/trade opportunities, please give me a call so we can talk, 270-665-9118. In particular, we are looking for Fishing Club leaders, archery coaches and we can always add other interests.

Roxie Blankenship is interested in starting a **Horticulture Club** and maybe even develop a community garden. If you have an interest in gardening and kids, please contact either of us. Her focus of classes at the recent Kentucky Volunteer Forum was horticulture and she has lots of ideas.

Anyone who is available to help will have to do the background check process. It's not too difficult to complete the paperwork and we pay the processing fee. It is good for four years. This is of course for your protection as well as the youth.

Many Thanks!

Thank you to Swift and Staley, Ballard County Fiscal Court, Four Rivers Nuclear Partnership, Unlimited Graphics, Ballard Telephone Cooperative First Community Bank of the Heartland, Bandana Ag, Giving Tree Boutique, Ballard County Fiscal Court, Citizens Deposit Bank and Todd Cooper for their donations toward the 2024 Leadership Ballard Program. There may be more donors to come. Many, many thanks for your support for our young people!

New Opportunity

We have a new opportunity coming up: Ballard Telephone Cooperative is starting the Technology Club at their office. The next meeting is Thursday, April 18, 3:20-4:30. You may send a note to ride the bus there.

Please call 270-665-9118 to sign up and get your enrollment form.



West 1/2 Communications Event

The County Event will be on Tuesday, April 16, at 6:30pm at the Ballard County 4-H Office, 110 Broadway, La Center. Registration can be done by calling the 4-H Office, 270-665-9118.

SPEECH categories are 9-18 and we need your AGE ON JANUARY 1, 2024.

DEMONSTRATION categories are by SUBJECT MATTER. See more details in the links below including examples, rules and score sheets.

The Area Event will be in Calloway County on April 30.

Speeches: Information Booklet

<https://jessamine.ca.uky.edu/.../files/Speech%20Booklet.pdf>

Speech Video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yStFgtTmmD4>

Demonstration Booklet:

<https://jessamine.ca.uky.edu/.../files/4-H%20Demo%20book.pdf>

Demonstration Video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OzDF2g8uHck>

4-H Thriving Model

The 4-H Thriving Model is the theory of change for positive youth development in 4-H. The model illustrates the process of positive youth development in 4-H programs by connecting high quality program settings to the promotion of youth thriving. For more information, please click the link below or visit the Ballard County 4-H website.

<https://helping-youth-thrive.extension.org/home/>

County Fair

The county fair will be a split fair this year due to our being at 4-H Camp the actual week of fair evening events such as pageants. The parade is Saturday, July 6, and the Tractor Pull is Saturday, July 13.

We will enter our 4-H Exhibits on Tuesday, July 23, and pick up exhibits on Friday, July 26, all at the 4-H Office, 110 Broadway, La Center. The Poultry and Rabbit Show will be inside at the Legion Hall at the fairgrounds on Saturday, July 27.



Project Days

We will be having some project days in June to prepare exhibits for the fair. We are working on Terrariums, Photography, Arts, Crafts, other horticulture ideas and some Home Environment categories. Stay tuned for details in the May newsletter.

Teen Leadership Roundup

The West 1 and 2 Teen Leadership Roundup will be on Friday, April 26, at the McCracken County Extension Office from 9am-3pm. It is for grades 6 – 12. Transportation will be provided. Information is available in this newsletter. The COUNTY DEADLINE is April 12, and the registration fee is \$5. This is always a lot of fun and you have the opportunity to meet other 4-Hers from the eleven most western Kentucky counties. Please see the flyer and information for details on classes, etc.

Released by:

Paula Ferrell

Ballard County Extension Agent
For 4H/Youth Development

Opportunities for Ballard County Teens!

Explore college, future career paths and gain leadership skills with 4-H

LOCATION
University of Kentucky
Lexington, KY

PRICE \$250

Contact your county 4-H Agent for more info

LEADERSHIP >> **COMMUNICATION** >> **TEAMWORK** >> **SERVICE**

HEAD **HANDS** **HEART** **HEALTH**

who: W1/W2 area youth in grades 6-12
when: Friday, April 26, 2024, 9AM - 3PM
where: McCracken County Extension Service

Optional: Dress in your best outer space attire!

Funshops >> Teamwork Challenges >> Free pizza service projects >> Ice breakers >> Snacks & More!

Plan, led, and sponsored by W1/W2 Area 4-H Teen Council. \$5 registration
To register or more information contact your county 4-H Agent.

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