



GRANT COUNTY 4-H UPDATE

April 2023

Happy April.

Please remember to keep an eye out and be aware about upcoming ownership dates and paperwork deadlines. Also, remember that if you are planning on participating in the Grant County Fair, your 4-H enrollment should be complete (including your project list) by May 1.

There are a few other unique opportunities to consider. There are delegates from Japan and Taiwan seeking host families. The third week of June will be packed with Teen Conference, Washington Junior Horse Show, and State Livestock Judging.

As we enter the season for spring breaks, I hope you are able to set aside some time for a little reflection. I recently ran across a thought by Bede Jarrett, "Do I think more of the accidents of birth, fortune, and personal appearance than of the self that I have created? For I myself am responsible for myself.... I myself alone am responsible for my own character; for character is an artificial thing that is not born, but made." So let us remember that there are some things that we have control over and things we do not. Character and attitude are two things that we certainly have control over.

I will be away all next week at the PNW 4-H Professional conference. Stephanie and I are presenting two posters in Boise.

Enjoy your week.

Carolyn

Leader Council Meeting

Monday, April 3 at 7 pm (Hybrid: Zoom and at the Extension Office)

Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS, or Android: <https://wsu.zoom.us/j/97252564505>

Phone Call (long distance) +1(253)215-8782, 97252564505#

Market Large Animal Weighing and Tagging Dates

BEEF—New this year: members are able to tag their own animals at home (similar to the swine, goats and lambs). Pictures of tags in the ears need to be received by Ana (ana.myers@wsu.edu) by May 1.

Beef tags are available at the office for pick up. The traditional weighing and tagging event (participation optional) will be open from 1-5 pm on Saturday April 15. All members are responsible for turning in their tag photos to Ana by May

SWINE—**Tags are now available at the office.** Photos of tags in ears to Ana by Friday May 19. If you do not feel comfortable tagging your pig, contact the Extension Office to set up an appointment.

GOAT/SHEEP—**Tags are not available yet***, ear tags will be available at the Extension Office and photos showing tags in the ears due to Ana by June 16.

Lincoln County Spring Showcase—April 15th, Davenport WA

This early spring show will allow kids to gain a valuable "learn by doing" experience and better prepare for upcoming regional jackpot shows, county fairs, or a future market livestock show.

For more information, please visit <https://extension.wsu.edu/.../4h/lincoln-county-spring-show/>

YQCA Instructor Led Training—April 26 in Othello

There will be a live YQCA training in Othello. Preregistration and a pretest are required. Contact the Extension Office for more information.

Washington State Teen Conference: Build Your Future June 20-23

Teen Conference is back and will be held in Pullman on the WSU campus. More information will be out soon. Mark your calendars and consider attending this youth leadership and career readiness opportunity. Registration will open in April and be open about 10 days exclusively for 4-H. Contact Carolyn for more information.

WA State Junior Horse Show



61st Washington State Junior Horse Show, June 23-25, Grant County Fairgrounds, Moses Lake. For more information, contact Gloria Marley gjmarley@msn.com, 509-961-9417, [Washington State Junior Horse Show Information and Entry Form](#).

State Livestock Judging—June 23

Great learning opportunity for all ages. This is a wonderful club activity.

4-H International Exchange



Seeking Host Families for Summer 2023

For 50 years, 4-H families in Washington State have opened their homes to Japanese youth! This year we will be hosting young people from Taiwan and Japan. Consider opening your home for this truly unique learning experience. Families do not need to be 4-H participants to host. For more information, email Carolyn at carolyn.russo@wsu.edu.

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)



As a reminder on March 23, 2022, YQCA moved to a new platform resulting in a web address change. PLEASE RE-DIRECT all youth, parents, and instructors to use the new website <https://yqcaprogram.org> so that they can participate in this dynamic program. The old website address and link are no longer active. Youth selling market projects at the Grant County Fair will need to be current on their YQCA certification.

Grant County Get Cook'n Monthly Cooking Sessions

Learn to cook something new from your own kitchen with other county youth members of all ages... This is open to all members, but younger members will need parental supervision and support. It is created and lead by youth members for youth members. We cook the recipes together during the meeting. Just come with the ingredients and materials and be ready to have fun.

Washington State Equine Science & Horsemanship Series



The Washington State 4-H Equine Committee presents a yearlong Equine Science series on the fourth Thursday of every month. You can register for this virtual program at https://wsu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_a3nWG9DT516wVCu

For more information, contact Kim Baker | kim.baker@wsu.edu | 425-520-3908 the WA State 4-H Equine Coordinator.

Eco-Gardening Symposium



6TH ANNUAL COLUMBIA BASIN



ECO-GARDENING SYMPOSIUM

APRIL 22, 2023
9 AM - 1 PM

Technical Skills Center
900 E. Yonezawa Blvd., Moses Lake

The Master Gardeners will be having a free gardening symposium on Saturday April 22 from 9AM to 1PM at the Technical Skills Center.

The theme of the symposium this year is Gardening with Sustainable Solutions. Four dynamic speakers from around the state will share their insights on gardening challenges and opportunities in times of changing climate.

To register, go to columbiabasincd.org or call (509) 765-9618

Upcoming Events



February 1	Enrollment Late Fee Applied
April 1	Horse Certificates Due
April 3	Grant County Leaders Council Meeting
April 15	Grant County Fair Steer Weighing and Tagging
April 15	Lincoln County Showcase, Davenport
April 18	Livestock Committee Meeting, Huck Fuller Building, Fairgrounds
May 1	Grant County 4-H Enrollment closes
May 6-7	Washington State Horse Bowl and Hippology, Moses Lake
May 13	Still Life Extravaganza and Fun Match, George
June 20-23	Teen Conference, Pullman
June 22-25	Washington State Junior Horse Show
June 24	Washington State Livestock Judging, Moses Lake
July 28	Record Books/Project Reviews Due, Posters Due, Photography Exhibits Due
July 29	Clean-up Day, Grant County Fairgrounds
August 15-19	Grant County Fair
September 15	All Club Year-End Documents Are Due



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