Jackson County 4-H Update

May 10-23, 2021

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"Creativity is the secret sauce to science, technology, engineering, and math."

Ainissa Ramirez, Materials Scientist, Science Communicator

From the Educators

Dear 4-H Family,

Hi! Steven here, with this and next week's edition of the JC 4-H Update! Here in the 4-H office, we're continually tweaking and improving our communications to make things as easy as possible for y'all, so please shoot me an email if there's anything you'd like to see in our newsletter, on our website, or on our social media pages. This week, May 8-16, is Oregon STEM week! STEM week is an awesome opportunity to celebrate science, technology, engineering, and math among our clubs. I'd like to thank those of you who I've met so far for such a warm welcome to Jackson County. To everyone else, I look forward to meeting you!

-Steven, steven.mcintyre@oregonstate.edu

COVID-19 Updates

- Jackson County Risk Levels: Your leaders will be notified when your project area is allowed to meet. Please continue to encourage your youth to do their best on their own, with parental support. They are learning to live during a pandemic and developing resiliency skills, so assisting their learning through a telephone call or chat is okay.
- **Vaccines** are here and everyone 16 years and older is eligible! See the <u>vaccination FAQs</u> on the university's <u>COVID-19 safety and success website</u>.
- Jackson County Public Health Vaccine Appointments

4-H News and Activities

All 4-H events and information listed in past newsletters can be found on our website.

It's Oregon STEM Week!

From May 8-16, we are celebrating Oregon STEM Week! Check out different opportunities to celebrate at http://www.midvalleystem.org/stem-week-or-2021/! We've had some interest in starting new STEM education programs, so if any adults have a passion for any science, technology, engineering, or mathematics topics and would like to share them with the youth of Jackson County, let us know! The commitment could be as small as helping to lead an hourlong educational session or as large as starting a STEM-focused 4-H club!

Looking for a Youth Photographer!

Deadline to Apply: May 26

4-H is looking for a youth photographer to take pictures at the Fashion Revue Style Show. The photographer will be reimbursed with a \$25 gift card to either the Grange Co-op or Fred Meyer! The show will be held in an outdoor location (TBD) on Tuesday, June 22 from 6PM-8:30PM. You must have a digital camera, be 14 years of age or older, and have experience in photography. To apply, email lena.hosking@oregonstate.edu with a cover letter explaining why you are qualified for the job with four sample pictures and any proof of blue ribbon photography (especially portraits) from past fairs!

Fashion Revue is Fun!

Monday, June 21, 4-7 pm, Extension Center

Tuesday, June 22, 6:30 pm dress rehearsal, 7 pm Show -Outdoor venue (TBD)

Deadline to register: May 19; online via ShoWorks

Fashion Revue allows members to make several different items and then show how well they fit the member. There is the typical outfit, the ready to wear outfit that costs \$25 or less (and does not have to be sewn), and the fashion revue challenge. The 2021 Fashion Revue Challenge is: Clothing Inspired by your Favorite Book or Author. Judging criteria for the challenge includes creativity and innovation, appropriate amounts and level of sewing, and the intent (heart and soul) of the challenge was met. In addition to the specifics of the challenge, other areas being evaluated includes the modeling techniques, the fit of the outfit and communication skills. Anyone can participate and you don't need to complete a project record.

Camp Counselor Retreat

Application Deadline May 21. For ages 15 and up. Do not need to be a 4-H member.

Application is at: https://extension.oregonstate.edu/4h/jackson/camps

This year, it will be too challenging for us to pull off camp at this late date. However, we will offer a camp counselor training during July 27 – July 30. All teens interested in keeping camp traditions alive and willing to work on a plan for next year are encouraged to apply! Also, text Lena at 541-727-4237 to let her know you are interested so she can plan for transportation.

Graduating Seniors – We want to recognize YOU!

Deadline to Submit: June 6

Please complete the google form so we can highlight your 4-H career in social media posts and publications. Please provide us with your name, club(s), 4-H projects, years in 4-H, a favorite memory, any community service, what you are looking forward to, some advice, and a picture or two. We would like to highlight your accomplishments and 4-H career at summer fair!

https://forms.gle/cakVajTqctpWxBVB7

2021 Spring Fair Registration

Deadline: May 19th

Everyone will register for their spring fair classes online through ShoWorks, just like last year. The 2021 version of the exhibitor handbook hasn't been released yet, but the classes will be pretty similar to year's past. **Be on the lookout for a ShoWorks link for Spring Fair, Fashion Revue, and the Foods Contest by the end of the week.**

https://extension.oregonstate.edu/4h/jackson/fairs-contests

Meat Animal Selection: Muscle to Meat: Meat to Profit

Join us as Ariel Winegar, past Grant County 4-H member, shares the traditional market animal traits and selection of the animal. He will explore animals as food and a profit center. He will outline defects to be avoided in food production and selecting the most profitable animal. Ariel will discuss beef, sheep, swine, goats, poultry and rabbits.

Ariel is a vivacious presenter with a great set of educational slides he will share and discuss. He is currently employed as a meat broker. We will record the first 45-minute presentation and then Ariel will open the mic for a 15-minute question and answer session.

Time: May 11, 2021 06:00 PM Pacific Time

Join Zoom Meeting

https://oregonstate.zoom.us/j/98734906204?pwd=TjJTMU1ma0RraC9xc0JwWINLU05NUT09

Password: 4444

Meeting ID: 987 3490 6204

4-H Summer Conference

Summer Conference returns! Yes, it will be virtual, but it will still be a lot of fun as well as being educational. We have an internationally acclaimed speaker, Juan Bendana, who will deliver a keynote address and teach two workshops. There will be a fun hour with a magician, interesting workshops, a game session, and a time of celebration and recognition.

The conference will be held Tuesday, June 22 through Friday, June 25, from 6:00-8:30 pm each evening.

Before the official conference begins, Congress interviews will be held Monday, June 21 from 9:00 to noon, and State Ambassador interviews will be held Tuesday, June 22 from 9:00 to noon.

A full schedule will be available on the state website early in May. Registration will open later in May. The fee will be \$25.

4-H Recognition

Congratulations to **Sophie Grow** for winning the Oregon State Bee Essay contest! The essay will go on to represent the state of Oregon in the national bee essay competition. A special thanks to Kathie Ordal, Halie Ordal, and Deb Brown who helped Sophie along the way.

Congratulations to Isabel D'Acquisto for winning the Klein-Youngberg 4-H State Scholarship!

Volunteer and Leader Information

Oregon 4-H Shooting Sports Level 1 Leader Training

Jon Gandy is hosting a workshop in Madras on May 15 and 16. Please visit the Outdoor Education and Recreation Site on the state website at https://beav.es/J9R or the events calendar on the state website at https://beav.es/J9L for registration and workshop information.

Club Meeting Update

All leaders were sent an email regarding club meetings on home property. The 4-H program has been instructed to follow the Oregon Health Authority's Guidance: Youth Program Guidance, Social Gatherings and Entertainment Venue – whichever is stricter. During High Risk, homeowners can have up to 8 people, outdoors on their property. All project areas can meet outside at a person's home with 6 youth, 2 leaders and no parents. I know this sounds very strange, but according to the guidance, parents will wait in the car just like an afterschool program. 4-H is a unique out of school program that relies heavily on parental support, so parents will be frustrated. Empathize, do the best you can to reduce gathering size, and use your best judgement to keep the kids safe and stay within the rules.

4-H Calendar

May 14-16 Spring Classic

May 12 Babysitter Training: 4-5 pm

May 19 Spring Fair Registration Deadline, Online

May 19 Babysitter Training: 4-5pm

May 21-23 Spring Classic Quiz Bowl

May 26 Babysitter Training

June 4-6 Spring Fair - Lambs, Rabbits: Deb Brown 541-890-7073; Cavies: Kristy Grieve

(June 4th: Cavies and Lamb weigh-in, June 5th: Rabbits and Lambs, June 6th: Lambs and Auction)

June 21-22 Fashion Revue

(June 21st: 4-7PM Fashion Revue Judging, @Extension Center, June 22nd: 6-8PM Fashion Show, location TBD)

June 26 Food Prep Contest (tentative)

Summer Fair— July 10 – 18

Static Judging & Table Setting Contest July 10

Dog Show July 10

Swine July 12-14 (tentative)

Beef uly 15-17 (tentative)

Poultry July 15

Horse Show July 10-16 (anytime during these dates – tentative)

Dairy Goat Show July 17 (tentative)

Rifle and Pistol Competition maybe July?

Shooting Sports Mail-In Tournament scores due to State 4-H: July 15, 2021

Goat Fair – September 17-19 (enrollment deadline is extended for new participants)

Chrissy Reynolds 541-944-0132

August 30 – Sept 1: State 4-H Shooting Sports Contest

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Community Classifieds

OSU Related Information

JumpstART, a precollege art summer program at Oregon State University

This year we are offering need-based scholarships to attend our week-long camp, July 11-16. Last year we had a successful online, synchronous program with students from all over the country in attendance. We are looking to repeat this success again this summer and hope to include students participating from 4-H.

Students choose two courses from offerings such as drawing, painting, photography, digital animation, and color theory. One class takes place in the morning and the other during the afternoon. Generally, there are 10-12 students in a class, so there is time to get to know the instructors, who are all esteemed, practicing artists and educators. We have a visiting artist program with artist talks each day after lunch; this year I am excited about our roster of nationally recognized artists.

We are keeping tuition low at \$300, and moreover there are ample need-based scholarship opportunities. Need-based scholarships are first come, first served. Students should select 'free and reduced lunch eligible' during the registration to be eligible for a need-based scholarship. Scholarship deadline is June 7.

Here is a link to our website:

https://liberalarts.oregonstate.edu/sac/sac-academy/precollege-summer-programs/jumpstart

Job Opportunity with OSU Extension-Outdoor School

Closing Date: 5/16/21

We are looking to fill a position with our OSU Extension-Outdoor School (ODS) team. It is a fulltime Finance, Budget, and Contracts Coordinator for ODS.

Please share widely and see the link below. I'm including the actual link for easier sharing.

https://jobs.oregonstate.edu/postings/99589

Job Opportunity with Lake County Extension

Oregon State University and the Lake County Extension Service invites applications for a full-time, fixed-term, College of Agriculture Assistant Professor of Practice position. To review posting and apply, please

visit https://jobs.oregonstate.edu/postings/100164Posting posting #P04295UF. Closing date: 05/14/2021.

Information, not validated by OSU/4-H, but provided as a service.

Three Month Old Mosaic Rooster Needs Rehome

Contact Karen Moakley at kamoakley@gmail.com for further details.