



Unlocking the potential of young people to learn, grow and thrive, is at the core of 4-H Youth Development. Our vision is that all youth experience a positive, thriving trajectory of development that leads to an adulthood marked by health and well-being, economic stability, social success and civic engagement. A network of educators and highly trained volunteers help youth find and build on their interests and strengthen their leadership and life skills.

## 4-H Newsletter December Edition

2023-2024 4-H Calendar

### Dates to Know (December)

December 4-7 - Extension Office Closed

December 21 - 9-11am - Cookie Decorating and Ornament Making

December 22 - 9-11am - Holiday Floral Workshop

December 25-26 - Extension Office Closed



### Western Oregon Retreat for Leadership Development

We are excited to announce the return of the Western Oregon Retreat for Leadership Development (W.O.R.L.D) in 2024 with a thrilling theme - "Welcome to the Jungle"! This annual leadership development retreat brings together youth from

all corners of our great state for an unforgettable weekend of growth, learning, and connections.

**Mark your calendars now and save the date:**

Event: W.O.R.L.D - Western Oregon Retreat for Leadership Development 2024

Date: February 16-18, 2024

Location: Oregon 4-H Center, nestled in the beautiful hills of West Salem

Cost: \$160 per participant

Registration: [beav.es/qY8](https://beav.es/qY8)

"Welcome to the Jungle" is more than just a theme; it's a promise of adventure, self-discovery, and leadership in the wild terrain of life. W.O.R.L.D is a unique opportunity for young leaders like you to enhance their leadership skills, connect with peers from diverse backgrounds, and explore their potential, all while navigating the jungle of challenges and opportunities that lie ahead.

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## **Holiday Craft Workshops!**

Join us for a festive and fun-filled holiday season! Explore your creativity and learn new skills at our Holiday Floral Arrangement, Cookie Decorating and Ornament Making Workshops.

We are happy to announce the 4-H Holiday Workshops! See details below:

Cookie Decorating & Ornaments Making - Dec 21, 9 am - 11am

Holiday Floral Arrangement - Dec 22, 9 am - 11am

Register Here: <https://beav.es/qWY>



# 4-H HOLIDAY WORKSHOP

Join us for a festive and fun-filled holiday season! Explore your creativity and learn new skills at our Holiday Floral Arrangement, Cookie Decorating and Ornament Making Workshops.



Get ready to craft and create this holiday season! In this exciting workshop, you'll learn to make beautiful ornaments and decorate delicious cookies. It's a perfect blend of crafting and baking fun!



Get into the holiday spirit by creating your own beautiful floral arrangements! Learn the art of creating stunning centerpieces. Take home your creation to add a touch of elegance to your holiday.



Register Today!  
Open to 4-H Members ages 9+  
<https://beav.es/qWY>

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## 4-H Association Alumni Scholarship

Announcing the Tillamook County 4-H Alumni Scholarship!

The Tillamook County 4-H Association will allocate a total of \$2000 to be used to award scholarships to alumni of the 4-H program in Tillamook County. To aid in the continuing education of Tillamook County 4-H Alumni.

To be submitted by January 31, 2024

More information and application material can be found here:

<https://extension.oregonstate.edu/4h/tillamook/awards-scholarships-recognition>

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## Fleece Hat Workshop Success!

On November 10, 2023 the Tillamook County Need and Thread 4-H Club hosted a heartwarming Fleece Hat Workshop that saw an impressive turnout of dedicated participants. A total of 14 individuals, including 6 4-H members, 4 junior leaders, and 3 leaders, gathered to create a generous donation of 79 handmade hats for the Tillamook Head Start and Healthy Families programs.

This annual workshop is a testament to the community spirit and the 4-H commitment to fostering leadership and community service among young people. According to Dakota Lager, 4-H Program Coordinator, "This workshop exemplifies the core values of 4-H, where young people are encouraged to learn by doing and giving back to their community. The dedication of our participants is truly inspiring,

and I'm proud of the positive impact they're making." A total of 67 preschool size hats, 9 toddler size hats, and 3 infant size hats were lovingly crafted, each a testament to the care and dedication of the 4-H participants.

The Tillamook Head Start and Healthy Families programs, which provide crucial support and assistance to families in need, will undoubtedly be touched by this heartfelt donation of handmade hats. The warmth and love stitched into each hat will serve as a reminder of the incredible generosity and community spirit of Tillamook County's 4-H.

The Tillamook County Needle and Thread 4-H Club is proud to have organized and hosted such a successful Fleece Hat Workshop, and they look forward to continuing their commitment to making a positive impact on their community through future endeavors.



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## 4-H Shooting Sports Quiz bowl

This is a virtual contest that is open to **ALL** 4-H members (you don't need to be enrolled in Shooting Sports to participate in the quiz). The contest lasts a full week (**December 11-15, 2023**) with the opportunity to sign in and take the quiz any time within that week.

There is a **Junior Division with 25 Questions** (Juniors are 4-H age 9-11 as of September 1, 2023) and an **Intermediate/Senior Division with 50 questions** (Int/Sr. are anyone 12 and over as of September 1, 2023).

A link to the study materials will be sent in the email confirmation after registering.

Achievement awards will be given to individual, district and statewide participants.

This event is a precursor to the **National Quiz Bowl** which will happen **January 15-19, 2024**. The National Event which is both a **4-person team event** and/or an **individual event** (so start thinking about your team of four now). The study materials are the same for both Oregon and National Quiz Bowl, but the questions will be different.

#### **REGISTRATION LINKS**

Junior (**Age 9-11 as of September 1, 2023**) [HERE](#)

Intermediate and Senior (**Age 12 and above on September 1, 2023**) [HERE](#)

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### **Critter Camp**

Polk County will be hosting Critter Campus on January 27<sup>th</sup> at the Polk County Fairgrounds. This event will be much like years past with a focus on education for Poultry, Cavies, and Rabbits.

Classes will include showmanship, evaluation, feeding and nutrition, and so much more! (If we can, we may even have processing classes!)

**Watch out for more information on registration and details coming soon!**

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### **\*\*\*\*\*4-H Enrollment Issue & Reminder\*\*\*\*\***

We have received a few enrollments with issues this year and wanted to clarify the Consents on the 4-H Online Enrollment. Please make sure to read each consent and choose the appropriate option.

You cannot accept both of the Model and Information Release and the Media Opt Out Release. **We require that one be accepted and one be declined depending on your choice.**

**Remember: Please complete the Media Opt Out, ONLY if you do not wish for the University to record your participation and appearance on any recorded medium. To decline the Media OPT OUT select "Does not apply"**

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## **It's time to get Back to 4-H! Enroll Today**

Please get signed up for 4-H! The earlier your signup the more opportunities you have in the 4-H Program!

All 4-H Youth Members must be enrolled by April 1st, 2023. 4-H Enrollments will be completed again online at <https://v2.4honline.com> instructions are attached in this email.

This year our enrollment fees will be \$30 per member up to \$60 per family. You will be able to pay by debit/credit card on 4-H Online after completing a member's enrollment or by cash/check at the OSU Extension Office, payment will only be accepted if a member's enrollment has been completely submitted. Enrollment payment must be submitted no more than 10 days after enrollment submission.

4-H Late Fee will start January 31st. Enrollment Fees will increase by \$5 per member.

4-H Enrollment Instructions



# Tillamook County 4-H Volunteer Advisory Committee Meetings

All 4-H Volunteers in Tillamook County are invited to attend the quarterly Volunteer Advisory Committee Meetings. In the past these have been separated by project area due to lack of attendance we will be cover all project areas at each one of the meetings. See meeting times and dates below for the 2023-2024 4-H Year. Including tentative Topics of Discussion for each meeting.

January 18th 6-7:30 pm - OSU Extension Office

Topics: Spring Educational Programming, Start of Fair Planning

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