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Calendar

Sept 1st - BOD Meeting (7:00)

Sept 6th - 4-H Online Enrollment Opens

Sept 14th - [Ambassador Applications](#) are due

Sept 15th - [Kiwanis Scholarship Applications](#) are due

Sept 21st - [Awards and Experiences Packets](#) are due

Sept 26th - JLA/ALA Meetings (7:00)

To see a full view of our 4-H
Calendar, including club
meetings, scan the QR Code!



Letter from the Educator

Welcome to the first issue of the Racine County 4-H Newsletter! We want to use this space to celebrate the entire Racine County 4-H Community! This newsletter was curated with YOUR suggestions and ideas!

If you are looking to get specific questions answered about projects your club offers, volunteer needs, times and dates of your club/project meetings, etc. you can talk to your club leaders!

Did you know Racine has the largest 4-H Program in the state? Hopefully we will get some insight into what's happening around our county!

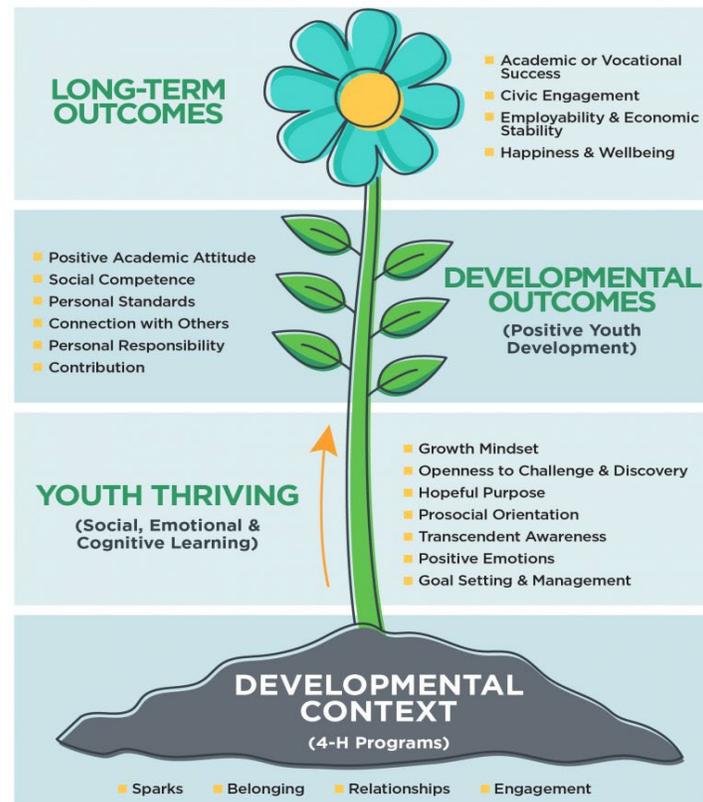
-Liz Vazquez

Parent Pop Up

This is our Parent Space. It will house important information, tips, and tricks to keep you sane, and announcements about upcoming events. In the meantime, take a look at the suggestions for having a meaningful 4-H experience that we are making sure our new families know.

- Take the time to learn about 4-H, what it stands for, and how it operates.
- Attend 4-H meetings and other special events.
- Encourage your 4-H member when he/she succeeds and even more when they don't. Help them to see their progress, not just the finished product!
- Help by guiding your child's project work and encouraging completion without doing the work for the 4-H member.
- Support the local 4-H club leader and offer your services.
- Make it possible for your child to participate in a variety of 4-H activities, such as fairs, camps, and contests.
- Model good sportsmanship so your child will learn to appreciate the successes of others.

PLEASE BECOME A VOLUNTEER



Support Your Clover-Buddies!

- ⇒ **Ambassador Cookbook Sale**
- ⇒ **Yorkville Open House**
September 12th from 6:30-8:00
Yorkville Elementary School
- ⇒ **Tucker Pancake Breakfast**
September 17th from 7:30-11:30
Swans Pumpkin Farm
- ⇒ **All 4 One Egg Roll Sale (October 8th)**
Pre-orders for authentic Laotian Egg rolls will take place through September 30th!
You can contact jennifergjanes@gmail.com

New Families:

Around this time of year, you're probably going to start hearing people talk about...

Record Book: The record book is a report of 4-H accomplishments in projects and activities during the current year. This record book should be kept up throughout the year, not completed at the last minute! You can use this record book as a portfolio of your accomplishments, but eventually you will use it when applying for scholarships. You can begin your record book right away!

Awards and Experiences Packet: The Awards and Experiences Packet is a report of your 4-H accomplishments. All members, 7th grade and older, can complete one of these forms to apply for 4-H experiences and awards.

Recognition Celebration: An event to honor all youth and adults who have achieved in 4-H. Leadership awards, participation awards, years of service awards, 4-H alumni and friends of 4-H awards, and other community awards are presented.



Ambassador Alley

Have you ever considered running for a Racine County 4-H Junior Leader Association officer position?

Hi everyone! My name is Rabeka Liberto, and I am a senior at Burlington High School and a Burlington Back 40 4-H club member. Some of you may know me from my club, as an ambassador, as the 2022 Racine County 4-H Outstanding Teen, or as the 2022-23 Racine County Junior Leaders Association (JLA) President.

The JLA is made up of Racine County 4-H Youth 7-12th grade. As the current JLA President my duties and responsibilities include creating the meeting agenda and keeping the meetings focused and efficient. I started going to the JLA meetings as a 7th grader and was elected to my first officer position as Historian. Since then, I've held many different officer positions to help prepare for the JLA Presidential position.

The JLA election process is pretty simple. You get nominated by a fellow 4-Her, or you can nominate yourself, for an officer position. Then you tell everyone a little bit about yourself and why you'd be good at that office. This helps the voters, other JLA members, know more about you and your qualifications for that officer position. If elected for a JLA office, you also serve on the Racine County 4-H Board of Directors (BOD). The BOD is made up of the JLA officers and Adult Leaders Association (ALA) officers.

Another way I prepared for the role as President was to be an ambassador. I applied to be an ambassador in 7th grade, which is the youngest you can be and am currently still in the program. The main role as an ambassador is to promote Racine County 4-H to non-members. We do that by walking in parades, helping at the 4-H Open House and Union Grove's Pumpkin Chunkin event at the fairgrounds. Other activities Ambassadors are involved with include helping at the auctions during the fair, signing up for a shift in the call booth and hosting a leadership retreat. The Ambassadors Leadership Retreat is usually in winter for all 7-12 grade youth in Racine County and sometimes surrounding counties like Kenosha or Walworth. To become an ambassador, you must fill out an application and go through an interview process. The interview and application are very similar to the awards and experience application and can be found in the calendar section if you'd like to apply to be an ambassador!

The JLA is currently looking for a Historian and a Reporter for the 2022-23 4-H year. Our next JLA meeting will be on Monday, September 26th at 7pm!

Policies on Parade

Every week we will feature a new 4-H policy or FAQ!

The official color of the emblem is 100% PMS 347 green. The clover can be green, white, black, or metallic gold.



Shine the Spotlight

We will use this space to celebrate a specific club, county wide project, celebrate the projects our members have been working on, or feature a volunteer and all the work they are doing!

Please remember if you want specific information about your club's projects, you can talk to your club leader!

I am currently accepting nominations for our October Issue! If you want to shine the spotlight on a 4-H club, project, or member, you can submit your nomination here!

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Last, but not least...

If you would like to be a part of our Adult Leaders or Junior Leaders Association, you can join us every 4th Monday of the month at 7:00 at the Ives Grove Offices!

14200 Washington Ave, Sturtevant, WI 53177

This is a great time to share your thoughts, join a committee, and just a part of the decision making that goes on in 4-H!

I am in need of photo submissions for our October Issue. If you have a photo that represents all things **OCTOBER**, please submit your entry below!

PHOTO SUBMISSION

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

Volunteers come in so many forms! You can lead a project you are passionate about, sign up to be a chaperone, join a committee, or be an officer!

If you have questions, please contact your 4-H Program Educator,

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