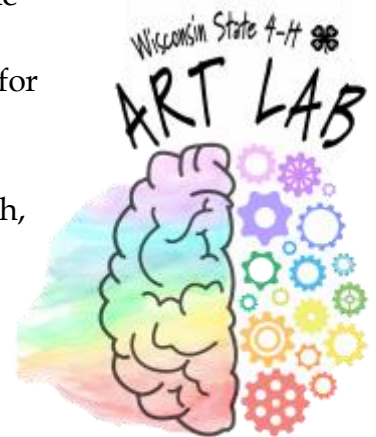


## 4-H Bi-Weekly Email:

Below are the upcoming events and scholarship opportunities that are happening in the state and the county! Please note if you would like club, project, or committee information added to the email, in the quarterly newsletter, or to the 4-H Calendar online contact: [andrea.ripple@wisc.edu](mailto:andrea.ripple@wisc.edu)

- **4-H Art Lab Webinars:** Would you like to be involved in conversations about art, community, college, and future careers? 4-H 'Art Lab Extended' provides an opportunity for older youth and adults all across Wisconsin to become immersed in art through monthly video conferences. Join in to hear experiences from youth who participated in our UW-Madison 4-H Art Lab program as well as a professional artist such as Deborah Hearst who works with the Overture Center for the Arts in Madison, WI. She has been a professional actor, theatre collaborator, writer and storyteller for over two decades.
  - Upcoming topics:
  - 4-H Art Lab Recap & Defining Artist Success, March 5th, 7:00pm-8:00pm
  - Art with Community Impact, April 23rd, 7:00pm-8:00pm
  - Careers in Art, May 21st, 7:00pm-8:00pm
  - Join in at this Zoom Meeting  
link: <https://uwextension.zoom.us/j/320877803>
  - OR join by phone: +1 646 558 8656 US (Meeting ID: 320 877 803)
- **Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Scholarship Applications:**



The [Wisconsin 4-H Foundation](#) will award more than \$15,000 in scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin students pursuing higher education in 2020. To be considered for financial support, applications must be received by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation via email by **Monday, March 16, 2020, 5:00 pm.**

- Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships are awarded to students based on demonstrated personal growth, development and leadership, academic performance and future educational goals.

- To be eligible for Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships students must have been a Wisconsin 4-H member for at least three years; have a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale, and be enrolled or planning to enroll at a university, college or technical school during the 2020-2021 academic school year. Scholarship winners from previous years are not eligible to receive a second 4-H Foundation scholarship.
- All applications must adhere to the conventions outlined on the website, [www.Wis4HFoundation.org/scholarships](http://www.Wis4HFoundation.org/scholarships). Any application that does not meet the outlined requirements (including all document names) will not be considered. All documents must be sent as PDFs (preferred) or Word Docs as attachments to one email. Any other cloud/internet shared documents will be NOT be accepted (do NOT use Google Docs, for example).
- The application materials represent what youth may be asked to submit when applying for jobs. We encourage applicants to treat this process as if applying for a position. For help with creating cover letters and résumés, applicants should reach out to their club leaders, county educator or a teacher or parent.
- For more complete information, please visit: [www.Wis4HFoundation.org/scholarships](http://www.Wis4HFoundation.org/scholarships)
- Questions? [info@Wis4HFoundation.org](mailto:info@Wis4HFoundation.org)  
(608) 262-1597
- **Dairy Promotion:** Max Hart, one of our Extension Committee members reached out to me to see if the 4-H Program would be interested in participating in a dress the calf contest for the dairy breakfast. Previously this was a window painting contest but the update would be dressing a saw horse or cut out “calf” in a participating downtown Black River Falls business. The look of the calf would be determined by the decorators. During the dairy breakfast the “calves” would be moved to the dairy breakfast and people would get the opportunity to vote on their favorite one! Max is wondering if we are interested in participating in this event. If you think your club would like to participate let me know! This would be a wonderful opportunity for 4-H promotion within the community.
- **Annual Leaders Training:** With the merge into the University of Wisconsin Madison out Volunteers in Preparation Training (VIP) has been updated to reflect the insurance changes. With these updates it will be our Annual Leader Training for this year. Each club has to send a representative to Annual Leader

Training in order to be chartered in the fall. This is also true for new volunteers. Please pre-register for the event by using the link below.

- [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe2RuRnTdguU11wVgAwNevgiJHB-QXg5IgVUOaKZLpex8ag\\_Q/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe2RuRnTdguU11wVgAwNevgiJHB-QXg5IgVUOaKZLpex8ag_Q/viewform?usp=sf_link)
- **April VIP:** I have scheduled a VIP for April 11<sup>th</sup> at the Extension Office. IF you are missing this training to become a certified leader or you are interested in becoming one please sign up! Time is limited before summer hits and there are not many free weekends left to get certified!
  - [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe2RuRnTdguU11wVgAwNevgiJHB-QXg5IgVUOaKZLpex8ag\\_Q/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe2RuRnTdguU11wVgAwNevgiJHB-QXg5IgVUOaKZLpex8ag_Q/viewform?usp=sf_link)
  - If you are not sure where you are in the process look at the Volunteers page.
    - <https://jackson.extension.wisc.edu/4-h/how-to-get-involved/volunteer/>
  - This year the state is not allowing volunteers to be approved if they have not completed their background check, VIP Training, or mandated reporter. Many volunteers are missing one or more of these requirements and are not considered volunteers until **ALL** of these steps are completed. This means they are not covered by the University's insurance when they are volunteering. If you think this maybe you or you want to see what requirements you still have to complete please contact me!
- **Website Calendar and Request for Updates:** I am working on getting to know the programs and projects that Jackson County offers. Since I am still learning I like to have schedules of the programs that are happening so that I can relay that information to potential new members. I am not looking for a formal calendar I am just looking for dates, times plus the location. I would also like deadlines for things that your club might have. I want to use this information to populate the 4-H Events Calendar tab that I have updated on the website. Everyone has access to this and I am hoping it can be used for the whole county. I also have the State Educational Experiences Calendar uploaded as well. This one has all of the timelines for registration for upcoming Experiences plus any meetings and payment deadlines. Check out the calendars and send your updates to me in whatever form you see fit.
  - <https://jackson.extension.wisc.edu/4-h/current-news/4-h-events-calendar/>
- **Cloverbud Project Meeting March 19th Saving for What?** Duct tape wallets and money saving tips! Register for this and the other events below.
  - <https://jackson.extension.wisc.edu/4-h/for-members-and-parents/4-h-projects/cloverbud-program/>
- **Club and Project Page Updates:** Have you looked at your club or project page on our website? Is everything correct? I would love to know!

- Club Page: <https://jackson.extension.wisc.edu/4-h/how-to-get-involved/4-h-clubs/>
- Project Page: <https://jackson.extension.wisc.edu/4-h/for-members-and-parents/4-h-projects/>

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