

January 2020 4-H Newsletter

4-H Essay Contest

Keep Sevier Beautiful is teaming up with Sevier County 4-H to sponsor the 4-H Essay Contest again this year.

Your essay will be due at your February club meeting. Include your name, address, school, grade and teachers name on your essay.

This year we are asking you to compare and contrast views from articles on recycling and littering depending on your grade level. You can find specific directions and the articles for review online at sevier.tennessee.edu at the UT Extension Sevier County website – click on 4-H Youth Programs then look under resources for the essay information. Your teacher will also have a copy of the articles for review.

Award winning essays, at each grade level, will receive \$25.00 cash. The grade levels are:
4th grade 5th grade 6th grade
7th & 8th grade 9th- 12th grade

Additional cash awards for outstanding essays at each grade level. Winning essays will be announced on March 31, 2020.

Photography & Baking Workshops

4-H Photography & Baking Workshops are scheduled at the 4-H Office, 752 Old Knoxville Highway on the following dates.

Photography Workshop – Tuesday, February 18, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Baking Workshop – Thursday, February 20, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

These workshops will help you prepare for the upcoming baking and photo contest. Pre-registration will be required. Call 453-3695 to inquire and register. Attendance at either of these workshops will count as a county event for the Golden Eagle Award.

Snow Schedule

In the event of school cancellation, due to snow/other weather situations, any 4-H event scheduled that day will be cancelled. If any question, call 453-3695 for a recorded message the day of the event.

Junior Master Gardeners

Looking to explore the world of plants and what makes them grow? Why not join the Junior Master Gardener 4-H Project Group. This group meets the first and third Thursday of each month from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. Meetings are held at various locations depending on your grade. Call Mr. Turner at 453-3695 for more information.

Service Project Update

May we suggest you target a service project to benefit the Mtn. Hope Good Shepherd Clinic?

Mountain Hope Clinic provides affordable quality health care for those in need in our community. Current needs include donations of toothpaste for their dental patients. Call Ashley Burnette or Deborah Murphy for more information at 774-7684.

Thanks to the response for the Food Ministry and Coats for the Cold. Because of your efforts, 2,700 cans of tuna and \$1,100.00 went to the Food Ministry and over 1,000 coats went to the Coats for the Cold Project.

Project Work Completion

4-H Members are encouraged to work in and complete the 4-H project book they selected. Project completion means: making a plan by setting goals for your project this year, completing the suggested activities on the 4-H Activity page, recording project activities and what you learned on the project report form and writing, a one page story about your project work. Follow the "Guidelines for Completing Your 4-H Project" which you will find in your 4-H folder. Turn in your completed project folder by **April 1, 2020**, for awards and recognition.

5th - 8th graders completing 4-H records can compete in the Sub-Regional 4-H Achievement Day on May 18th, at the First Methodist Church in Newport, Tn.

6th, 7th & 8th graders who complete 4-H project records may qualify to spend a week at the University of Tennessee, at 4-H Jr. High Academic Conference, June 9-12, 2020.

Upcoming Dates

More details to follow

TBA	Roads & Rivers Clean Up Day
March 21	4-H Pet Show
April 1	All 4-H Records due
May 27-29	Fashion & Design Camp (Grades 6-12)
June 8-12	Junior 4-H Camp (Grades 4-6)
June 29-July 2	4-H Electric Camp (Grades 6-7)
July 13-17	Junior High 4-H Camp (Grades 7-8)

Your next 4-H meeting is _____

Woodworking Birdhouse Workshop

At this workshop, 4-H members will make their own Blue Bird House. Cost is \$15.00. Limited to the first 20 that register. The workshop will be held **February 25**, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. at the 4-H Office located at 752 Old Knoxville Highway, adjacent to the Sevier County Fairgrounds. Register on the form below as soon as possible.

Send form and money to: Sevier County 4-H, 752 Old Knoxville Highway, Sevierville, Tn 37862. I would like to attend the Woodworking Workshop on February 25. Cost is \$15.00 Space is limited. Deadline is February 1 or until workshop is filled.

Name _____ Grade _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

School _____ Parent Email _____



Animal Shows

The spring and summer months offer 4-H'ers the opportunity to participate in several animal projects. Animal projects with shows include beef, sheep and horse. A county, regional and state show will be held for each.

Horse - county, district and state horse shows will be held in May and June. To be eligible for the shows, 4-H members must have a completed 4-H Horse Enrollment Form and have it on file in the 4-H Office by March 1, 2020, for each horse they plan to show.

Beef - shows are held for steers, registered heifers, commercial heifers and feeder calves. Shows are scheduled for April and July.

Sheep - shows are held for market lambs and registered sheep. Shows are scheduled for June & July. The market lamb project is a great small animal, short term and small investment project. You do not need to live on a farm to show market lambs. Two lambs can be raised in an area 10' x 10'.

Call Mr. Turner, 453-3695, if you are interested, have questions or plan to show any livestock. These make great family projects.

4-H Records Workshops

4-H Records Workshops will be held on **January 28 and March 2 & March 3** at the 4-H Office, 752 Old Knoxville Highway, adjacent to the Sevier County Fairgrounds. Bring your project folder to the workshop. 4th graders should bring the Exploring 4-H Book. The workshop qualifies as a county event for the Golden Eagle Award.

Fourth grade meet from 4:00-4:30 and 5th grade and up meet from 4:30 – 5:00 p.m. Call the 4-H Office to register at 453-3695.



4-H Fashion & Design Conference May 27-29, 2020

Spend three days creating new projects, learning about fashion, meeting new friends, becoming a model and just having fun! Sessions and classes will include sewing and craft projects. Learn to be a "smart" shopper at the outlet malls and have a special dinner out on the town. Open to current 6th - 12th graders. Cost about \$100.00. This is a regional conference and Sevier County has been allotted four spots with more available if other counties do not use their spots. Registration is on a first-come first-serve basis, with a \$50.00 deposit needed to register. Complete the form and send it along with a check to: Sevier County 4-H, 752 Old Knoxville Highway, Sevierville, Tn 37862. Call if you have any questions, 453-3695.

Name _____

Address: _____ City _____ Zip _____

Grade _____ Phone _____ School _____ Parent Email _____