



Important Dates:

Sept. 29-Oct 2	Record Book drop-off just outside Extension Office door, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. daily
Sept. 30	4-H Record Book mailing postmark deadline (if not dropping books off)
Oct. 1	Pages 1-4 of Charter Renewal due 4-H Enrollment for 2020-2021 will open pending availability of 4HOnline 2.0
Oct. 2	4-H Record Books due in the Extension Office by 2 p.m.; no-contact drop box
Oct. 4-10	National 4-H Week
Oct. 8	Discover 4-H SPIN Club Kick-off WI 4-H Celebration, 7 p.m.; Connection Info TBA
Oct. 14	County 4-H Record Book Judging, 5:30 p.m., Detail TBA
Oct. 21	Walworth County Monthly Interactive 4-H Meeting, 6:30 p.m. via Zoom Register HERE : https://uwmadison.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJMtdeCqpszkvG9Ah3FSRt78Jwy3Pqfs 7XW
Oct. 26	Walworth County Senior Leaders' Association Meeting, 7 p.m.
Nov. 6-7	Virtual Fall Forum; register HERE .

Current COVID-19 Related 4-H Meeting Guidance

Walworth County 4-H is required to abide by UW-Madison Division of Extension and Wisconsin 4-H COVID-19 meeting guidance. Guidance changes frequently due to the fluidity of the health situation in the state. Thank you for your continued patience and support as we all navigate these unprecedented times. Complete current guidance is available at this link: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-faqs-related-to-covid-19/>.

Virtual and distance programs remain the preferred program delivery method. Volunteers may apply to conduct in-person programs with groups of 10 or fewer total people (youth adult). These must be pre-approved no matter where they are set to be held: indoors OR outdoors. Request a copy of the checklist from Janel Heidelmeier return it to her to start the approval process as far in advance of the program as possible. Approval takes a little time. Pre-event registration, notification and post-event reporting are required. Discuss plans for this with local staff. Some criteria for in-person programs include:

- Indoor gatherings are limited to 2 hours.
- 6 feet minimum distancing between participants is required at all times.
- Physical distancing is not required between members of the same household, however each member is counted in the maximum group size.
- Hand sanitizing equipment (soap and water is preferred, or hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol, tissues, and no-touch trash cans) must be readily available and frequently used.
- Face masks or coverings are typically required even when speaking.

Training for volunteer leading approved meetings or events is required and is available at this link: <https://youtu.be/QLUd9lyMGO8>.

Virtual Fall Forum: November 6-7, 2020

Fall Forum Registration Closes October 1. Full details available at this link: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hvolunteers/2020-fall-forum/>. Cost is \$20 per person which includes a t-shirt and some basic workshop supplies. Please do not pay until you are emailed a bill from the Senior Leaders' Association, as the Association sends one check to cover the registration fees of all attendees.

WI 4-H Foundation License Plate Info

When you request 4-H Foundation license plates, you pay:

- \$25 annual donation; the donation may be deductible if you itemize your income tax returns
- \$15 issuance fee or an annual \$15 personalized plate fee, if requested
- The regular registration fee for your vehicle if your current plates expire within three months or you have no plates



At each plate renewal, you will pay the \$25 donation and the regular registration fee for non-personalized 4-H Foundation license plates. Complete details available at: <https://wisconsin.gov/Pages/dmv/vehicles/title-plates/4hf.aspx#:~:text=%E2%80%8BThe%204-H%20Foundation,the%20Wisconsin%204-H%20Foundation.>

4-H Record Book Update

4-H Record Books will be accepted via USPS or no contact drop box available outside the Extension office, September 29-October 2, from 8 am-2 pm. Record books and award applications are due in the Extension office no later than 2 pm on October 2. September 30th postmark deadline will be accepted.

Friend of 4-H & Volunteer Award Nominations Needed

The *Friend of 4-H Award* is given annually to one or two individuals, businesses, or organizations for their outstanding long-time support of the 4-H program (clubs, project groups, county activities, etc.). If your 4-H club/group has someone they'd like to nominate for recognition this year, please complete the fillable award application at the link provided and submit as indicated on the application **no later than October 12**. Here's the link: <https://walworth.extension.wisc.edu/files/2020/09/Friend-of-4-H-Award-Application-2020-fillable.pdf>.

The *Volunteer of the Year Award* and *Lifetime Volunteer of the Year Award* are given annually to honor individuals or couples who have demonstrated outstanding effort as Walworth County 4-H volunteers. The *Volunteer of the Year Award* is available to active enrolled volunteers who have served 10 years or less. The *Lifetime* award is for volunteers with more than 10 years of service. These award apps are also due no later than October 12. The links are available as follows:

- Volunteer-of-the-Year: <https://walworth.extension.wisc.edu/files/2020/09/Volunteer-of-the-Year-Award-Application-2020-fillable.pdf>
- Lifetime Volunteer of the Year: <https://walworth.extension.wisc.edu/files/2020/09/Lifetime-Volunteer-of-the-Year-Award-Application-2020-fillable.pdf>.

Fair Premium Checks Available for Pick-up

4-Hers who participated in 2020 Walworth County Fair Junior Department shows can pick up their fair premium checks in the Fair Office beginning on Monday, October 5. Pick-up hours for the week of October 5-9 are as follows:

Monday, October 5 - 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Tuesday, October 6 - 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Wednesday, October 7 - 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Thursday, October 8 - 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Friday, October 9 - 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

After October 9, checks can be picked up during regular Fair Office business hours, Monday - Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Questions? Contact the Fair Office at 262-723-3228.