



## Important Dates:

- Nov. 28-29 Extension Office Closed
- Dec. 10 Clover University #1, County Government Center, 6:00-7:30 p.m., **Sign-up by Thurs, Dec 5**
- Dec. 24, 25, 31 Extension Office Closed
- Jan. 1 Extension Office Closed
- Jan. 8 County 4-H Awards Committee Mtg., County Government Center, 6:30 p.m.
- Jan. 16 New 4-H Family Orientation, County Government Center, 6:00-7:15 p.m.
- Jan. 25 Clover University #2, County Government Center, 9:30 -11:05 a.m., Sign-up TBA
- Jan. 27 Jr. Leaders' Association Meeting, County Govt. Center, 7:00-8:15 p.m.  
Sr. Leaders' Association Meeting, County Government Center, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

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## Charter Applications

***If your Charter Application is still outstanding it must be submitted by December 1. After December 1 any club that is still outstanding will be placed on a provisional charter for the 2024-2025 program year.***

Due date is approaching! As you work through completing the Annual Charter Application we encourage you to facilitate discussion and involve your membership in the process. This is an opportunity to actively engage members to be themselves, build connections, explore new opportunities, belong together, and discover skills. To be authorized to use the 4-H Name and Emblem, all 4-H Clubs and Groups must complete the 4-H Charter Application online **by November 1, 2024**. Clubs and projects have received the link and supporting documents via email and mail. If you have any questions please reach out to Janel Heidelmeier at [janel.heidelmeier@wisc.edu](mailto:janel.heidelmeier@wisc.edu).

## Volunteer Enrollment Reminders

When enrolling as a University of Wisconsin-Madison, Division of Extension Volunteer you are required to acknowledge you have read, understand, and agree to the Volunteer Behavior Expectations. Please make sure that you have read and understand the expectations around your volunteer role. The Volunteer Behavior Expectations can be found at [go.wisc.edu/d89e7j](https://go.wisc.edu/d89e7j) (a hard copy is also available at the front table).

On October 1 all enrollments return to *Not Enrolled*. As a returning or new volunteer your enrollment must be approved prior to you serving as a volunteer. If your enrollment has not been approved you must not act on behalf of the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Division of Extension in a volunteer capacity. If you have submitted your enrollment and completed your training and have questions related to your enrollment being approved please reach out.

For all volunteer related questions, please reach out to Janel Heidelmeier.

## Parade Policy Reminder

Clubs and groups who wish to participate in local parades must follow the *WI 4-H Parade Policy*. The policy can be found at [go.wisc.edu/vk78s5](https://go.wisc.edu/vk78s5) (a hard copy is also available at the front table). This policy outlines expectations for managing risk associated with vehicles used in parades as well as youth and adults riding on vehicles or walking in the parade. Please remember that floats can only be driven by approved volunteers that are at least 21 years of age and are an authorized driver. The Driver Authorization form can be found at [go.wisc.edu/fs7fve](https://go.wisc.edu/fs7fve) and should be submitted to Janel Heidelmeier. Please be sure to leave enough time for processing.

## Enrollment Reminder

Enrollment for the 2024-2025 4-H program year is now open! Members and volunteers must be enrolled for the new program year prior to attending meetings or participating in activities. Complete your enrollment ASAP, but **no later than December 1** to continue receiving correspondence from the Extension office. After December 1, the distribution list will be updated. When logging into 4honline.com, be sure to use the same profile information (email and password) that you used in the past. If you have forgotten your password, simply use the “reset password” feature to create a new one.

Please be aware that 4-H members may enroll up until May 1 to be eligible to show in Junior Division competitions at the *2025 Walworth County Fair*. That said, the sooner they sign up, the sooner they will receive 4-H communications. Our office does submit a list to the Walworth County Fair to verify enrollment. As we approach that deadline please remind families that they must be enrolled.

Club and project leaders should have been re-enrolled by October 1. If your re-enrollment is still outstanding, please do it immediately!

## 4-H Awards Committee Participation Welcome

The 4-H Awards Committee will be meeting on January 8 at 6:30 p.m. in the County Government Center to discuss changes to the PPR and award policy. Anyone interested in joining in this conversation is welcome.

## Clover University '24-'25

**HELP NEEDED:** The December 10th Clover U is right around the corner. The event needs 4 more volunteers to help support the classes that are set to take place. If you are available to help please let Janel Heidelmeier know by Tuesday, December 3. **Huge thanks to those who have already volunteered and to our workshop teachers!**

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Walworth County 4-H is working on plans for *four Clover University* workshop events--all slated to be held in the County Government Center. Each will offer 90- or 45-minute hands-on project-based workshops from which youth can choose to enhance their skills in current projects or explore new project areas of interest.

The 4-H staff are currently looking for teens and adults willing to teach workshops and assist with workshops/registration. Please contact Janel Heidelmeier or Debbie Harris at your earliest convenience to express interest. Instructors do NOT have to be screened 4-H volunteers.

2024-2025 workshop dates include:

Date	Event Time	Extension Staff Contact to Express Willingness to Teach/Help
December 10 (Tues)	6-7:30 p.m.	Janel: janel.heidelmeier@wisc.edu or 262-741-4960
January 25 (Sat)	9:30-11 a.m.	Debbie: deborah.harris@wisc.edu or 262-741-4959
February 19 (Wed)	6-7:30 p.m.	Janel: janel.heidelmeier@wisc.edu or 262-741-4960

March 20 (Thurs)	6-7:30 p.m.	Debbie: deborah.harris@wisc.edu or 262-741-4959
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*If you are available to help teach a class, check-in, or be a room helper at the December 10th Clover U, please reach out to Janel Heidelmeier.*

## **New Family Orientation**

New and recently new 4-H families are invited to participate in a FUN, FAST-PACED orientation event on Tuesday, January 16, from 6-7:30 p.m. in the County Government Center. The program will include youth and adult tracks during which each audience will learn more about 4-H. Parents will get the scoop on membership expectations, resources available, and other important things families need to know for a successful Walworth County 4-H experience. 4-Hers will enjoy fun, purposeful hands-on activities led by adult volunteers, 4-H staff, and members of the Junior Leaders' Association.

*We will need 2-3 adult volunteers to help support the youth track. If you are available and willing to support New Family Orientation please let Janel or Debbie know by January 8.*