


University of California

Agriculture and Natural Resources ■ 4-H Youth Development Program



January 2020

1	New Year's Holiday - UCCE Office Closed	
*7	Medal Testing 6-8 pm	Sue McKinney 661-868-6235
9	Horse Project Registration Due	Mellanie Burkhardt 661-747-5810
14	Emerald Star Applications Due	Sue McKinney 661-868-6235
16	Dog Project Meeting - 6pm Dog Project Leader's Home	Claudia Burk 661-303-8346
20	Martin Luther King Day Holiday - UCCE Office Closed	
24-26	Central Youth Summit (LCORT)	
*28	Horse Leader Meeting - 6 pm	Mellanie Burkhardt 661-747-5810
*28	Leader Council Meeting - 7 pm	Jeanne Walford 661-831-1639
*29	New Horse Member Orientation - 6 pm	Mellanie Burkhardt 661-747-5810

February 2020

8	Home Ec. Field Day/Fashion Revue/Medal Testing Kern County Fairgrounds - Harvest Hall 4-8 pm	Sue McKinney 661-868-6235
14	Last day to transfer clubs & add/drop projects For Kern County Fair	Sue McKinney 661-868-6235
17	President's Day Holiday - UCCE Office Closed	
*18	Rabbit/Cavy Project Leader Meeting - 6 pm	Brenda Smith 661-972-7507
22	4-H Horse Education Field Day	Mellanie Burkhardt 661-747-5810
*25	Horse Leader Meeting - 6 pm	Mellanie Burkhardt 661-747-5810
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***Meeting is at the UC Extension Office, 1031 S. Mt. Vernon Avenue, Bakersfield, CA - Wheelchair accessible. Please contact UCCE Kern at 661-868-6200 if any special accommodations. Individuals who need to request an ADA accommodation in order to participate in 4-H sponsored events and activities can contact your local 4-H Office to complete a 4-H ADA Accommodation Request Form: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/>**



Medal Testing

4-H Office: January 7th at 6 PM
February 8th - at Home Ec Field Day -
Fairgrounds

John Borba on Extended Leave

John Borba, 4-H Youth Development Advisor, will be on sabbatical leave and out of the office from January 1 – August 31, 2020. During that time, please contact Sue McKinney for any business matters regarding the operation of the Kern County 4-H Program.

Sue McKinney, 661-868-6235 or lsuemckinney@ucanr.edu

Kern County 4-H Home Ec Field Day Event Participant Information

Location: Harvest Hall, Kern County Fair Grounds

Date: Saturday, February 8, 2020

Registration Deadline: Monday, February 3, 2020

Registration Process: *See links below for information, registration, entries and scorecards.*

[Favorite Foods Booklet 2020](#)

[Home Ec Field Day Registration](#)

[Fashion Revue Packet](#)

[Fashion Revue Registration](#)

EMERALD STAR GUIDELINES

In 1992 Kern County implemented the Emerald Star Award for 4-H members 14 years of age and older to enter a new phase of *leadership, responsibility, and citizenship*. This rank was added to give 4-H members the opportunity to enhance the county 4-H program. It also prepares 4-H members for All Star responsibilities if they chose to apply to become an All Star at a later date.

What does an Emerald Star do?

An Emerald Star applicant must present a plan of proposed leadership to be completed during the following one-year period. They must complete this plan, submit a self-evaluation on their plan (after completion), and show good leadership qualities and overall 4-H work throughout the year. The project or plan must provide service to the Kern County 4-H program.

Who is eligible to apply for the Emerald Star?

Kern County 4-H members who:

- Have completed two years of 4-H and were at least 14 years of age by January 1 of the current year.
- Hold the rank of Gold Star (this is optional).
- Are currently enrolled in a Junior/Teen Leader project.
- Are approved for nomination by the Community Club Leader.

How do you become an Emerald Star?

1. Identify an adult who will serve as adult advisor to the project or plan.
2. Prepare the "4-H Emerald Star Application (Part One)" and submit it to the Cooperative Extension Office by December 1st or June 1st.
3. Review the project or plan with the interview committee. An interview date will be set up after the application is turned in. At the interview, the applicant is to dress in the 4-H uniform or as you would dress for a job interview.
4. Complete your prepared project or plan.
5. Prepare the final report, "4-H Emerald Star Completion Report (Part Two)" and submit it to the Cooperative Extension Office.
6. Applicant will give an oral report, 3 – 5 minutes in length, before the Kern County 4-H Leader Council.

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UC Cooperative Extension, 1031 South Mt. Vernon Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93307, Telephone (661) 868-6200.

Emerald Star Guidelines and Application

[Emerald Star Guidelines and Application](#)

KERN COUNTY 4-H SPONSOR COMMITTEE DONORS

Each year a variety of sources including private individuals, businesses, and foundations donate the Kern County 4-H Sponsor Committee to help sponsor 4-H events and activities that take place in the county. Every donation is important to the program and the youth involved in 4-H. We are pleased and proud to acknowledge the women, men, and organizations that gave so generously in support of the Kern County 4-H Program last year.

THOSE WHO CONTRIBUTED IN 2019

Bidart Family Foundation
James G. Boswell Foundation
Buttonwillow Land & Cattle Company
Citizens Business Bank
Farm Credit West, FLCA
Hafenfeld Ranch, LLC
Craig E. Kallsen
Kernpareil, Inc.
Lost Hills Mining, LLC
NIKKEI Iron Works
Nile Point Veterinary Hospital, Inc.
Pacific Ag Management, Inc.
Porter Citrus, Inc.
Jerry Slough Farming Company
Southern Valley Chemical Company
Sunridge Nurseries, Inc.
Tractor Supply Company – Bakersfield - Calloway
Tractor Supply Company – Bakersfield – Colony
Tractor Supply Company – Ridgecrest
Tractor Supply Company – Tehachapi
Valley Republic Bank
Jeanne Walford

Kern County 4-H Clubs

Kern County Cares! Canned Food Drive 2019

Golden Empire Gleaners

Thank you to these clubs that have participated!

Champion 4-H	43 pounds
Country Oaks 4-H	160 pounds
Four Aces 4-H	53 pounds
Greater Tehachapi 4-H	12 pounds
Northwest 4-H	22 pounds
Southwest 4-H	82 pounds
Tehachapi Mountain 4-H	14 pounds
West Bakersfield 4-H	144 pounds

Total Kern County 4-H Contributions 530 pounds

Thank you! from UCCE Kern County



Can't wait to see you at the 2020 California 4-H Camping Conference

The 2020 Camping Conference will ignite your imagination to create the ideal camp. Encourage growth, participation, inclusion, and excitement through new educational opportunities and summer camp fun!

We invite youth, volunteers, and professional 4-H staff to join us for a weekend of hands-on activities, learnings from top presenters, and collaboration with other summer camp enthusiasts.

Conference workshops* include:

- Building, evaluating & recognizing your camp staff
- Planning for & dealing with emergencies at camp
- Time fillers and other fun stuff
- Creating an inclusive camp environment.
- Recruiting, engaging, and evaluating adults at camp.
- Camp activities with a Science Twist!
- Project Learning Tree
- New ideas for all-camp activities
- Camp is for the camper

**Archery Certification is a 12-hour course and precludes other workshop choices.*

Come together to **Think Outside: No Box Required** 2020 California 4-H Camping Conference April 3-5, 2020 Sly Park Educational Center

For camp directors, youth leadership team, camp volunteers and 4-H staff

REGISTER ONLINE

About Sly Park Educational Center
5600 Sly Park Rd.
Pollock Pines, CA 95726
(916) 228-2485

Sly Park Educational Center is a beautiful location in El Dorado County. The facility is about an hour away from Sacramento. The property is nestled in the Sly Park Recreation Area in the Sierra Nevada foothills, with groves of pine and oak trees.

REGISTRATION

Registration fees include meals, lodging, and all conference materials.

The conference begins at 7 pm Friday after dinner, ending after lunch on Sunday.

SCHEDULE

Early Bird \$160 by Feb 14, 2020

**Standard Registration \$190
Feb 15 - Mar 20**

Archery Fee: Additional \$35



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For more information: See the [Camping Conference Event Page](https://4h.ucanr.edu/camping-conference) on 4h.ucanr.edu

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**Medal Testing
Horse Holiday Party
December 8, 2019**

Horse

*Paisley Harris
Fallon McNeil
Zoey Wilkerson*

*Glennville 4-H
Sierra Mountaineers 4-H
Premier 4-H*

*Silver
Silver
Silver*



2020 National 4-H Western Heritage Workshop! --- Save the Date!

April 13 – 16, 2020

Winton, CA

The 4-H Western Heritage Project combines a comprehensive study of the Old West with the shooting sports discipline of western action shooting. The purpose of this project is to provide an avenue for 4-H members and adult leaders to experience the lifestyles and cultures of the Old West from the period of around 1860- 1900 through a living history approach to learning while instilling the concepts of gun safety and personal responsibility. Members dress in Old West clothing, shoot replica firearms of the frontier period, and expand their knowledge of U.S. history.

A National 4-H Western Heritage Workshop will be held in Winton, (Merced County) California in the spring of 2020. The training will start on Monday, April 13th at 6:30 p.m. and conclude Thursday, April 16th at 7:00 p.m. at the River Oaks Firearms Training Center <https://safetyfirstshooting.net/>

**Registration open for the Youth Agriculture and
Animal Science Field Day 2020**

Saturday, February 8, 2020 | 8:30am - 12:00pm

Sonoma-Marin Fairgrounds and Event Center, Petaluma

\$5 per person, register by February 1

For youth (aged 9 and older) and adults

<http://ucanr.edu/ag2020/>

Learn about the client-veterinarian relationship, promoting agriculture, backyard poultry, career opportunities, working landscapes, science of wildland fire, and animal welfare practices.

Keynote address by Temple Grandin

California FFA, 4-H, & College Ag Groups -

Back by popular demand, CSUB Athletics is hosting its annual "Ag Night" on Jan. 25, 2020 vs. Seattle University (7PM) for its fourth consecutive year!

As always, tickets for this event will be provided at NO COST! If interested, send me a follow-up email confirming your school may attend (tentative RSVP numbers are welcome). The flyer with more information is coming soon.

Important Information:

Men's Basketball Ag Day vs. Seattle University

- **Date & Time:** Saturday, January 25, 2019 (Game Starts at 7pm), Doors open at 6:00pm
- **Location:** Icardo Center (CSU Bakersfield Campus)
- **Parking:** FREE parking in Lot I.
- **Lunch:** Concessions will also available for purchase through our vendors.

Email lbelz@csub.edu or call 661-654-2361 / 901-484-0493 if you have any questions.

See you on campus. Go 'Runners!!



Save 15% at JOANN and support 4-H at the same time!

JOANN is supporting 4-H with a rewards "card" that gives holders 15% off their total in-store and online purchases!

A minimum of **2.5% of every eligible transaction is donated to 4-H.**

Two ways to sign up:

1. Sign up online at <http://www.joann.com/4-H/>
2. Download the free JOANN app on your mobile device. Go to "More" and select "Loyalty Programs".

<http://4h.uca> Save 15% at JOANN and support 4-H at the same time!



Shop 4-H for California!

Thanks to the [California 4-H Foundation](#), we are now signed up for an affiliate program with Shop 4-H, the National 4-H shopping site. Items include t-shirts, curriculum, incentive items and more.

When you purchase anything using [our link](#), 5% of your purchase will be returned to California 4-H!

Online 4-H Treasurer Training Course

We are pleased to announce the launch of the new California 4-H Treasurer's Training in eXtension. This course was developed by a sub-committee of the State 4-H Policy Advisory Committee and is designed to walk 4-H Club Treasurers through their important role. Access to the course and its unique enrollment keys (different from the required training enrollment keys) can be accessed directly by youth members and volunteers at

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Learning-Development>

The course has already been added to each county's eXtension portal as well.

You can direct any questions or report any issues with the course through our ticketing system at

<https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=27435>

CHECK YOUR STATUS IN 4-H online

BE AN ACTIVE MEMBER

The 2019-2020 program year registration started July 1st

Did you re-register yet?

Are you in 'pending' status?

Did you pay your membership fees?

Did you complete all leader training and background info?

CALL OUR OFFICE OR COME BY!

PLEASE LET US HELP YOU BE AN ACTIVE MEMBER!



Make a Difference in the Life of a Child



Mentor Help Wanted!

- **Do you enjoy encouraging others and contributing to their success?** Do you like to laugh and inspire others to have fun while learning? If so, make a difference today by shaping the life of a youth in need. Become A Mentor!
- **Getting Started Is Simple**
 1. Complete a mentor application and pass a background check.
 2. Attend a one-time orientation/training.
- **Must be able to commit to being a volunteer Mentor one hour a week, for one year.**

Mentee

- **Could Your Child (age 6-18) Benefit From A Mentor?**
- We all need someone to look up to and a Mentor can provide that for your student.
- **All Mentors are pre-screened** with a thorough background check and receive training/orientation.
- Mentors will meet with students one hour a week for one year.
- **Students with Mentors have been shown to:**
 1. Improve relationships with family, authority & peers.
 2. Improve school attendance & grades.
 3. Be promoted to the next grade level in school.

ACT NOW! To apply or for
more information please call

(661) 369-8926
or lhannib@capk.org



As una diferencia en la vida de un niño



¡Se solicitan tutores!

- ¿Le gusta estimular a otras personas y contribuir a su éxito? ¿Le gusta reír e inspirar a otros a divertirse mientras aprenden? Si su respuesta es afirmativa, haga una diferencia ahora, moldeando la vida de un joven necesitado. ¡Conviértase en un tutor!
- Hacer los tramites es simple
 1. Llene una solicitud para mentor y pase los antecedentes penales
 2. Asista a una sesión de capacitación y orientación
- Debe comprometerse a ser un guía voluntario por una hora por semana por un período de un año.

Aprendiz

- ¿Su hijo (a) se podría beneficiar de un tutor?
- Todos necesitamos de un ejemplo a seguir y nosotros podemos proporcionarle eso a su estudiante.
- Los tutores se reunirán con los niños (as) por una hora cada semana durante un año
- Los estudiantes que tienen a un tutor han demostrado:
 1. Tener mejor relación con su familia, las autoridades y sus compañeros.
 2. Tienen mejores calificaciones y asistencia en la escuela.
 3. Pueden pasar al siguiente grado en la escuela.

¡Actúe ahora!

Para presentar una solicitud
u obtener mayor información llame al

(661) 369-8926

o lhannib@capk.org





Updated Leader Orientation

For New Leaders, please visit the link below

[New 4-H Volunteer Leaders](#)

For Returning Leaders, please visit the link below

[Returning 4-H Volunteer Leaders](#)

LINKS YOU CAN USE!

4-H uniform page

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/About/Uniform/>

California 4-H Uniform Guidelines

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/216262.pdf>

Leslie Carman 4-H Supplies

<http://www.4hsupplies.com/>

California 4-H Branding Toolkit

http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Branding_Toolkit/

California 4-H Dress Guidelines

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/210170.pdf>

[Handbook For New Families](#) **NEW!**

This guide was developed to help new families understand the 4-H program. Please share a copy of this with new families in your club. If you have feedback for updates to this guide, please submit them to Sue McKinney at lsmckinney@ucdavis.edu or call 661-868-6235. <http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/271860.pdf>

Food Safety Training Available ONLINE!

The State 4-H Office requires that every club have at least one 4-H leader trained in Food Safety. The more leaders in your club that are certified, the more convenient it is for your club. It is required that a certified volunteer is to be present at all bake sales/food booths to make sure proper food safety guidelines are handled. Food Safety trainings are available anytime online! Please visit the website below, and use the provided sign-in/user information:

Website: <http://ucanr.edu/sites/MISKIS/>



4-H WEBSITES

http://cekern.ucdavis.edu/Youth_Development/

<http://www.areyouintoit.com>

<http://www.fourhcouncil.edu>

<http://www.4-h.org/fourweb>

<http://www.ca4h.org>

4-H ENROLLMENT WEBSITE

<https://california.4honline.com>

4-H VOLUNTEER WEBSITE

<http://ucanr.org/4-hvolunteers/>

KERN COUNTY 4-H IS ON FACEBOOK!

Kern County 4-H is on Facebook! You can search for us: Kern County 4-H and 'like' us! We will post updates, important event reminders, announcements—all sorts of important things! It's the best way to keep up-to-date!