



# COLUSA COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER January 2025



## Upcoming Events:

### January

**8th**-Sheep & Goat Field Day, 5 p.m., Griff's Feed and Seed

**13th**-Stonyford 4-H Meeting, 6:00, Stonyford Community Pavilion

**13th**-Arbuckle 4-H Meeting, 6:30 Primary Meeting, 7:00 Regular Meeting, Arbuckle Elementary School Multipurpose Room

**13th**-Princeton 4-H Meeting, 6:00, Princeton Elementary Multipurpose Room

**15th**-Colusa County 4-H Council Meeting, 5:30, CIP Conference Room

**27th**-Colusa Community 4-H Meeting, 6:15 Primary Meeting, 7:00 Regular Meeting, Colusa Industrial Properties Conference Room

## February

**1st** - County Presentation Day, Princeton High School, start 9am

**4th-6th** - Colusa County Farm Show - County Pie Sale Fundraiser

**5th**-Maxwell 4-H Meeting, 6:00, Maxwell Elementary Multipurpose Room

**5th**-Multi Species Feed Seminar, 6 p.m., Griff's Feed & Seed, Colusa

**10th**-Stonyford 4-H Meeting, 6:00, Stonyford Community Pavilion

**10th**-Arbuckle 4-H Meeting, 6:30 Primary Meeting, 7:00 Regular Meeting, Arbuckle Elementary School Multipurpose Room

**10th**-Princeton 4-H Meeting, 6:00, Princeton Elementary Multipurpose Room

**24th**-Colusa Community 4-H Meeting, 6:15 Primary Meeting, 7:00 Regular Meeting, Etchepare Hall, Colusa County Fairgrounds

# Colusa County 4-H Presentation Day Saturday, February 1st Princeton High School

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4-H PRESENTATION  
MANUAL



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## What is County Presentation Day?

This event is open to all 4-H'ers allowing youth to exhibit their communication and public speaking skills. Members plan and create a presentation with assistance from the California 4-H Presentation Manual.

As a reminder, to exhibit either an animal or still exhibit at the Colusa County Fair, members must complete one presentation related to their project. County Presentation Day counts for this requirement.

## Register Here

## Volunteers Needed

We are looking for evaluators must be at least 16 and room host. If you are interested, please complete the survey if you are available.

[Click here to volunteer](#)

[Click here for a copy of the manual](#)

Colusa County 4-H Members, please see the opportunity below to attend the 2024-2025 Glenn County 4-H Presentation Prep Workshops.

These workshops are designed to help you prepare for Presentation Day. They do not count as a presentation.

Hello 4-H Members!

We're excited to announce the **2024-2025 Glenn County 4-H Presentation Prep Workshops** at the UCCE Office! This year, we're offering two sessions tailored to help you shine at Presentation Day!

**Presentation Prep 101:** Building a Presentation

Learn the foundational skills to craft a winning presentation:

- How to choose the perfect topic.
- Understanding different presentation types and formats.
- Picking the best fit for you and your topic.
- Preparing and what to expect for Presentation Day on Friday, February 7, 2025.

☐ **Date:** Wednesday, January 7, 2025

☐ **Time:** 6:00 PM

☐ **Location:** UCCE Office, 821 E. South Street, Orland

**Presentation Prep 201:** Enhancing Your Presentation & Communication Skills

In this workshop, participants will build confidence by learning techniques and skills to improve their presentation. Key takeaways include:

- Focus on improving your prepared presentation.
- Participants will have the opportunity to practice delivering their presentations and receive feedback.
- Enhancing storytelling to connect with audiences.
- Designing visuals and content for clarity and engagement.
- Managing Q&A sessions with confidence and professionalism.

☐ **Date:** Thursday, January 23, 2025

☐ **Time:** 6:00 PM

☐ **Location:** UCCE Office, 821 E. South Street, Orland

☐ **Let us know you're coming!**

Don't miss this chance to gain valuable skills and prepare for an amazing Presentation Day!

[Click here to register for the Glenn County 4-H Presentation Workshops](#)

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# Colusa County Farm Show



# WE NEED

# YOU!

**COLUSA FARM SHOW  
4-H PIE SALE  
FUNDRAISER**  
Contact the 4-H Office  
to Volunteer  
530-458-0570

Youth and Adult Volunteer  
Helpers needed:

Tuesday, February 4th  
Wednesday, February 5th  
Thursday, February 6th

Anytime between 9am and  
4pm

Helpers will:

Take money  
tally sold pies  
Help hand out pie



# WE'RE HIRING!

## Colusa County 4-H Community Education Specialist

Qualified Candidates Provide:  
Management, promotion, and delivery of  
educational programming that meets the needs  
of youth  
Engaged service to youth, the public and  
community partners  
Oversight and facilitation of the 4-H Youth  
Development Program



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Check us out!

[Colusa County 4-H, California 4-H](#)



## Information for Adult Volunteers

Project leaders enroll now in [ZSuite](#), click on the link, and take the appropriate training in [eXtension](#) Campus.

RETURNING VOLUNTEERS:

December 31st marked the end of the 6-month overlap of service. This is the grace period that allows Adult Volunteers enrolled in the previous year to continue to serve the program without an approved and Active enrollment.

Returning volunteers that do not have an approved and Active enrollment as of January 1st may not actively serve as a 4-H Adult Volunteer until they have completed all requirements, and their re-enrollment is approved.

Any questions about any part of the process, please call the office at 458-0570

Check out the California 4-H Resource Website for more information

### [CA 4-H Resource Page](#)

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## Winter 2025 Online Workshop Series for 4-H Project Leaders

**Series is 8 hours (4 sessions, 2 hours each)**  
**Tuesdays in February | 6:30-8:30pm**

Learn about your role, lesson planning, making learning hands-on and engaging, working with youth of all ages, and working with junior and teen leaders.



Register at <https://bit.ly/4HPL2025>  
Complete the series to earn a 4-H name badge.



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[Click here to learn more](#)

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# Meet Your County Club Officers

## Catalina Oliveros

Catalina is the Attendance Secretary for Arbuckle 4-H.

Her favorite part of 4-H is enjoying raising meat goats for the fair every year. 4-H has taught her how to take care of animals.

Catalina's favorite 4-H experience was going to the State Field Day entering her quilt.

Her favorite ice cream flavor is Cookies and Cream, and she is interested in trying out showing rabbits.



## Jordan McPeck

Jordan is serving as President of the Arbuckle 4-H Club.

Jordan's favorite part about 4-H is the amount of different things you can do inside of it.

He has learned how to be a better leader in stressful situations through his involvement in 4-H.

His favorite experience was the State Leadership Conference. It was fun for him to be a part of as well as getting to compete in Master Showmanship at the State Fair.

Jordan would like to try shooting sports or fly tying as a project.



## Sophia Oliveros

Sophia is serving as the Recording Secretary for Arbuckle 4-H this year.

Getting to raise her animal and bond with it is her favorite part about 4-H.

4-H has taught her that her community is always there for her, willing to help if she needs it.

Her favorite 4-H experience is going to the State Field Day with her mom, sister, and family friends the Knowles.

She'd like to give public speaking and debates a try as a 4-H project.



## News from Around the Clubs



### Chico State Youth Livestock Education Day Returns!

By MJ Vann  
December 7, 2024

This weekend, I went to Chico State's Lamb and Goat Field Day, and it was awesome! Even though most of the event was about lambs and goats, they had a special pig speaker, which was super cool. It was the first time they held this event in a few years because of the pandemic, so everyone was really excited to be there. At the pig session, we learned all about what pigs need to live happily, like food, water, and heat control. The speaker also explained a lot about medicine for pigs, which was really interesting. We ended the pig session with a tour of the Chico State Meats Lab where the presenter worked, it was amazing to see where they process everything!

At the lamb session, we learned that when you first get your lamb, it will be about three to four months old. By the time you take it to the fair, it should be around nine months to a year old. I didn't know that if a lamb starts growing its adult teeth, you can't take it to the fair anymore!

Unfortunately, I missed the meat goat session, but it sounded like it had a lot of great information for people raising goats. I hope to go again next year and check it out. This event was so much fun, and I learned a ton about taking

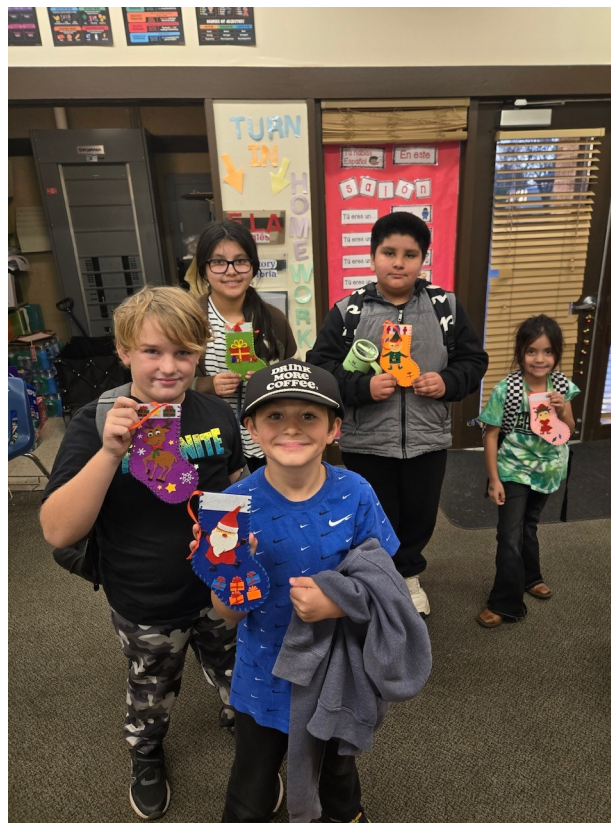


care of animals like pigs, lambs, and goats!



“Princeton 4-H had their first sewing meeting. We learned how to do a basic stitch and made their own stockings. Everyone had fun!

Submitted by Wyatt Roach



## News from California State 4-H

Visit the Site  
Here!





## Educational Days for Animals

Save these dates!



### SHEEP & GOAT

Field Day

Our expert-led sessions offer hands-on learning, practical tips, and valuable connections to help you succeed with your show animals and reach your goals this season.

 **Wed, January 8th**  
5:00pm

 **Griff's Feed & Seed**  
851 7th Street, Colusa

 **Adam Mendonza & Rhiannon Carlson**  
Feed Experts

**EXPERT ADVICE | NUTRITION FOCUS | SHOW PREPARATION**



Multi-Species  
**FEED**  
*Seminar*

Whether you're looking to improve your feeding program or gain new insights into livestock nutrition, this seminar provides the tools you need to maximize your animals' potential.

 **Wednesday, Feb 5th**  
**6.00PM**

 **Griff's Feed & Seed**  
**851 7TH STREET**  
**COLUSA, CA 95932**

 **Contact Us**  
**530.458.2921**


 **Expert Advice**  
Learn feeding strategies for show animals from **Brady Otto**, Feed Specialist.

 **Maximize Potential**  
Discover how to optimize your livestock's nutrition for peak performance.

## LIVESTOCK LOAN INFORMATION

### MATTINGLY MEMORIAL LIVESTOCK LOAN

**ED & JOSIE MATTINGLY MEMORIAL LIVESTOCK LOAN** Ed and Josie Mattingly were 4-H leaders in Butte County for many years while 7 of their 9 children were in the Biggs 4-H Club. Both have since passed away, and their family and friends would like to memorialize them by helping 4-H'ers in livestock projects. In this spirit the family would like to help 4-H'ers who would have difficulty financing a livestock project without a loan. For further information, please contact the 4-H Office at 458-0570 OR BY [clicking here](#)

### JOEL SHERER MEMORIAL LIVESTOCK LOAN

**JOEL SHERER MEMORIAL LIVESTOCK LOAN** Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sherer of Arbuckle established the Joel Sherer Memorial Fund in 1965 to memorialize their son Joel, who was "an energetic 4-H'er during his lifetime", and to assist 4-H members in establishing a degree of independence by allowing them the opportunity to finance their livestock projects. For further information, please contact the 4-H Office at 458-0570 OR BY [clicking here](#)

### COLUSA-GLENN FARM CREDIT YOUTH LOAN

The Colusa-Genn Farm Credit Youth Lending Program provides interest free funds to youth from Colusa and Glenn Counties who participate in livestock projects in qualifying 4-H, FFA, Independent, or Grange chapters. This opportunity allows the youth to learn about the importance of accurate records, budgeting, and honoring obligations to repay. [click here for more information](#)

**Want to add bling to your hat?**  
**Check out the link below.**

**Ways to Earn Your Spark**  
**Achievements**

SPARKS  
EMERALD STAR  
IMPACT STAR  
ACHIEVEMENTS PROGRAM



A Spark Achievement reflects a member's experiences in 4-H with the purpose to try new things. Through this dip-your-toe-in strategy, members can discover something in 4-H that brings them joy and motivation—a Spark.

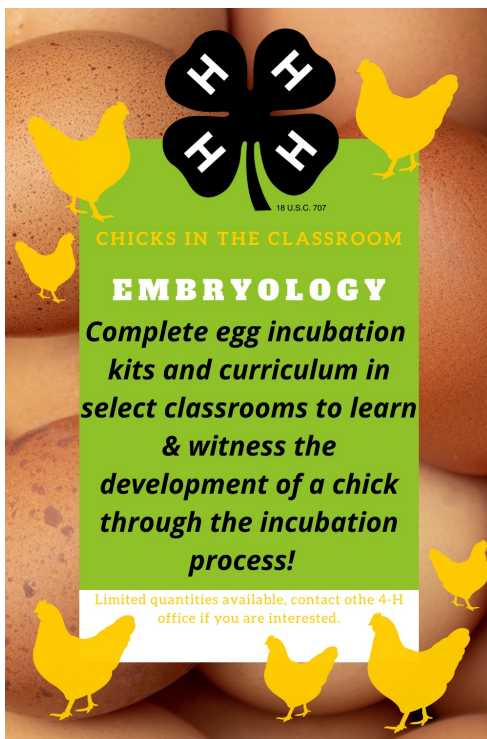
Spark Achievement pins show member experiences and accomplishments in 4-H.

Any member who does not currently hold a bronze star rank must use the Spark Achievement program.

Click the link below to learn more.

[4-H Achievement Manual](#)

## Chicks in the Classroom



Are you a Colusa County  
Teacher,

Call now to get on the list for  
next year!

530-458-0570  
[colusa@ucanr.edu](mailto:colusa@ucanr.edu)



### Attention 4-H Club Members:

If you attend a 4-H event, you are welcome to submit an article to let us know about it! Send us a picture, and tell us the who, what, where, and why, plus something that you learned! It will count in your record book!

Email article to [jpperry@ucanr.edu](mailto:jpperry@ucanr.edu) or [mzoller@ucanr.edu](mailto:mzoller@ucanr.edu)

## Colusa County 4-H Club Meetings

### **Arbuckle 4-H Club**

2nd Monday of the month, 7:00 p.m.,  
Arbuckle Elementary School

### **Maxwell 4-H Club**

1st Wednesday of the month, 6:00 p.m.,  
Maxwell Elementary School Multipurpose

### Colusa 4-H Club

Varying Mondays, 7:00 p.m. - Etchepare Hall,  
Fairgrounds, No May Mtg.

### Princeton 4-H Club

2nd Monday of the month, 6:00 p.m.  
Princeton Elementary School

### Stonyford 4-H Club

2nd Monday of the month, 6:00 p.m.  
Community Pavillon - No December Mtg.

**Anyone interested in helping us  
revive the Williams 4-H Club, please  
[contact us!](#)**

**[For More Information](#)**  
**[Click here to e-mail the 4-H Office.](#)**

# 4-H PLEDGE

I pledge my **H<sup>HEAD</sup>** to clearer thinking,

my **HE<sup>HEART</sup>** to greater loyalty,

my **H<sup>HANDS</sup>** to larger service,

and my **HE<sup>APPLE</sup>ALTH** to better living,

for my club, my community, my country,

and my world. 


Prometo usar mi **M<sup>HEAD</sup>ENTE** para pensar con más claridad,

mi **COR<sup>HEART</sup>ZÓN** para ser más leal,

mis **M<sup>HANDS</sup>NOS** para ser más servicial,

mi **S<sup>APPLE</sup>LUD** para cuidarme más,

por mi club, mi comunidad, mi país

y mi mundo. 

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