

Leaderline

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A Quarterly Newsletter to Volunteer Leaders Providing 4-H News in New Mexico

Beating the Summer Slide

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What is Summer Slide?

Summer slide is a learning loss that happens when your child doesn't use, or practice skills learned at school during summer break and returns to school at a lower academic level than the

end of last year.

Summer Slide Facts

- The equivalent of one month of learning is lost
- 2.6 months of math skills are lost
- 2 months of reading are lost
- Takes 6 weeks of re-learning in the fall

The good news: it only takes 2-3 hours of practice per week to prevent summer learning loss.



Activities for Your Summer Learner?

Start by focusing on areas your student struggled with during

(See Summer Slide on page 2)

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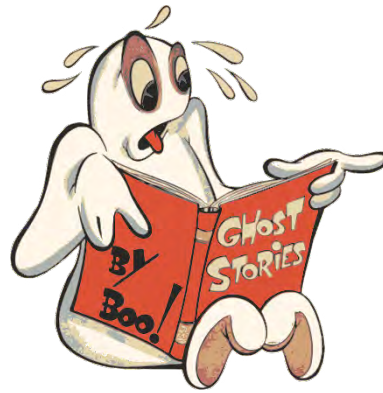
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Summer Slide

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the school year. Keeping it fun yet effective is important. With summer right around the corner, start planning learning activities now to avoid summer learning loss.



Become A Bookworm

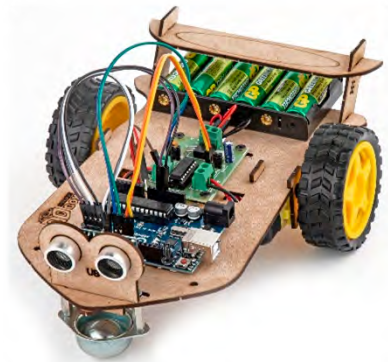
Studies show reading four-to-five books over the summer is comparable to summer school enrollment. Summer allows your student to choose books that spark interest and excitement, making reading a fun and engaging summer activity.

Ways to Incorporate Reading Into Your Summer Plans:

- Take a trip to your local library
- Have them read in the morning before daily distractions
- Create a reward system for finishing books and/or chapters

Get Techy

Technology offers many opportunities to engage and enhance summer learning and promote



essential skills including problem-solving and critical thinking.

Ways To Incorporate Technology Into Your Summer Plans:

- Challenge your child to a new high score on an educational app
- Start a tech project together—such as robotics
- Encourage drawing or creating art on tech devices

Beating the Summer Slide

Create

Creative activities increase learning by improving higher-level thinking and skill development. Creative activities

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Welcome Sam Lowry New Ag and Natural Resources State Agent

Please welcome Sam Lowry to the New Mexico State 4-H Youth Development Department! Sam will be (re) joining the NM 4-H family as the Ag and Nat Resources State Agent beginning July 17.

“As an NMSU Alumni, and having grown up in the Mesilla Valley, I am excited about joining the NMSU State 4-H Office team! I hold a bachelor’s and master’s degree in Agricultural Biology from New Mexico State University. Over the past eight years I have served in the Colorado State 4-H Office as a State 4-H Youth Development Specialist. Over that time, I provided 4-H program leadership and guidance to County 4-H Agents in the 4-H Horse, Livestock & Shooting Sports program & project



Sam Lowry

areas. I have a passion for 4-H Youth Development, and I am looking forward to the opportunity to serve in the role of New Mexico State University Extension State 4-H Agriculture and Natural Resources Agent.”

*“Young people willing to push super hard to make something happen are among the most powerful forces in the world.”
– Sam Altman*



4-H Rodeo Calendar Update:

- San Juan County Rodeo - July 8th-9th - McGee Park, Farmington, NM
- Quay County Rodeo - July 28th-29th - Quay County Fairgrounds, Tucumcari, NM
- Doña Ana County Rodeo - August 12th-13th - Landmark Arena, Mesquite, NM
- State 4-H Finals - September 22nd-24th - dates confirmed, tentative location - Curry County Events Center

Interested in Beekeeping?

Last year we included three new projects in our catalog about beekeeping for 4-H members, plus a facilitator’s guide for leaders (all from Purdue Extension). Here’s your chance to learn about honeybees and beekeeping if you are interested in these projects.

Project #3053 - Learning About Beekeeping - Level 1

covers information on basic facts of beekeeping: types of bees, the honey and wax they produce, plants that attract bees, and introductory beekeeping equipment.

Project #3054 - Working with Honeybees - Level 2 has activities to help youth acquire a colony and learn how to care for their beehive throughout the

year. It introduces basic beekeeping operations resulting in the production of extracted, chunk or cut comb honey.

Project #3055 - Advanced Beekeeping - Level 3 is for a young beekeeper who is experienced and knowledgeable in the basic care of a beehive.

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Take 10 with 4-H (Zoom):

By Cheryl Butterfield
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Volunteer Leadership Development



Idea/Information Sharing for 4-H Volunteer Leaders

An extension agent or 4-H volunteer presents about 5-7 minutes on a topic and opens up the conversation for sharing from participants for the remainder of the 10 minutes. Sessions are recorded and shared on the State 4-H website. Since the scheduled Take 10 Zoom sessions only focus on one small part of a larger topic, additional resources can be found on the State 4-H website under the selected Take 10 topic.

The topics held during the same lunch hour will be separate presentations. 1st Thursday of the month on the dates below during the lunch hour.

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| October 5, 2023 Build Club Membership/Involvement (12:30pm) Community Service Ideas for Clubs (12:45pm) |
| November 2, 2023 State Portfolios (12:30pm) |
| December 7, 2023 Role of Club Leader (12:30pm) |

Contact your County Extension Office at <https://aces.nmsu.edu/county/> for information on how to join the zoom sessions.

Beekeeping

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Advanced topics include increasing honeybee colonies; increasing honey production; producing special kinds of honey, more about bee societies; and how to manage honeybee diseases and parasites.

Leader materials: - Project #3056 - Beekeeping Curriculum Facilitator's Guide helps youth learn about beekeeping based on experience-centered activities. Youth are encouraged to take responsibility for their beekeeping project, enhance their learning by consulting others who raise bees, read books and online publications and attend bee association meetings.

Contact your County Extension Office at <https://aces.nmsu.edu/county/> to obtain these publications to learn about beekeeping and to gain beekeeping skills.

*"Positivity always wins... Always."
- Gary Vaynerchuk*

Previous Take 10 Zoom Meeting Videos on Website

- Club Meetings - What does a club meeting look like?
- Getting Parents Involved
- Put the "Fun" in Recreation - Summer Club Ideas
- Team Building
- 4-H member Opportunities
- Mental Health
- County Contests
- Demonstrations
- STEAM Innovators
- Best Practices - Social Media
- Leadership Opportunities
- Communication
- Senior Leadership Rereat
- Community Service Scholarships
- Family and Consumer Science (FCS) School
- 4-H Day at the Roundhouse
- 4-H Youth Get-Away
- State 4-H Leadership Team
- State 4-H Conference
- District Contests

To view these videos (Zoom meetings), go to our website at <https://nm4h.nmsu.edu/4h/take10.html>.



NM 4-H Adult Forum Registration Scholarships Available

By Cheryl Butterfield
 State 4-H Agent
 Volunteer Leadership Development

First Timer Registration Scholarships

Eight, \$20 registration scholarship applications will be available in August for 4-H Leaders attending the Forum for the first time. You must submit a completed 4-H Adult Forum registration form AND payment, along with your completed Scholarship application. If you are selected, you will receive the scholarship funds following the event. Registration materials and the Scholarship Application form will be available in August from the New Mexico 4-H Web site (under the 'Adult Volunteers Leader' tab) or from your County Extension Office.

Please consider participating in this year's 4-H Adult Forum where you will meet other adults involved in 4-H; hear a motivational speaker; participate in workshops, a community service project, Make and Take activities, silent auction and more! Come for a full day of fun, networking and education. Registration includes the workshops, speaker, special activities, lunch, and breaks. It is a bargain at \$40 if registered before October 15. Click here for the First Timer Registration Scholarship Application at <https://aces.nmsu.edu/4h/documents/2018-4-h-adult-forum-registration-scholarship-aapplication-form.pdf>.

Gerry Copeland Adult Leader Scholarship

One scholarship of \$20.00 will be awarded to a volunteer from each county attending 2023 NM 4-H Forum. To nominate a volunteer, complete the attached form by October 15.

Save the Date

New Mexico 4-H Adult Forum 2023



Theme:

Where in the World is Chris Clover?

Date:

November 11, 2023

Location:

Las Cruces, NM

Schedule - Coming Soon!
Workshops - Coming Soon!
Registration Coming Soon!

Gerry Copeland was a 4-H leader for several years, but her participation grew in 4-H after her own children graduated. She worked as a 4-H volunteer for 30 years by working on committees, working with the county 4-H ambassadors and taking leadership roles with 4-H leader's association events. She believed in the importance of giving 4-H volunteer leaders the professional development they needed to guide 4-Hers.

When she died in December, 2018, after a brief battle with breast cancer, her friends and family established this award for other 4-H adult leaders in New Mexico, so that they could also grow their skills, confidence, and passion for the 4-H program. Click here for the Gerry Copeland Scholarship Application for Adult Forum at <https://aces.nmsu.edu/4h/documents/4-h-adult-leader-scholarship-application-gerry-copeland-2020.pdf>.



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New Mexico 4-H 101 (Part 1)

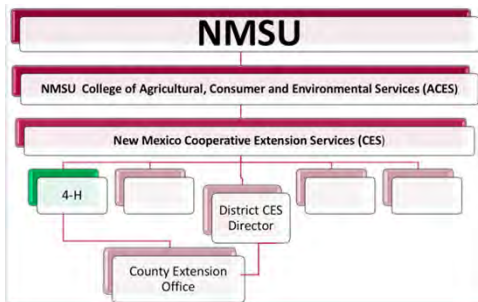


Overview New Mexico Cooperative Extension Service and New Mexico 4-H

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Let's look at the big picture of New Mexico 4-H, whose program it is, who is administratively responsible for 4-H in New Mexico and how you and your family can be a part of the New Mexico 4-H program. Below you will find key points of the four-part NM 4-H 101 (part 1) module which is located in the NM 4-H Enrollment Program (Zsuites).

The NM 4-H Youth Development Program is **THE** youth program of the NM Cooperative Extension Service. The Cooperative Extension Service (CES) was created by the Smith-Lever Act of 1914, which extended outreach to communities through land-grant universities. This Act conveys knowledge from the NMSU College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences (an 1862 land grant) to the people and needs of the people to the NMSU College of Agricultural, Consumer, and Environmental Sciences.



The CES provides the people of New Mexico, and the greater USA, with practical, research-based knowledge and programs to improve their quality of life. The CES does this through its many programs offered by the county/tribal Extension agent in **every** New Mexico County. Thus, 4-H is not the only program in the County Extension Office, although it may be the most widely known.



4-H is a research-based youth development program that is Extension staff supervised, volunteer led, family and community centered, responsive to change, and publicly and privately funded. The mission of the New Mexico 4-H Youth Development Program is to provide youth the opportunities to acquire leadership, citizenship and life skills (NM 4-H Policy and Procedures, 2021). There are over 200 projects to choose from in the New Mexico 4-H Program Projects include everything from rocketry to rabbits, livestock to leadership, and technology to trades.

The County Extension 4-H Agent supervises the 4-H program with the help of 4-H volunteers. 4-H programming is age appropriate and available to youth (5-19) in every NM County with the 4-H year beginning October 1 and ending September 30. Visit your County Extension office for more information: <https://aces.nmsu.edu/county/>

This information summarizes the NM 4-H 101 volunteer training module. Complete the NM 4-H 101 module on the NM 4-H Enrollment system, Zsuites, or contact your local County Extension office for more detailed information.

Information cited from the NM 4-H 101 volunteer training module, New Mexico 4-H Policies and Procedures Handbook, and NMSU College of ACES website.

Fundraising Ideas from 2022 NM 4-H Adult Forum

By Cheryl Butterfield
 State 4-H Agent
 Volunteer Leadership Development

Thank you to all who completed the Leaderline survey. We appreciate your feedback! In response to information you would like to see, I am sharing some Fundraising Ideas compiled from the 2022 NM 4-H Adult Forum. Thank you to the volunteers and agents who shared fundraising ideas! Unfortunately, only some of the ideas have references.



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3. Breakfast w/ Santa, selling programs @ rodeo bull sale, Hot chocolate & fry bread @ balloon below little Caesars kit sales, bingo- Lee Ann Leyba, Red Rock 4-H McKinley County
4. Pool noodle, Stick horses, Trilby Webster Union County



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Fundraising Ideas

1. Spaghetti Dinner, \$30 a plate - cheap ingredients, work with local restaurant or school cafeteria, Youth works the kitchen + service.
2. "Flamingoing", a flock of plastic flamingos that has to be paid to remove payee chooses who gets flocked next.



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5. Pig Raffle - Miranda Meador San Juan County
6. Bulb orders - Lena Los Alamos
7. Ice Cream Parlor
8. Dances - Chaves County
9. Dance

10. Haunted house with carnival, food, and rides
11. Little Caesars, Krispy Pizza, Crème Kit doughnut sales too!
12. Pizza Kits, Crispy Crème, Jerky sticks, Bingo, Dinners-Denise Sena San Miguel
13. 3-D Archery Contest - Taos, Carnival - San Juan, Bingo-San Miguel, Duck Plop – San Juan, Flower bulb sale - Los Alamos

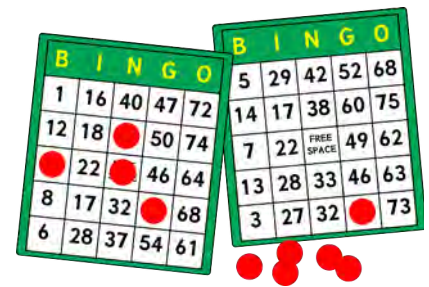


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14. Bingo, Bake sale, Haunted house, concession stand, Avon fundraising, Dance, 50/50s
15. Rodeo Concession, Raffles, county Carnival
16. Duck Plop
17. Bingo, all members must sell all tickets – Alice Sena San Miguel
18. County fair raffle, pancake breakfast, 50 squares for 10.00 cake walk
19. ½ beef NRA Gun Raffle

Did You Know?

The New Mexico 4-H website has many Science and STEM Resource links. From NMSU Learning Games Lab to Interactive STEM Activities, to Learn About Earthquakes, to Learn About the Periodic Table, to The World of Weather, and Dive Into the Ocean, etc. Check out all these resources and more at <https://nm4h.nmsu.edu/4h/science.html>.

Summer Slide

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build pathways between different parts of the brain, including creative activities each day will help all areas of learning.

Ways To Incorporate Creative Activities Into Your Summer:

- Encourage daily creative writing through journaling
- Have your student choose art projects and crafts to try
- Decorate cookies or cupcakes
- Buy or print coloring pages



Include The Whole Family

Involving the whole family creates valuable family bonding, encourages positive self-esteem, and makes learning more fun and stress-free.

Ways To Incorporate Educational Family Activities:

- Plan family game nights with brain-strengthening games such as Scrabble, Cranium, and card games.

- Watch educational T.V. shows and documentaries together
- Using recipes to help your student find and measure ingredients



Go Exploring

Taking day trips and exploring cultural/educational events and places fosters learning in multiple areas, including history, science, and nature. Exploration builds curiosity and encourages new interests.

Ways To Incorporate Exploring Into Your Summer Plans:

- Visit a museum or science exhibit with hands-on learning
- Take a trip to a zoo, aquarium, or botanical garden and encourage additional reading or artwork about the different animals and habitats they experienced
- Visit historical landmarks and encourage further learning

It is important to help students to find a balance between a well-deserved break from school and supporting and enhancing what they learned during the school year.

Adapted from: Summer Learning Loss Statistics (And Tips To Promote Learning All Summer Long), Jun 07, 2019, Oxford Learning.

Ignite your Child's Spark with



4-H's online learning platform
that helps kids become
more confident, resilient and independent.

<https://4-h.org>

Fostering Creativity

By Tamara Schubert
Interim State FCS Agent



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If you have been involved with 4-H for long, you are probably familiar with the Targeting Life Skills Model. With this model, skills that are needed for the positive growth and development of a young person are aligned with the four components of the 4-H pledge: head, heart, hands, and health. The model is utilized by 4-H professionals and volunteers as a framework to organize the delivery of 4-H experiences that teach the life skills identified in the model.

However, there is an element that can't be found on the Targeting Life Skills Model - Creativity! Creativity is an important life skill because it allows individuals to think outside the box, solve problems, and come up with innovative ideas. This skill is extremely important in the development of our youth. Creativity inspires collective thinking, nurtures ideas, and supports resiliency. It also promotes self-expression, boosts mental health, and enhances personal and professional development. It is an asset that connects and enhances all areas of life.

Albert Einstein once said, "*Creativity is intelligence having fun.*"

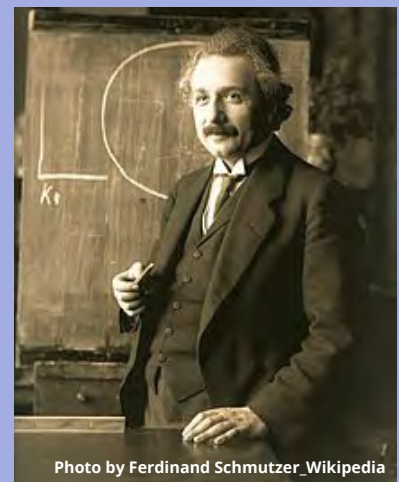


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"Creativity is intelligence having fun."

- Albert Einstein

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Creativity

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Through our 4-H program activities, youth are provided with opportunities and projects in which they discover their own interests. Through these interests, youth use creativity to build life skills that will help them become successful, not only in their 4-H projects but throughout their life.

Although most of us may think of art and music when it comes to examples of being creative, the truth is we can see it everywhere; in the methods the architect chooses to design a building, in how a doctor puts together a treatment plan, or how a poster is laid out.

According to the University of Missouri Extension, there are several ways to encourage creativity in our youth.

1. Choices: Children who are given choices show more creativity than those who have all the choices made for them.
2. Stimulation: Physical environments designed to stimulate the senses can enhance creative problem solving.
3. Time: Dramatic play just prior to engaging in problem-solving tasks can lead to more creative thought.
4. Independence: Encourage children to think and act freely without adult direction, yet within the limits of rules and considering the safety of others.
5. Exposure: Give children the opportunity to see and experience other cultures and ways of living to help them learn to respect the choices other people make.
6. Brainstorming: Encourage children to tackle problems as a group by freely expressing their

(see 'Creativity' on page 11)



The poster features a dark brown background with large, bold, orange and white text. On the right side, there are three circular images of food: a bowl of chicken with sauce, a plate of stir-fried chicken, and a bowl of noodles with dumplings. A green 4-H clover logo is positioned in the upper right quadrant of the text area.

**NM 4-H
FOOD
CHALLENGE**

SEPTEMBER 16, 2023

**NOVICE, JUNIOR & SENIOR
TEAMS (3-5 MEMBERS)**

CONTACT YOUR COUNTY OFFICE FOR FULL DETAILS AND
REGISTRATION

**REGISTRATION \$15.00/ TEAM
DUE SEPT 6TH**

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Creativity

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ideas with no fear of a negative response.

7. Encouragement: When children show special aptitudes, such as an ability to generate many questions, a keen memory, advanced reading or pre-reading skills, artistic skills or other above-average abilities, adults should encourage them to build on and expand their skills.
8. Environment: Adults who enthusiastically encourage children to develop more than one solution to a problem see greater creativity in problem solving.

Remember:

- Our youth learn about themselves and to appreciate their unique talents within an environment that fosters creativity.
- It's about the process more than it is about the product.
- It's our job to help foster creative environments and situations for youth to practice this essential skill.

Until next time: Be Creative!

From 4-h.org Make Your Own Cheese

In this activity, kids will learn how to make cheese from milk, plus they will compare milk that comes from a cow and a goat. If you can, try this process with both types to compare! Click here https://4-h.org/activity-basic-webpage/?activity_id=98595 to start this 90-minute activity (grades 3-12).

Any 4-H Member who is active in Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) projects may "letter" in FCS.

THE FIRST YEAR

- RECEIVE A "CLOVER" LETTER AS YOU WOULD SEE ON A LETTERMAN JACKET.

NOVICE:

- BRONZE "H" PIN

JUNIOR:

- SILVER "H" PIN

SENIOR:

- GOLD "H" PIN


IN ADDITION, TWO PLATINUM LETTERS WILL BE AWARDED EACH YEAR IN THE FORM OF A PLAQUE. THE PLATINUM LETTERS ARE BASED ON OVERALL ACHIEVEMENT AND MAY BE RECEIVED AT ANY AGE LEVEL.

SEE BROCHURE AND APPLICATION FOR FULL DETAILS
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FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES LETTERMEN



Forms Due September 1st



CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

Being Good Citizens
4-H civic engagement programs empower young people to be well-informed citizens who are actively engaged in their communities and the world. Youth learn about civic affairs, build decision-making skills and develop a sense of understanding and confidence in relating and connecting to other people.

Program areas:

- Leadership and personal development (confidence and leadership skills)
- Community action (service and improving your communities)
- Communication and expressive arts (photography, visual arts and theater)

Featured Civic Engagement Programs

- Rural youth development
- Juntos 4-H
- Citizenship Washington Focus
- Farm credit

To learn more about these civic programs, go to <https://4-h.org/programs/civic-engagement/>



Summer Program 2024 CWF

*By Amy Zemler
State 4-H Activities Specialist*

Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) is a leadership program for high school youth from across the country. Every summer, thousands of young people stay near Washington, D.C., to participate in this week-long program. CWF provides opportunities for youth to broaden appreciation and practice respect for themselves and others in their world; increase individual commitment

to citizen involvement; and understand the importance of civic and social responsibilities as they relate to the development of better citizens and leaders. Time is provided for 4-H members to report accomplishments in 4-H to their representatives in the Washington, D.C., area as well as participate in sightseeing trips. Registration is due October 16, 2023. Contact your County Extension Office at <https://aces.nmsu.edu/county> for more information about CWF.

Community Service Scholarships for SLR

*By Amy Zemler
State 4-H Activities Specialist*

The New Mexico 4-H Community Service Scholarship deadline for Senior Leadership Retreat (SLR) 2024 is coming up in October. The scholarship will cover the registration expenses, or \$250 of the team fees for serving as a State 4-H Officer or Ambassador.

This scholarship is available to any Senior 4-H Member, serving as a State 4-H Officer, Ambassador, or participating in a 4-H activity. They must submit a New Mexico 4-H Community Service Scholarship application form. A revision is made to the scholarship application and a reminder regarding projects submitted. Multiple youth, including siblings cannot do the same community service project. If applications are submitted by multiple youth with the same project proposal, they will be denied. Siblings can do a community service project at the same location as long they are different projects. Applications that have community service activities through established organizations, like cleaning up trash along the highway, or just working as a volunteer for an established organization for example, will not be accepted. If the applicant would like to work with the organization in creating a new program, that is acceptable. The project must be an activity that the youth designs, organizes and implements that will have an impact on the community.

Scholarship applications for SLR 2024 is due October 16, 2023. For more information, go to <https://nm4h.nmsu.edu/scholarships.html>.

100th Annual State 4-H Conference

By Amy Zemler
State 4-H Activities Specialist

Mark your calendars! State 4-H Conference will be held July 10-14, in Las Cruces, NM. The theme is: *Forever 4-H*. This year's keynote speaker is Shannon McKain <https://www.shannonmckain.com>. The business sessions will include retiring addresses, contest results and election of new officers. Workshops with topics such as personal growth, technology, and leadership to name a few will be offered during the daytimes.



Shannon McKain

State 4-H Conference Keynote Speaker: Shannon McKain

Shannon McKain is widely recognized as a leading authority in finding passion, creating positive change and reaching personal goals. A former NFL Cheerleader, 4-Her and Pryor Leadership Fellow, Shannon has entertained and educated audiences around the world, receiving several accolades and awards throughout her career.

She's regularly seen on ABC, CBS, NBC, and was even featured on the Dude Perfect Show on Nickelodeon.

Through all of these experiences, she relates how hard work, the right attitude, and having passion really will lead you to achieving your dreams. Shannon's enthusiasm combined with her inspirational message is a compelling call to action for anyone who is ready to conquer their dreams, too.

Be a Part of History

Watch this YouTube video made about our 100th Anniversary of New Mexico 4-H's State 4-H Conference. Click on <https://youtu.be/nEx8ZUKrhU4>.

See <https://nm4h.nmsu.edu/4h/conference.html> for information:

- Schedule
- Workshop Descriptions
- Community Service Flyer
- General Rules
- 4-H Dress Code
- Dance Themes



100th State 4-H Conference Reunion Group Celebrations

By Cheryl Butterfield
 State 4-H Agent
 Volunteer Leadership Development

This year at the 100th State 4-H Conference there will be three reunion group celebrations. We are trying to reach individuals who may be a part of the respective groups below. Please share with individuals who would be interested in attending reunion activities for the following groups.

Monday, July 10 - Retired 4-H Agent Recognition - Judy O'Loughlin, Committee Chair- judyo@nmsu.edu

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|-----------------|--|
| 5:00-6:15pm | Reception for Retired 4-H Agents |
| 6:30pm - 8:30pm | Recognition of Retired 4-H Agents during General Session |

Wednesday, July 12 - NM State 4-H Leadership Team Alumni Reunion - Danette McGuire, Committee Chair

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| 2:30-4:30pm | Reception for NM State 4-H Leadership Team Alumni |
| 5:00-6:30pm | Recognition of NM State 4-H Leadership Team Alumni during General Session |
| 6:30pm | Group picture with all 100th State 4-H Conference Attendees |

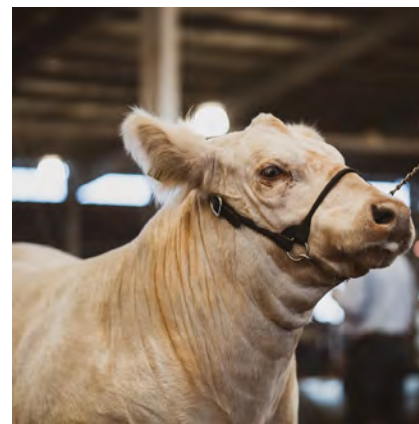
NM State 4-H Leadership Team Alumni -

Please complete the information at the link below to help with the planning process and provide contact information for registration information.

<https://fs22.formsite.com/nmsuaces/mintxyminck/index>

Thursday, July 13 - NM State Honorees (Friend of 4-H, Hall of Fame, and State Honorary 4-H Member) - Katie Ramsey, Chair

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| 3:00-4:30pm | Reception for NM State Honorees |
| 5:00-8:00pm | Dinner and Awards - Recognition of NM State Honorees during awards |



Attention 4-H and FFA Exhibitors

Any exhibitor entering a Junior Market Show at the 2023 New Mexico State Fair is required to take the YQCA test and receive their YQCA Certificate of Completion.

The YQCA otherwise known as the YOUTH FOR QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS is a multi-species assurance program. Visit: <https://yqcaprogram.org/> to obtain your certification if you have not already done so. This will replace Market Certification Forms.

4-H'ers are 2.3 times
 more likely to be physically active, are nearly
two times more likely
 to plan to go to **college**, and are
3.4 times more likely
 to contribute to their **communities** when
 compared with youth who do not
 participate in 4-H.

Keep calm and keep learning.
 – Lailah Gifty Akita

100th
State 4-H
Conference
2023
Community
Service



Happy Birthday

New Mexico 4-H

Counties, bring already-created
birthday celebration kits
(cake pan, boxed cake mix, soft drink,
icing and candles).

(Place all items in a 2.5 gallon Ziploc bag.)



We challenge
each district to bring
100
celebration kits
as a group!

NEEDED FOR SODA CAKE:



**Please take supplies
to your
County Extension Office!**

1. ALUMINUM PAN
2. FULL CAN OF SODA
3. CAKE MIX
4. ICING CONTAINER
5. CANDLES

STEP BY STEP DIRECTIONS FOR SODA CAKE:

1. Remove items from pan.
2. Remove plastic lid sitting under your pan IF INCLUDED.
3. Spray pan with nonstick spray (OPTIONAL - NOT INCLUDED).
4. Mix cake mix and FULL can of soda pop in a bowl, stir well. (You can mix it in the cake pan if necessary.)
5. NO OTHER INGREDIENTS ARE NEEDED.
6. Bake according to cake box directions.
7. Cool cake completely before frosting.
8. Add icing from your canned icing.
9. Add candles, light and blow out.
10. Happy birthday!
11. For storage, see cake box directions.





New Mexico County and State Fairs 2023

July

Bernalillo County
July 21 - 30, 2023

Eddy County
July 24 - 29, 2023

Colfax County
July 25 - 30, 2023

Rio Arriba County
July 26 - 29, 2023

Doña Ana County
July 27 - 29, 2023

August

Lincoln County
August 1 - 5, 2023

Santa Fe County
August 2 - 5, 2023

Sandoval County
August 2 - 6, 2023

Harding County
August 3 - 5, 2023

Quay County
August 3 - 12, 2023

Guadalupe County
August 4 - 6, 2023

August

Lea County
August 4 - 12, 2023

Torrance County
August 8 - 11, 2023

Union County
August 9 - 12, 2023

San Miguel & Mora County
August 9 - 13, 2023

De Baca County
August 10 - 12, 2023

Los Alamos County
August 11 - 13, 2023

Roosevelt County
August 21 - 27, 2023

Valencia County
August 21 - 27, 2023

Hidalgo County
August 24 - 27, 2023

Socorro County
August 29 - Sept. 3, 2023

Cibola and McKinley County
August 31 - Sept. 4, 2023

September

NM State Fair
September 8 - 18, 2023

Grant County
September 20 - 23, 2023

Otero County
September 21 - 23, 2023

Southern NM State Fair
Sept. 27 - October 1, 2023

October

Sierra County
October 4 - 8, 2023

Southwestern
New Mexico State Fair
October 4 - 8, 2023





2023 State 4-H Photo Contest

Show off your photography skills!

Enter your photos to have a chance of winning the 2023 State 4-H Photo Contest. Photos in either film or digital can be submitted through mail or Facebook by August 1st. (If picture is placed on Facebook, make sure to include the information below with the post). Photos submitted will then be placed on a link and voted on by the public. The information for the voting link will be made available on August 10th. The first, second and third place in each category will receive a rosette. The first place winner in each category will receive a camera case and his/her photo will automatically be entered in the contest for overall winner. The overall winner will be chosen by a set of judges and will be awarded an overall rosette and a cash prize of a \$100.

Categories:

- 4-H – Must have either correct logo or clover
- Animals – Any pictures that have animals
- People – Any pictures that have people
- Landscapes – Any pictures that have fields, any type of vegetation, flowers, mountains, sunsets, etc.
- Buildings – Any picture that have buildings
- Other – Anything that doesn't fit in a category, example - road signs, mailboxes, business signs etc.

Entry rules:

- Members may submit up to a total of three entries. Each entry must have the following information with it—Name, Club, County, Name of Photo, Category, Location of the photo and Contact number/email.
- Entries can be either color or black and white. Please no edited or photo-shopped pictures.
- Please, no matted or framed photos if mailed.
- Photos will not be returned! If you want to keep your photo, please retain a copy.
- Photographs must be the work of the 4-H member taken during the current 4-H program year.
- Entries must in the State 4-H Office or uploaded to Facebook by August 1, 2023. Send to State 4-H Office, MSC 3AE, New Mexico State University, Box 30003, Las Cruces, NM 88003-8003.

NM State 4-H Calendar of Events 2023

| Events | Dates |
|---|---------------------|
| 4-H Belt Buckle Orders are due to the State 4-H Office. Amy Zemler, (575) 646-5204. | July 1 |
| *San Juan County Rodeo (McGee Park, Farmington, NM). Augusta Ahlm, 505-334-9496. | July 8-9 |
| *State 4-H Conference - 100th Anniversary - Forever 4-H (Las Cruces, NM). Amy Zemler, (575) 646-5204. | July 10-14 |
| *Quay County Rodeo (Quay County Fairgrounds, Tucumcari, NM)). 757-461-0562 | July 28-29 |
| New Mexico County and State Fairs for 2023. See page 17 this newsletter for fair dates. | July-October |
| 2023 State 4-H Photo Contest Submissions are due to the State 4-H Office. Amy Zemler, (575) 646-5204. | Aug. 1 |
| *Doña Ana County Rodeo (Landmark Arena, Mesquite, NM). Teresa Dean, 575-525-6649 . | Aug. 12-13 |
| *FCS Lettermen Submission/Application Forms are due. Contact your County Extension Office for more information. | Sept. 1 |
| 4-H Belt Buckle Orders are due to the State 4-H Office. Amy Zemler, (575) 646-5204. | Sept. 1 |
| *New Mexico 4-H Food Challenge Registrations are due. Tamara Schubert, tamschub@nmsu.edu, or 575-622-3882. | Sept. 6 |
| New Mexico 4-H Food Challenge (Contests). Tamara Schubert, tamschub@nmsu.edu, or 575-622-3882. | Sept. 16 |
| *State 4-H Rodeo Finals (Location tentative - Curry County Events Center). | Sept. 22-24 |
| NATIONAL 4-H WEEK. | Oct. 1-7 |
| Tractor Supply Company FALL PAPER CLOVER FUNDRAISER. | Oct. 4-15 |
| *Take 10 with 4-H - Idea/Information Sharing for 4-H Volunteer Leaders (Build Club Membership/Involvement) (Zoom - 12:30 pm). (Community Service Ideas for Clubs) (Zoom - 12:45 pm). Cheryl Butterfield, (575) 646-1156. | Oct. 5 |
| First Timer Registration Scholarship Applications to Attend 4-H Adult Forum are due. See page 5 this newsletter for link. Cheryl Butterfield, (575) 646-1156. | Oct. 15 |
| Gerry Copeland Adult Leader Scholarship Nomination Applications for Those Attending 4-H Adult Forum are due. See page 5 this newsletter for link. Cheryl Butterfield, (575) 646-1156. | Oct. 15 |
| Community Service Scholarship Applications for Senior Leadership Retreat are due in the State 4-H Office. Amy Zemler, 575-646-5204. | Oct. 16 |
| *Citizenship Washington Focus Registrations are due. Contact your County Extension Office for more information. | Oct. 16 |
| 4-H Belt Buckle Orders are due to the State 4-H Office. Amy Zemler, (575) 646-5204. | Nov. 1 |
| Record Book Stories are due to the State 4-H Office. Amy Zemler, (575) 646-5204. | Nov. 1 |
| *Take 10 with 4-H - Idea/Information Sharing for 4-H Volunteer Leaders (State Portfolios) (Zoom - 12:30 pm). Cheryl Butterfield, (575) 646-1156. | Nov. 2 |
| *NM 4-H Adult Forum (Las Cruces, NM). Cheryl Butterfield, (575) 646-1156. | Nov. 11 |
| *Take 10 with 4-H - Idea/Information Sharing for 4-H Volunteer Leaders (Role of Club Leader) (Zoom - 12:30 pm). Cheryl Butterfield, (575) 646-1156. | Dec. 7 |
| *Contact your County Extension Office for information, application and registration deadline. | ----- |

Order Your 2023 New Mexico 4-H Belt Buckle

- Show off New Mexico 4-H with the 2023 belt buckle for \$80.
- Great for gifts or awards.



Designed by the State 4-H Leadership Team and made by Rowdy Silver Custom Designs.

The next orders will be placed on the following dates:
July 1, September 1, and November 1. Allow four to six weeks for production and shipping from these order dates.



For more information, contact the NM State 4-H Office at 575-646-3026.

Order form:

https://nm4h.nmsu.edu/documents/Buckle-Order-form-2023_.pdf

Did You Know?

The New Mexico 4-H website has Next Level College and Career Readiness Resources. Click here at <https://nm4h.nmsu.edu/4h/readiness.html> for Personal Responsibility; Study Skills; Goal Setting; Organization and Time Management Skills and Positivity.



“Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow. The important thing is not to stop questioning.”
– Albert Einstein