

Happy New Year

Wishing you a year filled with joy, success, and endless possibilities.

4-H ENROLLMENT

REGISTER IN 4HONLINE TODAY

ANNUAL DUES ARE PAYABLE TO COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY
BY CHECK, CASH OR CARD

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What's New This Week

- Extension Office Hours Change - Starting January 3rd, the office will be closed on Fridays
- National Western Stock Show Tickets available
- Weld County - Camp Cloverbud Feb. 1st - Open to ALL kids ages 5-8
- Dog Project Meetings starting Tuesday, Jan. 14th

IMPORTANT DATES

Douglas County 4-H Calendar

January 5

Leadership Development
Conference (LDC) Registration
Deadline

January 7

Firing Up on Livestock
Education - Health and
Disease - South Metro Station
42 - Parker

January 15

Shooting Sports Advisory
Meeting - CSU Extension
Office at 6:00 pm

January 16

Cloverbud Activity Night - CSU
Extension Office at 5:30 pm

January 17

4-H Day at the National
Western Stock Show

January 20

CSU Extension Office closed

Join the CLOVERBUD Activity Club
Practice 4-H meeting procedures
and participate in learning about

Sewing

January 16th @ 5:30-6:30pm



at the Douglas County
Extension Office
410 Fairgrounds Road
Castle Rock, CO
RSVP BELOW



DOUGLAS COUNTY

CLOVERBUDS

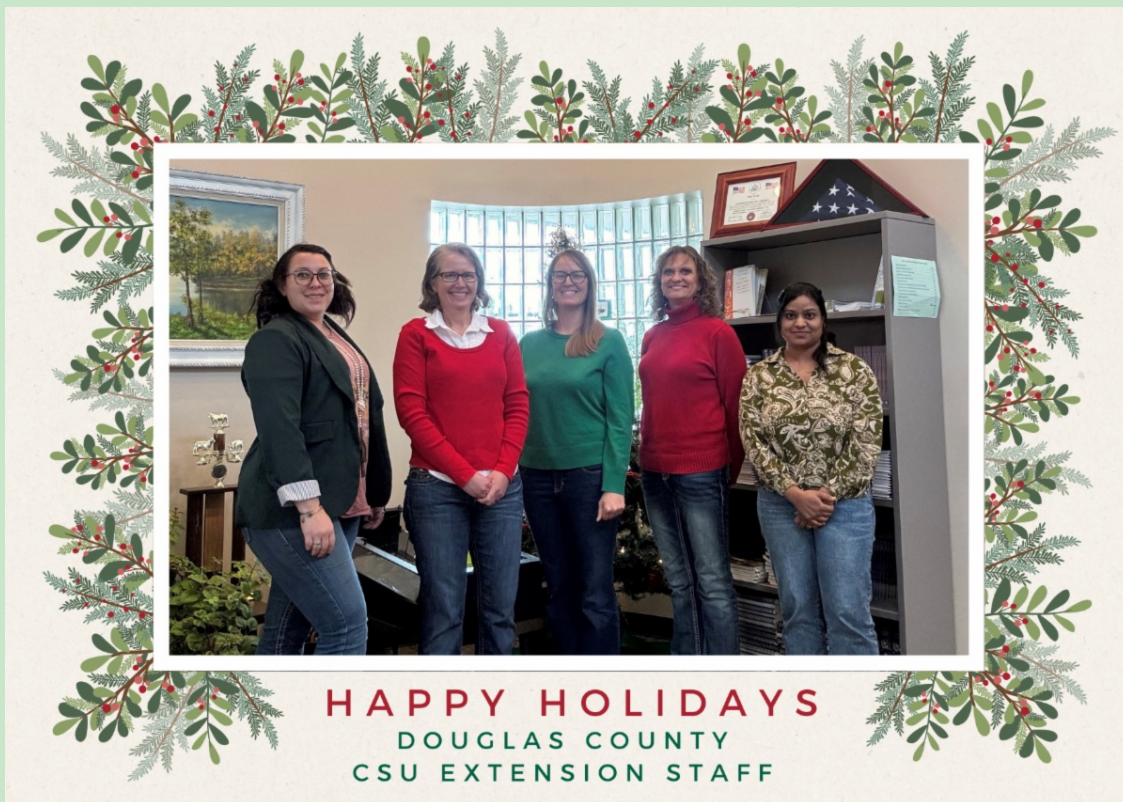
Cloverbud Activity Club
RSVP - Required to
participate

Need to add another
email to receive the
blast? Submit an email
here!

November Youth Council
Secretary Report

January 25 - 27
Leadership Development
Conference (LDC)

Announcements





Announcing new office hours for
the CSU Extension Office
410 Fairgrounds Rd
Castle Rock, CO 80104
(720) 733 - 6940

Starting this Friday, January 3rd,
the Extension Office will be closed
on Fridays.

The office will be open during the
lunch hour.

New Hours:
Monday - Thursday
Open 8 am to 5 pm

2024-2025 4-H ENROLLMENT

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DEADLINE IS MARCH 1ST

CALL 720-733-6340
WITH QUESTIONS

- **Returning 4-H members who enroll and pay dues AFTER DECEMBER 31ST will pay \$85 each**
 - **\$60 Enrollment Fee + \$25 Late Fee after December 31st = \$85**
- **New 4-H members are able to enroll until March 1st, 2025, without a late fee, \$60 each**
- **All 4-H members must enroll by March 1st, 2025, NO EXCEPTIONS**
- **All Cloverbuds (ages 5-7) will be \$40 each, year-round.**

**ALL MEMBERS MUST BE ENROLLED
AND PAID BY MARCH 1ST, 2025.
ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS**

Pay annual enrollment
fees online, [click here](#), or
by cash, check, or card
to the CSU Extension
office in Douglas County.
Financial assistance is
available upon request.

Complete enrollment means annual dues are paid and youth are approved within 4HOnline.

**Enroll in 4HOnline now! Click
here!**

Click here to pay annual dues online!

Local Opportunities



We have **free NWSS day passes and badges**, ready for a drawing. These are for approved 4-H leaders.

Please submit your entry to the drawing through the online form linked and answer all required questions. We will accept names until **January 8th. Good luck!**

Enter Raffle for Stock Show Tickets

The banner features a rustic wooden background with various kitchen items like a wooden spoon, a metal spoon, a wooden bowl, a grater, and a sieve. The text is white and green. A green four-leaf clover icon with the letter 'H' on each leaf is positioned to the left of the main title.

Registration now open!

2025 Front Range Regional Creative Cooks Contest

Saturday, February 22, 2025
Adams County Regional Park
9755 Henderson Road, Brighton

Register for Creative Cooks Contest on February 22nd!
Registration open now through February 7th.

Creative Cooks is a fun contest where you can learn more about and be creative with meal planning. You select a theme, prepare food and create a table setting around your chosen theme. This contest gives youth a chance to show their knowledge of nutrition, meal planning and food preparation in a creative way!

The contest will be held on Saturday, February 22 in the Waymire Dome Building at the Adams County Fairgrounds. The cost to enter is \$6 per member.

The 2025 Colorado Specialty Food Ingredient - Eggs

Register here: <https://forms.gle/EpK2DCqcw3Sj9Gh48>

\$6 per member, pay here:

<https://checkout.square.site/buy/FPWNJHZEP4Q6QL2Z7NQZBXL>

Creative Cooks Contest Rules and Regulations



**It's a Wild Life
Camp Cloverbud**
Saturday, February 1
9:30am to 1:00pm
Southeast
Weld County Fairgrounds
7758 Co Rd 59,
Keenesburg, CO 80643

Open to ALL kids 5-8
Cloverbud members no charge
non-members \$25



Follow this QR code
to register

Wildlife Ambassadors include:

- Red Tail Hawk
- Bull and Garter Snake
- Rabbit
- Tarantula and Scorpion
- Woodhouse Toad & Cane Toad

go to our
Facebook page &
Register
by
January 23

Crafts, Snacks, Games, Animals

  **WELD COUNTY**
COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY
EXTENSION

Contact:
Teresa Johnson
970-400-2070
tjohnson@co.weld.co.us

Register Here for It's a Wild Life Camp Cloverbud

CLOVER
by **4H**

Explore 4-H learning online with CLOVER - Start HERE!

"Proud to Be Colorado 4-H" T-shirt for sale - \$10
each

Leadership Opportunities

Do you have your 4-H



Registration now open in 4-H Online!

Leadership Development Conference

January 25-27, 2025

Denver, Colorado

Cost: \$215

4-H Ages: 14 and up!



Beyond Ready

Contact Local Extension Office for details and deadlines

Colorado 4-H Leadership Development Conference
Registration is now OPEN
in 4honline!

January 25th - 27th, ending with 4-H Day at the Capitol

- **State Deadline to register is January 5 @ 11:59 PM**
- **No cancellations after the deadline. If you are inviting any special guests to the banquet, please add that information to ONE Adult Staff registration.**
- **Registration Fee: \$215 for 4-H Ages 14 & up and Adults, this does not include hotel. Meals that are included will be Saturday Banquet (Dinner) and Sunday Lunch.**
- **Youth Council will pay 1/2 of the Registration Fee for youth.**
- **Registration and payment are due to the Extension Office NO LATER THAN January 6 by 5 p.m.**

[More info @ LDC tab](#)

[Schedule of Events](#)

[Hotel Reservation Form](#)

Summer 2025 International Opportunity

[Link to Recorded Informational Session](#)

[Click here for Application](#)

Summer 2025
Colorado 4-H
is going to... **NORTHERN ITALY**
June 3-12, 2025

Colorado 4-H is embarking upon an opportunity to travel on a cross cultural experience to learn about *Agriculture in Italy*

Learn more about this exciting educational opportunity during an informational Zoom session: December 10, 2024, 6PM

During the informational session, we will discuss:

- What we'll see and do: This is an **ag-focused** tour with unique hands-on activities. We will visit producers and experience off-the-beaten path tourist highlights. We begin in Turin and end in Nice, France.
- Travel Logistics
- How to earn high school or college credit
- Affordable payment options and how to enroll!

**** This trip is available for 4-H members ages 14-18yo as of January 1, 2025**

Join us at the virtual meeting for more details!

For more info contact:
Colorado State 4-H Office
Dawn Sanchez ~ (970) 491-0255
dawn.sanchez@colostate.edu

Scan this QR code to attend the meeting

General Projects

[4-H General Project Manual Order](#)

Shooting Sports

Members new to Shooting Sports this year: Please refer to these [Helpful Information and Links](#). All Shooting Sports members are required to complete the **Colorado Hunter Safety Class** including a Live Fire Test. Please see more information below.

[Douglas County 4-H Shooting Sports Webpage](#)

[Shooting Sports Member Reference Manual](#)

Douglas County 4-H Hunter Safety Education Course **SAVE THE DATE** Saturday February 22nd

**Location: Colorado Parks and Wildlife Service Center
6060 Broadway, Denver, CO 80216**

This course is only for 4-H youth. This location will allow for more youth to participate. Registration will be capped at 60 participants. First come, first serve, this class will fill up quickly. The registration link will be posted in the 4-H blast only.



SAVE THE 2025

SHOOTING SPORTS TRAINING DATES

- **March 7-9, 2025: Morgan County**
 - (Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, and Archery)
- **March 14-16, 2025: Weld County**
 - (Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, and Archery)
- **March 21-23, 2025: Pueblo County**
 - (Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloading, Western Heritage, Hunting and Outdoor Skills)
- **March 28-30, 2025: Garfield County**
 - (Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloading, Western Heritage, Hunting and Outdoor Skills)

Registration information will be available in January.
All volunteers must be enrolled and approved in
4HOnline before they can register for the trainings.

Companion Animal



[Find an ARBA Show Here](#)

Attention Rabbit Showmen!
Click the link above to find
local ARBA Shows
throughout the year!

Horse

January 27
Horse Steering Committee

meeting - CSU Extension Office
at 6:30pm



Dog

Click here to RSVP for Dog Project Meetings



DOG PROJECT MEETINGS



What: 4-H Dog Project Meetings hosted by Cowboys 4-H Club

When: Tuesday Nights starting January 14 at 5:30 p.m.

Where: Multipurpose Barns @ DC Fairgrounds

RSVP: <https://forms.gle/cGccxxT4Jjsa6w399> if you do not RSVP you might not be able to participate. If RSVPs are low-practices are subject to cancellation.

Other information:

- **MUST BE ENROLLED** in Dog Project
- Dogs **MUST** be ID'd in 4HOnline
- **Up-to-date** on vaccinations
- **No Aggressive dogs**

Please contact mercedes.glenn@colostate.edu with any questions.

Livestock Opportunities





FIRING UP ON LIVESTOCK EDUCATION



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SUPPORTING RURAL LIVELIHOODS
SINCE 1861

Times will be 6-7 p.m. *All dates are TENTATIVE*

- **October 29: Animal Selection**
 - DC Extension Office Basement
- **November 20: Nutrition**
 - Station 181, Franktown, CO
- **December 18: Animal Care and Housing**
 - Pradera Fire Station, Parker, CO
- **January 7: Health and Disease**
 - South Metro Station 42, Parker, CO
- **February 18: Feeding Livestock**
 - South Metro Station 46, Parker, CO
- **March 13: Advocacy for Ag and Livestock**
 - Location TBD
- **April 3: Record Keeping**
 - Extension Office Basement Castle Rock, CO
- **May 14: Show Ring**
 - Castle Rock, CO
- **June 4: Master Showmanship Clinic and Competition**
 - Douglas County Fairgrounds

PRIZES ARE AVAILABLE!!

RSVP here!: <https://forms.gle/ByGY5mpfYBghRW2U9>

Firing Up on Livestock Education RSVP

Mercedes and the DC Livestock Advisory Committee are excited to present the Firing Up On Livestock Education Series. Each month will focus on a different topic and be held in different parts of the county in an effort to bring educational programming closer to you! Prizes will be available for each session (show equipment, 4-H branded swag, etc.) The next topic will cover Animal Health and Disease and will be held at the South Metro Station #42 in Parker. Please RSVP if you plan to attend. Email Mercedes.glenn@colostate.edu with any questions. We're excited to see you there!

Agricultural Career Tours

The Colorado State 4-H Office is excited to be partnering with the CSU

Tour Dates and Information

Ag. Department to offer Agricultural Tours for groups that may be traveling to Denver for the NWSS 4-H day. On January 17 & 18, 2025 groups can choose to visit a feedlot, packing plant, dairy operation, or cattle reproduction business.

Register by December 30

Each tour has a capacity of 20 participants, so be sure to sign-up early if interested in attending. Please share the attached flyer with your 4-H families. The registration deadline is December 30 or until the tour is full.

Other Opportunities & Scholarships



COLORADO
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scholarships

Visit <https://co4h.colostate.edu/about-us/scholarships/> to learn more about the scholarships available. There are opportunities available for a variety of students, including for those attending CSU or other universities, trade school, junior colleges, transfer students, and continuing students.

OPEN NOW!

ATTENTION 4-H SENIOR YEAR MEMBERS! APPLY TODAY!

Beyond Ready

The flyer features a photograph of two young people, a woman and a man, both wearing green 4-H lanyards. The woman is wearing a green t-shirt with "BEYOND READY" and "4-H" visible. The man is wearing a grey baseball cap and a black t-shirt with "BEYOND READY" visible. They are standing in what appears to be a library or a store with bookshelves in the background.

Attention 4-H Senior Year Members:

Colorado 4-H awards scholarships annually to outstanding youth who have actively engaged in Colorado 4-H clubs for at least three years.

The scholarship process is open from December 1, 2024, through March 1, 2025.

Scholarship recipients will be announced in May 2025. There are opportunities available for all kinds of students, including those attending CSU or other universities, trade schools or junior colleges, transfer students, and continuing students. We encourage our 4-H participants to apply.

For more information on the scholarship process and scholarships available, visit <https://co4h.colostate.edu/about-us/scholarships/>



Canvas Foundation will be offering a brand new 4-H scholarship opportunity to current or future CSU students.

The deadline to Apply is February 25, 2025. [Click here to Apply](#)

All scholarship recipients will be invited to the 2025 Canvas Scholarship Banquet which will take place in Thorton on Saturday, May 10, 2025.

4-H Scholarships

Canvas Foundation is proud to partner with Colorado State University Extension to offer **\$1,000** scholarships to 4-H students that are currently attending CSU or planning to attend CSU in the coming year.



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 - [@csudouglascoextension](#)
- Stay up to date with our website! Be sure to check the [calendar](#) for upcoming dates.
 - <https://douglas.extension.colostate.edu/4-h/>

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pratima.chandrakumar@colostate.edu

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All Blast Submissions Must Be Sent into the Office by 12:00 PM the Wednesday Before You Would Like Your Information Added

Effective March 1st, 2023

opportunities to participate to individuals whose first language is not English.

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