ALL MEMBERS MUST BE ENROLLED IN 4HONLINE AND PAID ANNUAL DUES

ALL ANIMAL AND SHOOTING SPORTS PROJECTS MUST BE ADDED BY

MARCH 1ST, 2025 ENROLLMENT DEADLINE

NO EXCEPTIONS

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What's New This Week

- Cloverbud FUN Night Wild West Theme Registration now OPEN
- District 3 Jamboree April 5th
- Horse Practice and Testing opportunities at Kianna Creek Ranch
- Updated Schedule for Firing Up on Livestock Education
- Poultry Clinic March 22nd
- Animal Housing at CALF Ranch
- 4-H Foundation Project Grant and Scholarship Applications are OPEN. Due by April 1st.

%IMPORTANT DATES

Douglas County 4-H Calendar

February 20

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

February 21 & 26 4-H 101

2-21 Highlands Ranch Library at 4:30 pm 2-26 Parker Library at 6:00 pm

February 22

Creative Cooks Contest - Adams
County Regional Park - Dome

February 23

DC Buckle Series Horse Show - Indoor Arena @ Fairgrounds - 7:00 am

February 25

County Dog Practice @ Fairgrounds - 5:30 pm

March 1

Deadline for 4-H Enrollment Deadline to Add Animal,

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

Firing Up on Livestock Education March 13th - Health and Diseases



RSVP for Livestock Education Beekeeping or Shooting Sports
Projects

March 1

Beef Tag-in Pavilion @ DC Fairgrounds

March 3

Youth and Leaders Council Meetings - CSU Extension Office at 6:30 pm

March 5

Horse Levels Study & Test Night -Multipurpose Barn at 6:00 pm

March 6

Cake Decorating Workshop Unit 1 -Kirk Hall at 5:30 pm

March 12

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



2025 Exhibit and Contest Rules are now Available!

4-H Exhibit Requirements

4-H Contest Rules

2025 Junior Division Competition Rules

2024-2025 4-H ENROLLMENT



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, <u>click here</u>, 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!

4-H Youth and Leaders Council Meetings Next meetings will be on March 3rd

Meetings are held the 1st Monday of the month at 6:30 pm in the CSU Extension Basement Conference Rooms

All 4-H members are welcome to participate in the Youth Council meeting. Meet kids from other Clubs in the County, learn together and have FUN!

4-H Leaders and Parents are welcome to participate in the Leaders Council meeting for Adults. Bring your kids to the Youth meeting and meet other parents at the Leaders meeting!

February Leader Council Minutes

Ideas for FUN Games for Club Meetings

Local Opportunities

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

February 20th @ 5:30-6:30pm

Douglas County Extension Office 410 Fairgrounds Road Castle Rock, CO



RSVP BELOW



RSVP for Feb. 20 Cloverbud Activity Club RSVP Required to participate

Spring Break - 2 hour event of FUN for Cloverbuds in the **Wild West!**You must be enrolled in 4-H to attend this event.





at 6 p.m.

more information about our great program!

Please RSVP here: https://forms.gle/hEd4b24dFJjcJ5u19

RSVP for New Family Dinner on April 21

2025 District 3 Jamboree Saturday, April 5th

Register for District 3 Jamboree



2025 Front Range Regional Creative Cooks

Good luck to all of our Douglas County Kids participating

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

Creative Cooks Contest Rules and Regulations

General Projects

General Project Tips, Online Manuals and eRecord Books

4-H General Project Manual Order

DOUGLAS COUNTY 4-H Cake Decorating Workshops



Please bring the required items found in the RSVP.



Cake Decorating Project Workshops

March 6th - Unit 1 Workshop Kirk Hall 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

RSVP Here - Unit 1 Workshop by March 3rd

Shooting Sports

Douglas County 4-H Shooting Sports Webpage

Shooting Sports Member Reference Manual

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

For the February 22nd 4-H class, this will be an Online + Conclusion Course (one day in person course). You can get started now to complete the Online portion that is required to be completed before attending the Feb. 22 Conclusion Class.

- Online course can be found here: https://www.hunter-ed.com/colorado/
- Register for 4-H Conclusion Course here: https://www.register-ed.com/events/view/223706

4-H Hunter Safety Education Class

Saturday February 22nd

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

Registration is now open!

Click here to register.

This is a first come, first serve opportunity and will fill up.

Please <u>read all instructions</u> in the registration, this is a conclusion course, only. If you are unable to go to this class, please make sure that you sign up for another one.

<u>Hunter Safety Cards are due to the office</u> <u>by April 15th. No exceptions.</u>

SHOOTING SPORTS LEADER TRAINING

Click here to Register in 4honline

Payment should be made to DC Extension

- March 7-9, 2025: Morgan County
 - o (Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, and Archery)
 - o Registration open Jan. 24 Feb. 21



- (Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, Archery and Orion)
- Registration open Jan. 31 Feb. 28
- March 21-23, 2025: Pueblo County
 - (Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloading, Western Heritage, Hunting and Outdoor Skills)
 - Registration open Feb. 7 March 7
- March 28-30, 2025: Garfield County
 - (Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloading, Western Heritage, Hunting and Outdoor Skills)
 - Registration open Feb. 14 March 14

All volunteers must be enrolled and approved in 4HOnline before they can register for the trainings.

Animal Projects

Animal Project Tips, Online Manuals and eRecord Books

Animal Project Manual Order

Companion Animals



Find an ARBA Show Here

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



Llama

Do you Wanna, Show a Llama?

We are looking for more kids to join the Llama/Alpaca project this year and show at the Douglas County Fair! We especially need a few more Senior kids aged 14 - 18 yrs old.

Don't have your own Ilama? No problem! The Surry Family will work with families to borrow their Ilamas and train for the project and show!

Contact Kim Surry at kimberlysurry@yahoo.com to find out more!



Horse



Buckle Series Volunteers Needed in these areas

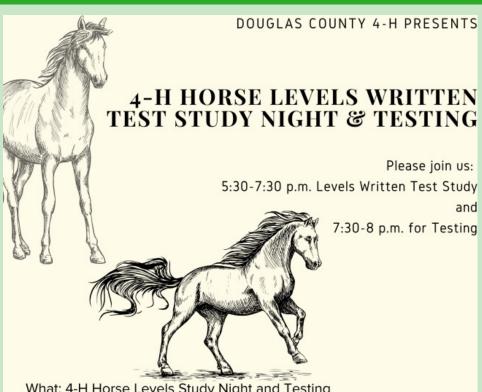
- Gate Person English / Showmanship
- Gate Person Western
- Gate Person Gymkhana

• Gymkhana Helpers - set up courses, flagger (many hands make light work with respect to setup)

Please contact <u>Mercedes.Glenn@colostate.edu</u> if you are available to help.

Douglas County Buckle Series 2025 Show Bill

Show Patterns



What: 4-H Horse Levels Study Night and Testing

When: March 5, 2025

5:30-7:30 p.m.: Levels Written Test Study Session

7:30-8 p.m.: Testing for Levels

Where: Kirk Hall at the Douglas County Fairgrounds

RSVP HERE:

HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/UX82AM4E8U8XFVP27

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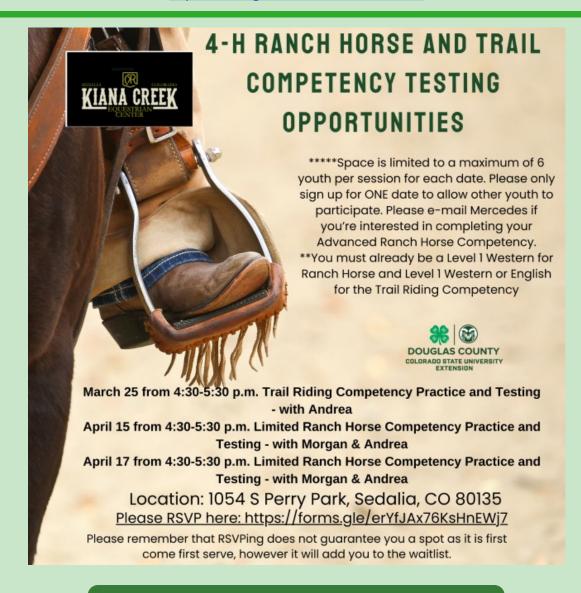
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March 5, 2025

• 5:30-7:30pm: Levels Written Test Study Session

• 7:30-8:00pm: Testing for Levels

Kirk Hall at DC Fairgrounds



RSVP for Horse Practice and Testing Opportunities Here

Jeffco 4-H Winter Classic Series

All shows are open to anyone 8 or older, 4-H and non 4-H welcome. Registration for all the shows is on our website: https://sites.google.com/view/jeffco-4h-winter-series/home [sites.google.com] There will be a 2 part gymkhana series in February and a 2 part pleasure series in March-April. All shows are at the Westernaires indoor arena at the Jeffco Fairgrounds with an indoor warmup area.





Dog

Click here to RSVP for Dog Practices



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 by 5pm MONDAY:

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.







- March 13: Health and Diseases
 - Extension Office Basement Castle Rock, CO
 - o 6-7 p.m.
- April 3: Record Keeping and Advocacy in AG
 - Extension Office Basement Castle Rock, CO
 - o 6-7 p.m.
- May 14: Show Ring
 - Castle Rock, CO
 - o 6-7 p.m.
- June 6: Master Showmanship Clinic and Competition
 - Douglas County Fairgrounds
 - o Clinic from 9-11 a.m
 - Competition from 12-2 p.m.

*All dates are TENTATIVE

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 Diseases and will be held at the South Metro Station #43 in Parker.

Please RSVP if you plan to attend.
Email Mercedes.glenn@colostate.edu with any questions.

We're excited to see you there!

Beef Tag-in Save the Date

Market Beef tag-in for DC Fair will be held on March 1, 2025. This will be the ONLY date available for exhibitors to tag their market beef projects for the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo.



**Beef tag-in update for 2025. Due to the conflict of the Showtimes Blackout Show being held over the same weekend as the scheduled beef tag-in, 4-H will be allowing for youth members that show at the Blackout to have an additional tag-in date. This date will only be allowed for youth that can furnish proof that they competed at the Blackout Show. Additionally, there will not be an option to weigh-in at this makeup date and all market beef not at the original tag-in will be required to have an up-to-date brand inspection dated before March 1st.

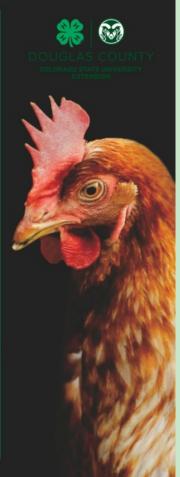
Additional Tag-In Date: March 8th from 8-9 a.m. at CALF Lowell Ranch please contact Mercedes with any questions. Please arrive as close to 8 as possible. Requirements to be able to attend the additional tag-in date:

- This is an opportunity for youth to learn more about their project and is a great in-State educational learning opportunity.
- Must furnish proof that the animal and youth showed at the Showtimes Blackout in Loveland. No other show will count for this additional tag-in date. If you are not attending the Blackout, you must be present at the March 1st tag-in date, no exceptions.
- Must have a Brand Inspection in the youth's name dated before March 1st, 2025.
- This will be the only time that tag-in will be moved. No other species tag-in will be moved.
- Must contact Mercedes by February 28th to advise that the youth and animal(s) will be tagging in on March 8th instead of March 1st.

Poultry

4-H Poultry Clinic

What: 4-H Poultry Clinic
When: March 22 from 9-11 a.m.
Where: South Multipurpose
Barns, Douglas County
Fairgrounds
Please RSVP here by March
20th:
https://forms.gle/AMtyfrGback
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RSVP for the Poultry Clinic on March 22nd

- Calling all Youth "Egg Entrepreneurs" we have been asked if we have any farm fresh eggs to sell. You are welcome to post a flyer at our office to sell your eggs. Eggs are a hot commodity now!
- Embryology Program Chicks available mid April to mid May <u>Click</u> here for details





Are you enrolled in an animal project and need a place to house your animal for this year? CALF has spots available for beef, swine, sheep, goats and poultry. You MUST apply for space no later than March 1st - no exceptions. You can find more information here: https://thecalf.org/calfkids.html

Click for more Details about Animal Housing at CALF Ranch

Register HERE for Beef Blow n Go Show



OPPORTUNITES FOR THOSE IN THE GOAT PROJECT

Weld County Goat Extravaganza: April 25-27 Greeley, CO https://colodga.org/index_files/Page497.htm

You WDGA Fuzzy Goat Show May 23-25 Cheyenne, WY http://wydga.org/

Colorado Summer Showdown: June 13-14 Brighton, CO

WDGA & Wyoming State Fair: Douglas, WY

CDGA Harvest Show: September 13-14 Longmont, CO

Black Hills Goat Show: Sundance, WY

You can also find Jackpots, Shows, and Clinics here: facebook.com/groups.543028621179651/?ref=share&mibextid=nsmwbt







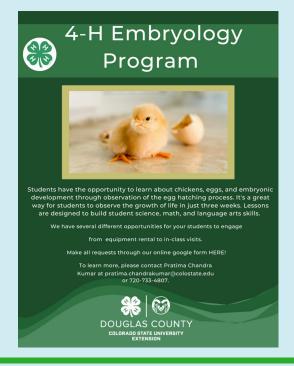
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Educational Resources

Request a STEM Kit - Click Here



Request an Embryology Kit - Click Here





Mental Health First Aid for Rural Communities

Sign up for Mental Health First Aid training to learn how to identify, understand, and respond to signs of mental health and substance use issues. This course is especially important for rural communities, where access to care can be limited, and will equip you with the skills to offer crucial support during a crisis.

Join us in strengthening our community's mental health resilience!

May 21st & May 22nd Signup

June 14th Signup



Project Grants & Scholarships



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/



4-H Foundation Scholarships and Project Grant Applications now OPEN through April 1st.

Project Grants: Apply now for a grant to support your current 4-H Project.

Graduating Seniors: Apply now for Scholarships for your future education

- 2 Year Institution
- 4 Year Institution
- Technical School or Certification Program/School



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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 - https://douglas.extension.colostate.edu/4-h/

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