



Kittitas County 4-H FOCUS



CALENDAR

October 1	Enrollment opens for the 2026-27 4-H Year in 4-H Online .
October 4	Bits & Buckles Horse Show, Bloom Pavilion, 8:00 a.m.
October 7	4-H Open House, 5:30-7:00 p.m., Umtanum Hall
October 12	4-H Horse Panel Meeting, 5:15 p.m., Armory Room A
October 15	Last day to submit club field trip reimbursement for the 2025-2026 year
October 15	Last day to submit request for State Fair transportation reimbursement
October 18	Animal of Merit Awards, 4:00 p.m., Armory Hall
October 18	4-H Awards & Recognition Dinner, 5:00 p.m., Armory Hall
October 20	Livestock Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Armory Room A
October 27	4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Armory Room A
October 31	Thank You's due to Livestock Sale Buyers
November 9	4-H Horse Panel Meeting, 5:15 p.m., Armory Room A
November 11	Veterans Day Holiday-Extension Office Closed
November 17	Livestock Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Armory Room A
November 24	4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Armory Room A
November 26-27	Thanksgiving Holiday-Extension Office Closed
December 1	Club Yearly Financial Summary Reports, Peer Audit Report, and Property Inventory Due in the Extension Office



CLUB BUSINESS

4-H Open House

4-H Open House will be held on Wednesday, October 7 from 5:30-7:00 p.m. in Umtanum Hall at the Event Center/Fairgrounds.

Animal of Merit Awards & 4-H Awards & Recognition Night-October 18!

The Animal of Merit Awards will be held Sunday, October 18 at 4:00 p.m. in Armory Hall at the Fairgrounds.

The 4-H Awards & Recognition Dinner will begin at 5:00 p.m. following the Animal of Merit Awards. All are welcome to attend. Baked potatoes, toppings, chili, salad, and beverages will be available for a suggested donation of \$6 per person.

Each club is encouraged to donate one or two desserts to be auctioned off. Proceeds from the auction will go towards the 4-H Council General Fund.

Demonstration Assistance

The Toastmasters have offered to attend club meetings to speak about how to give a demonstration. The presentation will take about 15 minutes. If you are interested, contact Glenna Maskal at (509) 899-4518 to schedule a time for them to visit your club's business meeting!

4-H Council Officers for 2027

First call for nominations was held at the September 29 meeting, nominations are:

President - Glenna Maskal
Vice President - Matthew Stubbs
Secretary - Rachel George
Treasurer - Marie Riegel

Nominations will remain open at the October 27 meeting. Voting will take place at the November 24 meeting.

4-H Council Budget Timeline

Itemized proposals for the Kittitas County 4-H Council budget are due in the Extension Office by November 1. The budget committee will be working to bring the total package at the November 24 Council meeting.

4-H Council Meeting

A representative from each club needs to attend each 4-H Council meeting. Meetings are held the last Tuesday of every month, except August and December. The next meeting is Tuesday, October 27 in Armory Room A at 7:00 p.m. Please join us!

4-H Enrollments/Re-Enrollments

It is time for members to enroll for the new 4-H year! The website is <https://v2.4honline.com>. Some important tips:

- Re-enrolling members and leaders already have a profile in the system-so once they are logged in they just update and verify their information.
- Re-enrolling members and leaders must use the same e-mail address to sign into the system as last year-it can be changed by the Extension Office if you no longer have access to that e-mail. **DO NOT** create a new account if you were enrolled last year. Contact the Extension Office if you are unsure which e-mail address to use.
- The \$25 per member State 4-H Enrollment Fee will be covered by Kittitas County 4-H Council. When enrolling, choose the check payment option to submit your enrollment. You will receive an automated email asking you to bring payment into the office-disregard that message. No fees will be collected from members.
- There is a computer available in the Extension Office for those who wish to use it to enroll.
- Please contact Andrea at amorse@wsu.edu or 962-7507 if you experience any trouble.

Record Book Tips – October

- Accommodations are made for 4-Hers with learning/physical disabilities. A note requesting accommodation must be included with the member's book when it is turned in for the Up-to-Date check in July.
- Put record book together according to the instructions on the inside front page.
- Fill out the front page of record book.
- Start Calendar by putting October dates in.
- Project plans (Level 1) or Project Record (Level 2) should be filled out by member and parent. Leadership members should identify with their leader specific leadership projects they would like to do.
- List any project/training meetings as well as club meetings in the project journal section.
- Financial Summary (Level 2) Beginning Value should be filled in.
- Quality Assurance Sheets for Horse and Livestock should transfer from old record book into new record book with the permanent record.
- Animal Projects—read and sign Commitment to Excellence. This goes after Project related materials (Level 1) or Project Financial Summary (Level 2). Members, parents and leaders must read and sign the Commitment to Excellence every year.
- Permanent Record—transfer permanent record from old book into new book. Put current year's projects in the Project and Exhibit Summary page 2 and 3.
- Clothing Skills Checklist Booklet should be transferred with the permanent record.

4-H Promotional Items

Your club may want to order stickers, T-shirts, and other 4-H logo items for the year from National 4-H Supply. Visit their website at <http://www.4-hmall.org>. Check it out now for the new year and for Fair.

Trophy & Award Thanks

While you are thanking buyers, it is also a good time to send a "Thank You" to the trophy or award sponsor. It is important to show appreciation to sponsors for their continued support. Sponsor names are in the Fair Exhibitor Guide, or call the Fair Office for sponsors and addresses.

Field Trip \$\$

Your club is eligible to receive partial reimbursement from 4-H Council for club field trips. Plan and take a field trip and then complete a request for funds prior to October 15. Forms are available in the Extension Office or on the website at: <https://extension.wsu.edu/kittitas/youth/4-h-forms/>.

State Fair Travel Reimbursement

Forms for State Fair travel reimbursements are available at the Extension Office or on the website at: <http://extension.wsu.edu/kittitas/youth/4-h-forms/>.

Forms are due in the Extension Office by October 15. Preference will be given to those requests where several 4-Hers traveled together—no more than \$100 per car load per year.



State 4-H Fair Results

Kittitas County was represented at State 4-H Fair in Puyallup by many members-congratulations to all!

Senior Western Games: Sophie Beedle

Senior Performance Horse: Cami Ford; Faith Rector (8th Place Showmanship, 8th Place English Disciplined Rail)

Horse Judging: Junior Ashtyn Fritts, Intermediates Penny Anderson (10th Place Individual), Piper Anderson, Amelia Fritts and Brooklyn Schirado. Seniors Sophie Beedle, Hunter McKean and Quinton McKean.

Livestock Judging: Seniors Cassidy Seldal (6th Place Individual) and Makenzie Cox; Intermediates Lennix Galliher and Hannah Seldal; Juniors Eleanor Munson, Nora Beeson-Petty and Layla Rivera.

Demonstrations: Eleanor Munson, Kayden Hagen and Sierra Foley

Sewing: Jamie Herion, Heidi Rizor, Emily Kincaid, Ashlyn Layman, and Brielle Layman.

Fashion Revue: Emily Kincaid (Best Construction Award) and Nora Beeson-Petty.

Food Preservation: Jamie Herion, Heidi Rizor

Dog: Antje Thomas, 8th place Fitting & Showing

Dog Judging: Olivia Santoyo, Sierra Foley, Haley Davison



LIVESTOCK PROJECT INFORMATION

Market Sale Pictures

Members, parents and leaders are reminded that each exhibitor is to personally deliver one of the two pictures taken to the purchaser of his/her animal by October 31, 2026 to be eligible to participate in the 2027 Kittitas County Fair Market Sale.

If it is an out of town buyer, you should contact them by phone to make arrangements to meet, or get their address and send a picture and thank you. Buyer and add-on information was e-mailed to club leaders. All add-ons that are included with your check also need a THANK-YOU sent to them upon receiving your check. If you did not receive your buyer and add-on information, contact Heather at (509) 929-4087.

Leaders: You may help your members learn how much support buyers give youth by completing this exercise at a 4-H meeting. Multiply the weight of the animal by the floor price, and then multiply the weight of the animal by the price they received from the buyer. Deduct the floor price amount from the Sale price amount. The difference is how much extra the members are getting from the buyer of their animal. They should be very surprised and appreciative of the support. It is as if the buyer handed them a check for several hundred dollars and the buyers deserve a **BIG THANK YOU!**

Livestock Committee Meeting

The next Livestock Committee meeting will be held **Tuesday, October 20 in Armory Room A.** Meetings are on the 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. The remaining 2026 meeting will be November 17.

Every club with livestock projects should have a representative at all the Livestock Committee meetings.



HORSE PROJECT INFORMATION

2027 HORSE 4-H DATES

March 6	4-H Horse Training & Safety Day Bloom Pavilion & Manastash Room
April 5	1 st Horse Judging – Bloom Pavilion – 6:00 pm
April 10	Bits & Buckles Schooling Show - 8am
April 30	Horse Certificates Due by 5:00 p.m.
May 1	4-H Spring Leader's Show – Bloom Pavilion – 8am
June 21, 28	Monday Night Riding–Rodeo Arena 7- 9pm
(TBD)	4-H Horse Fair Training Day & 2 nd Horse Judging
July 5, 19, 26	Monday Night Riding – Rodeo Arena 7 -9pm
July 16-18	4-H Horse Pre-Show – Bloom Pavilion – 8am – 8pm
August 2	Monday Night Riding – Rodeo Arena 7 -9pm
August 6	State Fair Interest form due by 5:00 pm
August 17	Barn Open for Horse Fair Decorations
August 18	Junior Horse Fair: RV Parking Open
August 19-22	Kittitas County Junior Horse Fair – Bloom Pavilion & Rodeo Arena
Sept. 2-6	Kittitas County Fair
October 3	4-H Fall Leader's Show—Bloom Pavilion

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4-H Youth Development Program 

Washington State University Extension helps people develop leadership skills and use research-based knowledge to improve their economic status and quality of life.

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