

**WSU Extension Grays Harbor County 4-H Youth Development  
News for November 2025**

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**IMPORTANT DATES** More events and info on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/graysharbor4h/>

- **Nov 3:** GH 4-H Horse Council Meeting, **6:30 pm** via Zoom or the WSU Extension office
- **Nov 5:** "Calling All Bakers!" - Dessert Registration Due at <https://forms.office.com/r/8z7DCNTFSbf>
- **Nov 5:** GHC Fairgrounds hosts Fair Volunteer Meeting, **6 pm** GHC Fairgrounds, Elma
- **Nov 6:** 4-H Club Audit Party, **6 pm**, WSU Extension office, Elma
- **Nov 11:** WSU Extension CLOSED in observance of Veterans Day
- **Nov 13:** "Celebrate Our Kids" Recognition & Awards Event & Dinner, **6 pm**, GHC Fairgrounds, Elma
- **Nov 19:** Record Book Workshop, **6 pm**, WSU Extension ofc, Elma
- **Nov 20:** GH 4-H Council Mtng, **6:30 pm**, WSU Extension office or <https://wsu.zoom.us/j/292376086>
- **Nov 27 & 28:** WSU Extension CLOSED in observance of Thanksgiving
- **Nov 28 – Dec 14:** Tractor Supply Company Paper Clover Campaign
- **Dec 1:** 4-H Club Renewal, Event Registrations & Annual Financial Documents Due
- **Dec 1:** 4-H Re-Enrollment Due for Returning 4-H members and volunteers
- **Dec 1:** GH 4-H Horse Council Meeting, **6:30 pm** via Zoom or the WSU Extension office
- **Dec 6:** 4-H Camp Counselor Training, 9 am – 4pm, WSU Extension ofc, Elma
- **Dec 17:** Record Book Workshop, **6 pm**, WSU Extension ofc, Elma
- **Dec 18:** GH 4-H Council Mtng, **6:30 pm**, WSU Extension office or <https://wsu.zoom.us/j/292376086>
- **Dec 24 & 25:** WSU Extension office Closed in observance of Christmas
- **Dec 31:** News Blast will only be sent to 4-H members and families who have submitted updated profiles in 4-H Online
- **Jan 2-4:** 4-H Camp Counselor Training, Panhandle Lake 4-H Camp

**4-H COUNCIL MEETINGS – Join Us Digitally or In Person**

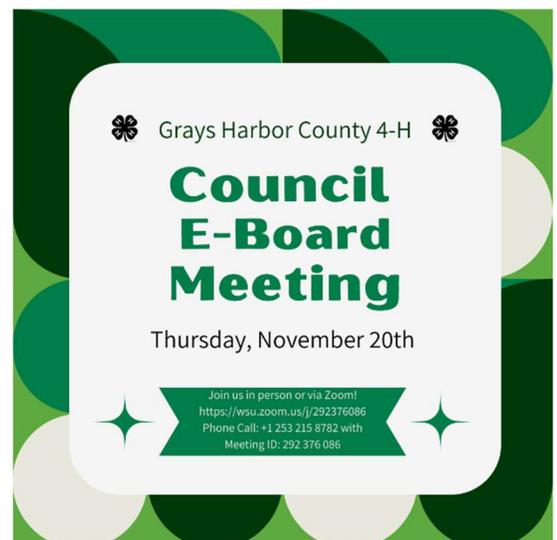


We would love to have you join us for the next Horse Council meeting at 6:30 pm on Monday, November 3.

Join us at the next 4-H Council meeting on Thursday, Nov. 20.

These meetings are the best way to share your ideas, get up to the minute information and help shape the direction of YOUR 4-H program. The meetings will be held in person with the

option to join remotely, and you can join us via Zoom or with a phone call if you have a Zoom account by clicking the links above or available at <https://www.facebook.com/graysharbor4h/> Connect with Tracie to test the system in advance.





# CALLING ALL BAKERS

Please consider helping the Grays Harbor 4-H Council by donating your favorite treat to be auctioned at our Recognition event on November 13!

Bake your favorite brownies, cookies, pie, cake, specialty item, etc.

Please include:

- > 1 Standalone Treat (Pie, Cake, etc.)
- OR 1 Dozen (12) Handheld Treats (cookies, brownies, etc.)
- > Disposable Container
- > Recipe or Allergen List
- > Optional: Photo of the maker!

(email to [tracie.hanson@wsu.edu](mailto:tracie.hanson@wsu.edu) or [andrea.kochrian@wsu.edu](mailto:andrea.kochrian@wsu.edu))

**REGISTER BY NOVEMBER 5**

360-482-2934

<https://forms.office.com/r/8z7DCNTFSbf>





**CALLING ALL BAKERS** – Register by November 5  
Please consider helping the Grays Harbor 4-H Council by donating your favorite dessert treat to be auctioned at our Recognition event on November 13! Let us know by 11/5 what you are planning to make at

<https://forms.office.com/r/8z7DCNTFSbf> or by sending an email to [tracie.hanson@wsu.edu](mailto:tracie.hanson@wsu.edu) or [andrea.kochrian@wsu.edu](mailto:andrea.kochrian@wsu.edu)

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Thursday  
November 6  
6pm @  
WSU Ext Ofc

## 4-H Audit Exchange & Review Party

4-H Club members and volunteers with completed Annual Financial Summaries are invited to connect with other clubs, trade forms, and complete audits before the 12/1 deadline.

4-H Clubs can also use this time to review and finalize their Annual Financial Summary and audit process as needed.

RSVP at <https://forms.office.com/r/netyi3Lxa6>

**4-H AUDIT EXCHANGE & REVIEW PARTY** – Thursday, November 6, 6pm

Join us at the WSU Extension office for an opportunity to finalize your club's Annual Audit process. If your 4-H Club has completed the Annual Financial Summary and is ready to begin the annual audit process, 4-H volunteers and youth members are invited to connect with other 4-H clubs, trade forms, and complete audits before the 12/1 deadline.

We'll provide space to spread out at the WSU Extension office in Elma at 34 Elma-McCleary Road. RSVP if you would like to have one or more representatives participate at

<https://forms.office.com/r/netyi3Lxa6> or call (360)482-2934.





## CELEBRATE OUR KIDS AND 4-H VOLUNTEERS Recognition Night

Join us for a fun and festive way to celebrate the 4-H year as a community! Come enjoy a spaghetti dinner and be ready to bid on a delicious dessert at our fundraising auction.

Thursday, November 13th  
6:00pm  
GHC Fairgrounds  
in the Pavilion




Funds raised support the Grays Harbor 4-H Youth Development Program

**RECOGNITION EVENT "CELEBRATE OUR KIDS"** – Thursday, November 13, 6pm

The GH 4-H Council invites the 4-H community to "Celebrate Our Kids" at the annual recognition event on November 13th! Save the date for a fun and festive celebration of the 4-H year featuring a dessert auction and spaghetti dinner. The Grays Harbor 4-H Council wants to recognize 4-H members for all the great things that have been learned and explored this year! We are so proud of each 4-H member and look forward to celebrating the completion of the 4-H year with you at a Recognition event at the GHC Fairgrounds.



## RE-ENROLL BY DECEMBER 1

**Returning members: re-enrollment deadline is December 1 for all programs including fair & summer camp.**

Welcome to the new 4-H year! We are excited for you to join this year - Enrollment for the 2025-2026 year is open for all. Please log in to your 4-H Online account to submit your yearly enrollment: <https://v2.4honline.com/>

**PLEASE NOTE:** The GH 4-H News Blast will only be sent to 4-H members and families who have submitted updated profiles in 4-H Online as December wraps up.

## 4-H CAMP COUNSELOR TRAINING – Save the Dates!

4-H Members in 9-12th grade ... it's almost time for camp counselor training! Join the team of youth and adults working together to plan and facilitate a fantastic summer camp experience for 2026! Join us on December 6 at the WSU Extension office in Elma to have fun and learn more about the upcoming opportunities to complete the training process required!

This meeting is for new and returning camp counselors!

Enroll now at <https://v2.4honline.com/> and add the club named "4-H Camp Counselors and Volunteers."



### Monthly Counselor Trainings:

- **Dec. 6th** | 9 AM – 4 PM | *Grays Harbor Extension Office in Elma*
- **Jan. 2nd–4th** | *Overnight Training* | 6 PM Friday drop-off – 11 AM Sunday pickup
- **Mar. 7th** | 9 AM – 4 PM | *Mason County Extension Office in Shelton*
- **May 8th–9th** | *Overnight Training* | 6 PM Friday drop-off – Saturday pickup (TBA PM)
- **June 13th** | 9 AM – 4 PM | *Grays Harbor Extension Office in Elma*

## NACHO AVERAGE 4-H CLUB KICKOFF – Thank you!



Thank you to the 4-H club leaders, volunteers and families who connected in person for the "Nacho" Average 4-H Club Kickoff on Tuesday, October 7!

It was great to have fun, work together, and share updates!

Additional volunteer opportunities:

<https://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/4-h/become-a-4-h-volunteer/> and

<https://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/2024/09/4-h-council-seeks-committee-volunteers/>

If you are interested in these roles or would like to learn more, visit

<https://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/2024/09/4-h-council-seeks-committee-volunteers/> or

contact GH 4-H Council President, Mary, at [marylightfoot@aaawa.com](mailto:marylightfoot@aaawa.com) or

contact 4-H Program Coordinator, Tracie, at [tracie.hanson@wsu.edu](mailto:tracie.hanson@wsu.edu)

## Seeking 4-H Council Committee Members

4-H provides many opportunities for adult volunteers to act as thoughtful, fun mentors to our youth! While roles and duties can be customized to fit your interests, potential options are described below.

### Committee Options

- + Support planning, scheduling, and coordinating educational workshops and events
- + Engage with 4-H youth and adults to support and facilitate 4-H activities/programs
- + Coordinate and confirm event logistics with adult volunteers and youth members
- + Support education of volunteers and participants
- + Find and secure event venues and digital meeting options as needed
- + Create promotional materials and graphics
- + Organize committee meeting notes



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## 4-H VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES – Teen 4-H Members or Adults

Welcome - This could be you!

The Grays Harbor 4-H Council is seeking adults, teen 4-H members, or teen-adult teams to join our team in a variety of leadership roles, committees, and specific tasks.

4-H provides many opportunities for teens and adult volunteers to act as thoughtful, fun mentors to our youth!

While roles and duties can be customized to fit your interests, potential options are described below.

If you are interested in these roles or would like to learn more, visit <https://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/2024/09/4-h-council-seeks-committee-volunteers/> or contact GH 4-H Council President, Mary, at [marylightfoot@aaawa.com](mailto:marylightfoot@aaawa.com) or contact 4-H Program Coordinator, Tracie, at [tracie.hanson@wsu.edu](mailto:tracie.hanson@wsu.edu)

## 4-H Graphics & Social Media Team

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### Potential Projects & Tasks

- + Design and create promotional materials and graphics using Canva and similar design platforms to create a variety of digital and hard copy resources
- + Coordinate and confirm event logistics with 4-H volunteers and WSU Extension staff
- + Develop timelines and schedules for sharing promotional materials and graphics on a variety of digital platforms and community events
- + Engage with 4-H youth members and adult volunteers to support education and facilitate 4-H activities/programs



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## 4-H GRAPHICS & SOCIAL MEDIA TEAM

The 4-H Graphics & Social Media Team will partner with WSU Extension Staff and the GH 4-H Council throughout the year on a variety of projects and tasks.

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- + Engage with 4-H youth and adults to educate and support award applications
- + Coordinate and confirm event logistics with 4-H members, volunteers and WSU staff
- + Support education of volunteers and participants
- + Find and secure event venues and digital meeting options as needed
- + Create promotional materials, certificates, graphics and award recipient slide show
- + Inventory of pins and awards



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## 4-H RECOGNITION COMMITTEE

The 4-H Recognition Committee will partner with the GH 4-H Council volunteers to focus on the following tasks for a few weeks throughout October in preparation for the 11/13 Celebrate Our Kids event.

- > Support planning, scheduling, and coordinating annual recognition events
- > Engage with 4-H youth and adults to educate and support award applications
- > Coordinate and confirm event logistics w/4-H members, volunteers & WSU staff
- > Support education of volunteers and participants
- > Find/secure event venues & digital meeting options as needed
- > Take an inventory of pins and awards

> Create promotional materials, certificates, graphics, and slide shows featuring award recipients

## 4-H Record Book Review Team

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- + Review 4-H member Record Books in consultation with other 4-H team members
- + Complete a GH 4-H Council scoresheet for each member's entry
- + Meet with the 4-H Record Book Team to review scoresheets
- + Support education of 4-H volunteers, members, and families
- + Find and secure event venues and digital meeting options as needed
- + Create promotional materials and graphics
- + Present awards at the annual recognition event (early Fall)



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*4-H teaches life skills that lead young people to become self-directing, positive, contributing members of our society. Extension programs are available to all without discrimination. Evidence of noncompliance may be reported through your local Extension office. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication or program information or reasonable accommodation need to contact Tracie Hanson at PO Box 3018, Elma, WA 98541, (360)482-2934, [tracie.hanson@wsu.edu](mailto:tracie.hanson@wsu.edu) at least two weeks prior to the event. Cooperating agencies: Washington State University, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and Grays Harbor County Extension.*

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