



Happy July! Just a reminder, this publication is a forum for you, our 4-Hers, Clubs, and Volunteers! We encourage you to submit pictures and articles highlighting your activities, ideas, and outstanding accomplishments! To be included in our next issue, please email all submissions no later than 8/5/25 to Marylisa Schaedel at mschaede@umd.edu.



4-H Camp Edition



We braved a very hot
“Week by the Creek!”

Our campers enjoyed
lots of pool time and
plenty of snowballs!
Special thanks to our
counselors and adult
camp staff for making
this a great experience
for all!! More pictures
can be found on page
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Congratulations

Lynne!



Our office is going to look a lot different in a few weeks as Lynne departs 4-H after 30+ years of service! We wish her lots of luck in this next chapter of her life and we will all miss her words of wisdom, attention to detail and above all her contagious laughter! If you would like to send a note of thanks or stop in to wish her well, please do so before her last day, 7/31/25.

Thank you, Lynne for all of your hard work, your unwavering commitment to the 4-H program and your dedication to our club leaders, 4-Hers, volunteers and families! You will be missed!! Enjoy your well deserved retirement!

HAPPY Retirement!



UPDATES FROM THE 4-H OFFICE



Fair packets are ready for pick up! Please be sure to stop by the Extension Office to pick up your entry tags, wrist bands and parking passes. Be sure to pick up a 4-H t-shirt, too!



Attention all animal exhibitors! The Maryland 4-H Online Animal Husbandry and Quality Assurance website is now OPEN! **Exhibitors will need to complete this training if they are changing age groups or showing a new species by 7/15!** Please be sure you are logged in to ensure you receive credit for completing the training. Members can access the website using this link: <https://ahqa.umd.edu/>. Questions? Feel free to reach out to our office!



2025 Maryland State Fair Book is posted on the MSF website at: <https://marylandstatefair.com/4hffa/>. Online entries are due by 7/15. Here is the registration link: <https://www.blueribbonfair.com/BRFairProd/BlueRibbonStart.aspx?ID=7780>. Just a reminder, 4-H Online must be utilized for select shows and contests. Please register for these events no later than 7/31, <https://v2.4honline.com/>.



Just a reminder, livestock must have a current CVI (Certificate of Veterinary Inspection) and a completed self-certification form ([see page 15](#)) to enter the Fairgrounds! Please keep these documents with your animals for the duration of the Fair!



Calling All Club Leaders and Volunteers!

We need your HELP!!



The Farm Fair is fast approaching and we are in need of families, volunteers and club leaders to keep watch over the Indoor exhibit building during Fair hours! Please consider giving a couple of hours to give the Indoor Superintendents a well deserved break from the heat!

Please use this link to sign up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4DAAAC29ABFBC61-57256135-4hbuilding>

Clubs, are you looking to increase your enrollment and spread the word about 4-H?

4-Hers, Volunteers, families, and Club Leaders are encouraged to set up an activity, demonstration or craft for the visiting public to participate in while building sitting!



State 4-H Opportunities

2025 Maryland State Fair Youth Workers - Applications OPEN!

The Maryland State Fair is seeking youth, ages 14-18, to work at the Maryland State Fair in the following buildings/exhibits: 4-H/FFA Home Arts Building, U-Learn Barn, and U-Learn Farm.

Available positions include:

- **4-H/FFA Home Arts Building:** This is the main 4-H/FFA Exhibit Hall where non-animal exhibits are on display for the public to view. Youth workers will assist with the receipt, placement, care and release of exhibits, and general upkeep of the building. There will be extensive interaction with the public; youth workers will be required to advocate for 4-H/FFA and lead youth activity stations.
- **U-Learn Barn:** This educational exhibit will connect animals and agriculture to food & fiber that consumers can purchase at the grocery store. Youth workers will assist with the care and feeding of the animals on exhibit as well as the general upkeep of the facility. There will be extensive interaction with the public and animals; youth workers will be required to advocate for 4-H/FFA and agriculture and lead youth activity stations.
- **U-Learn Farm:** This is an educational space where the public can learn about and explore agriculture in Maryland. Youth workers will assist with the activity stations, and general upkeep of the facility. There will be extensive interaction with the public; youth workers will be required to advocate for 4-H/FFA and agriculture and lead youth activity stations.

The Job Description and link to the Qualtrics Application Form can be found at the bottom of the Maryland 4-H/Get Involved/Maryland State Fair page of the 4-H website at: <https://extension.umd.edu/programs/4-h-youth-development/get-involved/maryland-state-fair>. Applications will be considered on a first-come, first-served basis.

Interested youth may apply through July 15th at: https://umdsurvey.umd.edu/jfe/form/SV_2bObQuMv1o8lo6q

State 4-H Opportunities



We are excited to announce that the early bird registration for the 2025 Volunteer and Teen Forum has opened. This year, the Volunteer and Teen Forum will be held from Friday, November 14, through Sunday, November 16, 2025, at the Holiday Inn on 65th St. in Ocean City, MD. Log on to [4-H Online](#) to register!

Event Information

Eligibility: 4-H volunteers and youth members ages 13-18 can register to attend the workshops and activities. Special classes for Cloverbud, Junior, and Intermediate 4-H members (ages 5-12) will also be available on Saturday.

Date of Event: November 14-16, 2025 (Discounted hotel rates are available for November 14-15)

Location: Holiday Inn (65th St., Ocean City, MD 21842)

Hotel Reservation: To book your room, call 410-524-1600 and mention the Maryland 4-H Volunteer and Teen Forum room block. You can also reserve a room through the [reservation website](#). Rooms are available at a special rate of \$99 per night plus taxes and fees. Please note that hotel reservations must be made separately from the event registration.

Important Dates:

- Early bird registration until July 15, 2025 (you will be charged upon approval of your registration)
- Regular registration from July 16 through October 15, 2025.

Cost:

Full-Time Attendance

- Early Registration Fee: \$100.00
- Regular Registration Fee: \$120.00

One-Day Attendance

- Early Registration Fee: \$80.00
- Regular Registration Fee: \$100.00

Here's what to expect

Friday

Fun and engaging activities for youth and volunteers.

Saturday

A full day packed with professional development workshops, hands-on learning experiences, poster sessions, and fun evening activities! Get ready to dive into sessions like 4-H camp, competition, communication skills, and working with diverse populations.

* Bonus! Attend specific camp sessions to earn camp training hours.

Sunday

More exciting opportunities to collaborate and connect as youth and adult leaders. There will be a panel session as well.

This event is a fantastic way to develop your leadership skills while enjoying a weekend getaway in beautiful Ocean City with your family. Watch your email for registration confirmation.

State 4-H Opportunities

STATES' 4-H SUMMER HOSTING

Youth from Japan, Korea, seeking
host families this summer!



HOSTING BRINGS THE RICHNESS
OF THE WORLD TO YOUR HOME!

- JULY 23 THROUGH
AUGUST 16, 2025
- HOST A YOUTH AGED 12-18
OR AN ADULT CHAPERONE
- THIS PROGRAM IS VOLUNTARY;
NO STIPENDS ARE PROVIDED

HOST FAMILY REQUIREMENTS

- Have a child of the same gender
within 3 years age of hosted
youth (ages 9+ are eligible to
host)
- Families with no children (or
younger children) may host an
adult chaperone
- No special activities need to be
planned - host youth want to
experience American culture,
make new friends, and improve
their English by becoming a
member of your family.

For more information, please contact
Joseph Cho, Maryland State Coordinator, at
jcho8@umd.edu.

*Host family selection dependent on completion of
application and screening process and student
availability.





4-H Record Book Workshop



Join us for a Record Book Workshop for new members
or 4-Hers seeking a refresher!

**Record Books will be required to participate in the
2026 Fair.**

We will be covering step by step instructions on how
to complete a Record Book!

We hope to see you there!

When: Tuesday, August 26 at 7 pm

Where: The Harford County Extension Office

Please RSVP by 8/24/25 to Marylisa at
mschaede@umd.edu or call the office, 410-638-3255.

Hope to see you there!!



Club Notes



The Cloverettes and Friends tied blankets to sell at the Farm Fair. They also went bowling at Forest Hill Lanes. ~Pictures submitted by Riley Stewart





Club Notes



At their June meeting, the Blue Ribbon 4-H Club worked on the club banner and decorated cupcakes. Members plan to stay busy this summer attending camp and participating in multiple fairs. We will resume meetings in September. New members always welcome. ~ Submitted by Club Leader Jane Burgess





Club Notes



Black Horse 4-H Club kicked off the summer with our club members participating in many different events that were happening during the month of June. There was the Goat Clinic at the Equestrian Center, Cecil County Breeders Show, Show Like A Pro Dairy Workshop, Olde Tyme Days parade and petting zoo, and many more. Plus, we managed to squeeze in a road clean-up, on a rainy Sunday. We had several members drive their tractors in the Olde Tyme Days parade with our club float. Plus, we had a petting zoo there with goats, sheep, ducks, chickens, and a dairy heifer. See everyone at the local fairs! ~submitted by Mary Kerns





Club Notes



Black Horse 4-H Club, continued.





Featured 4-Hers!



Three Harford County 4-Hers were recognized at the Show like a Pro Dairy Workshop for the Sportsmanship award in their age groups. Trevor Lancaster, Brianna Reinhardt, and Bristol Ehrhardt are pictured below. ~Submitted by Kalli Ehrhardt





Picture Pages



2025 4-H Beef Showmanship Workshop



Special Thanks to the Harward Family!





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Livestock Exhibitor's Self Certification of Animal Health

Name of Owner: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

I, the undersigned, hereby verify the following: (Parent or guardian must sign for children under age 18)

1. I am the owner/authorized caretaker/transporter (circle as applicable) of the animal(s) identified on the current, valid, Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) document.
2. I understand that animals showing any signs of or having recent exposure (within 21 days) to contagious or infectious disease are not permitted to enter the fair/show premises. These conditions include but are not limited to the following:
 - a. **SKIN:** Visible evidence of skin infections such as ringworm, warts, mange, lice, and club lamb fungus.
 - b. **HEAD:** Discharge from the eyes or nose or evidence of soremouth, pinkeye, atrophic rhinitis, or caseous lymphadenitis.
 - c. **RESPIRATORY:** Signs of infectious respiratory disease such as fever, coughing, labored breathing, increased respiratory rate and nasal discharge. Animals originating from premises where there is a current infectious respiratory disease and animals with any known exposure to infectious respiratory disease shall be ineligible to show for a minimum of 21 days after exposure. Infectious respiratory disease includes pneumonia, rhinotracheitis, and parainfluenza.
 - d. **INTESTINAL:** Evidence of diarrhea which is watery and/or persistent in nature and more profuse than a loose stool which could be attributed to diet or stress.
 - e. **FEET:** Contagious hoof infections such as footrot. Exhibition of lame animals is discouraged.
 - f. **OTHER:** Recent exposure to, or clinical signs of, any contagious or infectious disease conditions that would exclude livestock from exhibition.
3. I have read and understand the above guidelines.
4. I have visually examined the animal(s) I am presenting for exhibition.
5. I agree not to present for exhibition any animal showing any signs of contagious or infectious disease or having any known recent exposure (within 21 days) to any contagious or infectious disease.
6. I have read and understand the MDA animal rejection policy as stated in the 2025 fair and show requirements.

(Parent or guardian must sign for children under age 18)

Date of inspection: _____ Number Inspected _____ Signature _____
Printed Name _____ Event _____

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Poultry Exhibitor's Self Certification of Animal Health

Name of Owner: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

I, the undersigned, hereby verify the following: (Parent or guardian must sign for children under age 18)

1. I am the owner/authorized caretaker/transporter (circle as applicable) of the poultry identified on this form.
2. I understand that poultry showing any signs of or having recent exposure (within 21 days) to contagious or infectious disease are not permitted to enter the fair/show premises. These conditions include but are not limited to the following:
 - a. **FEATHERS:** No signs of loss of feather, feather picking, soiled hackle feathers or evidence of egg clusters commonly caused by lice or mites.
 - b. **HEAD:** No signs of swelling or puffiness on the head. No eye discharge, swellings, and/or crust on the eyelids commonly caused by Mycoplasma or Fowl pox.
 - c. **RESPIRATORY:** No signs of infectious respiratory diseases such as nasal discharge, rattling cough or distressed breathing commonly caused by Infectious Bronchitis or Laryngotracheitis.
 - d. **INTESTINAL:** No evidence of pasted vents, chalk-white feces or internal parasites consistent with diarrhea.
 - e. **OTHER:** No unusual mortality in the last 30 days in the flock.
3. I have read and understand the above guidelines.
4. I have visually examined the poultry I am presenting for exhibition.
5. I agree not to present for exhibition poultry showing any signs of contagious or infectious disease or having any known recent exposure (within 21 days) to any contagious or infectious disease.
6. I have read and understand the MDA animal rejection policy as stated in the 2025 fair and show requirements.

Band #	Age	Sex	Breed

(Parent or guardian must sign for children under age 18)

Date of inspection: _____ Number Inspected _____ Signature _____
Printed Name _____ Event _____

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Printed Name _____ Event _____



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Rabbit Exhibitor's Self Certification of Animal Health

Name of Owner: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

I, the undersigned, hereby verify the following: (Parent or guardian must sign for children under age 18)

1. I am the owner/authorized caretaker/transporter (circle as applicable) of the rabbit(s) identified on this form.
2. I understand that rabbits showing any signs of or having recent exposure (within 21 days) to contagious or infectious disease are not permitted to enter the fair/show premises. These conditions include but are not limited to the following:
 - a. **SKIN & HEAD:** No visible evidence of skin infections, discharge from the eyes or nose, or excessive head shaking with particular emphasis on ear mites, fur mites, Myxomatosis, and ringworm.
 - b. **REPRODUCTIVE:** No signs of sexually transmitted diseases with particular emphasis on syphilis.
 - c. **RESPIRATORY:** No signs of infectious respiratory disease such as sneezing, white nasal discharge or excessive tearing which are all common signs of snuffles, usually caused by *Pasteurella* bacteria.
 - d. **INTESTINAL:** No evidence of soft droppings, soiling on the rump or hocks, consistent with diarrhea.
 - e. **OTHER:** Recent exposure to or clinical signs of any contagious or infectious disease conditions that would exclude rabbits from exhibition, such as Viral Hemorrhagic Disease (VHD).
3. I have read and understand the above guidelines.
4. I have visually examined the rabbit(s) I am presenting for exhibition.
5. I agree not to present for exhibition rabbits showing any signs of contagious or infectious disease or having any known recent exposure (within 21 days) to any contagious or infectious disease.
6. I have read and understand the MDA animal rejection policy as stated in the 2025 fair and show requirements.

Tattoo	Registry Name or #	Date of Birth	Sex	Breed

(Parent or guardian must sign for children under age 18)

Date of inspection: _____ Number inspected _____ Signature _____

Printed Name _____ Event _____

Date of inspection: _____ Number inspected _____ Signature _____

Printed Name _____ Event _____

Date of inspection: _____ Number inspected _____ Signature _____

Printed Name _____ Event _____



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Equine Exhibitor's Self Certification of Animal Health

Name of Owner: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

I, the undersigned, hereby verify the following: (Parent or guardian must sign for children under age 18)

1. I am the owner/authorized caretaker/transporter (circle as applicable) of the equine identified on the current, valid, Equine Infectious Anemia (Coggins) document.
2. I understand that any equine showing any signs of or having recent exposure (within 21 days) to contagious or infectious disease are not permitted to enter the fair/show premises. These conditions include but are not limited to the following:
 - a. **SKIN:** Visible evidence of skin infections (bacterial or fungal) - particular emphasis on ringworm.
 - b. **HEAD:** Discharge from the eyes or nose which is excessive in amount or opaque (yellow or white in color) as opposed to the normal clear nasal discharge commonly seen after exercise.
 - c. **RESPIRATORY:** Signs of infectious respiratory disease such as fever, coughing, labored breathing, increased respiratory rate and nasal discharge. Animals originating from premises where there is a current infectious respiratory disease and animals with any known exposure to infectious respiratory disease shall be ineligible to show for a minimum of 21 days after exposure. Infectious respiratory diseases shall include but not be limited to Influenza, Rhinopneumonitis, and Strangles.
 - d. **INTESTINAL:** Evidence of diarrhea which is watery and/or persistent in nature and more profuse than a loose stool which could be attributed to diet or stress.
 - e. **FEET:** Horses exhibiting any type of lameness are already excluded from being shown by the rules governing horses for shows.
 - f. **OTHER:** Recent exposure to or clinical signs of any contagious or infectious disease conditions that would exclude equines from exhibition.
3. I have read and understand the above guidelines.
4. I have visually examined the equine I am presenting for exhibition.
5. I agree not to present for exhibition any equine showing any signs of contagious or infectious disease or having any known recent exposure (within 21 days) to any contagious or infectious disease.
6. I have read and understand the MDA animal rejection policy as stated in the 2025 fair and show requirements.

(Parent or guardian must sign for children under age 18)

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6	7	8	9	10  Exploring Electrical Energy 6:30 pm EO	11	12
13	14	15  State Fair Entries DUE! AH&QA DUE!!	16	17	18 Livestock and small animals arrive 5-10 pm	19 Farm Fair Begins
20 	21	22	23	24	25	26 
Harford County Farm Fair						
27 Fair Clean Up Pick Up Indoor Exhibits	28	29	30	31  Happy Retirement Lynne's Last Day! 		

August 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Maryland State Fair		 Record Book Workshop 7 pm EO		Maryland State Fair		
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Maryland State Fair						



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**If you require special assistance to participate, please call the Extension Office
(410-638-3255) two weeks prior to the event**

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