



Lines For Leaders

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Needed: Clubs for New Members

Every year Canyon County (and counties throughout the country) receive requests to join 4-H clubs. One of the biggest problems in placing members is there aren't enough openings in existing clubs. Club volunteer leaders can only take on so many members and still effectively mentor the youth they are working with. So how can we find places for the over 200 youth on the Canyon County 4-H interest list?

- More adults volunteering. If each adult can only work with so many youth, then logically we need more adults to sign up as volunteers. This is easier said than done in today's busy world. However, many adults think of volunteering for 4-H in a narrow way and the time can be surprisingly flexible. Think outside the box!
 - You can volunteer to be a STEP (Short Term Enrollment Project) volunteer which allows you to schedule your time.
 - You can volunteer with an existing club to lead youth through a specific project. This would help the other volunteers in that club immensely.
 - You can also volunteer to take on an administrative role with the club, like attending county leaders' meetings, helping with club communication, etc.
 - Where to get started? Start by filling out a 4-H volunteer application from the Extension Office.
- Start a new club. More clubs mean more open spots for new folks to join 4-H. Any certified and enrolled volunteer can work with a group of 5 members from 3 different families to start a new club. Let the Extension office know you are forming, what your new club name will be, and we can help with the paperwork.
- Mentor new volunteers and clubs. For those of you who have been around awhile, one thing that is proven to get new volunteers and clubs off the ground is mentorship from those who have been there and done that. If you are interested, please let the Extension Office know.

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4-H Event Calendar

January

- 2 Office Closed - New Year's Observation
 - 3 & 5 Kiln'N it with Ceramics Day Camp - 12pm - Canyon County Extension Office
 - 4 Frosty Fun! Cookie & Cake Decorating Day Camp - 12 - Canyon County Extension Office
 - 6 **Office Closed**
 - 10 Southern District Youth Horse Camp Meeting - 6pm - **ZOOM**
 - 10 Southern District 4-H Horse Leaders' Meeting - 7pm - **ZOOM**
 - 13 **Office Closed**
 - 14 Mental Health First Aid Class - Canyon County Extension Office
 - 14 Cayuse Clinic - Payette County Fairgrounds
 - 16 Office Closed - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
 - 17 Canyon County Market Livestock Sale Committee Meeting - 7pm—**HYBRID** - [Meeting ID: 885 6939 8517](#)
 - 20 **Office Closed**
 - 21 Idaho 4-H Livestock Skill-A-Thon - Jerome County Fairgrounds
 - 23 Canyon County 4-H Horse Leaders' Meeting - 7pm **ZOOM** - [Meeting ID: 874 9665 9681](#)
 - 24 Club Officer Training - 6pm - UI Extension District Classroom
 - 28 Market Beef Tag Pick-Up Day - 8:30am-12:30pm- Canyon County Fair Show Office
 - 31 Know Your Government Orientation - 6pm - UI Extension District Classroom
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February

- 9 Canyon County 4-H Leaders' Council Meeting - 7pm - **ZOOM**
 - 11 Southern District 4-H Volunteer Training, Idaho Arts Primary Charter School, Nampa
 - 18-20 Know Your Government Conference - Boise
 - 20 Office Closed - Presidents' Day
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Office Closures

The University of Idaho Extension Canyon County office will be closed for maintenance;

January 6, 13 & 20 as well as
*January 23rd-February 21st, 2023.

Employees will be working remotely during these times. You can contact us via email at canyon@uidaho.edu.

**IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF SUPPLIES/CURRICULUM/EQUIPMENT
PLEASE PLAN AHEAD AND PICK UP ITEMS BY THURSDAY, JANUARY 19.**

*tentative dates, subject to change depending on material availability



Important Dates to Remember



January

5 Idaho 4-H Livestock Skill-A-Thon registration closes
 10 KYG Registration Deadline
 28 Beef Tag Day

February

10 County Horse Bowl Registration Due
 27 Market Beef Declaration Deadline
 28 TVDRHP Application Deadline

4-H Fundraising Approval Form

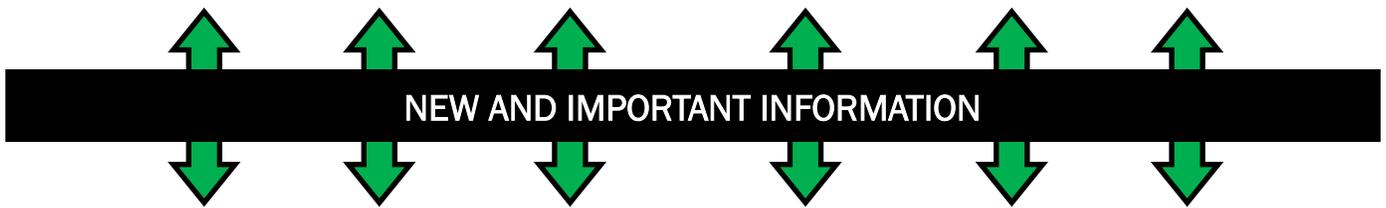
When clubs host fundraising activities/events it is state policy that the club must complete and submit a 4-H Fundraising Approval Form prior to the event. All fundraisers are require pre-approval. The approval form can be found on the State 4-H website or by clicking the link: [4-H Fundraising Approval Form](#)

2023 Canyon County Fair Market Tag and Declaration Information

In 2023, all market species and horses will complete declarations through an online process. Please note that the declaration process is separate from your fair entry. Declaration due dates are scheduled by species and listed below. Declarations are not required for breeding animals and small animals.

Prior to tags being available participants will need to be enrolled in correct market project in Zsuite.

Members will need to reserve tags by midnight the night before at canyoncountyfair.org. Tags should be placed in the animals left ear (when you stand over the animal)



THERE ARE NO IN-PERSON WEIGH-INS FOR ANY SPECIES. Tags will be available as follows:

Beef Saturday, January 28, 2023 **Sheep/Goat** Saturday, April 29, 2023
Swine Saturday, March 25, 2023

Declarations will be completed online at <https://canyonsale.fairwire.com> by the following dates:

Beef Monday, February 27, 2023 **Sheep/Goat** Monday, May 15, 2023
Swine Monday, April 17, 2023
Market Broiler Monday, April 10, 2023 (Intent to Participate)
Horse Saturday, April 15, 2023

Fair Entries for all animals are due by June 15, 2023

Youth participating in market animal/horse projects must be enrolled in that project and active in Zsuite prior to the declaration deadlines.

2023-2024 Treasure Valley Dairy Replacement Heifer Project

Applications for the 2023-2024 Treasure Valley Dairy Replacement Heifer Project are now available.

Applicant must be currently enrolled as a 4-H or FFA member. All participants must attend an orientation meeting and will select a heifer during Selection Day in April. An application for financial assistance is included in the application packet.

Application packets can be picked up at the Canyon County Extension office or emailed to you upon request. They are also available on the website at [Canyon County Extension](#) under *Animals and Livestock*.

Applications are due **February 28** together with a **\$25** deposit made payable to "Treasure Valley Dairy Replacement Heifer Project." For questions or more information, please contact the TVDRHP Committee at treasurevalleydairy@gmail.com or contact the Canyon County Extension Office at 208-459-6003.



Club Officer Training

Tuesday, January 24, 6-8pm
UI Southern District Classroom

Come and learn how to run productive meeting as an officer and gain simple Parliamentary Procedure practices with hands-on mock meeting training.



All are welcome to attend. Current and prospective officers are greatly encouraged to attend as well as volunteers. Build life long skills during this training. This is a **FREE** training

Registration is available in Zsuite events or by clicking the link: <https://4h.zsuite.org/event-registrations/17632>

Southern District 4-H Volunteer Training

Saturday, February 11, 10am-2pm

Come and grow your leadership knowledge at the 2023 Southern District Volunteer Training. Grow your spark for volunteering with hands-on interactive workshops. Workshops include; Ambassadors & Teen Leaders, Zsuite & Records Books, Volunteer Recruitment, Cloverbuds & More!



Location: Idaho Arts Primary Charter School
525 N Broadmore Way, Nampa

Canyon County 4-H Leaders' Council will be covering the \$15.00 cost for all Canyon County Volunteers that attend. No application needed.

Registration is available in Zsuite events or by clicking the link:

<https://4h.zsuite.org/external-event-registration/17593>

2022/2023 Clover Sparks Programming

Clover Sparks will begin providing programming for Cloverbuds (youth ages 5-7 as of January 1, 2023) starting in November across Canyon County. Youth will receive fun and interactive education programming at monthly meetings. Come and learn with us!

Dates and locations provided below. Pick the location that works best for your family.



Bowmont Community Life Center–
7263 2nd St., Nampa | 6-7pm

Chula Vista Community Center–
15B Andrew Cir., Wilder | 6-7pm

University of Idaho Research & Education Center –
1904 E Chicago St., Caldwell
6:30-730pm

- Tuesday, January 3
- Tuesday, February 7
- Tuesday, March 7
- Tuesday, April 4
- Tuesday, May 2

- Thursday, January 5
- Thursday, February 9
- Thursday, March 9
- Thursday, April 6
- Thursday, May 4

- Tuesday, January 17
- Tuesday, February 21
- Tuesday, March 21
- Tuesday, April 18
- Tuesday, May 16

Shooting Sports Volunteer Training

Archery: Saturday, February 25
Rifle: Sunday, February 26

Pistol: Saturday February 25
Shotgun: Sunday, February 26

Required Training prior to **February 26**: Complete **all four** Youth Development/Risk Management online modules. Print & bring completion certificate to registration.

Make checks payable to: Canyon County Extension, 501 Main St., Caldwell, ID 83605
(no electronic payments will be accepted)

Single discipline—\$80/person (lunch, refreshments & printed materials provided)

Double discipline—\$105/person (lunch, refreshments & printed materials provided)

Registration Deadline: February 3 by 5pm (Registration, release forms & payment must be **received**)

This statewide volunteer training and certification will support the State 4-H Policy regarding the 4-H Shooting Sports instructors in Idaho. The policy states that Idaho 4-H Shooting Sports Instructors on the county level must:

- Be at least 21 years of age (18 years for assistant instructors)
- Be screened, trained and appointed as a current 4-H volunteer through their local County Extension Office
- Successfully complete instructor discipline training administered/sanctioned through the University of Idaho 4-H Youth Development Office
- Be trained and certified in any discipline(s) that they are teaching at the county level
- **Participants must attend the entire training and successfully complete all aspects to receive their respective discipline certification**

Save the Dates - Southern District Horse Contests

Idaho Horsemanship Test:

Application Due Feb.3, 2023

Test Week Feb. 20-24, 2023

Performance Sunday, July 9, 2023

Horse Bowl:

Saturday, March 4, 2023 - Payette Co. Fairgrounds

Oral Presentation:

Saturday, April 15, 2023 - Location TBD

Horse Hippology:

Saturday, May 20, 2023 - Payette Co. Fairgrounds

Horse Judging:

Saturday, May 20, 2023 - Payette Co. Fairgrounds

ISHA Show:

Fundraiser for Leaders Retreat -

Friday, May 26, 2023

Ranch -

Saturday, May 27, 2023 - Payette Co. Fairgrounds

Canyon County 4-H Horse Bowl Contest

Saturday, February 18

Nampa First Christian Church

Canyon County 4-H Horse Bowl registration is now open. Horse bowl is a horse knowledge quiz bowl style contest. Cost for this contest is **\$10.00** for Junior and Senior participants. Cloverbuds must register but no registration fee is needed. All registration and fees must be received by the Canyon County Extension Office by Friday, February 10. Please plan ahead, as the Canyon County Extension Office will be closed to the public on this day.



Horse Bowl rules and sample scoresheets are available on the Idaho 4-H website or by clicking the links: [4-H Horse Rules](#)

All participants must currently be enrolled as a Canyon County 4-H member in order to participate.

Mental Health First Aid Class



Mental Health
FIRST AID

from NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR
MENTAL WELLBEING

Saturday, January 14

Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) teaches you how to understand and respond to signs of mental health and substance use challenges among adults. Cost for this course is **\$15.00** per person for materials. Learn about the signs & symptoms of mental health challenges, common signs of substance use challenges, as well as how to interact with a person in crisis and how to connect them with help. Call University of Idaho Extension Canyon County to pre-register at 208-459-6003.

Contact Tasha Howard, Canyon County Family Consumer Science educator with questions at thoward@uidaho.edu.

U and I Together - Winter Schedule

Tuesdays February 14–April 4

Have you checked out the fall lineup of U & I Together lessons? There is a variety of fun activities 4-H and beyond. You'll find something for everyone from age 1-101! This series takes place online every Tuesday from 4:00-4:30pm.

- **February 14** - Satisfy Your Sweet Tooth: The Science of Sugar
- **February 21** - Family Fun with Physical Activity
- **February 28** - Creating with Oil Pastels
- **March 7** - Carrot Cake Oatmeal Bake
- **March 14** - Salad Bowl Gardening

U and I
TOGETHER

All activities are free. Preregistration is required. Registration can be completed by visiting bit.ly/ui2023

Canyon County 4-H Council Scholarship Application

Scholarships are available for ALL Canyon County 4-H members and volunteers for events, conferences, over night camps and special events. Scholarship amounts vary depending on the event. No part of the scholarship is based on need or income. The Canyon County 4-H Council Scholarship Application can be found on the county 4-H website or by clicking the link: [Council Scholarship Application](#)

Welcome Canyon County Extension Educator Brad Stokes

Brad Stokes grew up in Boise, attending Capital High School and then going on to the wonderful University of Idaho campus in Moscow where he obtained both a Bachelor's Degree (Horticulture) and Master's Degree (Entomology). His graduate work focused on pea aphids in commercial pea fields and documenting the feeding damage and several plant viruses that they vector. He is very skilled in insect identification, as well as plant diagnostics. Brad worked shortly for the Idaho State Department of Agriculture (ISDA), until ending up in Extension where he had a long list of agricultural, horticultural and community development accomplishments in Elmore County.

Brad is joining the UI Extension Canyon County office as the Horticultural Extension Educator, focusing on the growth, development and investment in the Master Gardener program. Brad has a 10% 4-H Youth Development appointment within his job description and will also be lending a hand teaching youth about plants, soils, insects and the like.

Brad is excited to be joining the UI Extension Canyon County team. Brad has two mini-Australians, Pepper and Jack, and enjoys riding his motorcycle in the spring, summer and fall.

With any questions feel free to reach out to him at bstokes@uidaho.edu.



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