

## What is 4-H?

4-H is delivered by Cooperative Extension—a community of more than 100 public universities across the nation that provides experiences where young people learn by doing. Kids complete hands-on projects in areas like health, science, agriculture and citizenship, in a positive environment where they receive guidance from adult volunteers and are encouraged to take on proactive leadership roles. Kids experience 4-H in every county in the country—through in-school and after-school programs, school and community clubs and 4-H camps.

In 4-H, we believe in the power of young people. We see that every child has valuable strengths and real influence to improve the world around us. We are America's largest youth development organization—empowering nearly six million young people across the U.S. with the skills to lead for a lifetime. 4-H is also Michigan's largest youth organization with over 200,000 members. Eaton County 4-H has approximately 700 youth, 190 volunteers, and 28 clubs.

## Interested in joining 4-H?

- **When do I sign up?** Enrollment begins September 1 and ends August 31, deadlines depend on what experience you are joining. Youth who wish to show at the Eaton County Fair as a 4-H member must be enrolled by March 15.
- **What ages can join?** Youth with a 4-H age of 5—19 can join! 4-H ages are determined by their age on January 1. 4-H ages 5—7 are Cloverbuds and participate in non-competitive programming. **You do not need to own an animal** or live on a farm to join 4-H! We have many clubs that focus on non-animal projects, such as archery, shooting sports, crafts, wildlife biology, and more.
- **Is there a cost?** There is no cost to join 4-H in general. Some clubs and experiences may charge a club due or other fees and you may need to purchase supplies for projects depending on the group.
- **Can adults join?** Adult volunteers can also join 4-H to give back and lend a hand! Our screened volunteers are a critical part of the success of 4-H—make a difference with positive youth development in our county by sharing your skills! Contact the Eaton County MSU Extension office for more information on how to volunteer.

## How do I join?

Find a club or 4-H experience (camp, workshop, etc.) and contact the volunteer or the Extension office!

Inside this brochure are clubs that meet on a long term, year-round basis. Short term SPIN clubs (8 weeks or less with topics like robotics, wildlife, financial literacy, engineering, etc.), 4-H camps, and other events can be found on our website on our 4-H Calendar and on our Facebook page as availability varies throughout the year. Find a club that meets your interests and contact the person listed to find out more information about that club. Once you have selected a club, the administrative leader for the club will help you sign up!

**Not sure where to go?** Contact the Eaton County MSU Extension office and we can assist you!

**Don't see a club that meets your needs?** Contact us about starting your own!



# 2021-2022

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# Eaton County 4-H Clubs

	Club Name	Contact Person	Contact Information	Main Project Areas (Please note that most clubs are open to a variety of projects, these are only the main projects offered!)	Club Size	Accepts Cloverbuds?	Club Dues?
1	A Touch of Country	Jamie Rugg	269-209-8183	Livestock Projects, Horses, Dogs, Arts & Crafts	Large	Y	Y
2	Backyard Bandits	Jolene Rea	269-953-0072	Poultry, Sewing, Dairy, Dogs, Arts & Crafts, Food and Nutrition, Goats, Rabbits, Swine	Small	Y	N
3	Barn Busters	Dorothy Childs	517-763-3729	Rabbits, Dogs, Goats, Horses, Leathercraft, Glass Etching, Food & Nutrition, Arts & Needle Crafts	Small	Y	N
4	Benton Variety	Deb Martin	517-881-9145	Foods, Clothing, Swine, Dairy, Goats, Rabbits, Poultry, Horses, Crafts, Beef, Sheep, Small Engines, Cake Decorating	Large	Y	Y
5	Chasing Purple	Jonessa Hughes	269-484-4706	Arts & Crafts, Beef, Dairy Beef, Dogs, Sheep, Swine	Small	Y	N
6	Crazy Clovers	Jodi Harag	517-541-8252 4harags@gmail.com	Dairy, Dairy Beef and Feeders, Beef, Swine, Arts & Crafts, Rabbits	Medium	Y	N
7	Eaton Equestrians	Angel Colizzi-McCrumb	517-663-6755 funmccrumb@yahoo.com	Horse & Pony	Small	N	N
8	Forever In Reach Show Team	Jill Cords	517-819-5138	Beef, Swine, Sheep	Medium	Y	N
9	Golddiggers	Stacey Patterson Amy McCausey	517-899-6898 517-231-0966	Arts & Crafts, Sheep, Rabbit, Poultry, Llamas, Swine, Photography, Horses, Dogs	Medium	Y	N
10	Gresham Grain Grinders	Becky Pennington	517-927-7530	Beef, Dairy, Horse, Swine, Sheep, Goats, Rabbits, Sewing, Cake Decorating, Arts & Crafts, Woodworking, Crops	Large	Y	Y
11	High Point 4-H Club	Nichole Erickson	616-460-1146	Horse & Pony	Medium	Y	Y
12	J & D Outlaws	Rosemary Hildabridle	517-230-0987 517-719-1091	Horse, Dogs, Rabbits, Crafts, Goats	Small	Y	Y
13	Kounty Kavalry	Amy Nierenberger	517-663-1699 517-749-4136	Horse, Dogs, Rabbits, Arts & Crafts, Foods	Small	Y	N
14	Loping Lariats	Julie Patterson	517-599-0914	Horses, Arts & Crafts	Small	Y	N
15	Millerburg	Donyaellie Wheaton	517-543-8615	Leathercraft, Woodworking, Computers, Sewing, Sheep, Swine, Rabbits/Cavies, Dogs, Beef, Horses, Goats, Knitting, Gardening, Arts & Crafts, Cake Decorating, Poultry, Photography, Ceramics, Cooking, Glass Etching, Jewelry, Welding	Large	Y	Y
16	Royston Rockets & Ranchers	Clarence Humphrey	517-643-4441	Arts & Crafts, Goats, Swine, Rabbits, Poultry, Llamas, Horses, Baking, Sewing, Leathercraft	Medium	Y	Y
17	Shooting Sports	Scott Whipple	517-819-1984	County Wide Shooting Sports Program: Archery, 3D Archery, BB Gun, .22 Rifle, Trap/Skeet, Air Pistol, Muzzleloading, Hunting & Wildlife *Some disciplines have age restrictions	Large	Y	Y
18	Spaulding	Kristina Priesman	269-506-2962	Beef, Swine, Sheep, Arts & Crafts, Rabbits	Medium	Y	N
19	Vermontville Jr. Farmers	Foye Pierce	517-749-1240	Poultry, Rabbits, Goats, Cavies, Sheep, Beef, Dairy Feeders, Swine, Horses, Arts & Crafts	Large	Y	Y
20	VFW Dynamos	Nancy Bowers	517-663-7892	Swine, Rabbits, Arts & Crafts	Medium	Y	N
21	Walton Wonders	Kimberly Smith	517-852-4047	Dairy, Dairy Steer, Swine, Rabbits, Poultry, Sewing, Candy Making, Cake Decorating, Arts & Crafts, Sheep	Small	Y	Y
22	We-R-A-4-H Club	Liz Hubert	517-281-4964 elizabethubert@gmail.com	Sewing, Foods, Cake Decorating, Arts & Crafts, Small Animals, Rabbits, Poultry, Dogs, Goats, Llamas, Gardening, Sewing, Crocheting, Performing Arts	Large	Y	Y

Eaton County 4-H club locations on township map

