

# Prince William 4-H

Our Clubs, Our Community



June 16, 2021

### **Upcoming Events**

Jun 30 - Camp Counselor
Training Part I (option I)

Jun TBD - PWC 4-H Senior Event

Jul I - Camp Counselor
Training Part II (option 1)

Jul 12 - Camp Counselor Training Part 1 (option 2)

Jul 14 - Camp Counselor Training Part II (option 2)

Jul 18-22 - 4-H Junior Camp

Aug 6-8 - i-Congress

**Aug 16-20 -** 4-H Day Camp

**Sep 9-12 -** 60th VA State Championship Horse & Pony Show

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# 4-H Workday Wednesday - EARN VOLUNTEER SERVICE HOURS!



Dates: Every Wednesday from July 7th - August 4th

Time: 10 am - 2 pm; Bring your lunch!

Location: PWC 4-H Office

Click here to sign up for PWC 4-H Workday Wednesday!

Your youth volunteer service hours at 4-H have SERIOUS bang-for-the buck! Not only are you contributing to our 4-H program, showing leadership skills, and growing in civic responsibility, but many of these service hours can be counted towards volunteer hours for school clubs, such as NJHS and NHS.

Every Wednesday from July 7th - August 4th (5 weeks) from 10 am -2 pm, you can sign up to volunteer for the behind-the-scenes excitement of creating a fun-filled 4-H summer camp experience like no other. Sign up for an hour, or the whole day - we'll take what you've got! Attend all 5 Wednesdays, and that's 20 hour of service to PWC 4-H and volunteer credits with your school programs. And the cherry on top - you'll be back renewing your 4-H friendships and making new friends! We have plenty to keep everyone busy creating activities to support our community at PWC 4-H Day Camp, the Children's Barn, and AG Barn for the 72nd Annual PWC Fair.

On Wednesdays, we'll be planning the activities, cutting, pasting, organizing, bagging, and more. All talents are needed! Whether you're crafty, strong for lifting, good at organizing, innovative, or a worker bee, **WE NEED YOU.** 

When you volunteer as a youth leader, you complete your learning cycle and become the teacher, the "expert." You have truly mastered a skill or a concept when you can teach what you know. Check out the info below on Camp Counselor Training and become a master 4-H'er!

# Camp Counselor Training - Please sign up!

Camp Counselors are PWC 4-H youth volunteers who create and implement that safe and exciting camp environment. All counselors participate in training sessions so they are prepared leaders, and earn invaluable service hours. Our counselors have already begun planning the activities through a few virtual sessions. We're ready to start meeting in person for leadership training and to prepare the crafts and activities. We need more volunteers! It's not too late to join in the fun. Day Camp Counselor Trainings will all be held at the 4-H Office, in the McCoy conference room (upstairs), from 6:30-8:30pm. Participants must attend a Part I and Part II of their choosing. Click here to register for Camp Counselor Training. If you need to attend virtually, please contact Mrs. Cloe at ecloe@pwcgov.org. The dates are as follows:

Part I: June 30 or July 12 Part II: July 1 or July 14 Be sure to register as a Camp Counselor in 4-H Online! Page 2 Prince William 4-H



# PW 4-H Day Camp & Junior Camp

4-H JUNIOR CAMP: JULY 18-22, 2021

Northern Virginia 4-H Educational Center, Front Royal

4-H Junior Camp is FULL.

#### 4-H SUMMER DAY CAMP: AUGUST 16-20, 2021

PWC Fairgrounds, Manassas

#### 4-H Summer Day Camp Registration Closed. Contact PWC 4-H for Availability.

4-H Day Camp is a day camp for youth ages 5-12 held during the week of the annual County Fair at the Prince William County Fairground. Youth learn and grow in a safe and exciting environment through creating arts projects, exploring fair exhibits, and enjoying team games and activities.

#### Click here for more information about 4-H Camps and to register!

Both camps are open to youth residing in Prince William County, Manassas City and Manassas Park. All registrations will be completed online through the registration websites. No mailed or early registrations will be accepted. Camping slots are filled on a first come, first served basis.



# Camps can't happen without YOU!

Our PWC 4-H volunteers truly make summer camps happen. We are still short on volunteer help and can use your support. Whether you can give a little or a lot of your time, we need YOU! Here are 3 ways that you can be involved:

Be sure to register as an Adult Volunteer in 4-H Online!



#### **Camp Adult Volunteers**

Camp Adult Volunteers are necessary to ensure

our youth have a fun, safe camp experience. Adults are primarily chaperones, group facilitators, or help to distribute snacks. Volunteers are needed from 8:30 am - 1:00 pm. Volunteers can work multiple days, single days, or a handful of hours. Any time that you can offer is welcome! Adult volunteers can register here. For more information becoming Camp Adult Volunteer, please contact Emily Cloe at <a href="mailto:ecloe@pwcgov.org">ecloe@pwcgov.org</a>.



**VOLUNTEERS!** 

#### Children's Barn Volunteers

The Prince William County Fair is BACK! The Fair is August 13th-21st and we need volunteers to help create and volunteer during the fair at the 4-H Exhibits at the Children's Barn. Registration for 4-H Children's Barn Volunteers COMING SOON! To volunteer for the Children's Barn, please contact Kristin Saul at ksaul@pwcgov.org.

Click here for details about the 2021 PWC Fair.



# **Mandatory State Horse Show Orientation**

#### **Date and Location TBD - but coming soon!**

Emily Cloe has reached out to Club leaders and will be hosting an orientation for 4-H'ers participating in the VA State 4-H Championship Horse and Pony Show. Emily will be reviewing the code of conduct, rules, safety, regulations, and much more. Please respond to her emails to assist in the planning and be ready to gallop to the meeting!

60th Virginia State 4-H Championship Horse and Pony Show

Date: September 9th-12th, 2021

**Location:** Virginia Horse Center, Lexington, VA Click here for details on the VA Horse Show

# SAVE THE DATE! Virginia 4-H i-Congress, August 6th-8th

Location: Airfield Conference Center/Southeast 4-H Educational Conference Center, Wakefield, VA

**4-H i-Congress** is designed for youth who are interested in becoming leaders in 4-H. Through fun, innovative, engaging and interactive sessions, youth will enhance their ability to serve in local, district, state and national 4-H leadership roles. The mission of **4-H i-Congress** is to provide non-competitive educational experiences to youth ages I I-I3 and the adults who work with them, helping them to develop life skills, and leadership abilities to become contributing citizens in their communities. **The 3-day i-Congress program information will be available soon!** 

# Support PWC 4-H on Amazon Prime Day, June 21st & 22nd



Set up your Amazon account to support PWC 4-H just in time for Amazon Prime Day! It's easy and it's FREE!

#### How it works:

Open the Amazon app on your phone

- 2. Select the main menu (=) & tap on "AmazonSmile" within Programs & Features
- 3. Select "Prince William County 4-H Association" as your charity
- **4.** Follow the on-screen instructions to activate AmazonSmile in the mobile app
- 5. Shop as usual! Amazon will donate a portion of their sales to PWC 4-H

To date, the PWC 4-H Association has received \$296.19 from Amazon Smile!

# 2021 Annual Research and Extension Field Day

The Southern Piedmont Agricultural Research and Extension Center is dedicated to tobacco, small fruits, forages, and other field and specialty crops research and educational programs to address the needs of the agricultural industry so it will continue to be a viable component of the state's economy.

#### 2021 AREC Field Day

Date: July 19 Time: 9am

**Location:** Virginia Tech Southern Piedmont Agricultural Research & Extension Center, Blackstone, VA

9:00 am Registration

9:30 am Field Research Tours

- Tobacco Tour
- Industrial Hemp Tour
- Forage Tour

 $12:00 \; \text{pm}$  Lunch with guest speaker The Honorable Bettina Ring, Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry

Agriculture in Virginia

#VAAGWEEK

36%
of primary Virginia farm operators are female

TOP 3 AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

1. Broilers
2. Cattle & calves
3. Dairy & milk products

Virginia ranks 3rd for leaf tobacco production & 8th for apple, grape, and peanut production in the U.S.

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RSVP by emailing Please RSVP by emailing Margaret Kenny at <u>makenny@vt.edu</u> or call 434-818-5545. <u>Click here to learn more about AREC and the Field Day.</u>

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#### Registration Deadline: June 20th. Space is limited.

This summer, WVU Extension's 4-H Youth Development Program will lead virtual STEM camps. The camps cover a variety of STEM topics for youth entering 3rd-6th or 7th-12th grade in fall 2021. The camps will meet once a week for four weeks in July, with a new hands-on activity presented each week. **Each camp costs \$20** and includes a kit of materials that will be mailed before camp. All camps will use the Zoom platform to host meetings.

#### The Magic of Chemistry Camp

In this four-week virtual camp, youth will learn about the nature of science while conducting a series of experiments and chemical reactions. The camp will include hands-on activities on topics such as polymers, glow-inthe-dark reactions, intermolecular forces, slime, and more. Registered participants will be mailed a kit with the needed materials.

When: Every Tuesday from 1:00-2:00 PM starting July 6th (July 6, 13, 20, 27) via Zoom

Ages: Youth entering 3rd - 6th grade this fall for the 2021-2022 school year

Click here to register for The Magic of Chemistry Camp



#### **Camp Invention**

In this four-week virtual camp, youth will learn about the engineering design process to plan and build their own inventions. Each week will focus on a different branch of engineering, including mechanical, aerospace, biomedical, chemical and electrical. The camp will also include hands-on activities and projects for each topic area. Registered participants will be mailed a kit with the needed materials.

When: Every Tuesday from 2:30-3:30 PM starting July 6th (July 6, 13, 20, 27) via Zoom

Ages: Youth entering 3rd - 6th grade this fall for the 2021-2022 school year

Click here to register for Camp Intervention



#### Space Camp

In this four-week virtual camp, youth will explore astronomy, the science of space! Topics will include our solar system, stars and constellations, and space travel. Each day will feature hands-on activities with projects such as "build your own model telescope" and "pocket solar system." Registered participants will be mailed a kit that includes the hands-on activity materials.

When: Every Thursday from 1:00-2:00 PM starting July 8th (July 8, 15, 22, 29) via Zoom

Ages: Youth entering 3rd - 6th grade this fall for the 2021-2022 school year

Click here to register for Space Camp



#### Micro:Bit Coding and Physical Computing Camp

In this four-week virtual camp, youth will learn how to program their own Micro:bit and automate simple physical computing processes. The camp is designed for both new and experienced coders, where they will program hardware and create their own programs. During this camp, youth will complete activities such as creating a flappy bird-like game and their own sensor. Registered participants will be mailed a kit that includes a microprocessor, servo motor, and other materials to complete the hands-on coding activities.

When: Every Thursday from 2:30-3:30 PM starting July 8th (July 8, 15, 22, 29) via Zoom

Ages: Youth entering 7th - 12th grade this fall for the 2021-2022 school year

Click here to register for Micro:Bit Coding and Physical Computing Camp



Funding to support these activities is provided by STEMCARE, a collaboration between Mylan and West Virginia University to develop and implement programming to instill a growth mindset in West Virginia's youths. No matter the issue at hand, students will grow in their confidence and intellect, ultimately making them more curious, active, resilient, and engaged (CARE). Click here to learn more about this initiative.

# Free Virtual 4-H Camps

This year National 4-H is taking Virtual 4-H Camp outdoors. We've all spent a lot of time indoors over the last year, so it's time to get outside, get your hands dirty and explore the exciting world around you! Explore this collection of nine activities for a 4-H camp experience anytime, anywhere, complete with fireside songs! Click here and Let the Adventure Begin!

#### Welcome to 4-H Camp

Topics: STEM, Animal Science, Environmental Science, Gardening | Grades: Pre-K - 12

#### **Wonderful Wildlife**

Let's get to know the wildlife in your area with these fun activities. Topics: STEM, Animal Science | Grades: Pre-K - 12

- 4-H Pollinators
- Classify Animals
- Signs of Wildlife

#### **Explore Your Environment**

It's finally time to get back outside and explore the environment(s) around you! Topics: STEM, Environmental Science | Grades: Pre-K - 12

- Leave No Trace
- Wonderful Wetlands
- Water Pollution Cleanup

#### **Get Growing**

It's easy to grow your own vegetable, herb, or flower garden with these activities! Topics: STEM, Gardening | Grades: Pre-K - 12

- Bean in a Bottle
- Intro to Composting
- Growing Gardeners

# **Celebrating Juneteenth**

On June 19, 2021 Virginia Tech and the Commonwealth of Virginia will observe the 156th anniversary of Juneteenth,

On June 19, 1865, more than two months after the Civil War ended on April 9, Gen. Gordon Granger informed the people of Galveston, TX, that all enslaved people were free. His orders freed 250,000 slaves in Texas that

day. In 1866, freedmen in Texas celebrated the first of what became known as "Jubilee Day" on June 19, and the celebrations included barbecues, music, prayer services, speeches and other activities. The holiday later became known as Juneteenth, a shortening of June 19, and it is widely known as the longest-running African American holiday.

Here are some fun, educational resources to learn and explore more about the history of Juneteenth:

What is Juneteenth? From the History Channel
What is Juneteenth? By Henry Louis Gates, Jr.
Teaching Juneteenth in K-12

68 Recipes from Black Creators to Celebrate Juneteenth

Join the Virginia NAACP for its inaugural Juneteenth in the Commonwealth on Saturday June 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM EST. This virtual benefits will honor our freedom, celebrate our progress, and mobilize our communities for the continued fight for freedom. Proceeds benefit the Virginia NAACP Freedom Fund.











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## **PWC 4-H Resources**

#### National 4-H

National 4-H Homepage

#### Virginia 4-H

VCE 4-H

Complete Phase III Social Distancing Guidelines

#### Resources for 4-H Enrollment

4-H Risk Management Forms

4-H Online Information

The 4-H Foundation

Promotional Materials

4-H Awards and Recognition Forms

4-H All Stars

#### Resources for 4-H Animal Sciences

Resources for 4-H Citizenship

Resources for 4-H Club Management

Resources for 4-H Communication & Expressive Arts

Resources for 4-H Competition & Scoring Aids

Resources for 4-H Curriculum & Delivery

Resources for 4-H Family Sciences

Resources for Food, Nutrition and Health

Resources for 4-H Leadership & Personal Development

Resources for 4-H Natural Resources & Environmental Education

Resources for 4-H Plants, Soils & Entomology

Resources for STEM

#### **Prince William 4-H Association**

PWC 4-H Homepage

PWC 4-H Programs

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PWC 4-H Events & Calendar

Funding Request Form

#### Portfolio Records (coming soon)

Member Record

Member Record - editable

Project Record Ages 9-10

Project Record Ages 11-12 Project Record Ages 13-15

Project Record Ages 16-19

# 2020-2021 PWC 4-H **Association Officers**

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