

DELTA COUNTY

Colorado



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April 2022

ENROLLMENT DEADLINE APPROACHES!

You may be aware that due to the fact that May 1st falls on a Sunday **the deadline for enrollment and project additions and/or deletions is 4:30 PM on April 29, 2022**. What you may not realize is that, although you may have enrolled online, you are technically not re-enrolled if you have not paid your enrollment fees. You must be enrolled online AND have all enrollment fees paid to the 4-H Office by 4:30 PM of Friday, May 2nd in order to be able to participate in the 2022 Delta County Fair.

The 2021/2022 fee for **regular 4-H members** (8-18 years of age) is **\$50.00** for the first two projects and \$5.00 for each additional project beyond the first two. **Cloverbud** (ages 5-7) fees will be **\$30.00**. (All ages are based on December 31st, 2021.) Returning members must have re-enrolled by close of business on February 1st to avoid paying a late fee. Members re-enrolling after this deadline will be assessed a **\$20 per member** late fee. (Late fees do not apply to Cloverbud, new member, and leader enrollments.)

There are several families that have been on the 'pending' list for quite a while. Please be aware that, though you may have enrolled online, if you haven't paid your fees you are not actively enrolled! In addition, this applies to market livestock enrollment deadlines. If you have enrolled online but you have not paid your fees by the deadline you will not be allowed to weigh-in/tag-in your animals!

Don't forget!

***Beginning May 2nd
the 4-H Office has
new summer hours!***

***7:30-11:30 and
12:30-4:30
Monday - Friday***

Delta County 4-H Spring BBQ & Corn Hole Tournament!

Sunday, May 1, 2022

12:00 - 3:00 PM

Delta County Fairgrounds Park

Hamburger meal - \$10.00

Hot dog meal - \$5.00

Meals come with a side, chips, and a drink

Corn Hole Tournament Entries: \$25.00 per person

Age divisions: 4-H Division (ages 8-18—open to all youth in the age range)

Adult Division (ages 19 and up)

Prizes will awarded at the tournament

During this event we will also be hosting a gently used livestock equipment, show supplies, and 4-H project related items sale for individuals and/or 4-H clubs to participate in. (You bring it, you sell it!) Please start working with your 4-H club on club booth set-up, merchandise, pricing, and management. All booths must have an adult present at all times.

4-H club participation with the preparation, serving and clean-up at this event is strongly encouraged! (It will be like helping at Beef Roast!) Remember: this does count as a community service activity. Club leaders - be sure to watch your email! We will be sending out a club schedule in the near future.

Please watch your newsletters, email and our Delta County 4-H Facebook page for more information.

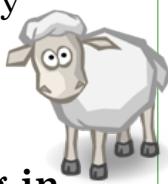


Livestock Weigh-in/Info Date

Swine Nominations

May 6, 2022

Due to Extension Office by
4:30 PM



Sheep/Goat Weigh-in/Tag-in

May 7, 2022
9:00 AM—11:00 AM

Market Sheep, Goat and Swine Enrollment Deadline

4-H members who want to enroll in the 4-H market sheep, goat or swine project **MUST** have their enrollment for this project posted online and enrollment fees paid to the Delta Extension Office by 4:30 PM, on **Friday, April 29, 2022**.



Meat Quality Assurance Trainings



The following is the “Official” State 4-H policy regarding the Meat Quality Assurance Act and the required training:

- Any 4-H member enrolled in a market or breeding livestock project that has not previously attended training must do so.
- Any 4-H member who was a Junior (age 13 or under) and is moving into the Senior division in 2022 (age 14 as of December 31, 2021), will be required to attend the training.
- Everyone enrolled in a 4-H livestock project must sign the Tri River Area 4-H Commitment to Excellence.

In summary, all 4-H members must attend the Wholesome Meat training once as a Junior (13 and under) and once as a Senior (14 and over). You may attend training in another county if you cannot make the date scheduled in your county. Be sure to sign in when you arrive, this way we have a record of your attendance. Attendance at a MQA Class will fulfill swine members Pork Quality Assurance Training requirements. Below is a list of dates for these trainings:

- April 25 - Meat Quality Assurance Class, 6:30 PM, Montrose County Fairgrounds
- April 26 - Meat Quality Assurance Class, 6:30 PM, Heritage Hall, Delta County Fair grounds
- April 27 - Meat Quality Assurance Class, 6:30 PM, Mesa County Fairgrounds

Please note that all dates are tentative and subject to change. Please watch upcoming newsletters for more information.

COLORADO 4-H DOG IDENTIFICATION CERTIFICATES



In order for animals to be shown at the 2022 Delta County Fair all dog identification certificates must be uploaded to 4HOnline by 4:30 PM on April 29, 2022. (Please be aware that May 1st is a Sunday and we will not be open.) Instructions on how to do this are available in your dog record book. Members must designate all dogs that will or might be participating in their 4-H project.

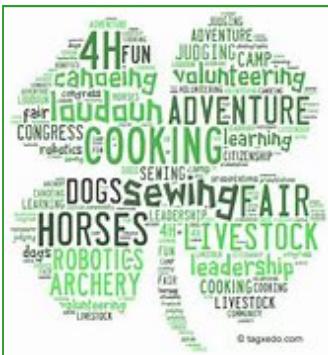


- ☺ Take your dog on a hike
- ☺ Play Frisbee
- ☺ Take your dog for a ride in the car
- ☺ Throw a tennis ball
- ☺ Join an agility class or set up obstacles at home
- ☺ Teach your dog tricks
- ☺ Enter a dog show for the experience, for the fun, and to meet other dog people

**HAVE
FUN
WITH
YOUR
DOG!**

Important Swine Nomination Information!

This year Delta County 4-H families with market swine project members will be responsible for tagging all swine that they intend to take to the Delta County Fair and/or the Colorado State Fair. Families will check their tags out from their club organizational leader or their swine project leader. **Families will NOT check out tags from the 4-H office.** Club organizational leaders and/or swine project leaders need to double check with their swine project members as to how many tags each member needs. The Extension office needs to be emailed with a count for each club by April 1st.





Rabbit Field Day

April 09, 2022

9:00 am to 2:30 pm

Delta County Fairgrounds – Heritage Hall Pavilion
Hotchkiss, Colorado

Open to all 4-hers, their families and other interested parties.
Please plan to bring your lunch and any drinks you may require. The
Heritage Hall does have restroom facilities and tap water is available.

Topics to be covered

- 1) Rabbit Showmanship**
- 2) 4-H record books**
- 3) Purchasing Rabbits for show and breeding**
- 4) Breeds and types of rabbits**
- 5) Rabbit Diseases-prevention and cures**
- 6) Rabbit Husbandry- housing and care**
- 7) Rabbit Disqualifications**
- 8) Conditioning Rabbits for Meat Pens and Showing**



ATTENTION:

**Delta County 4-H members
MUST officially drop live-
stock, horse and general
projects on or before
April 29, 2022.**

Members who do not drop one or more of these projects, and who do not turn in a completed record book relating to that project, will not be allowed to enroll in that project area the following year.

7 THINGS THAT SHOULD BE SAID TO CHILDREN:

1. I love you
2. I'm proud of you
3. I'm sorry
4. I forgive you
5. I'm listening to you
6. This is your responsibility
7. You can do this



STATE FAIR RULE FOR GENERAL PROJECTS!

If a member enrolls in two units of the same project (For example: leathercraft. A member enrolls in Unit 2 & Unit 3) they must exhibit in the higher unit. When a member takes two units at the same time, they should master the skills of the lower unit and therefore exhibit in the higher unit.

RECORD BOOK COVER REQUIREMENT!

ALL record books must be turned in enclosed and secured in binders. Please hole punch your pages and use either ACCO or brad type binders. Three ring binders are still acceptable, however we do ask that they be no more than 1 inch thick. Be sure to double check that ALL pages/photos/receipts are securely attached inside your binders. The member name and project should be clearly visible on the outside of the binder. Please be sure to either write or attach a label with this information to the cover of your binder. (If you have a see-through cover and the front page of your record book can be seen you can skip this step.)

The 4-H Office is not responsible for items that are lost from record books.



LIVESTOCK Record Books



Easy-peasy!

One per species!



All beef are in one record book



All sheep are in one record book



All rabbits are in one record book



All goats are in one record book



All swine are in one record book



All turkeys are in one record book



All chickens are in one record book

If you are enrolled in beef, goats
and rabbits you will need three
(3) different record books!


TRI-RIVER AREA
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THE DELTA COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE

WILL BEGIN SUMMER HOURS ON

MAY 2, 2022

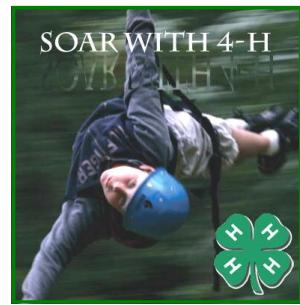


WE WILL BE OPEN 7:30 - 11:30 AND 12:30 - 4:30

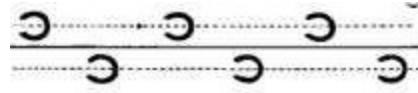
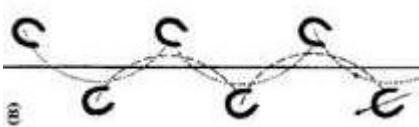
WE WILL BE CLOSED OVER THE LUNCH HOUR.



RECORD Book POLICY



All Delta County 4-H members with general projects (those that are displayed in the exhibit hall) who do NOT bring an exhibit to the 2022 Delta County Fair will be required to turn in their record books on September 2, 2022 - which is the same date that the livestock, horse, dog and shooting sports record books are due! The 70% completion requirement will apply to these books. In addition, general project members who do not participate in the 2022 Fair and fail to turn in their record book(s) will not be allowed to participate in those project(s) the following 4-H year.



Important Horse

The highest level test that a member has taken and passed (both written and riding) as of June 24, 2022 is the level that member will be allowed to exhibit in at the 2021 Delta County Fair! Written levels tests will not be given at the Delta Extension Office from July 1, 2022 through August 31, 2022.

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Delta County Horse Leaders who are giving Horse Levels RIDING tests need to be sure to turn in all completed tests to the Delta Extension Office. This is the *only* way we have of knowing which members have passed the different riding levels. If you do not turn this information in, we will assume that the information we have on file is the most current



ATTENTION HORSE MEMBERS!!!



It is that time year when all you can think about is getting on your horse and riding. There is still one last piece of information that each of you must upload into 4HOnline. You must have a Horse ID for each horse that you may ride uploaded, plus a \$2.00 fee per horse identified turned in to the Delta Extension Office, by 4:30 PM on **April 29th**. The Horse ID Certificate may be found in your E-record or you can pick one up at the Extension Office.

Eligibility:

- ✓ You must be a graduating member of the class of 2022 from a school program located in Delta County, Colorado
- ✓ You must have completed 1 year of 4-H and be in good standing the year prior to applying
- ✓ You must plan to attend a university, community college, vocational center, or other type of learning institution in the fall following graduation
- ✓ You are required to participate in the current year Delta County Fair
- ✓ You must be currently enrolled in the Delta County 4-H Program your graduating year of high school and complete all 4-H and project requirements



Interested high school seniors who meet the above requirements need to contact the Delta County Extension Office at 874-2195 for more information, application requirements, and an application form. **Applications are due by April 18, 2022.**

These scholarships are intended to provide financial assistance to deserving students, but are not intended to cover all expenses.

4-H FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

**Have you
thanked
your leader
today?**



COUNTY FAIR INTERVIEW JUDGING DATE!

Members with 4-H General Projects (the projects that are exhibited in Heritage Hall during the County Fair) need to be aware of the day and date for Interview Judging. Interview Judging will be held **Friday, July 29th** beginning at **9:00 AM in Heritage Hall**.

Clothing project members will be interview judged on this same day as the other projects.

Be sure to mark this date on your calendars! A full schedule of interview times will be mailed to General Project members in July. More information will be available in upcoming newsletters.



National Volunteer Week

April 16-22, 2022

Somewhere between the sternness of a parent and the comradeship of a pal is that mysterious creature we call a 4-H Leader.

These leaders come in all shapes and sizes, and may be male or female. But they all have one thing in common - a glorious twinkle in their eyes!

4-H Leaders are found everywhere - at judging contests, fairs, square dances, and talent shows. They always are preparing for, sitting through, participating in, or recuperating from a meeting of some kind.

They are tireless consumers of muffins, experts at taking knots out of thread, peerless coaches, and selflessly spend hours on the telephone answering questions and coordinating activities.

A 4-H Leader is many things - an artist making a float for the Fourth of July, a doctor prescribing for an underfed calf, a counselor at camp, a lawyer filling out reports, and a shoulder to cry on when that dress just won't fit. Nobody else is so early to rise and so late to get home at night. Nobody else has so much fun with so many boys and girls.

We sometimes forget them, but we can't do without them. They receive no salary, but we can never repay them.

They are angels in aprons, saints in straw hats. Their only reward is the love of the kids and the respect of the community. But when they look around them at the skills they've taught, and the youth they've built, there's an inner voice from somewhere that says, "Well done."

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To all of our Delta County 4-H leaders—

We know we couldn't do it without you. And we just want to say...



National Volunteer Week

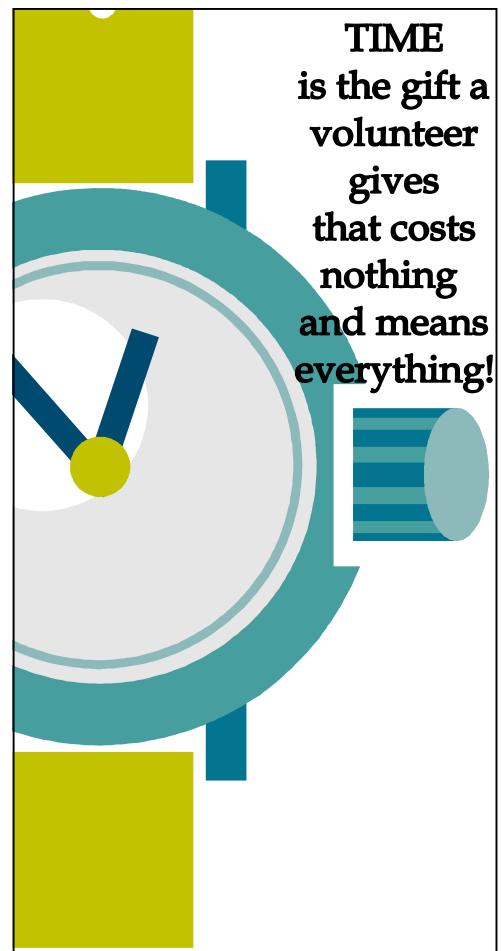
April 16-22, 2022



We believe Delta County 4-H has the best team of volunteer leaders around. We thank all of you for your time, expertise, patience and enthusiasm! **You are terrific!**

Hey Kids! Here are some ways to celebrate your 4-H leaders!

- ⌚ Organize an ice cream social for your leaders (be sure to socially distance!) —and don't make them clean up!
- ⌚ Say "thank you" for all the help your 4-H leaders have given you
- ⌚ Have an outdoor pizza party for your teen volunteers
- ⌚ Write thank-you notes to leaders telling them how much you appreciate what they do
- ⌚ Make jars of brownie mix, cookie mix, or hot chocolate mix and give them out to your leaders
- ⌚ Hand out 'coupons' to leaders good for a service (dusting, vacuuming, washing the car, etc) that you will provide for them
- ⌚ Bake cookies with hearts on them and the words "Volunteers Are The Heart of 4-H" and pass them out to the leaders at your next club meeting.



APRIL 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
10	11 <i>Delta Executive Council, Delta, 7PM</i>	12	13	14	15	16	
17 	18 <i>Delta 4-H Foundation Scholarship Apps due, 4:30 PM</i>	19	20	21	22 	23	
24	25 <i>MQA/PQA Class, Mesa Fair-grounds, C Bldg 6:30 PM</i>	26 <i>MQA/PQA Class, Delta Fair-grounds, 6:30 PM</i>	27 <i>MQA/PQA Class, Montrose, Online Training & Test, 6:30 PM</i>	28	29 <i>Delta Market Swine, Sheep and Goat project enrollments due, 4:30 PM</i> 	30 	
				<i>Be sure to thank an administrative assistant today!</i> 		<i>TRA Enrollment Deadline. All project additions and deletions are due as well. 4:30PM</i> 	

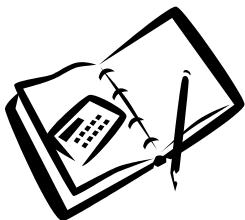
Important Upcoming Dates!

- Apr 11 - Delta Executive Council, 7PM, Delta 4-H Office
- Apr 18 - Delta County 4-H Foundation Scholarship Apps Due, 4-H Office, 4:30 PM
- Apr 29 - Delta Market Sheep/Goat/Swine enrollments due, 4:30 PM
- Apr 29 - 4-H Enrollment Deadline, Horse & Dog id forms due, 4:30 PM
- May 1 - Delta County 4-H BBQ & Corn Hole Tournament, Noon-3:00, Delta County Fairgrounds, Hotchkiss (Swap Meet will be held during this event at the same location)
- May 2 - Delta Office summer hours begin - 7:30-11:30 and 12:30-4:30, Mon-Fri
- May 6 - Swine Nominations due, Delta 4-H Office, 4:30 PM
- May 7 - Sheep/Goat weigh/tag in, 9-11 AM, Fairgrounds, Hotchkiss
- May 9 - Delta Council, 7PM, Delta Courthouse, Room 234
- May 30 - Memorial Day, Offices Closed
- June 13 - Delta Executive Council, 7PM, Hotchkiss
- June 24 - Delta County fair 4-H/FFA and Open class livestock due, 4:30 PM
- July 4 - Independence Day observed , Offices Closed
- July 11 - Delta Council, 7 PM, Hotchkiss
- July 15 - Delta Fair dog record books due. Shooting sports record books due for members not participating in the County Fair shoot, 4:30 PM
- July 16 - Delta County Fair Shoot, 8AM, Eckert Range
- July 29 - Delta County Fair General Projects Interview Judging & Premier Exhibitor Interview Judging, 9AM
- July 31—Aug 7 - Delta County Fair
- Sept 2 - Achievement Nominations and all record books due to office, 4:30 PM
- Sept 12 - Delta Council—ELECTIONS! - Delta Courthouse, 7PM
- Sept 23 - Delta Award Forms & Special Nomination Forms due to office, 4:30 PM
- Oct 3 - County Holiday, Delta Office Closed
- Oct 4 - Delta Office hours change to 8:00-12:00 and 1:00-5:00, Mon-Fri



Dates in this calendar are tentative and subject to change!

Livestock & Horse Record Books



Having trouble downloading your livestock and/or horse record book? If so, you can pick up a hard copy to fill out at the Delta 4-H Office. They are printed and waiting for those who need them!

FIRST YEAR LEADER BACKGROUND CHECKS



All first year leaders will be submitted for a background check. (Consent for this is given when you fill out and sign your Volunteer Leader enrollment.) After you have enrolled online you will receive an email requesting that you go to a secure website called HireRight, which is approved by CSU, and provide requested information. Background checks cannot be completed without your information. Your enrollment will remain pending until your background check is complete. Please note that if you do not complete this information you will not be allowed to participate in the 4-H program as a leader. (All information remains confidential—even the county offices are not provided with details.) If you have any questions regarding first year leader background checks, please call Jackie at 874-2198.

4-H OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

Beginning May 2, 2022

the Delta County 4-H Office will be

OPEN

7:30 AM—11:30 AM and

12:30 PM-4:30 PM

Monday through Friday.

We are closed over the lunch hour.



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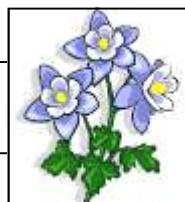
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