

Plymouth County Cooperative Extension



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Plymouth County Extension 4-H Program

Plymouth County 4-H News and Notes –Summer 2019



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

May

May 18 & 19 Massachusetts 4-H Beef and Dairy Academy

May 18 Goat Academy

May 21 East Middleboro 4-H Town Committee Meeting, 7 PM

May 28 Plymouth County 4-H Advisory Council Meeting, Plymouth, MA

Coming in June...

June 1 & 2 Exploring Science Camp (SOS Camp), UMass Amherst Campus

June 7 Poultry Show, East Middleboro June 9 ARBA show, East Middleboro

June TBA Cave Canem 4-H Dog Show, Marshfield, June 22 Massachusetts 4-H Dog Show, Location TBD

June 18 East Middleboro 4-H Town Committee Meeting, 7 PM

Coming in July...

July 5-7 Regional 4-H Horse Show, Three County Fairgrounds

July 8 & 9 Marshfield Fair assistance & tour, Marshfield fairgrounds 2-7PM

July 15 Marshfield Fair Entry Due Date

Coming in August.....

August 2-4 Massachusetts 4-H Horse Show, Eastern State Expo Fairgrounds

August 8-11 Rochester Fair August 16-25 Marshfield Fair

Aug 31-Sept 1 East Middleboro Fair

Mass 4-H Dog Show

The Massachusetts 4-H Dog Show will be held on Saturday, June 22 location is to be determined. All 4-H dog project members are welcome and encouraged to participate. Please see www.mass4h.org for registration information.

Opportunity to Teach 4-H Impact Programs

4-H Impact programs are short term (6-8 sessions) programs usually delivered in collaboration with libraries or community groups that serve youth. Our most popular 4-H Impact program is the 4-H Babysitters Training course. We are looking for adults who would be willing to facilitate and/or teach some of these courses; stipends are available. This would be a great opportunity for college students to earn some money during the summer. If you are interested contact Molly at mvollmer@umext.umass.edu

Cave Canem 4-H Dog Show

The Cave Canem annual dog show will be announcing soon the date for the Cave Canem dog show. All 4-H dog club members are welcome to participate. Please contact Molly at the 4-H for more information. Visit www.plymouthcounty4h.org for registration forms.

Animal Lease/Verification Forms

<u>If you plan to exhibit a leased animal at the Big E,</u> you need to submit a Livestock Verification Form to the 4-H office. Forms are due <u>May 1st</u> for Dairy, Beef, Dog & *Horse (use Horse Verification Form only)

<u>June 1st</u> for Goats, Sheep, Alpacas, Swine, Rabbits & Poultry

**** New this year- Marshfield fair does not require animal lease or verification forms.

Massachusetts 4-H Foundation

The Mass 4-H Foundation has many opportunities for monetary support for 4-H clubs and community service projects. Please visit www.mass4hfoundation.org for more information about 4-H publicity grants, matching grants, club kits and more.

East Middleboro 4-H Fair

The 70th East Middleboro 4-H Fair will be held on Saturday, August 30and Sunday Sept 1. The 4-H Fair will be open 8AM-6:30 PM both days. You can check out more at www.eastmiddleboro4h.org
The entire fair book is available online through the website above. You must be a 4-H member of an East Middleboro 4-H Club to participate in this fair.

4-H Sunflower Contest at East Middleboro

**** New this year- East Middleboro fair will be holding the Plymouth County 4-H Sunflower contest. Over 5000 seed packets were distributed to classrooms all over Plymouth County. We expect there to be many entries this year.

Send us your News

We are always looking for information and club updates to post here in the 4-H Newsletter, online through the 4-H Facebook page and also on county and state websites. Please don't hesitate to tell us all the wonderful projects your club is up too! Also send the office pictures of your 4-H Club in action through the year so we can collect them for the County Awards Night slide show.



Marshfield Fair Information



Marshfield Fair

The Marshfield Fair Exhibitor Handbook can be found online at www.marshfieldfair.org

New for 2019

Marshfield fair no longer requires animal lease / verification forms or Proof of age for exhibitors.

Important Dates

- **%** July 15 All entries due to MF Fair Office
- **%** Aug 10 Clean-up Day- 9AM
- **%** Aug 12 4-H Banners returned to 4-H Office
- **%** Aug 15 4-H Animals Arrive
- * Aug 17 4-H Records and Posters due
- * Aug 21 4-H Day-All 4-H members Welcome
- * Aug 23 4-H benefit auction
- **%** Aug 24 Over the Hill Class for Dairy & Beef
- **%** Aug 24 Alumni class
- **%** Aug 25 4-H Awards Day
- **%** Aug 36 4-H Animals Depart



2019 Marshfield Fair Banner contest

The 4-H Banner Contest will be held at the Marshfield Fair. Banners will be displayed in the Dairy and Beef barns and will remain up for the entire 10 day fair. This will help to show off all Plymouth County 4-H clubs regardless of if they participate in livestock and animal shows at the fair. All 4-H Clubs are eligible to participate All banners are made from felt supplied by the Plymouth County 4-H Office, contact the Valerie at vschell@umass.edu if you would like to participate

4-H Benefit Auction at Marshfield Fair

Each year the Plymouth County 4-H program holds an auction to benefit 4-H programing. We need donations of any size. If you or someone you know can make a donation of a gift certificate or item please contact: Cathy Acampora at 774-404-7020.



State 4-H Summer Programs



Calling All Photographers!



Are you a junior or senior 4-H member who likes taking photographs and you think they look great? How about entering them into the MA 4-H State Photography Contest? We'd love to see them! Photographs taken since last July may be entered and are due to the Waltham 4-H Office (postmarked) by July 1, 2019. All the information you need for photo size, rules, lots, and judging criteria are found at http://ag.umass.edu/sites/ag.umass.edu/files/pdf-doc-ppt/2019 state photography contest.pdf



Don't Forget to Register for 4-H Camp!

Register soon as the most popular weeks fill up quickly!

- Camp Marshall and Horse Camp in Spencer: www.campmarshall.net
- Camp Leslie in Georgetown: www.campleslie.org
- Camp Middlesex in Ashby: www.campmiddlesex.org
- Camp Howe in Goshen: www.camphowe.com



Camperships are available

<u>The Plymouth County 4-H Advisory Council</u> will sponsor camperships for 4-H members to attend summer camps. Applications must be returned to the 4-H Plymouth County Advisory Council at least 6 weeks in advance of program start date.

Applications for camperships are available on the website at www.plymouthcounty4h.org under forms and links. Link to Plymouth County campership form: https://img1.wsimg.com/blobby/go/23ba5fff-9639-415f-9c43-f424ce445819/downloads/1c15r7ef5 529657.pdf?ver=1554476068193

The Massachusetts 4-H Foundation also offers Camperships.

The Massachustts 4-H Foundation offers a limited number of competitive camperships. To be eligible, a camper must be from Ashland, Massachusetts or be enrolled in the Massachusetts 4-H program on or before November 15 of the previous year and must attend one of the four 4-H camps located in Massachusetts.

Link to campership form: http://www.mass4hfoundation.org/images/forms/2018-Campership-Application.pdf

Join Mass 4-H for Summer Science Programs on the UMass Amherst Campus!

More information and registration information will be on the 4-H website at: www.mass4h.org.

Animal Science:

- **Exploring Veterinary Science Academy June 1 & 2** Open to youth ages 13-18
- **Beef & Dairy Academy May 18 & 19** Open to youth ages 9 and older
- **Goat Academy May 18** Open to youth ages 9 and older



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