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Learning for Life

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# Greene County 4-H



For 4-H'ers and Parents

2010-2011

Dear Parents of a 4-H Member:

Congratulations! Your child is a member of the world's largest youth organization... the 4-H club. The Greene County 4-H Program is delighted to once again be a part of the 2010-2011 school year. It gives us great pleasure to serve you in the areas of Extension & Youth-Development. 4-H helps young people become self-directing, productive and contributing members of society. County Extension Agents and faculty members of the University of Georgia work with local school systems in the delivery of an educational program for grades 4-12. Our program compliments and enhances the basic grade level curriculum by bringing all of the resources of the University to each classroom where 4-H educational programs are conducted.

The Greene County 4-H program challenges your child as a club member to learn, grow, and mature in 4-H. During this year's school term we will explain vast 4-H opportunities, activities, and year long projects that your child can participate in. We will also elect officers for each classroom which will allow students to exercise leadership skills, voice creativity and work together as a team to build positive inter-relationships. As a 4-H member, your child will have the opportunity to take free weekend trips to our historic camp site, ROCK EAGLE, as well as traveling across the state to judging events, leadership conferences and summer camps. It's an experience of a lifetime that 4-H members will never forget. The University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service sponsors 4-H so it is absolutely free to 4<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students - (no dues)- the only cost to you is when your child participates in some of the activities.

4-H is fun and exciting and will stimulate your child's interest. It's all about 4-H'ers learning-by-doing and gaining needed life skills so they will be prepared for the future. Together we can make a difference in this school system; however, it's going to take positive reinforcement from all of us as educators and parents to drive each message home so that it may be instilled in your child. If you have any questions about the 4-H club, please call me. If you would like to volunteer to help with any events, give us a call or send me an email. You could help with something as simple as providing snacks for one of the judging teams or helping transport youth to an event...to something really rewarding - coaching a team or helping a child with a livestock project. I really need volunteers to enforce the 4-H Club Motto "To Make the Best Better".

If you have any questions about the 4-H program, call my office at 453-2083 or drop by for a visit at 1180 C. Weldon Smith Drive, Suite 110, Greensboro, GA, 30642. You can also now check out our website at [www.ugaextension.com/greene](http://www.ugaextension.com/greene)

Sincerely,



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Paula Moore  
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Greene County

## Awards & Recognition

You will have a variety of opportunities to earn awards and recognition throughout your 4-H career. Here are just a few of the opportunities available to you:

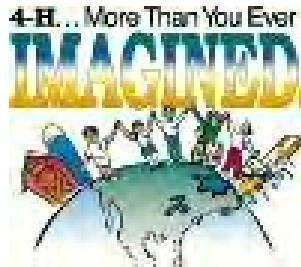
- **Cloverleaf 4-H'er of the Year** - This award is given to the 4th - 6th grader that has earned the most "points" in a calendar year. "Points" will be updated monthly by the Greene County 4-H Staff. The winner will receive a trophy at the annual Greene County 4-H Awards Program.
- **Spirit of 4-H Award** - This award is given to the 4-H'er who shows the most 4-H Spirit during the year. He or she can do this by participating in activities, being enthusiastic about 4-H and by embodying the 4-H principles and values.
- **Junior 4-H'er of the Year** - This is the same award as their Cloverleaf counterpart except it is for 7th & 8th graders.
- **Club Rewards** - Your club will earn points each month in your monthly club meetings. From door decorating contests to being prepared for your meeting, there will be lots of opportunities for you to "Make the Best Better"!
- **Cloverleaf Rewards** - These are rewards that Cloverleaf 4-H'ers (4th - 6th graders) can earn by participating in out-of-county competitions like judging teams, quiz bowls or DPA. These rewards can be fun day trips, discounts off Greene County 4-H Summer Classes, or some equally fun event put together by the Greene County 4-H Staff.
- **Junior Reward Trip** - This is a reward trip that Junior 4-H'ers (7th & 8th graders) can earn by participating in out-of-county competitions like judging teams, quiz bowls, or Project Achievement. This can be something fun like a discounted trip to White Water, a pool party or an equally fun adventure that the Greene County 4-H Staff puts together!

\*\* Also...as you become Senior 4-H'ers there are a number of awards and scholarships that you can apply for to help pay for college. So TAKE OFF with YOUR Greene County 4-H Staff!!!



## WHAT IS 4-H?

**4-H is “learning-by-doing”.** The 4-H Club is the largest youth organization in the world and it all started in the State of Georgia. 4-H is an educational program designed especially for youth. The primary purpose of 4-H is youth development for its members to gain needed life skills for the future



### GREENE COUNTY 4-H CLUB OFFERS EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Poster Contests	4-H Summer Camps	Watermelon Growing Contest
Project Achievement	Horse Quiz Bowl	Relay for Life Team
Recipe Contest	Poultry Judging	Area & State Fair Exhibits
Horse Judging	State Council	Cloverleaf Conference
Dairy Judging	4-H Summer Classes	Horse Camp
Southland Jubilee Ag Exhibits	Pro Rodeo	Photography Contests
Consumer Judging	Horse Fun Night	Youth Summit
Fall Forum	Cooking Contests	Dairy Judging
Livestock Shows (Dairy Cows & Meat Goats)	Project S.A.F.E. Shotgun & BB Teams	
County, District, and State Officer Positions	Monthly In-School Club Meetings	



## OFFICER'S DUTIES

Each officer's responsibility is:

To participate in all club projects, to set a good example by doing your work, to be enthusiastic, to remind members of meetings, and to set a good example of proper behavior for club meetings and classes!!!



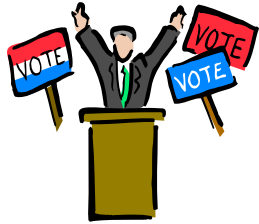
<b>President:</b>	Attend Officer Training Excites and motivates everyone for 4-H Conducts the meeting Reminds officers to have their books for the meeting Invites the teacher Invites parents Recognizes special guests attending the club meeting
<b>Vice President:</b>	Attend Officer Training Makes a list of all the people on the program each meeting Reminds members to have presentations ready Takes President's place if she/he is not present Plans devotional (BEFORE the club meeting) Announces 4-H participation in school or club projects (such as bulletin boards, posters, or other school projects)
<b>Secretary:</b>	Attend Officer Training Remind members of 4-H meeting time Checks Officer Roll Takes minutes of all club meetings Stands to read the minutes Has all materials ready for club meeting – pencil, paper, Secretary's book
<b>Song Leader:</b>	Attend Officer Training Has a song selected BEFORE the club meeting starts A very enthusiastic attitude Encourages everyone to participate
<b>Health Officer</b>	Encourage club members to plan healthy family activities Keep records of monthly healthy lifestyle activities Encourage members to make posters promoting healthy lifestyles

## 4-H OFFICERS

Good 4-H Club meetings depend on responsible, hardworking 4-H officers. Consequently, all officers will be expected to attend officer's training, fulfill all responsibilities of his/her office, and do a demonstration at PA (Project Achievement). Officers are also expected to be good role models for their classmates. This includes getting along with others, turning in their homework, and displaying good classroom behavior all month long...not just during 4-H Club meetings.

Officers will be elected in the following order:

- \*\*President
- \*\*Vice-President
- \*\*Secretary
- \*\*Song Leader
- \*\*Health Officer



Each person who would like to run for an office must get the officer petition signed by one of their parents, five classmates, and by their teacher. After petitions have been collected, an election will be held. Each person will be expected to have a one minute speech prepared on why they would make a good officer. The 4-H'ers with the highest number of votes will become the officer.

In the 4th-5th grade clubs, active 4-H'ers will be highest priority for nomination as an officer. Active 4-H'ers are those that:

1. Compete in project work at Project Achievement.
2. Display exhibit at Georgia National Fair or participate on a judging team..
3. Participate in after-school activities.
4. Attend summer camp or summer activities.

In the case that there are not enough active 4-H'ers to run for all offices, active 4-H'ers will be elected first, then any 4-H'er may be nominated from the floor.



## YOU CAN MAKE IT HAPPEN WITH GREENE CO. 4-H

Whatever your interest may be, there is something for you in 4-H.

There is Project Achievement (PA), where you are able to choose from more than 60 projects (subjects) from history to horses and cooking to performing arts...there is SOMETHING for EVERY-ONE so get ready to TAKE OFF with 4-H!!! During PA, 4-H'ers present demonstrations or illustrated talks about their subject/project area. It's not all work, though. Competing 4-H'ers have lots of fun and are honored with ribbons and other awards for their work.

Five educational centers are operated by Georgia 4-H clubs. Each summer counties select one of these centers for their week of 4-H camp. Camp is your chance to make new friends and have lots of fun at either Rock Eagle, Wahsega, Tybee, Jekyll or Fortson.

Judging Events are a great way to learn all types of decision making skills. Participating in Judging events gives you the confidence to defend your decisions and form your own opinions. From Poultry to gift cards there are Judging Events to fit YOUR interests! Judging events take place all during the year.



Maybe you like cooking. There are a number of contests throughout the year that involve creating a recipe and then trying that recipe out. From Photography to Advertising, from the study of Marine life to the study of various livestock (cattle, sheep, pigs & horses), from participating in a shooting team (shotgun, BB) to preserving a wildlife habitat...4-H really has SOMETHING for EVERYONE!!!



Lots of 4-H'ers still raise animals and show livestock and horses in area shows and events. Whether a heifer or goat, 4-H'ers are judged on how well they show the animal they own. If you want to show an animal and you don't know who to contact, just let us know and we can get you in contact with the right people. If you don't own an animal, you still can take part in local and state fairs with everything from bake off contests to arts & crafts exhibits.

There are over 180 different activities offered every year so you are sure to find something that interests you!



# 4-H...Are you in to it??



# Greene County 4-H Calendar 2010-2011



## SEPTEMBER

TBA Consumer Judging Practices Start for 4th - 8th graders

## OCTOBER

3-9 National 4-H Week  
5 Morgan Co. Lion's Club Exhibits (Non-Bake Off Items) & Market Meat Goat Show  
6 Morgan Co. Lion's Club Dairy Heifer Show  
7 Morgan Co. Lion's Club Exhibits (Bake Off Items)  
9-10 Georgia National Fair & Livestock Shows (Perry, GA)  
Market Meat Goats & Commercial Dairy Heifers  
TBA Horse Quiz Bowl Practices Starts

## NOVEMBER

6-7 Junior Conference (for 7th & 8th graders)  
8 Area Cotton Boll & Consumer Jamboree Contest

## DECEMBER

3-5 S.A.F.E. Certified Coaches Training  
11-12 Fall Forum (High School 4-H'ers only)  
23 Junior & Senior 4-H'ers Portfolios Due

## JANUARY

15 State 4-H Horse Quiz Bowl  
TBA Rayle EMC Dairy Show

## FEBRUARY

6 UGA Dairy Show  
12 Cloverleaf Project Achievement  
17-19 Georgia Junior National Livestock Show  
18-20 S.A.F.E Certified Coaches Training  
28 Camp Registration Begins  
TBA 4-H Day at the Capitol

**\*\* Practices for Project SAFE Shotgun, Project SAFE BB, Poultry Judging, Dairy Judging, and Horse Judging start in February/March. Keep an eye on the newsletter for up-to-date info or check out our website: [www.ugaextension.com/greene](http://www.ugaextension.com/greene)**

## MARCH

4-6 Northeast Jr./Sr. Project Achievement  
TBA Intent to Show Deadline for State Horse Show

## APRIL

2-7 National 4-H Congress  
9 State Dairy Judging Contest (Athens, GA)  
TBA Area Poultry Judging Contest (Athens, GA)  
16 Southland Jubilee  
22-23 Pro Rodeo

## MAY

7 State 4-H Horse Judging (Athens, GA)  
21 Project S.A.F.E. State BB Match  
7 Project S.A.F.E. State Shotgun Match  
TBA Greene County 4-H Awards Program

## JUNE/JULY/AUGUST

June 6-11 State Horse Show  
June 12-16 State Horse School  
June 24-26 State 4-H Council (rising 8th graders - 12 graders)  
July 19-24 State 4-H Congress  
TBA Summer Classes & Reward Days  
**\*\* We should have camp information by mid-January \*\***

## AUGUST

20 Horse Fun Night