



Lines For Leaders

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Navigating the New Project Requirements

Ever wonder what makes a project a project? Every project has a Project Requirement Sheet that lays out what is needed to complete a project. Project Requirement Sheets can be found at this [link](#). Each project has two pages that lists lots of information for a specific project. The entire catalog of project requirement sheets were updated for the 2022-2023 4-H year.

The first page of each project requirement sheet contains the following: the name of the project, age requirement, how the project is listed in ZSuite, the last 4-H year that the requirements were revised, a project description, youth materials, volunteer materials, and optional support materials are all listed. Be sure to check out all of these materials for your project(s).

The second page of each project requirement sheet has the Project Completion Checklist. Statewide Requirements are listed here and must be completed for each project. Many of these requirements are standard: 5 activities in your project area, an oral presentation, a ZSuite record book, and an Involvement Report. However some are project specific such as a number of days you must own an animal, specific pages in your project book that must be completed, and a number of animals that must be raised. Also on that page is a list of What You Can Exhibit at Fair. All projects must be exhibited and do not have to be exhibited at fair (with permission from the Extension Office, you can exhibit publicly elsewhere). No matter where your project is exhibited, the project requirement lists what can be exhibited for project completion.

Also on the second page, is a note about Additional Local Requirements. In Canyon County, we have one additional local requirement: Project Interview Evaluation. Youth do an interview with a caring adult that looks through all of their project record books and youth reflect on their project year. At this interview, youth complete their public display of their Involvement Report and Project Record Book(s).

We try to give a copy of Project Requirements with any project manuals purchased through our office, but, if you do not have a current copy of your project requirement sheet, we encourage you to download one. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us.

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4-H Event Calendar

April

- 4-5 Vandal Giving Day
 - 8 Southern District Shotgun Contest - Snake River Sportsmen, Ontario
 - 11 Southern District Youth Horse Council Meeting - 7pm - [Meeting ID: 857 6865 8430](#)
 - 13 Canyon County 4-H Leaders' Council Meeting - [Meeting ID: 869 1950 9560](#)
 - 15 Southern District Youth Horse Oral Presentation Contest - Boise Church of Christ
 - 22 Hillbilly Horse Show - One Mane Ranch
 - 29 Southern District Smallbore Rifle Contest - Nampa Outdoor Range
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May

- 5-7 Cascade Lake 4-H Camp Work Weekend
 - 6 Saddle Tramps 4-H Club Hosting 4-H Boot Camp - Birt Arena
 - 11 Western Idaho Fair Market Swine Initial Weigh-In - 5:30-8pm - Expo Idaho
 - 13 Mental Health First Aid - Canyon County Extension Office
 - 15 Law Enforcement Appreciation Day
 - 18 Western Idaho Fair Market Sheep/Goat Weigh-In - 5:30-8pm - Expo Idaho
 - 22 Canyon County 4-H Horse Leaders' Meeting - [Meeting ID: 822 6022 9039](#)
 - 24 Market Broiler Chick Pick-Up - Dunlap Hatchery
 - 29 Office Closed - Memorial Day
 - 30 Southern District Youth Horse Camp Meeting - 6pm - Canyon County Extension Office
 - 30 Mandatory Horse Camp Orientation - 7pm - Canyon County Extension Office
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Law Enforcement Appreciation Day

Canyon County 4-H is sponsoring the Canyon County Sheriff's Department for Law Enforcement Appreciation Day. We ask clubs/families to donate goodies that will be distributed to the Canyon County Sheriff's Departments multiple staff and divisions. Goodies can include homemade or store bought cookies, bars, brownies and/or snacks.

Please bring items to the Canyon County Extension Office on **Friday, May 12** or **Monday, May 15** between **8am-5pm**. Items will be picked up and distributed on Tuesday, May 16 to eager staffers.

Please email debbie.lowber@canyoncounty.id.gov or call 208-459-6003 if you are able to donate goodies, so we can know how many treats we can provide.





Important Dates to Remember



April

- 1 District Horse Camp Scholarship Due
- 1 4-H Adventure Camp Scholarships Close
- 10 Canyon County Market Broiler Intent to Participate Due
- 15 Canyon County Horse Declarations Due
- 17 Canyon County Market Swine Declarations Due
- 29 Canyon County Market Tag Pick-Up Day

May

- 1 Canyon County 4-H Council Scholarship Due for Horse Camp
- 15 Canyon County Market Sheep/Goat Declaration Due
- 19 4-H Adventure Camp Registration Closes
- 29 Canyon County Market Broiler Declarations Due

We Need Volunteers!

Are you a handy person who is willing to spend a day at camp helping with maintenance projects? Do you have marketing or event experience and are willing to help with our annual fundraising projects? Do you have a marketing or event experience and are willing to help with our annual fundraising program? Can you help with cleaning projects to open and close camp each season?

The Cascade Lake 4-H Camp Board of Directors is recruiting individuals who would like to volunteer for various projects throughout the year. If you have an interest in lending your skills to create a better camping experience for Idaho youth, [contact us](#) and let us know you'd like to volunteer!



Congratulations - New Certified Volunteers!

Faith Lim—Vallivue 4-H

Cheyenne Rumsey—Vallivue 4-H

2023 Clover Sparks Programming

Clover Sparks continues providing programming for Cloverbuds (youth ages 5-7, as of January 1, 2023) across Canyon County. Youth receive fun and interactive educational programming at monthly meetings. Come and learn with us!

Dates and locations provided below. Pick the location that works best for your family.



Bowmont Community Life Center—
7263 2nd St., Nampa | 6-7pm

Chula Vista Community Center—
15B Andrew Cir., Wilder | 6-7pm

University of Idaho Research & Education Center –
1904 E Chicago St., Caldwell
6:30-730pm

- Tuesday, April 4
- Tuesday, May 2

- Thursday, April 6
- Thursday, May 4

- Tuesday, April 18
- Tuesday, May 16

2023 Canyon County Fair Market Tag and Declaration Information

In 2023, all market species and horses will complete declarations through an online process. Please note that the declaration process is separate from your fair entry. Declaration due dates are scheduled by species and listed below. Declarations are not required for breeding animals and small animals. Prior to tags being available participants need to be enrolled in the correct market project in Zsuite. **Members must reserve tags by midnight the night before tag pick up day at canyoncountyfair.org.** Tags should be placed in the animals left ear (when you stand over the animal)

THERE ARE NO IN-PERSON WEIGH-INS FOR ANY SPECIES.

Tags will be available on the following date:

Saturday, April 29, 2023

Market Declarations will be completed online at <https://canyonsale.fairwire.com>.

Due dates are very by species.

Swine Monday, April 17, 2023

Sheep/Goat

Monday, May 15, 2023

Fair Entries for all animals are due by June 15, 2023.

Youth participating in market animal/horse projects must be enrolled in that project and active in Zsuite prior to the declaration deadlines.

2023 Western Idaho Fair Market Animal Weigh-in Dates

Swine..... Thursday, **May 11**, 5:30-8pm, Western Idaho Fairgrounds
\$4.00 per head

Sheep/Goat..... Thursday, **May 18**, 5:30-8pm, Western Idaho Fairgrounds.
\$4.00 per sheep, \$3.00 per goat

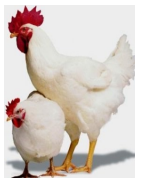
Market Animal Declaration Form is required for Western Idaho Fair market animal exhibitors

Canyon County Fair Market Broiler Intent to Participate

All youth interested in participating in the Market Broiler Project must submit a Market Broiler Intent to Participate Form. Forms are due to the Canyon County Fair Office by 4:30pm on April 10. No late forms will be accepted. Forms are available at the link:

<file:///C:/Users/dhoffman/Downloads/Canyon-County-Fair-Market-Broiler-Intent-to-Participate-4.pdf>

Market Broiler youth will pick up and pay for chicks at Dunlap Hatchery May 24 during their regular business hours.



Canyon County 4-H Interview Evaluations - *Save the Date*

- Wednesday, July 12
- Thursday, July 13
- Friday, July 14
- Saturday, July 15
- Tuesday, July 18

All projects require an interview evaluation for project completion

Canyon County 4-H Horse members must complete their interview either **July 12 or July 13** to participate in the Canyon County Horse Fair.

THE EXHIBITOR EDITORIAL

BY CHEYANNE MYERS

Bringing Your 4-H Project Animal Home



Although bringing your 4-H animal project home can be exciting, it can also be extremely stressful! Don't worry – bringing a new animal to your property can be scary – and if this is your first time, here are some tips to help make the transition from farm to home a bit easier. First, remember you won't be the only one experiencing stress when selecting and transporting your animal. Whether it be 10 miles or 100 miles, the movement and transportation of animals is one of the leading causes of stress in the animal industry. Removing animals from their

familiar place can create stress, therefore, it's important to remain quiet while selecting, loading, and transporting your new animals. As a tip for new animal owners – before leaving with your new animal, ask the producer/owner what vet they use/recommend. Having a vet incase of emergencies that can specialize in the health of your animal will come in handy in times of need.

Once you've reached your destination – allow the animal to sit for a moment before removing them and placing them into their new holding area. While your animal is relaxing this could be a great time to make sure that your pen is secure and ready to hold your new animal. Are the corners tight together, can they dig under the fence, do they have clean water, do they have a shade place or shelter? Double checking that your pen is equipped before placing any new animal inside can help reduce the chance of injury or escapes. Once you've double checked your holding area, you may now transport your animal from trailer, kennel, or truck, into their new home.

Again, it's extremely important to be patient and quiet during this process. This animal is new to your farm and does not know the "ins and outs" of how you want them to work (just yet). If you are introducing new animals to an already established herd, or area with animals that live on the property permanently, it's important to try and reduce nose-to-nose contact as much as possible. Transportation can lead to stress, which can cause sickness to appear in animals that may of seemed healthy at selection. If you are able too, try to keep your new projects separated from all other animals for at least 30 days before allowing any co-mingling to take place. After you remove the new animal it's important to clean and disinfect equipment like your trailer, truck, clothing, and shoes used during transportation. This can help reduce the spread of disease from farms off site on to your farm. Always remember to have fun and enjoy your time with your project. Successful projects are done by those who are willing to put in the extra work and time. If you have any questions on shelter, feeding, watering, or the care of your animals feel free to reach out to your local extension office, veterinarian, producers, or other 4-H members for advice.



Southern District Shooting Sports Contests

Smallbore Rifle | April 29 | Nampa Outdoor Range

Air Rifle | May 6 | Nampa Indoor Range Air Idaho

Registration is now being accepted for the above listed Southern District Shooting Sports Contests. All 4-H youth, enrolled in the associated project discipline, are invited to attend. District contest is not required to attend the state contest.

National Championship will be held in Grand Island, Nebraska June 25-30.

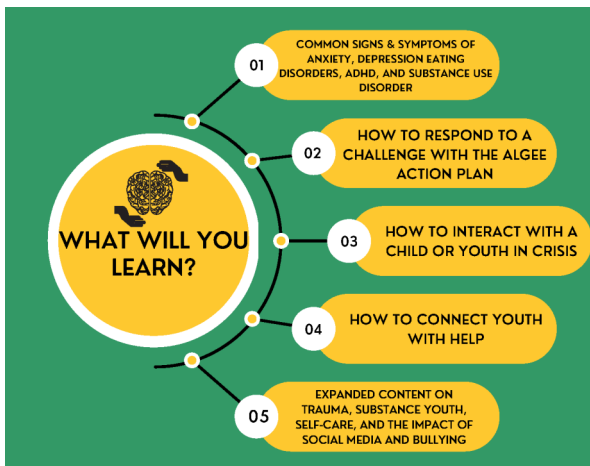
Click the link for full rules and details: <https://4h.unl.edu/shooting-sports/national-rules>.



Mental Health First Aid

Saturday, May 13, 9:30am-3:00pm

If you have, work with or interact with youth, you are invited to the Youth Mental Health First Aid Course offered by Family Consumer Science Educator Tasha Howard. Learn how to interact with a child in a crisis, common signs & symptoms of anxiety, depression, eating disorders and more. Call the Canyon County Extension Office to register for this **FREE** course.



4-H Summer Program Assistant

Do you enjoy working with youth? Do you have a desire to provide quality programming to youth in the Treasure Valley? Canyon and Ada County 4-H is hiring for 4-H Program Assistants. Full details available at the [HERE](#) or enter the full address in your browser:

<https://uidaho.peopleadmin.com/postings/39282>



2023 4-H Adventure Camps

Welcome to 4-H Adventure Camp, we have so much to offer you and your camper! There will always be a place for your kid here at camp. Please, come join us!

4-H Adventure Camp is open to ALL youth who've completed 3rd - 8th grades. From the moment campers get on the bus to the moment they learn what cabin they are in, these kids will have an experience they soon won't forget!

We offer a variety of sessions to give campers the opportunities to experience new things. Workshops include; canoeing, archery, tie-dye, fishing, swing dance, crafts, riflery, cooking, outdoor games, swimming and many more!

Each day is brought to a close by the camp fire. Counselors lead the campers in songs and perform skits. Chaperones also get involved by telling stories, while the kids have their evening snack. The last night of camp is concluded with wish boats that each cabin puts together and sends off onto the lake.



June Kids Camp | 3rd - 5th Grades | June 19-22

Registration Link: <https://4h.zsuite.org/external-event-registration/16674>

July Mixed Camp | 3rd - 8th Grades | July 6-9

Registration Link: <https://4h.zsuite.org/external-event-registration/16919>

July Teen Camp | 6th - 8th Grades | July 17-21

Registration Link: <https://4h.zsuite.org/external-event-registration/16918>

Registration is open for 2023 4-H Adventure Camp. Registration is completed online.

Registration will close May 19.

Each camp is **\$295** per youth. Registration must be paid before registration is accepted.

For questions or more information contact us at:



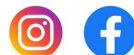
idaaho4hadventurecamp@uidaho.edu



208-287-5900



www.4hadventurecamp.com



Spring Work Weekend

Join us at beautiful Cascade Lake 4-H Camp in Donnelly, Idaho for our annual Spring Work Weekend, Friday, May 5 - Sunday, May 7. We will clean up the camp and prepare for summer groups arrive.

Anyone wanting to help with the work and enjoy good food and friendly people is invited to join us for the weekend. 4-H'ers, parents, clubs and groups are welcome. Cabins are available for Friday and Saturday nights. Reservations are required. Please [complete this form](#) and return it no later than April 28 to RSVP.

Questions? contact@cascadelake4hcamp.com or Kathy at 208-467-3237.

*All youth under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.

District Horse Bowl Results

Junior Team

2nd Place

Ranchers & Riders - Rex A., Abby J., Kaleb R., Kaylee R., & Avery F.

Junior Individuals

2nd -Rex A.

4th - Kaylee R.

9th - Kaleb R.

Senior Team

1st Place

Ranchers & Riders - Kayla A., Ruby B., Syeirah B., Elyse S.

Senior Individuals

1st - Ruby B.

2nd - Kayla A.

10th - Syeirah B.



Congratulations to the contests on their hard work!

Canyon County 4-H Horse Oral Presentation Contest Results

Team Demonstration/Illustrated Talk

1st – Luke V./Laken V., Saddle Tramps

2nd - Kaitlyn K./Sydney K., Saddle Tramps

Junior Demonstration/Illustrated Talk

1st -Addison F., Saddle Tramps

Intermediate Demonstration/Illustrated Talk

1st - Liam C., Saddle Tramps

2nd - Abby J., Saddle Tramps

Senior Demonstration/Illustrated Talk

1st - Abigail S., Saddle Tramps

2nd - Jessie E., Saddle Tramps

Senior Public Speaking

1st - Asher P., Saddle Tramps

Congratulations to the contests
on their hard work!

**2023 State Horse Contests will be held in the Central District.
Stay tuned for details.**

Horse Camp — *Save the Date* — June 22-25 at Cascade Lake 4-H Camp



Mandatory Horse Camp Orientation—Tuesday, May 30; 7pm

at the Canyon County Extension Office

Scholarships are available from Southern District Youth Horse Council (Due April 1)
and Canyon County 4-H Council (Due May 1)

NEW THIS YEAR - Horse camp registration will be online in Zsuite events.

Upcoming Horse Clinics

Canyon County Horse Leaders' Clinics

Canyon County Horse Leaders' is offering horse members additional training opportunities.

Tuesdays in April— participants must be checked in prior to **6:30pm**.

Check-in and warmups from **5:30-6:30pm**.

Location: Birt Arena, 2520 E Lewis Ln., Nampa

Cost: **\$10**/participant

- April 4—Showmanship
- April 11—Horsemanship
- April 18—Trail
- April 25—Reining

2023 Canyon County Horse Declarations

In order to participate in the Canyon County Fair Horse Show all exhibitors must complete a Horse Declaration for each horse they plan to exhibit.

- Only online declarations will be accepted
- No paper options
- Declaration deadline is **April 15 by midnight** (DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE DEADLINE. DECLARATION PROCESS IS OPEN NOW)
- Only declared horses will be allowed – declare all horses that could possibly be exhibited in the Fair Horse Show

Computer stations are available to use for Declaration submission at the Extension Office.

<https://www.canyoncountyfair.org/horse/>

Declarations Must include three colored photos, as described below. .

1. All photos **must** include declared horse with the purposed exhibitor.
2. The First photo should be the full frontal view of the horse (**Ears to Hooves**), with exhibitor.
3. The Second photo should be close up of the horses full right side (**Nose to Tail & Ears to Hooves**), with exhibitor.
4. The Third photo should be close up of the horses full left side (**Nose to Tail & Ears to Hooves**), with exhibitor.

Applicable Links: [2023 Livestock Exhibitor Guide](#) [Canyon County Horse Rule Book](#)

Saturday, May 6 | Birt Arena, Nampa

Saddle Tramps 4-H Club is inviting you to their annual “Boot Camp” “Cayuse Camp Jamboree”. This is a great opportunity for horse members to complete their required educational activities. Check your email for registration flyer.



Additional Extension Programming

PRACTIAL EDUCATION YOU CAN TRUST

We bring the knowledge and research of the University of Idaho to you, where you live, when it's convenient for you.



Literature in the Garden - The Junior Master Gardener Program aims to engage children through garden and ecology themed children's books and helps inspire learning through garden activities, creative expression and exploration geared towards ages 6 to 11 (ages 5 and under are welcome with an adult). Programming is available at Middleton and Nampa Public Library. Contact your local library for more information.

Middleton Public Library | 1st Tuesday of the month | 5-6pm

Nampa Public Library | 2nd Tuesday of the month | 4:30-5:30pm

The Science of Soil for the Home Gardener - Learn about the characteristics of the various soil classes and what you can do to create the best soil for a healthy and abundant home garden. Contact the Canyon County Extension to register for this **FREE** class that is being held at Homedale District Library.

Friday, April 21 | 1:00 - 2:30pm

Edible Landscapes - Learn how to include edible fruit, herbs and vegetables into your landscape. Contact Canyon County Extension to register for this **FREE** class that is being held at the Middleton Library.

Tuesday, April 25 | 5:30 - 7:00pm

Edible Landscapes - Learn how to include edible fruit, herbs and vegetables into your landscape. Contact Canyon County Extension to register for this **FREE** class that is being held at the Nampa Public Library.

Wednesday, April 26 | 6:00 - 7:00pm

Mental Health First Aid - Like learning first aid and responding to a physical crisis, this course teaches how to respond to a mental crisis. This course can be taught in-person or in a hybrid of online and in-person education. Participants will leave with an understanding of mental health disorders, the ability to recognize signs and symptoms and connect to others to appropriate means of help. This course is for anyone 18 years or older. This class will be held at the Caldwell Parks and Rec. Roberts Recreation Classroom, 504 Grant St., Caldwell. This class is **\$30.00** per person. Registration is available by clicking the link: <https://secure.rec1.com/ID/caldwell-id-parks-recreation/catalog>

Saturday, April 29 | 9:00am - 4:00pm

Master Gardener Plant Sale - Put some color into your landscape by supporting the Idaho Master Gardeners in Canyon County. The sale will take place in the Canyon County Extension Office parking lot on the corner of 5th and Main in downtown Caldwell.

Saturday, April 29 | 9am-12 Noon

Master Gardener Plant Clinic - Plant clinics are designed to help address concerns in gardens or landscapes. Bring your lawn and garden questions and have them addressed for **FREE**.

May - September | Mondays & Wednesdays 1-4pm | Tuesdays 9am-12 Noon

Attracting Pollinators and Beneficial Insects to Your Property - Learn about the importance of pollinators and how to create an inviting environment. This course is **FREE**. Contact the Canyon County Extension Office at 208-459-6003 or canyon@uidaho.edu to register. This event will be held at Canyon Springs Garden.

Saturday, May 6 | 10:00am - 12 Noon

Wildlife Gardener-Junior Master Gardener - Contact the Canyon County Extension Office to register for this course. Cost is **\$5.00/youth** for all 4 sessions. This event is being held at Canyon Springs Garden Outreach in Middleton.

May 19, 26, June 2 & 9 | 10 am - 12 Noon

Container Vegetable & Herb Gardening Basics - Container gardening is a fantastic way to grow vegetable and herbs if you have a small space or need more space. Join us in learning the basics! Contact the Canyon County Extension Office to register for this **FREE** class that is being held at the Middleton Public Library.

Tuesday, May 23 | 5:30 - 7:00pm

Container Vegetable & Herb Gardening Basics - Container gardening is a fantastic way to grow vegetable and herbs if you have a small space or need more space. Join us in learning the basics! Contact the Canyon County Extension Office to register for this **FREE** class that is being held at the Nampa Public Library.

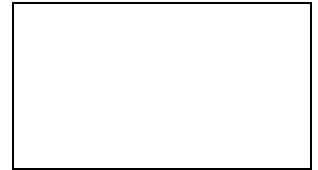
Wednesday, May 24 | 6:00 - 7:00pm

Learn, Grow, Eat & Go!-Junior Master Gardener - Contact the Canyon County Extension Office to register for this course. Cost is **\$5.00/youth** for all 5 sessions. This event is being held at Canyon Springs Garden Outreach in Middleton.

June 21, 28, July 12, 19, & 26 | 9:30 am - 12:30 pm



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Canyon County *Lines For Leaders*

The Idaho 4-H State Teen Association Convention (STAC) program mission – The Idaho 4-H State Teen Association Convention is an opportunity for youth to experience college life, explore career opportunities and prepare for a lifetime of success with other Idaho teens.

Both 4-H and non 4-H youth are provided the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of activities, including:

- Educational workshops
- Community and campus tours
- Service learning projects
- State Teen Association elections
- On-campus living
- Discovering more about 4-H and 4-H opportunities
- Networking with peers from across the state

