



**Mercer County 4-H
January 2024
NEWSLETTER**

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*Martin Luther
King Jr Day*


*“Love defines us, the
dream reminds us.”*

**Breakfast/March/Observance
Monday, January 15, 2024
Harrodsburg Baptist Church
312 S. Main Street
Harrodsburg, KY
8:00 a.m.**

**Blessing Box Donation: we ask everyone to please bring
ready to eat non-perishable food items to go in the
surrounding food boxes located in Mercer County**















Mercer County 4-H January Calendar 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Archery 6:30 @Boyle Extension	3	4	5	6
8 Legobuds 3:30 @Extension Office Shooting Sports Club Meeting 6:30 @Boyle Extension Office	9 Beginning Cooking (4th and 5th Grade) 3:30 @Extension Office BB/Pellet 6:30 @Boyle Extension	10 Teen Council 3:30 - 5:00 @Extension Office	11 4th & 5th grade club 3:30 @Extension Office Horse Club 6:30 @Extension Office	12	13
15 MLK Day Event @8:00 am Country Ham Curing 4-H Council Meeting	16 Teen Cooking 5:30 @Extension Office Livestock Club 6:00 @Extension Office Archery 6:30 @Boyle Extension	17	18 County Speech Competition Salvisa Community Club 6:00 @Ruitian Building	19	20
22 Art Club 3:30 @King Middle School S.E.T. Club 6:00 @Extension Office	23 Cat Club 6:00 @Extension Office BB/Pellet 6:30 @Boyle Extension	24	25 Snow Day for County Speech Competition	26	27
29	30	31		<p>You MUST rsvp to each club, each month, to attend and to receive van pick up from Mercer or Burgin schools. Cloverbud Clubs are for youth in Kindergarten - third grades.</p> <p>Mercer County Extension Office 1007 Lexington Road, Harrodsburg 859-734-4378</p>	



Mercer County 4-H 2023-2024 Clubs

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
First Week of the Month				Homeschool Clov buds and 9+ 1:00 @Office 			
Second Week of the Month	Legobuds 3:30-5:00 @Office 	Beginning Cooking Club 3:30 - 5:00 @Office 	Teen Council 3:30 - 5:00 @Office 	4th and 5th Grade Club 3:30 - 5:00 @Office 	Horse Club 6:00 @Office 		
Third Week of the Month	Art Club 3:30 - 5:00 @King Middle School 	Teen Cooking 5:30 @Office 		Salvisa Community Club 6:00 @Ruritan Building 			
Fourth Week of the Month	S.E.T. Club 6:00 @Office 	Livestock Club 6:00 @Office 	Cat Club 6:00 @Office 			All Clubs are free except for occasional fees for trips. Sign up for a club by scanning the qr code to join the text reminds. Each youth must have an enrollment form filled out before they may attend a club.	

@Office is 1007 Lexington Road, Harrodsburg.

For after school clubs van transportation is provide **ONLY** if the parent has sent a note to school with the child, **AND** called the extension office by 12pm the day of the club meeting.

Extension Office - (859)734-4378

Cloverbuds is for youth in Kindergarten - third grade. All clubs in blue are Cloverbud clubs.

Regular 4-H clubs are for fourth grade and up. They are in Green. Clubs in black are for Cloverbuds (an adult must stay with them) and 4-H age

Clubs in red are for youth in 6th grade and up

KENTUCKY 4-H TEEN SUMMIT

MARCH 21-23, 2023

Lake Cumberland 4-H Center

 Martin-Gatton
College of Agriculture,
Food and Environment
University of Kentucky.

 4-H Youth Development

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE FOR 6,7,& 8 GRADERS



4-H Teen Summit is a three day, two night conference just for middle school students. This event gives students the chance to make new friends from across the state, choose workshops based on their interests, participate in a service project, interact with state leadership boards, and enjoy planned social and recreation time.

Cost: \$125.00 Due Date: January 26, 2024

(Limited number of spots available)

Fee includes travel, lodging, meals, conference materials, t-shirt

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Lexington, KY 40506



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MERCER COUNTY 4-H

SPEECH CONTEST



Thursday, January 18, 2024

Mercer Co. Cooperative Extension Office

1007 Lexington Road

Harrodsburg, KY 40330

- ✓ Speeches can be informative, narrative or persuasive
- ✓ County winners will receive \$50. scholarship to any 4-H event or \$25.00 cash
- ✓ Time limits for speeches:
Cloverbud - no time limit
Junior (9-13 years) - 3-5 minutes
Senior (14-18 years) 5-7 minutes
- ✓ Participants will compete in age divisions, and county winners will go on to area competition.

**Please RSVP by January 12 by
using this code or visit this link:**

<https://bit.ly/24speech>



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POSTER & ESSAY CONTEST



**KENTUCKY
DEPARTMENT OF
AGRICULTURE**

2024 Theme: "Agriculture for a Better Kentucky"

Eligibility:

- The poster and essay contests are open to all Kentucky students grades K through 12.
- Students may submit either a poster, essay, or digital submission about the theme for the contest. Only one entry per student.
- All artwork/digital entries must include the theme somewhere within the artwork.
- The theme needs to be the title of the essay.
- Each submission must be accompanied by a completed entry form taped or glued to the back of the entry. No staples.
- All artwork and writing material must be exclusively student-created.
- Digital entries can include photos, clip art, or original electronic art.
- Each statewide grade winner and one digital art winner will receive a \$100 award and be recognized at the 2024 Poster and Essay Awards Ceremony, date and location TBD.
- Essays, posters, or digital entries may be featured in various department publications, online, and special events, including the 2024 Kentucky State Fair.
- Entries become the property of the KDA/KyAEC and may be used at events and in publicity materials. Entries are not guaranteed to be returned.

More Information:

To see specific criteria for the poster and essay requirements, please visit the website: <https://www.kyagr.com/marketing/poster-essay-contest.html>

For more information, contact Elizabeth Gordon, Kentucky Department of Agriculture by phone at (502) 782-4125 or by email at elizabeth.gordon@ky.gov



Deadline

Entries must be postmarked by
Monday, March 8, 2024

Please mail entries to:
Kentucky Department of Agriculture,
Poster and Essay Contest,
111 Corporate Drive
Frankfort, KY 40601

DUSTIN WORTHINGTON

“I LOVE COWS”

ESSAY CONTEST



Want to win a young Cow or Heifer?

Applicants must be an active member of
4-H or FFA

Open to any youth in Kentucky

Application Deadline – March 13

Awards Program - April 4th @
Mercer Co. Extension Office



Dustin Worthington
1982-2000



Applications are available online
<https://bit.ly/Ilovecowssessay> or visit the Dustin

Worthington “I Love Cows” Website for more information:

www.dustinworthingtonmemorial.org

Anyone who has an interest in the cattle industry, 4-H or FFA is asked
to contribute to the fund.

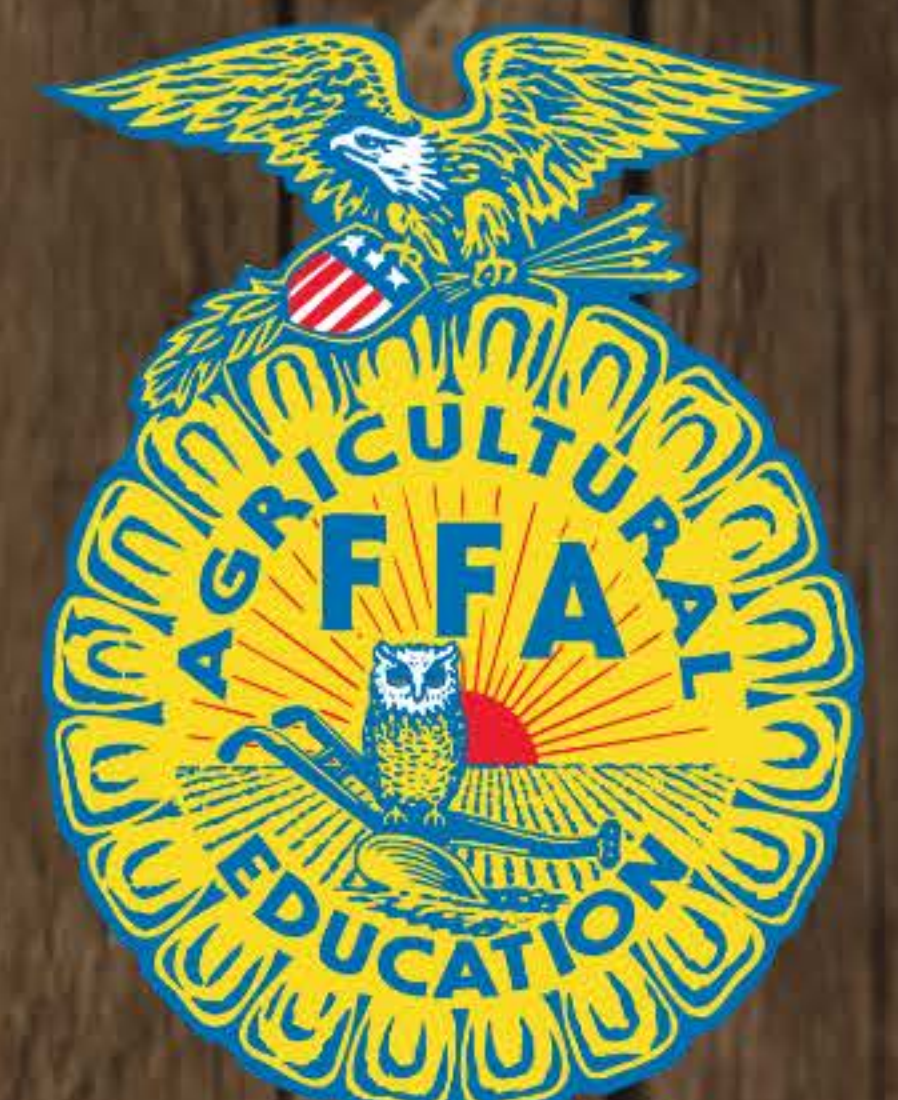
Contributions to the Memorial Fund please mail to:

Dustin Worthington “I Love Cows” Memorial Fund, 436 Arrowhead
Road, Harrodsburg, Kentucky 40330



16 U.S.C. 707

Questions please contact
Dena Worthington
859-612-7260





Open
to Youth 9-18
years old
who have a passion
for writing

County
winners will
receive \$50.00
scholarship

**DEADLINE TO ENTER
COMPLETED ENTRIES IS
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2024**

4-H WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS CONTEST

- Categories**
- ~ Songwriting
 - ~ Original Monologue
 - ~ Public Service Announcement
 - ~ "What 4-H Means to Me" Essay
 - ~ Press Release
 - ~ Poetry



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4-H SHOOTING SPORTS ARCHERY & BB PRACTICES

ARCHERY - JAN. 2 & 16 * FEB. 6 & 20
BB/PELLET - JAN. 9 & 23 * FEB 13 & 27
6:30 P.M.

**BOYLE COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE INDOOR
SHOOTING RANGE**
99 CORPORATE DRIVE, DANVILLE

OPEN TO YOUTH IN BOYLE, LINCOLN & MERCER COUNTIES

FOR YOUTH 9-19 YEARS OLD WHO ARE INTERESTED IN SHOOTING SPORTS. WE PROVIDE A SAFE LEARNING EXPERIENCE FOR ALL LEVELS OF SHOOTERS, BOTH THOSE INTERESTED IN COMPETITION AND THOSE INTERESTED IN LEARNING A NEW SPORT. YOUTH MEET FOR PRACTICE EVERY TUESDAY EACH MONTH AT THE BOYLE COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SHOOTING RANGE

YOUTH LEARN MARKSMANSHIP, THE SAFE AND RESPONSIBLE USE OF FIREARMS, THE PRINCIPLES OF ARCHERY, AND MUCH MORE.

THE ACTIVITIES OF THE PROGRAM AND THE SUPPORT OF CARING ADULT LEADERS PROVIDE YOUNG PEOPLE WITH OPPORTUNITIES TO DEVELOP LIFE SKILLS, SELF-WORTH, AND CONSERVATION ETHICS.

To receive text reminds join by texting @boylemerc to #81010



MONTHLY CLUB MEETING
MONDAY, JAN. 8 & FEB 12
@ 6:30 PM

BOYLE CO. EXTENSION OFFICE

**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT YOUR
COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OFFICE**

BOYLE COUNTY - 859-236-4484

LINCOLN COUNTY - 606-365-2459

MERCER COUNTY - 859-734-4378

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NORTH CENTRAL 4-H CAMP PRESENTS...
CLOVERBUD CAMP
JUNE 28-30, 2024

A CAMP JUST FOR OUR 6 TO 8 YEAR OLDS



JOIN US FOR A WEEKEND AT THE "GREATEST CAMP ON EARTH"



APPLICATIONS WILL BE OPEN ON FEBRUARY 1, 2024
VISIT OUR WEBSITE - MERCER.CA.UKY.EDU OR
PICK UP THE APPLICATION:
MERCER COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OFFICE,
1007 LEXINGTON ROAD, HARRODSBURG, KY
859-734-4378

CLOVERBUD
CAMP FEE:
\$165



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UK Cooperative Extension Service



SAVE THE DATE

MERCER/JESSAMINE

4-H 5-DAY CAMP

JUNE 17-21, 2024

APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE

FEBRUARY 1, 2024





ARE YOU A 4-H CAMPING ALUMNI



Have you participated in 4-H Camp (all 3 areas)...

1. At least once as a 4-H member
2. 4-H Camp at least once as a Junior Counselor
3. 4-H Camp as an adult volunteer



We need your input on your past 4-H camping experience for a research study that will be conducted.

Please send email by
Thursday, January 18 to



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