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

**BREAKFAST**



Event sponsored  
by Mercer  
County 4-H

*With Easter Bunny*

**Saturday, March 16  
8:00 -11:30 a.m.**

**Mercer County Fairgrounds  
"The Stable"  
560 Linden Avenue  
Harrodsburg, KY 40330**

**Tickets \$8.00**

**Kids under 2 are free  
with paying adult**

**Enjoy a pancake/sausage  
breakfast Photo with Easter  
Bunny Petting Zoo, Easter  
Crafts & Facepainting**

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4-H Youth Development



The  
GREATEST  
CAMP *on*  
EARTH  
2024  
MERCER & JESSAMINE  
• NORTH CENTRAL 4-H CAMP •

5-Day Camp  
Fee  
\$250.00

4-H CAMP  
Mercer County  
JUNE 17-21, 2024

More information, visit us at: <https://mercerc.ca.uky.edu/>  
or Phone 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](http://MERCER.CA.UKY.EDU) OR**  
**PICK UP THE APPLICATION AT MERCER COUNTY**  
**COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OFFICE,**  
**1007 LEXINGTON ROAD, HARRODSBURG, KY**

**CLOVERBUD**  
**CAMP FEE:**  
**\$130**



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# ELEVATING LEADERS

## YOUR DONATION YOUR COMMUNITY ELEVATES KY LEADERS

GIVE \$10 WITH EACH AG TAG AND  
GROW KENTUCKY YOUTH

HALF OF THE FUNDS FOR 4-H AND FFA COME  
BACK TO YOUR LOCAL CLUBS AND  
CHAPTERS IN YOUR COUNTY.

SUPPORT STATEWIDE PROGRAMS  
IMPACTING 274,000 STUDENTS ENROLLED  
IN 4-H, FFA AND KY PROUD MEMBERS.



BY MAKING  
A \$10 DONATION  
WITH YOUR AG TAG,  
YOU ARE CHOOSING TO  
INVEST DIRECTLY INTO THE  
FUTURE OF KENTUCKY  
AGRICULTURE. DONATIONS ARE  
DIVIDED EQUALLY BETWEEN FFA,  
4-H AND KENTUCKY PROUD WITH HALF  
GOING DIRECTLY BACK TO YOUR COUNTY.  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.



# DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY MARCH 23RD, 2024

**LOVE DEFINES US, THE DREAM REMINDS US.**

## Mercer County's 18th Annual Dr. MLK Jr. Day Celebration



Join us in honoring his legacy and promoting equality and justice for all.

Let us strive to continue his work and create a more just and inclusive society.

**Breakfast at 8:00AM**

**Commemorative March at 9:00AM**

**Keynote Speaker at 9:30AM**

We are collecting non-perishable food items to stock the Mercer County Blessing Boxes. Please bring donations to help our community!

**at Harrodsburg Baptist Church- 312 South Main Street**

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EGG HUNT

# Easter

Saturday

March 30

11:00 AM Registration & Activities

11:30 AM Egg Hunt Starts

Fort Harrod State Park

Open to Youth 0 - 12 years old

FREE EVENT



**Kiwanis**  
CLUB OF HARRODSBURG



# MERCER COUNTY 4-H



# RABBIT CLUB

**MARCH 7, 2024**

**MERCER COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE  
1007 LEXINGTON RD, HARRODSBURG  
6:00 P.M.**

**TOPIC PARTS OF RABBIT AND  
BEGINNING SHOWMANSHIP**



**if you plan on showing rabbits at the 4-H Show, you MUST have 6 hours of classroom instruction through approved 4-H activity.**



**to receive club updates please text  
@rabbitmer to #81010**

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# Mercer County 4-H March Clubs















Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<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.                      Mercer County Extension Office                      1007 Lexington Road</p>				1	2
4	5	6	7	8	9
	<p><b>Archery</b> 6:30 @Boyle Extension</p>		<p><b>Home School Cloverbuds &amp; 9+</b> 1:00p.m. @Extension Office <b>Rabbit Club</b> 6:00 @Extension Office</p>	TEEN RETREAT	
11	12	13	14	15	16
<p><b>Legobuds</b> 3:30 @Extension Office <b>Shooting Sports Club Meeting</b> 6:30 @Boyle Extension Office</p>	<p><b>Beginning Cooking (4th and 5th Grade)</b> 3:30 @Extension Office <b>BB/Pellet</b> 6:30 @Boyle Extension</p>	<p><b>Teen Council</b> 3:30 - 5:00 @Extension Office</p>	<p><b>4th &amp; 5th grade club</b> 3:30 @Extension Office <b>Horse Club</b> 6:30 @Extension Office</p>	<p><b>Breakfast with the Easter Bunny</b> 8:00-11:30 @ Mercer Co. Fairgrounds The Stable</p>	
18	19	20	21	22	23
<p><b>Art Club</b> 3:30 @King Middle School <b>S.E.T. Club</b> 6:00 @Extension Office <b>Mercer Co. 4-H Council</b> 6:00 @ Extension Office</p>	<p><b>Teen Cooking</b> 5:30 @Extension Office <b>Livestock Club</b> 6:00 @Extension Office <b>Archery</b> 6:30 @Boyle Extension</p>		<p><b>Salvisa Community Club</b> 6:00 @Ruitian Building <b>Farm City Dinner</b> 6:00 @ Extension Office</p>	TEEN SUMMIT	
25	26	27	28	29	30
	<p><b>Cat Club</b> 6:00 @Extension Office <b>BB/Pellet</b> 6:30 @Boyle Extension</p>			<p>Kiwanis Easter Egg Hunt at Fort Harrod State Park</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.

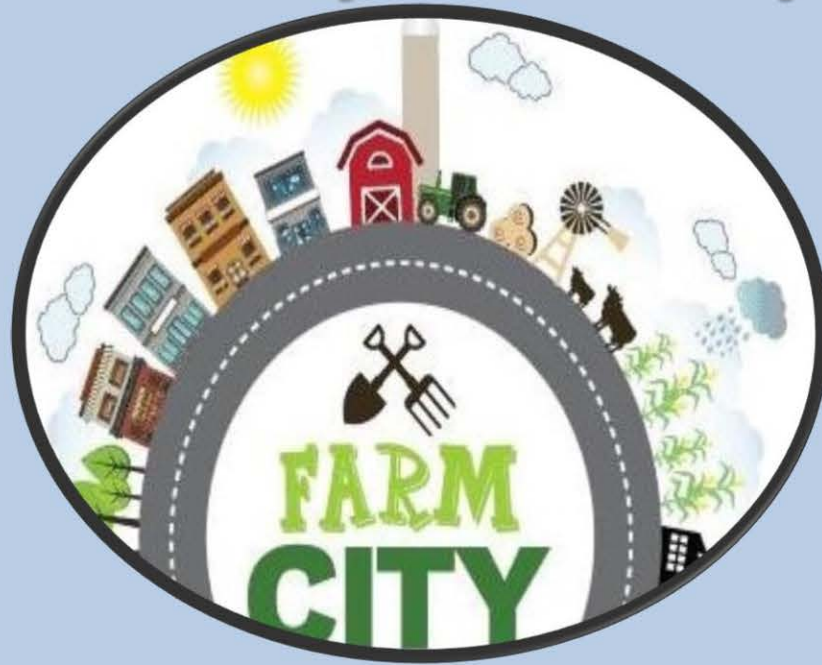
Extension Office - (859)734-4378

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

# 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Mercer County Farm/City Dinner



*Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy a steak dinner!  
Tickets are \$12 and can be purchased from any primary sponsor.*

Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> 6:00pm  
Mercer County Extension Office  
*Beef Cuts Demonstration*  
*Dr. Gregg Rentfrow*  
*UK Extension Meats Specialist*

#### **Primary Sponsors**

Mercer County Farm Bureau  
Mercer County Conservation District

Mercer County Chamber of Commerce  
Mercer County Extension Service

#### **Donation and Door Prize Sponsors**

Community Trust Bank  
Farmers National Bank  
Monticello Bank  
Commonwealth Credit Union  
Farm Credit Mid-America  
First Financial  
Central Kentucky AG Credit

Dessert provided by:



ACE Hardware, Harrodsburg  
Southern States, Harrodsburg  
Burkman Nutrition  
Whitaker Bank  
Johnson's Farm Supply  
McRay Feed & Grain  
Old Fort Harrod & Kentucky State Parks



Find Your  
Future  
With Us

## Want to explore exciting careers in agriculture? Apply for AgDiscovery 2024!

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) offers this summer outreach program for middle and high school students. It's a unique chance to live and study on a college campus and get a first-hand look at the many career paths open in the agricultural sciences.

### 2024 Locations and Dates

- Alcorn State University, June 9–22
- Coppin State University, July 14–26
- Delaware State University, July 7–20
- Florida A&M University, June 9–22
- Fort Valley State University, June 10–21
- Fresno State University, June 10–20
- Iowa State University, July 7–20
- Kentucky State University, June 9–22
- Lincoln University, July 7–20
- North Carolina State University, June 17–28
- Prairie View A&M University, June 3–14
- Purdue University, July 7–19
- South Carolina State University, June 9–21
- Tuskegee University, June 2–15
- University of Arizona, June 10–22
- University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, June 8–21
- University of Hawaii, July 7–20
- University of Texas, Rio Grande Valley, June 22–July 3
- University of the Virgin Islands, July 14–27
- Virginia State University, June 16–30

Learn more about AgDiscovery



Learn More: [www.aphis.usda.gov/careers](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/careers)



# 4-H Community Service Scholarship Program



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859-734-4378**

**<http://mercer.ca.uky.edu>**

Any youth interested in receiving financial assistance to attend a 4-H activity (such as camp) may apply for scholarships.

The Community Service scholarship is based on the youth completing community service work. For every 10 hours of service, the youth can receive a \$40.00 scholarship.

The guidelines are as follows:

1. Youth cannot receive more than TWO scholarships.
2. The calendar year for the program is July 1-June 30.
3. All community service work must be done for a non-profit agency or completed with a group community service project.
4. All community service hours must be completed and submitted to the Extension Office 10 days before the 4-H activity/event.

Forms can be found at our website or obtained from the Extension Office.

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# MERCER COUNTY FAIR

## LIVESTOCK SHOWS

# 2024

560 LINDEN AVENUE, HARRODSBURG, KY 40330



**JULY  
20**

**DAIRY SHOW**

10:00 AM

**SHEEP SHOW**

**JULY  
24**

6:30 PM



**JULY  
27**

**SWINE SHOW**

9:00 AM

**GOAT SHOW**

**JULY  
27**

1:00 PM



**JULY  
27**

**POULTRY &  
RABBIT SHOW**

12:00 PM

**BEEF SHOW**

**JULY  
29**

6:00 PM



For more information, visit  
<https://mercer.ca.uky.edu/countyfair>

# 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS ARCHERY & BB PRACTICES

**ARCHERY - MARCH 5 & 19 \* APRIL 2 & 16**  
**BB/PELLET - MARCH 12 & 26 \* APRIL 9 & 23**  
**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, MARCH 11 & APRIL 8**  
**@ 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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# Boyle, Lincoln & Mercer County 4-H Shooting Sports Summer 2024 Schedule



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4-H Youth Development

Archery, Rifle, Black Powder, Shotgun/Trap & Pistol Ages 9-19

Join one of the state's finest sports programs. 4-H Shooting Sports teaches youth orienteering skills, hunter safety, firearm safety, wildlife ID and general hunting skills. Youth learn to participate in shooting sports safely. Training conducted by Certified Shooting Sports Instructors with state and national credentials.

In order to compete in 4-H Shooting Sports, youth must attend 50% of the scheduled practices in order to compete at State 4-H Competition that is held in September 7-8, 2024. Also the 4-H eligibility roster for state deadline is June 21, 2024, which means they must start practicing prior to June 25. Please note: Refer with your specific county for enrollment details. Parents must attend the first meeting/practice session with their child and receive safety protocol with 4-H Shooting Sports Coaches. Coaches will then make the decision if parents must attend future practice sessions.

CLASS	LOCATION	CLASS MEETING DATES/TIMES			
Archery (1st & 3rd Tuesday)	Boyle County Extension Office, indoor shooting range	May 7 & 21 @ 6:30 pm	June 4 & 18 @ 6:30 p.m.	July 2 & 16 @ 6:30 p.m.	August 6 & 20 @ 6:30 p.m.
Shotgun, 22 Rifle, .22 Pistol (2nd & 4th Tuesday)	Mercer Co. Fish/Game Club, Fish & Game Farm Rd Harrodsburg, KY	May 14 & 28 @ 6:00 p.m.	June 11 & 25 @ 6:30 p.m.	July 9 & 23 @ 6:30 p.m.	August 13 & 27 @ 6:30 p.m.
B.B. & Pellet (2nd & 4th Tuesday)	Boyle Co. Extension Shooting Range	May 14 & 28 @ 6:30 p.m.	June 11 & 25 @ 6:30 p.m.	July 9 & 23 @ 6:30 p.m.	August 13 & 27 @ 6:30 p.m.
Black Powder (1st & 3rd Monday)	Mercer Co. Fish/Game Club, Fish & Game Farm Rd Harrodsburg, KY	May 6 & 20 @ 6:00 p.m.	June 3 & 17 @ 6:30 p.m.	July 1 & 15 @ 6:30 p.m.	August 5 & 19 @ 6:30 p.m.

- TIMES MAY BE ADJUSTED PENDING ON THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS, PRIOR NOTIFICATION WILL BE SENT
- \* MEETINGS WILL BE CANCELLED IF WEATHER IS BAD, TEXT MESSAGES WILL BE SENT.

**To receive text message reminders about shooting sports please text to this number 81010 this message @boylemerc or online remind.com/join/boylemerc**

For more information contact your specific County Cooperative Extension Office.  
Boyle Co. Office 236-4484 Lincoln Co. Office 606-365-2459 Mercer Co. Office 734-4378  
Boyle County Cooperative Extension Office is located at 99 Corporate Drive, Danville, KY behind the Bluegrass Community College

There is no cost to participate, you may have to pay for ammunition or bring your own. If you have equipment you may bring it, it does need to be unloaded and in a case. We have equipment for those who do not have any. Please follow Boyle, Lincoln, Mercer 4-H Shooting Sports or Mercer County (KY)



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