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COLUSA COUNTY 4-H NOVEMBER 2025 NEWSLETTER

Upcoming Events:

November

3rd - Colusa Community 4-H Meeting, 6:15 Primary, 7:00 Regular Members, Etchepare Hall at Colusa County Fairgrounds

3rd - Arbuckle 4-H Meeting, 6:30 Primary meeting, 7:00, Regular members, Arbuckle Elementary School Multipurpose Room - NEW DATE

5th - Maxwell 4-H Meeting, 6:00, Maxwell Elementary Multipurpose Room

8th - Colusa County 4-H Countywide Craft Expo., 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Festival Hall, Colusa County Fairgrounds

10th - Princeton 4-H Meeting, 6:00, Princeton Elementary School Cafeteria

11th - Office Closed

17th - Colusa 4-H Swine Meeting, 7:00, CIP Conference Room

19th - Colusa County 4-H Townhall Meeting, 5:30, CIP Conference Room

20th - Swine Field Day, Griff's Feed & Seed, 5:30 p.m.

December

1st - Colusa Community 4-H Meeting, 6:15 Primary, 7:00 Regular Members, Etchepare Hall at Colusa County Fairgrounds

3rd - Maxwell 4-H Meeting, 6:00, Maxwell Elementary Multipurpose Room

8th - Arbuckle 4-H Meeting, 6:30 Primary meeting, 7:00, Regular members, Arbuckle Elementary School Multipurpose Room

8th - Princeton 4-H Meeting, 6:00, Princeton Elementary School Cafeteria

13th - Chico State Youth Livestock Educational Day, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Chico State Farm, Nicholas C Shouten Lane, Chico

15th - Colusa 4-H Swine Meeting, 7:00, CIP Conference Room

24-26 - Office Closed

Looking Ahead:

Countywide Presentation Day, January 31, 2026

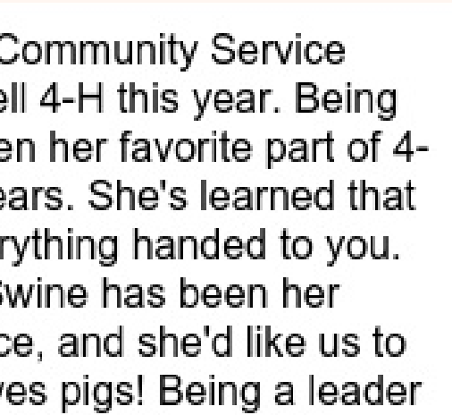
Colusa County Farm Show Pie Sale Booth, February 3-5, 2026

Countywide Stills Exhibits Day, March 21, 2026

Spotlight on Our Club Officers

Ellie Mord

Ellie Mord is the Community Service Officer for Maxwell 4-H this year. Being an officer has been her favorite part of 4-H these past 3 years. She's learned that you can't get everything handed to you. Her first year in Swine has been her favorite experience, and she'd like us to know that she loves pigs! Being a leader is something she thinks she would be good at. She'd like to get 4-H members involved in helping her community to make the Maxwell 4-H club even better!



Hayley Soloviev

Hayley Soloviev is the Primary Officer for Arbuckle 4-H. In her three years of 4-H, she has learned to be kind and helpful, and has enjoyed raising a pig. The Colusa County Fair has been her favorite 4-H experience. Hayley would like us to know that she loves brownies! And cookies and cream ice cream!

Jacob Figueroa

Jacob Figueroa is the President this year for Maxwell 4-H. His favorite part about 4-H is the skills he has learned, raising his project animal, and the friends made along the way these last 4 years. It has taught him about animal care, hard work, being responsible, and contributing to his community. Winning Grand Champion Market Goat at the 2025 Colusa County Fair has been his favorite 4-H experience. He loves goats, but would like to try archery or another shooting sport. He'd like us to know that he loves building Legos and is really good at playing the drums. To make his club even better, he would like to have club meet ups throughout the year to meet others before fair and share tips and advice with each other. He would like to be Harry Potter!

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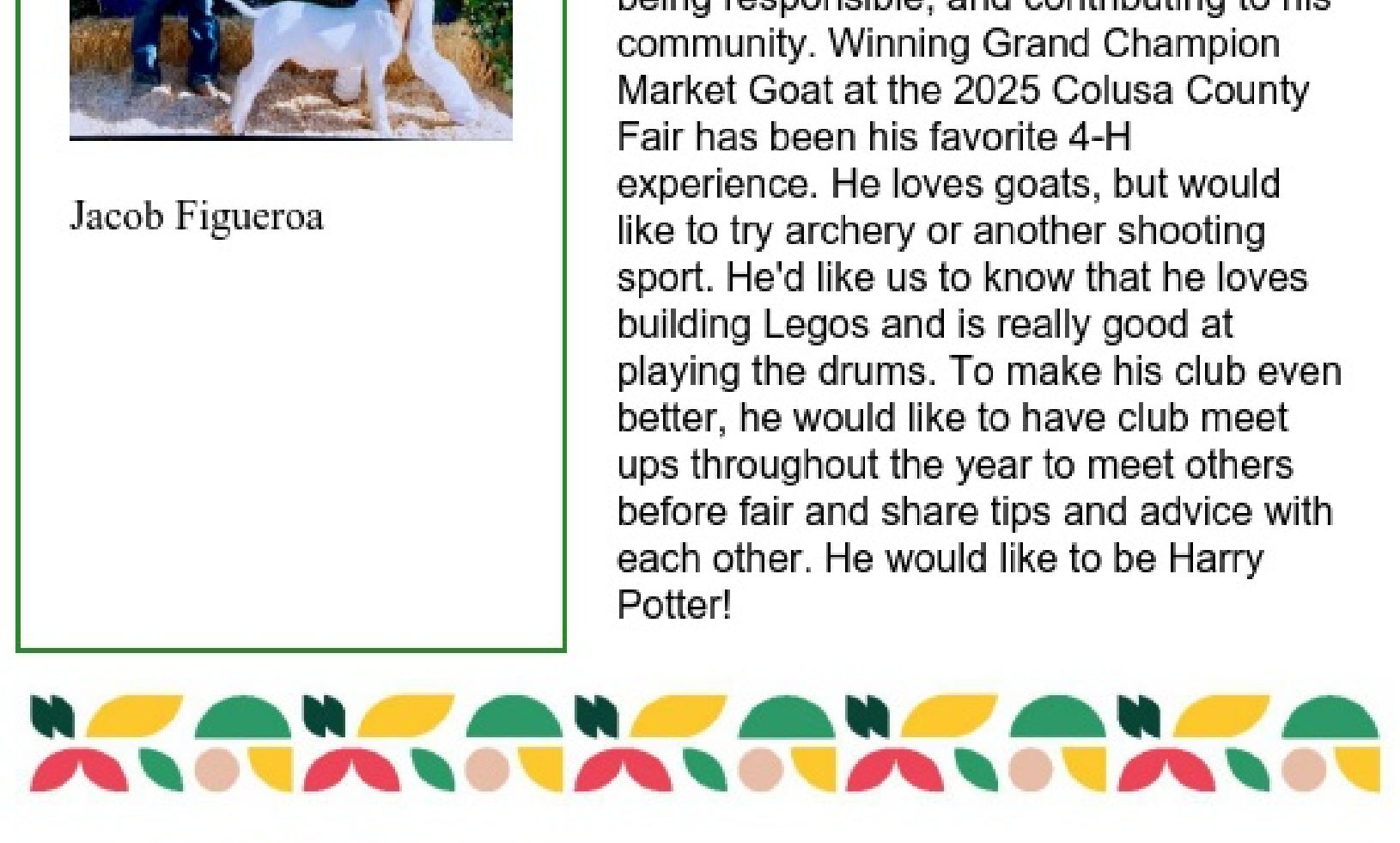

Colusa County 4-H Countywide Craft Expo
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8
10 AM TO 3 PM
FESTIVAL HALL
COLUSA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
Projects for all ages and abilities
Event is open to the public, bring your friends and neighbors
Snack bar will be provided
Event sponsored by the Colusa County 4-H Council
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Make It and Take It Craft Expo Returns Saturday, November 8th

The Colusa County 4-H Council is excited to once again host the Make It and Take It Craft Expo on Saturday, November 8, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in Festival Hall at the Colusa County Fairgrounds.

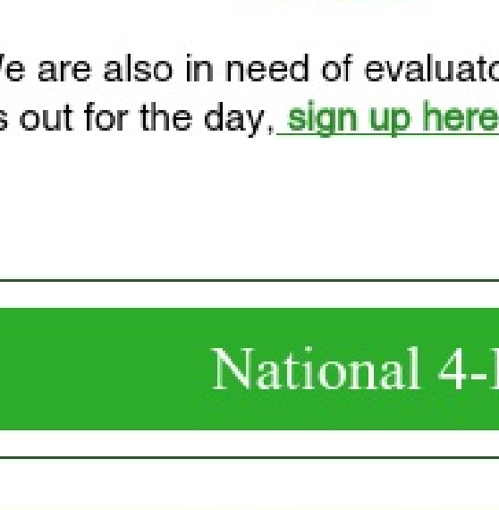
This family-friendly event offers a day of hands-on crafting fun for all ages and skill levels. Participants can purchase project tickets ranging from $0.50 to $10.00 and enjoy creating a variety of seasonal crafts—including Christmas ornaments, decorations, painted rocks, decorated cookies, scrapbook cards, picture frames, and more.

The 4-H Council is also seeking volunteers to host craft booths during the event. Booth leaders simply need to select a craft idea, purchase supplies, and be ready to help participants create. Supply costs will be reimbursed by the Colusa County 4-H Council.

For more information or to sign up to host a booth, please contact Jenny Perry at jpperry@ucanr.edu.

This event is open to the public, so be sure to invite your friends, family, and neighbors to join in the creative fun!

County Presentation Day



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4-H PRESENTATION MANUAL
Revised January 28, 2021

Colusa County 4-H Presentation Day will be Saturday, January 31, 2026, at Princeton High School in Princeton, with registration starting at 9 a.m.

This event is open to all 4-H'ers allowing youth to exhibit their communication and public speaking skills. Members plan and create a presentation with assistance from the California 4-H Presentation Manual.

As a reminder, to exhibit either an animal or still exhibit at the Colusa County Fair, members must complete one presentation related to their project. County Presentation Day counts for this requirement.

Click on the link to register!

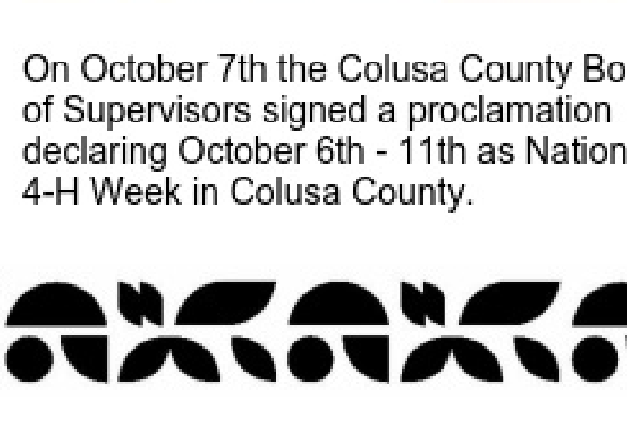
We are also in need of evaluators and room coordinators. If you are willing to help us out for the day, sign up here !

National 4-H Week in Colusa County!

Congratulations to Arbuckle 4-H Club for winning the Window Display Contest!

The committee did an amazing job decorating! A big shoutout to Janelle, Valeria, Sammy, Julian, MJ, Owen, and William for all their creativity and hard work.

Shout Out to Maxwell 4-H for participating in the Window Display Contest as well.



On October 7th the Colusa County Board of Supervisors signed a proclamation declaring October 6th - 11th as National 4-H Week in Colusa County.

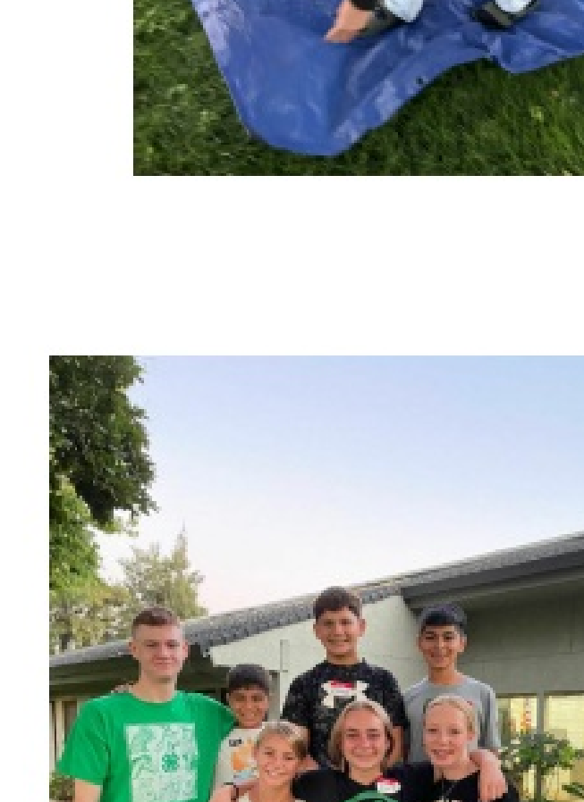
Colusa County 4-H Officer Training

By Ace Zoller, Colusa 4-H Club Member

On September 22, Colusa County 4-H members gathered at the 4-H office conference room for our annual Officer Training. It was a great night to learn, share ideas, and meet other 4-H members from around the county!

We got to hear from special guest speakers Grace E. a County Ambassador from Butte County 4-H and Jordan M. a senior member from Maxwell 4-H. They talked about leadership skills, different opportunities involved in both 4-H and FFA, and how to balance being involved in both 4-H and FFA. They gave great advice and shared their own experiences as leaders.

During the training, we discussed the different officer roles and what those jobs look like in each club. We also did a fun team-building activity that helped us work together and get to know each other better. At the end, we reflected on what's going well in our clubs and what we'd like to improve this year.



Adult Volunteer Steps for Enrollment

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming a 4-H adult volunteer?

Here are the requirements:

- Complete the interest survey
- Receive welcome email from the 4-H Office
- Enroll in ZSuite
- Complete Livescan background check
- Complete the 25-26 New Volunteer course in Campus
- Attend new volunteer in-person workshop, first one September 16
- Pay $30 enrollment fee to your club leader

Returning volunteers please complete the following requirements:

- Enroll in ZSuite
- Complete the 25-26 Returning Volunteer course in Campus
- Keycode: Colusa
- Pay $30 enrollment fee to your club leader

If you have a break of a year or more in service, you need to follow the steps of a new volunteer.

Any questions about any part of the process, please call the office at 458-0570.

News from California State 4-H

Visit the Site Here!

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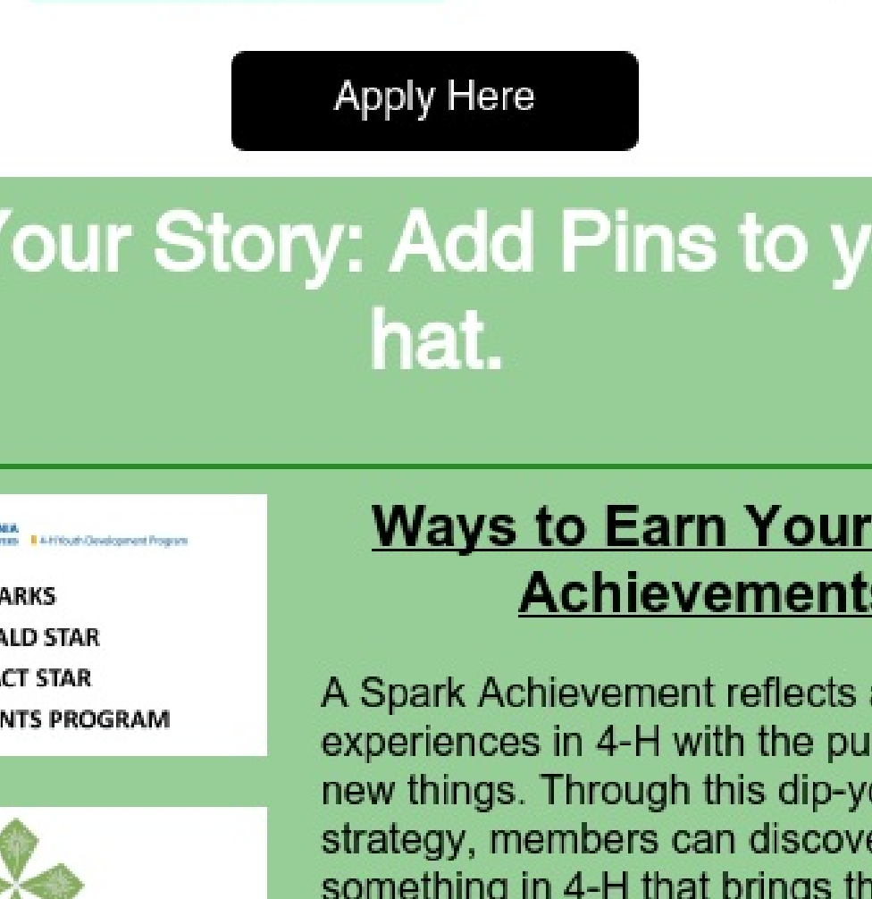

WE'RE HIRING!
Colusa County 4-H
Community Education Specialist

Qualified Candidates Provide:
Management, promotion, and delivery of educational programing that meets the needs of youth
Engaged service to youth, the public and community partners
Oversight and facilitation of the 4-H Youth Development Program

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Show Your Story: Add Pins to your 4-H hat.

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Ways to Earn Your Spark Achievements

A Spark Achievement reflects a member's experiences in 4-H with the purpose to try new things. Through this dip-your-toe-in strategy, members can discover something in 4-H that brings them joy and motivation–a Spark.

Spark Achievement pins show member experiences and accomplishments in 4-H.

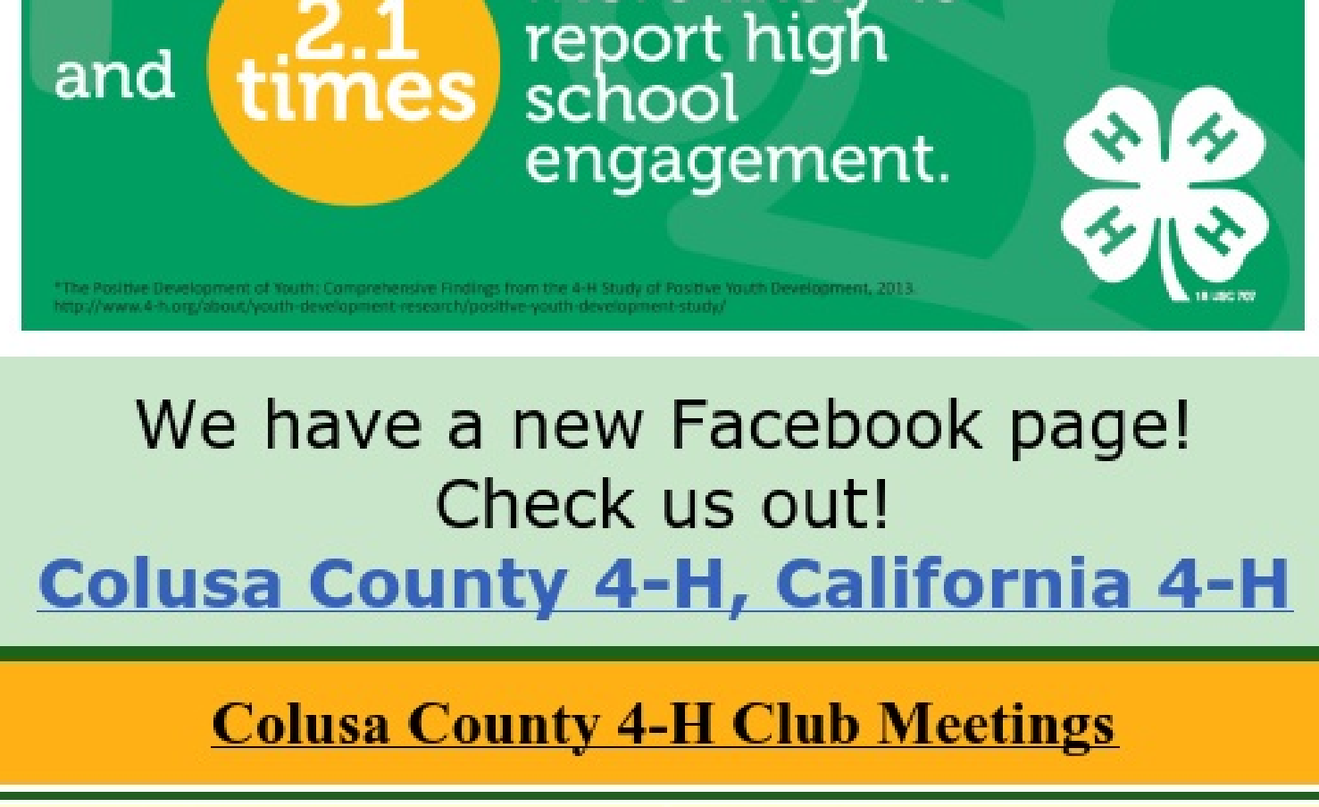
Any member who does not currently hold a bronze star rank must use the Spark Achievement program.

Click the link below to learn more.

4-H Achievement Manual

Attention 4-H Club Members:
If you attend a 4-H event, you are welcome to submit an article to let us know about it! Send us a picture, and tell us the who, what, where, and why, plus something that you learned! It will count in your record book!

Email article to jpperry@ucanr.edu or mzoller@ucanr.edu



4-H youth are 1.9 times more likely to get better grades in school and 2.1 times more likely to report high school engagement.

*The Positive Development of Youth: Comprehensive Findings from the 4-H Study of Positive Youth Development, 2013. http://www.4-h.org/about/youth-development-research/positive-youth-development-study/

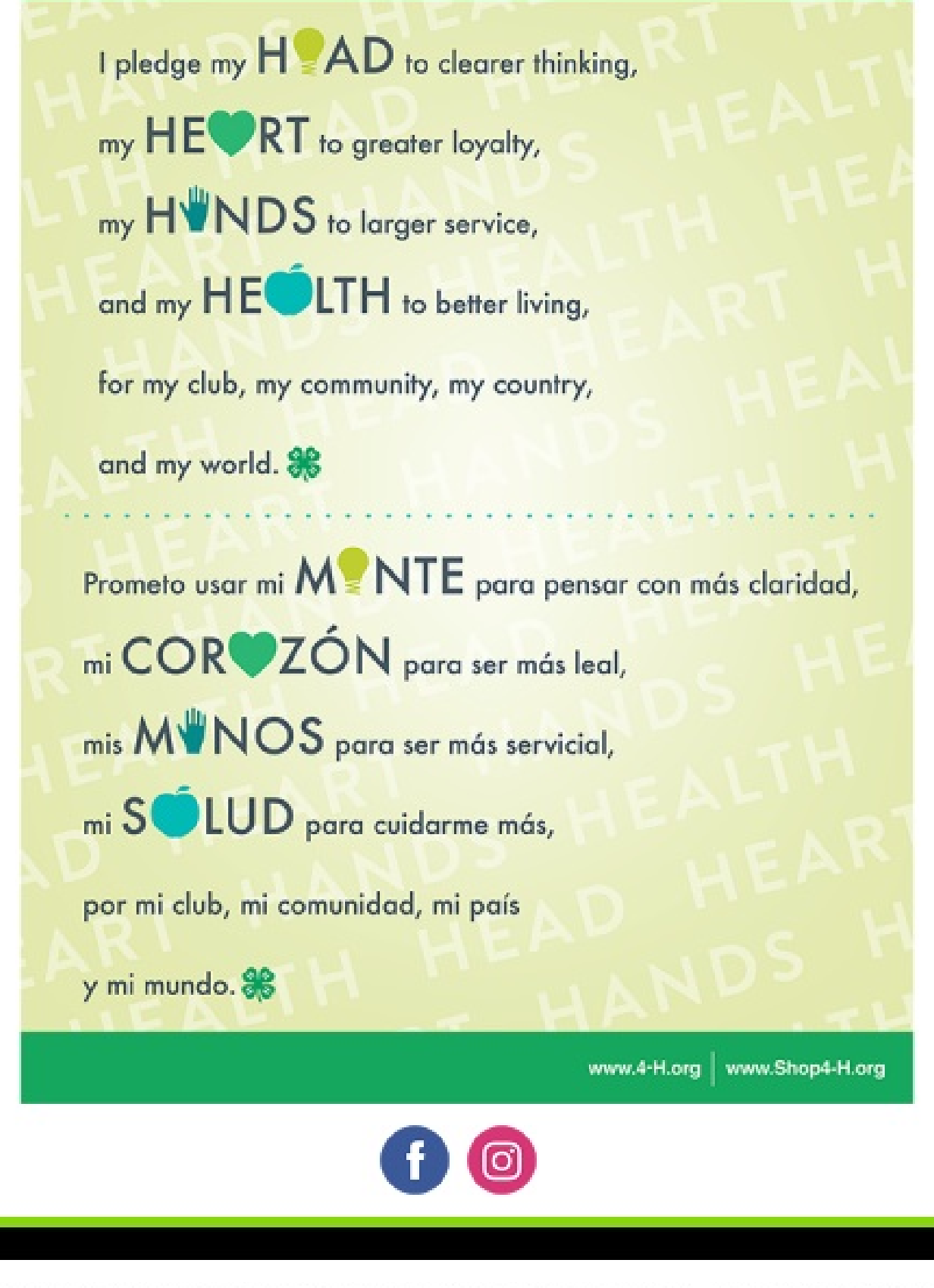
We have a new Facebook page!
Check us out!
Colusa County 4-H, California 4-H

Colusa County 4-H Club Meetings

Arbuckle 4-H Club 2nd Monday of the month, 7:00 p.m., Arbuckle Elementary School	**Maxwell 4-H Club** 1st Wednesday of the month, 6:00 p.m., Maxwell Elementary School Multipurpose Rm - No January Mtg.
Colusa 4-H Club Varying Mondays, 7:00 p.m. - Etchepare Hall, Fairgrounds, No May Mtg.	**Princeton 4-H Club** 2nd Monday of the month, 6:00 p.m. Princeton Elementary School
Stonyford 4-H Club 2nd Monday of the month, 6:00 p.m. Community Pavillon - No December Mtg.	**Anyone interested in helping us revive the Williams 4-H Club, please contact us!**

For More Information
Click here to e-mail the 4-H Office.

Be sure to check out our website! Colusa County 4-H Website



4-H PLEDGE

I pledge my HEAD to clearer thinking,
my HEART to greater loyalty,
my HANDS to larger service,
and my HEALTH to better living,
for my club, my community, my country,
and my world.

Prometo usar mi MENTE para pensar con más claridad,
mi CORAZÓN para ser más leal,
mis MANOS para ser más servicial,
mi SALUD para cuidarme más,
por mi club, mi comunidad, mi país
y mi mundo.

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