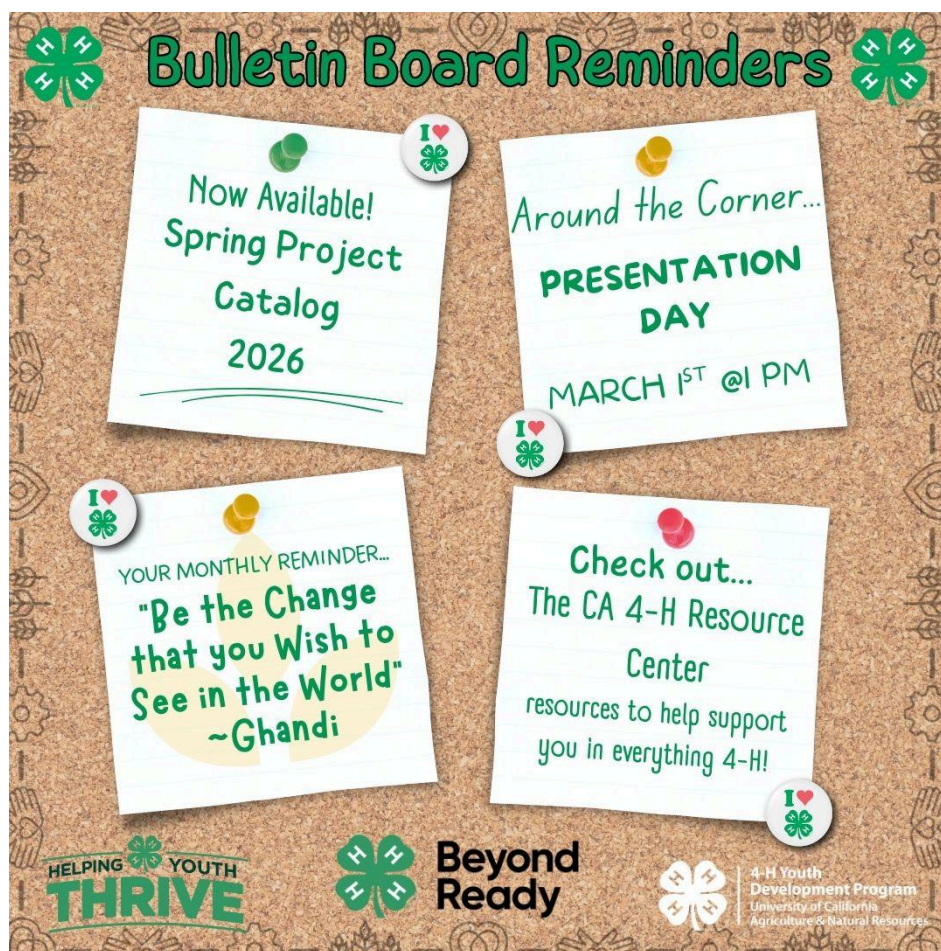




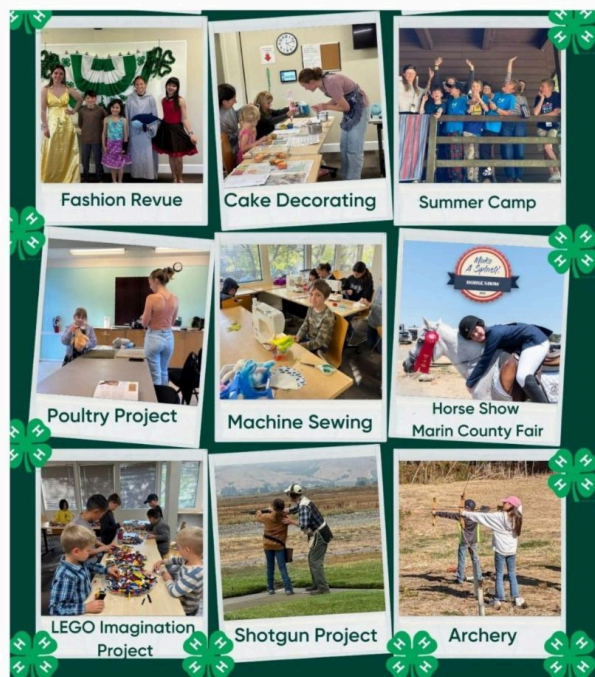
# Marin 4-H!

## February Newsletter



- Be sure to check out our Spring Project Catalog to see all the exciting opportunities available this season! The catalog includes a variety of hands-on projects for youth of all ages and interests. You can view the full Spring Marin County Project Catalog here: [Spring Catalog of Projects 2026](#)
- Marin Presentation Day will take place on March 1st at 1:00 p.m. Participants must register by February 27th using the following link: [Presentation Day Registration](#). For more information about Presentation Day Categories visit our website: [Marin County 4-H Presentation Day](#)
- Be sure to explore the [CA 4-H Resource Center](#) and don't forget to bookmark it! Its filled with helpful tools to support members, volunteers and families through out the year. From project help sheets to record books.

Scan QR code to  
Enroll in Marin 4-H  
Spring Projects



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[Register for Spring Projects Here!](#)

## Februaury Calendar of Events & Projects

- February 1 – Knitting at 1:30 p.m.
- February 4
  - Beginning Machine (Older Youth) at 3:30 p.m.
  - Advanced Machine Sewing at 6:00 p.m.
- February 7
  - Archery & Floriculture at 9:00 a.m.
  - H-Lane Vaqueros Horse and Pony at 12:00 p.m.
- February 11
  - Beads, Knots & Bracelets at 3:30 p.m.
  - American Sign Language at 5:30 p.m.
  - Beginner & Advanced Crochet at 7:00 p.m.
- February 14 – Shooting Sports: Shotgun at 9:00 a.m.
- February 16 – President's Day (holiday)
- February 18 – Beginning Machine (Younger Youth) at 3:30 p.m.
- February 19 – Photography Project (NEW) at 3:30 p.m.

- February 21
  - Intro to Coding at 10:00 a.m.
  - H-Lane Vaqueros Horse and Pony at 12:00 p.m.
- February 22 – Pollinators & Gardening Projects at 12:30 p.m.
- February 23 – Small Animal Projects at 6:30 p.m.
- February 24 – LEGO Imagination at 4:15 p.m.
- February 25
  - Crochet with Gabriel at 3:30 p.m.
  - Novato Community Group Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

## March Highlights

- March 1 – Presentation Day at 1:00 p.m.
- March 2 – Art Printing Project at 6:00 p.m.
- March 4
  - Beginner Machine Sewing (Older Youth) at 3:30 p.m.
  - Advanced Machine Sewing at 6:00 p.m.
- March 7
  - North Bay Science Discovery Day, 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
  - Archery & Floriculture at 9:00 a.m.
  - H-Lane Vaqueros Horse and Pony at 12:00 p.m.
- March 8 – Daylight Saving Time Begins

[Visit our Google Calendar Here!](#)

## Around the Corner: Presentation Day 2026

**MARIN 4-H  
PRESENTATION  
DAY!**  
SUNDAY,  
MARCH 1ST, 2026  
@ 1:00PM  
4-H OFFICE  
1682 NOVATO BLVD  
REGISTER BY  
FEBRUARY 27TH





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[Register for Marin 4-H Presentation Day Here!](#)





[Evaluator Sign Up Here!](#)

Not sure what to present on Presentation Day? Explore the categories below for ideas and inspiration!

#### Demonstration

Show how to make or do something while explaining the steps. Includes a finished product.

#### Illustrated Talk

Explain a topic using visuals like posters, slides, photos, or models.

#### Science or Engineering Presentation

Explore how the world works or solve a problem using science or engineering ideas.

#### Educational Display Talk

Present a topic using a visual display and a short talk, followed by questions from evaluators.

#### Informative Prepared Speech

Teach the audience about one topic using a written and practiced speech.

#### Persuasive Prepared Speech

Convince the audience to consider your point of view using facts and strong reasoning.

#### Impromptu Speech

Create and present a short speech with only three minutes to prepare after receiving a topic.

#### Interpretive Reading

Read and perform a published piece such as a story, poem, or speech.

#### Share the 4-H Fun Skits

Group skits or performances focused on 4-H topics and themes.

#### Cultural Arts

Perform music, dance, drama, or other cultural arts as an individual or group.



**Saturday, March 7, 2026**

**10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**Sonoma County Fairgrounds in Santa Rosa, California**

**Free parking and admission**



**With 150+ hands-on science, technology,  
engineering, and mathematics activities!**

**[www.northbayscience.org](http://www.northbayscience.org)**

A University of California public  
education event brought to life by  
100+ organizations, 70 sponsors, and  
150 volunteers.



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## Farm Day 2026

Marin 4-H participates in this annual event to highlight our program and introduce elementary school students to 4-H through fun, hands-on activities. The event will be held during the school day from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. If you are interested in participating, the Marin 4-H Office can sign a school release form on your behalf and support you in volunteering at the event. Reach out to Kayla Gulick for more details.

# SAVE the DATE



FARM DAY 2026- THURSDAY MARCH 26<sup>TH</sup> 2026  
MARIN COUNTY FAIR EXHIBIT HALL

## Fashion Revue And Favorite Foods Event April 2026

**SAVE THE DATE!**

MARIN 4-H  
FASHION REVUE  
AND  
FAVORITE FOODS  
EVENT

**SUNDAY,  
APRIL 26TH, 2026**

 **4-H Youth  
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*\*Note: Marin Fashion Revue will have the same categories as State Fashion Revue*

Please be prepared to model/present your submission in person at our Fashion Revue event. Please see the [2025-26 State Fashion Revue Categories flyer](#) for more detail about each category.

- **Traditional** - Construct a garment and assemble an entire outfit. A Make It With Wool outfit can be entered in this category. *Requires enrollment in a 4-H Clothing & Textiles Project and pre-qualification at a county 4-H Fashion Revue or other qualifying event.*
- **Consumer Science Purchased, \$50 limit** - Purchase and model an outfit, not to exceed \$50; receipts required. *No 4-H project requirement but requires pre-qualification at a county 4-H Fashion Revue or other qualifying event.*

- **Uniquely Upcycled** - Sew a new and unique garment made from discarded or unused materials. *Requires enrollment in a 4-H Clothing & Textiles Project and pre-qualification at a county 4-H Fashion Revue or other qualifying event.*
- **Pantone Color of the Year 2025** - Sew an outfit that uses the Pantone Color of the Year 2025, Mocha Mousse 17-1230 TCX. *Requires enrollment in a 4-H Clothing & Textiles Project.*
- **Costume Challenge** - Create a costume for yourself or another person using any technique, materials or pattern. It does not need to be sewn from fabric, but 70% of it must be handmade by the member. The member must be present to participate even if it was sewn for another person. *No 4-H project requirement.*
- **Softie Challenge** - Sew, felt, knit or crochet a softie. *No 4-H project requirement.*
- **Needlework** - Create any type of needlework, including embroidery, cross stitch, needlepoint, quilting, knitting, crochet, etc. *Requires enrollment in a 4-H Clothing & Textiles Project.*

~Alongside Fashion Revue, we will also be hosting our **Favorite Foods Day event**. This is a wonderful opportunity for members to showcase their consumer science skills! Participation is open to all members —you do not need to be enrolled in a cooking project to take part in this competition.~

Click the link below to learn more!  
[Favorite Foods Day Information 2026](#)

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## We Need You! Volunteer Today!





For more information reach out to Kayla Gulick at [kgulick@ucanr.edu](mailto:kgulick@ucanr.edu)

[Apply Here!](#)

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## Summer Camp Update





# BECOME A 4-H CAMP CHAPERONE

- ✓ Give back in a powerful way
- ✓ Make a meaningful difference.
- ✓ Build community connections.
- ✓ Experience camp magic!
- ✓ Be a role model!
- ✓ Create lifelong memories!



**VOLUNTEER TODAY BY SCANNING THE QR CODE**

**[Register to be Camp Chaperone Here!](#)**

## ~ZSuite Reminder~

**Make sure you SUBMIT your enrollment in ZSuite!**

### Parents/Guardians

After completing and submitting the Youth Health History & Treatment Authorization form, **you must return to your ZSuite tab and click SUBMIT to submit the enrollment.** Your child's enrollment will remain In-Progress until you do this.

*Only after you submit will it move to Pending Approval so it can be approved and made Active.*

### Adult Volunteers

After completing and submitting your Confidential Self-Disclosure form, **you must return to your ZSuite tab and click SUBMIT to submit your enrollment.** Until you do, your enrollment stays In-Progress and cannot be approved.

### Need help?

For step-by-step guidance please see the following help-sheets located on the [CA 4-H Resource Center Enrollment page](#):

- [For Families: Enrolling Youth Online](#)

- [For Volunteers: Enrolling Online](#)

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# Regional 4-H Announcements

## Join a Team for the 2026 Poultry Aviation Bowl in Fresno 2/21/26!

The Poultry Aviation Bowl is just around the corner! The event will take place on February 21, 2026, at the Fresno Fairgrounds.

The Poultry Aviation Bowl is a buzzer-based quiz competition that tests poultry knowledge among 4-H members. Our partnering county, Napa County, is currently looking for additional poultry-knowledgeable members to join their teams.

Junior Members: Ages 9+

Senior Members: Ages 14+

Team members will be coached by community club and poultry leader Amber P., who will provide study materials, guides, and practice sessions leading up to the event.

The winning 4-H team will earn the opportunity to attend the National Poultry and Egg Conference in Kentucky.

If you have questions or are interested in participating, please **email Amber:** [carneros4h@gmail.com](mailto:carneros4h@gmail.com).

For more information visit the website here: [Greater California Society of Poultry Fanciers - Poultry Show](#)

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# REGIONAL PRESENTATION DAY NORTH BAY

SATURDAY, APRIL 11<sup>TH</sup> AT 9:00AM  
Sonoma Valley High School: 20000 Broadway, Sonoma, CA 95476



Youth who received a blue or gold award at their county's Presentation Day may register for the Regional Presentation Day.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE  
March 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:59pm

SCAN THE QR CODE  
TO REGISTER



Questions? Contact us  
707-565-2681  
Email us: [damariscal@ucdavis.edu](mailto:damariscal@ucdavis.edu)



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[Register for Regional Presentation Day Here](#)

## CA State 4-H Announcements

### CA State Poultry and Dairy Cattle Exhibition Ban lifted!

We are happy to share that the statewide ban on poultry and dairy cattle exhibition in California is now lifted. This means members can bring their birds to 4-H meetings, 4-H events and the county fairs! Yay!

The official ban-lift letter has been published on the following CDFA web pages:

- [CDFA - Animal Health - Avian Influenza](#) (Dated December 19, 2025)
- [CDFA - AHFSS - AHB - Avian Health](#)
- [CDFA - AHFSS - AHB - H5N1 Bird Flu Virus in Livestock](#)



## Youth in Action Applications are Still Open!

The 4-H Youth in Action (YIA) program celebrates young people who are creating real change in their communities. This national program amplifies the stories and leadership of 4-H youth, showcasing how 4-H has shaped their lives and equipped them to impact others.

Four Award Winners will receive a(n):

- \$5,000 scholarship for higher education, paid directly to the institution, including two-year and four-year colleges, trade schools, or other advanced learning opportunities.
- Year of professional and media development, training, networking, and national opportunities to serve as a spokesperson and thought leader.
- All expenses paid trips for each award winner and a chaperone to attend national events.
- Official reference letter from a National 4-H Council leader for educational or career purposes.

If you know a young person whose work deserves recognition, encourage them to apply today and share their story with a national audience!

**Applications are open until April 13, 2026.**

**Apply Today**

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### Healthy Living Speaker Series

#### Monthly Healthy Living Topic

Join the Healthy Living Advisory Committee for discussion and guest speakers on different health topics each month!

#### Coming up:

February 5, 2026 6-7 p.m. Emotional Well-Being

March 5, 2026 6-7 p.m. Outdoor Exploration

April 2, 2026 6-7 p.m. Food Waste & Resource Management

Register for any session at <https://bit.ly/HealthyLiving25>

[Download full schedule](#)

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### Policy Update

#### 4-H Policy Resource Update

The 2025-2026 4-H [Youth Code of Conduct](#), the [Parent, Legal Guardian, Adult Participant Code of Conduct](#) and the [4-H Adult Volunteer Code of Conduct](#) have been revised. The documents have been revised to expand expectations for respectful conduct, conflict resolution, to align to University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources Principles of Community, and further clarify prohibited behaviors in the program for the safety of all while participating in California 4-H. The revised documents are to be used going forward during the 2025-2026 4-H program year.

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## Get Ready for State Field Day!

This year State Field Day will be held on **Saturday, May 23, 2026** on the UC Davis campus. Please see the following updates from our awesome volunteer contest leads so you can start preparing to participate. If you have questions about individual contests, please contact the contest lead or the State Field Day coordinator at [4hsfd@ucanr.edu](mailto:4hsfd@ucanr.edu). For more information about State Field Day 2026 visit the website at: [UC ANR California 4-H State Field Day](https://ucanr.edu/4-H-State-Field-Day).

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### 4-H State Qualifier Contests

The following are state qualifying contests to represent California 4-H in national competitions. If you have any questions about these contests, please contact Erica Pettey at [epettey@ucanr.edu](mailto:epettey@ucanr.edu)

#### **State 4-H Livestock Judging Contest**

This state qualifying contest is held as part of the UC Davis CA&ES Field Day

**Date:** Saturday, March 7

**Location:** Dixon May Fair (approximately 9 miles from UC Davis)

**More information:** [UC Davis Field Day 2026](https://ucanr.edu/4-H-State-Field-Day)

**Registration Deadline:** February 13

#### **Divisions:**

- Junior 4-H Division: youth aged 9-13 years old
- Senior 4-H Division: youth aged 14-18 years old\*

**\*Teams competing in the Senior 4-H division will be eligible to qualify for a national 4-H competition.**

**Also, during the UC Davis Field Day.....4-H Divisions are offered in the following contests: Vet Science, Poultry Judging, and Light Horse Judging**

These are NOT state qualifier contests but 4-H youth aged 9-18 years old are welcome to enter.

**UC Davis Field Day Registration Information:** Registration of 4-H teams and individual entries must be managed by your county office. Accounts have been created for this purpose. Your county staff must contact [JudgingCard.com](https://judgingcard.com) to activate these accounts. Please have them email [info@judgingcard.com](mailto:info@judgingcard.com) to gain access to the account.

*Registrations cannot be made through the JudgingCard system by parents, coaches or youth members. JudgingCard accounts are meant to be accessed at the county level.*

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### Shooting Sports Leader Training

#### **National Level 2 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training**



NRA Whittington Center  
Raton, New Mexico



**Save the Date - May 4-7, 2026.**

- Registration Open/Close: 1/26/2026-3/27/2026

- \$575 - \$600 per person, includes meals and lodging at the training.
- All participants must be verified by the State 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator.
- MUST already be certified as a level 1 or 1.5 in the selected discipline to attend.
- Roundtrip vehicle based group transportation may be available at no cost!

### Additional information

1. This training is intended to provide the attendees with the skills and knowledge to return to their state to become active members of the discipline instruction team for at least the next 3 years.
2. This workshop and training experience is NOT intended to improve your individual coaching skills with youth participants.
3. Have two years of teaching experience as a Level 1 instructor in the discipline.
4. Have a strong understanding of 4-H and positive youth development.
5. Endorse the train-the-trainer concept in basic shooting skills.
6. Must have previous experience teaching youth and/or adults in their state.
7. Have current 4-H Volunteer status or Extension Faculty status in their state.
8. Must be 21 years of age or older.
9. Have thorough knowledge of the 4-H Shooting Sports Discipline manual in which they are seeking certification.
10. Be well versed in the four Primers found in the shooting sports manuals which include: **“Module 1 – What is 4-H”**, **“Module 2 – Introduction to 4-H Shooting Sports”**, **“Module 3 – Creating and Implementing a High-Quality Program”**, **“Module 4 – Risk Management: Covering your Assets”**.

If you have questions about this event, please contact Russell Hill at [rdhill@ucanr.edu](mailto:rdhill@ucanr.edu) or Nate Caeton at [nwcaeton@ucanr.edu](mailto:nwcaeton@ucanr.edu).

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## Don't have any gear or swag?

Explore and find your favorite 4-H apparel, accessories, and 4-H essentials at: [Shop 4-H](#)




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New to 4-H and looking for 4-H hats and scarfs?



[Click here](#) to explore Leslie Carman 4-H supplies, Inc.

*Note: 4-H uniform is simply a white button up shirt (short sleeve or long sleeve) not sold at Leslie Carman or Shop 4-H.*



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