

# LaRue County 4-H Cooperative Extension Service

## NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2026

### County Awards Points & KY 4-H Achievement Reminder!

Keep good records! Make things easier for when deadlines approach.  
Keep track of your 4-H participation, events, activities, community service, etc.

Awards points are due **September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026!**

2025-2026 Awards Points Forms are available for the county level online at

<https://larue.mgcafe.uky.edu/events/2025-2026-awards-points>

or at the LaRue County Extension Service.



You will need the information for the Kentucky 4-H Achievement Application as well! Achievement Applications are due **October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026**. The form is available to fill it out throughout the year.



The Kentucky 4-H Achievement Application is available at  
<https://larue.mgcafe.uky.edu/events/kentucky-4-h-achievement>



Sincerely,

*Misty Wilmoth*

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LaRue County Extension Agent

For 4-H Youth Development

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**Cooperative  
Extension Service**

Agriculture and Natural Resources  
Family and Consumer Sciences  
4-H Youth Development  
Community and Economic Development



**KENTUCKY**  
4-H Capitol Experience




Register with the  
Extension Office by  
January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026!

Discover a new  
way to experience  
the Capitol!

**MAR**  
25<sup>th</sup>, 2026

The event will  
happen at:  
**KSU Harold  
R. Benson  
Research  
Farm**

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Lexington, KY 40506



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# JANUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>EXTENSION OFFICE CLOSURE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DEC 24<sup>TH</sup>- JAN 2<sup>ND</sup></li> <li>• JAN 19<sup>TH</sup></li> </ul>				1 	2	3
4	5 4-H CAMP REGISTRATION OPENS	6 WRANGLERS HORSE CLUB 6 PM LC EXTENSION SERVICE	7 COOKING CLUB NOT MEETING	8	9 ALES 4 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE CLUB  TEEN CLUB 2 PM LCHS GREENHOUSE CLASSROOM	10
11	12 LARUE CO. FAIR MEETING 5 PM LC EXTENSION SERVICE  LIVESTOCK CLUB 6 PM LC EXTENSION SERVICE	13 GARDENING CLUB 5 PM LC EXTENSION SERVICE	14	15 SHOOTING SPORTS SAFETY MEETING 6:30 PM LC EXTENSION SERVICE	16 HES 4 <sup>TH</sup> & 5 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE CLUB  ALES 5 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE CLUB	17 4-H POP UP 10 AM - NOON **LOOKOUT FOR THE CLUE**
18	19 COUNTRY HAM PROJECT - HAM CURING  WARM BLESSINGS	20 DOG CLUB 6 PM LC EXTENSION SERVICE  LCMS 6 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE CLUB - MRS. CARTER	21 4-H CAPITOL EXPERIENCE REGISTRATION DEADLINE **CALL 270-358- 3401**  LCMS 6 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE CLUB - MR. PADEN	22 CLOVERBUDS 5:15 PM LC EXTENSION SERVICE	23	24
25	26 EXTENSION LEADERSHIP BANQUET	27 LCMS BEFORE SCHOOL CLUB 7:25 AM LCMS GYMNASIUM	28 TEEN SUMMIT REGISTRATION DEADLINE  SEWING WORKSHOP REGISTRATION DEADLINE **CALL 270-358- 3401**	29	30 SEWING WORKSHOP 2:30 - 4:30 PM LC EXTENSION SERVICE	31



# Awards RECEPTION



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*thank you!*



# KENTUCKY SAVES 2026 PIGGY BANK DESIGN CONTEST



**Kinsly Detre**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Place**

**Hunter Locke**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Place**

**Morgan Redner**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Place**

## Participants:

Teddy Downs  
David Probus  
Braydon Milby  
Mathias Hinostroza  
Reed Mills  
Aden Wilder  
Eri Edlin  
Tanner Cruise  
Brooklyn Burns  
Ace Elmore  
Lilianna Waddell

Camden Calhoun  
Zoe Kepplinger  
Layla Searcy  
Levi Foley  
Trinity Florence  
Owen Thomas  
Justin Milby  
Brady Thomas  
William Shaw  
Scarlett Shaw

**We had 24  
piggy banks  
submitted in  
the 2026 Piggy  
Bank Contest!**

### **Kentucky Saves Week:**

April 6-10, 2026

### **Kentucky Saves:**

KentuckySaves.org

### **MoneyWi\$e:**

<https://fcs.mgcafe.uky.edu/moneywise>



# Little Caesars® Fundraising



## Sales Start February 2<sup>nd</sup>

Top Seller: \$50 Cash Prize

\$25 cash drawing for sellers who sell 10 or more items

\*All sellers **MUST** be available to pick up sold items the week of March 23rd, exact date and time to be determined.

**Orders and money must be submitted to the Extension Office by noon on Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup>**

**\*Checks should be made payable to LaRue County 4-H Council**

Orders may be made online at

<https://fundraising.littlecaesars.com/products?c=5>

**FUNDRAISER ID: 52255**

**How to place a online order:**

1. Go to website above
2. Enter fundraiser ID (**52255**)
3. Place order

**Buyer must list the seller so the seller is credited.**

**Online orders will be delivered to LaRue County Extension Service**

LaRue County Extension Service  
807 Old Elizabethtown Rd  
Hodgenville, KY 42748

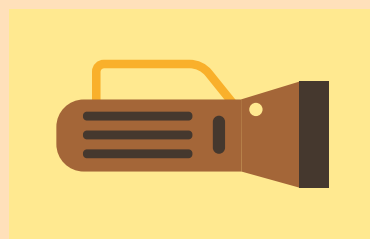
**Questions?**

Email 4-H Agent, Misty Wilmoth at  
[mwilmoth@uky.edu](mailto:mwilmoth@uky.edu) or call 270-358-3401



## 4-H SUMMER CAMP

June  
16-19  
2026



\$225  
PER CAMPER



- Swimming
- Boating
- Arts & Crafts
- Archery
- Rifle

### ACTIVITIES



- Sports
- Recreation
- Camp Fire
- Low & High Ropes
- Foods & Nutrition



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Application, full payment and all required forms are due by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

**\*Open to LaRue County youth ages 9-14.\***

Campers must be 9 as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026 and may not turn 15 before or during camp. Additionally campers must be in grades 3-8 during the 25-26 school year. Sorry, no refunds after May 1<sup>st</sup> unless a camper of the same gender is found as a replacement.

\*Payment options: Early Bird deposit \$75 by Jan 31<sup>st</sup> will allow 3 monthly payments of \$50 OR pay deposit of \$125 with the remaining \$100 to be paid by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

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**LaRue County Extension Service**  
**807 Old Elizabethtown Rd., Hodgenville**



270-358-3401



<https://larue.mgcafe.uky.edu/>



# Written Communications

The 4-H Written Communications Contest is a competition for youth ages 9-18 who have a passion for writing.

## Categories include:

More information  
available online at  
<https://larue.mgcafe.uky.edu/events/written-communications>



- Songwriting
- Poetry
- Original Monologue
- Press Release
- Public Service Announcement
- “What 4-H Means to Me” Essay
- Infographic
- New!** • Flyer
- New!** • Podcast (**Senior level only, Team Event - NO Individual Entries**)



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**CONTACT 4-H AGENT, MISTY  
WILMOTH FOR MORE INFORMATION**

## RULES AND INFORMATION:

- JUNIOR CLASS: OPEN TO ANY 4-H MEMBER AGE 9-13 (AGE AS OF 1/1/26)
- SENIOR CLASS: OPEN TO ANY 4-H MEMBER AGE 14-18 (AGE AS OF 1/1/26)
- YOUTH MAY ENTER ONE OR MORE CATEGORIES.
- EACH WRITING PIECE MUST BE ORIGINAL. IF THERE IS ANY QUESTION, THE PARTICIPANT WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.
- ENTRIES MAY BE SCANNED AND EMAILED TO MWILMOTH@UKY.EDU OR DELIVER HARD COPY TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE.
- ALL ENTRIES ARE TO BE ON 8.5 X 11 PAPER, WITH ENTRANT'S CATEGORY, NAME, AGE AND COUNTY ON A COVER PAGE AND LAST NAME ON EVERY PAGE.
- ENTRIES ARE TO BE DOUBLE-SPACED, TYPED WITH SIZE 12 FONT, WHITE PAPER. SONGS MAY BE SINGLE SPACED WITHIN VERSES, CHORUS AND BRIDGE AND DOUBLE SPACED BETWEEN EACH ITEM.
- SONG WRITING, POETRY, PRESS RELEASE AND PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT LESSONS CAN BE FOUND IN NATIONAL 4-H CURRICULUM 'PICKING UP THE PIECES' AND 'PUTTING IT TOGETHER.'
- MONOLOGUE LESSON CAN BE FOUND IN NATIONAL 4-H CURRICULUM 'PLAY THE ROLE.' ALL ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE EXTENSION OFFICE.

**County Deadline is March 6th, 2026!**



# SEWING



# WORKSHOP

Make a homemade pillow

**JANUARY 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2026**

**2:30 PM - 4:30 PM**

**LARUE COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE**

Come and learn about the 4-H sewing project opportunities. Start early for 2026 fair projects.

If you have a t-shirt design or fabric you would like included in your pillow, please bring it with you. If you have your own sewing machine, you are encouraged to bring that as well. Project supplies for the pillow will be provided, unless you have specific requests.

**REGISTER WITH THE EXTENSION OFFICE BY JANUARY 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2026**

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

## WARM BLESSINGS

## VOLUNTEER YOUR HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE

**EVERY 3<sup>RD</sup>  
MONDAY AT  
4:45 PM**

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN  
VOLUNTEERING PLEASE  
CONTACT THE EXTENSION  
OFFICE AT 270-358-3401**



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HEART



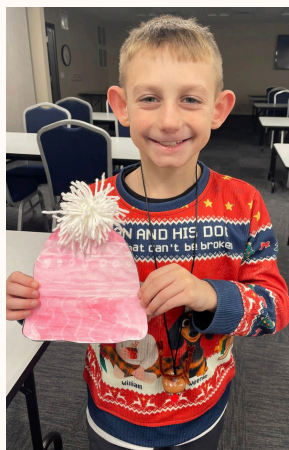
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HEALTH

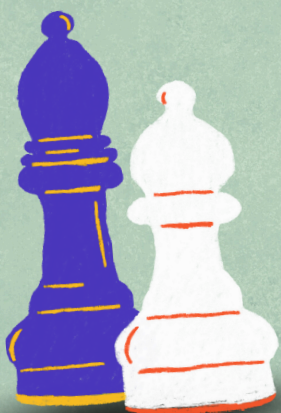
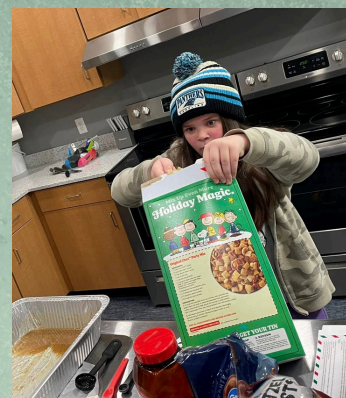


# 4-H Holiday Crafts Workshop





# BOARD GAMES & BOLD FLAVORS





# WRANGLERS HORSE & LIVESTOCK HOLIDAY MEETING



**Wranglers Horse & Livestock Club  
had a combined meeting in December.**





# 4-H SUMMIT

## FIND YOUR SPARK AND BUILD FRIENDSHIPS



March 19-21 at  
Lake Cumberland 4-H Camp

**COST: \$165**

Chaperoning and transportation is provided, however depending on the number attending, a parent/volunteer maybe needed to help with transportation.

### About Our Event

**4-H Summit** is a leadership-focused event specifically designed for middle school students (6th - 8th grade). This event aims to equip participants with essential life skills through hands-on, skill-based workshops that align with the Beyond Ready initiative.

**Registration Deadline:**  
**01/28/2026**

### Event Highlights

#### Workshops

Participants engage in interactive sessions that cover a wide range of topics, providing practical skills that are applicable to everyday life.

#### Discover KY 4-H

Youth will also explore how to get involved in Kentucky 4-H through one of the seven core content areas, gaining a broader understanding of the opportunities available to them.

#### Service Project

An important aspect of Summit is the community service activity, which emphasizes the importance of giving back to the community.

#### Social Activities

4-H Summit also includes social activities such as a Pin Exchange, group campfire, cabin life, and REC RAMPAGE, a free activity time designed for fun and interaction.

**CONTACT MISTY WILMOTH**  
**LARUE COUNTY 4-H AGENT**

**WEBSITE**  
<https://larue.mgcafe.uky.edu/>