



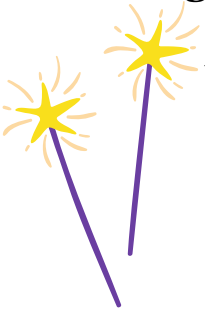
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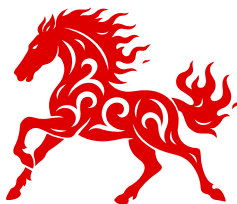
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- Poultry Judging 101
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- Poultry Judging & Quiz Bowl
- Horse Judging & Hippology Contest

Looking Ahead to an Exciting Year



Welcome to 2026! We're excited to kick off a new year filled with opportunities for youth to learn, grow, and shine. Pre-fair contests are right around the corner—let's get ready to participate, practice, and have fun!



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**3800 SW Airport Way Bldg. #4
Redmond, OR 97756**

Monday - Friday
8:00 am - 5:00 pm



Reminders



Enrollment Rates will go up as of February 1, 2026.

2025-2026 Calendar of Events



Date	Event	Time	Location
Jan. 6	Advisory Meeting	6:00 PM	Ext. Bldg. #3
Jan. 13	Livestock 102	6:00 PM	Ext. Bldg. #3
Jan. 16-19	High Desert Leadership Retreat		Eagle Crest
Jan. 20	Auction Meeting	6:00 PM	Ext. Bldg #3
Jan. 21	New Leader Orientation	Zoom	Online ZOOM
Jan. 27	Poultry Judging 101	6:00 PM	Ext. Bldg. #3
Jan. 30	Cloverbud Day Camp	9:00 AM	Ext. Bldg. #3
Feb. 10	Rabbit Bowl	6:00 PM	Ext. Bldg. #3
Feb. 12	Livestock Skills and Livestock Bowl	6:00 PM	Ext. Bldg. #3
Feb. 17	Poultry Judging & Poultry Bowl	6:00 PM	Ext. Bldg. #3
Feb. 18	New Leader Orientation	Zoom	Online ZOOM
Feb. 21	Beef Pre-Fair Weigh-In	TBD	DCF Beef Barn
Feb. 28	Horse Judging & Hippology	8:30 AM	Crook County
Feb. 24	Auction Meeting	6:00 PM	Ext. Bldg. #3
Mar. 3	Junior Horse Bowl	6:00 PM	Ext. Bldg. #3
Mar. 7	Presentations Contest	9:00 AM	Ext. Bldg. #3
Mar. 10	Advisory Meeting	6:00 PM	Ext. Bldg. #3
Mar. 14	Small Animal Show	TBD	Deschutes Fairgrounds
Mar. 14	Rabbit Judging	TBD	Deschutes Fairgrounds
Mar. 14	Dog Bowl & Dog Judging	TBD	Crook County
Mar. 16	Showmanship Etiquette	6:00 PM	Ext. Bldg. #3
Mar. 17	Auction Meeting	6:00 PM	Ext. Bldg. #3

Date	Event	Time	Location
Apr. 18	Tri-County Livestock Judging Contest	TBD	Jefferson County
Apr. 21	Auction Meeting	6:00 PM	Ext. Bldg. #3
Apr. 24-26	Spring Classic	TBD	TBD
May 1 - 2	Food & Textiles Skills	TBD	Crook County
May 12	Advisory Meeting	6:00 PM	Ext. Bldg. #3
May 19	Auction Meeting	6:00 PM	Ext. Bldg. #3
May 20	Swine/Sheep/Goat Pre-Fair Weigh In	4:00 - 7:00 PM	Fairgrounds
June 16	Auction Meeting	6:00 PM	Ext. Bldg. #3
June 17-18	Tractor Safety	TBD	Jefferson County
June 20	Fashion Revue	TBD	Ext. Bldg. #3
July 11	Cupcake Wars	TBD	North Sister
July 14	Auction Meeting	6:00 PM	Ext. Bldg. #3
June 15	Record Book Check	4:00 -7:00 PM	Ext. Bldg. #3
June 23	Record Book Check	4:00 -7:00 PM	Ext. Bldg. #3
June 24-27	Summer Conference		OSU, Corvallis, OR
July 1	Record Book Check	4:00 -7:00 PM	Ext. Bldg. #3
July 15-18	Horse Fair		Fairgrounds
July 27	Static Judging	9:00 AM	North Sister
July 28	Dog Fair		Fairgrounds
July 29 - Aug. 2	General Fair		Fairgrounds

***Disclaimer: Any items in red font are either updates or a new event.**

What's Up?

4-H Enrollment



Enrollment fees are as follows:



Oct. 1, 2025 - Jan. 31, 2026

\$70 per member for the first 2 in the family and
\$40 per additional member after.

Cloverbuds: \$40



Feb. 1, 2026 - May 1, 2026

\$90 per member (No Family Discount)

Enroll online www.4honline.com

Or visit our office during business hours to fill out the enrollment paperwork.

4-H Age Levels

Determined by age as of
September 1, 2025

Cloverbuds: 5-8 years

Juniors: 9-11 years

Intermediates: 12-14 years

Seniors: 15-19 years

Enrollment Payments may be made by:



Check made out to: OSU Extension Service
Memo: 4-H Enrollment (youth's name)

Mailed To: 3800 SW Airport Way Bldg. #4 Redmond, OR 97756



or Call in and pay over the phone or In-Person.



Returning Club Leaders

Please enroll online: www.4honline.com
After submitting your enrollment please complete the
Online Youth Safety Training
(This is an annual enrollment and training)

If you need assistance, please reach out to Christina Toledo.
christina.diaztoledo@oregonstate.edu 541-516-0231

Please Complete As SOON As Possible.

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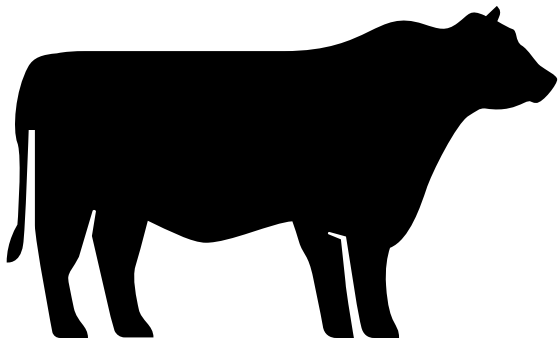
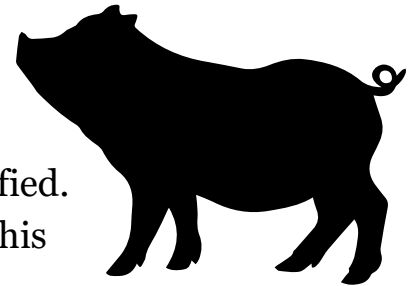
What's Up?

Program Updates



Swine

All swine are required to be Prop 12 certified. Exhibitors are responsible for meeting this requirement in order to participate.



Beef

Exciting news for 2026! Deschutes County will feature Market Beef at the fair, with both heifers and steers eligible to participate. We can't wait to see youth take advantage of this new opportunity!

What's Up?

Program Updates



Become a Camp Tumbleweed Counselor! (Grades 9–12)

We're looking for motivated high-school youth to join us as Camp Tumbleweed Counselors for Spring Break, March 24–27, 2026! This is an incredible leadership opportunity to gain skills, work with younger campers, and be part of an unforgettable camp experience.

Training Commitment:

Because the counselor program is in-depth, attendance at all trainings is required for full consideration. This year's sessions will be held at the Central Oregon Ag Research and Extension Center in Madras, Oregon on:

- February 2, 11, 19 & 23 at 6:00 PM
- Training concludes with a required overnight Camp Counselor Retreat at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds, March 7–9, 2026.

How to Apply:

Contact Morgan or Christina or Brandi for the Camp Counselor Application, complete the application, obtain one letter of recommendation, and a one-page, double-spaced essay explaining why you want to be a camp counselor and what you hope to learn—**due by Wednesday, January 28, 2026.**

Applicants will be notified of next steps by Friday, January 30, 2026.

Make sure your contact information is accurate so we can reach you!

Join us for an amazing spring break adventure—apply today! 🌲 ✨

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YQCA Certification Required for All 2026 County Fair Exhibitors

All youth planning to show animals at the 2026 County Fair must have current Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) certification.

If you completed the official YQCA training, earned a certificate, and submitted it in 2025, your certification is already on record. Oregon 4-H recognizes official YQCA certificates for three years from the completion date listed on the certificate.

Please note: Webinar participation for Horse, Dog, and Small Animal from the 2024–2025 year will be honored for three years. However, if youth are exhibiting a livestock animal in the 2025–2026 year, they will be required to complete YQCA training.

Youth may complete YQCA online at www.yqcaprogram.org.

We're also excited to share that Morgan is now certified to offer an in-person YQCA training. The date is still to be determined—stay tuned for updates.

Thank you for helping keep our livestock program safe, ethical, and high-quality for all!

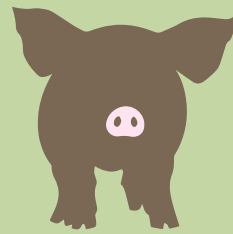
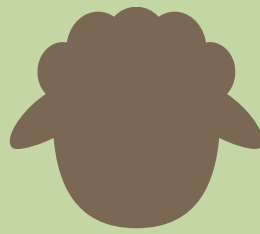


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Livestock 102



Join us to learn how to be prepared and walk away with helpful tips for the care of your animal.

- First Aid
- Injections
- Common Diseases & Parasites
- Feed tags and how to create a feed program

Tues, January 13, 2026

Deschutes County Extension Office

Time: Begins at 6:00 pm

Pre-registration required, space is limited to 15 youth



Register at : <https://beav.es/3RY>

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Registration deadline: Wed. Jan. 7, 2026

Presented by: Josanne Burnette





POULTRY JUDGING 101



Exploring what poultry judging offers, poultry meat cuts, eggs, carcass, and hens.

Instructor: Brettney Rivera



Tuesday, January
27, 2026
6:00 PM



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Register Here:

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Any Questions Contact:
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**FRI,
JAN.
30**

Location:
Deschutes
Extension Office
Bldg 3

9 am - 3 pm
Lunch
Provided

Registration due by
Fri, Jan 24, 2026.
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CLOVERBUD DAY CAMP

FOR 5-8 YEARS OLD
(AGE AS OF SEPT 1, 2025)



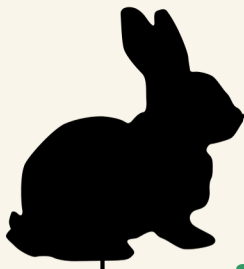
Experience a fun-filled day packed with hands-on activities, where you'll get to make new friends and dive into a variety of creative projects.



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Rabbit & Cavy Quiz Bowl

6-8pm
February 10th,
2026

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Registration closes February 3rd, 2026

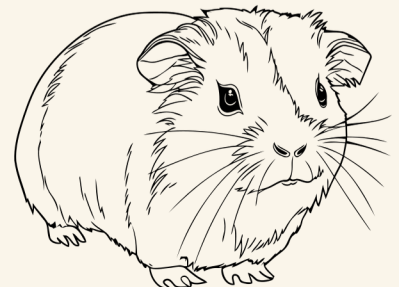
**Top 4 Intermediate and Senior quiz bowl
participants will be eligible to compete at the
State Spring Classic Contest,**

Rabbit/Cavy Quiz Bowl 2026



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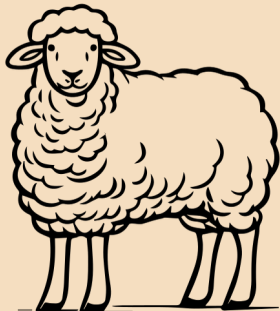


Livestock Quiz Bowl & Skills

6-8pm February 12th, 2026

Registration closes February 5th, 2026

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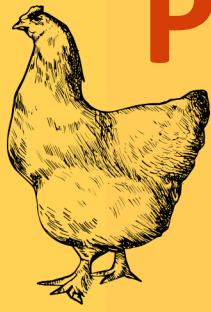
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Poultry Judging & Quiz Bowl



6-8pm February 17th, 2026

Register by February 10th, 2026

Top 4 Intermediate and Senior quiz bowl and judging participants will be eligible to compete at the State Spring Classic Contest

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Poultry Judging & Quiz Bowl



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Horse Judging & Hippology Contest

Crook, Deschutes, & Jefferson County 4-H Members are invited to participate in this annual, tri-county contest!

Sat., Feb. 28, 2026

- Registration begins at 8:30
- Horse Judging begins at 9:00
- Followed by Hippology



<https://beav.es/xnB>

Online Registration:

Register online by February 20, 2026
Questions? Contact Reaza Hacker
541-447-6228
reaza.hacker@oregonstate.edu

Crook County Fairgrounds - Indoor Arena

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