

LAKE COUNTY 4-H NEWS

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2025-2026 4-H Enrollment

*4-H enrollment opened October 1st. Please ensure that you enroll members using a **PA-PER FORM ONLY—NOT ONLINE.** 4-H enrollment opened October 1st. Please enroll members using a **paper form only- not online.** Enrollment forms are available at the OSU Extension Office or on our website [4-H Member Resources | OSU Extension Service](#). 4-H enrollment will close on **January 9th at 3 PM.**

The enrollment fee for the **2025-2026 4-H Year is \$40 per general member and \$35 per Cloverbud member (\$80 max per family).** Financial assistance will be available. If you have questions or need help with enrollment, please contact the extension office at 541-947-6054.



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November 2025

Sun **Mon** **Tue** **Wed** **Thu** **Fri** **Sat**

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2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Fair Debrief
Leader Meeting 6pm

9 10 11 12 13 14 15

Veterans Day
Extension Office Closed

Thank you card
class 5:30 pm

16 17 18 19 20 21 22

23 24 25 26 27 28 29

Thanksgiving Holiday
Extension Office Closed

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December 2025

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1 2 3 4 5 6

Enrollment
Pick-up at
North Lake
School 4-6 PM

7 8 9 10 11 12 13

Paisley Enrollment
Party
4pm at Paisley
School

14 15 16 17 18 19 20

21 22 23 24 25 26 27

Christmas
Holiday

Extension
Office Closed

28 29 30 31



Mark Your Calendar...

4-H Enrollment Deadline January 9

Deadline to Add/Drop Projects June
1st

Lake County 4-H Enrollment

ENROLLMENT DEADLINE: 3:00 PM JANUARY 9, 2026

For members to be fully eligible for county fair, 4-H enrollment forms must be turned in to the Extension Office by 3:00 pm January 9.

Enrollment forms are available [online](#) and at the Lake County Extension office. The enrollment fee is \$35 for Cloverbuds and \$40 (\$80 max per family) for general membership for the 2025-2026 4-H Year.

Make checks payable to Lake County Extension or pay online via credit card.

As always, enrollment forms cannot be accepted without payment; therefore, if you wish to pay by credit card please use this link <https://beav.es/5o7> to pay the enrollment fee prior to submitting your enrollment form(s) to the Extension office. We have an iPad set up in the office if you wish to process the credit card payment when you bring in your enrollment form(s).

FEE ASSISTANCE—Please contact the Extension Office for a Fee Assistance Application form. Fee Assistance Applications are due with your enrollment forms by **January 9**.

ALL 4-H VOLUNTEERS — Returning volunteers enroll online at [Sign In](#). New volunteers should contact Abby Walker for more information on the process.

New to 4-H?

If you are new to the Lake County 4-H Program, Welcome! Keep an eye on your email, as you will receive a welcome letter in late January that will answer many of your questions about the 4-H program. This letter will also include the dates of the New 4-H Family Orientation held in North Lake and in Lakeview. If you just can't wait to learn more, visit our website to read "New 4-H Members - Frequently Asked Questions & Answers" [here](#).



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LAKE COUNTY FAIR WRAP-UP

ARE YOU MISSING SOMETHING?

The following 4-H members have record books/ribbons/thank you cards/awards to be picked up at the Extension Office. Please stop by the OSU Extension Office at your earliest convenience to pick up your items.

Record Books

Brody Buss
Raegan Deter
Canyon Emmett
Paisley Emmett
Brooklyn Kness
Finnley Kness
Macy Kness
Josie Osborne
Kacie Threet

Fair Entries and Awards

Canyon Emmett
Paisley Emmett

LAKE COUNTY FAIR AWARDS

Sweatshirt and T-shirt awards have arrived at the office! If you find your name on the following list, please come pick up your award!

Caleb Britten
Canyon Emmett
Kacie Threet

Mariel Cota
Paisley Emmett



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4-H Volunteers



Are you interested in becoming a 4-H volunteer? The Lake County 4-H Program welcomes new volunteer 4-H leaders in all project areas.

Returning volunteers enroll through 4-H Online. New volunteers, please request an application.

If you would like more information on becoming a volunteer 4-H leader, please contact the Lake County Extension Office at 541.947.6054.

2025 STATE 4-H HORSE QUALIFIERS

Congratulations!

RANCH HORSE | *Emilia Swartz, Kya Kintzley, Cheyenne Albertson,
and Clair vanBelle*

PERFORMANCE | *Kya Kintzley*



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STATES' 4-H INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

2026 OUTBOUND PROGRAMS

COSTA RICA · JAPAN · TAIWAN · SOUTH KOREA · ARGENTINA



OUR MISSION:

Enhancing world understanding and global citizenship through high-quality 4-H international cultural immersion and exchange programs for 4-H aged youth.

Program Details:

States' 4-H Summer Outbound programs provide American 4-H youth with the opportunity to travel to foreign countries for a cultural immersion experience. Delegates live with volunteer host families and engage in experiential learning about a new way of life. Delegates experience aspects of daily life that allow them to more deeply understand both their host culture and their own culture. Our network of like-minded international partners recruits host families and plans enrichment activities.

2026 PROGRAM DATES*

Costa Rica: June 25-July 24
Japan 8-Week: June 10-August 7
Japan 4-Week: July 8-August 7
Taiwan: July 8-August 7
South Korea: July 15-August 14
Argentina: July 11-August 3

*Program dates subject to slight change or modification.

4-H YOUTH ELIGIBILITY

- ➔ 12-18 years old for Japan 4-Week & Taiwan
- ➔ 12-18 years old for South Korea
- ➔ 15-18 years old for Costa Rica, Argentina, and Japan 8-Week

Applicant must not be in college

APPLICATION DEADLINE

- Contact your State Coordinator and/or reach out to States' 4-H to learn more
- Applications open in Fall 2025

www.states4hexchange.com
exchange@states4h.org · (206) 462-2200

States' 4-H International Exchange Program

Oregon Specific Requirements & Deadlines – 2026

Application Deadline: December 1st - All applications submitted by Oregon 4-H members **MUST** be completed on line by this date. This allows time for processing and for conducting interviews and notifying successful applications of acceptance.

Applications are available at: 2026 Online Application Link: <https://smr.to/p104148>

Oregon Scholarship Application Deadline: December 1st – All Oregon 4-H members applying to travel Outbound are encouraged to apply for an Oregon Scholarship to help with costs.

Completed Applications are emailed directly to: Jon Gandy – jon.gandy@oregonstate.edu

Payment Due Dates - (to Oregon 4-H State Coordinator/International Programs in Madras):

January 1st: First Deposit Due

- \$5500 + airfare for Japan 8-week
- \$3600 + airfare for Japan 4-week
- \$3200 + airfare for South Korea, Taiwan
- \$2500 + airfare for Costa Rica, Argentina

March 15th: Remaining Payment Due

- Final payment for remainder of program fee, airfare; and any additional costs that may apply (unaccompanied minor, travel agent fee, etc.)
**this amount will be determine after airfare is secured*
- Oregon State Program Fee of \$250 (pay in a separate check to Oregon International 4-H Exchange Program)

Make Checks Payable to: States 4-H International Exchange

All Payments MUST be mailed to:

Jon Gandy, State Coordinator
850 NW Dogwood Lane
Madras, Oregon (541) 460-7683

NOTE: All Potential Oregon Delegates MUST be 13-18 years old at time of travel *(other age requirements might apply to specific countries-check details on country flyers)

Please call or email Jon Gandy, State Coordinator with questions – or check with you local 4-H Office.



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JANUARY 16-19, 2026

HIGH DESERT LEADERSHIP RETREAT

Ring, Ring...



**IT'S YOUR TIME
TO LEAD**

UNPLUGGED TO RECONNECT

EAGLE CREST RESORT | REDMOND, OR

**REGISTRATION
OPEN
NOV.3**

spaces fill quickly!

<https://beav.es/xXB>



**Registration Fee:
\$300**

**Contact your local
Extension Office for
information about
scholarships.**

High Desert Leadership Retreat is an overnight camp designed for youth in grades 7-12 to build leadership skills, engage with peers, and have fun in a supportive environment. Through hands-on workshops, team activities, and interactive sessions, participants will develop life skills that prepare them for success in school, work, and their communities.



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2026 High Desert Leadership Retreat

Ring Ring.... It's Your time to Lead! Unplugged to Reconnect | HDLR 2026

This year at HDLR, you can expect to unplug, reconnect and gain leadership skills that will last through the decades. That's right, new this year we will be facilitating a fully disconnected leadership experience (no cell phones allowed) and we can't wait to see you there!

[High Desert Leadership Retreat \(HDLR\)](#) is a great opportunity for youth in 7th-12th grade to spend the weekend learning new skills, building independence and networking with other teens from all over Oregon. Held over MLK weekend in January, HDLR gives youth a taste of independence as they grocery shop and cook for themselves and their condormates throughout the weekend. During the day, youth will participate in a series of self-selected leadership classes and in the evening there is plenty of time for fun at the rec center, dance and other events! See the full details below.

Retreat Dates: January 16-19, 2026

Retreat Location: [Eagle Crest Resort](#)

Registration Open November 3. Registration link will be posted on our event page linked above. Registration Cost: \$300

Registration will cap at 120 participants and registration typically fills within 2 weeks. Youth are encouraged to register as soon as they are able in order to secure a spot at the retreat



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