



MAKING THE BEST BETTER

Randolph County 4-H Newsletter



WHAT'S THE SCOOP?

Monthly Recap

November has been a fun and exciting month as youth across the area explored the poultry industry and more! Did you know that the NC poultry industry contributes \$40 billion to the \$111.1 billion impact of agriculture in the state? With over 5,100 farm families raising poultry in North Carolina, Randolph County plays a key role, ranking #5 in broiler chickens and #7 in layer chickens.

At Southmont Elementary, homeschool families at the Archdale Public Library, and the YMCA, youth learned about the poultry industry, the National Thanksgiving Turkey Pardon, and practiced their public speaking skills. A highlight of these sessions was the turkey trap challenge, where participants created and demonstrated their own turkey traps. Read more on page 4.

Club Highlight

During October and November, the Randolph County Robotics 4-H Club gained valuable insights into the world of drones through presentations from two expert guest speakers. The group was inspired by the wide variety of drone applications within Randolph County and has learned about drone licenses, regulations, and additional educational resources. For the upcoming meeting, the club has chosen to focus on hands-on learning by using their drone kits to design obstacle courses. The ultimate goal is to host a fun "drone contest" at the December meeting and Christmas party, where members can showcase their creations, knowledge, and skills.

Contact The Editor

Have questions about the newsletter or its contents? Want to highlight your 4-H club or 4-H'er? We love to hear from you!

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Left to right: Randolph County 4-H Agent Allison Allen teaches youth about poultry; a 4-H'er learns leaf anatomy and creates leaf rubbing art; a member of The Manitas Felices enjoys making and eating apple nachos.

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PROJECT RECORD BOOKS

What Are Project Record Books?

Project Record Books (PRBs) provide youth an opportunity to reflect on what they've learned and accomplished through a year, as they document new skills and experiences in a written report to measure their achievements and growth. PRBs encourage youth to set goals, pursue strategies to meet those goals, and to overcome obstacles.

The best part? Each youth's book will reflect their individual and unique interests, knowledge, talent, and skills. Templates are available online to make filling in your youth's PRB engaging, straight-forward, and rewarding.



FAQs:

When are PRBs due?

PRBs run on a Jan 1 - Dec 31 timeframe. PRB's are usually due in late Feb/early March, so it will include the previous calendar year's accomplishments.

How does my youth create their PRB?

The format required for PRBs follows the templates that are available online for each age category.

[LEARN MORE](#)

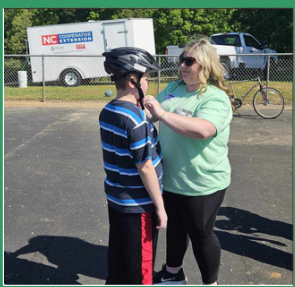


A Year In Pictures

2024 has been a fun-filled year of learning, growing, and “making the best better.” Join us in reminiscing on some of our favorite 4-H moments. We can’t wait to see what 2025 has in store!



NC 4-H Hunter Skills Tournament



4-H Bike Safety with Asheboro City Schools



4-H Chick & Rabbit Chain



Greensboro Jr. District Dairy Show



Mining for gold at Reed Gold Mine



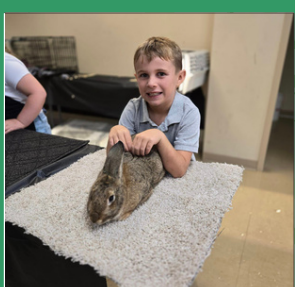
Tour of Wishon Evergreens Company



4-H Robotics Summer Camp



Randolph County 4-H Livestock Judging Contest



Randolph County 4-H Poultry & Rabbit Show



Randolph County 4-H Livestock Show



4-H Kayaking Summer Fun Trip



Farm to Table 4-H School Enrichment

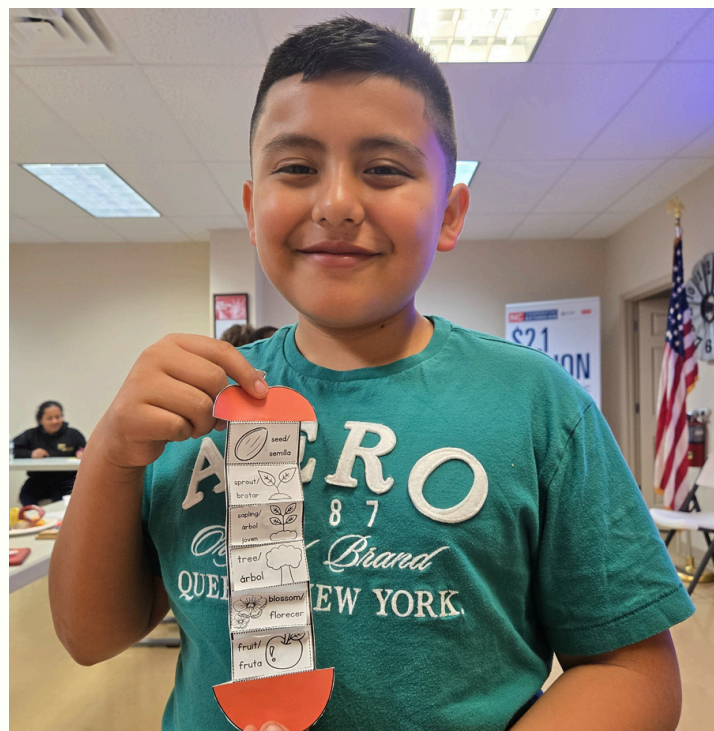
MONTHLY RECAP, CONTINUED.

At the Asheboro Public Library, Allison and two 4-H chicks visited the 0-6 story time, delighting young readers as she read *A Chicken Followed Me Home*. The chicks were a big hit, bringing excitement and hands-on learning to the event.

First-grade students at Southmont Elementary also dove into the world of plants by learning how seeds grow. They created seed germination necklaces to better understand the process.

The Manitas Felices group, consisting of 37 youth, explored the life cycle of apples and even made their own apple nachos, combining education with a tasty treat.

Youth from the Asheboro Housing Authority had a creative opportunity to try their hand at cake decorating. They decorated chocolate loaf pan cakes and took them home to share with their families, adding a sweet touch to the month's activities.



Randolph County 4-H concluded the "From Dirt To Digital: Living With Life Skills" program with T.H.E. Classes homeschool cooperative. Students learned about a variety of life skills, from digital literacy and food safety to botany and leadership development.

Taylor Wright and Sophie Farlow are continuing the on-going program partnership with Charles W. McCrary Elementary School. In November, students learned about leaf anatomy, completed a leaf chlorophyll STEAM experiment, and created their very own leaf rubbing art.

After school students from Guy B. Teachey elementary school learned about the importance of hand washing, especially during cold and flu season. To demonstrate how quickly germs spread and where germs are most commonly found, students will be monitoring and completing a moldy bread experiment for the next month - after which, students will determine which areas of their classroom are the most susceptible to the spreading of germs.

At the George Washington Carver Enrichment Center, students continue to develop their communication and adult-life skills. In November, students designed and created pinback buttons that showcase the values and characteristics they intend to encompass in order to build the future life of their dreams!

Learn more about 4-H programming opportunities in Randolph County by visiting our website or Facebook.

BE PART OF SOMETHING BIG!
JOIN 4-H! 

DECEMBER 2024

Mark Your Calendars!

Events that are underlined below are hyperlinked to webpages with additional information.

- Dec 13..... Archdale Homeschool Group
Life Cycle of a Christmas Tree
@ Archdale Public Library
- Dec 19..... Christmas Tree Life Cycle @
Ramseur Public Library 3:30pm
- Jan 2..... NC 4-H Horse Program
Training Clinic Registration
Due
- Jan 18..... NC 4-H Horse Program
Training Clinic
- Jan 18..... 4-H Shooting Sports National
Team Practice
- Jan 31..... 4-H Club Rechartering Due
- Feb 1..... Hunter Skills Tournament @
Millstone
- Feb 3..... 4-H Honors Club Applications
Due



Register for upcoming Cooperative
Extension classes and events at:

<http://go.ncsu.edu/events>



January 18, 2025 Youth Training Clinic at NCSU

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE
JANUARY 2**

EVENTBRITE LINK ON THE EVENT PAGE ON THE EEH WEBSITE

<https://go.ncsu.edu/youth-training-clinic>



Individuals, teams, and coaches
that are interested in sharpening
their skills for Horse Judging,
Hippology and Horsebowl are
encouraged to attend!

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