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Fauquier County Cooperative Extension

COME WORK WITH US!

Virginia Cooperative Extension Office in Fauquier County is accepting applications for a full-time 4-H Youth Program Educator! Want more information? Scan the QR code below!



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Calling all photographers!

Do you have a photo of a Fauquier County landscape that you want featured in our newsletter? Email your photo submissions to Meredith Day at meredithday@vt.edu

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THE CLOVER CORNER

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

ARE YOU A COMMUNITY MEMBER
INTERESTED IN LEARNING ABOUT OUR
YOUTH PROGRAMS?

We will be collecting youth project books
October 1st, and we need volunteers to score
them and return to the office by October 25th!

Pick up dates: October 1, 2, 8, 9
DUE BACK to the office: October 25th

[SIGN UP HERE](#)

Thanks from Fauquier 4-H!

Our youth members have
turned in their project books,
and we need YOUR HELP to
score them all in preparation
for our annual Achievement
Night!

Sign-up to choose your pick up
date and how many project
books you are willing to score!



All project books need to be returned to the office by 5PM on October 25th. Thanks for
your consideration!

**volunteers great for this role are community members who do not have children in the
4-H program, but we welcome parents to sign up to score record books in a different
program area than their kids are in!

ATTENTION 4-H CLUB REPORTERS!

We have launched our segment of the Clover Corner for Club
Highlights! Club reporters are invited to send a write-up and photos to
meredithday@vt.edu to be featured in the monthly newsletter. Submit
by the 20th of each month to be featured in the following month's
newsletter. Please include activities your club is doing, when/where
your club meets, and any big events or projects coming up! Remember
to sign your name and your club.

****first priority will go to clubs who have not yet been featured and/or
clubs who submit content first**



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THE CLOVER CORNER

A NEW CLUB YEAR BEGINS!

Our 4-H club year began October 1st! Fauquier 4-H has a wide variety of club offerings for ages 5-19, including livestock-based clubs, science-based clubs, small animal-based clubs, robotics, and shooting education! Now is the perfect time to check out different kinds of clubs to see what you might like!

Head over to our club list on our website to find a club, when they meet, and reach out to the club leader for more information!

We look forward to seeing you!



WANT TO EXPLORE CLUBS?

Interested in finding out more information about our available clubs? Scan the QR code to learn more!



ALREADY A MEMBER?

You'll need to re-enroll at v2.4honline.com AFTER October 1st. See your club leader if you have questions!

2024-2025 4-H CLUB OFFICER TRAINING

With the new 4-H year comes new club officers! Each year, officers must be trained to perform their role to the best of their ability. Save the date for this year's officer training Tuesday October 29th 5:30-7:00PM at the PATH Foundation Building! Check with your club leader for registration details!

SAVE THE DATE!

2024-2025 4-H Club
Officer Training

OCTOBER 29TH
5:30-7:00PM
**PATH FOUNDATION
BUILDING**

Your club leader will send out
registration details in the coming weeks!

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2025 LOUDOUN-FAUQUIER 4-H CAMP

We are busy planning our 2025 Loudoun-Fauquier 4-H Camp! Here are some important upcoming dates to add to your calendars:

2025 Camp Dates: June 15th - 19th, 2025

11/15/2024 - Counselor & CIT Applications Open

01/10/2025 - Counselor & CIT Applications Close

03/07/2025 - Early Camper Registration Opens
(for 4-H Members)

03/14/2025 - Camper Registration Opens (to the General Public)

2025 LOUDOUN-FAUQUIER 4-H CAMP
JUNE 15-19, 2025

UPCOMING DATES

NOV 15, 2024	Counselor / CIT Applications Open
JAN 10, 2025	Counselor / CIT Applications Close
MAR 7, 2025	Early Camper Registration for 4-H Members Opens
MAR 14, 2025	Camper registration Opens to General Public

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THE ELEANOR HAZEL 4-H AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM IS RETURNING!

Kindergarten - 2nd Graders
Registration will open October 27th @ Noon
First Come First Served
Schools: HMPES, MWES, MMPES, GMES & CTES

ROBOTICS & ELECTRONICS

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<https://sites.google.com/vt.edu/afterschool4h/the-eleanor-hazel-4-h-after-school-prc>

The Eleanor Hazel 4-H After School Program -
Series 2: Robotics & Electronics

When: November 11-January 17 | 3:30 to 4:30

Where: HMPES, MWES, MMPES, GMES & CTES

Who: Kindergarten - 2nd Graders

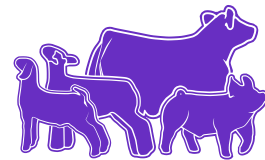
First Come First Served

Registration will open: October 27th at Noon

Using equipment designed for budding engineers, participants will complete fun challenges and make wacky electronic creations using common electronics components and concepts. Beyond having fun, students will learn about simple electronics, coding and robotics design while also developing life skills like collaboration, communication, and critical thinking.

THE READY RING

FAUQUIER LIVESTOCK SHOW & SALE



SAVE THE DATE!

SHOW & SALE FIRST MANDATORY MEETING



Fauquier Livestock Show & Sale is scheduled for May 4-5, 2025! The first mandatory meeting for exhibitors is Wednesday October 9th, 6PM at the Fauquier Fairgrounds. At this meeting, we will go over some logistics of Show & Sale for new families, and experienced exhibitors will rotate through stations to learn more about their projects and how to succeed at Show & Sale!

2025 SHOW & SALE COMMITTEE

Each year, youth exhibitors of Show & Sale apply, interview, and are selected to serve on the Show & Sale Committee. These members work throughout the year to plan, organize, and execute different meetings and educational opportunities for the rest of the Show & Sale exhibitors!

We are excited to welcome back these members as our 2025 Show & Sale Committee!

Savannah Lerch, Chairman

Whitney Norman, Vice Chairman

Avery Armistead, Secretary

Zach Romine

Ali Yankey

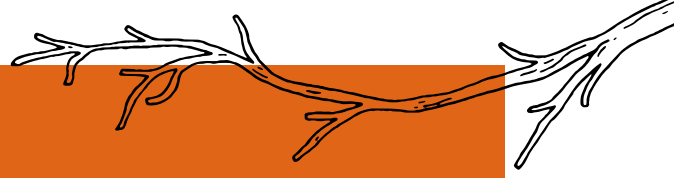
Willa Price

Members also have the opportunity to apply, interview, and be selected for the Junior Committee to gain experience working with the Senior Committee members. Our 2025 Show & Sale Junior Committee members are:

Madison Hinkler

Brianna Wall

Evan Saykaly



GOT SHEEP? YOUR COYOTES DO!

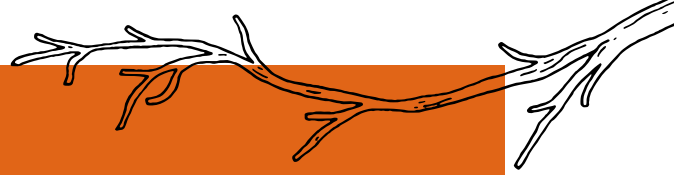
Coyotes (*Canis latrans*) are highly adaptable and opportunistic predators that pose a large threat to livestock, particularly sheep. Their high predatory behavior can lead to substantial economic losses for farmers and can disrupt livestock management.

Coyotes are versatile feeders with a diet that varies based on their habitat and the availability of prey. In more rural and agricultural areas, they often target domestic animals such as sheep. They will prey on sheep when the opportunity arises, particularly targeting the vulnerable individuals such as lambs and weakened adults. By using high, durable fencing to create a barrier between coyotes and the sheep. Electric fences can be particularly effective when properly maintained.

When not grazing, keep sheep in secure enclosures or barns to minimize their exposure to coyotes. By understanding coyote behavior and implementing a more comprehensive prevention strategy, sheep farmers can better protect their flocks and minimize the impact of predation on their operations.



UPCOMING EVENTS



NEXT GENERATION ENTREPRENEURS AT WARRENTON FARMER'S MARKET

October 5th, 2024

Warrenton Farmers Market

Warren Green Building Porch

Vendors will include: Hydro Bros Decor, Bri's
Bundles, Ella T's Jewelry N' Things, Mia's Magical
Macrame, Sarah's Specialties, Bear Patch

CLOVER CALENDAR

October 1 | New Club Year Begins

October 3-6 | State Fair Livestock
Weekend

October 5 | Fauquier Fall Farm Tour

October 29 | 4-H Club Officer Training

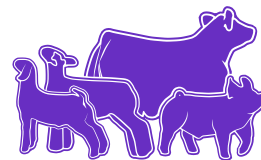


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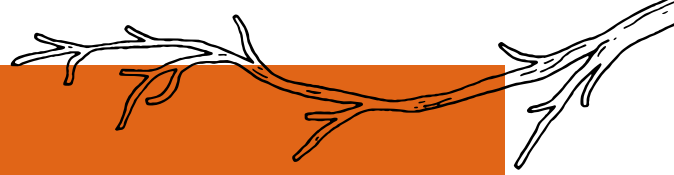
October 9 | Kick-Off Meeting 6PM Fauquier
Fairgrounds

November 3 | Beef Weigh-In 7-8AM
Fauquier Fairgrounds

November 13 | Marketing Meeting 6PM
Fauquier Fairgrounds



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