



Prince William 4-H

Our Clubs, Our Community



May 21, 2025

Upcoming Events

- May 21** - PW 4-H Young Entrepreneurs Workshop #3
- May 22** - PW 4-H Teen Club Community Service
- May 28** - PW 4-H Young Entrepreneurs Workshop #4
- May 29** - PW 4-H Book Club SPIN Project
- May 30** - PW 4-H Outdoor Challenge
- Jun 7** - PW 4-H Young Entrepreneurs 1st Market Day!
- Jun 22-28** - National 4-H Shooting Sports Championship
- Jun 23** - VA 4-H Livestock Judging Contests
- Jun 24-27** - VA 4-H Congress

PW 4-H Young Entrepreneurs Talk Dollars & Cents



The Prince William 4-H Young Entrepreneurs met last week to work out the financial details of their small businesses. The workshop began with a *More about Me* icebreaker where youth had to choose an M & M and they color corresponded to a question. 4-H'ers all agreed that NOT EATING the M & M's was the hardest part of the icebreaker!

John Pritchett from VCE Financial Education was our guest speaker for Workshop #2. He helped participants work through how to price their products and other financial considerations and needs of a small business. **A HUGE 4-H THANK YOU** to Mr. Pritchett for joining

our meeting and sharing his expertise to help our businesses grow. Mr. Pritchett is also an entrepreneur and children's book writer. [Click here to explore his library of books on Amazon!](#)

PW 4-H YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS WORKSHOP #3

Wednesday, May 21st | 6:30 - 8 PM | PW 4-H Headquarters

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR MARKET DAYS!

8 AM - 1 PM | Manassas Park Farmer's Market | Jun 7th, Jul 12th, Aug 23rd, Sep 13th, and Oct 4th



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4-H Graduation Celebration Kits Available at PW 4-H



Prince William 4-H'ers are invited to stop by headquarters in Manassas to pick up their 4-H Graduate Celebration Kit, from Virginia 4-H which includes: a certificate of achievement, 4-H graduation cord, 4-H stickers and pen, and a 4-H "Graduate" yard sign.

Please send us a photo of you with your yard sign so that we can recognize our seniors in an upcoming newsletter!

PHOTOS DUE BY FRIDAY, MAY 23RD.

Email chelmlinger@pwcva.gov.



ISO 4-H Competition Judges & Room Chairs @ State 4-H Congress

Competitions on Wednesday, June 25th • Blacksburg, VA • [Click here to volunteer.](#)
Our very own PW 4-H Extension Agent MaryBeth Lerch will be organizing volunteers!

PW 4-H Teen Club Community Service at Boxes of Basics



Date: Thursday, May 22nd

Time: 6-8 PM

Location: Boxes of Basics, 9239 Mike Garcia Dr, Manassas

Who Should Attend: Prince William 4-H'ers ages 13 and up

[Click here to register.](#) **REGISTRATION REQUIRED - Only 2 slots left!**



You never know what work needs to be done at Boxes of Basics HQ. One day it is sorting donations, the next day you could be packing a box for a local child. Teens, come ready to sort and pack boxes for children in our communities in need of clothing & shoes. Wear comfortable shoes and 4-H green! We will be moving and on our feet serving the community. [Click here to learn about Boxes of Basics.](#)

PW 4-H Families are Signing Up for an EXCITING Summer

And we're encouraging more to join in the fun! Virginia 4-H committed to hosting 20 youth delegates (13 girls and 7 boys) and 2 adult chaperones from Japan this summer, for a total need of 22 host families. They are more than half way there - and are [in search of 6 host families!](#) (5 girls and 1 boy)

OUR PW 4-H FAMILIES HAVE SO MUCH TO OFFER!

There are 4 screening steps and they are run consecutively (*not concurrently*):

- Complete application with appropriate and acceptable answers to questions
- 2 good completed references
- Home visit/home inspection by local 4-H person with good report
- Background checks for all people 18+ who will be home during the homestay

Let's show the State and the delegates our commitment to the 4-H Pillar of Citizenship!

[Click here to apply](#) and select Virginia as your state. | [Click here for Summer Program FAQs.](#)

[Click here for an inspirational video](#) of our inbound exchange from 2023.



Trigger Time 4-H Club



Trigger Time 4-H Shooting Education Club Quiz Bowl Awards By Rebecca Ahrens, Trigger Time 4-H Club Reporter

May 21, 2025. This week at Trigger Time's air rifle/pistol practice, head coach Alan Lerch presented the awards for the 2025 4-H Quiz Bowl. The club's 4-person team that participated in the virtual event took 2nd place in the region. Trigger Time also recognized its graduating seniors. Observing the end of their final year of high school were Caleb Hoogasian, Tonchi Mintz, and Julie Stogran. Congratulations to the Class of 2025! The team wishes them the best in their future years beyond high school.



Congratulations!

2025 VARINA RISING STARS DISTRICT QUALIFYING SHOW



Beyond
Ready

Prince William 4-H's Nokesville Equestrian 4-H Club competed in the 2025 District Qualifying Show at Varina Rising Stars in Richmond County on May 10th. The team consisted of 4-H'ers Caroline, Naomi, Haley, Lexie, Anna, Julianna, Danny, Kendra, and Kailey. Everyone who competed successfully qualified for the 2025 Virginia 4-H State Horse Show being held September 4th - 7th in Lexington, Virginia.

To qualify for the state show, equestrian team members had to demonstrate that they could handle and take care of a horse. They do this through two qualifying events: Horsemanship I and II. In addition, each team member had to compete in the show in at least one event, such as pleasure, equitation, and trail riding.

Congratulations to Nokesville Equestrian 4-H Club!
We're so proud of your passion and hard work!

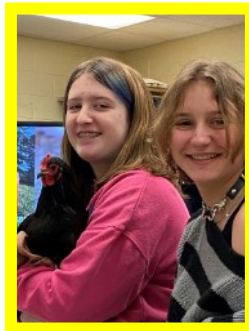
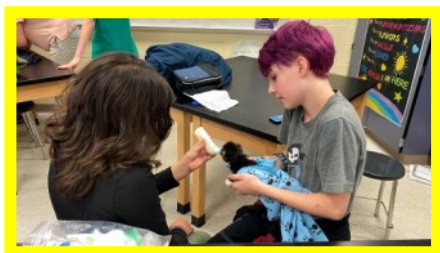
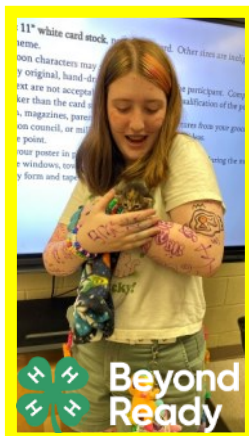




Benton Middle School 4-H Club



WRAPPING UP A FABULOUS 4-H YEAR OF ANIMAL SCIENCE!



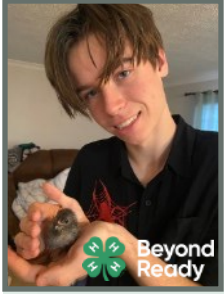
CONGRATULATIONS ON A SUCCESSFUL 1ST YEAR IN A 4-H SCHOOL-BASED CLUB!

Keep the 4-H fun going over the summer at Virginia 4-H Congress and 4-H Junior Camp, and participate in local 4-H SPIN projects, such as [PW 4-H Book Club](#) and [PW 4-H Outdoor Challenge](#).

Don't forget to complete your **4-H Project Record** and compile photos, newsletter articles, and more for your **4-H Portfolio**. [Click here to access age-appropriate forms.](#) 4-H Project Records and Portfolios are due to Prince William 4-H by Wednesday, October 1st.

4-H CIVIC ENGAGEMENT IN ACTION

submitted by Prince William 4-H'er Michael DeRoche, Nokesville 4-H Community Club



Thanks to what I've learned through 4-H - especially through *Prince William 4-H Engage Locally!*, where we meet and talk with local leaders, and from my experiences attending *Virginia 4-H Day at the Capitol* - I felt confident writing a letter to the Manassas City Council about a topic that means a lot to me: backyard chickens. Here's the letter I sent:

To whom this may concern,

Backyard chickens should be allowed back into Manassas City's backyards. They're a great way to support sustainable living, reduce food waste, and have access to fresh eggs - especially when there are clear rules in place.

Can you imagine waking up every morning and walking outside, with a little basket in hand, through the dew covered grass, making your way to a coop, filled with chickens, all excited to see you? You collect your own eggs to make a delicious and savory breakfast for your family, or yourself, or roommate. Countless cities around us allow this. So why not Manassas?

We could have fresh eggs, and seeing as the prices are going up, that is very helpful. Chickens provide a level of sustainability, as they will eat just about anything: table scraps, grass, even their own eggs. So yes, you'd need to still buy some form of chicken feed, but thanks to their dietary habits, you will have less waste and garbage. Chickens produce a natural fertilizer that can turn even Virginia clay into a very nice rich soil for growing all kinds of crops or plants. We already have a small vegetable garden, and being able to use chicken manure would make it even better. It's organic, more affordable, and would help us grow healthier food - not just eggs, but vegetables too. It's nature's recycling.

It is not just my opinion. This already works in other cities. According to Earth911, backyard chickens help reduce landfill waste, provide high-quality fertilizer, and lower the carbon footprint of household food production, all while promoting sustainable living in urban areas.

Raising your own food is powerful. No factories. No chemicals. No mystery. Just real food you can trust. Eggs from backyard chickens are healthier, fresher, and tastier than store-bought and when you're taking care of hens, you know exactly how they're treated and what they're eating.

Some people would say the noise or the smell would be an issue. But if you only get hens, they're quiet. So a specification to only getting hens would be an easy way to fix that issue. And odor is not a problem if you clean the coop. There can be rules put in place to limit the number of chickens and require frequent cleaning. People also say that chickens attract pests and predators, but as long as you secure your coops and have the proper food storage, that won't happen. Lastly, some might say that "Chickens are unsanitary" but permits and health inspections can keep everything safe and neighbor-friendly.

Chickens also teach real-world lessons. Through 4-H, I've learned how to incubate eggs, care for chicks, and tend adult hens. Over spring break, I even became a chicken tender. No, not the KFC kind, but for a friend's flock. I fed them, gathered eggs, and kept the coop clean. I didn't get to do this when I was younger, but I wish I had. It taught me real responsibility, and showed me the value of knowing where your food comes from.

Urban schools are adopting this kind of learning. For example, Burley Elementary School in Chicago built a chicken coop as part of their Eco:Lab sustainability program. Students there care for the chickens, collect eggs, and learn about sustainability and animal care first hand. This hands-on experience helps students connect with the food sources and understand the importance of environmental stewardship.

Chickens are not just animals - they are a step toward independence and sustainability. I have several friends in Nokesville alone who've shared their experiences of keeping backyard chickens, and every one of them say the same thing: it's frustrating that Manassas City does not allow this.

Please give us the chance to make this right. With clear rules and respectful care, backyard chickens can make a big difference.

Sincerely,

Michael DeRoche

Manassas City Resident; Sophomore, Osbourn High School; Vice President, Nokesville 4-H Community Club

What really started it all was something that happened while I was volunteering at Farm Field Days with 4-H. I was helping show chickens to the younger kids, and during the event, one of the hens laid an egg. The owner of the chicken, Mrs. Moore, gave me the egg to take home. Most people would've eaten it - but I asked if I could try to hatch it.

We got a small incubator, and I took care of the egg, turning it and monitoring the temperature until it hatched. I named the chick Akiva. But because backyard chickens aren't allowed in Manassas, I wasn't allowed to keep her. Luckily, one of our 4-H families had a coop and took her in.

That experience, and everything I'd learned from 4-H, gave me the confidence to speak up and share why backyard chickens can be a good thing for families, education, and sustainability - especially when done responsibly. I'm proud of what I wrote and thankful for the 4-H leaders and programs that helped me feel prepared to take this step.



JOIN THE MOVEMENT TO BRING BACKYARD HENS TO MANASSAS CITY!

[Click here to sign the petition](#) or send an email directly to mayorandcouncil@manassasva.gov.

4-H JUNIOR CAMP COUNSELOR WORKSHOP



Prince William 4-H



OUTDOOR CHALLENGE SPIN CLUB



Enjoying every challenge and beauty that nature offers.



**FRIDAY,
MAY 30TH**

**6:30
PM**

**BRISTOE STATION
BATTLEFIELD
HERITAGE PARK**

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFO & TO REGISTER.](#)

**Hike with us on a 2-mile loop trail and learn about
this summer's 4-H Outdoor Challenge!**



- All ages welcome
- Must be registered in 4HOnline
- Wear comfortable shoes and layered clothing
- bring a water bottle, sunscreen, and bug spray

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PRINCE WILLIAM 4-H

Celebrating 40 Years of 4-H Fair Camp

Prince William 4-H Fair Camp is an exciting week for youth to explore the 4-H Pillars of Agriculture, STEM, Healthy Living and Citizenship.

PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

AUGUST 2025

11-15

9 AM - 12:30 PM

DAILY THEMES!

Color Day Monday

Superhero Tuesday

Wacky Wednesday

4-H Thursday: Celebrating
40 Years

4-H Beach Day Friday

- Celebrate 40 Years of our favorite snacks, activities, & themes!
- Experience the Prince William County Fair close-up with behind the scenes access to Fair exhibits.
- Explore daily themes, camp songs, creative crafts, face painting, healthy snacks, & more!
- Engage with new friends and build confidence while exploring the Character Counts traits: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, & citizenship.

REGISTRATION IS OPEN!



Dates: Monday - Friday, August 11th - 15th

Time: 9 am - 12:30 pm

Location: 4-H Children's Barn at the PWC Fairgrounds

Who Should Attend: youth ages 5-12 residing in Prince William County, Manassas City, & Manassas Park

Registration Fee: \$50, includes activities, a healthy snack, and a camp t-shirt (if registered by June 1st)

Register: www.pwcva.gov/departments/virginia-cooperative-extension/4-h-camps

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Virginia 4-H State Cabinet Town Halls

The application process for the 2025-2026 State 4-H Cabinet is well underway! This year, voting for candidates will no longer be limited to those youth who attend Virginia 4-H State Congress. 4-H'ers from each district will still vote on their own district's candidates for ambassador positions, and officers will be elected by the entire state.

To ensure that all youth ages 14 and up have an opportunity to get to know the candidates and those they will be voting for, Virginia 4-H is hosting Virtual Town Halls for each district and another for the Officer (President, Vice President, Secretary, and Reporter/Historian) candidates.

SAVE THE DATES

June 8 - Officer Town Hall, 7 PM

June 10 - Northwest District Town Hall, 7 PM

June 12 - Central, Northeast, Southeast & Southwest Town Halls, 7 PM

Zoom links coming soon.



2025 Virginia 4-H State Horse Show- Declarations are OPEN

Dates: September 4th - 7th

Location: Lexington, VA

[Click here for the Virginia 4-H Horse Show website.](#)

Parents, youth, agents, and volunteers should familiarize themselves with information regarding the Requirements, Rules, and Qualifying Options for the State Horse Show. Also included on the website are the rules and entry information for the Art Contest, Photography Contest, and the Record Book/Portfolio Contest.



Important Dates

May 1st: Declarations open in 4-H Online

July 1st: Deadline for Online Eligibility/Declaration in 4H Online.

July 31st: Entry Deadline. Orientation Meeting/Checklist Completed by Club Leader or VCE Agent.

State Horse Show Details

[2025 Rulebook](#) | [2025 Show Schedule](#) | [2025 Rule Updates](#) | [Overview of Requirements to Compete](#)

2025 Qualifying Shows & Horsemanship Skills

[List of District Approved Qualifying Shows](#) | [Horsemanship Skills Opportunities](#)

DECLARATIONS ARE OPEN

ALL DECLARATIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY JULY 1 AT 11:59 PM.

- ANY Horse or Pony that a youth MAY show at the State Show must be declared in 4HOnline in order to be eligible to show.
- Please be prepared when beginning your declarations with current photos of your animal, Coggins test date, and an accurate height measurement. The correct measurement is imperative, as it is tied to "Animal Type" and linked to specific classes within the entry system. If the height entered is incorrect, it will affect your ability to enter classes. If you notice your height is incorrect, you must re-add that animal as a new animal in order to input the correct measurement, the system will not allow changes.
- If you are declaring a Horse/Pony that you declared last year or in a previous year, you do have the option to re-declare a previously added animal. Please note, if your height/animal type is incorrect due to a previous entry error, you will need to add a new animal and provide all new information. There is no opportunity to change the Animal Type. Additionally, if using an animal from a previous year, please ensure that you upload a CURRENT Coggins Test and edit to reflect the updated Coggins Test date for 2025.
- [Click here for Tip Sheets for declarations.](#)

2025 Virginia 4-H State Livestock Judging Contest



Date: Monday, June 23rd

Location: Alphin-Stuart Arena on the campus of Virginia Tech

4-H Contest Entry Link: <https://tinyurl.com/2025-State-4-H-LJ-Eval-Entry>

Fee: \$20/contestant entered, includes lunch for contestants

Entry Deadline: Wednesday, June 11th at 5 pm

[Click here for more information](#), including contest letter, entry info, supporting materials, and more.

This event will serve as the Official State Contest for Virginia 4-H. Please take note that for 2025 the Virginia FFA Livestock Evaluation CDE and Virginia 4-H State Livestock Judging Contest are being held on two separate dates. There will not be a joint event this year.

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- There is a Junior and Senior Division – based on participant age as of January 1, 2025.
- All youth must be entered and approved in 4HOnline prior to submitting your entry.
- All Junior and Senior contestants will give Oral Reasons-2 sets for Juniors and 4 sets for Seniors.
- There will be no substitutions, added contestants, or changes after the June 11th deadline. Please make sure your entries are submitted on time and are correct.

2025 State Fair of Virginia Youth Livestock Shows

2025 SFVA Youth Livestock Dates:

October 1st – 5th, 2025; **Updated rules will be available the week of May 12th.**

Important Dates and Deadlines – NEW FOR 2025

July 1st – DEADLINE for Mailing/Postmark DNA Samples to VA Tech
 July 1st – DEADLINE for completing Online Nomination Process via FairEntry
 July 1st – Ownership Deadline for all REGISTERED Breeding Livestock
 July 2nd – SFVA Youth Livestock Entry System will open via FairEntry
 August 15th – Entry Deadline for ALL ANIMALS via the Fair Entry System

VIRGINIA YOUTH LIVESTOCK PROGRAMS



DNA PACKET ORDERING SYSTEM IS OPEN - DUE BY JUNE 24TH

Animal nomination is FREE - NOMINATE ANYTHING THAT YOU THINK YOU MIGHT BRING TO THE STATE FAIR.

Nominations close July 1st. No late additions accepted.

[Click here to order DNA Envelopes and Nomination Packets.](#)

Livestock the Require Nomination and DNA Samples to Show

Market Beef (registered and crossbred) • Commercial/Crossbred Heifers • Commercial (non-registered) Does • Market Goats • Commercial (non-registered) Ewes • Market Lambs • Market Hogs (registered and crossbred) • Commercial Breeding Gilts

Livestock NOT Requiring Nomination and DNA Sample to Show: Registered Breeding Females of any species

2025 June Dairy Month 4-H Poster Contest: “Dairy Defenders”

[Click here for more information and to enter.](#) **SUBMIT ENTRIES TO PW 4-H BY JUNE 11TH.**

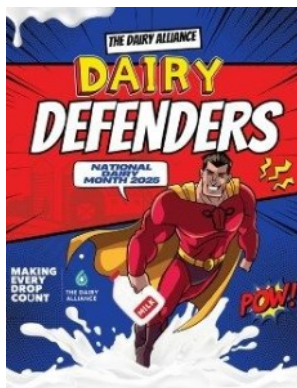
Who Should Participate: all Virginia 4-H'ers

Age Groups (as of Sep 30, 2025): Junior: ages 9-11, Intermediate: ages 12-13, Senior: ages 14-19

The purpose of the annual June Dairy Month 4-H Poster Contest is to learn more about milk and milk products and their importance to human health. Posters must be on 8 ½" x 11" white card stock, not poster board. See link above for specific entry details, rules, and scoring guidelines. Winners The top three posters in each age category at the unit level may compete for state awards. Prince William 4-H will mail unit winning posters to Virginia 4-H before June 18th.

Unit Winners: In each age group, first, second, and third place winners receive ribbons.

State Winners: In each age group, first, second, and third place winners receive an embossed stainless-steel tumbler and an art set.



Save the Date: Hokie BugFest 2025

Date: Saturday, October 18th

Time: 10am-3pm, 9am pre-opening for those who may benefit from a less crowded environment.

Location: Squires Student Center, Blacksburg, VA

This free, community event will feature exhibits from Virginia Tech labs and partner organizations, live arthropods from the Hokie BugZoo, contests, and a wealth of hands-on, STEAM-based activities for all ages.

Exhibitor and volunteer sign-up information will be emailed this summer. For now, please save the date and help us spread the word!

NOVA 4-H Educational Center Opportunities

4-H NOVA TLC SUMMER CAMP OPEN HOUSE

Date: Thursday, May 29th

Time: 6-8 PM

Location: 600 4H Center Dr., Front Royal

[Click here to register.](#)

Great opportunity for families new to 4-H camping to explore what 4-H camp has to offer!

CLOVERBUD'S SUMMER CAMP

Dates: July 18th-20th

Cost: \$160 per person

[Click here to register.](#)

This year's theme is Superheroes! Open to youth ages 5-8. This year's theme is superheroes and participants will be involved in classic camp activities and classes like canoeing, tie-dye, arts and crafts, pool time, evening activities and more with a superhuman twist!

Cloverbud Camp is a 2-night residential camp designed to give younger children the opportunity to spend the night away from home and experience what 4-H has to offer with a while sharing the experience with a parent or guardian.



Save the Date



October 18, 2025

10am - 3pm

Squires Student Center

hokiebugfest.org

Free Admission • Open to Public • Live Bugs • Hands-On Activities
Exhibits from VT Labs, Local Museums, and Community Organizations
Early opening at 9am for those with special needs (SAFE Hour)



If you are an individual with a disability and desire an accommodation, please contact Whitney Weaver Wright at 540-231-6543 or wvwr1@vt.edu during regular business hours at least 10 business days prior to the event.



4-H NOVA TLC

SUMMER CAMP OPEN HOUSE

Come Get a Taste of Summer Fun!

THURSDAY, MAY 29 • 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

600 4H Center Dr, Front Royal, VA 22630

What to Expect:

Join us for an exciting evening where kids and families can get a sneak peek of 4-H Camp has to offer! Explore the dorms, meet camp staff, enjoy a mock 4-H campfire, and learn about engaging summer activities.

RSVP:



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Governor's Volunteerism & Community Service Awards

Nominate someone you know!

People across Virginia make a difference in the lives of others, every day. Individuals, groups, and organizations invest their time and talent in helping others and creating positive change right where they live. In ways big and small, volunteers serve others in a multitude of ways – often without fanfare or recognition. Presented by Serve Virginia and the Virginia Service Foundation, these awards recognize and celebrate the impact of Virginia's outstanding volunteers.

BACKGROUND & BENEFITS

The Governor's Volunteerism & Community Service Awards recognize Virginians who serve across the Commonwealth. These awards recognize some of the millions of generous Virginians who offer their time and talents to others each year. It spotlights the ways that dedication, innovation, and generosity can improve life for all Virginians. Selected honorees are recognized by the Governor and invited to an awards ceremony at the Executive Mansion. All nominees will be recognized on the Serve Virginia Honor Roll.

THE PEOPLE WE SEEK

We are seeking nominations for people and groups from across Virginia going above and beyond through service and volunteerism. Consider nominating individuals or groups that truly make a difference in the community, whether through volunteering with an organization or through more informal service, like helping out a school PTO or serving as a youth basketball coach. These awards recognize the outstanding service of Virginians who dedicate themselves in service to others.

Nominate Someone Today!

If you know someone who consistently serves formally or informally – and makes a significant impact through their service – nominate them! One honoree will be recognized in each category. Nominees must live and serve in Virginia to be eligible. You can nominate a person or group starting May 14, 2025.

AWARDS WILL BE GIVEN IN THESE CATEGORIES

Group Awards

- Independent Group (family, friends, informal group)
- Community Organization (nonprofit or government)
- Faith-Based Group (spiritual community)
- Educational Organization (K-12 school or higher ed)
- Small Business (for-profit, 0-50 employees)
- Corporation (for-profit, 51+ employees)

Individual Awards

- Youth (aged 18 and under)
- Young Adult (aged 19-30)
- Adult (aged 31-59)
- Senior (aged 60+)

Past Award Honorees

Newport News Shipbuilding

Newport News Shipbuilding gives back to the community by preparing underserved students for college and the workforce through initiatives like STEM mentoring, career awareness programs, teacher internships, and experiential learning.



Bezawit Getachew Mulatu

Bezawit Getachew Mulatu serves as a first responder with the University of Richmond Emergency Medical Services and the Tuckahoe Volunteer Rescue Squad, and as a volunteer clinician at CrossOver Health Ministry and with the Virginia Medical Reserve Corps.



Nomination deadline: June 23, 2025

Got questions about the process?
Email sarah.lawson@dss.virginia.gov for more information.

Ready to nominate a person or group?
Scan the QR code or visit our website to learn more:

ServeVirginia.org/governors-awards



About Serve Virginia

Serve Virginia aspires to build a culture of service and volunteerism in all corners of the Commonwealth by inspiring individuals and organizations to engage, connecting them with the resources they need to make a difference, and celebrating the tremendous impacts we make together.

About the Virginia Service Foundation

The Virginia Service Foundation supports the activities of the Governor's Advisory Board on Service and Volunteerism, promoting volunteer involvement, civic engagement, and citizen participation to serve the needs of the Commonwealth of Virginia and its communities.



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2024 - 2025 PRINCE WILLIAM 4-H EVENT CALENDAR

OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
6-12 National 4-H Week	2 VSU 4-H Aspiring Leadership Training - Intermediate Congress	3 PW 4-H Club & Project Leader Training (Option 1)	7 PW 4-H Club & Project Leader Training (Option 2)	7-8 VA 4-H Hippology & Horse Judging	1 PW 4-H Junior Camp Reg Opens
8 Proclamation at PWC BOCS	4-5 PW 4-H Palama Party SPIN Club	5 PW 4-H Homemade Holiday Craft Night, Teen Club, Cloverbud Club	9 PW 4-H Food Challenge Training	17-21 4-H Shooting Sports National Quiz Bowl	1 VA 4-H and FFA Meals Evaluation
12 PW 4-H Cloverbud Club	7 PW 4-H Engage Locally Club	14 Wreaths Across America Day	14 PW 4-H Association Meeting	19-20 PW 4-H Embryology Project Leader Training	4 PW 4-H Leaders' Mid-Year Meeting & 4-H Association Meeting
12-13 VA 4-H Shooting Ed New Instructor Certification	9 PW 4-H Cloverbud Club	14 PW 4-H Whisper Booth Training	17 PW 4-H Share the Fun Dress Rehearsal	21 PW 4-H Contest Day: Presentations, Table Setting, Fashion Review	7-8 TAL T Weekend - Junior Camp Counselor Training
20-26 National Character Counts Week	12 PW 4-H Association Meeting	19 PW 4-H Hike: 4-H Outdoor Challenge	22 PW 4-H Hike: 4-H Outdoor Challenge	21-22 VA 4-H Stockman's & Livestock Judging	12-16 National 4-H IGNITE
19 PW 4-H Teen Club - Community Service	16 PW 4-H Hike: 4-H Outdoor Challenge	30 PW 4-H Embryology Registration Opens (closes Jan. 31)	23 An Evening with Virginia 4-H at VT	22 PW 4-H Food Challenge	15-16 VA 4-H Spring Air Championships
24 Prince William 4-H Recognition Day	18 PW 4-H Officer Training	29-Dec 3 National 4-H Congress	24 PW 4-H Share the Fun	22 VA 4-H Shooting Ed Instructor Recertification	28-30 VA 4-H Teen Summit
29 PW 4-H Contest Orientation - Presentations, Public Speaking, Table Setting, Extemporaneous	29-Dec 15 TSC & 4-H Paper Clover Campaign		25 PW 4-H Portfolio Training	30 PW 4-H Tree Seedling Orders Due	29 PW 4-H Association BINGO
APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
4-6 VA 4-H Equismartz	1 PW 4-H Young Entrepreneurs Workshop #1	7 PW 4-H YE Market Day #1	10-13 State of Virginia's NRA Youth Education Summit	9 VA 4-H Northern District Shoot	5-7 VA 4-H State Horse and Pony Championship
5-6 VA 4-H Shooting Ed New Instructor Certification	10 PW 4-H Cloverbud Club	16-20 VA Dept of Forestry Camp Woods & Wildlife	12 PW 4-H YE Market Day #2	11-15 PW 4-H Fair Camp	6-7 VA 4-H State Shoot
8 PW 4-H Young Entrepreneurs Interest Mtg	14 PW 4-H YE Workshop #2	22-28 National 4-H Shooting Sports Championship	13-17 Prince William/Stafford 4-H Junior Camp	23 PW 4-H Market Day #3	13 PW 4-H Market Day #4
11-16 National 4-H Conference	15 PW 4-H YE Workshop #3	23 VA 4-H Livestock Judging Contests	Jul 30 - Aug 3 Southern Regionals 4-H Horse Championships		Sep 26-Oct 5 State Fair of VA
12 PW 4-H Tree Planting & PW 4-H Cloverbud Club	22 PW 4-H Teen Club Community Service	24-27 Virginia 4-H Congress			TBD Prince William 4-H Day
16-19 2025 VA 4-H/FFA Beef Challenge, Beef Roundup, Tractor Operators Contest	28 PW 4-H YE Workshop #4	24 1st Time Junior 4-H Camper Parents' Meeting			TBD Virginia 4-H Shotgun Championship
19 VA 4-H State WHEP Contest	29 PW 4-H Book Club SPIN Project				
21 - May 5 TSC & 4-H Paper Clover Campaign	30 PW 4-H Outdoor Challenge SPIN Project				
25 VA 4-H/FFA State Poultry Evaluation Contest	30-June 1 VSU 4-H Take-Off				
25-27 VA 4-H Healthy Living Summit	31 4-H Northeast District Food Challenge Contest				
26 VA 4-H Northeast District Contest Day					

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