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Join 4-H online this year!

Enrollment is OPEN for the 2019-2020 4-H Club Year.



Thank you for your patience as we have quickly transitioned to a 100% online enrollment system for 4-H youth and adult volunteers for the new 4-H Club Year, running Sept. 1, 2019 to Aug. 30, 2020. Paper forms are a thing of the past as each family or household will create an account in 4HOnline. Payments can also be made online (or still given to your local Extension Office.) If you are brand new to SC 4-H,

enrollment is simple: select "I need to set up a profile" and follow the prompts. For those of you that have been enrolled with SC 4-H in the last three years, you can access your profile by selecting "I forgot my password" with "Family" selected as the role. [Detailed instructions for re-enrollment.](#)

Enroll @ 4HOnline



Do you need to be inspired in your work with 4-H and youth? Are you looking for program ideas? Or, would you like to simply get away to a premier environmental education center?! Join us for the 2019 National 4-H Volunteer Conference at Rock Eagle 4-H Center in Eatonton, GA. We would love for you to be a part of this conference for adult 4-H

Upcoming Statewide Programs:



National 4-H Volunteer Conference
Thursday-Sunday, Sept. 26-29, 2019
 Conference at Rock Eagle 4-H Center in GA for adult volunteers

Register by September 10th



National Youth Science Day
Tuesday-Saturday, Oct. 1-31, 2019
 Join the world's largest youth-led science challenge with NYSD!

No pre-registration required



National 4-H Week
Sunday-Saturday, Oct. 6-12, 2019
 Celebrate your 4-H story with others throughout 4-H week!

No pre-registration required



4-H Day at the SC State Fair
Saturday, October 12, 2019
 All youth and volunteers with active membership cards get in FREE

Contact your local agent



4-H Card Art Contest
 Showcase your talents in the 4-H Holiday and Thank You Card Art contest (for ages 5-18 years)

Submit by November 1st

*"Being a 4-H member and attending camp was such a memorable time in my life. I will always remember the friendships created and life lessons learned. I would very much like for my children to be a part of 4-H as well."
 ~ South Carolina 4-H Alumni*

volunteers. Come network with people of similar and different interests. Become motivated and rejuvenated through this enriching experience. We look forward to seeing you there. Register by September 10th. Learn more at <http://4hvcoss.com/>.



4-H Club Checklist

We have had a lot of changes in the past few months with policies and procedures; we appreciate everyone's patience with this process. Here is a quick list to review all current requirements. Materials should be given to your local 4-H Agent unless otherwise stated.

For 4-H Clubs (one leader completes per club):

- Submit a [new club charter](#) request (one-time only for new clubs) OR fill out an [annual charter renewal request](#) (annually)
- Sign a "[certificate of compliance](#)" form indicating they will abide by Clemson University's Civil Rights policy/procedures (annually)
- Complete [online insurance form](#) for clubs (annually) and stand alone events (as needed) – *work with your agent on this to ensure it completed (and not done in duplicate)*
- Abide by the [South Carolina 4-H Program Standards and Operating Guide](#) (PDF 2.8MB). Work with your agent to ensure your club is registered with [Clemson University's PcPO](#) (annually)



For new “approved” volunteers:

- Enroll in [4HOnline](#) (one-time only)
- Pass 2 reference checks, done by local Extension staff (one-time only)
- [Background Check](#), which includes National Sex Offender Registry (repeated every 4 years)
- Standard of Behavior form (annually) – *work with your agent on this*
- Required Trainings – *work with your agent on this*
 - Detection, Prevention, and Reporting of Child Abuse (PcPO – Tiger Training, annually)
 - Orientation to 4-H (one-time only)
 - Risk Management (one-time only)
 - Positive Youth Development (one-time only)
- [Driver's license check](#) (annually, but only for adults transporting youth on behalf of 4-H)

For returning “approved” volunteers:

- Re-enroll in [4HOnline](#). (To access your existing profile, select "I forgot my password" with "Family" selected as "Role" and use your email address)
- Complete a [Disclosure Statement](#), (every year that a full background check is NOT run.)
- Standard of Behavior form (annually) – *work with your agent on this*
- Required Trainings – *work with your agent on this*
 - Detection, Prevention, and Reporting of Child Abuse (PcPO – Tiger Training, annually)
- Complete [Driver's license check](#) (annually for volunteers transporting youth)

4-H Project Awards Luncheon

We held our 2nd annual South Carolina 4-H Project Awards Luncheon on July 12th. Sponsored by the South Carolina Beef Council and South Carolina 4-H Shooting Sports, the event saw more than 270 people gather at the T. Ed Garrison Arena during 4-H State Congress to celebrate the achievements of South Carolina youth in specific 4-H program areas. Ninety recognitions were given during the ceremony to youth between 9 and 19 years old from across the state for demonstrating remarkable skill, effort, and service within their respective project areas.



9th Annual 4-H Volunteer Leaders Symposium

We had a great time at our 8th annual Volunteer Leaders Symposium!!! It was a great day of learning, networking, and fellowship with other 4-H volunteers. The event was held Saturday, August 10, 2019, at Midlands Tech - Northeast Campus in Columbia, SC. There were over 60 adult volunteers present! Check out our [Google album](#) for more pictures. We look forward to seeing you all next year!



Outstanding Volunteer Recognitions

A South Carolina 4-H Volunteer was voted Southern Region Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer for 2019 by National 4-H Council. Mrs. **Vivian Johnson** of Sumter County has been given this honor along with a plaque and \$200 donation to the Sumter County 4-H program. Mrs. Johnson is a devoted, warm and caring person who has faithfully fulfilled her commitments as a 4-H Volunteer Leader. She has served as a 4-H Middle Manager volunteer leader for 24 years. Her expertise and experiences are invaluable to the success of the youth and the 4-H program in Sumter. She assumes her responsibilities with great dedication and commitment. She serves as an organizational leader for the Sumter County 4-H Cooking School, 4-H Sewing School, the Creative Crafts workshop and the 4-H Sumter County Junior Master Gardener Club. Mrs. Johnson is a member of the Sumter County Extension Advisory Board and is currently the Chairperson of the Sumter County 4-H Advisory Board. In addition, Mrs. Johnson is a retired educator who worked with the Sumter County School District for over 30 years. She was a Home Economics Teacher for Sumter School District and retired as a Fashion Designer Instructor for the Sumter County Career Center. We are honored to work with such an excellent example of 4-H volunteer.



A distinguished group of outstanding volunteers are recognized annually at the State 4-H Congress banquet with the Glen Krohn Award for Volunteers in 4-H. It is named for the late Dr. Glen Krohn, retired Assistant Director, Family and Youth Development, who was a strong believer in volunteers throughout his career. Volunteers nominated for this award display a strong impact on 4-H youth, a commitment to local and statewide 4-H program responsibilities, and dedication to the long-term support of 4-H members. This year, the two outstanding volunteers that were recognized included **Debbie Chapman** of Florence County and **Bernie Till** of Orangeburg County.



Standards of Excellence - Club Awards

The Standards of Excellence Club Awards were recognized at this year's Volunteer Leaders Symposium. The club recognition system exists to recognize clubs for their performance. The levels are as follows and can be found in the SC 4-H Volunteer Handbook or online:

- Bronze Clover (12-13 criteria)
- Silver Clover (14-15 criteria)
 - Sterling Green Team - Greenville Co.
- Gold Clover (16-17 criteria)
 - 4-H Rohming Robots Club - Charleston Co.
- Emerald Clover (18-20 criteria)
 - Low Country 4-H Pathfinders* - Dorchester Co.
 - Mid-Carolina 4-H Youth Shooting Sports Club* - Orangeburg Co.
 - Stablemates 4-H Club* - Greenville Co.
 - 4-H Explorers* - Dorchester Co.
 - Charleston Clover 4-H Club* - Charleston Co.
 - Country Springs 4-H Horse Club* - Lexington Co.
 - Sneed Squire Squad* - Florence Co.
 - Delmae Heights Elementary School - Florence Co.

Congratulations to these clubs and leaders for all their hard work and service!

*Pictured below from left to right beginning with the top row.



National 4-H Forestry Invitational

by Jaime Pohlman, SC 4-H Forestry Team Coach

South Carolina 4-H was one of 13 states that competed in the 40th annual National 4-H Forestry Invitational held July 28th- August 1st at the Jackson's Mill State 4-H Camp in Weston, WV. The South Carolina 4-H Forestry Team was represented by Hunter Barnes of McCormick County, Rachel Ann Cathcart of Union County, and Laura Martin of McCormick County. These three youth were selected at the SC 4-H Forestry Clinic that was held in February and practiced monthly in preparation for this event. At the National 4-H Forestry Invitational, the youth competed against other states in the events of Tree Measurement, Tree Identification, Compass and Pacing, Forest Health Identification, Topographic Map Reading, Written Exam, Quiz Bowl and Forest Stand Evaluation. The team is coached by Clemson Extension Forestry and Natural Resources Agents: Tom Brant, Jeff Fellers, Jaime Pohlman and Stephen Pohlman. Our South Carolina 4-H Forestry Program would not be possible without our great sponsors: Ag South Farm Credit- Aiken Office, Saluda County Forestry Association, ArborGen, Piedmont Pulp, Thompson Forest Consultants, Edgefield Forestry Association, Newberry Forestry Association, Greenwood Forestry Association, McCormick Forestry Association, and Laurens County Forest Landowners.



South Carolina 4-H'ers at the 2019 National 4-H Forestry Invitational. Left to right – Jaime Pohlman (coach), Rachel Ann Cathcart of Union County, Hunter Barnes of McCormick County, and Laura Martin of McCormick County, Stephen Pohlman (coach). *Image credit: SC 4-H Forestry Program*

4-H'ers in CU Newsstand

State 4-H Congress is a family affair

By Tom Hallman, *Public Service and Agriculture*

September 10, 2019

CLEMSON – It's not unusual at a family reunion to spend some time sprucing up great-granddaddy's grave. But at an annual 4-H meeting?

"The only reason there is a 4-H club is because of a man who is buried on this campus," Tom Dobbins, director of the Clemson University Extension Service, told members at the annual State 4-H Congress...[READ MORE!](#)



Members of South Carolina 4-H clubs devoted part of their time at State 4-H Congress to provide a landscaped pathway to the grave of Rep. Frank Lever. *Image Credit: Clemson University PSA*

South Carolina youth put wildlife habitat knowledge to test at national competition

By Steven Bradley, *Media Relations*

August 14, 2019

JUNCTION CITY, Kansas – As one of two states in the nation with both a 4-H and Future Farmers of America (FFA) team in the National Wildlife Habitat Education Program Contest (WHEP) and with both teams posting stellar scores, South Carolina's young people made their mark on the national stage after...[READ MORE!](#)



The South Carolina 4-H Team and South Carolina FFA Team and their coaches/advisers pose together during the National WHEP Contest at the Rock Springs 4-H Center in Junction City, Kansas, July 14-17. Pictured are, from left: Mallory Dailey, Sarah Ebenhack, Chance Parker, Sophie Cox, Chase Greene, Stephen Schutt, Sydney Gambrell, Chase Land, Blake Berry, Shawn Underwood, Julianna Hernandez and Gina Spear. *Image Credit: Clemson University.*

South Carolina 4-H shooters shine on national stage

by Steven Bradley, *Media Relations*

August 8, 2019

GRAND ISLAND, Nebraska – Cameron Huston of Edgefield County nabbed the first High Over All score ever for a South Carolinian at the 2019 4-H Shooting Sports National Championships with a near-perfect 99/100 score to take first place in the Shotgun Trap Individual competition...[READ MORE!](#)



Four high school students chosen to represent the Palmetto State at the National 4-H Shooting Sports Championships this year were Walker Kelly (Abbeville/Rocky Knoll), Cameron Huston (Edgefield/Strom Thurmond), Makayla Porter (Saluda/Richland Creek) and Chase Land (Pickens/Clemson 4-H).

Monthly 4-H Club Activity Idea

by Ashley Burns



Making a T-shirt Apron

Objective: To practice following a pattern and scissor skills.

Age Range: All ages.

Hands-on Activity: To recycle a t-shirt into a clothes-protecting apron.

Life Skills: HEAD – learning to learn, problem solving, decision making;
HEART – social skills, communication, sharing;
HANDS – self-motivation.

Introduction

Based on the skill level and age of the youth, there are various extensions you can use to expand the complexity of this activity. It is very simple project to kick-start the beginning of the 4-H Club year and recycle old 4-H t-shirts. (Available while sizes and supplies last from the State 4-H Office for \$1 to \$5 each.) Embellish with scraps or extra fabric as desired.

Materials (per youth)

T-shirt (one per youth)
Straight edge (yardstick or ruler)
Caulk or washable marker

Activity Instructions

1. Start with the side of the t-shirt you would like be the FRONT of the apron facing up and mark a line from the bottom of the armpit to the outside edge of the collar on each side.
2. Cut both layers along the line you have drawn.
3. Flip the shirt over and draw 3 parallel lines (about 1-inch thick) across the back of the apron below the armpits. These will be the strings.
4. Cut a single layer of fabric from around the collar



- of the shirt and down the sides of the shirt until the first line. Cut across the back following the line.
5. Remove a single layer from the base of the shirt (from the bottom, up the sides to the bottom line.) Cut along the center line and trim ONE side of each string to make one for each side. Be careful NOT to cut both sides of a string.

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Reflective questions

- How will you use your apron?
- What did you like about this activity?
- Was there something about this project you found especially challenging?
- How would you teach someone about this concept?

Conclusion

This activity is a fun way to teach basic skills related to following directions and using scissors. Embellishment of the aprons or altering the communication of instructions in this activity can allow for additional expansion/learning.

Additional Resources:

CharityWings. 2013. DIY HOW to make a no sew apron from a t-shirt.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=deHsXEu18Ds>

ksponductionstv. 2017. Make a cool apron from your favorite t-shirt on It's Sew Easy with Jane Monzures.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zjcTnZnyRa>

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