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**Lincoln County
Extension/4-H Website**

<https://lincoln.extension.colostate.edu/>

4-H ENROLLMENT (NEW YEAR) REMINDERS:

Enrollment Deadlines:

October 10-Enrollment Open.

January 1-Enrollment closes for returning members, new members, foundation members, & volunteers.

Project Deadlines:

March 1-Project add/drop.

*Hunter's safety must be completed for all members enrolled in shooting sports that will be participating in live fire activities.

*Livestock will have to be tagged and/or nominated to be eligible to show at fair. Information will be posted in the newsletter for current year information.

Other Deadlines/ Project Requirements:

*Refer to the fair book for project requirements to show at the county fair.

*Download a record book for completion requirements as well.

*Watch for information in the newsletter, Facebook page Lincoln County Colorado Extension, or calendar lincoln.extension.colostate.edu/events/.

Information Required for 4-H Enrollment Approval:

-Verify your eligibility for enrollment in Lincoln County. Requirements include one of the following: reside/own property in the county, attend school in the county, or live within 10 miles of the county line. To enroll members must be between the ages of 8-18 as of December 31.

-Enrollment must be completed in your 4H Online account.

-Complete the health form. **If you do not have health insurance, please put (None).*

-Complete the t-shirt size and other release forms.

-Complete emergency contacts (must be different from the parents).

-Update your mailing address, phone numbers, and preferred email. **Email is the primary mode of communication from the office. The primary account listed in 4H Online will be the one receiving messages.*

-Refer to the Colorado 4-H project page to verify you are enrolling in the correct project. **Hunter's Safety is required for all members participating in shooting sports that will be shooting in live fire activities.*

-Remember to read each page carefully, select options, and electronically sign and date all sections in 4H Online before clicking to the next page. **You cannot return to a previous page.*

**Enrollments for members and volunteers cannot be approved until all required information has been completed. Please email or call the office if you have any questions.*

Resources:

Lincoln County 4-H- lincoln.extension.colostate.edu/programs/4-h/
Colorado 4-H- co4h.colostate.edu/

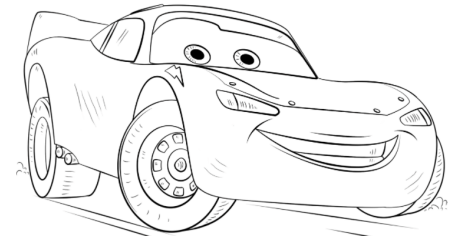
Enrollment/Project Fees: -Enrollment fee- \$18/member (Pay fee to the club directly). **Other projects or activities may require additional fees or expenses. There are no fees for leaders or volunteers.

-Shooting Sports members- \$25/per enrolled shooting sports discipline. (This is in addition to the enrollment fee and is payable to the Extension office directly by January 31st).

Project Books/Manuals: Families will be responsible for ordering their project books or manuals this year directly from the supplier. Additional information will be provided on where and how to complete this.

FAMILY & CONSUMER: VEHICLE BUYING POWER

Purchasing a vehicle can be really exciting. However the purchase of a vehicle can also be a huge undertaking, especially if this is your first time. Being prepared for the financial costs and navigating ownership all the way through registration and insurance are all important steps to be a successful vehicle owner. The following information can help provide you with valuable checkpoints in the ownership process and resources.



Needs vs. Wants

When considering the purchase of a vehicle, one must consider what they need versus what they want. If you live in a rural area individual transportation is often a necessity to get to school or a job because of distance and other factors. In an urban area it may be important to consider the cost and value of public transportation versus owning your own vehicle.

Use & Features

When considering the purchase of a vehicle it's important to sit down and write out what the vehicle will be used for and what features might be important.

- What are the road conditions and types where you will travel the most (i.e. gravel vs. pavement)?
- Is clearance or 4-wheel drive important (i.e. snow; muddy roads; off-road use (i.e. mountain or pastures, etc.)?)
- How many people and what ages will you be hauling (i.e. elderly-might need running boards to get in; small children might need more room for car seats)?
- How far do you drive everyday or week? Is good gas mileage important?
- Will you be towing a trailer (i.e. bumper pull vs. gooseneck; size of trailer; frequency of towing)?
- Do you need additional cargo space in or outside the vehicle (i.e. hauling pets; luggage; bike racks; lumber, etc.)?
- What other features might be important (i.e. dual heat; remote start; GPS; built in video, etc.)?

Cost

When it come to looking at vehicles, cost cannot be ignored. The cost of a vehicle is more than just the actual purchase. Calculate ahead of time what you can afford to pay for a vehicle (whether in cash or through financing on a monthly basis). Utilize a loan calculator to see what your monthly payment will be.

FAMILY & CONSUMER: VEHICLE BUYING POWER

You will need to save up funds to pay the sales tax, registration, and license fee after you purchase a vehicle. Also don't forget other costs for your vehicle throughout the year including: registration fees; insurance; fuel; routine maintenance including oil changes and filters; and other upkeep items such as tires and windshield wipers.

It's a good idea to start a "vehicle maintenance fund" to put money into each month for some of these items that you know will be coming up so you are more financially prepared when they do occur. Also remember that maintenance costs and upkeep will vary based on use and other factors.

Value

It's important to do some research on the current market values of (new & used) vehicles. Supply and demand can impact market values versus the true value of a vehicle. Consider the following when looking to purchase a vehicle:

- Consider if new or used is more appropriate (i.e. overall costs; depreciation; mileage use; service contracts; warranties; other benefits or drawbacks).
- Find a reputable vehicle dealer and ask for referrals from reliable friends or family members.
- Have a mechanic do an independent inspection on the vehicle (if used) before you finalize the purchase.
- Take someone with you when shopping to help keep you on track and make it harder for the salesperson to influence your purchase decision.
- Know what you can afford ahead of time and be prepared to walk away. There will always be more vehicles available on another day!
- Wait for end of year inventory reduction events, rebates, or 0% financing offers to help find a vehicle in your price range.

Insurance

Insurance for your vehicle is required in the state of Colorado and most other states. Proof of insurance must be shown for initial registration and renewal on your vehicle each year. Insurance can be a very complex topic and it's important to talk with your insurance agent ahead of the purchase of a new vehicle.

FAMILY & CONSUMER: VEHICLE BUYING POWER

Information to cover or ask your insurance agent should include:

- Determining what kind of coverage of is needed and minimum's required in the state.
- Identifying the primary driver of the vehicle and who will own the vehicle.
- Determining what information the agent needs to initiate initial insurance coverage on the vehicle and when coverage takes affect upon the purchase of a new vehicle.
- Find out what information the agent will need after the purchase besides the following:
 - Vehicle make, model, and year
 - Vin #
 - Odometer Reading
 - If the vehicle has a lien or note (i.e. a loan was taken out to purchase it)
 - Owner's information (name, social security number, address, phone number, driver's license information)
 - Primary Driver's information (if different than the owner)

Sales Tax, Registration, & License

Vehicles purchased require a sales tax (if a vehicle is purchased privately-this will be paid upon vehicle registration). Vehicle registration is required within 60 days after the purchase. A registration fee is initially assessed and vehicle registration renewal must occur each year thereafter as long as the vehicle is owned. A license plate fee and plate also need to be taken care of at the time of registration. *To determine what you will need exactly to bring in for documentation contact the Division of Motor vehicles directly in your county.

Resources

- Colorado Department of Revenue Division of Motor Vehicles- Registration and Licensing Information@ dmv.colorado.gov/registration
- Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies Division of Insurance- Auto Insurance Resources @ doi.colorado.gov/insurance-products/auto-insurance
- Better Business Bureau (BBB)-Business accreditation and Reviews @ bbb.org/
- Kelly Blue Book (KBB)- Vehicle Valuation Tool @ kbb.com/
- J.D. Power- Auto Loan Calculator and Vehicle Comparison Tool @ jdpower.com/cars/car-loan-calculator

4-H PROJECT SELECTION REMINDERS:

As part of a 4-H members annual involvement in the program they have the opportunity to complete a minimum of one project throughout the 4-H year. 4-H members can choose from 20+ project areas including shooting sports, entomology, home design, metalwork, food preservation and so much more. Each 4-H project offers many units to learn and grow as you continue your 4-H membership. The following are some questions to ask yourself when selecting your project(s) for the new year:

- Is this project(s) unit appropriate for my skill level?
- What is required to complete the project(s)?
- Will I have enough time to work on and complete the project(s)?
- Can I afford the costs associated with the project(s); especially livestock?
- Do I have resources available to me if I need help with my project(s)?
- What records are required for the project(s) itself?



Check out the Colorado 4-H website at co4h.colostate.edu/program-areas/colorado-4-h-project-information/ to learn more about the projects offered and to review the record books for each general project. *Livestock records for Lincoln County are accessible on the county extension website. You have until March 1 to add/drop projects. *The exception is shooting sports in which you cannot add the project once the first safety meeting has passed because of the additional project requirements.

JUST TO GET YOU THINKIN...

“Success is not final. Failure is not fatal. It is the courage to continue that counts.” -Winston Churchill

“You are enough just as you are.” -Meghan Markle

INFORMATION & EVENTS

County: *Reminder to check your email and monitor our Facebook page for updates on 4-H activities and events. **Forms, Fees, and registrations are due to the office by (day stated) or (previous Friday) if the day is a weekend or holiday. County related forms and applications are available on the 4-H Forms & Applications page at lincoln.extension.colostate.edu/4-h-forms-applications/. A reminder that forms can be mailed, emailed, or faxed to the office, as well as dropped through the back door slot. The extension office cannot take credit cards for payment purposes.*

-Lincoln County Extension/4-H Website @ lincoln.extension.colostate.edu/

-Colorado 4-H Website @ co4h.colostate.edu/

- ◆ **4-H Enrollment** is open in 4H Online for new and returning 4-H members and volunteers and foundation members. Enrollment will close for all new and returning members on January 1.

-County Clubs Information: lincoln.extension.colostate.edu/programs/4-h/clubs-councils/

-4-H Member in Good Standing Requirements: lincoln.extension.colostate.edu/4-h-policy-guidelines/

-4-H Club/County Transfer/Eligibility: lincoln.extension.colostate.edu/4-h-policy-guidelines/

- ◆ **Shooting Sports**-All members interested in taking shooting sports next year need to be sure and obtain their Hunter's Safety Card before the March 1 add/drop project deadline. Interested shooting sports members also need to remember to take a look at their shell inventory and start making purchases for next season as ammunition inventory at the retail level continues to be limited. ***For more information about Hunter's Safety and class availability go to cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/HunterEducation.aspx.*
- ◆ **Lincoln County Livestock Sale Committee Livestock Scholarship Program (Goat, Swine, and Sheep)** applications are due February 1. -For specific scholarship program information and applications go to lincoln.extension.colostate.edu/4-h-forms-applications/ and look under the "livestock sale" tab.

Other ****Verify with listed contacts pertaining to their individual event to find out specific information and guidelines, event cancellations procedures, registration requirements, etc.*

- ◆ **Additional Events-Facebook**- Many events/notices/resources in and out of 4-H are also posted on the *Lincoln County Colorado Extension* Facebook page as they become available. Be sure to check the page for additional opportunities and information (youth and adult).
- ◆ **Ag Producer Drought Assistance**-For resources; operations in Colorado can contact (970) 988-0043 or droughtadvisors@colostate.edu.
- ◆ **CSU Extension Horticulture Blog** frequently posts information on all things horticulture at csuhort.blogspot.com/.

INFORMATION & EVENTS

- ◆ **Lincoln County-Noxious Weed Management Pocket Guide** available @ lincoln.extension.colostate.edu/programs/agriculture-natural-resources/.
- ◆ **Purina Giving Greatness Scholarship** application is due November 8. Learn more @ purina-mills.com/campaigns-and-events/show-scholarship-application.
- ◆ **Great Northern Livestock Expo** is November 15-30 in Cheyenne, WY. Information and schedule available @ greatnorthernlivestockexpo.com/.
- ◆ **Daniels Scholarship** application is available until November 15. For more information and application procedures go to danielsfund.org/scholarships/index.asp.
- ◆ **National Dairy Herd Association Scholarship** is due November 30. Additional information is available at dhia.org/scholarship.asp.
- ◆ **Colorado Conservation Tillage Association Scholarship** is due December 1. Application and information is available @ highplainsnotill.com/scholarships/application.html.
- ◆ **National Corn Growers Association Scholarship** applications is due December 1. Information is available ncga.com/key-issues/other-topics/scholarship-programs.
- ◆ **National Sorghum Foundation - BASF Joint Scholarship** application is due December 1. Information and other scholarships are available at sorghumgrowers.com/Foundation-Scholarships/.
- ◆ **Jerry Minore Memorial National Wheat Foundation Scholarship** application is due December 31. Application information is available at wheatfoundation.org/education-and-scholarships/.

EVENT ROUNDUP:

State Shooting Sports Championship:

Congratulations to all of our participants who participated in the modified state contest and to Amy Pinion on her top 10 finish in .22 rifle hunt scope. To see the complete scoring results go to: co4h.colostate.edu/program-areas/shooting-sports/.

Special 4-H Award Winners:

Partner in Success: Dennie Flock

Outstanding 4-H Volunteer: John Thompson

Hall of Fame: Tim & Andrea Andersen

Outstanding 4-H'er: Tressie Golding, Jade Kravig, and Liliana Borders

Beef Ultrasound Opportunity Event:

Thank you to the Livestock Sale Committee, Eastern Colorado Veterinary Services, and our award donors (Riverbend Ranch, John Thompson, Reid Cattle Co., and Brent Cattle Co.) for their sponsorship of the contest.

Placing	Exhibitor
1	Brent, Evan
2	Bee, John
3	Ewing, Haden
4	Ewing, Haley
5	Golding, Tressie
6	Malcom, Braelyn
7	Reid, Maggie
8	Reid, Shane
9	Cross, Matthew
10	Thompson, Tailyn

ACTIVITY PAGE:

Animals need proper care to help ensure good health, safety, and for them to be able to provide us with a healthy and nutritious food source. Animals provide us with meat and milk products, but also other items such as skin suture or ingredients that go into manufacturing cosmetics and so much more (these are called by-products).

Monthly Reader:

The Very Last Leaf

- By Stef Wade

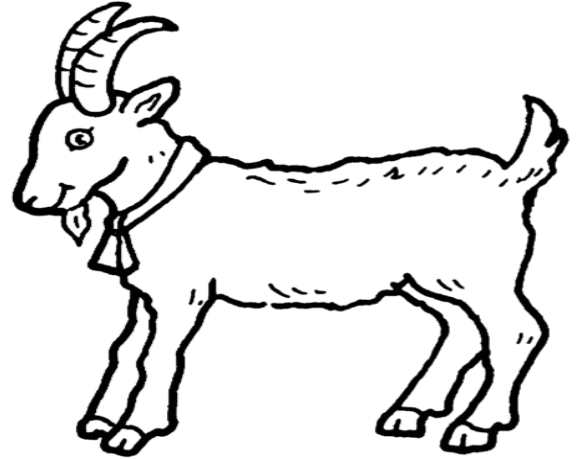
Animals Basic Needs:

- Nutritious food
- Access to clean water
- Sturdy shelter to protect them in bad weather
- Pen to keep predators out and keep them from getting loose
- Good Veterinary care

Fill in the Blank:

- 1) I might use a _____ to help keep a hold of my animal when I am trying to move them.
- 2) I might use a _____ to help remove the outer loose hairs or fibers on my animal to help keep them clean.
- 3) I would call a _____ if my animal were sick and needed treatment.
- 4) I should clean my animal's pen at least _____ time a week.
- 5) If I wanted to take my animal to a show or sale in another state I would need to get a _____ & brand paperwork.
- 6) I fix the _____ to help keep my animals from getting loose or lost.

What kind of animal is this? _____



Draw a shelter and pen for this animal below:

SAFETY StepUP: ANIMAL PEN SURVEY

Safety encompasses many things and involves not only humans but animals as well. An Animal Pen Safety Survey should be conducted at a minimum of once a year or before a new batch of animals goes into the pens. For 4-H or FFA members late fall is a great time to do an assessment. Others may consider conducting a survey before animals move into pens in the fall or once they go out in the spring. Routine maintenance can help pinpoint areas that need fixed or updated before they become more costly or cause injuries to humans or animals alike. Utilize the checklist to survey your pens and ensure they are ready to go!



	Are there lights in the pens and working areas? Are they working properly (bulbs, timers, etc.)?
	Are heat lamps properly installed and away from flammable materials?
	Is water readily available and tanks in good condition?
	Are tank heaters installed and electrical connections in proper working order?
	Have water tanks been cleaned out and disinfected?
	Are feeders cleaned out and in good working condition?
	Are pens free of manure?
	Are dust control practices in place?
	Do the pens have good drainage and/or available laying spaces that are dry?
	Is extra water storage, feed, and bedding available for adverse weather events?

	Are there any broken boards or posts? Are there any nails or hardware sticking out?
	Are panels an appropriate height? Do they have smooth edges?
	Are panels (squares) an appropriate size to prevent animals from getting a leg or head stuck?
	Are the gates in good working condition?
	Are gates installed in multiple locations to provide access and emergency exits?
	Is the pen environment designed for low-stress handling?
	Are fire extinguishers available nearby and in good working condition?
	Are vet and first aid kits re-stocked and located in a central location to all pens?
	Are animal movement and restraint tools available and in good working condition (i.e. chutes, halters, rattle paddles, etc.)

November 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Annie's Class	2 Election Day	3	4	5	6
7 Daylight Savings Time	8 Annie's Class	9 Fairboard Mtg @ 7:00pm	10	11 Office Closed-Holiday	12	13
14	15 Annie's Class	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 Annie's Class	23	24 Office Closed-Holiday	25 Office Closed-Holiday	26 Office Closed-Holiday	27
28	29	30				

4-H CLUB INFORMATION:

Kountry Kids 4-H Club

Club Information: Meets in Hugo

Club Leader: Barb Vaughn

Heartland 4-H Club

Club Information:

Meets in Arriba

Club Leader: Renae Saffer

Karval 4-H Club

Club Information: Meets in Karval

Club Leader: Janet Kravig

Rocking 4-H Club

Club Information: Meets in Limon

Club Leader: Jodi Hilferty



Walk's Camp 4-H Club

Club Information: Meets North of Limon

Club Leader: Cheryl Thompson

Head-> Lincoln County Department of Human Services

Lincoln County provides assistance to individuals in the county regarding safety and protection; resources assistance; and self-sufficiency. Programs offered include: adult and child protection; food assistance programs; aid for the blind or disabled; energy bill program assistance; Medicaid; Old Age Pension; and options for long term care.

To learn more go to their website @ lincolncounty.colorado.gov/human-services or call 719-743-2404.

Heart-> BoxTop\$ for Education

The Box Tops for Education Label redemption program has been around since 1996. The program has allowed participants to clip the “Box Top” off of qualifying products that they turned in at their local schools. The schools are then able to redeem those box tops for cash to support school improvement projects. The box tops are now digital and can be easily scanned instead of the usual clipping and physical drop-off process. To learn more about the program and how you can contribute to your local school go to their website @ boxtops4education.com/.



Hands-> Soybean Board

The Soybean Board functions like many other commodity checkoff's to help promote Soybeans. Production research, finding new markets domestically and international, and providing connections to industry partner resources are all part of the board's focus. They also provide resources in the form of calculators and media information.

To learn more about what they do and checkout the resources go to: united-soybean.org/

Health-> Safe Recipe Style Guide

We all have our favorite recipes. Many of those recipes have been handed down through multiple generations. One way we can make each dish amazing is by incorporating safety steps into the recipe. The Partnership for Food Safety Education offers guide information and formatting on what safety steps to include in recipes. Many of their studies show that consumers are more likely to follow food safety when incorporated into the actual recipes. This is also great for those younger cooks in the house who may not have as much experience regarding food safety and why it's important for everyone.

To learn more and access the help resources checkout -> saferecipeguide.org/

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