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4-H Programming with African American Youth

The 4-H Program Leaders Working Group, Access, Equity, and Belonging Committee (AEBC) has joined with the 4-H Thriving Model Taskforce to ensure this nationally adopted model is explored and utilized through an equity lens.

The vast diversity of African American youth served by Extension professionals is robust. The diversity of cultures within African American communities requires an Extension professional first to familiarize themselves with the unique culture, socio-economic ecosystem, and history of the cultural group they plan to work with to ensure a level of success. An equity lens will allow an Extension practitioner to understand the specific conditions they must consider when planning to program with African American youth.

The term African American will be used interchangeably with Black to acknowledge the heterogeneity of populations of African descent and to provide inclusive language that captures the multiple ethnicities of this broad group of individuals. Understanding resilience and strength among African American youth also requires acknowledging their experience in the United States and recognizing the continuing legacy of oppression and discrimination that affects their daily lives.

Educators need to understand the educational and social inequities related to race, social class, gender, and the specifics of the political economy in the U.S. This understanding serves as a key element to creating successful, sustainable, and thriving relationships with African American communities. This awareness increases the possibility of supporting African American youths' thriving. Community relationships must be grounded in trust, respect, honesty, transparency, flexibility, adaptability, kindness, patience, compassion, caring, fun, and shared values. For these relationships to develop, youth development professionals

must increase their understanding of the African American experience.

The following competencies were adapted from the 4-H Professional, Research, Knowledge, and Competencies (United States Department of Agriculture, 2017):

- Recognizing cultural differences and how those differences impact needs and participation in programs.
- Acknowledging and accepting cultural differences, including family values and strengths, and the positive effects those differences may have on behavior and development.
- Developing cultural competence and responsiveness to the realities of African American youth is essential to serving children and youth respectfully and effectively.
- Recognizing the types of experiences that foster deeper engagement and participation.
- Creating community relationships and partnerships will support and build capacity to provide the foundation for community change.
- Understanding the community's local needs will enhance youth development.
- Eliminating negative stereotypes of people of color in programming activities.
- Promoting an inclusive and collaborative youth development philosophy by fostering peer learning with Black community partners and colleagues.
- Utilizing culturally appropriate resources and making programmatic adaptations to be inclusive.

Participation in 4-H

4-H Educators who successfully implement the elements of belonging and participation:

- Foster a positive relationship with a caring adult who is an advisor, guide, and mentor. The adult helps set boundaries and expectations for young people. The



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adult could be called a supporter, friend, or advocate.

- Develop and support an inclusive environment for African American youth that acknowledges and understands the unique attributes of their race and ethnicity, shaping a more profound sense of belonging and encouraging and supporting them with positive and specific feedback.

- Celebrate the success of all members while taking pride in the collective efforts of all participants.

- Create a safe emotional and physical environment free of microaggressions, bias, and discriminatory practices that can cause emotional harm. Youth should not fear physical or emotional harm while participating in a 4-H experience, whether from the learning environment or adults, other participants, or spectators (Essential Elements of 4-H Youth Development, 2016).



Community Relationships and Partners

Strategic partnerships, outreach strategies, and trust will help drive meaningful results to address equity, access, and belonging among African American youth. Creating community relationships and partnerships among public and private organizations will support and build capacity for community change. Various 4-H programs have taken place through partnerships with community and school organizations such as afterschool programs, Boys and Girls Clubs, urban agriculture sites (community gardens, urban farms), schools, community centers, youth service departments, faith-based organizations, and civic groups. Community partners can be organizations, groups, or individuals with a like-minded mission/vision who want to collaborate to create a synergistic effect supporting startup ecosystems (Riegle-Crumb et al., 2012).

For any educator willing to establish a strong partnership foundation in and among Black communities, all eight key pillars should be considered. For example, transparency about your mission, purpose, and goals clarifies priorities and establishes a foundation for growth. Genuinely caring and showing compassion for others help to build trust among organizations. Virtues such as honesty and integrity promote good character and consistency, which deliver results for positive change. It is also essential to stay relevant and current on trends to increase competency skills as more knowledge is gained. Connection within relationships and a commitment to make a difference helps to maintain key community partnerships.

The article cited:

<https://access-equity-belonging.extension.org/about/racial-and-ethnic-youth/black-african-american-youth/>

University Rafter 7 Ram and Ewe Sale

Over two hundred Rafter 7 Merino sheep, internationally known for the quality of their wool and developed and raised by the University of Nevada, Reno, will be sold as part of an annual event that attracts livestock producers from around the country.

The Rafter 7 Merino Ram and Ewe Sale begins at 1 p.m., September 14, at the Eureka County Fairgrounds in Eureka, Nevada, off U.S. Highway 50, about 250 miles east of Reno. Animals will be available for inspection beginning at 8 a.m., and there will be a welcome luncheon featuring lamb at noon. At 1 p.m., the Rafter 7 line of Merino X Rambouillet rams will be sold. Immediately after the ram sale, the purebred Rafter 7 Merino ewes will be auctioned. Those who can't make the sale and auction in person this year will be able to participate virtually.

The Rafter 7 are grown under range conditions in the high-desert mountain ranges of Nevada and based out of the University's Great Basin Research & Extension Center, a 644-acre ranch where research is conducted. The Rafter 7 were initially developed over 30 years ago by the University's Experiment Station.



For more information, or to participate virtually, contact Scott Huber, senior assistant director with the Experiment Station and leader of the Rafter 7 Merino Sheep Program, at 775-682-9808 or shuber@unr.edu. You can see the website for the sale and the catalog of animals for sale at:

<https://naes.unr.edu/rafter-7-merino-sheep/ram-sale.aspx>

Club Finance Reports Due

This is a reminder that Annual 4-H Club Financial Reports are due to County 4-H offices by September 10, 2024. These are required for all active 4-H clubs whether or not they have bank accounts or a treasury.

This is a change in deadline from previous years as the financial reports have been changed to match the University's fiscal calendar.

Club leaders are responsible for completing the two page form and supplying electronic or paper copies of club bank statements for July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 (if applicable). If you need help with the form, please contact your County 4-H staff.

If your club does not have a financial account, please complete the form and indicate zero balances. Sign and send to your county 4-H accordingly.

You can find the form in Nevada Box at <https://nevada.box.com/s/0s3v0zoanm3vkvevklp5wuijpsobqqcv>

Also, there is a new EIN for Nevada Extension 4-H Youth Development. If you initially set up your club account with a leader's social security number or the previous UNR EIN, please work with your local 4-H professional to move your bank account to the new EIN.

Sagebrush Horse Show

The next Sagebrush Community Horse Show is on September 14, 2024 event is at Lemmon Valley Horseman's Arena in Lemmon Valley (11400 Deodar Way, in Lemmon Valley). This is the last Sagebrush show for the 2024 season.

Sagebrush offers fun, affordable and rewarding adventures in the show ring. There is a discounted entry fee for youth enrolled in recognized 4-H clubs.

4-H Classes: Exhibitor must be enrolled in a recognized 4-H club; club name and leader's name required on entry form. 4-H dress is not required. Helmets are required. For 2024 the 4-H classes will count towards the Washoe County 4-H 100% Participation program. 4-Hers from all counties are welcome to show in 4-H and regular classes.

All riders are welcome to ride in and be judged in the All Breed and Colored Horses classes. Class list and entry form at:

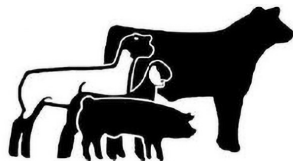
www.comstockarabianassociation.com.

4-H Livestock Contest Series

In order to qualify for 4-H Livestock Series awards, participants must participate in one series contest and the Nevada State 4-H Contest held at Nevada State 4-H Expo September 20-21.

Nevada State 4-H Expo Livestock Breeding Show, State 4-H Skill-a-thon Contest and State 4-H Livestock Quiz Bowl Contest all happen September 20-21, 2024. Senior teams may qualify for Nationals by winning the State event.

More information to follow as it becomes available. For more information, please contact Rebecca Glocknitzer, State 4-H Livestock Coordinator, by phone 775-423-5121 or email rglocknitzer@unr.edu



Shooting Sports Training in LV

Registration is still open for the Level 1 archery training in Clark County on October 5 and October 12. The registration fee is \$20. Registration closes September 27, 2024

Other upcoming trainings: November 8-9, 2024 Churchill County, January 2025 Moapa Valley (Clark County), Spring 2025 White Pine County

Instructors need to be recertified every 7 years if they have been teaching regularly (at least once every 3 years). Those that need to recertified will need to complete the online modules only if they are regularly teaching. Recertification will cost \$20. Emails will be sent out to individual counties with a list of volunteers that need to be recertified. Instructors will have until July 2025 to recertify.

If you have any questions, or need registration forms, please contact Hailey Wright at haileywright@unr.edu or 702-940-5419

Come See the Nevada State 4-H Expo

Come join 4-H members and families from across the state to participate in competitions, fun activities, or to support your fellow 4-H'ers.

Nevada State Expo returns to the Fallon 3C Events Complex on Friday and Saturday, September 20-21.

There will be Youth Workshops, Static Exhibits (Art work, Crafts, and Home Arts pieces), a Fashion Revue and Public Speaking and Demonstration events.

There will be a Livestock Quiz Bowl and Skill-a-thon Small and Large animal shows, a Horse show and Shooting Sports contests.

Find out details on show books and more at <https://tinyurl.com/Expo-2024>



4-H Horse Clinic September 7

Washoe County 4-H Horse Club Leaders will present a 4-H Horse Clinic on September 7, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Washoe County 4-H Office, 4955 Energy Way, Reno, Nevada (Please use back door to enter)

There will be no horses for this clinic, which will feature two sessions: Feed and Parts of a Horse, and Practice Judging and Hippology which will include a Group Problem and Practice Test.

There will also be an Ending Activity for all attendees: Ice Cream!

RSVPs are required for this clinic by Thursday, September 5, 2024 (so we can have enough ice cream for all).

To RSVP or for more information, please contact Sam Mitchell, samm@unr.edu or 775-336-0259

Washoe County 4-H Record Book Clinic

It's time to get your Record Book done!

To help Washoe County 4-H members with their annual record books, there will be a record book clinic September 17, 2024 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Washoe County 4-H Office (4955 Energy Way, in Reno)

The clinic is open to all Washoe County 4-H members. But for 4-H Horse Members, this clinic counts towards your Horse participation requirements.

Record Books are due to your Club Leader by September 30 this year; and due to the County Office by the third Friday of October (October 18 this year) by 4 p.m.

For more information contact Sarah Chvilicek at sarahc@unr.edu or call 775-336-0236

Please RSVP by 6 p.m. on Friday, September 13, to Sam Mitchell at samm@unr.edu or 775-336-0259.



2024 IAC Youth Essay Contest

Are you passionate about the future of Indian Country and the vital role of agriculture? This year's Intertribal Agriculture Council essay contest invites you to dive into a topic that directly impacts your community.

The 2024 Youth Essay Contest & Conference is open to American Indian and Alaska Native Youth. Write an essay telling us your thoughts about the U.S Department of Agriculture (USDA) Tribal Advisory Group Committee (TAC).

The Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 led to the creation of the TAC, a group dedicated to advising the Secretary of Agriculture on matters concerning Tribal and Indian affairs. This committee plays a crucial role in ensuring that the voices of Indian Country are heard at the highest levels, and we want to encourage you to share your voice with the TAC.

Join us for a webinar with tips and answers to FAQ's.

- September 11, 2024 @ 5pm Pacific time
- September 30, 2024 @ 5pm Pacific time

Three finalists will be invited to present their essays as a keynote speaker and honored guests at the IAC Annual Conference in Las Vegas, on December 10-12, 2024.

For more information and resources to help you write an essay, visit the IAC Youth Program webpage at indianag.org/youth. You can find essay contest details at <https://www.indianag.org/youth#youth-essay-contest>

Essay submission deadline is October 7, 2024.



New 4-H Year Means Reenrolling

The new 4-H year (2024-2025) begins October 1, 2024. One of the things that this includes is 4-H Online reenrollment for all 4-H members, Cloverbuds and Leaders.

Enrollment for the current year will end on September 27. There will be a week when 4-H Online is not accessible. The current plan is to start reenrollment on October 7, 2024.

If you have been enrolled in Nevada before, you do not need to create a new profile. All of your information from the previous year is still in 4-H Online. Program ages and years in a program are automatically updated. However, families are responsible for updating grade levels, and changes in schools.

This is an opportunity to change or add clubs and projects if necessary. Families can make those changes themselves until the new enrollment is submitted for approval. After that, the 4-H Online Manager has to make that change.

Email reminders will be sent out near the end of September.

Autumn Equinox Brings the Lights

The Autumn Equinox on September 22 signals the start of Fall. Due to Earth's tilt it also brings the perfect conditions for the Aurora Borealis, the Northern Lights. The conditions last until Spring, which begins in March.

Northern Area/Western September Dates to Remember

Sept 2 - Labor Day Holiday (Offices closed)

Sept 7 - Washoe 4-H Horse Clinic, Washoe County 4-H Office in Reno

Sept 17 - Washoe County 4-H Record Book Clinic, Washoe County 4-H Office

Sept 20-21 - Nevada State 4-H Expo, Fallon 3C Events Complex

Find it in  **4-h.org/clover/**

Abstraction – It Matters! Practice abstraction by playing a game of Charades with your family or friends.

Think fast! Computers have to be fast to keep up with our needs. In this activity, you will explore the use of the computational thinking skill of abstraction and its role in coding and daily life.

The more data being processed in a program, the harder it is to keep the program running quickly. Software engineers sometimes need to limit the amount of information being processed. To do this, they separate out the essential, or most important, parts of something from everything else. This process is called abstraction.

This Computer Science activity is design for Grades 3-8. Find it at: <https://4-h.org/clover/activities/cs08-abstraction/>

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4-H Events Calendar September 2024



DATE	WESTERN AREA AND OTHER COUNTIES	CARSON CITY/STOREY COUNTY	DOUGLAS COUNTY	WASHOE COUNTY
2	LABOR DAY HOLIDAY - OFFICES CLOSED			
2	.	Target Rippers, Fuji Exh., 6-8:30 p.m.	CV Shepards, Extension Office, 6-7:30 p.m.	.
3	.	.	Advanced Baking, DCCC, 5-7:45 p.m.	.
4	.	.	Wings n Things, 6:15-8:00 p.m.	.
5	.	4 Paws, Fuji Exh., 6-8 p.m.	4 Paws, Fuji Exh., 6-8 p.m.	.
6	.	Capital City Hot Shots, Carson City Gun Range, 6 p.m.	.	.
7	.	.	Cloverbuds, 10-11:30 a.m.	Washoe County 4-H Horse Clinic, 4-H office, 6 p.m.
9	.	Sewing 3-5 p.m.	.	Silver Knolls Spurs General Mtg., Silver Knolls Comm. Room, 6:30 p.m.
10	Club Financial Reports due to County offices	.	Baking A, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Equestrian, CVUMC, 6-7:30 p.m.	Horse Leaders' Mtg., 5:30 p.m.
11	.	.	Rabbit, 6-7:30 p.m.	.
12	.	4 Paws, Fuji Exh., 6-8 p.m.	4 Paws, Fuji Exh., 6-8 p.m.	.
13	.	Capital City Hot Shots, Carson City Gun Range, 6 p.m.	.	.
14	Rafter 7 Ram and Ewe Sale, Eureka Fairgrounds	.	Sewing, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.	.
16	.	Target Rippers, Fuji Exh., 6-8:30 p.m.	Leader Council Meeting, 6 p.m.	.
17	.	.	.	Washoe County 4-H Record Book Clinic, 4-H office, 6 p.m.
18	.	.	Baking B, 5:30-7:30 p.m.	.
19	.	4 Paws, Fuji Exh., 6-8 p.m.	4 Paws, Fuji Exh., 6-8 p.m.	.
20	.	Capital City Hot Shots, Carson City Gun Range, 6 p.m.	.	.
20-21	Nevada State 4-H Expo, 3C Events Complex in Fallon	.	.	.
22	Autumn Begins	.	.	.
23	.	Sewing 3-5 p.m.	.	.
27	Last day of 4-H Year 23-24	Capital City Hot Shots, Carson City Gun Range, 6 p.m.	.	.
29	.	.	.	Radical Rabbits, at Our Center, 1-2 p.m.



Labor Day - September 2 .

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Upcoming 4-H Events Calendar



DATE	WESTERN AREA AND OTHER COUNTIES	CARSON CITY/STOREY COUNTY	DOUGLAS COUNTY	WASHOE COUNTY
October 2024				
1	New 4-H Year Begins	.	Advanced Baking, Douglas County Comm. Center, 5-7:45 p.m.	.
2	.	.	Wings n Things, 6:15-8:00 p.m.	.
3	.	4 Paws, Fuji Exh., 6-8 p.m.	4 Paws, Fuji Exh., 6-8 p.m.	.
4	.	Capital City Hot Shots, Carson City Gun Range, 6 p.m.	.	.
5	.	.	Cloverbuds, 10-11:30 a.m.	.
6-12	National 4-H Week	.	.	.
7	.	Target Rippers, Fuji Exh., 6-8:30 p.m.	CV Shepards, Extension Office, 6-7:30 p.m.	Silver Knolls Spurs General Mtg., Silver Knolls Comm. Room, 6:30 p.m.
8	.	.	Equestrian, CVUMC, 6-7:30 p.m.	Horse Leaders' Mtg., 5:30 p.m.
9	.	Arrowhead Livestock, 6-8 p.m.	Rabbit, 6-7:30 p.m.	.
10	.	4 Paws, Fuji Exh., 6-8 p.m.	4 Paws, Fuji Exh., 6-8 p.m.	.
11	.	Capital City Hot Shots, Carson City Gun Range, 6 p.m.	.	.
12	.	Capital City Critters, 6-8 p.m.	Sewing, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.	.
14	.	Sewing 3-5 p.m.	Baking A, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Equestrian, CVUMC, 6-7:30 p.m.	.
15	Registration deadline for Sullivan Supply Livestock Webinar Series	.	.	.
16	.	.	Baking B, 5:30-7:30 p.m.	.
17	.	4 Paws, Fuji Exh., 6-8 p.m.	4 Paws, Fuji Exh., 6-8 p.m.	.
18	.	Capital City Hot Shots, Carson City Gun Range, 6 p.m.	.	.
21	Sullivan Supply Cattle Webinar 1	Target Rippers, Fuji Exh., 6-8:30 p.m.	.	.
25	.	NEVADA DAY - OFFICES CLOSED		
27	.	.	.	Radical Rabbits, Our Center, 1-2 p.m.
28	Sullivan Supply Cattle Webinar 2	Sewing 3-5 p.m.	.	Leaders' Council mtg., 5:30 p.m.
November 2024				
1	.	Capital City Hot Shots, Carson City Gun Range, 6 p.m.	.	.
2	.	.	Cloverbuds, 10-11:30 a.m.	.
4	.	Target Rippers, Fuji Exh., 6-8:30 p.m.	CV Shepards, Extension Office, 6-7:30 p.m.	Silver Knolls Spurs General Mtg., Silver Knolls Comm. Room, 6:30 p.m.
5	National General Election Day	.	Advanced Baking, Douglas County Comm. Center, 5-7:45 p.m.	.
6	.	.	Wings n Things, 6:15-8:00 p.m.	.
7	.	4 Paws, Fuji Exh., 6-8 p.m.	4 Paws, Fuji Exh., 6-8 p.m.	.
8	.	Capital City Hot Shots, Carson City Gun Range, 6 p.m.	.	.
9	.	Capital City Critters, 6-8 p.m.	Sewing, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.	.
11	.	VETERANS DAY HOLIDAY - OFFICES CLOSED		
12	Sullivan Supply Sheep Webinar 1	.	Baking A, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Equestrian, CVUMC, 6-7:30 p.m.	Horse Leaders' Mtg., 5:30 p.m.
13	Sullivan Supply Hogs Webinar 1	Arrowhead Livestock, 6-8 p.m.	Rabbit, 6-7:30 p.m.	.
14	Sullivan Supply Goats Webinar 1	4 Paws, Fuji Exh., 6-8 p.m.	4 Paws, Fuji Exh., 6-8 p.m.	.
15	.	Capital City Hot Shots, Carson City Gun Range, 6 p.m.	.	.
18	.	Target Rippers, Fuji Exh., 6-8:30 p.m.	.	.
19	Sullivan Supply Sheep Webinar 2	.	.	.
20	Sullivan Supply Hogs Webinar 2	.	Baking B, 5:30-7:30 p.m.	.
21	Sullivan Supply Goats Webinar 2	4 Paws, Fuji Exh., 6-8 p.m.	4 Paws, Fuji Exh., 6-8 p.m.	.
22	.	Capital City Hot Shots, Carson City Gun Range, 6 p.m.	.	.
25	.	Sewing 3-5 p.m.	.	.
28-29	.	THANKSGIVING DAY AND FAMILY DAY HOLIDAYS - OFFICES CLOSED		