



The 4-H Messenger

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Junior Conference at Rock Eagle

Saturday-Sunday, November 12-13

\$40 Registration for 2022 DPA Participants

\$90 Registration due at 4-H Office October 28

4-H IS OUT OF THIS WORLD!

JUNIOR CONFERENCE

for 6th - 8th grade 4-H'ers

Rock Eagle 4-H Center

November 12 - 13

georgia4h.org/juniorconference



RECREATION | SERVICE PROJECTS | EXHIBIT FAIR | CLOVERS & CO.

6th, 7th & 8th graders let's get together for a weekend at Rock Eagle 4-H Center with students from all over GA! You will meet new friends, do service projects, workshops, exhibit fair, have a dance, and see Clovers & Co. perform. Register at the Extension/4-H office TODAY located at 275 Cleveland Road near GA Square Mall! Registration fee includes Saturday lunch-Sunday breakfast, lodging & transportation. **Students who competed at DPA in 2022 qualify for a reduced price of \$40.** All other students' registration fee is \$90.

Radon Poster Contest

Here's a drawing contest designed for students ages 9 to 14. To enter this contest simply design and submit a poster that will help raise awareness about the dangers of radon gas and the importance of testing your home. First take a few minutes to learn a little about radon and the hazards associated with it. Then follow these simple rules:

- ◆ Submit your poster at **your October 4-H meeting**
- ◆ Use only white paper, size 8.5 by 11 inches
- ◆ Artwork must be original—crayon, markers, paints, colored pencils are all acceptable
- ◆ Do not use symbols or characters associated with products, organizations, or businesses.
- ◆ Poster must have a title on the front.
- ◆ Student's name **must not** be on the front of the poster
- ◆ Poster must be about one of the following themes: 1. What is radon? 2. Where does radon come from?; 3. How does radon get into our homes?; 4. Radon can cause lung cancer; and 5. Test your home for radon.



You can find information and learn about radon from the following web sites:

www.epa.gov/radon or ***www.UGAradon.org***

Annual 4-H Holiday Card Contest

Design a holiday card for our 4-H holiday card contest. The winning design will be featured on our Athens-Clarke County 4-H card. This card will be sent to the mayor, commissioners, the school board, and other supporters of 4-H. To enter your own card, just follow these simple IMPORTANT rules:

1. Make your drawing on white, **unlined paper**.
2. The size of the paper must be 8.5 inches by 5.5 inches. This is one half of regular computer printer paper.
3. Put your **NAME, ADDRESS, GRADE, and SCHOOL** on the back of the card.
4. Use a universal December holiday theme rather than depicting one specific holiday and don't forget to include the 4-H symbol.
5. **Submit your card at your October 4-H meeting.**

Here are a few helpful hints to make your holiday card:

Make your card design attractive and very colorful!

Include the 4-H emblem, the four-leaf clover!

Be CREATIVE!





Start Planning Now for Summer Camp 2023!

Plans are already underway for 2023 4-H summer camp! Sixth grade students will camp at Rock Eagle 4-H Center the week of **June 19-23**. Seventh and eighth grade students will have the opportunity to camp at one of Georgia 4-H's smaller centers. Junior Camp near Atlanta at Camp Fortson will be held the week of **July 10-14**. Mark your calendars and begin making your plans now! Summer will be here sooner than you imagine. Applications will be available in January.



Important upcoming dates

Junior Conference at Rock Eagle	November 20-21
DPA portfolios due at the 4-H office	December 16
Cloverleaf CPA (6th grade)	February 18
Jr/Sr DPA (7th-12th grade) at Rock Eagle	March 10-12
Cloverleaf DPA (6th grade) at Jackson County	March 25

Consumer Judging

**Do you like to shop or want to learn how to get the most for your money?
Then, 4-H Consumer Judging is for You!**

Signup by October 1 by e-mailing Ms. Conway: ebarber@uga.edu

Consumer Judging is an after-school activity to prepare for the district competition held in Watkinsville. In consumer judging students will read a scenario which will give details that a person needs when shopping for a particular product. Students will then compare four products in the category and evaluate how each satisfies the stated requirements. The categories for this year's competition are: backpacks, tablets, fast food meals and athletic pants. Also included in the competition students will record a 30 second speech/advertisement about cotton.

There will be six workshops to prepare for the competition. Workshops will be held at the 4-H office on Monday afternoons from **4pm to 5:30 pm** in October & November. **Workshops dates are as follows:**

Monday, October 3	Monday, October 24
Monday, October 10	Monday, October 31
Monday, October 17	Monday, November 7

The competition will be held at the Oconee County Civic Center in Watkinsville on **Thursday, November 10**. For more information you may contact Ms. Conway at 706-613-3640 or by email: ebarber@uga.edu



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