

# FLASH NEWSLETTER



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## Happy Holidays!



We appreciate all the students who participated in the Georgia 4-H Holiday Card Contest. There were 71 total entries from Elbert County!

Congratulations to our local winners! 1st Place Savannah Adriance, 2nd Place Zola Graves, 3rd Place Justin Wydick, 4th Place Emma Engelhardt, and 5th Place Saige Martin. Students receiving Honorable Mention include: Edward Beitzel, Michael Bowen, Nathan Nguyen and Reece Oakley.

## ELEVATE Afterschool Club

Spend your afternoon with us learning a variety of topics, completing projects, and enjoying fun activities! You are sure to love this engaging and interactive time in 4-H Clover Room (ECMS auditorium lobby) and BEYOND! Meetings are held monthly **afterschool until 5:00pm**. A ride must pick you up at ECMS. The next meeting is **Thursday, December 14th**. ELEVATE: Engaging Learners to



Explore & Value Agriculture, Technology & the Environment. This club is sponsored by Keep Elbert County Beautiful & Elbert County Farm Bureau. We appreciate everyone who helped us stuff the "Trash or Treasure" boxes at our last meeting!



## Young Riders 4-H Horse Club



If you like horses, make plans to join the Young Riders Horse Club! This afterschool club will meet once a month to learn & have fun! You do NOT have to own or ride a Horse to participate in this Club! Meetings are held in the **Clover Room** at the ECMS (auditorium lobby), after school **until 5:00pm**. Our next meeting is **Tuesday, December 12th**.

## "Earthies" Science Club

**6TH GRADE ONLY**. If you love earth science, then this activity is for you!



## MONTHLY DONATION

**Shampoo or Conditioner. New, Travel or Full Size.** Students earn Clover Points for participating, but this is not mandatory.

Join us after school in the **Clover Room** as we expand on our knowledge of earth science in fun, engaging activities. We will meet again on **Wednesday, December 6th**. A ride must pick you up at **5:00pm** at the ECMS auditorium and you must be a 6th grade student to attend.



## Portfolio Workshop



All 7th-12th grade 4-H'ers who want to attend Junior-Senior District Project Achievement with Elbert County 4-H in March must complete a portfolio. Ms. Lauren and Ms. Sophie can help you! A Portfolio Workshop will be held in the **Clover Room (ECMS)** on **Friday, December 15th** from **1pm-5pm**. **You can also make an appointment for additional help**. Categories of the portfolio include: 4-H'er background, main project work, main project helping and sharing, teen leadership, community service and citizenship, 4-H activities and other/school events or information.





## **Cloverleaf DPA**

Elbert County 4-H had an amazing day at Rock Eagle 4-H Center for Cloverleaf District Project Achievement! Students who competed include: Lilyian Adams, Wildlife Project, 2nd Place; Savannah Adriance, Dog Care & Training Project, 3rd Place; Jo’Coby Black, Historic People Project, 3rd Place; Sophie Black, Entomology Project, 1st Place; Michael Bowen, Current People & Events Project, 1st Place; Chloe Bradford, Performing Arts - Instrumental Project, 1st Place; Kilee Crider, Dairy & Milk Science Project, 1st Place; Kenjia Davis, Wildlife Project, 1st Place; Vansh Desai, Current People & Events Project, 2nd Place; Ella Dixon, Arts Project, 1st Place; Emma Engelhardt, Flowers, Shrubs & Lawns Project; 1st Place; Natalie Evans, Horse Project, 1st Place; Payton Evans, Team Sports Project, 2nd Place; Zola Graves, Horse Project, 1st Place; Remington Haynie, Safety

Project, 1st Place; Lisa Hill, Dog Care & Training Project, 2nd Place; Myla Hood, Historic People Project; 2nd Place; Grace Kuykendall, General Science Project, 1st Place; Saige Martin, Horse Project, 2nd Place; Alivia McCaslan, General Recreation Project, 2nd Place; Aiden McCarty, Marine & Coastal Ecology Project, 3rd Place; Jeremias Oviedo, Rabbits Project, 1st Place; Cooper Padgett, Historic People Project, 2nd Place; Shreena Patel, Wildlife Project, Honorable Mention; Haylee Sorensen, Dog Care & Training, 2nd Place; Keiffer Vang, Engineering & Mechanics, 3rd Place; Addyson Webb, General Science Project, 2nd Place; Levi Wiles, Outdoor Survival Project, 1st Place; Kadeem Williams, Forestry & Wood Science Project, 1st Place; and Brentley Woodall, Fruits, Vegetables & Nuts Project, 2nd Place. Students who served as Teen Leaders for the day were Josue Bravo, Madison Moore, Allie Stephens and Samantha Walsky. Gracie Kidd and Julianna Walsky served as project

judges, while Bethany Burden led recreation in Sutton Hall. We are so proud of all of these students!

## **4-H Fundraisers**

THANK YOU to the students who helped make our Christmas/fall fundraisers a



success! Those who participate in Cloud 9, Rada Cutlery or Krispy Kreme include: Savannah Adriance, Gracey Baxter, Stevie Benton, Jo’Coby Black, Sophie Black, Harmonie Colbert, Ella Dixon, Lisa Hill, Myla Hood, Jaleyah Huff, Gracie Kidd, Saige Martin, Madison Moore, Cooper Padgett, Allie Stephens, Julianna Walsky, Levi Wiles, Latayron Williams, and Brentley Woodall.

## **Horse Quiz Bowl**

Horse Quiz Bowl is a competitive event where students are charged with learning thousands of pages of horse related content, which they must then answer questions on in a jeopardy styled contest held in January! This is a wonderful way to enhance your knowledge if you are an avid horse lover—but it is not for those who do not want to learn!!!

Although fun, there will be homework and tests along the way! Our next practice will be held **Wednesday, December 13th, in the Clover Room from 3pm-5pm.**

## **Clubs of the Month**

5th Grade: Mack—Aston  
6th Grade: Bridges 1st  
7th Grade: Bradley 5th  
8th Grade: Tilley 5th



Anyone who has questions or concerns about the protection of minors involved in UGA programs or activities can contact the Elbert County 4-H Agent (Lauren Dye, [LMDYE@UGA.EDU](mailto:LMDYE@UGA.EDU)). Additional contacts include the District 4-H Program Development Coordinator (Al Parker, [ALPARKER@UGA.EDU](mailto:ALPARKER@UGA.EDU)) and/or UGA's Director of Compliance for Programs and Activities Serving Minors at [programsforminors@uga.edu](mailto:programsforminors@uga.edu) or 706-542-7255.

**Want Clover Points? Parents, please indicate you have seen the December 4-H Flash below. Sign, cut out and return!**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_