



# WACO 4-H NEWS

To Make The Best Better

September 2023



## STATE 4-H CONGRESS

Georgia 4-H celebrated excellence during the 80th Annual 4-H State Congress as top 4-H'ers from around the state gathered in Atlanta July 18-21. State Congress includes the state-level Project Achievement and Leadership in Action contests, as well as recognition of youth development professionals, supporters, and public officials for their contributions to the success of 4-H in Georgia.

Three Washington County 4-H'ers competed at State Congress this year, Alyssa Maze 3rd place in Performing Arts Other Instrumental, Mackenzie Sheram in Companion & Specialty Animals and Kendra van Loenen 2nd place in Poultry.

Leaders in the camping program and 4-H center leadership also received recognition during State Congress. Ty Poole, was recognized for serving in his leadership role as a Muskogee Mico at Rock Eagle this summer.

## CLOVERS & COMPANY

Kennedy Blocker and Jileighannah Crooms were selected as vocalists with the nationally acclaimed Georgia 4-H Performing Arts Group, Clovers & Co. This is Kennedy's 4th year in the group and Jileighannah's first year. Clovers & Co. features talented singers, dancers, and instrumentalists ranging from 4th – 12th grades. Clovers & Co. provides entertainment on behalf of the University of Georgia College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences UGA Extension's Youth Program, 4-H.





Performing arts is one of the most popular projects in the Georgia 4-H Program. Clovers & Co. was established to provide 4-H'ers with an opportunity to share their talents with others. First established in 1981, Clovers & Co. is celebrating its 42nd anniversary this year. Young people from around the state audition for this group every June.

Nearly eight hundred 4-H'ers have been members of Clovers & Co. during its 42-year history including Grammy Award Winning Country Music Star, Jennifer Nettles. Washington County has been well represented in Clovers & Co over the past several years.

Clovers & Co. provides a great opportunity for Kennedy and Jileighannah to mature as performers and develop skills in leadership, showmanship, and teamwork. We congratulate Kennedy and Jileighannah on their success.



I pledge

			
<b>MY HEAD</b>	<b>MY HEART</b>	<b>MY HANDS</b>	<b>MY HEALTH</b>
to clearer thinking	to greater loyalty	to larger service	to better living

for my club, my community, my country, and my world

## TO KEEP UP WITH CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES JOIN OUR REMIND NOTIFICATIONS

- 4th Grade - Text @clover1 to 81010
- 5th Grade - Text @clover2 to 81010
- 6th Grade - Text @clover3 to 81010
- 7th & 8th Grade - Text @4-hjuniors to 81010
- 9th - 12th Grade - Text @4-hseniors to 81010

## COTTON BOLL & CONSUMER JUDGING

This competition will help you learn how to make good choices when it comes to spending money on everyday items and gain awareness on one of Georgia's top crops, cotton! You must attend practices to compete. Additional practice times can be arranged.

Competition -  
November 6th

### Cotton Boll Practice Dates

October 3rd, 6-7pm  
October 16th, 4-5:30pm  
October 24th, 6-7pm  
October 30th, 4-5:30pm

PARENTS

We  
Need  
You!

### ...to be a Volunteer!

Volunteer applications MUST be completed & submitted at least 3 weeks prior to date of event.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE



Collect Pop-Tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Tabs must be collected in zip-lock bags

SCAN TO RECEIVE THE  
WASHINGTON COUNTY 4-H  
E-NEWSLETTER  
VIA EMAIL



BE PART OF SOMETHING BIG!  
JOIN 4-H TODAY!



SCAN TO COMPLETE THE  
2023-2024  
WASHINGTON COUNTY 4-H  
ENROLLMENT FORM

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

### Register for all activities/events at Washington County Extension

*All required paperwork (COC, Med Forms) must be completed and returned for each event in order to participate*

#### October 8th

**Fright Fest @ Six Flags - 8th grade & up**  
\$105 registration fee. Only 15 spots available. Cost covers entrance into park and haunted attractions, one meal and one drink. Does not cover all day drink bottle. Additional money will be needed for snacks/drinks.

#### November 11-12

#### Junior Conference - Rock Eagle 6th - 8th grades only

\$90 registration fee. 2023 Project Achievement Participants will receive a discount and only have to pay \$30. Registration closes October 30th.

Shotgun Team Registration Information  
Coming Soon (6-12 grades)

## HOLD THE DATES

- **Fall Forum** - December 9-10  
(9th-12th grades)
- **Junior/Senior DPA** - February 9-11  
(7th-12th grades)
- **Cloverleaf DPA** - March 16  
(4th-6th grades)
- **Cloverleaf Camp @ Rock Eagle** -  
June 17-21 (4th-6th grades)
- **Junior Camp @ Burton** - July 15-19  
(7th & 8th grades)



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