

November 2023 Gaston County **4-H FORECAST**



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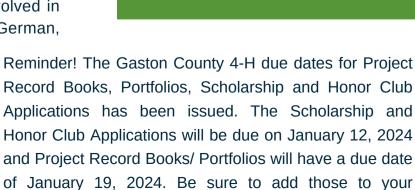
The 4-H portion of the closet has become a disaster! We want to allow each club in Gaston Co. access and use of this space. This closet will need to be cleaned, organized, and labelled by a few club members. We must make space available to other clubs. Please complete this by the end of the year.

We are still looking for a few youth to put together a Gaston County New 4-H Member Guide. This would provide families and youth an easy to follow guide on how to get involved with 4-H in our county. This guide would be available digitally and in printed format for all new Gaston County 4-H'ers. We are offering a scholarship of at least \$100 that would be shared between the youth involved in the creation of the guide. Contact Christie German, clgerman@ncsu.edu for more information.

IMPORTANT DUE DATES



calendars!



4-H NEW

MEMBER

GUIDE



SC VOLUNTEER LEADERS FALL DAY ***

Gaston County 4-H Volunteers are invited to attend the South Central Volunteer Leaders Association Fall Day on November 4th from 9 am until 3 pm. This event will be held at the Lee County Office located at 2420 Tramway Rd, Sanford, NC. Volunteers will attend numerous workshops and elect upcoming officers. Registration fee scholarships are available.

Volunteers interested in attending will need to contact Christie German at clgerman@ncsu.edu or 704-922-2126 to register.

>>> STATE FAIR EXHIBIT

The Gaston County Exhibit at the State Fair was awarded 4th place. This came with a prize of \$500. The money will be split between the Herd Handlers Club and Gaston County. The Herd Handlers will use the money in a way that benefits the youth in the club. The money received by Gaston County will be used to provide much needed scholarships to help youth attend various district events, state events, or residential camp. Thank you to everyone who took part in the design and construction of the Gaston County Fair Exhibit





CLUB MEETINGS

>>> GASTON COUNTY BLAZING SADDLES 4-H CLUB Leader: BJ Waelz

Meets on the 1st & 3rd Thursday of the Month at 7 pm

>>> GASTON COUNTY HERD HANDLERS 4-H CLUB

Leaders: Elizabeth Stephens & Chris Cookingham Meets on the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the Month at 6:30 pm



IMPORTANT DATES

November 4: SC Volunteer Leader Association Meeting in Lee County

November 22-24: Christie Out for Holiday

November 24-28: National 4-H Conference

December 4-6: Christie Out for SPARK

December 11- January 11: 4-HOnline Shut Down

December 25-29: Christie Out for Holiday

January 12, 2024: Scholarship & Honor Club Applications Due Date

January 13, 2024: Discover 4-H Event @ Library

Jan 19, 2024: Project Records / Portfolios Due

Feb 2-4, 2024: Volunteer Leaders Conference

4-H DISCOVERY SESSION

Gaston County 4-H has scheduled a 4-H Discovery Session at the Gastonia Main Library Branch on Saturday, January 13, 2024. This session will start at 11 am. We will invite any one interested in learning more about 4-H or volunteering with 4-H to join us. We will discuss the many varied opportunities 4-H offers and ways that they can get involved/volunteer. We would like to invite any current 4-H clubs, members, and volunteers to take part in the day. You can share your experiences with 4-H and promote your club. Please share this opportunity to anyone you know that is interested in 4-H. If you are interested in helping out the with 4-H Discovery Session on January please contact Christie German 13. at clgerman@ncsu.edu or 704-922-2126.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Gaston County 4-H is always looking for volunteers that can help grow true leaders in our community. We have opportunities for both short-term and long-term volunteers. Contact Christie German to express interest and learn more about the Gaston County 4-H.

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