



## 2024 MS 4-H Wildlife Art & Photography Contest

If you love art and/or photography skills; this contest is a wonderful opportunity for you to showcase your talents.



### Art Categories include:

Pastels/Charcoal/Graphite/  
Colored Pencil (Abstract or Realistic), Oil/  
Acrylic/Watercolor (Abstract or Realistic), Pen/  
Ink/Markers/Crayon (Abstract or Realistic), Car-  
toon, Sculpture/3-D, and Mixed/Altered Media.

### Photography Categories are:

Action, Non-Action, Human Interest (Digital  
Only) Photos should be 5" x 7" format in plastic  
sleeve.

Age divisions: 8-13 years old, 14-18 years old

Contact the Extension office for a detailed list of  
the rules and regulations. **Entries must be  
turned in to the county 4-H office by Friday,  
April 12.**

## DATES TO REMEMBER ...

- April 11 - Crafty Critters 4-H Meeting 5:00 p.m.
- April 12 - MS Wildlife Art & Photography Competition entry deadline.
- April 13 - County Judging Contests and Clothing Selection/Construction Contests. *Sign up by Wednesday, April 10.*
- April 13 - 4-H Ambassador Meeting at noon. Please call and let us know you plan to attend.
- April 17 - 4-H Advisory Council Meeting (noon)
- April 17 - 4-H Pet Club Meeting 4:30 p.m.
- April 17 - State 4-H Ambassador & Council Officer Applications are due. (state deadline)
- April 23 - Eagle 4-H Club Meeting 4:00-5:00 p.m.
- April 23 - Wildlife Tasting Supper
- April 27 - NE District Shooting Sports Competition. *Registration is due Wednesday, April 10.*
- May 1 - State 4-H Congress Registration is due.
- May 1 - Clover Kidz-West 4-H Club - 3:30 p.m. at Tishomingo Chapel Baptist Church
- May 3 - NE Project Achievement Day Registration Deadline
- May 4 - 4-H Volunteer Leader Meeting

If you plan to attend or would like more information about any of these activities/programs, please contact the Alcorn County Extension office at 662-286-7756.



## 4-H Judging Contests

The 4-H judging contests will be held **Saturday, April 13, 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. in the Extension Exhibit Hall.** The following contests will be offered for Coverbud, ages 5-7, and Cloverleaf members ages 8 and 9: horticulture, entomology, and photography. Juniors, ages 10-13, and Seniors, ages 14-18, may participate in the following contests: photography (**must submit photographs and complete skills judging**), horticulture, seed identification, forestry, and entomology. This year, we are adding the Bicycle Contest for ages 8-18. (We must have at least 5 registered for bicycle in order to set up the contest.) Contest information and study material for these contests are available in the county office.

You may participate in up to three judging contests. **Please call and sign up for the contests you would like to participate in by Wednesday, April 10.** If no one has registered for a contest by April 10, that contest will not be offered.

## 4-H Clothing Construction & Selection Contests

The clothing construction & selection contests will be held **Saturday, April 13, at 10:00 a.m.**, at the Extension office. **Please register for one or both of these contests by Wednesday, April 10.** Project books and study packets for these contests are available at the Extension office.

**Clothing Construction:** 4-H members ages 10-18, can participate in the contest. There are four project levels based on sewing ability. There are four parts to the clothing construction contest: **1.** The 4-H member must construct a garment according to the correct project level. You should bring your garment to the contest on a hanger for the judges to look at. **2.** You will model your garment for the judges. **3.** Participate in a skill-a-thon. Examples of stations include: parts of a sewing machine, sewing equipment, pattern markings, use of a pattern envelope, types of fabrics, kinds of buttons, selection of fabric, interfacing, lining and notions. **Two stations will be set up for the county contest.** **4.** The final part of the contest will consist of ranking a set of 4 samples according to construction quality and present oral reasons on how you ranked the samples.

**Clothing Selection:** 4-H members 5-18, can participate in the contest. Each contestant will model a ready to wear outfit, which he/she has purchased. You will give oral reasons about the suitability of the outfit selected. Reasons should include statements such as why the outfit is appropriate for the occasion you purchased it for, care requirements, material content, and statements about the construction quality of the outfit.



## NE District 4-H Shooting Sports Competition

The deadline to register for the **2024 NE District 4-H Shooting Sports competition** is **Wednesday, April 10.** Participants must have met the following qualifications to compete: 8 hours of safety training per discipline and a qualifying postal score for each event. The **NE District Event will be held Saturday, April 27,** at the Jimmy Bryan 4-H Youth Complex in West Point and the Starkville Gun Club (Shotgun only). Entry fees are \$10.00 per class. Come by the Extension to complete your registration.



## 4-H Ambassador Meeting

The Alcorn County 4-H Ambassadors will meet **Saturday, April 13, at noon.** We will have lunch. Then Mrs. Linda Laudadio will be working with you on team building and 4-H planning.

**Please let us know by Wednesday, April 10, if you plan to attend.** We need a headcount for lunch.

*Leadership is not a position or a title, it is action and example.*

## 4-H Advisory Council Meeting

The **4-H Advisory Council** quarterly meeting will be held **Wednesday, April 17, at noon** at the Extension office. A light lunch will be served. Please contact the office to let us know you will attend.

## State 4-H Ambassador & State Council Officer Applications

Senior 4-H members, ages 14-18, have the opportunity to apply to be a State 4-H Ambassador and/or State 4-H Council Officer. **Applications are due in the state 4-H office by Wednesday, April 17.** If you are interested in applying, contact the Extension office for an application.

## Annual Wildlife Tasting Supper

The Annual Alcorn County Wildlife Tasting Supper will be held at the Crossroads Arena **Tuesday, April 23**, at 6:00 p.m. Dish registration will begin at 5:00 p.m. Entry for the event is \$15.00 per person or a wildlife dish or a dessert.


4-H Ambassadors are encouraged to help with this event. Please come to the main entrance by 5:00 p.m. if you plan to help.

## State 4-H Congress

Senior 4-H members ages 14-18 who have competed in a county contest and earned a blue ribbon are eligible to take part in State Congress. During Congress, youth from participate in a variety of contests and workshops, state council officer elections, and a dance!

4-H Congress will be held May 29, 30, and 31, at Mississippi State University. **Please contact the 4-H office before May 1, if you are interested in attending.**

## BECOME A 4-H STEM-BASSADOR



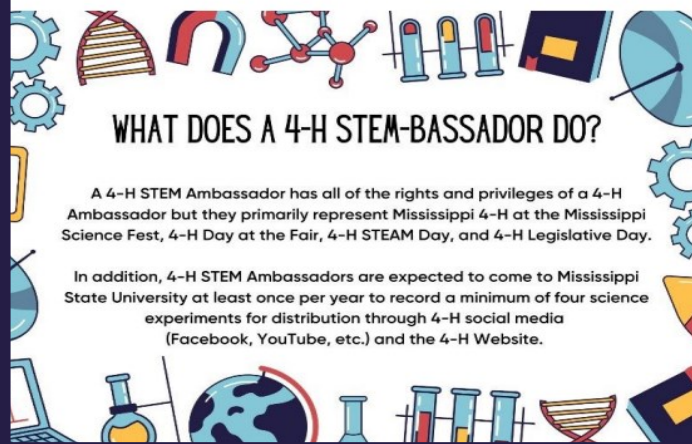
How do I become a 4-H STEM-bassador?

1. 4-H'ers must be 14-18 years old (Seniors)
2. Complete the 4-H Ambassador Application - due April 17, 2024 by 5:00 p.m.
3. Submit a video of yourself conducting a science experiment or demonstration - due April 17, 2024 by 5:00 p.m. to [mariah.s.morgan@msstat.edu](mailto:mariah.s.morgan@msstat.edu)
4. Participate in the ambassador interview at 4-H Club Congress in May.

### WHAT DOES A 4-H STEM-BASSADOR DO?

A 4-H STEM Ambassador has all of the rights and privileges of a 4-H Ambassador but they primarily represent Mississippi 4-H at the Mississippi Science Fest, 4-H Day at the Fair, 4-H STEAM Day, and 4-H Legislative Day.

In addition, 4-H STEM Ambassadors are expected to come to Mississippi State University at least once per year to record a minimum of four science experiments for distribution through 4-H social media (Facebook, YouTube, etc.) and the 4-H Website.



**For more information about any of our programs and activities, please contact the Alcorn County Extension office.**

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## NE Region Project Achievement Day

NE Region Project Achievement Day will be held **Friday, June 14, at Northeast Mississippi Community College in Booneville, MS.**

Project Achievement Day provides an opportunity for junior 4-H members, ages 10-13, to showcase their knowledge, skill, and hard work for their specific project area. Cloverleaf members, ages 8-9, may also participate in the Cloverleaf Exhibit. Cloverbud Corner will offer learning activities, creative play, and 4-H exposure to youth ages 5-7.

If you have earned a blue ribbon in a county contest and would like to participate in PAD, call the Extension office to sign up. **The registration deadline is Friday, May 3.**

## 4-H Volunteer Leaders Fundraiser Nothing Bundt Cakes

The Alcorn County 4-H Volunteer Leaders will be conducting a fundraiser now through May 13. They will be taking orders for Bundtlets from Nothing Bundt Cakes. The "Bundtlets" are individually packaged personalized bundt cakes topped with their signature frosting. The price of each cake is \$7.00. You can choose from the following flavors: chocolate chocolate chip, red velvet, white chocolate raspberry, lemon, confetti, classic vanilla, carrot, or strawberries & cream. **Orders are due by Monday, May 13. Cakes will be available for pick up at the Extension office on Friday, May 24.**

If you would like to support our volunteers and place an order, come by the Extension office or contact your favorite 4-H Volunteer. Profits from this fundraiser will be applied toward volunteer trainings and youth scholarships.



# PREMIUM BOOK ART CONTEST

WE INVITE ANY 4-H AND FFA STUDENTS IN MS TO CREATE AN "AGRICULTURE FAIR THEME" PAINTING OR DRAWING FOR A CHANCE TO BE FEATURED ON THE COVER OF OUR 2024 PREMIUM BOOK!

**DEADLINE: MAY 31**

1ST PLACE: \$100  
2ND PLACE: \$75  
3RD PLACE: \$50

**YOU CAN SUBMIT YOUR PREMIUM BOOK ARTWORK TO YOUR 4-H COUNTY AGENT / FFA ADVISOR, OR BY SCANNING IT AND EMAILING IT TO [JENNA@MDAC.MS.GOV](mailto:jenna@mdac.ms.gov)**

## 2024 Annalisa Laudadio Love & Encouragement 5K Run/Walk T-Shirt Design Contest

Please help us create the 2024 Annalisa Laudadio race t-shirt. This contest is open to youth and adults.

### **Contest rules and conditions:**

A replica of the winning design will be featured on the race T-shirt.

Entries should be submitted on white, unlined, letter sized (8 1/2" x 11") paper.

- Designs can be original artwork or computer generated. Only two-dimensional designs will be accepted.
- Color designs are encouraged but the design may not be printed in the exact colors on the T-shirt.
- When using the 4-H Clover, the emblem must adhere to the rules outlined in the 4-H National Headquarters Fact Sheet: Using the 4-H Name and Emblem.
- The 4-H T-Shirt Design selection committee reserves the right to modify the winning design.
- The selection committee will review all entries and will choose the best design based on creativity, originality, and uniqueness.
- Include your first and last name and phone number on the back of the design.

The winner will receive a free 5K t-shirt and their choice of a free 5K entry or a \$20 prize. **The entry deadline is Friday, May 24, 2024.**

### **T-SHIRT DESIGN Contest**

