

Gloucester County **4-H FAIR** July 23rd-26th

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Welcome 4-H Members, Volunteers, and Guests,

On behalf of the Gloucester County 4-H Fair Association, we are proud to welcome you to the 2026 Gloucester County 4-H Fair!

The 4-H Youth Development Program provides young people with valuable opportunities to explore their interests through hands-on projects while developing important life skills such as leadership, public speaking, teamwork, and citizenship. The Fair represents the culmination of the 4-H year, giving members the opportunity to showcase their hard work, talents, and accomplishments. We encourage everyone to visit the exhibits and celebrate the dedication and achievements of our 4-H youth.

The Fair Association is made up of committed volunteers who work throughout the year to organize the Fair, maintain the fairgrounds, improve facilities, and support local 4-H programs and activities. We extend our sincere appreciation to all volunteers, Fair Association members, sponsors, and local businesses for their time, effort, and generous support. Your continued contributions help bring the 4-H slogan, "Learn by Doing," and the 4-H motto, "To Make the Best Better," to life for the youth in our community.

Thank you for being part of this longstanding tradition and for supporting the Gloucester County 4-H community. We hope you enjoy the Fair!

David Smith

David Smith
President
Gloucester County 4-H Fair Association

For more information

<https://gloucester.njaes.rutgers.edu/4h/>

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Hello and welcome to the annual Gloucester County 4-H Fair!

The Gloucester County 4-H Fair is a summer tradition that dates back to the 1940s, where 4-H families come together to celebrate the achievements of our 4-H members' hard work and dedication to their projects.

4-H is a time-honored youth development organization and one of the largest in the country. Its roots trace back to the early 1900s, when local educators and the U.S. Department of Agriculture began forming youth "boys and girls clubs" to teach practical agricultural and life skills. One of the earliest documented clubs began around 1902–1903, and over time, corn clubs for boys and tomato (and other canning) clubs for girls became widely established across the United States. The official "4-H" name—representing Head, Heart, Hands, and Health—was adopted in the early 1910s, and by 1924 the 4-H clover emblem was standardized nationally.

In 4-H, we believe in:

- All young people's potential.
- Developing young people who are empowered, confident, hard-working, determined, responsible, and compassionate.
- Ensuring access and equity for all.
- The practice of Positive Youth Development by creating hands-on, real-world learning experiences.
- Caring and trusted adult mentors who cultivate positive relationships with youth.
- Creating safe, diverse, and inclusive environments.
- Meeting young people where they are.

As you wander around the Fair, I encourage you to explore all of the 4-H members' projects. Each member has invested their time, resources, and heart into their experiences. Along the way, they've gained valuable life skills that will prepare them for their futures.

Our 4-H members, volunteers, and families continue to "make the best better" each day, and the Gloucester County 4-H Fair is no exception.

On behalf of the Gloucester County 4-H Youth Development Program, we hope you enjoy the atmosphere, BBQ dinner with your friends and family, and the celebration of community spirit. As we honor this year's theme, "Red, White, & Blue: 4-H Wants You — A Barnyard Salute to Celebrate America," we invite you to wave your patriotic spirit high and join us in recognizing the traditions, talents, and teamwork that make 4-H—and our nation—shine bright.

In 4-H Friendship,



Brittany S. Rigg-Brandt
4-H Sr. Program Coordinator
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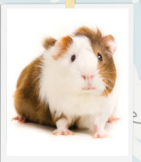
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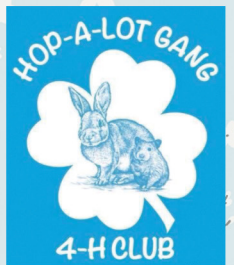
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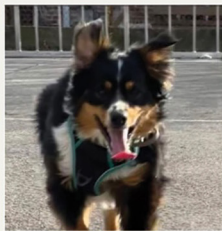
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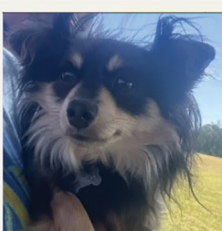
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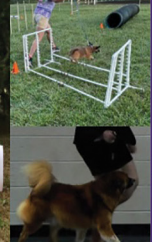
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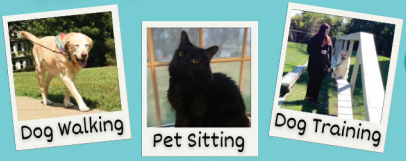
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Congratulations **Logan & Lincoln!** Have fun and put your best hooves forward! ~Aunt Gail loves you always! Xoxo

Elsie G. - Have fun at the 4-H Fair! We love you and you always have our support. Lots of love, Mom-Mom & Pop-Pop W.

Elsie G - Good Luck to you and **Henry** at your first fair together. We know you will do great. Love, Mom, Billy, Eric, and Timmy.

Emily Moss we are so proud of your participation in 4-H. We love watching you and **Finn!** Mom and Dad

Emily and Finn, good luck! We are so proud of you!
 -Grammy, Poppy and Hannah

Emily and Finn, we love to watch you fly through the obstacles! Good Luck! Grandmom Trudy and Grandpop Paul.

Emily & Finn best wishes as you age out of Canine Can Do dog club. You both will be missed.

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★★★★★★ **THURSDAY, JULY 23** ★★★★★★

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
9:00	Dressage Horse Show*	Horse Show Arena
10:00 – 10:00	Day at the Farm, Pig Races & Petting Zoo*	Miserendino Building
10:30 – 11:00	America's 250th Photo Contest* and Patriotic Birdhouse Contest* Drop-off (Judging on Saturday 7/25 at Noon)	Rabbit Barn
11:00 – 8:00	Pony Rides*	End of Livestock Barn
11:00	Gambler's Choice Trail*	Lower Arena
11:00	Corn Husking Competition	BBQ Pavilion
11:00 – Noon	Bill Kerwood - Interactive Magic Show	Wallace Warren Pavilion
11:00 – 1:00	Helping Paws Club *Come Make A Pet Toy With Us*	Near Dole Dog Arena
11:00 – 4:00	Hoofbeats Mini Horse Meet & Greet	Barn C
12:30 – 1:30	Musical Guest: Anjali	Wallace Warren Pavilion
1:00 – 2:00	Bill Kerwood - Balloon Creations	Near Wallace Warren Pavilion
2:00	Stick Horse TRAIL Competition	Lower Arena
3:00 – 4:30	Musical Guest: The Original Hobo Band	Wallace Warren Pavilion
4:00 – 5:00	Tire Toss/Skillet Toss Competition* (Top 3 advance to Sunday Finals)	Lower Arena
4:00 – 8:00	BBQ Dinner	Food Pavilion
4:00 – 10:00	Kiddie Rides (Unlimited Kids rides 5-9pm for \$25)	Near Rabbit Barn
4:45	Club Line-up for Opening Ceremonies	Horse Show Ready Ring
5:00	Gas Engine Running Display	Near Lower Arena
5:00 – 5:30	Open Ceremonies & 4-H Parade of Clubs	Horse Show Arena
5:00 – 6:00	Musical Guest: The Corner People	Wallace Warren Pavilion
6:00	Rock Crusher Demonstration	Near Lower Arena
6:00 – 7:00	Musical Guest: HiJInk	Wallace Warren Pavilion
6:30	Invitational 4-H Obedience Trial (Check-in starts at 6:00 p.m.)	Dole Dog Ring
6:30	4-H Swine Show	Livestock Barn
7:00	Parade of Power followed by Tractor Games	Near Lower Arena
7:00	Versatility Horse Show*	Horse Show Arena
7:15 – 9:15	Musical Guest: Vinnie Trav	Wallace Warren Pavilion

★★★★★★ **FRIDAY, JULY 24** ★★★★★★

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
8:30	Open Western Horse Show* (all day)	Horse Show Arena
10:00	4-H Invitational Sheep Show	Livestock Barn
10:00 – 3:00	Palette Pleasers 4-H Cooking Club Contest* Drop off for: Jams, Jellies, and Marmalades	Exhibit Barn
10:00 – 10:00	Day at the Farm, Pig Races & Petting Zoo*	Miserendino Building
11:00	Corn Husking Competition	BBQ Pavilion
11:00 – Noon	Bill Kerwood - Interactive Magic Show	Wallace Warren Pavilion
11:00 – 4:00	Hoofbeats Mini Horse Meet & Greet	Barn C
11:00 – 8:00	Pony Rides	End of Livestock Barn
11:30	4-H Beef Show	Livestock Barn
Noon	Helping Paws Animal Art Show* (\$1 per entry)	Rabbit Barn
Noon – 1:00	Bill Kerwood - Balloon Creations	Wallace Warren Pavilion
12:30 – 2:30	Musical Guest: Amanda and Nick	Wallace Warren Pavilion
1:00 – 8:00	BBQ Dinner	Food Pavilion
2:00	Tire Toss/Skillet Toss Competition* (Top 3 advance to Sunday Finals)	Lower Arena
3:00 – 4:00	Bill Kerwood - Interactive Magic Show	Wallace Warren Pavilion
3:00 – 10:00	Kiddie Rides	Near Rabbit Barn
4:15 – 5:15	Musical Guest: Rachel Carbonaro	Wallace Warren Pavilion
5:00	Gas Engine Running Display	Near Lower Arena
5:00-7:00	Foam Party	Small Front Field
5:30 – 7:00	Musical Guest: Gone Rogue	Wallace Warren Pavilion
6:00	Tractor Pulls (registration at 5pm)	Tractor Pull Track
6:30	"Patriotic Pups" Costume Contest* followed by Smartest Dog Trick Contest* (\$1 each; registration starts at 6 p.m.)	Dole Dog Ring
7:00	Parade of Power followed by Tractor Games	Near Lower Arena
7:30	Knock Down-N-Out* Hosted by Trot-tastics 4-H Club	Horse Show Arena
7:30	4-H Hog, Goat, Beef & Lamb Auction	Livestock Barn
7:45	Rock Crusher Demonstration	Near Lower Arena
8:00 – 10:00	Musical Guest: Triple Rail Turn	Wallace Warren Pavilion



IR SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



★★★★★★ SATURDAY, JULY 25 ★★★★★★

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
8:00	Open Hunter Show* (all day)	Horse Show Arena
9:30	Invitational Rabbit, Cavy, and Small Animal Show	Rabbit Barn
10:00	4-H Dairy Show	Livestock Barn
10:00 – 2:00	Palette Pleasers 4-H Cooking Club Contest* Drop off for: Pickles, Relish, and Salsa	Exhibit Barn
10:00 – 10:00	Day at the Farm, Pig Races & Petting Zoo*	Miserendino Building
11:00	Corn Husking Competition	BBQ Pavilion
11:00 – Noon	Bill Kerwood - Interactive Magic Show	Wallace Warren Pavilion
11:00 – 4:00	Hoofbeats Mini Horse Meet & Greet	Barn C
11:00 – 8:00	Pony Rides	End of Livestock Barn
Noon	4-H Invitational Goat Show	Livestock Barn
Noon	America's 250th Photo Contest and Patriotic Birdhouse Contest Judging	Rabbit Barn
Noon – 1:00	Bill Kerwood - Balloon Creations	Wallace Warren Pavilion
Noon – 5:00	Car Show (registration \$20 day of show) *Rain date: Sunday, July 27)	Front Field
12:15 – 2:00	Meet The Tower Princess	Wallace Warren Pavilion
1:00 – 8:00	BBQ Dinner	Food Pavilion
1:30 – 2:30	Stick Horse JUMP Competition	Lower Arena
2:00 – 4:00	Fair Royalty Pagent	Wallace Warren Pavilion
3:00 – 10:00	Kiddie Rides	Near Rabbit Barn
4:00	Rock Crusher Demonstration	Near Lower Arena
4:00 – 5:15	Country Line Dancing	Wallace Warren Pavilion
5:00	Mini Knock Down-N-Out* Hosted by Hoofbeats 4-H Horse Club	Horse Show Arena
5:00	Building Better Futures for Rescue Dogs Talk	Dole Dog Ring
5:45	All Jazzed Up Pet Services LLC's Rally Obedience Demo & Run Thru*	Dole Dog Ring
6:00	Animal Costume Contest	Livestock Barn
6:00	Gas Engine Running Display	Near Lower Arena
6:00	Tractor Pulls (registration at 5pm)	Tractor Pull Track
6:00 – 7:15	Musical Guest: The Band Palm	Wallace Warren Pavilion
6:30	Canine Can Do 4-H Club Demonstration	Dole Dog Ring
7:00	Parade of Power followed by Tractor Games	Near Lower Arena
7:15	Dog Games* (\$1 donation—registration open at 7 pm)	Dole Dog Ring
7:30	Draft Horse Pull	Horse Show Arena
Following Draft Horse	Tire Toss/Skillet Toss Competition (Top 3 advance to Sunday Finals)	Horse Show Arena
8:00 – 10:00	Musical Guest: Loose Ends	Wallace Warren Pavilion

* Denotes an OPEN TO THE PUBLIC event. Pre-registration & fees may be required.

★★★★★★ SUNDAY, JULY 26 ★★★★★★

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
8:00 – Noon	4-H Cloverbud & Starter Rider Exhibition Horse Show* (Age 3 through 1st or 2nd year showing)	Horse Show Arena
9:00 – 9:30	Palette Pleasers 4-H Cooking Club Contest* Drop off for: Baking (Judging at 11 a.m., pickup by 2 p.m.)	Exhibit Barn
10:00 – 5:00	Day at the Farm, Pig Races & Petting Zoo*	Miserindino Bldg
10:30	Invitational 4-H Dog Agility Trial	Dole Dog Arena
11:00 – 1:00	Musical Guest: Fiona James	Wallace Warren Pavilion
11:00 – 2:00	Hoofbeats Mini Horse Meet & Greet	Barn C
11:00 – 3:00	Pony Rides	End of Livestock Barn
11:30	Dog Agility Run Thru* (Following Dog Agility Trial; no earlier than 11:30 a.m.—\$1 donation)	Dole Dog Arena
Noon – 1:00	Horse Stick SPEED Competition	Lower Arena
1:00	FNALS - Tire Toss/Skillet Toss Competition	Lower Arena
1:00 – 2:00	Bill Kerwood - Interactive Magic Show	Wallace Warren Pavilion
1:30 – 5:00	Games on Horseback*	Horse Show Arena
2:00	4-H Round Robin Contest	Livestock Barn
2:30 – 3:30	Bill Kerwood - Balloon Creations	Wallace Warren Pavilion
5:00	Fair Closing	—

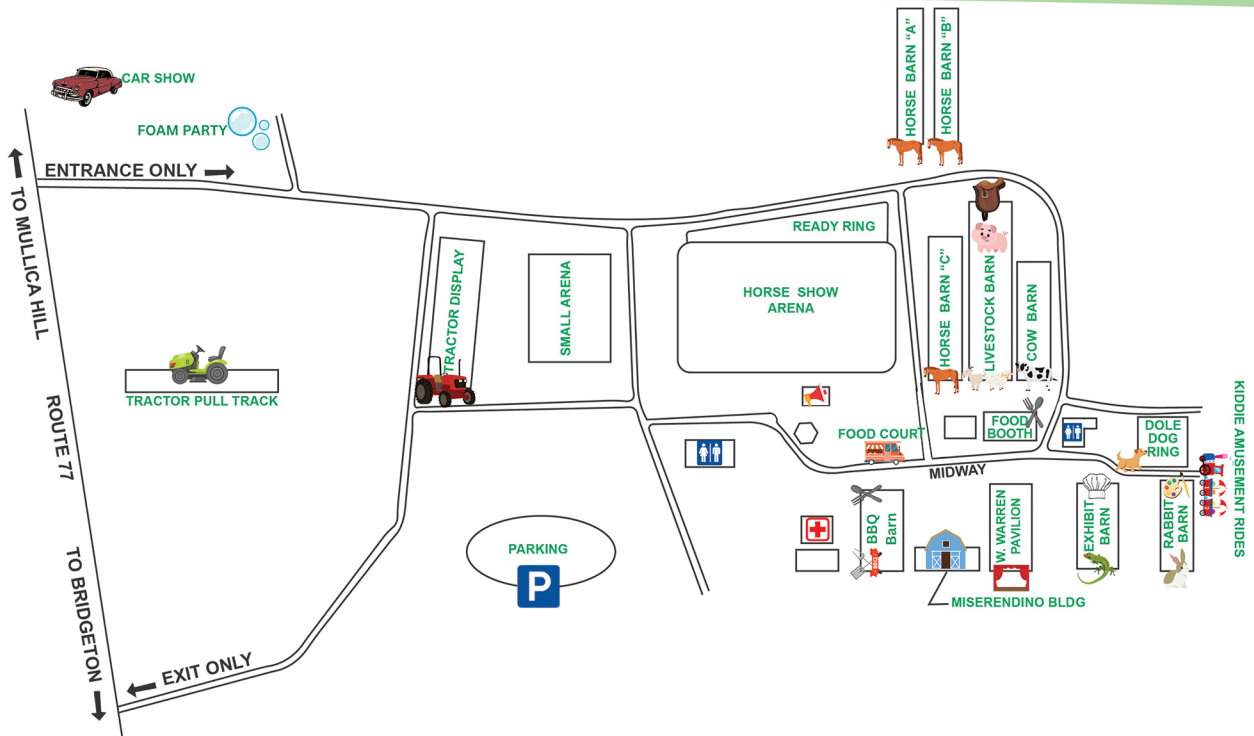
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- BBQ Dinner
- Horse Barn
- Day at the Farm
- Livestock Barn
- Pony Rides
- W. Warren Pavilion
- Cow Barn
- Exhibit Barn
- Dole Dog Ring
- Rabbit Barn
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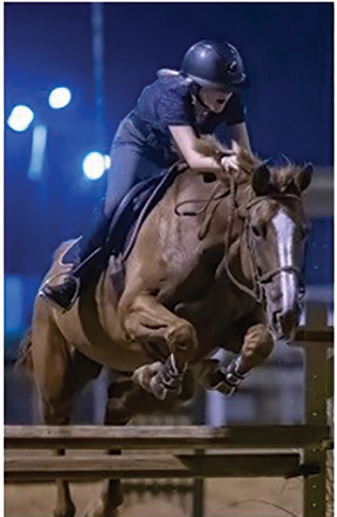
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Katelyn, I love watching the dedication you have to Nugget & Ellie, the way your hard work shines through everyday. The care, patience and love you give them is reflected in the strong bond you share. Seeing your passion and commitment grow with each ride and every moment at the barn makes me so proud of you.

Love Mom



Dear 4-H Members, County Residents, and Visitors:

The Gloucester County 4-H Fair is an Old Tyme County Celebration filled with fun-filled activities for residents and visitors of all ages that you are not going to want to miss! For the past 74 years, the Gloucester County 4-H Fair has highlighted the hard work and dedication of the 4-H Youth Program, their families, mentors, and leaders, and we thank them for their commitment to the rich tradition of agriculture that keeps Gloucester County as one of the top producers in New Jersey. This four-day event will be filled with animal exhibits, tractor pulls, live music, a car show, and much more. We hope to see you at the 2026 Gloucester County 4-H Fair.

Thank you to all those who make this event a huge success every year.

Sincerely,
GLOUCESTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Frank J. DiMarco, Director



Matthew Weng, Commissioner
Liaison to Rutgers Extension Services/ 4-H

Welcome to the 2026 Gloucester County 4-H Fair!

On behalf of Rutgers Cooperative Extension and the Rutgers New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station, I am delighted to welcome you to this year's fair season. Across New Jersey, our county fairs represent some of the very best of 4-H, hands-on learning, leadership, service, teamwork, and good old-fashioned family fun.

For some families, this may be their very first 4-H fair experience. For others, 4-H is a multigenerational tradition deeply woven into family memories and community connections. Whether you are new to 4-H or have spent decades involved in the program, I hope this fair reminds you of something special about 4-H: it is a place where young people grow, communities come together, and lifelong friendships are formed.

At its heart, 4-H has always been about helping young people develop the knowledge, confidence, character, and life skills needed to thrive in a changing world. From agriculture and animal science to civic engagement, healthy living, environmental stewardship, and emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence, Rutgers 4-H continues to evolve to meet the needs of today's youth while remaining grounded in the timeless values of leadership, service, and community.

As you walk through the fairgrounds, I encourage you to take a moment to introduce yourself to someone new. Ask a young person about their project. Ask a volunteer why they continue to give their time. Ask a family what 4-H has meant to them. In many ways, 4-H is more than a youth program; it is a community built on encouragement, mentorship, and belonging.

None of this would be possible without the extraordinary dedication of our 4-H volunteers, families, faculty, staff, and community partners. Their commitment, compassion, and generosity help bring positive youth development to life each day across the Garden State.

Thank you for being part of the Rutgers New Jersey 4-H family. I hope you enjoy your time at the fair and will continue to make 4-H part of your story for years to come.

Be well and enjoy the fair season!



Matthew Newman
Department Chair / State 4-H Program Leader
Rutgers Cooperative Extension

Message from the Executive Dean

On behalf of Rutgers New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station (NJAES), it is my pleasure to welcome you to the Gloucester County 4-H Fair.

The Rutgers NJAES 4-H Youth Development Program is honored to support this long-standing county tradition and much-anticipated summer event. Each year, more than 30,000 New Jersey 4-H members participate in programs that encourage them to develop leadership, citizenship, and valuable life skills, many of which are proudly showcased during county fair activities and exhibitions.

Beyond the fairgrounds, Rutgers 4-H plays an active role in communities across the state every day, engaging young people of all backgrounds and interests. Our mission is "to enable youth to develop the knowledge, attitudes, and skills they need to become competent, caring, and contributing citizens of the world." The county fair is a wonderful reflection of that mission, highlighting the talents, achievements, and diversity of youth from New Jersey's rural, suburban, and urban communities alike.

Last year alone, 4-H youth participated in 465 clubs that provided them with enriching experiences. With thousands of appointed 4-H volunteers, working alongside youth from all over the state of New Jersey, these dedicated community-minded individuals provided a total of hundreds of thousands of volunteer hours that translated to an economic impact of millions of dollars. Their commitment represents an extraordinary contribution to the Garden State, and I extend my sincere appreciation to each of them for the important role they play in the success of New Jersey 4-H.

I hope you have a wonderful time at today's 4-H county fair. To learn more about New Jersey 4-H programs and opportunities, please visit nj4h.rutgers.edu and follow New Jersey 4-H on Facebook.

Sincerely,



Laura J. Lawson
Executive Dean of Agriculture and Natural Resources
Executive Director of the New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station
Executive Dean of the School of Environmental and Biological Sciences
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

Greetings from the Director of Rutgers Cooperative Extension

Welcome to the 2026 Gloucester County 4-H Fair!

New Jersey 4-H, a program of Rutgers Cooperative Extension, has once again brought you a spectacular County Fair filled with hands-on activities, demonstrations, and good old-fashioned "family fun!"

On behalf of the faculty and staff of Rutgers Cooperative Extension, I offer my warmest congratulations to the 4-H youth, volunteers, families, and community partners whose dedication makes these programs possible. Through hands-on learning, leadership, service, and community engagement, 4-H continues to shape the lives of young people across New Jersey positively. The annual county fairs provide an opportunity for youth to showcase not only their projects and accomplishments, but also the confidence and life skills they have developed throughout the year.

While we cherish these time-honored traditions, 4-H also continues to evolve to meet the needs of today's youth and tomorrow's world. From its earliest beginnings, 4-H has encouraged young people to explore innovation while developing character, leadership, and a commitment to service. As technologies such as artificial intelligence continue to reshape society, Rutgers 4-H remains uniquely positioned to help youth engage thoughtfully and responsibly through learning experiences that strengthen critical thinking, creativity, teamwork, and ethical decision-making. In doing so, 4-H continues its longstanding mission of preparing young people to succeed and lead in a changing world.

As we work toward these important outcomes, I applaud and am deeply grateful to the thousands of 4-H volunteers for their dedication and continued support. Their invaluable contributions of time, knowledge, and care are vital to the success of all 4-H programs.

I hope you enjoy your stay at the fair and will plan to make this an annual destination for you and your family! Please contact us at 848-932-5000 and visit us online at <http://nj4h.rutgers.edu/>.

Best wishes,



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**We wish the participants of the 4-H Fair
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