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## The 4-H Way

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Siskiyou County 4-H

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### Upcoming Events

#### January

- 14 Mid Year Treasurer Review  
6pm 4H Office
- 14 Leaders Council Meeting  
7 pm 4H Office
- 21 State Ambassador Applications Due

#### February

- 1 Registration opens for County Presentation Day & Livestock Knowledge Bowl
- 28 Last day to register for County Presentation Day & Livestock Knowledge Bowl

#### March

- 8 County Presentation & Livestock Knowledge Bowl, Hosted by Grenada & Shasta View 4-H Club
- 11 Leaders Council Meeting  
7 pm 4H Office
- 29-30 Shooting Sports Instructor Meeting, Redbluff
- TBD County Fashion Review. Home Ec Day

### \*MANDATORY \*Treasurer Mid-Year Review

January 14th , 6:00 pm 4-H Office

We are hosting the **MANDATORY** mid year Treasurer Review! **All Treasurers, Treasurer Advisors or Community Club Leaders** are required to attend. Held at the 4-H Office January 14th, 2024, at 6:00pm. Pizza will be provided thanks to Shasta View 4-H, we will have a short training and go over our Treasurer Record Books. Please bring your up to date **Treasurers Record Book and Check Books.**

We will review the work you have done already, answer any questions and help you through any sticky spots. I will be available for individual help from 5-6pm.

Christina Bradford

### State Field Day & Fashion Review

#### Date Change!

Big change for State Field Day! This annual event is usually held on Memorial Day Weekend. This has made it hard for families with county fairs or vacations during the long weekend to take part. We are moving it to the weekend before - Saturday, May 17, 2025. We will assess this change based on feedback and attendance. We hope this will make it easier for families to join the event.

### 4-H Record Book/Forms

Record book forms can be found on the state 4-H website. Forms are available as google docs or as word format. All record book forms can be downloaded and saved to your computer to be completed throughout the year. Remember record books are due annually to your club leaders in September. If you are selling an animal at the fair your minimum requirement is to complete the annual project reports.

Save the Dates!  
**State Field Day 2025**  
**May 17, 2025**  
 UC Davis Campus

# Sprout into the 4-H'er you were meant to be

- Participate in State level contests,
  - Connect with 4-H'ers from across the state,
  - Learn new things at the interactive booths,
  - Get inspired by other contest participants
- Continue making the best better in your 4-H career.

## State level competitions

State Fashion Revue and State Presentation Events have qualifying requirements from County-level competitions. The State Plant Science contest is a qualifier for national competition.

Contests without qualifying requirements allow you to compete and learn from 4-H competitors from throughout California. This event strengthens a number of important [extended learning practices](#).

Questions? Email us at [4hsfd@ucanr.edu](mailto:4hsfd@ucanr.edu)

### COMPETITIONS

Forestry

Insect Identification

Photography

Plant Science

Robotics

State Fashion Review

State Interview Contest

State Presentation Day

Video Essay Contest



**STATE  
FIELD DAY**

**Learn**

**Thrive**

**Grow**

## 2025 STATE FASHION REVUE CATEGORIES

### TRADITIONAL

Participants in this category will construct a garment/s and assemble an outfit that showcases their sewing skills and ability to coordinate an outfit. The outfit must contain at least one constructed garment. Participants are encouraged to construct additional garments to complete the outfit but may wear clothing they purchased or already own. Accessories - such as shoes, hats, belts, jewelry, purses, backpacks, etc., - may be purchased, already owned, or made by the member. If items were sewn that cannot be worn - such as in a coordinating jacket, skirt, and pants set or in a pajama set with matching pillow or quilt - these additional items may be carried. Only garments sewn by the participant will be evaluated on construction, but all items worn will be evaluated on the outfit coordination.

You may enter a Make It With Wool outfit in the Traditional category. If you choose to enter the Make It With Wool competition that is supported by the American Sheep Industry, it is your responsibility to ensure that your entry meets the Make It With Wool requirements. (<https://makeitwithwool.com/welcome>)

The garment/s in this category must be sewn by the member as part of a 4-H Clothing & Textiles Project\* and modeled by the member at the Fashion Revue event.

### CONSUMER SCIENCE PURCHASED, \$50.00

#### LIMIT

Participants in this category will shop for an entire outfit with the total cost not to exceed \$50.00 not including sales tax. Receipts from the current 4-H year are required for any item that is visible. This includes but is not limited to shoes, stockings, jewelry, and hair accessories. Gifts, prior purchases, and items without receipts are not eligible for this category. Receipts from yard sales, etc. may be handwritten. The participant

should consider value vs. cost, versatility, the shopping experience, and coordination of the outfit within the cost limit.

This category has no 4-H project requirement and must be modeled by the member at the Fashion Revue event.

### UNIQUELY UPCYCLED

In the context of fashion, upcycling involves repurposing old clothing or textiles to create new and unique garments. This can include combining different pieces of a garment or other materials to create a fresh look. You can alter the items through sewing, embellishing, painting, dyeing, etc. An example would be combining sleeves from one garment to the bodice of another item to create your own, unique garment.

The garment/s in this category must be sewn by the member as part of a 4-H Clothing & Textiles Project\* and modeled by the member at the Fashion Revue event.



### FAVORITE DECADE CHALLENGE

Participants in this challenge will create an outfit that is inspired by your favorite decade. The entry must state the year or period of the design and include a drawing, photo, or description of the

classic design that is being reproduced or duplicated. Add accessories to complete the outfit that are reminiscent of that time period. The outfit must feature at least one handmade garment made by the member. Other pieces of the outfit must be representative and recognizable as belonging to the same era as the handmade

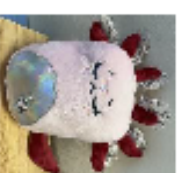
The garment/s in this category must be sewn by the member as part of a 4-H Clothing & Textiles Project\* and modeled by the member at the Fashion Revue event.



### SOFTIE CHALLENGE

What is a softie? A stuffed animal, cloth doll, plush toy, soft sculpture, or fabric toy. In this challenge, the participant will sew, felt, knit, or crochet a softie using a pattern or their own design. Any type of fabric and any embellishment techniques (trims, embroidery, yarn hair, removable clothing) may be used. Participant must present the entry themselves at the Fashion Revue event.

This category has no 4-H project requirement and must be shown by the member at the Fashion Revue event.



## LEATHER CREATIONS

Participants in the Leather Creations category will create any leather accessory – purse, wallet, belt, saddlebag, key fob, etc. – in any style. Any leather techniques may be used (tooling, carving, carving, dyeing, painting, shapimg, stitching, etc.) Materials used may be any leather, suede, or faux leather products.

This category has no 4-H project requirement and must be shown by the member at the Fashion Revue event.

### NEEDLEWORK

Participants in this category will create any type of needlework – embroidery, cross stitch, needlepoint, quilting, knitting, crochet, etc. You may use a kit.

The item/s in this category must be sewn by the member as part of a 4-H Clothing & Textiles Project\* and shown by the member at the Fashion Revue event.

*\*4-H Clothing and Textiles projects include Sewing, Fiber Arts, Crocheting, Knitting, and Quilting.*

### WHO CAN ENTER 2024 STATE FASHION REVUE?

Any 4-H Member

### WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW TO ENTER 2024 STATE FASHION REVUE?

Traditional, Consumer Science Purchased, \$50.00 Limit, and Uniquely Upcycled entries must have received County Winner at a County 4-H Fashion Revue or other qualifying event. Only one County Winner from each age division in these three categories may enter State Fashion Revue.

Favorite Decade Challenge, Softie Challenge, Leather Creations, and Needlework categories do not need to qualify at a County 4-H Fashion Revue or other qualifying event.

### Age Divisions (Age as of 12/31/23)

Junior, ages 9-10

Intermediate, ages 11-13

Senior, ages 14-18

Members may enter two categories at State Fashion Revue.

The two highest point score winners in Senior Traditional, Senior Consumer Science Purchased, and Senior Uniquely Upcycled will qualify for the FCS National Championship & Conference Fashion Revue categories.



# Apply to be a State Ambassador by January 21

The California 4-H State Ambassador program includes youth who are exceptional in their leadership and service to their communities. They represent the University of California 4-H Youth Development Program at state and national events. Our State Ambassadors develop strong team leadership skills through their year of service.

Complete applications are due by January 21, 2025.

Apply and learn more on the [State Ambassador page](#) on the Resource Center.

## STATE AMBASSADOR APPLICATIONS OPEN!

Represent the CA 4-H program  
and support your 4-H peers!

**Applications due Jan 21**



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# Join the Pilot Farm Robotics Challenge Academy

[The Farm Robotics Challenge](#) is exploring what it would look like to build an option for secondary school students to participate in the challenge. Our goal is to build out categories for participation that we can roll out for the 2025/26 academic year.

If you're a high school teacher or leader in organizations like FFA, 4-H, Grange, or other youth serving institution and have a passion for technology and project-based work, consider joining our pilot group.

Teams have the choice of participating in the [AIR](#) or [LAND](#) categories as outlined in the post secondary school level challenge.

**January 24, 2025 – Registration for pilot group due**

**February 21, 2025 – Project Proposals due**

**April 24, 2025 – Final Projects Due**

**May, TBA – Awards**

**August 1, 2025 – Top 3 teams advance to a Championship Round**



The Farm Robotics Challenge is an annual competition that invites student teams from universities and colleges across the world to tackle real-world ag challenges. Join our pilot program to expand the program to include secondary school aged competitors.

#### WHO CAN PARTICIPATE

- **Students:** Secondary school students from public and private high schools, FFA, 4-H, Grange, or other youth serving organizations.
- **Team Leaders:** High school teachers, academic staff, volunteer leaders, mentors.

#### WHY PARTICIPATE

- **Skill Development:** Gain hands-on experience in robotics, AI, and ag science. Work on real-world projects that challenge you to develop foundational skills.
- **Networking:** Connect with industry leaders, academic experts, and like-minded peers.
- **Real-world Impact:** Contribute to sustainable and efficient farming practices. Your innovations could spark innovations for our food system.
- **Prizes:** Awards and travel stipends to attend FIRA ag tech conference.



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Learn more about us and sign up to join our Academy Pilot Group at <https://www.farmroboticschallenge.ai/academy>

The Farm Robotics Challenge is organized by [UC Agriculture and Natural Resources](#) and the [AI Institute for Next Generation Food Systems](#) (AIFS), with support from the [Fresno-Merced Future of Food Initiative](#) (F3).

# Annual 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Meeting

Tehama Shooters Association Range

26950 Manton Road

Red Bluff, CA

Saturday, March 29, 2025

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sunday, March 30, 2025

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM



Calling ALL Shooting Sports Instructors - this includes certified adult volunteers, certified teen leaders, shooting sports volunteers who support the project but are not certified in a discipline, and 4-H staff.

This **mandatory\*** meeting is a two-day event filled with:

Program updates

Discipline-specific networking

Range time

Special guest speakers

Updates on the 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador program

National Championship information

Information on Fundraising opportunities

And more!

Attendance at this 2-day session will extend your current 4-H discipline certification(s) by one (1) year, provided you did not already attend the meeting in Winton, CA.

*\*Mandatory* means that all shooting sports volunteers should make every attempt to attend. ***Every county engaged in shooting sports programming should have at least one representative in attendance.***

**Register Now**

Please help us plan by registering early. **Final registration deadline is March 24, 2025.**

Fee: \$40 to cover materials, supplies, meals and drinks, and targets. Breakfast, snacks, drinks, and lunch will be provided on both days. You must secure your own lodging.

Fees can be paid online using a credit card or by check, payable to UC Regents, sent to the UCCE Shasta County office. Please see the [registration form](#) for the mailing address. We recommend contacting your county staff and/or 4-H club leadership to ask about providing support for your travel, lodging, and fees.

**Questions**

**Registration:** Nate Caeton [nwcaeton@ucanr.edu](mailto:nwcaeton@ucanr.edu)

**Shooting Sports:** Russell Hill [rdhill@ucanr.edu](mailto:rdhill@ucanr.edu) or Nate Caeton [nwcaeton@ucanr.edu](mailto:nwcaeton@ucanr.edu)

We're currently recruiting guest speakers for the launch of "The Volunteer Café Webinar Series," a bi-monthly, 1-hour exploration of creative and innovative practices by our very own CA 4-H Volunteer Club and Project Leaders.

We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to share and showcase their creative and innovative programming with their peers.



The  
**VOLUNTEER  
CAFÉ**  
Webinar Series



A special blend of tools and tips for 4-H volunteers

# Share, Inspire, Connect!

Contribute to our 4-H Volunteer Community by becoming a guest speaker at one of our Bi-Monthly Webinar Series showcasing YOUR special brew of creativity and innovation.

**ABOUT THE WEBINARS**

These bi-monthly, 1-hr. webinars aim to inspire, educate, and unite 4-H volunteers by creating a space for volunteers to learn from their peers.

**WHO WE ARE LOOKING FOR**

4-H project leaders and club leaders who have a creative and innovative approach, strategy, or activity to share

**WEBINAR GOALS**

- Inspire and Motivate
- Share Knowledge
- Develop Skills
- Build Networks
- Strengthen the Community

**WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR**

- Provide a brief overview or demonstration of your innovative approach, strategy, or activity
- Share relevant resources
- Answer questions

**WHO TO CONTACT**

Scott Mautte, MS  
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**HOW WE WILL SUPPORT**

- 1-on-1 preparation support
- Promote the session
- Host the session



If you're interested in joining our team as a guest speaker, complete the [Speaker Application](#).

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