

4-H Now Enrolling

4-H is a youth development program of the University of California Cooperative Extension which is collaboration between federal, state, and county governments. The 4-H youth development advisors work with other staff and volunteers to deliver the 4-H program in our county. 4-H is an educational program to assist youth in their development by providing learn-by-doing educational experiences, developing skills that benefit youth throughout life, strengthening families and communities, fostering leadership and volunteerism in youth and adults, building partnerships for programming and funding, using research-based knowledge from the land-grant university system, and conduct community service within our town.

Youth are eligible to participate in 4-H as primary members if they are 5 years old or in kindergarten as of December 31 of the program year. Primary members have special policies in regarding participation, competition, and animal projects. Youth nine years old or in fourth grade by December 31 of the program year, they can enroll as regular members. Please note that if youth are home schooled, the grade criterion does not apply. Youth remain eligible for membership until the end of the calendar year in which they turn 19 years old.

The new 2009-10 Mariposa County 4-H program will begin October 1. There are five 4-H clubs to choose from: Triangle (Woodland School area), Evergreen (Lushmeadows area), Catheys Valley (held at McCay & Stag Halls), and on the north side in Don Pedro (meetings held at the Don Pedro Elementary School).

If you are interested on volunteering as a leader, we are also taking adult enrollments. We are looking for adults with special interests in Marine Biology, pottery, painting, GPS/GIS, welding, quilting, photography or any other interest that the youth of Mariposa would enjoy. New leaders' orientations will take place in September & October.

If your child or you are interested, please contact the UCCE office at 966-4829, or drop by the office at 5009 Fairgrounds Rd. Monday through Friday from 8a.m. to 5:00p.m. (Office is closed for lunch from 1:00p.m. to 2:00p.m.) **Enrollment deadlines are for returning 4-Hers, October 1, 2009 and for new members November 1, 2009.**

Come join the fun with 4-H!

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