

Clover Chatter

Iberia Parish 4-H



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Iberia Parish 4-H Achievement Day

When: Saturday, April 26, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Where: Westgate High School, 2305 Jefferson Island Road

4-H'ers and leaders should make plans to attend the last big 4-H activity of the year to earn points for your club, earn awards and most importantly, have fun! Join us at Westgate High School on Saturday, April 26th. The general assembly begins at 9:15 a.m. Our Achievement Day will also feature hands-on, rotating workshops which highlight various topics presented by our Executive Committee Members. Each club has the opportunity to participate in the Song & Yell contests and each member can compete individually to earn ribbons.

Complete rules will be reviewed during March club meetings.

March Educational Program

We will continue with our Ag in a Bag agriculture lessons by learning about strawberries. Strawberries are planted near good water sources during the late winter months and continue into the spring. They are packed with nutrients, making them one of the healthiest fruits. We will mix biology and agriculture to learn why strawberries are more than just a delicious snack.

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Strawberry
Flower
Salad
Fruit
Berries
Seeds
Red
Ripen
Shortcake
Snacks

Membership and participation in activities and events are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, national origin, gender, religion, age, veteran status, or disability. If you have a disability that requires special accommodation for your participation in an activity, please contact us at 337-369-4440.

RESULTS

Iberia Parish 4-H Poultry & Rabbit Shows

The 2025 Iberia Parish 4-H Poultry and Rabbit Show was held at SugArena on Friday, February 7th. The show results are as follows:

Poultry

- Champion Cockerel Pen – Evan Bourque
- Champion Pullet Pen—Elijah Segura, Loreauville High
- Overall Champion—Evan Bourque, HOTT
- 1st Broiler Showmanship (9-11) – Jayce Martin. Homeschool Elm
- 1st Showmanship (12-14)- Izzy Homan, Member at large
- 1st Showmanship (15 & Older) – Ireland Homan, Member at large
- Grand Champion Overall Broiler Showman—Ireland Homan, Member at large
- 1st Place Premier Exhibitor: Jr. Division—Caiden Baudoin, Loreauville Elementary 
- 1st Place Premier Exhibitor: Sr. Division— Isabella Espinosa, Belle Place Middle
- Grand Champion Standard Exhibition Bird— Caiden Baudoin, Loreauville Elem
- Grand Champion Bantam Exhibition Bird— Embrie Romero, JIRES
- Supreme Champion Exhibition Bird— Embrie Romero, JIRES

Rabbit

- Overall Grand Champion Rabbit— Amelia Close, Delcambre High
- 1st Premier Exhibitor: Jr. Division— Avery Thibodeaux, Delcambre High 
- 1st Premier Exhibitor: Sr. Division—Amelia Close, Delcambre High
- 1st Showmanship (9-11)- Avery Thibodeaux, Delcambre High
- 1st Showmanship (12-14)- Kaylee Romero, Delcambre High
- 1st Showmanship (15 & over)- Amelia Close, Delcambre High
- Grand Champion Overall Showman—Amelia Close, Delcambre High

Contest Day Highlights

4-H Contest Day was held on Saturday, February 1, 2025 at North Lewis Elementary. The results are listed below:

Demonstration Contests

Ag Demo (4th–6th) – 1st Place – Malek Turner, Delcambre High

Beef Poster Contest

Division I—Malek Turner, Delcambre High

Division II—Isabella Espinosa, Belle Place Middle

Draw a Dairy Billboard Contest

Division I—Malek Turner, Delcambre High

Division II—Ananya Mitchell, HOTT

Cookery Contests

Oyster– Grand Champion– Wyatt Armentor, Caneview Elem

Crab– Grand Champion– Asher Delahoussaye, Acadiana Christian

Shrimp– Grand Champion– Wyatt Armentor, Caneview Elem

Fish– Grand Champion– Destiny Hypolite, Acadiana Christian

Crawfish—Grand Champion– Scarlet Romero, North Lewis Elem

Bento Box– Grand Champion– Amelie Borel, Loreauville Elem

Congratulations to all who competed in the Pet Show as well!!



Shooting Sports – Parish Match

Congratulations to all members who participated in the Parish Archery Match on February 22nd! Good luck at the Regional Competition in Port Allen on March 18-19th!

Junior Compound 9-11

1st – Michael Pevey, Homeschool Elem

Junior Compound 12-13

1st – Joseph Mitchell, Homeschoolers on the Teche

Senior Compound

1st – Peyton Crochet, New Iberia Senior High

Junior Genesis

1st – Landon Fontenot, Belle Place Middle

Senior Genesis

1st – Carter Thibodeaux, Catholic High

Junior Recurve

1st – Peyton Couvillier, Acadiana Christian

Senior Recurve

1st – Greyson Freyou, Homeschoolers on the Teche

UPCOMING EVENTS

Iberia Parish 4-H Junior Leader Club

The next Junior Leader Meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, March 20th at 5:30 PM** at the 4-H Office. The club is open to all 4-H members in 7th to 12th grade. Serving as a Junior Leader is an honor, an opportunity, and a responsibility. As a Junior Leader, you can make new friends and become eligible for 4-H trips, awards, and scholarships, develop your abilities to plan, organize and facilitate events and activities.

4-H University

Iberia 4-H'ers will compete for the best in the state in more than 40 contests. In addition, some may wish to take part in the noncompetitive learning event called Clover College, which includes seven hours of instruction over the three days of 4-H University. During 4-H U, participants will be introduced to aspects of life that college students experience on a daily basis. Students may tour a working dairy, a biomedical center, and athletic facilities. Students will also get to see how college students live on campus by residing in campus dormitories and eating at campus dining halls. 4-H University will be an unforgettable experience! 4-H'ers from all 64 parishes gather on the campus of LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY in Baton Rouge. **4-H University will be held June 17-20, 2025.** Please contact the Iberia 4-H Office for more information.

2025 Sugarcane Festival Livestock Show

If you are looking to start a fun, rewarding project, consider joining the Livestock Project! Livestock projects include beef, swine, sheep, goat, poultry, and rabbit projects. The next 4-H livestock show will take place during the 2025 Sugarcane Festival in September. If you are interested in joining in on the Iberia 4-H Livestock fun, please email Ms. Patrice at pcahee@agcenter.lsu.edu.



Laissez Les Bons Temps Rouler at Camp Grant Walker

Who: 4th - 6th grade 4-H'ers

When: July 7-10, 2025

Where: Camp Grant Walker, Pollock, LA

Archery. Canoeing. Games. Acting. Swimming. Dancing. FRIENDS. These are just a few of the many reasons 4-H'ers love summer camp! 4-H camp is what many 4-H'ers say is their favorite memory of their time spent in the 4-H program. All 4th – 6th graders have the opportunity to apply to attend camp this summer.

Members can pick up an application form at the 4-H Office if they did not receive one at the March meeting. Don't hesitate to contact the 4-H office with any questions. Applications, along with the deposit, are due by **Friday, March 21st to** the Iberia 4-H Office.

*Please note: There are scholarship opportunities for 4-H'ers. Please do not let financial restrictions be the reason you miss out on camp. Call the 4-H office for more info on financial assistance to attend summer camp.

LOST Camp

Who: 7th-8th graders

When: July 31st – August 3rd, 2025

Where: Camp Grant Walker, Pollock, LA

LOST (Louisiana Outdoor Science and Technology) Camp promotes awareness of science career opportunities, engineering, and technology through hands on learning and discovery. Each camper will have the chance to experience environmental science, animal science, food science, technology, art, and outdoor skills! Details are still being finalized, so stay tuned for updates and a forthcoming application.

4-H Summer Horse Program

CALLING ALL HORSE EXHIBITORS! If you are interested in participating in the 4-H summer horse shows, you must have possession of your horse(s) by April 1, 2025. Please contact the 4-H Office for more details and all forthcoming information!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Iberia 4-H Foods Workshop

The Iberia 4-H Foods Workshop is for 4th- 6th grade members who are interested in learning new recipes and trying different foods. The workshop will be on Wednesday, April 16th and will cost \$15. **The deadline for registration is April 4th!** Registration information will be sent out through 4-H Online.

Robotics Camp and Workshops

This summer, our robotics club, the Circuit Breakers, will be working hard to bring a few robotics experiences to Iberia Parish!

The week of July 14th-18th, we will be hosting a robotics camp for rising 4th-7th graders to experience Lego robotics and learn the basics of construction and coding! This day camp will act as a fundraiser for our robotics time while also programming the next generation of engineers! Save the date now, and as we get more information, we will share it!

During the summer, the Circuit Breakers will also be hosting free informational workshops about robotics for 7th-12th graders, which will also act as tryouts to join the state award winning Circuit Breakers in their 2025-2026 season!

Special Clovers

- Livestock exhibitors who participated at the State 4-H Livestock Show
- Livestock exhibitors who participated at the State Rabbit Show.
- Iberia Parish 4-H members who participated in the Robotics Competitions.

Strawberry Sale

The Iberia Parish 4-H Program is selling Strawberry Flats! A flat is 8 of the standard strawberry containers, and the fresh, delicious Louisiana-grown strawberries are perfect for eating, or freezing for later!

Strawberries are \$27 per flat, and orders must be made with payment submitted to the Iberia Parish 4-H Office before Friday, March 28th. Pickup will be at the office (415 Providence St.) tentatively on April 3rd!

For more information or to place an order, please call the 4-H Office at (337)369-4440.

Dates to Remember

March 2025

- 1: State 4-H Rabbit Show
- 4: Mardi Gras – Office Closed
- 5-7: Sewing Workshop
- 7-9: Junior Leadership Conference
- 13: 4-H Advisory Meeting
- 14: Record Books Due to 4-H Office
- 18-19: Southern Regional Archery Match
- 20: Junior Leader Meeting
- 21: Summer Camp Registration Deadline
- 26-27: Ag Adventures

April 2025

- 2: WHEP Event
- 8-9: State Archery Match
- 13-14: State Archery Shooting Sports Match
- 18: Good Friday – Office Closed
- 24: Junior Leader Social, 4-H U Registration Due
- 26: **Achievement Day @ Westgate High School**

May 2025

- 1: Awards Ceremony
- 17: Sugarcane Festival Steer Validation

