



# The Cloverleaf

Elementary Edition

March 2009



## Portfolios Are Due March 23rd

There is still plenty of time to get your 4-H Portfolio completed before the March 23 due date. The first thing you need to do to get started is to read your project books to determine how many activities you need to complete. After your project book activities are completed, you'll need to complete your 4-H Portfolio to turn in with your projects. Your 4-H Portfolio is available from your club leaders and may also be found online at <http://louisiana4h.org>. This should make completing your book easier than ever!

To complete your portfolio you'll need your completed project book, your completed portfolio form for all projects and some type of cover to hold it all together.

### The Elementary 4-H Portfolio Blue Ribbon requirements are:

1. Must be in some type of binder.
2. Must have 4-H Portfolio form.
  - Section 1 - Personal Data & 4-H and You
    - ✓ Picture – this can be school picture, snap shot, digital picture, etc.
    - ✓ Projects listed
    - ✓ Signature
    - ✓ 4-H & You Page Complete
  - Section 2 - 4-H Leadership
    - ✓ It is not required that anything be listed.
  - Section 3 - Citizenship/Community Service
    - ✓ A minimum of two activities should be included.
  - Section 4 - 4-H Awards & Recognition
    - ✓ It is not required that anything be listed.
  - Section 5 - Non-4-H Experiences
    - ✓ It is not required that anything be listed.
  - Section 6 - My 4-H Story
    - ✓ A minimum of 1 -1/2 pages is required.
  - Section 7 - 4-H Photos or Supporting Materials
    - ✓ A minimum of one picture is required.
  - Section 8 - 4-H Project Focus and Above & Beyond
    - ✓ List at least two statements of things you learned from your project or did in your project.
    - ✓ For livestock and pet care projects, you must list what you did to care for and train your animal (in addition to things learned.)
3. Project books
  - Discovering 4-H – A minimum of 4 sections must be completed.
  - Other Projects – A minimum of five activities must be completed.
  - Livestock Projects – A minimum of five activities must be completed.



### March

- 6 Applications due for Jr. Wildlife Tour
- 23 Portfolios due in 4-H Office**
- 16 Green TEENS Environmental Club meeting
- 28-29 SW LA Garden Festival
- 25 Area Commodity Cookery Contests, Jennings, LA

### April

- 1-7 Leap Tests
- 2 Outstanding Individual 4-Hers & 4-H Club Forms due
- 2 4-H Summer Camp deposits due
- 15-16 SW La Horse Camp, West-Cal Arena
- 20 Calcasieu Awards Night
- 21 State Ambassador Contests, Baton Rouge
- 24-25 South LA Shooting Sports Competition, LC Gun Club
- 27 Calcasieu Volunteer Leader Banquet, Burton Coliseum

### May

- 1-2 Shooting Sports State Competition, LC Gun Club
- 4 Organizational Leader Reports & Financial Summaries due
- 4 Club CRD Books due

### June

- 1-5 4-H Summer Camp
- 3 4-H Day at the Capitol
- 13 Calcasieu Parish Horse Show, West-Cal Arena
- 29-30 SW District Horse Show, West Cal Arena

April 20 - 24, 2009



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## Clovers To...

### Southwest District Livestock Show Winners

#### Market Lamb

**AOB White Face & Crosses:** Reserve Champion La Bred: Jacob Guidry, Calc Community

**Natural Color:** Reserve Champion La Bred: Shane Broussard, Vincent Settlement

#### Sheep Breeding

**Commercial Ewe:** Champion: Jacob Guidry, Calc Community

#### Market Swine

**AOB:** Reserve Champion: Rikki Gilmore, E D S

**Swine Showmanship:** Overall Junior Champion: Colby Conner, Calcasieu Community

#### John E. Jackson Swine Showman:

Colby Conner, Calcasieu Community

#### Market Steer

**British:** Reserve Champion & Reserve Grand Champion: Savanna Fruge, Bell City Elem.

#### Beef Breeding

**Braford Heifer:** Grand Champion & La Bred, Kayla Fontenot, Bell City Elem.

**Beefmaster Bull:** Grand Champion & La Bred: Andre Ange, Calcasieu Community

**Brangus Bull:** Reserve Champion La Bred: Katherine Murphy, Bell City Elementary

All 4-Hers who donated food items for the sale and who helped with preparing the lunch and the snack for the sale.



### Calcasieu 4-H Junior Leadership Club Strawberry Sale

Each spring, members of our Junior Leader Club sell strawberries to fund their club activities and service learning projects. Proceeds go to support their service learning project for the year.

Strawberries are sold by the flat (12 pints). If you'd like to purchase a flat of strawberries from the Junior Leadership Club, please call the 4-H office at 475-8812.

## Horse Shows Scheduled for June and July

It's time to start thinking about the 4-H horse shows coming up this summer. Four-H'ers must have their show horse in their possession (on your place and in your care) by April 1, 2009. If you plan to participate in 4-H horse shows, please fill out the form at the end of this cloverleaf and return to the 4-H office by March 23, 2009.



The horse you show must be registered in your (the 4-Her's) name or in the name of an immediate family member (father, mother, sister, brother or grandparents). If the horse is registered in the name of an immediate family member we will need a letter stating that the horse was given to the 4-H'er to use in the 4-H show. A copy of the letter needs to be in the 4-H office by April 1, 2009.

If you plan to show a horse that is not registered, you must call our office so that we can write grade papers on your animal. This will enable you to show it in 4-H shows. This must also be done by April 1, 2009.

### Camp Grant Walker – "It'll Grow On You!"

If you want to make new friends and have a lot of fun, and you are in the 3rd through 6th grade, you should plan to join us at 4-H Summer Camp. This year we will be camping June 1 - June 5. Our camp is held at Camp Grant Walker in Pollock, LA. Cost of summer camp is \$120 per camper. To reserve your spot you must send in a non-refundable deposit of \$50 no later than April 2nd. The check should be made out to Calcasieu Parish 4-H. Once the deadline passes any unfilled spots will be released to other parishes. If you are interested in going to camp please fill out the form on this cloverleaf and turn it in to the 4-H Office along with your \$50 check no later than April 2<sup>nd</sup>.



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**4-H Horse Show Pre-Registration Form**  
**Return by March 23, 2009 to: Calcasieu 4-H, 7101**  
**Gulf Highway, Lake Charles, LA 70607**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Registered Horse: YES or NO

If not registered: Need Grade Papers \_\_\_\_\_

Have Grade Papers \_\_\_\_\_

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**June 1th—5th**  
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