

## **Important and Time Sensitive Information**

**The following announcement is from the State 4-H Office:**

Dear 4-H Volunteers,

The ability of volunteers to work willingly together for the betterment of local communities and the statewide 4-H program is a valuable resource. Thanks for all you do!

We desire for Florida 4-H to be the premier positive youth development program in the state.

We share a vision:

- to grow in total number of youth served
- to reach new, more diverse, youth audiences
- to increase the pool of caring adult volunteers
- to provide even higher quality programming for all members

While the state is growing in population and diversity, recent legislation, policies, and the like have added additional challenges to reaching audiences.

Two webinars for 4-H volunteers will be offered in the month of May to announce a decision to improve resources and grow the Florida 4-H program.

We know how hard you all work and we recognize your need for more support.

The first webinar will be held **May 10th at 7pm ET**. For volunteers unable to participate in the first webinar, a second will be held on **May 19th at 11am ET**.

**Please join us on May 10<sup>th</sup> or May 19<sup>th</sup> using the following link:**

<https://ufifas.adobeconnect.com/fourhconnections/>

**Other important information:**

### **Intermediate State - Registration Opening Soon!**

This year's Intermediate State will be held at Camp Cherry Lake, June 10-12, 2016. Intermediate 4-H Members will learn about opportunities available to them once they become Senior 4-H Members, build friends across the state, and participate in educational workshops and funshops. The theme of this year's event is 4-H Color Wars. The schedule will include a mock legislative event, 4-H Showcase, a color relay, and workshops lead by Senior 4-H Members, 4-H Agents, and 4-H Staff. Youth will also have the opportunity to kayak and participate in shooting sports. Of course, no 4-H event would be complete without a dance, so participants will have the opportunity to dance the night away Saturday evening. This is a fantastic opportunity for younger members of your club to learn what opportunities are available to them outside of the

county level. Registration for Intermediate State will be open May 1st through June 3rd, and the cost is only \$85 per youth.

[http://florida4h.org/programsandevents\\_/intermediate-state/](http://florida4h.org/programsandevents_/intermediate-state/)

**Register for the Ona Youth Field Day - Thu, Jun 23 at 8:00 AM, Ona, FL**

Join us for the 9th Youth Field Day & Expo! Our goal is to excite students about agriculture and science, reveal future opportunities in those fields, and foster a love of learning which will promote agriculture and good stewardship in this and future generations.

After a welcome assembly, students in groups of 25-30 will rotate through 5, 30 minute class stations. Afterwards there will be lunch and the ag learning expo where various community & industry booths will be available to visit from 12:05 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. These booths will be informative and educational with demonstrations, visuals, hands-on activities, and experts who are ready to share their knowledge with inquisitive minds who want to know more.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/9th-annual-ufifas-range-cattle-rec-youth-field-day-registration-23925157791>