

Updated February 20, 2017

Mississippi 4-H Calendar of Events

October 2016 -
December 2017



Enclosed are the dates for statewide 4-H events and activities for October 2016 - December 2017.

Please check the corresponding listings to the left of the calendars for a complete description of events and activities.

Specialists and Extension Agents responsible for the activities or events are listed. MSU holidays and other relevant dates have also been included for your convenience.



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October 2016

| DATE | EVENT | CONTACT |
|-------------|---|--|
| 1 | DEADLINE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4-H Fashion Revue entries are due into the State 4-H Department for State Fair • 4-H Poultry entries for the State Fair are due into the Poultry Science Department | Larry Alexander Jessica Wells |
| 2 | 4-H Sunday | State 4-H Staff |
| Sept 26 - 2 | FARMTastic, Desoto County | Julie White |
| 2 – 5 | National 4-H Dairy Conference, Madison, Wisconsin | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 2 – 8 | Mississippi and National 4-H Week | State 4-H Staff |
| 4 | State Fair 4-H Exhibits Check-In and Judging, Jackson | Larry Alexander |
| 5 | National 4-H Science Day | |
| 5 – 16 | Mississippi State Fair, Jackson | Larry Alexander |
| | <i>13th – Receive 2nd batch of 4-H baked goods & horticulture items at the 4-H Village</i> | Larry Alexander |
| | <i>15th – 4-H Day at the State Fair</i> | Larry Alexander |
| | <i>15th - 4-H Fashion Revue</i> | Dr. Wanda Cheek |
| 6 – 9 | 4-H Volunteer Conference of Southern States, Rock Eagle 4-H Center, Eatonton, Georgia | Tammy Parker |
| 6 – 10 | National Junior Horticulture Association Convention, Erie, Pennsylvania | Dr. David Nagel |
| 9 – 13 | National Association of Extension 4-H Agents (NAE4-HA) Annual Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana | |
| 13 | 4-H Poultry Chain contest check-in at the State Fair, Jackson | Jessica Wells |
| 14 | 4-H Poultry Chain Contest Judging at the State Fair, Jackson | Jessica Wells |
| 15 | DEADLINE: Due into the State 4-H Office: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mississippi 4-H Banner Club Program Records • Salute to Excellence Award Applications | Larry Alexander |
| 17 | Dismantle 4-H Village and 4-H Exhibit pick-up at the State Fair, Jackson | Larry Alexander |
| 29 | MVLA Board Meeting, MSU | Tammy Parker |

October

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| | | | | | | 1 DEADLINE FARMtastic |
| 2 4-H Sunday FARMtastic | 3 | 4 State 4-H Fair Exhibit Check-in and Judging | 5 National 4-H Science Day | 6 | 7 4-H Volunteer Conference of Southern States National Jr. Horticulture Association Convention | 8 |
| National 4-H Dairy Conference | | | | Mississippi State Fair | | |
| Mississippi and National 4-H Week | | | | | | |
| 9 4-H Volunteer Conference of Southern States | 10 National Association of Extension 4-H Agents' Annual Conference | 11 | 12 | 13 DEADLINE 2 nd Batch of Baked exhibits & Horticulture items submitted at 4-H Village | 14 4-H Poultry Chain Judging at State Fair | 15 4-H Day at the State Fair DEADLINE |
| National Jr. Horticulture Association Convention | | | Mississippi State Fair | | | 4-H Poultry Chain Contest Check-in at State Fair |
| 16 State Fair | 17 Dismantle 4-H Village & Exhibit Pick-up at the State Fair | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 MVLA Board Meeting |
| 30 | 31 | DEADLINES: Oct. 1: Entries for the State Fair 4-H Fashion Revue are due into the State 4-H Office (Larry Alexander) Oct. 1: Entries for State Fair Poultry are due into Poultry Science Department (Jessica Wells) Oct. 15: Due in the State 4-H Office: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mississippi 4-H Banner Club Program Records (Larry Alexander) Salute to Excellence Award Applications | | | | |

2016

November 2016

| DATE | EVENT | CONTACT |
|-------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| 1 – 2 | Mississippi State University Extension Annual Conference | |
| 4 – 5 | National 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl, Louisville, Kentucky | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 5 – 6 | North American Invitational Dairy Judging, Louisville, Kentucky | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| | MSU-ES Annual Conference | |
| 7 – 11 | FARMtastic, Sunflower County | Julie White |
| 11 – 12 | 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Certification Workshop, Quitman | Dr. John Long |
| 14 – 18 | FARMtastic, MSU/Oktibbeha County | Julie White |
| 16 – 17 | National Poultry and Egg Conference, Louisville, Kentucky | Jessica Wells |
| 24 – 25 | Thanksgiving Holiday | |
| 25 – 29 | National 4-H Congress, Atlanta, Georgia | Larry Alexander Dr. Rae Oldham |

November

| <i>Sun</i> | <i>Mon</i> | <i>Tue</i> | <i>Wed</i> | <i>Thu</i> | <i>Fri</i> | <i>Sat</i> |
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| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 North American Invitational Dairy Judging |
| | | MSU Extension Annual Conference | | | National 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl | |
| 6 North American Invitational Dairy Judging | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Certification Workshop |
| | FARMtastic | | | | | |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| | | | National Poultry and Egg Conference | | | |
| | FARMtastic | | | | | |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| | | | | Thanksgiving Holidays | | |
| | | | | | National 4-H Congress | |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | | | |
| National 4-H Congress | | | | | | |
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2016

December 2016

| DATE | EVENT | CONTACT |
|---------|---|------------------------|
| 1 | DEADLINE: Ownership and nomination forms for beef breeding, market hogs, purebred dairy cattle, commercial dairy heifers, commercial beef heifers, dairy goats, and commercial meat goat does showing at the 2017 District and Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Shows are due in the County Extension Office | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 2 | DEADLINE: The following must be POSTMARKED to the ADS Office: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2017 4-H Horse Club Scholarships • 2017 Premier Exhibitor Contest Applications • 2017 Sale of Junior Champions Scholarships | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 6 | State 4-H Staff Conference | Dr. Paula Threadgill |
| 13 | Retinal image and classify commercial beef heifers & retinal image commercial meat goat does for the 2017 District and Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Shows, Pittsboro | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 14 | Retinal image and classify commercial beef heifers & retinal image commercial meat goat does for the 2017 District and Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Shows, Raymond | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 21 – 30 | MSU Winter Holidays | |

December

| <i>Sun</i> | <i>Mon</i> | <i>Tue</i> | <i>Wed</i> | <i>Thu</i> | <i>Fri</i> | <i>Sat</i> |
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| | | | | 1 DEADLINE | 2 DEADLINE | 3 |
| 4 | 5 | 6 State 4-H Staff Conference | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 Retinal image & classify commercial heifers & market goat does | 14 Retinal image & classify commercial heifers & market goat does | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| | | | MSU Winter Holidays | | | |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |
| | MSU Winter Holidays | | | | | |

DEADLINE:
Dec. 1: Ownership & nomination forms are due into the County Extension Office for beef breeding, market hogs, purebred dairy cattle, commercial dairy heifers, commercial beef heifers, dairy goats and commercial meat goat does showing at the 2017 District and Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Shows (Dr. Dean Jousan)
Dec. 2: 2017 Sale of Junior Champions Scholarships, 2017 Premier Exhibitor Contest Applications & 2017 4-H Horse Club Scholarships must be POSTMARKED to the ADS Office (Dr. Dean Jousan)

2016

January 2017

| DATE | EVENT | CONTACT |
|-----------------------|--|----------------------|
| 3 | State 4-H Staff Conference | Dr. Paula Threadgill |
| 5 – 8 | National Western 4-H Round-Up, Denver, Colorado | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 16 | Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday | |
| 19 – 21 or 26 – 28 | NE District Livestock and Dairy Show, Verona | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 20 – 21 | NW District Livestock and Dairy Show, Batesville | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 27 – 29 | SE District Livestock and Dairy Show, Hattiesburg | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 29 – Feb 2 | SW District Livestock and Dairy Show, Jackson | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 30 – Feb 1 | Delta District Livestock and Dairy Show, Greenwood | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 30 | MVLA Board Meeting via distance | Tammy Parker |

January

| <i>Sun</i> | <i>Mon</i> | <i>Tue</i> | <i>Wed</i> | <i>Thu</i> | <i>Fri</i> | <i>Sat</i> |
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| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| | | State 4-H Staff Conference | | Western National 4-H Round-Up | | |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| Western National 4-H Round-Up | | | | | | |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| | Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday | | | NE District Livestock & Dairy Show (Possible) | | |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| | | | | SE District Livestock & Dairy Show | | |
| | | | | NE District Livestock & Dairy Show (Possible) | | |
| 29 | 30 | 31 | | | | |
| SE District Livestock & Dairy Show | MVLA Board Meeting | | | | | |
| | Delta District Livestock & Dairy Show | | | | | |
| SW District Livestock & Dairy Show | | | | | | |
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February 2017

| DATE | EVENT | CONTACT |
|--|---|---------------------------------|
| 1 | DEADLINE: Due into the State 4-H Office: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outstanding 4-H Volunteer Nominations • MVLA Officer Nominations • Registration due for the Mississippi 4-H Volunteer Leaders Annual Conference | Tammy Parker |
| Jan 30 – 1 | Delta District Livestock and Dairy Show, Greenwood | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| Jan 29 – 2 | SW District Livestock and Dairy Show, Jackson | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 7 | State 4-H Staff Conference | Dr. Paula Threadgill |
| 2 – 9 | Dixie National Junior Dairy Round-Up Livestock Shows, Jackson | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| | <i>9th – Dixie National Sale of Junior Champions, Jackson</i> | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 7 | Training for State 4-H Ambassadors and State 4-H Council Officers | Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks |
| 8 | 4-H Legislative Day, Jackson | Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks |
| 17 | DEADLINE: Membership in Mississippi Livestock Council | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 20 Moved to May 1 | DEADLINE: Applications for the 2017-2018 State 4-H Ambassadors are due. Mail to Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks, 1320 Seven Springs Rd. Raymond, MS 39154 | Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks |
| 24 – 25 | Mississippi 4-H Volunteer Leaders Association Annual Conference (MVLA), MSU | Tammy Parker |

February

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | 1 DEADLINE Delta District Livestock & Dairy Show SW District Livestock & Dairy Show | 2 Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Shows | 3 | 4 |
| 5 | 6 | 7 State 4-H Staff Conference State 4-H Ambassador and State 4-H Council Officers Training | 8 4-H Legislative Day | 9 Dixie National Sale of Junior Champions | 10 | 11 |
| Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Shows | | | | | | |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 DEADLINE | 18 |
| 19 | 20 DEADLINE | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 MVLA Conference | 25 |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | | | | |

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DEADLINE:
Feb 1: Due in the State 4-H Office:

- Outstanding 4-H Volunteer Nominations and MVLA Officer Nominations due in the State 4-H Office (Tammy Parker)
- Annual Mississippi 4-H Volunteer Leaders Conference Registration due (Tammy Parker)

~~Feb 20: 2017 — 2018 State 4-H Ambassador Applications due (Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks)~~

March 2017

| DATE | EVENT | CONTACT |
|---|--|---|
| 1 | DEADLINE: Membership in Mississippi Livestock Council | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 3 | DEADLINE: 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador Applications due in the State 4-H Office | Dr. John Long |
| 6 Moved to May 1 | DEADLINE: Applications for 2018 National 4-H Conference Delegates due. Mail to Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks, 1320 Seven Springs Rd. Raymond, MS 39154 | Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks |
| 6 – 10 | FARMtastic, Scott County | Julie White |
| 7 | Mississippi Livestock Council Meeting, MSU | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 7 | State 4-H Staff Conference | Dr. Paula Threadgill |
| 13 – 17 | Spring Break Holiday for MSU Students | |
| FBA Moved to April 6 | State 4-H Landing Judging Contest | Dr. Billy Kingery Dr. Larry Oldham |
| 15 | DEADLINE: 4-H Advisory County Council Reports Due in the State 4-H Office | Larry Alexander |
| 25 – 30 | National 4-H Conference, National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland | Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks |
| 27 – 31 | FARMtastic, Amite County | Julie White |
| 28 | Mississippi Livestock Council Steering Committee Meeting, Starkville | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 31 | State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest, MSU Beardon Dairy, Starkville | Dr. Dean Jousan |

March

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| | | | 1 DEADLINE | 2 | 3 DEADLINE | 4 |
| 5 | 6 | 7 State 4-H Staff Conference Mississippi Livestock Council Meeting | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| | FARMtastic | | | | | |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 DEADLINE | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| | Mississippi State University Spring Break | | | | | |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 National 4-H Conference |
| 26 | National 4-H Conference | | | | 31 State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest | |
| | | 28 MS Livestock Council Steering Committee Meeting | 29 | 30 | FARMtastic | |

DEADLINE:
 Mar 1: Membership in Mississippi Livestock Council (Dr. Dean Jousan)
 Mar 15: 4-H Advisory Council Report due in the State 4-H Office (Larry Alexander)
~~Mar 6: Applications for 2018 National 4-H Conference Delegates due (Dr. Martha Jackson Banks)~~

2017

April 2017

| DATE | EVENT | CONTACT |
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| 1 | DEADLINE: 4-H Scholarship Applications due into the State 4-H Office | Larry Alexander |
| 1 | DEADLINE: Submission of questions for the 2017 District and State 4-H Horse Bowl Contests | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 1 | MVLA Board Meeting, MSU | Tammy Parker |
| 3 | DEADLINE: Applications for 2017 – 2018 State 4-H Council Officers due and applications for 2018 National 4-H Conference. Mail to Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks, 1320 Seven Springs Rd. Raymond, MS 39154 | Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks |
| 4 | State 4-H Staff Conference | Dr. Paula Threadgill |
| 6 | State 4-H Land Judging Contest, location TBA | Dr. Billy Kingery Dr. Larry Oldham |
| 11 | North 4-H Volunteer Leader Forum Planning Meeting via distance | Tammy Parker |
| | | |
| TBD | 4-H Dairy Judging Contest, MSU | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 13 | South 4-H Volunteer Leader Forum Planning Meeting via distance | Tammy Parker |
| 14 | MSU Holiday | |
| 16 | Easter | |
| 18 | State 4-H Advisory Council Annual Meeting, Jackson | State 4-H Staff |
| 23 – 29 | National Volunteer Week | |
| 29 | NE District 4-H Shooting Sport Match | Dr. John Long |
| 29 | SE District 4-H Shooting Sports Match | Dr. John Long |
| 29 | SW District 4-H Shooting Sports Match | Dr. John Long |

April

| <i>Sun</i> | <i>Mon</i> | <i>Tue</i> | <i>Wed</i> | <i>Thu</i> | <i>Fri</i> | <i>Sat</i> |
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| | | | | | | 1 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 2px auto;">DEADLINE</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 2px auto;">MVL A Board Meeting</div> |
| 2 | 3 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 2px auto;">DEADLINE</div> | 4 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 2px auto;">State 4-H Staff Conference</div> | 5 | 6 <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 2px auto;">State 4-H Land Judging Contest</div> | 7 | 8 |
| 9 | 10 | 11 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 2px auto;">North 4-H Volunteer Leader Forum Planning Meeting</div> | 12 | 13 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 2px auto;">South 4-H Volunteer Leader Forum Planning Meeting</div> | 14 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 2px auto;">Good Friday/Spring Holiday</div> | 15 |
| 16 | 17 | 18 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 2px auto;">State 4-H Advisory Council Annual Meeting</div> | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 2px auto;">NE, SE & SW District 4-H Shooting Sports Matches</div> |
| National Volunteer Week | | | | | | |

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DEADLINES:
April 1: 4-H Scholarship applications are due into the State 4-H Office (Larry Alexander)
April 1: Deadline for submitting questions for the 2017 District & State 4-H Horse Bowl Contests (Dr. Dean Jousan)
April 3: Applications for 2016-2017 State 4-H Council Officers ~~and for 2018 National 4-H Conference delegates~~ due (Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks)

2017

May 2017

| DATE | EVENT | CONTACT |
|---|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1 | DEADLINE: Resumes for 4-H Career Pursuit Contest held during State 4-H Congress due to the State 4-H Office | Larry Alexander |
| 1 | DEADLINE: Applications for the 2017-2018 State 4-H Ambassadors and 2018 National 4-H Conference delegates are due. Mail to Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks, 1320 Seven Springs Rd. Raymond, MS 39154 | Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks |
| 1 | DEADLINE: 4-H Poultry Chain Project Entry | Jessica Wells |
| 1 | DEADLINE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Horse Ownership for 2017 District and State 4-H Horse Shows must be received by county extension agent in the county extension office • Mississippi 4-H membership deadline to be eligible to show at 2017 District and State 4-H Horse Shows • All 2017 District and State-Only 4-H Horse Show entries must be received by county extension agent in the county extension office | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 2 – 4 | National 4-H Land Judging Event, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma | Dr. Larry Kingery Dr. Larry Oldham |
| 4 | Subject Matter Specialists' Meeting with 4-H Staff on Summer Events | Larry Alexander |
| 6 | NW District 4-H Shooting Sports Match | Dr. John Long |
| 8 | DEADLINE: State 4-H Congress Registration and Fees due in the State 4-H Department | Larry Alexander |
| 14 – 19 | Delivery Week for 4-H Poultry Chain Project Chicks | Jessica Wells |
| 19 – 20 (Tentative) Moved to July 28-29 | State 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational | Dr. John Long |
| 20 | 4-H Livestock Judging Contest, MSU South Farm | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| TBD | DEADLINE: Regional 4-H Project Achievement Days Registration and Fees due in the State 4-H Office | Larry Alexander |
| 29 | Memorial Day Holiday | |
| 30 | Training for 2016-2017 State 4-H Ambassadors and State 4-H Council Officers, Mississippi State University | Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks |
| 31 – June 2 | State 4-H Congress, MSU | |
| | <i>31st - 4-H Dairy Posters check-in</i> | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| | <i>31st - 4-H Poster Art Entries check-In</i> | Larry Alexander |
| | <i>31st - 4-H Insect Collections check-In</i> | Dr. John Guyton |
| | <i>31st – Interviews for 2017 – 2018 State 4-H Ambassadors</i> | Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks |

May

| <i>Sun</i> | <i>Mon</i> | <i>Tue</i> | <i>Wed</i> | <i>Thu</i> | <i>Fri</i> | <i>Sat</i> |
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| | 1 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;">DEADLINE</div> | 2 | 3 | 4 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;">Subject Matter Specialists' Meeting with 4-H Staff</div> | 5 | 6 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;">NW District 4-H Shooting Sports Match</div> |
| | | National 4-H Land Judging Contest | | | | |
| 7 | 8 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;">DEADLINE</div> | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;">4-H Livestock Judging Contest</div> |
| Delivery Week for 4-H Poultry Chain Project Chicks | | | | | | |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 | 29 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;">Memorial Day Holiday</div> | 30 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;">State 4-H Ambassador & State 4-H Council Training</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;">State 4-H Ambassador Interviews</div> | 31 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;">State 4-H Congress</div> | | | |

DEADLINES:
 May 1: Resumes for 4-H Career Pursuit Contest due into State 4-H Office (Larry Alexander)
 May 1: 2017 – 2018 State 4-H Ambassador & 2018 National 4-H Conference Delegates Applications due (Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks)
 May 1: 4-H Membership deadline and horse ownership to participate in 2017 4-H District and State 4-H Horse Shows (Dr. Dean Jousan)
 May 1: all 2017 District and State-Only 4-H Horse Show entries must be received by county extension agent in the county extension office (Dr. Dean Jousan)
 May 1: 4-H Poultry Chain Project entry forms due (Jessica Wells)
 May 1: State 4-H Congress registration and fees due in the State 4-H Office (Larry Alexander)
 May-TBD: Regional 4-H Project Achievement Day registration due in the State 4-H Office (Larry Alexander)

2017

June 2017

| DATE | EVENT | CONTACT |
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| May 31 - 2 | State 4-H Congress, MSU | |
| | <i>1st - Interviews for 2018 National 4-H Conference Delegates</i> | Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks |
| | <i>1st - Interviews for 201-2018 State 4-H Ambassadors</i> | Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks |
| 1 | DEADLINE: All new 4-H horse project members and at least one of their parents must have completed the 4-H Horse Ethics Program | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 2 | DEADLINE: All senior 4-H educational contest entries must be submitted to Elwanda Shook in ADS as well as for the County Stall Decoration Contest | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 7 – 10 | NE District 4-H Horse Show and Judging Contest, Starkville | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 8 – 10 | NW District 4-H Horse Show and Judging Contest, Tunica | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 8 – 10 | SE District 4-H Horse Show and Judging Contest, Gulfport | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 8 – 10 | SW District 4-H Horse Show and Judging Contest, Jackson | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 11 – 15 | Bug and Plant Camp, MSU | Dr. John Guyton |
| 15 | DEADLINE: Registration due for 4-H Cooperative Leadership Conference | State 4-H Office |
| 15 | DEADLINE: 4-H Volunteer Years of Service Recognition applications due into the State 4-H Office | Tammy Parker |
| 16 (Pending) | NE Region 4-H Project Achievement Day | Dr. Linda Mitchell |
| 27 (Pending) | North MS 4-H Cook-out Contests (Beef/Pork/Poultry), location TBD | Dr. Dean Jousan Dr. Mark Crenshaw Jessica Wells |
| 28 (Pending) | South MS 4-H Cook-out Contests (Beef/Pork/Poultry), location TBD | Dr. Dean Jousan Dr. Mark Crenshaw Jessica Wells |
| 20 – 24 | Mississippi State 4-H Horse Show Championship, Jackson | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 25 – 30 | 4-H Shooting Sports National Championship, Grand Island, Nebraska | Dr. John Long |

June

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| | | | | 1 DEADLINE | 2 DEADLINE | 3 |
| | | | | State 4-H Congress | | |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| | | | | SE, SW, & NW District 4-H Horse Show | | |
| | | | | NE District 4-H Horse Show | | |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 DEADLINE | 16 | 17 |
| Bug and Plant Camp | | | | | NE Region 4-H Project Achievement Day (Pending) | |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| | | | | State 4-H Horse Championships | | |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | |
| | | North MS 4-H Cook-out Contest | South MS 4-H Cook-out Contest | | | |
| 4-H Shooting Sports National Championship | | | | | | |

DEADLINE:

- June 1: All new 4-H Horse Project members and at least one parent must have completed the 4-H Horse Ethics Program (Dr. Dean Jousan)
- June 2: All senior 4-H horse educational contest entries must be submitted to Elwanda Shook in ADS Department as well as county stall decoration contest (Dr. Dean Jousan)
- June 15: Mississippi 4-H Volunteer Years of Service applications due into the State 4-H Office (Tammy Parker)
- June 15: Registration for the 4-H Cooperative Leadership Conference is due into the State 4-H Office

2017

July 2017

| DATE | EVENT | CONTACT |
|----------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| 1 | DEADLINE: Due in the State 4-H Department: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior 4-H Record Books • 4-H Resumes • 4-H Volunteer Record Books | Larry Alexander |
| 1 | DEADLINE: National Junior Horticulture Association (NJHA) Photograph Entries Due. Mail entries to Plant and Soil Science Dept. Box 9555, Mississippi State, MS 39762 | |
| 4 | Independence Day Holiday | |
| 6 | Senior 4-H Record Books & Resumes and 4-H Volunteer Record Books Judging, MSU | Larry Alexander |
| 7 | Interviews with 4-H Resume Applicants, via distance | Larry Alexander |
| 11 | SE Region 4-H Project Achievement Day, Laurel Middle School | Dr. Wayne Porter |
| 12 | SW Region 4-H Project Achievement Day, Hinds Community College Raymond Campus | Dr. Bryon Williams |
| 13 | NW Region 4-H Project Achievement Day, Mississippi Delta Community College, Moorhead | Dr. Curt Lacy |
| 14 (Pending) | NE Region 4-H Project Achievement Day | Dr. Linda Mitchell |
| 14 – 15 (Tentative) | Regional 4-H Shooting Sports Training | Dr. John Long |
| 17 – 20 | 4-H Cooperative Leadership Conference, MSU | Dr. Laura Greenhaw |
| 19 | DEADLINE: Junior 4-H Record Books Due in State 4-H Department: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior and Intermediate 4-H Record Books • County 4-H Council Record Books • 4-H Volunteer Association (Form 768) | Larry Alexander |
| 28 – 29 | State 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational, Jimmy Bryan 4-H Youth Complex, West Point and Starkville Gun Club | Dr. John Long |
| TBA | National 4-H Wildlife Habitat Evaluation Contest | Dr. Leslie Burger |
| 28 | 4-H Ambassador Training | Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks |
| 30 – Aug 3 | National 4-H Forestry Invitational, Weston, West Virginia | Dr. James Henderson |

July

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| | | | | | | 1 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">DEADLINE</div> | |
| 2 | 3 | 4 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Independence Day</div> | 5 | 6 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Senior 4-H Record Books & Resumes and 4-H Volunteer Leader Record Books Judging</div> | 7 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">4-H Resume Interviews</div> | 8 | |
| 9 | 10 | 11 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">SE Region 4-H Project Achievement Day</div> | 12 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">SW Region 4-H Project Achievement Day</div> | 13 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">NW Region 4-H Project Achievement Day</div> | 14 | 15 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Regional 4-H Shooting Sports Training (Tentative)</div> | |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">DEADLINE</div> | 20 | 21 | 22 | |
| 4-H Cooperative Leadership Conference | | | | | | | |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; color: red;">State 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational</div> | |
| 30 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">National 4-H Forestry Invitational</div> | 31 | <p>DEADLINES: July 1: Senior 4-H Record Books & Resumes, 4-H Volunteer Leader Record Books due into the State 4-H Office (Larry Alexander)</p> <p>July 1: National Junior Horticulture Association photograph entries are due. Mail to Dr. David Nagel, Plant & Soil Science Dept. Box 9555, Mississippi State, MS 39762</p> <p>July 19: 4-H Junior, Intermediate Record Books, County 4-H Council Record Books, 4-H Volunteer Leader Association and Wildlife & Fisheries Volunteer Leader Record Books due into the State 4-H Office (Larry Alexander)</p> | | | | | |

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August 2017

| DATE | EVENT | CONTACT |
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| July 30 -3 | National 4-H Forestry Invitational, Weston, West Virginia | Dr. James Henderson |
| 1 | DEADLINE: All 4-H Poultry Chain Participants must contact Board of Animal Health Poultry Epidemiologist Betty Roberts for bird testing | Jessica Wells |
| 2 – 6 | Southern Regional 4-H Horse Championship, Perry, Georgia | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 3 | 4-H Junior, Intermediate and Other 4-H Record Book Judging, MSU | Larry Alexander |
| 10 | State 4-H Staff Retreat | Dr. Paula Threadgill |
| 11 – 12 | 4-H/FFA Replacement Beef Heifer Development Contest, Hinds Community College, Raymond | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 12 | North 4-H Volunteer Leader Forum, MSU | Tammy Parker |
| 18 – 19 (Tentative) | Regional 4-H Shooting Sports Training | Dr. John Long |
| 19 | Fall Dairy Show, Purvis | Ross Overstreet |
| TBD | NE MS Fall Dairy Show, Verona | Brandon Alberson or Sherry Smith |
| 26 | South 4-H Volunteer Leader Forum, location TBA | Tammy Parker |

August

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| | 1 DEADLINE | 1 | 2 | 3 Junior, Inter. & other 4-H Record Book Judging | 4 | 5 |
| | National 4-H Forestry Invitational | | | Southern Regional 4-H Horse Championships | | |
| 6 Southern Regional 4-H Horse Championships | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 4-H Staff Retreat | 11 4-H/FFA Replacement Beef Heifer Development Contest | 12 North MS 4-H Volunteer Leader Forum |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 Regional 4-H Shooting Sports Training (Tentative) | 19 Fall Dairy Show |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 South MS 4-H Volunteer Leader Forum |
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DEADLINE:
August 1: All 4-H Poultry Chain Participants must contact Board of Animal Health Poultry Epidemiologist Betty Roberts for bird testing (Jessica Wells)

2017

September 2017

| DATE | EVENT | CONTACT |
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| 1 | DEADLINE: Ownership and nomination forms are due in the County Extension Office for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • all animals showing at the 2017 Mississippi State Fair • all market steers, market lambs and market goats showing at the 2018 District and Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Show | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 4 | Labor Day Holiday | |
| 5 | State 4-H Staff Conference | Dr. Paula Threadgill |
| 15 | DEADLINE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4-H Enrollment Due • National 4-H Salute to Excellence Award Applications are due in the State 4-H Office | Larry Alexander |
| 15 – 16 (Tentative) | Regional 4-H Shooting Sports Training | Dr. John Long |
| 16 | MVLA Board Meeting, location TBA | Tammy Parker |
| TBA | National 4-H Dairy Conference, Madison, Wisconsin | Larry Alexander Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 26 – 28 | 4-H Village Set-up at State Fair | Larry Alexander |

September

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| | | | | | 1 DEADLINE | 2 |
| 3 | 4 Labor Day Holiday | 5 State 4-H Staff Conference | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 DEADLINE Regional 4-H Shooting Sports Training (Tentative) | 16 MVLA Board Meeting |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| 4-H Village Set-up at State Fair | | | | | | |

DEADLINE:
September 1: Ownership and nomination forms due in county extension offices for all animals showing at the 2017 State Fair and market steers, market lambs and market goats showing at the 2018 District and Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Shows (Dr. Dean Jousan)
September 15: 4-H Enrollment is Due (Larry Alexander)

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October 2017

| DATE | EVENT | CONTACT |
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| 1 | DEADLINE: 4-H Poultry entries for the State Fair into the Poultry Science Department | Jessica Wells |
| 1 – 4 | National 4-H Dairy Conference, Madison, WI | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 1 | 4-H Sunday | State 4-H Staff |
| 1 – 7 | Mississippi and National 4-H Week | State 4-H Staff |
| 3 | State Fair 4-H Exhibits Check-In and Judging, Jackson | Larry Alexander |
| 4 – 15 | Mississippi State Fair, Jackson | Larry Alexander |
| | <i>12th - Receive 2nd batch of 4-H baked goods & horticulture items at the 4-H Village</i> | Larry Alexander |
| | <i>14th – 4-H Day at the State Fair</i> | Larry Alexander |
| | <i>14th – 4-H Fashion Revue</i> | |
| 7 – 10 | National Junior Horticulture Association (NJHA), Indianapolis, IN | |
| 13 | 4-H Ambassador Training | Dr. Martha Jackson-Banks |
| 15 | DEADLINE: Due into the Sate 4-H Office <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mississippi 4-H Banner Club Program Records • Salute to Excellence Award Applications | Larry Alexander |
| 16 | Dismantle 4-H Village and 4-H Exhibit pick-up at the State Fair, Jackson | Larry Alexander |
| 27 – 28 (Tentative) | Regional 4-H Shooting Sports Training | Dr. John Long |

October

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| 1 4-H Sunday DEADLINE | 2 | 3 State 4-H Fair Exhibit Check-in and Judging | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 NJHA Convention |
| Mississippi & National 4-H Week | | | | | | |
| National 4-H Dairy Conference | | | Mississippi State Fair | | | |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 4-H Ambassador Training | 14 4-H Day at the State Fair |
| NJHA Convention | | | Mississippi State Fair | | | |
| 15 DEADLINE Mississippi State Fair | 16 Dismantle 4-H Village & Exhibit Pick-Up at the State Fair | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 Regional 4-H Shooting Sports Training (Tentative) | 28 |
| 29 | 30 | 31 | | | | |

DEADLINES:

Oct. 1: 4-H Fashion Revue entries for State Fair are due into the State 4-H Office (Larry Alexander)

Oct. 1: 4-H Poultry entries for State Fair are due into the Poultry Science Department (Jessica Wells)

Oct. 15: Due in the State 4-H Office:

- Mississippi 4-H Banner Club Program Records (Larry Alexander)
- Salute to Excellence Award Applications

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November 2017

| DATE | EVENT | CONTACT |
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| 3 | Judge 4-H Banner Club Records | Larry Alexander |
| 3 – 4 | National 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl, Louisville, Kentucky | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 5 – 6 | National 4-H Dairy Judging Contest, Louisville, Kentucky | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 7 | State 4-H Staff Conference | Dr. Paula Threadgill |
| 12 – 17 | National Association of Extension 4-H Agents (NAE4-HA) annual conference, Indianapolis, Indiana | |
| 13 – 15 | National 4-H Skill-a-thon Contest, Louisville, Kentucky | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 23 – 24 | Thanksgiving Holiday | |
| 24 – 28 | National 4-H Congress, Atlanta, Georgia | Larry Alexander Dr. Rae Oldham |

November

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| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 4-H Banner Club Records Judged | 4 National 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl |
| 5 National 4-H Dairy Judging Contest | 6 | 7 State 4-H Staff Conference | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| 12 | 13 National 4-H Skill-a-thon Contest | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| National Association of Extension 4-H Agents' Annual Conference | | | | | | |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 Thanksgiving Holidays | 24 National 4-H Congress | 25 |
| 26 National 4-H Congress | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | | |

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December 2017

| DATE | EVENT | CONTACT |
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| 1 | DEADLINE: Ownership and nomination forms for beef breeding, market hogs, purebred dairy cattle, commercial dairy heifers, commercial beef heifers, dairy goats, and commercial meat goat does showing at the 2018 District and Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Shows are due in the County Extension Office | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 5 | DEADLINE: The following must be POSTMARKED to the ADS Office: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2018 4-H Horse Club Scholarships • 2018 Premier Exhibitor Contest Applications • 2018 Sale of Junior Champions Scholarships | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 5 | State 4-H Staff Conference | Dr. Paula Threadgill |
| TBA | MSU Winter Holiday | |
| 12 | Retinal image and classify commercial beef heifers and retinal image of commercial meat goat does for the 2018 District and Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Shows, Pittsboro 8 AM to 12 Noon | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 13 | Retinal image and classify commercial beef heifers and retinal image of commercial meat goat does for the 2018 District and Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Shows, Raymond 8 AM to 12 Noon | Dr. Dean Jousan |
| 21 – January 1 | MSU Winter Holiday | |

December

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| | | | | | 1 DEADLINE | 2 |
| 3 | 4 | 5 DEADLINE State 4-H Staff Conference | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 10 | 11 | 12 Retinal image & classify commercial heifers & market goat does (Pending) | 13 Retinal image & classify commercial heifers & market goat does (Pending) | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 MSU Winter Holiday | 22 | 23 |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| | MSU Winter Holiday | | | | | |
| 31 | <p>DEADLINE: Dec. 1: Ownership & nomination forms are due into the County Extension Office for beef breeding, market hogs, purebred dairy cattle, commercial dairy heifers, commercial beef heifers, dairy goats and commercial meat goat does showing at the 2018 District and Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Shows (Dr. Dean Jousan) Dec. 5: 2018 Sale of Junior Champions Scholarships, 2018 Premier Exhibitor Contest Applications & 2018 4-H Horse Club Scholarships must be POSTMARKED to the ADS Office (Dr. Dean Jousan)</p> | | | | | |

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