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**4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT**



## THE WORKER BEES AT THE EKY BEEKEEPING SCHOOL



Perry County 4-H teens volunteered recently at the annual EKY Beekeeping School held at HCTC.

Pictured above are Leckisha Colwell, Tiffany Langdon, Ava Dixon, Laura Hanna, Laurynn Amburgey, Nicole Fugate, and Skyler Hubbard. All three high schools were represented!

The girls pitched and helped where ever needed, as in posting signage, leading participants to rooms, refreshing the food tables, serving food, and clean up! There were over 150 beekeepers and potential beekeepers taking advantage of the 34 session offered in the various topics associated with apiology!



## 2018 National 4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest

2018 Essay Topic: *“What’s so super about the super organism - the Honey Bee?”*

Have you seen the headlines lately concerning Honey Bees?

“200,000 Bees Killed in Prunedale, CA” or “2 boys arrested for Sioux City beehive destruction of 500,000 bees! “

“What will happen if the bees are gone?” “Why should we care?” ....”What is so super about the Honey Bee?”. . . . . research this....What would YOU say to people who wilfully destroy hives and the honey bees in acts of vandalism? Who/what do they hurt?



**Rules Overview:** (failure to meet any one of the requirements will result in a disqualification)

- Students interested in writing an essay, should contact their local 4-H offices for contest details. The state selection must be done through the 4-H system.
- Preparation for National Judging: Typewritten or computer-generated double-spaced, 12pt. Times or similar type style, on one side of white paper following standard manuscript format.
- **Must submit an essay, 750 to 1000 words, on the essay topic**
- Essays will be judged on (a) scope of research- 40%; (b) accuracy- 30%; (c) creativity- 10%; (d) conciseness- 10%; and (e) logical development of the topic- 10%
- All factual statements must be referenced with bibliographical-style endnotes.
- On a separate page, please include a brief biographical sketch of the essayist, including birthdate, gender, complete mailing address, e-mail address, and telephone number, and this must accompany the essay.
- Each state may submit ONE entry only.
- **PERRY COUNTY 4-H DEADLINE is FEB 14th to the Extension Office, prefer digital entry.**
- Final judging and selection of the County, State, and National Winner will be made and the decision is final.
- All National entries become the property of the Foundation and may be published or used as it sees fit. No essays will be returned.
- **Eligibility:**
- 4-H'ers who have previously placed first, second, or third at the National level are NOT eligible; but other state winners are eligible to re-enter. Students must write on the designated subject only. There will be NO exceptions. The National winners' essays will appear in an issue of the American Beekeeping Federation's Newsletter.
- Survey your community to see what is being done to promote the honey bee. Include your state in your survey to see if there are any programs they are using for pollination or any other program that could aid the honey bee.
- The scope of the research is an essential judging criterion, accounting for 40% of your score. The number of sources consulted, the authority of the sources, and the variety of the sources are all evaluated.
- Personal interviews with beekeepers and others familiar with the subject are valued sources of information and should be documented. Sources, which are not cited in the endnotes, should be listed in a "Resources" or "Bibliography" list.
- Note that "honey bee" is properly spelled as two words, even though many otherwise authoritative references spell it as one word.



## 2018 Poster and Essay Contest: "Kentucky Agriculture: From Farm Gate to Dinner Plate"

Commissioner Ryan Quarles invites Kentucky students all across the Commonwealth to create and submit original works of art to show the importance of agriculture to the Commonwealth's way of life and our future. Students are encouraged to submit either a poster, essay, or digital image based on the contest theme. The theme for 2018 is **"Kentucky Agriculture: From Farm Gate to Dinner Plate"**. Statewide poster and essay winners from each grade, Kindergarten through 12th grade, will be chosen, and an overall digital winner will be selected. Cash prizes will be presented to the winners at the 2018 Poster and Essay Awards Ceremony. Information regarding the ceremony is TBD at this time. The winning entries may be displayed in the Commissioner's Office in Frankfort, at the 2018 Kentucky State Fair, and on the KDA website. **Entries must be postmarked by Monday, April 2, 2018**

[http://www.kyagr.com/marketing/documents/EDU\\_PosterandEssayContestRules2018.pdf](http://www.kyagr.com/marketing/documents/EDU_PosterandEssayContestRules2018.pdf)

## County 4-H Cupcake War Resulting in Something Delicious!







The Cupcake War includes food safety and preparation skills evaluation as well as the cupcake decoration to the theme and the oral presentation to the panel of judges. This year's theme was: "How the Grinch Stole Christmas". Pictured from left is the 2<sup>nd</sup> place team: Katie Braman and Chloe Jent; Individual champ –Carley Watts, and champion team Laura Hanna and Ava Dixon. The remaining cupcakes were delivered to the EKY Vet Center by Laura, Ava, and Antoinette Contento.

If you are age 9-18 and are interested in cooking and baking, stay tuned as there are some opportunities coming up to be involved such as Super Star Chef program, 4-H Foods Labs, and Culinary Challenge.

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Save the Date  
**June 18 to June 21**

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## *and Beyond!*

- 2-4 State 4-H Teen Council
- 9 "Talking with TJ" training
- 14 HMS Open House:  
5<sup>th</sup> graders with 4-H  
ElectroWorks
- 16 Deadline for Summit to KY
- 16-17 KY 4-H Livestock Skillathon
- 23 4-H Written Communication  
Entries due to county office
- 24 District 2 4-H Teen Council  
Leslie County CES 10-2
- 27 Environmental Academy

March 3 KY 4-H Gold Award Interviews at Scott Co CES

March 15-17 KY 4-H Summit Conference at Jabez

June 11-14 KY 4-H Teen Conference

June 18-21 4-H Camp in London, KY

June TBA County BBQ Workshop

July 17 Crocheting/ Knitting in AM/Weaving in PM

July 18 Swedish Weaving in AM/Chicken Scratch in PM

July 19 4-H Quilting

July 24-26 4-H Food Preservation and Food Labs

