

# JOINING ALASKA 4-H IS EASY AS ... 1, 2, 3!

# Alaska 4-H Program — Tanana District Club List

Thank you for your interest in Alaska 4-H! If you'd like to join the fun in the Fairbanks/Tanana District area, follow these three easy steps:

- 1. First, find the club below that interests you. (Hint: Take a look at all the cool projects they typically do!) Don't see a particular club or project of interest? No problem! Just tell a leader what your youth is interested in (leaders LOVE to help youth find their niche and grow) or contact the Tanana District 4-H Office and we will try to find a good fit for you.
- 2. **Next, call around a bit.** Check out a few clubs by contacting the organizational leaders to see if new members are being accepted, to discuss if the club is a good fit for your youth and to receive confirmation of their meeting schedule. (If the organizational leader is not available, try a project or resource leader.) Most clubs welcome visitors, before enrollment, so youth and their parents/guardians can see a club in action and determine interest level.
- 3. **Finally, the leader will help you enroll.** We use the online ZSuite enrollment program to get youth growing! You also may reach out to the Tanana District 4-H Office for assistance with enrollment and fee payment.

For questions, call Matthew Anderson, Tanana District 4-H Program Coordinator, at 907-474-2427, mranderson@alaska.edu, or 907-474-2450. Also, be sure to check out our website at https://www.uaf.edu/ces/4-h/. We hope you join the Alaska 4-H family!

#### 40 Below Mooseketeers 4-H Club (Fairbanks)

Organizational leader: Patsy Perkins, 907-712-4544, patsyjperkins@hotmail.com

Project leaders: Kyndall Powers at 907-347-5354 or kyndallh@gmail.com

**Typical club projects:** Arts & crafts; communication arts; clothing & textiles; quilting; sewing construction; breads; foods & nutrition; foods preservation; foods safety; leadership skills development; and introductory 4-H projects for Cloverbuds (ages 5-7).

**Meeting schedule:** 40 Below Mooseketeers typically meet the first and third Sunday of each month, with the Cloverbuds meeting at 11 a.m. and regular club members at 1 p.m., at the UAF University Park Building, 1000 University Ave., in Room 154. (Meeting schedule subject to change.)

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## Alaska Range Riders (Delta Junction)

Organizational leader: Kasey Peterson-Robinson, 907-987-0738, jmrkrp@gmail.com

Project leader: Julia Walker, 907-505-0954, julia walker103@yahoo.com

Typical club projects: Horse/pony (must own or have access to horse/pony); introductory 4-H

projects for ages 5-8; and leadership & personal development.

**Meeting schedule:** The Alaska Range Riders meet once per month, January through September, in Delta Junction at the UAF Cooperative Extension Service Delta Junction District Office, Jarvis Office Center, 1420.5 Alaska Highway, Room 112. Meetings usually take place on a Wednesday, 4-6 p.m.; however, it is best to contact a leader for updated meeting schedule. In the summer, meetings are held wherever the club chooses to ride that month. The club breaks October through December. (Meeting schedule subject to change.)

# **Arctic Mavericks 4-H Club (Fairbanks)**

Organizational leader: Darcy Etcheverry, 907-460-7927, darcyetcheverry@gmail.com

Project leader: Samatha Warner, 307-640-1980, spdsk8er7890@gmail.com

**Typical club projects:** Animals; birds & poultry; dairy cattle; goats (dairy, hair, meat); horse/pony; rabbits/cavies; sheep; small lap animals; entomology & bees; civic engagement/citizenship; volunteerism; arts & crafts; photography/video; community/volunteer service; environmental education & earth sciences; outdoor education; leadership & personal development; food preservation; plant science/gardens; aerospace; and introductory 4-H projects for Cloverbuds (ages 5-7).

**Meeting schedule:** Arctic Maverick members typically meet the first and third Thursday of each month, 1-3 p.m., at CyberLynx, 3330 Industrial Ave. (Meeting schedule subject to change.)

# **Eagle Community School 4-H Club (Eagle)**

Organizational leader: Kristy Robbins, 907-547-2210, krobbins@agsd.us

Project leader: Michelle Ashley, 907-547-3074, mashley@agsd.us

**Typical projects:** Ag in the Classroom; Alaska Native arts & crafts; animals; biological sciences; civic engagement; communications & expressive arts; community/volunteer service; consumer & family science; environmental education & earth sciences; outdoor education; Alaska way of life; foods & nutrition; health; leadership & personal development; personal safety; physical sciences; plant science; technology & engineering; and introductory 4-H projects for Cloverbuds (ages 5-7). **Meeting schedule:** The Eagle Community School 4-H Club meets every Wednesday, 12:30-2 p.m.,

at Eagle Community School, 100 School Road, in Eagle. (Meeting schedule subject to change.)

#### Forget-Me-Not 4-H Club (Fairbanks)

Organizational leader: Priscilla Rice, 907-347-3570, plmrice.ak@gmail.com

Project leader: Mike Wilcher, 907-388-2023, wydoc2@gmail.com

**Typical projects:** Animals; beef; birds & poultry; goats (dairy/hair/meat); rabbits/cavies; sheep; swine; animal sciences; biological sciences; civic engagement; communications & expressive arts; food & nutrition; flower arranging; community/volunteer service; consumer & family science; sewing construction; environmental education & earth sciences; foods & nutrition; health lifestyle education; leadership & personal development; plant science; swine; technology & engineering; and introductory 4-H projects for Cloverbuds (ages 5-7 years).

**Meeting schedule:** Members of the Forget-Me-Not 4-H Club meet the second and fourth Monday of each month, 4-8 p.m., at the UAF University Park Building, 1000 University Ave., Room 154. (Meeting schedule subject to change.)

#### Free Rangers 4-H Club (Fairbanks)

Organizational leader: Jennifer Willeford, 907-347-5498, jwilleford7@gmail.com

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Project leader: Lorrie Powalski, 907-322-5952, alliesfarmalaska@gmail.com

**Typical projects:** Animals; animal sciences; birds & poultry; civic engagement/citizenship; communications & expressive arts; community/volunteer service; consumer & family science; environmental education & earth sciences; foods & nutrition; leadership & personal development; plant science; rabbits/cavies; and introductory 4-H projects for Cloverbuds (ages 5-7).

**Meeting schedule:** Free Rangers typically meet the second Wednesday of each month, 5:30-7:30 p.m., at the UAF University Park Building, 1000 University Ave., Room 154. (Meeting schedule subject to change.)

## Frosty Tails 4-H Club (Fairbanks/Salcha)

Organizational leader: Sarah Curwen, 907-350-3963, akhatchling@gmail.com

Project leader: Jacob Sanders

**Typical projects**: Horse/pony; horseless horse project (no horse required); beef; dairy cattle; sheep; goats; swine; birds & poultry; rabbits/cavies; dogs; veterinary science; arts & crafts; homesteading skills; leadership & personal development; introductory 4-H projects for Cloverbuds (ages 5-7); and community/volunteer service.

**Meeting schedule:** This club meets weekly on Sundays, 2-4 p.m., alternating between Fairbanks at Timber Creek Senior Center (activity room), 3415 Trothno Lane, and Salcha at Frosty Tails Ranch. Please contact leader for full agenda of activities. (Meeting schedule subject to change.)

## **Independent 4-H Member (Open to all Tanana District locations.)**

This option is available to anyone who would like to participate in 4-H independent from a traditional 4-H club structure. Independent members work with a mentor who can be a parent/guardian or a grandparent. The 4-H projects are individual to that member. Contact the 4-H office for more information about this participation option: Matthew Anderson, 907-474-2427 or mranderson@alaska.edu.

#### North Pole Ptarmigans 4-H Club (Fairbanks/North Pole)

Organizational leader: Terin Simington, 907-750-1636, terinw.simington@gmail.com

Project leaders: Carrie Topp, 907-687-2117, carrietopp@gmail.com; Jessica Harper, 907-987-4858,

sni.pythons21@gmail.com

Volunteer leader: Lorrie Powalski, 907-322-5952, alliesfarmalaska@gmail.com

\*Typical projects: Animals; beef; birds & poultry; dairy cattle; goats (dairy, hair, meat); rabbits/cavies; sheep; swine; community/volunteer service; leadership & personal development; and introductory 4-H projects for Cloverbuds (ages 5-7). \*Leaders are happy to help 4-H'ers find support in other projects they may have interests in.

**Meeting schedule:** North Pole Ptarmigans meet the fourth Saturday of each month, 2-5 p.m., at the UAF University Park Building, 1000 University Ave., in Room 154 or 150. During the summer, meeting times and locations are more varied to accommodate project tours and special learning opportunities. (Meeting schedule subject to change; please contact a leader to learn more.)

#### Salchaket Trailblazerz 4-H Club (Salcha/North Pole)

Organizational leader: Kirsten Morlan, 907-750-7597, cowgirlin75@hotmail.com

Project leader: Marla Lowder, 907-474-2427, mklowder@alaska.edu

**Typical projects:** Horse/pony; birds & poultry; swine; leadership & personal development; and introductory 4-H projects for Cloverbuds (ages 5-7).

**Meeting schedule:** This club usually meets during the summer months only. Meeting days and times vary, depending on family schedules. Contact leader for next scheduled club meeting and location. (Meeting schedule subject to change.)

# Teen 4-H Club (Fairbanks)

Organizational leader: Priscilla Rice, 907-347-3570, plmrice.ak@gmail.com

Project leader: Mike Wilcher, 907-388-2023, wydoc2@gmail.com

Typical projects: Citizenship & civic education; community/volunteer service; personal development

& leadership; service learning; and volunteerism.

**Meeting schedule:** The teens typically meet the first and third Monday of each month, 6-8 p.m., at the UAF University Park Building, 1000 University Ave., Room 154. (Meeting schedule subject to

change.)

# Tanana District 4-H Volunteer Leader Opportunities

Leaders, have you ever considered serving on a council or committee? We have the following boards that are a 2-year term each. New board members are always appreciated! Please reach out to your Tanana District 4-H program coordinator for more information: Matthew Anderson, 907-474-2427 or mranderson@alaska.edu.

Most monthly meetings take place at the UAF University Park Building,1000 University Ave., Room 154, and/or via Zoom, if requested. All leaders are invited to attend any of the following meetings to check them out! (It is a good idea to make sure a meeting is being held before attending it in person as some meetings may be canceled if there is no business to conduct.)

<u>Leaders Council (Fairbanks)</u> — Second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Watch listserv for meeting announcements and updates. Contact Priscilla Rice, president, at 907-347-3570 or plmrice.ak@gmail.com.

<u>Livestock Committee (Fairbanks)</u> — First Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m., as needed. Watch listserv for meeting announcements and updates. Contact Mike Wilcher, president, at 907-388-2023 or wydoc2@gmail.com.

Horse Council (Fairbanks) — Second Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. September through May. Note: For the time being, please reach out to the Leaders Council for questions regarding horse programming: Priscilla Rice, president, at 907-347-3570 or plmrice.ak@gmail.com. Thank you!



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