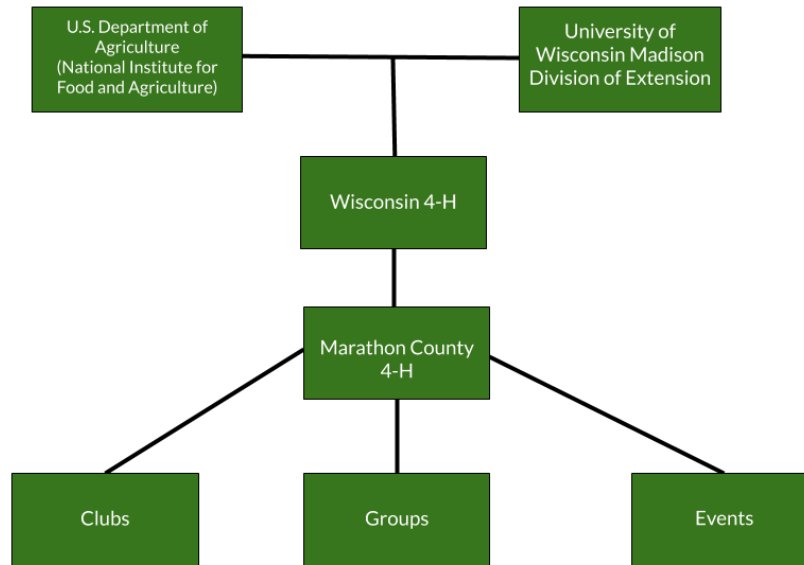


What is 4-H?

A youth development organization with research-based project learning and community service opportunities in a variety of settings.

Marathon County 4-H is the local organization administered by the UW-Madison Division of Extension Marathon County office.

MARATHON COUNTY 4-H ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



Components of 4-H:

Youth Sparks

Experiential Learning

Essential Elements

Youth-adult partnerships

Life Skill Development

Who can participate?

Youth Member

- All youth in Grades 5K-13 (post high school)

Adult Leader

- Age 18+
- Completed Extension Volunteer certification

Ways to participate:

CLUB

GROUP

EVENT

Further information on ways to participate:

	Club	Group	Event
What is it?	A group of youth and adults that meet regularly to develop life skills	Youth and adults providing leadership for a program	A limited time program to develop life skills with youth and adults
Purpose	Ongoing learning with 4-H curricula and principles	Intentional, specific purpose to strengthen program using 4-H curricula and principles	Immersed experience with 4-H curricula and principles
Adult Leadership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Typically volunteer leader appointed by county educator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elected/ recommended by program participants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Typically staff and/or volunteer leader
Youth Role	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Program participants provide leadership 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Program participants provide leadership 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants experience program
Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth members Adult leaders Public inclusion Charter* By-laws 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth participants Adult leaders Public inclusion Charter* By-laws 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth participants Adult leaders Event space Planning Finances
Types	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multi-project Single-project After school In school Military 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> County-level State-level 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project event Day camp Overnight Camp Travel experience Contest
Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diverse opportunities Prolonged exposure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progression in role Specific focus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Short-term commitment
Limitations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lengthy time commitment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additional time commitment Limited resources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited offerings Cost
Examples	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wien Wildcats 4-H Club 4-H CANSKI 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leaders Federation WI 4-H Horse Association 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leadership Washington Focus Wisconsin State Fair

Types of 4-H Clubs:

	Community	After-School	In-School	Military
What defines it?	Meet due to general interest or location	Out of school, and out of home enrichment program	Meet during school hours with 4-H curricula and principles	Military-connected youth on installations or in communities
Who can participate?	K-13 (can be restrained by interest or grade)	K-13 (will be restrained by interest or grade)	K-13 (can be restrained by interest or grade)	See above
Where do they meet?	Community centers, village halls, schools, parks, camps, etc.	Community centers, village halls, schools, parks, camps, etc.	Schools	Community centers, village halls, schools, parks, camps, etc.
Do they file a charter?	Yes	Maybe	Maybe	Maybe
Purpose	Diverse group working together to develop life skills	Quality, safe programming benefiting youth and adults	Receive 4-H curricula in a classroom setting	Consistency and belonging opportunities
Events and Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Regular meetings ● Project meetings ● Camps ● Community service ● Trip experiences 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Regular meetings ● Project meetings ● Community service ● Trip experiences 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Regular meetings ● Project meetings ● Community service ● Trip experiences 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Regular meetings ● Project meetings ● Camps ● Community service ● Trip experiences

How to get involved in 4-H?

1. Register for the club, group, or event in <https://wi.4honline.com/> (unless otherwise noted)
2. (Optional) Contact a local 4-H Club and try out a club or two before enrolling as a 4-H member

Adult Volunteer Leader Types

Volunteer Type	Volunteer Position Role
<u>Activity/Event Volunteer</u>	Provides leadership/organization for an activity or event and/or participate as a member of an activity or event committee
<u>Adult Advisor/Chaperone</u>	Work with a team of adult advisors and 4-H Youth Development staff to ensure youth have a safe and positive educational experience
<u>Club Enrollment Coordinator</u> (formerly Club Enrollment and Club Manager)	To provide leadership for members and adult volunteers who are enrolling in the club or group organization
<u>Club Leader</u>	To provide leadership to the club or group organization <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Includes Organizational/General and Co-Organizational/Co-General)
<u>Committee Volunteer</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide leadership for a committee and/or participate as a member of a committee ● Create educational experiences for all youth engaged in the program
<u>Project Leader</u> (includes Key leader and Resource Leader)	Provide leadership and organization to the project group who is learning about a specific topic. For example: photography, arts, foods, community service, rocketry and robotics, gardening, rabbits, dairy, etc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Project Leader</i>: responsible for running and maintaining the project area (small group, club, or county level) ● <i>Key Leader</i>: responsible for the overall coordination of a countywide project ● <i>Resource Leader</i>: assists youth and families in finding resources for their project areas

2019-2020 Marathon County 4-H Program Opportunities by Grade Level**

Activity/Program	5K-2nd Grade	3rd-4th Grade	5th-8th Grade	9-13 Grade
Clubs/Groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community • After School • Summer School 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community • After School • Summer School 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community • After School • Summer School 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community
Local Workshops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cloverbud Camp • Project Discovery Day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Discovery Day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Discovery Day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Discovery Day
Summer Camp & Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cake Revue • Junior Camp • Fashion & Arts Revue • Youth Summer Gardening 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cake Revue • Junior Camp • Fashion & Arts Revue • Youth Summer Gardening 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cake Revue • Intermediate Camp • Fashion & Arts Revue 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cake Revue • Fashion & Arts Revue
Project Achievement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brice Bender Memorial Award 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brice Bender Memorial Award • Grant Haas Award • Project Awards • Rank Award 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brice Bender Memorial Award • Grant Haas Award • I.J. Corey Award • Project Awards • Rank Award 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brice Bender Memorial Award • Grant Haas Award • I.J. Corey Award • Key Award • Project Awards • Rank Award
Fairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athens Fair • Wisconsin Valley Fair 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athens Fair • Wisconsin Valley Fair 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athens Fair • Wisconsin State Fair* • Wisconsin Valley Fair 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athens Fair • Wisconsin State Fair • Wisconsin Valley Fair
Experiences	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • American Spirit (8-10) • LWF (6-8) • Space Camp (6-8) • WI 4-H & Youth Conference (7-10) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • American Spirit (8-10) • CWF (10-12) • National 4-H Conference (10-12) • National 4-H Congress (10-12) • WI 4-H & Youth Conference (7-10)
Statewide trainings		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art Beat (3-5) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art Beat (3-5) • Arts Camp (6-8) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art Lab (2020) • Fall Forum • WI Art Team • WI Drama Company • WI Communication Team • Youth as Partners in Civic Leadership

*Not all clubs and groups are required to complete a charter; however, it can be a useful tool for quality 4-H programming.

**Adapted from *Fulton County 4-H 2018—2019 Programs by Grade Level*. *Fulton County 4-H 2018—2019 Programs by Grade Level*, 2018, [https://extension.uga.edu/content/dam/extension-county-offices/fulton-county/4h/documents/Fulton 4-H by grade 2018-2019.pdf](https://extension.uga.edu/content/dam/extension-county-offices/fulton-county/4h/documents/Fulton%204-H%20by%20grade%202018-2019.pdf). More events can and most likely will be added.