Kent County 4-H Cloverbuds

As a Cloverbud, what can we do?

Cloverbuds are children ages 5-7 who have an interest in 4-H. They are encouraged to participate in various activities at a limited level. Cloverbuds are not judged on their abilities and/or exhibits. Instead they are provided positive encouragement in a non-competitive environment. When ribbons are awarded, they are given the green participation ribbon, as recognition for their participation in an event. Listed below are some events, held in Kent County, that Cloverbuds are encouraged to participate in. If you have any questions, please contact the 4-H Office.

Great Pumpkin Day

Enter a pumpkin or join in the Costume Contest. Some entertainment is provided during judging. Event is held in October at the Delaware State Fairgrounds.

Holiday Fun Day

Enter cookies or a gingerbread house in this fun event. Also decorated trees and wreaths can be entered. Some entertainment provided during judging. Event takes place in December at the Delaware State Fairgrounds.

Public Speaking Contest

Cloverbuds are given a template to fill in, to guide them during the public speaking event. It usually consists of 2-3 short sentences. Cloverbuds can memorize or read the information. This is a great way to get them comfortable in front of the room. This event is typically held the end of January at the Kent County Levy Court Building.

Livestock Overnighter

This event is for kids who are interested in livestock animals. If you have a cloverbud participating in this event, a parent must accompany them. In order to stay overnight, all adults must be recognized leaders, which includes a background check among other items. This event provides some hand-on type learning and some 'classroom' type learning. A weekend in February is typically when this event is held at the Delaware State Fairgrounds.

Winter Fun Day

This event is sponsored by Kent County 4-H Links. It is open to all 4-Hers. The Wii and S'mores are traditional favorites at this event. It is held in conjunction with our Favorite Foods Contest at the Delaware State Fair.

🍀 Favorite Foods

Cloverbuds are invited to enter in the cookies, cupcakes and brownies class. This event includes creating a table setting, preparing the recipe, sharing the dessert with the judge while answering some questions. It is another great way for Cloverbuds to participate. This event is typically held in early March at the Delaware State Fairgrounds.

🍀 Day Camp

Kent County 4-H offers a one – week Day Camp for Cloverbuds, typically held in July. During this camp, Cloverbuds participate in classes, such as arts and crafts, learn 4-H songs with their 'people groups'; learn new things from guest speakers etc.   Consider signing up your Cloverbud, to meet new people and have fun. Location for Cloverbud Camp is currently the Harrington Moose Lodge.

🍀 Delaware State Fair

Consider creating exhibits throughout the 4-H year, to enter at the Delaware State Fair. There are usually 4-5 different classes a Cloverbud can enter. Check the 4-H department at www.delawarestatefair.com . Exhibits entered are displayed during the duration of the fair.

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