

Dear 4-H Volunteer Conference Virtual Participant,

We are so excited to countdown to our being together, at a distance, for our national 4-H volunteer conference. The conference opens with our on-demand library being available beginning Thursday at 8:00 a.m. EST. and concludes with our auction event Saturday night. We have several announcements, tips, and updates to share to help you prepare.

Please read through and reach out to us via email with any additional questions you may have.

Conference Access

You will access the conference with the link and access code you received in your confirmation email. Your confirmation email links directly to the access code page. You may also go to go.ncsu.edu/4hvolunteerconference21 for access. On the conference page, look at the upper header in small print and click "already registered". You will then enter the access code from your confirmation email. If you no longer have your email with your code, you may click lost code and a code will be resent or you may email us. Remember the [conference link](#) and our [conference website](#) are different. Our website is open all year and provides general conference information. The conference link provides access to the conference webinars, recordings, and workshop materials.

When you access the conference site with your code you will find two tabs on the right hand side of the page. One is media and the other downloads. You will find all of the sessions listed for that day under media along with all the prerecorded sessions in digital content. Clicking the title brings you into the room for that session or to that video. Rooms open approximately 10 minutes before a session. Downloads include content provided by the presenter. While this is a long list, it does give you anything our presenters have provided for the session you are attending.

Conference Content

There are three workshop sessions each with two workshops, a curricula session with three curricula shared, and lots of digital content available. We have also posted full descriptions of the workshops on the website as well as a copy of the schedule at a glance. Note that all times listed are EST. For the workshops and curricula event we will record the sessions and post those in the conference area. You will have access to all the recorded content through December 31. While the virtual sessions are recorded we hope you'll enjoy in realtime so that you may learn from and with each other.

Additionally, we will offer three different engagement opportunities with the onsite participants. On Friday at 11:30 we'll take you around Rock Eagle and the happenings of the day in a Live engagement. This is informal and a chance to chat and ask questions. On Saturday at 12 noon, we'll offer a chance for you to join others, virtual and onsite, in breakout rooms online to chat, visit and get to know each other. Think of this as a distance lunch and enjoy the company of others working with you. We'll return Saturday evening at 8:00 p.m. for another live event during our auction and awards. And yes, virtual attendees can win from the drawing.

Conference Connections

We have built a number of tools and resources to help you meet other volunteers and share the conference experience with other virtual attendees and those onsite. If you love photos, join [PhotoCircle](#) and share your experience during the conference in images. PhotoCircle is a photo-sharing app available on your smartphone. We also offer remind as a tool for announcements. Remind provides push notifications to your phone and is available by opening rmd.at/4hvcoss21 in a browser on your smartphone. Information for both tools are available on the [website](#).

We are also offering a **GooseChase** event. GooseChase is an online scavenger hunt. Download the GooseChase app and look for our game 4-H Volunteering: A World of Opportunities and join the chase. We'll have rewards throughout the conference for both online and onsite participants.

And we do have a presence on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. Just look for @4hvcoss and get engaged.

Conference Kits

Your conference kit is being shipped. Should it not arrive before the conference all of the specific dated information in the kit is available online. Depending on the timing of your registration your kit may include a t-shirt, face covering, or other 4-H item. We filled orders based on registration and while supplies lasted. Your kit is a great way to showcase the conference and your investment in your learning. We hope, too, it provides you with a memento of the event.

Golden Tickets

During the conference (and before on social media) you are able to earn Golden Tickets. We will have prizes drawn on Saturday night for both Golden Tickets and our onsite auction. You are eligible to earn Golden Tickets (we add your ticket to the box onsite for you and you may even win an item on Saturday evening. Be sure to tune in for the drawings at 8 p.m. We'll have other fun on our live event, so you'll want to join in.

We are excited we could offer this year's conference in a hybrid format and hope you'll enjoy the content and opportunities. Please let us know your questions and we look forward to seeing you at our first event Thursday, September 30th at 3 p.m.

4-H Volunteer Conference Team