



## Giles County 4-H Happenings **giles.tennessee.edu**

### **April is Photo Search Contest**

Spring is in the air! This is the perfect time to get out and get some great photos of bees, flowers, trees, and so much more! Or maybe you have a great picture of the pretty snow! A great beach or mountain shot from a recent trip! Here are some of the rules and guidelines for the contest.

- Select **ONE** of the following categories: **Animals, Insects, Historic Tennessee, Landscape/Seascape, Plants, Machinery, Agriculture/Farming, or People.**
- Photo **MUST** be taken by **YOU!**
- Save the photo as a **JPEG** or **PNG**, then **Email** your photo to **cnelms4@utk.edu**. Include a **CAPTION TITLE** (name it) and **A FEW SENTENCES** telling us the inspiration or story behind your photo (why did you take the picture?).
- Make sure your email includes **YOUR NAME, HOMEROOM TEACHER, SCHOOL, GRADE, and CATEGORY** of the photo.

**\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\*\*** We **WILL NOT** be meeting with you in April!!! **ALL** entries **MUST** be submitted by **EMAIL ONLY!!!** Photos are due **NO LATER** than **April 17th**.

Entries will be judged on quality, creativity, and how well the story of the photo is told.

Open to ALL 4th-12th Graders.



### **Giles County 4-H Clover Bowl 2026**



Open to any 4th-8th grade student in Giles County. A competitive quiz bowl with four (4) team members (including you) that will answer questions about 4-H, Agriculture, Government, Life Skills, Science, and Tennessee.

By now you should have already formed your team and started studying and practicing. Make sure to tell your teacher about your team and all of your team members.

The **Giles County 4-H Clover Bowl** will be held on **Tuesday, April 21, 2026** on the campus of **UT Southern**. Contest will begin at 5:00 pm. Winning teams from each grade level will move on to compete at the Central Region 4-H Clover Bowl at Tennessee Tech University in Cookeville, TN on Friday, May 15, 2026.

For more information please call us at **931-363-3523**.

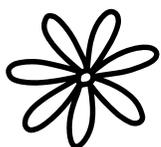
### **County Demonstration/Interactive Exhibit Contest**

The County contest will be held on **Tuesday, April 14, 2026** on the campus of **UT Southern**. This contest is for students in the 4th-8th grades that received a purple ribbon in their March club meeting for their Demonstration/Interactive Exhibit. More information will be mailed out closer to the contest date

### **Giles County 4-H Summer Day Camps**

4-H will be offering Summer Day Camps on Mondays from 9am-4pm. **Starting June 22<sup>nd</sup>** till the end of July.

We will be having a wide variety of topics: wildlife, livestock, plants, culinary, arts and crafts, and more! Sign-up at **<https://tiny.utk.edu/daycamp>**. Contact Lacey West at **lacrwest@utk.edu** or call **931-363-3523** with questions.



### **Quote of the Month**

"It's not WHAT happens to you, it's HOW you handle it!"



# IT'S ALMOST CAMPING SEASON!

## All About 4-H Camps



### Junior 4-H Camp Sign Ups Begin April 15

4th-6th Grades- Camp Dates June 1-5, 2026

Spend a fabulous week at Ridley 4-H Center in Columbia, TN, with 4th-6th grade 4-H'ers from Giles, Lincoln, Marshall, Williamson, and Davidson counties! Activities include an Olympic sized swimming pool with a diving board & water slide, archery range, rifle range, wildlife cabin, craft house, GaGa pit, zipline, creek stomp, basketball, four square, disc golf, miniature golf, and MUCH more! Campers stay in contemporary air-conditioned cabins with clean, spacious bath facilities. Three meals a day are served in the cool comfort of a 425-seat dining hall. Includes transportation, meals, lodging, t-shirt, s'mores, watermelon. etc... Camp sign ups begin April 15 on a first come, first serve basis, and the **cost is \$380. Sign up** online at <https://tiny.utk.edu/gilesjuniorcamp> and make your payment at [https://tiny.utk.edu/ag\\$](https://tiny.utk.edu/ag$) OR visit our office in person at 132 S. 2nd Street in Pulaski. Call **931-363-3523** for more information. Partial scholarship applications are available in person at our office.

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#### **JUNIOR HIGH 4-H CAMP- 6TH-8TH GRADE- MAY 25-29, 2026**

CLYDE YORK 4-H CENTER, CROSSVILLE, TN. **COST \$385**

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#### **4-H ELECTRIC CAMP- 6TH-8TH GRADE- JUNE 23-26, 2026**

CAMPUS OF UT KNOXVILLE. **COST \$340**

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#### **4-H TARGET SMART CAMP- 5TH-9TH GRADE- MAY 25-29 , 2026**

CLYDE YORK 4-H CENTER, CROSSVILLE, TN. **COST \$385**

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#### **4-H PIONEER CAMP- 7TH-9TH GRADE- JUNE 30-JULY 3, 2026**

CAMP WOODLEE, MCMINNVILLE, TN. **COST \$185**

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#### **\*4-H CULINARY CAMP- 6TH-8TH GRADE- JULY 7-9, 2026 "CAJUN CRAZE"**

TENNESSEE TECH UNIVERSITY, COOKEVILLE, TN. **COST \$175**

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#### **\*FCS BEHIND THE SCENES- 9TH-12TH GRADE- , JUNE 23-26 2026**

SAVANNAH, GA. **COST \$450**

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#### **4-H JUNIOR HIGH ACADEMIC CONFERENCE- 6TH-8TH GRADE- JUNE 9-12 , 2026**

CLYDE YORK 4-H CENTER, CROSSVILLE, TN. **COST \$100**

**\*Some of these specialty camps have limited space. Please contact our office by calling 931-363-3523 for more information, or to sign up**

### **Annual 4-H Picnic**

The 2026 4-H Picnic is scheduled to be held on **Monday, May 11, 2026** at the **Pulaski Recreation Center in Pulaski**. This is an evening for outstanding 4-H'ers to be recognized for their accomplishments. Dinner will be provided along with several fun outdoor activities (weather permitting), followed by 4-H'er recognition. Those who have qualified will receive a formal invitation by mail at a later date, so watch the mailbox for the 4-H green envelope!