# Clover Connection Summer 2023



Hello! My name is Lisa Dodson and I started working for the McCracken County Cooperative Extension Office in August of 2021 as a 4-H

Youth Development Agent. I grew up in 4-H and before coming to McCracken worked in Extension in Hickman and Carlisle County. In my free time I enjoy quilting, crafting, needle working, hiking and Geocaching.

I have started a Culinary Club, a Baking Club, a Leather Club, and a Cake Decorating Club. As well as overseeing numerous 4-H Fair Project Days more than doubling the fair entries from previous years.

In closing, my time at the McCracken County Cooperative Extension Office has shown us the incredible difference one person can make in a community. My hope is to leave a mark that inspires us all to get involved and make our communities even better.



Hello everyone! My name is Heather Hunter, and I am thrilled to be one of your new 4-H Agents here in

McCracken County. I moved to Western KY from Nashville, TN two years ago. While I am new to the area and Extension, I am not new to working with youth! I spent many years as an elementary school teacher, and I am excited to bring my passion for education and youth development to this new role.

In my free time, I enjoy attending concerts and music festivals. I also have a passion for visiting theme parks, especially Universal Studios. Another hobby of mine is building Lego sets for my collection.

I look forward to working with the young people in our community to help them build important life skills, achieve their goals, and become the leaders of tomorrow. I am grateful for the warm welcome I have received so far, and I can't wait to get to know all of you better!



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Hey Guys! My name is Rachael Davis. I am not a new face to 4-H. I grew up in 4-H Shooting Sports in Missouri. I went to Nationals two times.

Once for .22 rifle and then air rifle. I placed 10<sup>th</sup> overall in .22 rifle and 30<sup>th</sup> in air rifle. I continued to compete in matches while at Missouri State University.

Once I graduated, I traveled the world for a little bit. I have been to five countries so far. During my free time you would find me quilting for Quilts of Valor or baby quilts, traveling, and enjoying time with friends and family.

I look forward to meeting everyone and our future adventures together!



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# 4-H Camp



Over 150 McCracken County Campers traveled to West Kentucky 4-H Camp over the summer. There campers participated in high ropes, canoeing, archery, fishing, outdoor cooking, and gaga ball. Many thanks to the wonderful camp counselors who travelled with our campers and the other wonderful volunteers that helped make camp such a success. If you are interested in joining us next year as a volunteer or as a camper please call the McCracken County Office at 270-554-9520. We will begin filling spots in January 2024 for camp. We fill up fast so please keep an eye on our website and Facebook page for the most up to date information! Don't let the cost of camp keep you from attending. There are scholarships available for interested campers.



# **Crunchy Clover Snack**



#### Servings:4 Serving Size:1/2 cup

#### Ingredients:

- 16 ounces frozen green peas
- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder

#### **Directions:**

1. Thaw peas. Place between paper or cloth towels and remove as much moisture as possible.

2. Preheat oven to 375°.

3. Place peas in a single layer on a baking sheet and toss with oil and garlic powder, coating evenly.

4. Bake for 30 minutes, shaking and stirring often to cook evenly.

5. Check to see if they are crunchy. If not, continue baking in increments of 10 minutes until crunchy.

6. Cool before serving.

## Congratulations To Our State Communication's Day Competitors!

Youth First	Youth Last	Ribbon	Placement
James	Paxton	Blue	
Lucas	Lea	Blue	1
Colin	Groves	Blue	2
Aisling	Steele-Conners	Red	6
Avery	Baker	Blue	3
Sydney	Groves	Blue	
Olivia	Headrick	Blue	1
Callie	Ramer	Blue	1

### **Goodwill Challenge**

Congrats to Ava Adame for winning the State Goodwill challenge! This challenge provides youth with a voucher from Goodwill and participants then upcycle their purchase to make completely new outfits. The outfits are then posted on Facebook and Instagram and the top selections are judge from a state panel. As the winner of this project Ava was able to attend Teen Leadership Conference for free. We are so proud of Ava! Please keep an eye out for this





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## **Congratulations To Our State Fair Participants!**

Adam Kirchner	6029 Arts and Crafts	763G Junior Leather Craft	Blue
Adam Kirchner	6039 Home Environment	899 Place Setting	Blue
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Anna Litsinger	6042 Trends	1063 Sr. General Cake Decorating	Blue
Becca Alsip	6029 Arts and Crafts	727B Sr. Acrylic Painting	Blue
Becca Alsip	6029 Arts and Crafts	729 B Senior Abstract	Red
Cailey Fontenot	6035 Foods Exhibits	942 Three Cheese Muffins	White
Catherine Page	6039 Home Environment	904 Purchased article to solve a home decorating prob- lem	White
Chloe Poat	6035 Foods Exhibit	845 Three Cornmeal muffins	Red
Chris Canter	6036 Food Preservation	861 Dried Apples	White
Elayna Hesley	6035 Food Exhibits	843 Three Rolled Biscuits	Red
Eliza Smith	6039 Home Environment	891 Wastebasket	Red
Jaden Burkett	6029 Arts & Crafts	728A Jr. Watercolor	White
Jaden Burkett	6029 Arts & Crafts	746A Jr. Two Point Perspective	White
Jaden Burkett	6029 Arts & Crafts	751A Jr. Cartooning	White
Jakob Guajardo	6029 Arts & Crafts	752A Jr. Felted Woold Applique	Blue Grand Champion
Jameson Kirchner	6033 Needlework	845 Strip/String Quilt	Red
Jameson Kirchner	6036 Food Preservation	863 Dill Pickles	Blue
Jameson Kirchner	6039 Home Environment	896 Cloth item for the home created using a sewing ma- chine	Blue
Lincoln Adame	6029 4-H Arts & Crafts	747 A Jr. Circular Shape Object	Blue
Lincoln Adame	6029 4-H Arts & Crafts	748A Jr. Color Pencil	Blue
Mackenzie Mitchell	6039 Home Environment	894 Decorative Item for the home and photo	Blue
Noah Yancey	6042 Trends	1072 Jr. Cupcake	Blue
Sarah Litsinger	6042 Trends	1062 Jr. General Cake Decorating	Red
Spencer Gleue	6036 Food Preservation	862 Salsa	Blue
Susannah Southern	6015 Horticulture and Plant Science	565 Terrarium	White

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