



# SOMERSET COUNTY 4-H

## PREP/CLOVERBUD CLUBS for CHILDREN IN GRADES K – 3

### 2024-2025 Club Listing

{A list of clubs with membership availability as of September 1, 2024}

*The Somerset County 4-H Prep/Cloverbud Program includes free, non-competitive, exploratory clubs led by volunteers. Meetings typically begin in September/October and finish in August when members showcase their accomplishments at our annual Somerset County 4-H Fair.*

**For information about joining Somerset County 4-H  
including standard 4-H clubs for grades 4 - 13  
visit <https://4histops.org>  
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**SOMERSET  
COUNTY 4-H**

## Prep/Cloverbud Clubs

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### **Beekeeping Club**

(Grades K - 13)

What's the buzz about bees? Using beeswax, make projects such as candles and lip balm. Cook some tasty treats with honey. Learn about beekeeping, bee behavior, and the importance of pollinators.

### **Chaps & Spurs**

(Grades 3 - 13)

Love horses? If the answer is yay, not neigh, this club is for you! Through horse-themed crafts and hands-on activities, learn about breeds, colors, feeding, care, equipment, riding styles, and working safely with large animals. Members don't need to own a horse.

### **Chess Club??? (2<sup>nd</sup> leader needed)**

(Grades 1 - 3)

Do you like to play chess? Do you know an adult who knows how to play? We are looking for a second adult to become a volunteer 4-H chess club leader for children in grades 1 - 3. If interested in joining or leading this club, please email [somersetcounty4h@co.somerset.nj.us](mailto:somersetcounty4h@co.somerset.nj.us).

### **Chinese Culture Club**

(Grades K - 13)

Study Chinese culture, language, and arts to share the culture with the public through demonstrations and exhibits. Members of this club must enroll in Raritan Valley Chinese School in the fall.

### **Crafter Masters**

(Grades 3 - 8)

Create family-inspired crafts, emphasizing seasons and holidays. Several modalities will be explored to create fun, unique crafts. Bring your creativity and inspiration.

### **Crafty Clovers**

(Grades K - 3)

Show off your artistic side. Create different types of crafts throughout the year.

### **Da Bug Club**

(Grades K - 13)

Explore the outdoors and get hands-on with creepy crawlers! Learn about the lifestyles, habitats, diets, and behavior of the planet's most diverse group of animals – insects!

### **Discovery Prep**

(Grades K - 3)

Discover what 4-H has to offer! Members from existing 4-H clubs such as cooking, magic, model trains, and gardening will be invited to lead hands-on activities.

### **Farm to Fork**

(Grades 2 - 13)

Put your chef's hat on! Learn how to bake, cook, and where your food comes from. *This club meets in Manville, NJ.*

### **Furry Friends**

(Grades K - 13)

Rabbits, Cavies, and Rodents! Learn about proper care and handling of small animals, safety, and responsible pet ownership. Members do not need to own a small animal.

### **Game On!**

(Grades 3 - 13)

Do you like to play Roblox, Minecraft, Smash Bros, and other Nintendo games? Or do you like Chess, Battleship, Catan, and other board games? Learn new games, teamwork, explore creativities & skills, socialize, and have friendly game time.

### **Gingersnaps**

(Grades K - 13)

Through hands-on activities, members gain experience preparing food. In addition, members can express their uniqueness through creative craft projects.

### **Go-Kart Juniors**

(Grades 2 - 3)

Ready, set, go! Experience the thrill of go-kart driving in a safe and supervised environment. Learn essential safety practices, from proper safety gear use to kart maintenance, while building and customizing your go-kart. Master driving techniques; engage in exciting, timed laps; and discover the ins and outs of the kart. Enjoy speed and fun with a strong focus on safety and teamwork.

### **Hip-Hop Hoppers**

(Grades K - 3)

Do you like to jam to your favorite songs on the radio? Learn how to stomp to the beat, clap to the rhythm, and flow with the music all while having fun. Members will also have the opportunity to perform in front of a live audience.

### **Lego Masters**

(Grades K - 3)

Build Lego masterpieces while enjoying the company of others. Each meeting will have a different theme. *Meets in Manville, NJ.*

### **Little Woofers**

(Grades 1 - 3)

Welcome, dog lovers! Learn about dog handling and care (obedience, jr. showmanship and grooming) and participate in a dog show purely for the joy of doing so. Members must own (or be able to borrow) a dog.

### **Mad Scientists Prep Club**

(Grades K - 3)

Explore! Experiment! Explain! Learn about the world around us through interactive science activities. Each member, with the help of their parent/guardian, will plan and lead a meeting.

### **New Centre Dairy Prep**

(Grades K - 3)

Got Milk? Learn about the dairy and agricultural industries and work with calves at the farm. Members lease an animal through our Loan-a-Calf program to learn how to work with the animal and show it in the ring.

### **Outdoor Club**

(Grades 3 - 7)

Get ready to explore our natural world together. Build connection and community through outdoor activities and experiences. Members will explore local parks and landscapes together by hiking, apple picking, or beach trips.

### **People Pick-Me-Ups**

(Grades 1 - 13)

Learn the importance of community service in this pet therapy club. Bring your pets (dogs, cats, guinea pigs, rabbits) to help people in nursing homes and VA hospitals. Collect/deliver donations, and assist at an animal rescue ranch.

### **PREP Ensemble Theatre Group**

(Grades K - 3)

Participate in arts and crafts, storytelling, and creative dramatics. In the summer, members have an opportunity to perform with our sister club, The Clover Ensemble.

### **Proud 2B PREP**

(Grades K - 3)

Explore some of the many different project areas available through 4-H, cook, and enjoy fun craft projects.

### **Puppet Design Prep Club**

(Grades 1 - 3)

Get ready for some puppet show fun! Learn how hand puppets and marionettes move. Explore how stuffed animals and dolls can come to life. Enjoy pretend play while sparking creativity, expanding attention span, and enhancing fine motor skills.

### **Radio Control Car Club**

(Grades K - 13)

Get ready to race! In this club, a love of vehicles, speed, and racing all combine! Enjoy the fun of racing and learn about the mechanics, driving, and types of remote control cars. We emphasize friendship, teamwork, and safety while fostering an environment of fun competition. Make new friends. Learn about r/c cars. Join the fun!

### **That's Sew Crafty**

(Grades K - 13)

From clay shaping, crocheting, painting, sewing, etc., learn many aspects of crafting. All will have an educational component to go along with the project. *This club meets in Manville, NJ.*

### **Wattles & Snood**

(Grades K - 13)

What's a wattle? What's a snood? Learn about poultry (chickens, turkeys, geese, ducks, doves, pigeons, peafowl, etc.). Hands-on activities include demonstrations, showmanship, and science projects. Members do not need to own a bird.

### **Woolly Ones**

(Grades K - 13)

Interested in sheep? This club is for "ewe"! Learn about the care of sheep, management, handling, responsibility, sportsmanship, wool quality, and market lamb production.

***Please note the grade levels for each club. Grade 13 is one year past high school.***

**Looking for something else?**

**Please check our website as clubs are continually added.**

**Consider becoming a volunteer to start a new club.**

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