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**[Insert county name] County [youth/youths] bring[s] home award[s] from inaugural virtual State 4-H Day competition**

[Insert county name] County4-H’ers represented [insert county name]County in the first virtual State 4-H Day competition.

In the spring, 4-H’ers were asked to submit video entries in several competitive events including visual presentations, public speaking, digital presentations and the 4-H creed contest. To celebrate their efforts, those who submitted entries were invited to a new state 4-H event on Friday, August 10 – 4-H Day at the State Fair of West Virginia.

This event brought together 4-H families from counties around the state for “Unforgettable Fun” on the first Friday of the fair. Participants challenged themselves to the State Fair Scavenger Hunt, which took them all across the fairgrounds to enjoy the food and entertainment; visit the livestock barns; stop by the WVU Building; and participate in carnival games and activities. 4-H’ers and their families concluded their busy day with the award ceremony for the virtual State 4-H Day competition and a traditional 4-H council circle.

“We are so proud of our hardworking 4-H’ers for having the confidence to present to judges at a state competition,” said WVU Extension Service [insert county name] County Agent [agent name]. “This is another example of how our West Virginia 4-H’ers are taking opportunities to better themselves and their communities.”

From [insert county name] County, participants include:

* [insert ribbon color] ribbon winner, [insert first & last name], [insert division] division, [insert presentation title] in the [insert category] category
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* [insert ribbon color] ribbon winner, [insert first & last name], [insert division] division, [insert presentation title] in the [insert category] category

4-H’ers from [Insert county name] County who were granted ribbon awards for their impressive communication skills also were invited to attend a special ceremony at the State Fair on Saturday, August 11and were recognized for their achievements by Governor Jim Justice.

**\*Agents—if you’d like to elaborate more about specific projects here, feel free to fill in the quote below.**

“[Info about project/s],” said [agent last name]. “[End quote].”

If you’d like to learn more about West Virginia 4-H opportunities in our county, visit [insert county website] or call the WVU Extension Service [insert county name] County at [xxx-xxx-xxxx].

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