



SOMERSET COUNTY 4-H

PREP/CLOVERBUD CLUBS for CHILDREN IN GRADES K – 3

2025-2026 4-H Clubs

{A list of clubs with membership availability as of September 9, 2025}

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
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COUNTY 4-H**

Prep/Cloverbud Clubs

2025-2026 Club Listing (updated September 9, 2025)

Be sure to check the grade requirements listed for each club. Grade 13 is one year past high school.

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.

Chinese Culture Club

(Grades K - 13)

Study the depth and diversity of Chinese culture, language, and arts - then share what you've learned through public demonstrations and exhibits. Members of this club must enroll in Raritan Valley Chinese School in the fall.

Coding "STEP" Club

(Grades 2 - 8)

Crack the code to creativity! Learn coding and game creation using MIT Scratch. This virtual STEP (Short Term Exploratory Program) club meets once a week for 6 sessions.

Cooking Club (New)

(Grades K - 3)

Calling all young chefs! Spice up your cooking skills while preparing simple, fun, and healthy foods - featuring a special focus on Indian cuisine.

Crafter Masters

(Grades K - 8)

Create family-inspired crafts with some emphasis on seasons and holidays. Explore a variety of modalities to create fun, unique crafts. Bring your creativity and inspiration.

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 most diverse group of animals on the planet – insects!

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. No pet? No problem! 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)

Mix, stir, and craft your way to new skills! Through hands-on activities, gain experience preparing food and express your individuality 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.

Handy Sew & Sews

(Grades 2 - 3)

While having “sew” much fun, learn the basics of hand sewing while completing a series of simple projects.

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.

Homeschool 4-H Club (New)

(Grades K - 13)

Connect, thrive, and explore a variety of topics with other homeschoolers in a welcoming 4-H environment! This club will meet on weekday afternoons - days/times are TBD.

Huggable Hares

(Grades K - 13)

Rabbits, Cavies, and Rodents! Learn about proper care and handling of small animals, safety, and responsible pet ownership. No pet? No problem! Members do not need to own a small animal.

Lego Club

(Grades 1 - 5)

We bring the bricks—you bring the brilliance! Build, design, and imagine something new at each 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 may lease/borrow 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)

Step into the great outdoors! Build connection and community through activities like hiking, apple picking, and beach trips while exploring local parks and landscapes together.

People Pick-Me-Ups

(Grades 1 - 13)

Spread kindness one paw at a time! In this pet therapy and service club, members bring friendly pets - dogs, cats, guinea pigs, rabbits - to brighten days at nursing homes and VA hospitals; collect/deliver donations; and assist at an animal rescue ranch.

PREP Ensemble Theatre Group

(Grades K - 3)

Spark your imagination through 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)

Get a taste of 4-H! Try out exciting 4-H project areas, cook up simple treats, and dive into hands-on crafts and experiments.

Puppet Design Prep Club

(Grades K - 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.

Queens & Kings Chess Club

(Grades 1 - 3)

One small move on the chess board, one giant leap for learning the basics of playing chess, gaining patience, and making friends.

Radio Control Car Club

(Grades K - 13)

Get ready to race! Bring your love of vehicles, speed, and racing. Discover the fun of r/c cars while learning about mechanics, driving, and car types. We emphasize friendship, teamwork, and safety in a fun, competitive environment. Make friends, learn, and join the fun!

Tailfeathers (New)

(Grades K - 13)

Learn responsibility, sportsmanship and proper animal care by working hands-on with chickens, turkeys and other poultry.

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.*

Twirling Clovers

(Grades 2 - 13)

Let's twirl together! Build confidence by performing baton routines, with a focus on teamwork and coordination.

Wattles & Snood

(Grades K - 13)

What's a wattle? What's a snood? Discover the fascinating world of poultry - chickens, turkeys, geese, ducks, doves, pigeons, and more! Hands-on activities include demonstrations, showmanship, and science projects. No bird ownership required - just curiosity and a love for feathered friends!

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.

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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