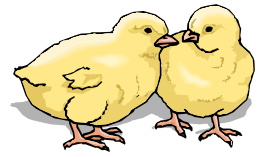




# 4-H EMBRYOLOGY

## Beginning of Life



The "Beginning of Life" 4-H project provides the opportunity for children between the ages of 5-18 (as of September 30, 2018) to explore the life and growth processes utilizing the chick embryo. The Embryology Program centers on the incubation of eggs. The anticipation of the hatch greatly adds to student interest and excitement about learning. Through this project, youngsters are introduced to the 4-H program and possibilities for exploring other areas of personal interest in a 4-H youth club setting.

### PROGRAM COMPONENTS

**INCUBATION OF EGGS:** One dozen fertile eggs and one pound of chick feed, will be provided as available to each classroom on a first-come/first-serve to use in conducting the project. Egg drop-off is April 9, 2018, and you can choose to return your baby chicks to the Alexandria Extension Office on Friday, May 4 or find your own home for your baby chicks.

**CLASSROOM STUDY/PROGRAM MATERIALS:** Classroom study is conducted utilizing the Beginning of Life 4-H project materials. These are available at the [Alexandria 4-H website](#) but will also be provided on egg drop-off day. If you would like, you can also request for someone from the 4-H office to conduct a candling demonstration with your class. The candling demonstration availability are limited and will be filled first come/first served. Candling demos can be between 15 minutes and one hour long depending on your preference.

**REGISTRATION/PROGRAM DATES:** Registration space is limited; participation is on a first-come/first-serve basis. Below is a Summary of Program Dates.

March 19, 2018	5:00 pm	Registration deadline
April 4, 2018	4:00 pm	Embryology Teacher Training
April 6, 2018	All Day	Incubator Drop Off
April 9, 2018	All Day	Egg Drop Off
April 30, 2018	All Day	Hatch Day
May 4, 2018	Morning – early afternoon	Chick Pick-Up

To register, simply fill out the: [https://vce.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_db3f8wJS0o7CvwF](https://vce.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_db3f8wJS0o7CvwF)

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