



# SPIN CLUB

4-H SPECIAL INTEREST CLUB



## NATURE AND ECOLOGY ORGANIZATION (NEO)

### WHAT IS SPIN?

SPIN is a (Special Interest) club that meets a minimum of 6 times and focuses on a specific interests to deliver high impact education.

### ABOUT SPIN CLUB (NEO)

Do you like catching frogs? Enjoying wildflowers? Trying to identify animals by their footprints? Chasing after butterflies? Being outside? Going for hikes?

Then the NEO SPIN Club is for you! We are the 4-H Nature and Ecology Organization, which explores everything related to the environment.

Join us in learning:

- How human beings are connected to our environment
- How we can impact that natural environment
- How to classify and identify the natural world around us
- How nature is as close as our own back yards
- The basics of a variety of hands-on STEM-centered 4-H projects:
  - Entomology, Wildlife, Water Conservation, Tracking, Wildflowers, Forestry, Weeds, and Grasses

### CONTACT INFORMATION

If you are interested in joining, please contact:

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### LOCATION:

**UW-Field Station**  
**W349S1480 S Waterville Rd**  
**Oconomowoc, WI 53066**

### MEETINGS: 10 A.M. TO 12 P.M.

**March 19** - Wildlife Basics. Prepare for the up-coming State Wildlife competition: Concepts, Foods, Identification, and Management Practices.

**April 1, 2** - State Forestry AND Wildlife competitions.

**April 16** - Forestry Basics. Learn about classifications of leaves and basic leaf shapes.

**May 21** - Tracking. Learn how to take plaster casts of wildlife tracks!

**June 18** - Orienteering and Geocaching. Learn how to use compasses and GPS devices to navigate, and go letterboxing at the field station.

**August 20** - Water Quality Testing. Taking samples of the water found around the field station and testing it for different properties. Participants will receive additional kits to test natural waterways around their communities, too!

**September 17** - Entomology. Bring your net or use one of ours. We'll be catching and identifying insects from all over the field station.

**October 15** - Fall Forestry. Learn how to identify trees without using their leaves! We'll also learn about measuring the height and usable quantity of a tree.