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Dear 4-H members, parents, leaders, and friends,

We are starting to get back into the busy season so read the calendar carefully! If you are interested in attending skill-a-thon, quiz bowl, livestock judging, or junior producer days please reach out to me! I can help you get signed up to attend.

Sincerely,

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Wildcat Extension District – Crawford County 4-H Website:
www.wildcatdistrict.k-state.edu/4-h/crawford/

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The program will be free this year, but all attendees, including youth and adults, must register online (https://bit.ly/KSUJrSwineWeek). The deadline to register is February 8. A flyer, which includes more details and the tentative schedule, is posted here: http://bit.ly/ksujrproducerdays. For more information, contact Lexie Hayes at adhayes@ksu.edu or 785-532-1264.

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Registration is Open for 4-H Citizenship in Action
Citizenship in Action will be virtual this year and held February 14 and 15. Registration is open and will close on February 1. The 2021 Citizenship in Action event will happen virtually but will still be packed with amazing opportunities. Engage with one of the youngest legislators ever elected to the Kansas Legislature. Learn to Communicate and Deliberate on current topics that are facing our community, country, and world today. Sessions will be: Sunday February 14th 1pm – 5:30pm Monday February 15th 1pm – 4:30pm All Youth and Adults who plan to attend the Virtual Citizenship In Action! Youth participants must be 13-18 years old before January 1, 2021. Youth do not have to be 4-H members to attend. Participation will require an internet connection and a device (computer, tablet or phone). Computer or tablet preferred. More information is available on the 4-H Citizenship in Action Webpage.

YQCA Requirements for State Shows
Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a new, national, multi-species youth livestock quality assurance program that focuses on food safety, animal well-being, and character development, through age-appropriate educational curriculum for youth 7-21 years of age. This program is an annual certification that grows with a young person, so the learning modules are different every year. The YQCA program is replacing the PQA program. The PQA is no longer valid. ALL exhibitors are required to be YQCA certified in order to participate in the 2020 Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and/or Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS). This includes youth who will be showing market animals, commercial breeding females, and/or registered purebred breeding females. There will be a specific junior class offered (7-year-old members must attend a Jr class). These dates and times haven’t been announced yet. Be on the lookout for additional training days that will be set up soon.
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Volunteers
Volunteers must renew their certification very three years with a background check. As agents, we truly appreciate the time you spend with our youth. You are the reason 4-H works and we can teach our youth leadership, responsibility, good morals, and hands-on learning! We want to ensure our youth are safe and have the best environment around them to continue learning these things. You can help us by filling out the required paperwork. Then your certification will be good for another three years! Do you know someone that is good at cooking, sewing, rockets, Legos, etc. and would be a great volunteer to help 4-H youth? Have them contact the Extension office! We are always looking for volunteers. Being a 4-H volunteer does not mean you have to attend every monthly meeting. Maybe you only help with gardening project meetings twice a year!

Record Books and Achievement Banquet Awards
You can pick up your record books and Achievement Banquet awards at the Extension Office M-F 8am–4:30pm.

SPRING SHOW INFORMATION
Each year we receive lots of show fliers for all sorts of projects. We keep these in a file for your use. Stop by the office for more information on shows that might interest you!

Small Animal Weigh-In for Fair (Bucket Calf, Market Goat, Market Sheep, and Market Swine)
Small animal weigh-in will be May 8th from 8-10am at the fairgrounds. Remember in order to be eligible to show market goat, sheep, hog, or bucket calf at fair you must be tagged on or before this deadline. If you cannot make it to tag in you must set up a time with Will to tag your animal in before May 8th.

Fair Awards Sponsor Opportunity
We currently have opening for the following two award areas.
Food Preservation Award Sponsors:
Overall Champion
Overall Reserve Champion
The sponsorship is $15 each. Please contact Will with any questions.

Crawford County Ticket Sales Contest!
The Crawford County Fair Board is offering prizes to 4-H members and groups who sell the most tickets for the 2021 Raffle. This year the group with the most ticket sales will win a Pizza Party Wednesday August 4th at noon located at the Fairgrounds! The top 10 sellers enrolled in 4-H will get 1 free wristband to their choice Grandstand Event! Tickets can be picked up at the extension office. Tickets and money can be turned back in to the extension office. All ticket counts and money must be turned in by July 29th in order to be considered for prizes.