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- Sign up through the new 4-H Online link: <http://v2.4honline.com/>
- Use your email and 4-H Online password to log in
- Follow the prompts to update contact information, projects, etc.
- At payment, select "payment for this invoice will be collected by 4-H institution." It will confirm your enrollment will be paid by check. Do not mail a check. Submit your enrollment.
- At this point, you have met the enrollment deadline even though your youth may be listed as "awaiting approval or pending," until payment from the foundation is received.
- Every 30-40 days, agents will report numbers for the foundation to send payment to Kansas 4-H.

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# Wildcat District Calendar

Youth are welcome to attend programming held by any county in the District, call ahead to reserve a spot. Dates shown here may or may not appear elsewhere in the newsletter.

*To see future dates please refer to the yearly calendar on your county's webpage*

Date	Activity	Format
Dec 24 - Jan 3	Holiday—Offices are closed	District Wide
January 3rd	Leadership Nominations for CIA presentation deadline	
January 11th	Area KAPs Due to Local Office	
January 18th	MLK Day—Wildcat Offices are Closed	
<b>January 31st</b>	<b>Returning member enrollment deadline</b>	<a href="https://v2.4honline.com/">https://v2.4honline.com/</a>
February 1	CIA Registration Deadline	
February 15th – 20th	Junior Swine Producer Days	Virtually
March 1	State 4-H and Vanier scholarships online applications due	<a href="http://www.kansas4-h.org/">www.kansas4-h.org/</a>
March 9	Program Development Committee Meeting	
March 15	All Camp Registrations open	
March 15-20	Jr. Meat Goat Producer Day	Virtually
<b>May 1</b>	<b>New family enrollment deadline</b>	<a href="https://v2.4honline.com/">https://v2.4honline.com/</a>
May 1	Camp Registrations due All Sunny Hills Camp counselor applications due Horse ID papers due to Local Office Steer Nomination Deadline for State Fair and KJLS	
June 7th	Favorite Foods Contest 4-6:30pm	Fredonia
June 8-9	Greenbush 4-H camp (7-8 year olds)	Greenbush
June 11th	Floating on leadership 4-H camp (14-18 year olds)	
June 14th	Sunny Hills Counselor Training	Rock Springs
June 15– 18	Sunny Hills 4-H Camp Group	Rock Springs
June 22	Area contests for Horticulture, Crops, Photography, and FACS	Emporia KS
July 1	Area Livestock, Meats and Skill-a-thon judging contest	Yates Center

# 4-H Volunteers

The volunteer process has been simplified! Simply fill out a 4-H Online profile, just like the 4-H youth. Afterwards your county 4-H agent will contact you with information on completing a background check, if it is needed.

*Background checks are required every three years for 4-H volunteers and are paid for by Wildcat District*

We truly appreciate the time volunteers dedicate to this program. Volunteers are the reason 4-H works and we are able to teach leadership, responsibility, and hand-on learning! You help us make sure that our kids are learning in a safe environment. If you know anyone with a talent to share (cooking, woodworking, arts, etc.) please reach out.

## Junior Producer Day Registration Open

Junior Producer Days hosted by K-State Youth Livestock Program will be held virtually as a week-long educational series this year. A few sessions will be week night evenings, and wrap up on Saturday morning.

FREE EVENT! All ages and knowledge levels are invited!

Topics include: Animal selection, nutrition and feeding, meat science, livestock guard dogs, health, grooming, showmanship and the state livestock nomination process

Junior Swine Producer week is scheduled for Feb 15-20  
Registration link: <https://bit.ly/KSUJrSwineWeek>

Junior Meat Goat Producer week is March 15-20  
Registration link: <https://bit.ly/KSUJrMeatGoatWeek>

## Horse Quiz Bowl

Quiz Bowl will join Horse Judging at Equifest, March 5-7 in Salina

## Citizenship in Action 2021

Youth ages 13-18 learn how the state legislative process works and how their voice and participation in decision-making can make a difference in their local communities.

CIA will be a virtual event in 2021 instead of traveling to the capital. The event will be held Feb. 14-15.

Registration should be open in early January and will be due Monday Feb 1st. A cost has not been announced

## 4-H Online 2.0 Registration Deadline

The deadline for returning youth membership is January 31st.

New youth registration deadline is May 1st.

Sign up at <https://v2.4honline.com/> See the front page for free enrollment instructions!

## Live the Pledge

A year of community service ideas for your club

January: Coat Drive  
February: Valentine Card  
March: Shelter supply drive  
April: Club Choice  
May: Beautification project  
June: Prepare for fair

July: Fairground service project  
September: Thank you Notes  
October: Yardwork/Trunk or Treat  
November: Food Drive  
December: Holiday Cards/  
Caroling

## **Crack the 4-H Code**

Looking for a fun, interesting program for your club? Crack the 4-H Code is a web-based interactive coding program designed for all ages of youth. This program teaches youth how to code and use these technologies to solve issues within their communities. Contact Cara Comstock for info and scheduling at

[cjcomstock@ksu.edu](mailto:cjcomstock@ksu.edu).

### **Competitive Teams**

Anyone interested in being on a competitive team please contact an agent to be placed on the contact list.

Teams include:

Meat Judging  
Livestock Judging  
Livestock Skill-a-Thon  
Livestock Quiz Bowl  
Crops Judging  
Horticulture Judging

### **4-H at your Fingertips**

Coming to a phone near you;  
Wildcat 4-H Connection phone app!

With our app you will be able to quickly have access to 4-H Online, each county page, as well as registration links and our district calendar.

This is a **FREE** app, scan the QR Code



# **4-H Camps**

### **Greenbush 4-H Camp - June 8th-9th**

This camp is for 7-8 year olds. It is a 24 hour camp. Youth arrive the morning of the 8th spend the day doing fun activities, spend the night, and are picked up the morning of the 9th. Activities include: archery, fishing, canoeing, low ropes course, stem activities, smores, etc. Cost is *estimated* at \$75. Agents are present for the duration of camp. Transportation may be available.

### **Rock Springs 4-H Camp, Sunny Hills group - June 15-18**

For 3rd grade complete through 8th grade complete. Transportation provided. Activities include swimming, horse back riding, shooting sports, stream studies, robotics, rock climbing, mountain bikes, etc. *Cost estimated at \$225 with camp scholarships offered.* Camp counselors 16-18 attend camp for free!

### **Floating On Leadership - June 11th** (rain date, June 25)

This camp is for 14-18 year olds. A float trip on the river focused on team building, leadership and connecting youth throughout the district. *Estimated cost \$50.*

### **Discovery Days 4-H Camp - Date TBD**, usually 1st week of June

A three day on-campus experience at K-State for youth ages 13-18. Students stay in the K-State dorm and attend classes and tours about 4-H projects, careers, hobbies, community service and more! You can also share your talents in the Talent Show, the dance, and some Call Hall ice cream!

# Crawford County

January 31st	4-H Club Day sign up deadline	
Feb 6	Crawford County Club Days	Girard Catholic Hall
Feb 6	Crawford County Junior Leaders Sausage Making (1:30pm)	Girard Office
Feb 7	Junior Leaders Pancake Feed	
Feb 22	Crawford County Junior Leaders Meeting (6:30pm)	
April 1	Plaque Sponsor Deadline	
April 10	Crawford County Beef Weigh-in (2pm)	Mesa Animal Clinic
April 26	Junior Leaders (6:30pm)	Girard Office
April 26	Crawford County 4-H Council (7:30pm)	Girard Office
May 8	Crawford County Small Animal Weigh-in (8-10am)	Mesa Animal Clinic

## Crawford County 4-H Club Day

Club Days will be February 6 at Girard Catholic Hall Cafeteria at 9 am. The deadline to sign up on the website is January 31.

Club-Day In-Person COVID Guidelines:

This will be closed to the public. **Meaning parents/guardians only. No extended family (ex. Grandparents, Aunts/Uncles, Friends,...)**

You must remain 6 feet apart from those not in your immediate family.

Once you have completed your events you must leave. There will be no waiting for results they will be sent out.

Only 4-H member and parents will be allowed in rooms for individual events. **MASK MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES.** A 4-H member giving an individual presentation may remove mask while giving presentation.

Plan for changing to virtual format **if needed:**

All individual Talks, Demos, Public Speaking, Musical, Vocal, and Skits will be done via zoom at the time that you signed up originally on January 31. A zoom link will be sent to those signed up.

Group categories please be recording your practices. If we have to change to virtual format you will submit a recording of your performance, model meeting, or skit on January 31 to be judged. You will want to record your practices in order to submit your best one to be judged.

## 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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 29<sup>th</sup> in order to be considered for prizes.

## Crawford Junior Leaders

Interested in becoming a better leader? Enroll in the leadership project this year! If you are a 4-H member 13 years and older sign up to be a part of Crawford County Junior Leaders! Call Will with any questions.

# Labette County

Feb 6	Labette County Club Days	Remote
Feb 6	Market Beef Weigh-in	
March 9	4-H Council Meeting (6:00 pm)	
March 9	PDC Meeting (7:00 pm)	

## Labette County 4-H Club Day

4-H Club Day will be held virtually this year. Entries are due at the extension office **January 29th**. Once entries are received, all participants will be scheduled a time to participate via Zoom. Entry forms, rules and more information can also be found on the Labette County 4-H website under the Club Day heading.

[www.wildcatdistrict.k-state.edu/4-h/labette](http://www.wildcatdistrict.k-state.edu/4-h/labette)

# Montgomery County

Feb 20	Montgomery County Club Days	Remote
March 11	4-H Council Meeting	MG Extension office
May 13	4-H Council Meeting	MG Extension office

## 4-H Council

Scheduled for January 7th and March 11th. Katie will have the Extension office open for anyone that would like to be in-person at 7:00 p.m. A zoom link for the council meeting will be provided via email the week of

## Montgomery County 4-H Club Day

Due to COVID and staffing club days will be a little different for 2021. The office and club day committee is adamant that future club days will return to our usual presentation expectations as an in-person event. We are passionate about the in-person public speaking/presentation skills and par-law motions learned during 4--H club day. For 2021 we will be doing a recorded presentation following the guidelines below:

- Model meeting and extemporaneous are canceled for 2021 only
- Youth will record their presentations for each division and upload to a "dropbox or platform". Link and more information to be released Jan 7th at 4-H Council
- Youth have from January 8-Feb. 18th at midnight to upload their recorded presentation. No changes can be made once the presentation is uploaded
- Judges will be given access to their division folder for judging and to provide written feedback to youth
- Results and regional club day qualifiers will be tentatively be announced end of day January 23rd.

Regional qualifiers will be given registration information at that time. Regionals will be a LIVE zoom presentation for all categories.

- Local camp scholarships will be honored for those submitting a recorded talk/demonstration
- SEE WEBSITE FOR PRESENTATION GUIDELINES AND OPTIONS

# Wilson County

Jan 24	4-H council (1:00 pm)	Courthouse/Zoom
Jan 24	Livestock club meeting 2:30	TBA
Feb 20	Wilson County Club Days	First United Methodist Church Fredonia
Feb 27	Beef Tag Day (9:00 am)	Fairgrounds
Feb 28	2nd Livestock Club Meeting	TBA

## Club Day Changes (WL County)

The Club Day Committee decided to drop Model meetings this year. That is required for clubs to get a purple or blue seal, so instead the requirement will be 75% of club members must participate in some type of individual event at club day. That includes: Talks, demonstrations, show & Share, music, talent, readings, dance. Small groups will still be allowed with precautions in place. It is our hope to have this as a live event with a zoom option available. Please reach out to Cheri if you have any questions.

## Livestock Club Meetings

The first two livestock club meeting will most likely look different from years past. The meeting room is too small for everyone and the new building doesn't have electricity yet. I am looking for some ideas to do some virtual tours for these two meetings. If you have ideas please let me know.

## Virtual Project Meetings

We are planning to do some virtual Exploring 4-H meetings in January and February. We would like some ideas for projects members want to explore. These will be a lot like the craft project we did in December. We would like to have a kit available for pick up some members can be hands on. We have a couple of ideas, but welcome your input or if you would like to lead one please let me know. We will be happy to set up the zoom.

[www.wildcatdistrict.k-state.edu/4-h/wilson](http://www.wildcatdistrict.k-state.edu/4-h/wilson)



*Live the Pledge*  
A community service challenge

Each month the Wildcat district will issue a Community Service Challenge for the 4-H clubs to participate in. Our goal is to raise the sense of community in our local areas. Remember our pledge, now is the time to start living it.