

# Crawford County 4-H News

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

Hope you all are enjoying this cooler weather! It is the time of year where we recognize those for their efforts last year and plan for the new. I am so proud of all of the youth and what they accomplished and can't wait to see goal for this year. You will find everything you need in order to be prepared for the rest of fall!

Sincerely,

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

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Find us on Facebook @ Wildcat Extension District & @ Wildcat Extension District 4-H

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

- Nov 4 Awards Banquet 6:30pm @ Girard High School Cafeteria
- Nov 11 Extension Office Closed for Holiday
- Nov 16 Officer Training @ Extension Office

Nov 20-21 Kansas Youth Leadership Forum

Nov 25-26 Extension Office Closed for Holiday

- Dec 24-31 Office Closed for Holiday
- Jan 17 Office Closed for Holiday
- Jan 31Enrollment Deadline for Returning FamiliesDeadline to sign up for 4-H Club day
- Feb 54-H Club Day at Girard High School CafeteriaJunior Leaders make sausage @ 2pm
- Feb 6 Junior Leaders Pancake Feed
- Feb 28 Junior Leaders Meeting 6:30pm 4-H Council Meeting 7:30pm
- Mar 5 Regional Club Day



#### **Thank You Letters**

4-H members do not forget to send your thank you letters to your award sponsors and buyers. Without their support so much would not be possible

#### 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

Check out the new Wildcat 4-H App!

Wildcat 4-H Connection



District Wide and County Specific Calendars Event Registration Links Camp Information





# **Junior Leaders**

JUNIOR LEADERS

If you would like to be a member of our Crawford County 4-H Junior Leaders, we would like to have you join us. You must:

- 1) Be 13 years' old
- 2) Be enrolled in Leadership
- 3) Let us know you want to join

## **Project Leaders**

Are you interested in becoming a project leader or interested in organizing a one-time meeting? I would love to work with you to get meetings planned for the 2022 year. It's never too early to get some dates on the calendar and start recruiting volunteers. Clubs if you are holding project meetings I encourage you to open them up to all members in Crawford County. If you need to limit the amount of youth we will do a sign up with a cut off number.

#### Volunteers

Volunteers must renew their certification every 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!



Rock Springs is going to be running an early bird discount on registration for 4-H member September  $1^{st}$  – November  $1^{st}$ . The State/Rock Springs will be sending you out information soon. Prices and length of camp will vary please pay close attention to that. You can pick when you would like to go to camp. Wildcat is encouraging all youth to go the first three-night session in June. However, you are welcome to attend any time that you would like. Rock Springs will be providing transportation to and from camp.

Go to <u>https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/</u> for more information.

# **Greenbush Camp**

Save the date now for Greenbush camp on June 6 & 7, 2022. This camp is for if for youth 7-8 years old.

# **Floating on Leadership**

Junior Leaders save the date for Floating on leadership June 8, 2022. Inclement weather date will be June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

# **Camp Scholarships**

Camp scholarships are available through 4-H Council thanks to the generous donations in the community. These are limited to one per-youth peryear. To be eligible you must complete a talk or demonstration at County 4-H Club Days or participate in Favorite Foods Contest. The scholarship will be refunded up to \$100 upon the youths return from camp. This is a great way for youth to experience more youth development opportunities! Please call Will if you have any questions.

# **Crawford County 4-H Camp Scholarship opportunity!**

Are you a Crawford County 4-H member and would love to attend a 4-H Camp/State 4-H Activity? Then we have an opportunity for you to help pay for that experience. You can get can get a scholarship for \$100. You must complete a minimum of 2 hours of community service at the Crawford County fairgrounds as well as a minimum of 2 hours of community service in the community that you live in. Service completed at the fairgrounds must be signed off by Will. Hours completed in the community must be signed off by a non-family member (4-H volunteer events count), and you must have submitted a record book from the previous year. Hours and the completed application must be completed and turned in by May 1st. Service hours must be completed between May 1 of current year and prior to the deadline of the next year. Camp/activity registrations and fees must be paid in full. Scholarship will be awarded upon youths return from camp/activity. Application can be found on our website. This scholarship is make possible by Carolyn Zagonel and the Americas Farmers Grow Communities Donation from Bayer Fund.

# 4-H Club Day

4-H Club Day sign up is now up and running! Please go to our website where you will find guidelines, information, and the sign up. Club day will be on Saturday February 5<sup>th</sup> at the Girard High School Cafeteria. Remember if you give an individual talk or demonstration you will be eligible for a \$100 scholarship to a 4-H camp or activity. Clubs remember you must do a model meeting in order to be eligible for a purple seal at the end of the year.

# **Officer Training**

We will be hosting an officer training night at the extension office on Tuesday November 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at the Extension Office. Please RSVP to the Extension Office and I will have an officer book print out for you.

## **Fair Proposals**

Thank you to everyone for your fair proposals for the 2022 Crawford County fair. Those proposals are currently in the process of being reviewed. When all have been reviewed and assessed those who submitted them will be notified with the decision. If you would like to make a proposal for the 2023 Fair you may do so by presenting them at a 4-H Council meeting or Fair Board meeting. Those proposals will need to be completed by the August 4-H Council meeting and the September Fair Board meeting. The proposal form may be found online.

## **State Fair Exhibits**

If you have not already picked up your state fair exhibits, please come by the office and get them ASAP!

# **4-H Judging Teams**

Interested in being a part of Wildcat Judging Teams next year? Great! Now is the time to express interested in livestock, horse, horticulture, skill-athon, meats, and quiz bowl teams! If you are interested in joining one of these teams and practicing with them, please reach out and I will put you in direct contact with the volunteer coach for the Wildcat District. Teams are not currently practicing but we will get you on their contact lists for spring practices. Judging teams offer youth the opportunity to travel and interact with 4-H youth! Practices are not currently being held in Crawford County, but if youth start attending practices coaches have shown they are willing to move to more central locations or even in county. We need parents and youth to make the first step and we will do everything we can to help!

# **Area Record Book Contestants**

If you were selected to represent Crawford County at the area Record Book judging, please be working to improve your book. Appointments can be set-up with Will to help with this process.

# Enrollment

Enroll now in Crawford County 4-H! Step-by-step instructions can be found on our Crawford 4-H website or at <u>http://v2.4honline.com/</u>

The system will save your information from last year. If you are a returning member do not create a new account. Please use the "<u>forgot password</u>" option if you don't remember your information from last year. **New families will need to follow the instructions for new families on our website** or at http://v2.4honline.com/.

Returning families deadline is January 31<sup>st</sup> and new families deadline is May 1<sup>st</sup>. Don't forget we are part of the Wildcat Extension District; you are looking for Wildcat District, Girard.



Don't forget the 4-H Awards Banquet!

November 4<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30p.m.

**Girard High School Cafeteria** 





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