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# Crawford County 4-H News

January 2023

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

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a happy and safe holiday season. Please pay close attention to the information in the newsletter so that you can start your new year off right. Remember that our enrollment deadline for returning families is on January 31<sup>st</sup>.

Sincerely,

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	IMPORTANT DATES
Jan 16	Regional Record Books Due to Office
Jan 31	Enrollment Deadline for Returning Families
	Deadline to sign up for 4-H Club day
Feb 4	4-H Club Day @ Girard High School Cafeteria
	Junior Leaders Make Sausage @ 1PM
Feb 5	Junior Leaders Pancake Feed
Feb 19-20	Citizenship In Action
Feb 27	Junior Leaders Meeting 6:30pm
	4-H Council Meeting 7:30pm
Mar 4	Regional Club Day @ Neosho County College
Mar 1	State 4-H Award Submissions Due
	KS 4-H Scholarships Due
Mar 11	Swine Producer Day Manhattan KS
Mar 18	Meat Goat Producer Day Manhattan KS
Mar 20	YQCA training 6:30pm @ Extension Office
Mar 30	Fair Judges Training 6:00pm
May 1	State 4-H/FFA Market Beef Nominations Due
June 1	Horse ID Papers Due
June 5-6	Greenbush Camp
June 7-9	Discovery Days
June 16	Area Livestock Contest
June 20	Floating on Leadership
June 27	Area Challenge Day
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# Enrollment

4-H Online system opens on October 1,2022 for a new year. Step-by-step instructions can be found on our Crawford 4-H website or at <a href="http://v2.4honline.com/">http://v2.4honline.com/</a>

#### **Junior Leaders**

Junior Leaders is open to all 4-H youth 13-18. The next Junior Leaders meeting will be on Monday, February 27 at 6:30 p.m.

Junior Leaders will be making sausage on February 4<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm at the Extension Office. The Pancake Feed will be on February 5<sup>th</sup> at the Extension Office. Junior Leaders need to call the office to sign up for a shift.

#### 4-H Council

The Next 4-H Council meeting will be Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. Remember each club should have 2 council reps, 1 club president, and 2 adult leaders attend. If one is unable to attend then they need to find an alternate to fill in for that meeting.

### Youth/Volunteer Enrollment

The new 4-H year is October 1<sup>st</sup>! Do not forget that all returning families have until January 31<sup>st</sup>,2023 to re-enroll in 4-HOnline. All new families have until May 1<sup>st</sup> to enroll in 4-HOnline. All volunteers must renew their 4-HOnline. <a href="http://v2.4honline.com/">http://v2.4honline.com/</a>

#### **New Volunteers**

If you would like to become a volunteer, please contact Will to learn more about how to become a certified 4-H volunteer.

# Plan for the future! 4-H Camp Scholarships

Camp Scholarships are available through 4-H Council. These are limited to one per youth per year. To be eligible for this you must complete a Talk/Demonstration at County 4-H Club Days or participate in the Favorite Foods Contest. The Scholarship will be refunded up to \$100 upon the youth's return from camp. This is a great way for youth to experience more youth development opportunities! There is also the scholarship from Carolyn Zagonel and Americas Farmers grow Comminutes donation. By filling out this application youth can receive a \$100 scholarship to go toward a 4-H camp/activity. Please call Will if you have any questions.

# **County Fair Judges Training**

Save the date for a County Fair Judges training on March 30, 2023! All are welcome to come and learn how to judge a wide variety of project areas. More details to come in the future.

# 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 4<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 into be eligible for a purple seal at the end of the year.

# **Regional Record Book Contestants**

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

# **Fair Proposals**

The Fair Board September meeting was the last time to submit proposals for changes for the 2023 Crawford County Fair. Any future proposals that are made at 4-H Council or Fair Board will be considered for fair 2024.

# **Livestock Sale Buyers Checks**

If you have not done so already, you need to pick your check up from your buyer as soon as possible! It looks poorly on you and 4-H if your buyer has to track you down in order to give you your check. Remember that if they have a bad experience they may not return as a buyer.

# Wildcat District Livestock Judging Team Facebook Group

Parents, please use this QR code in order to join this private group. It will help you stay up to date on all of the latest happening.



# **Entomology Meeting**

There will be no Entomology Project Meeting in January. The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, February 18th at 1:30 p.m. at the Allen County Extension Office in Iola. For the new families, please bring back the 2 handouts I gave you in December. We will be working more on pinning, which will help you better understand some of the pinning techniques. Everyone, please bring your pinning board, insect pins, and quilting pins if you have them. If there are any new families, I will have a pinning board for you. Insect pins are \$6.50 per package. Also, everyone please bring one or two empty and clean tuna cans for a special project we will do. Watch your emails. If the weather is bad here, I will send out an email

cancellation or you can call me at (620)804-9170 to check on the meeting status. Please don't drive if your roads are bad. You can call me at any time with questions. Hope to see you in February. Vicky

# **State Events**

### Kansas 4-H Equine Webinar Series

The Kansas 4-H Equine Webinar series gives Kansas 4-H'ers, Horse volunteers and parents an opportunity to gain skills and knowledge about horses and the horse industry in Kansas. Topics will include basic 4-H Horse project knowledge, horse health, and college and career readiness. Industry experts and K-State faculty will share their experience and expertise during the webinars. Webinars will be hosted live on the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Central Standard Time. Please register in advance to receive the link and details to join. Webinars will be recorded and made available for those wishing to view at a later date. Register here: https://www.kansas4h.org/projects/animal-science/horse/equinewebinar-series.html

Participants may submit questions relating to the webinar topic to klnordyke@ksu.edu until 2:00 p.m. the day of the scheduled webinar. Please include "Equine Webinar Question" in the subject line of your email. After attending the live webinar, or viewing the recording, please provide feedback through the survey link. This helps Kansas 4-H to plan and improve future webinars.

# Kansas 4-H Animal Science Webinar Series

Kansas 4-H'ers can learn more about the livestock industry through the Kansas 4-H Animal Science Webinar Series. The Animal Science Webinar Series is designed to give Kansas 4-H'ers an opportunity to learn more about the livestock industry, career opportunities and good animal husbandry practices. Webinars will be hosted live the on the fourth Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Central Standard Time. Register in advance at https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/animal-science-webinar-series.html to receive an email with the link to join. Webinars will

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# **K-State Junior Swine Producer Day**

The 2023 K-State Junior Swine Producer Day has been scheduled for Saturday, March 11, in Manhattan! Participants of all skill levels are invited to sign up and attend! The cost is \$20/per person and the deadline to register is February 15.

# K-State Junior Meat Goat Day

The 2023 K-State Junior Meat Goat Producer Day will be hosted on Saturday, March 18, in Manhattan. All ages and skill levels are invited to sign up and participate. The cost is \$20/person and the deadline to register is February 22.

# 4-H Day with Women Wildcats!

The Kansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents (KAE4-HA) is excited to inform you that the annual "4-H Day with the Wildcat Women's Basketball" has been scheduled for Sunday, February 12th at 1 p.m.. Join us as the Wildcats take on the Oklahoma Sooners! For \$25, each attendee will receive a ticket to the game, an awesome game day t-shirt, and a \$10 meal voucher to use at the main concession stands. This year, a ticket/voucher option with no t-shirt is available for \$15.

#### 4-H Horse Panorama

The 2023 4-H Horse Panorama is scheduled for January 28, 2023, at K-State Salina. In-person and virtual contests are available to Kansas 4-H members enrolled in the Horse or Horseless Horse project including Horse Bowl, Hippology, presentations, photography, design and more.

# **2023 Kansas 4-H and Vanier Scholarship Applications NOW AVAILABLE**

The applications for Kansas 4-H and Vanier Scholarships are now available on our webpage.

The only significant change for the applications this year is that youth are asked to submit some files to our Kansas4H@ksu.edu email address rather than uploading them into the Qualtrics application. All necessary information for applications can be found listed under each description. Please contact Sarah Keatley at 620-366-0035 or keatley@ksu.edu with any questions. Applications and supporting documents are due in by no later than March 1, 2023.

# **Updates to Kansas 4-H Horse Project**

Beginning with the 2023 4-H Program Year Kansas 4-H Horse Project Members, who are currently enrolled in the 4-H Horse Project are eligible to compete at the Kansas State Fair 4-H Horse Show if:

- 1.) The horse is properly identified for the Kansas 4-H Horse Project either by a) registering the horse with a breed association in the 4-H'ers or an immediate family member's name by June 1 of the current 4-H program year, or b) identifying with a Kansas 4-H Horse ID Form signed by the local Extension Agent by June 1 of the current 4-H program year. The 4-H member must have a copy of the 4-H Horse ID form signed by the local agent or a copy of the horse's registration papers on file with their local Extension Office by June 1 of the current 4-H program year.
- 2.) Exhibit a properly identified horse at a horse show in a class group and be qualified to exhibit in any class included in that group. The horse show need not be a "4-H" show. Shows may include: open shows, circuits, local associations (SCSHA, etc), breed/discipline associations (AQHA, APHA, NRHA etc.). Qualification for each group is based on one horse/rider combination. Exception: If if a 4-Her qualifies more than one mare/gelding in the same halter class. In this case, another 4-Her can show the second horse in the appropriate halter class at the State Fair.

Group 1 Halter, Showmanship Group 2 Hunter Under Saddle, Hunt Seat Equitation, Hunter Hack, Saddleseat Pleasure, Saddleseat Equitation Group 3 Western Pleasure, Western Horsemanship, Trail, Group 4 Ranch Rail, Ranch Pattern, Ranch Trail, Reining Group 5 Barrels, Poles, Flags

3.) Complete the Kansas 4-H Equine Webinar Safety Episode with quiz annually before completing the State Fair Entry.

Complete online entry information for the Kansas State 4-H Horse Show via ShoWorks by August 1 of the current program year.

Exhibitors will be limited to entering only those classes in which they qualified for a particular horse.

Exhibitors should be prepared to show proof of exhibition via a signed affidavit by show management.

The qualification period will be from October 1-August 1 of the current 4-H program year.

# **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The Crawford County Fair Board and the Livestock Sale Committee are looking for 2 people to volunteer and perform the outlined task below. Ideally, the people fulfilling these task have a knowledge of livestock sales (preferably Crawford County), are organized, and efficient, works well with others, and are good with numbers.

The outline of responsibilities are listed below as well as the times of when they are performed.

• Attend sale committee meetings, typically held during the winter or spring.

#### • Friday of Fair-

- Review and check the entered destinations for each species provided by Extension staff.
- Utilize the FairEntry system to organize and configure the sale catalog. This is done after the noon deadline when destination slips are to be submitted. Once the catalog is complete, it is to be emailed to buyers and posted on the Fair Facebook page.

#### • Saturday of Fair-

- Before the sale, help to check in buyers at the ring.
- Assist during the sale with imputing and tracking the information.
- Provide a Destination packing list for base bid buyers after the sale.
  - Mail them a copy after the fact as well to the base bid.
- <u>Post Sale-</u> These can either be done on Saturday after the sale or best case would be Sunday or Monday after the fair at the latest
  - Make adjustments to each sale member in order for the math to be correct in the system.
  - Review each buyer's statement and mail them to buyers so they have something for their records and know what to pay youth.
  - Review the check for each youth to ensure that they are all correct before printing checks. If they are correct print and mail checks at the earliest time.
  - Track that base bids are paid to the Fair Board.

If you or someone you know is interested in this position please contact a Fair Board member or Will at the Extension Office.



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