



Crawford County 4-H News

June 2021

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

Fair season is here! We are busy planning and are excited to share new opportunities with you. We have lots of exciting events happening this month! Read the entire newsletter. You will find everything you need in order to be prepared for fair!

Sincerely,

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IMPORTANT DATES

June 7	District Favorite Foods Contest Fredonia office 4-6:30 p.m.
June 8-9	Greenbush 4-H camp (ages 7-8)
June 11	Floating on Leadership 4-H Trip (ages 14-18)
June 14-15	Sunny Hills Camp Counselor Training Rock Springs
June 15-18	Sunny Hills Camp- Rock Springs
June 15	District Horse Show Entry Deadline
June 15	Nomination Deadline for Kansas State Fair and KJLS
June 21	Livestock Showmanship Clinic @ Fairgrounds must RSVP By June 18 th 620-784-5337
June 22	Area FCS, Crop, and Photography Contest
June 24	Area Livestock, Skill-a-thon, Meats Contest
June 28	Junior Leaders Meeting 5:30pm
June 28	4-H Council Meeting 7:30pm
June 29	District Horse show
July 13	Poultry Testing 5-7pm at the Fairgrounds
July 15	Fair Entry Deadline
July 15	County 4-H Scholarship Application Deadline
July 27	Pre-Fair Clean up at the fairgrounds 6-9pm
July 31-Aug 7	Fair Activities – See Fair Book for schedule
Aug 9	State Fair Entries Due to Extension Office
Aug 23	Junior Leaders Meeting 6:30pm
Aug 23	4-H Council Meeting 7:30pm
Aug 23	Last day to present 2022 Fair proposals to Council
Sept 14	Last day to present 2022 Fair proposals to Fairboard

Livestock Showmanship Clinic

June 21 - Girard Fair Grounds
June 22 - Fredonia Fair Grounds
June 24 - Coffeyville Fair Grounds
June 25 - Oswego Fair Grounds

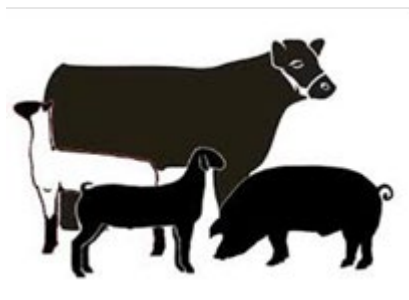
Schedule:

6-7:00 pm - Sheep and Goats
7-8 Cattle
8-9 pigs

What to bring:

Your broke animal
Basic show equipment (show halter, whip, brush, comb, etc.),
Water bucket/sprayer

This free, hands on youth showmanship clinic will allow local exhibitors to enhance their showmanship abilities before county fair. Youth will learn from experienced showman on how to best present their animals. Please RSVP to the Altamont Extension office at 620-784-5337 by Friday, June 18. Clinic locations may be canceled if not enough interest is received.



Kansas State Fair or Kansas Junior Livestock Show

If you plan to nominate animals for either of these shows you must tag and complete paperwork by: June 15th for Swine, Goats, Lambs, & Heifers.

The paperwork must be signed by Will and in the state office by this date!

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

Wildcat Livestock Judging Camp

Beginners Livestock Judging Camp- June 10th half day. For 1st time livestock judges of ANY age. Contact Cara Comstock to register cjcomstock@ksu.edu or call the Altamont office 620-784-5337.

Livestock Judging Camp – June 21st For more information or to register contact Cara Comstock at cjcomstock@ksu.edu or Altamont office at 620-724-5337.

Skill-a-thon tests a 4-H member's knowledge and comprehension of animal science and livestock management practices. Typical topics are livestock equipment identification, livestock breed identification, retail meat cut identification, Hay and wool judging, quality assurance, and a quiz about the livestock industry.

Quiz Bowl contestants answer questions via a buzzer system on wide array of questions that cover the beef, sheep, swine and meat goat project areas.

Livestock Judging – rank pens of beef, sheep, swine, and meat goats based on the animal's production or reproduction qualities.

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).

District Horse Show

District horse show will be June 29th., at the Parsons State Hospital. Anyone 9 years and older is welcome to compete at the district horse show. Youth must complete the level 1 written and riding test before the show. Cost for the test is \$10. Contact your local agent for study materials and test details. **District Horse Show entry deadline is June 15th.**

4-H Horse Project Ride Night

If you are a 4-H member that is interested in learning and improving your horse skills, you are welcome to attend a ride night hosted by the Lucky Riders 4-H Club. All 4-H members are welcomed! Located at the fairgrounds. Once school is dismissed for the summer, we will have ride night every Thursday night, weather permitting.

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.

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



Camps

Discovery Days Registration

Kansas 4-H Discovery Days will be delivered virtually in 2021. The event will be held on June 1-4th, 2021. Registration is open now!

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, s'mores, etc. Cost is \$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 7th grade complete. Transportation provided. Activities include swimming, horseback riding, shooting sports, stream studies, robotics, rock climbing, mountain bikes, etc

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. **If you are a Junior Leader in Crawford County you get to attend for free!**

Campference 2021

4-H Campference is for youth ages 12- 14 (before January 1, 2021), and will be held June 27-30 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Participants will experience the feel of a conference, while enjoying the 'camp' activities Rock Springs 4-H Center has to offer. This is a great transitional opportunity, as tweens go from being a camper to attending educational conferences. 4-H Campference will feature workshops about opportunities in the 4-H program and how to better communicate with others.

SUMMER FUN SEWING CAMP

Do you like to sew or would you like to learn? The opportunity awaits. The Youth Sewing Camp is set for **June 21-23, 2021**. Youth ages 10-18 are eligible to attend. There will only be one class this year from 8:30-11:30am. **Space is limited to 10 campers, so register early!!**

For more information or to sign-up, contact the Crawford County Extension Office 620-724-8233.

Favorite Foods Contest

The Favorite Foods Contest encourages 4-H'ers to learn about meal planning, food preparation, and presentation. A favorite food is chosen, a menu is planned with the food, and the table decor is coordinated. Foods chosen may be main courses, desserts, snacks, breads, casseroles or other. Youth present their table to the judge and answer questions about nutritional value, cooking skills, table setting, etc. Contact your agent for more information and to sign up! Contest June 7, 4:30-6:00 p.m. Fredonia Extension office.

2021 Kansas 4-H Geology Field Trips

The 4-H Geology Action Team has been working hard to plan opportunities for youth to learn and engage in the 4-H Geology project. The group is excited to announce three great options for youth to collect specimens and learn from experts in the field. For 2021 there will be three single day field trips offered in different part of the state:

- June 12th – Western Kansas Smoky Hills
- June 19th – Southeast Kansas
- June 26th – Central Kansas

The dates and general locations have been confirmed. Please keep these dates as place holders as more information for registration and logistics will be posted soon on the 4-H Geology Page.

Additionally, with the opportunity for state field trips, the 2020 State Fair lower specimen requirement will return to the full 15 new specimens for the 2021 KSF.

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 2021 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!

Save the Date - 48 Hours of 4-H

Save the date now for 48 Hours of 4-H! The weekend after National 4-H Week, is the perfect opportunity to setup a service project and join the 48 Hours of 4-H Service Challenge, October 9-10, 2021. Invite your friends, clubs, adult volunteers and 4-H Alums too!

By starting to discuss and plan now, you can find the perfect project for your group and engage important partners and it might just be the perfect way to start the new 4-H Year!

County 4-H Scholarship

High school seniors can find the county 4-H scholarship at the bottom of our Crawford County webpage. Scholarships are due in the office by July 15th.

FAIR 2021 INFORMATION

Fair Catalogs

Fair catalogs are funded by advertisements from local businesses. These advertisements are still being collected so the fair catalog will be printed.

UNTIL then please see our website or app for an updated 2021 version of the fair catalog.



Annual Pre-Fair BBQ

Pre-Fair BBQ will be held August 1st in the Marvin Green Building at the fairgrounds. **Each family is asked to sell tickets.** Purchasing tickets for 4-H supporters, leaders, plaque sponsors, or livestock buyers is a great way to say thank you! There will be an award for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place sellers (unless a winner sold under 25 tickets). Money raised from our BBQ pays for judges at club days, gas money to 4-H camps, fair supplies, the awards banquet and meal, etc.

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 on 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 and turned back in at the extension office. All ticket counts and money must be turned in by July 29th in order to be considered for prizes.

Poultry Testing

Poultry testing is back for this year. All poultry that plan on attending the fair need to be tested. This will be on July 13th from 5:00-7:00pm at the fairgrounds.

Fair Entry Deadline

Crawford County Fair Entry Deadline is July 15th. When completing your entries that will also be your stall reservation for the fair. You can make your entries at crawfordcountyks.fairentry.com. Entries will open mid-May.

Fair Livestock Costume Contest

The costume contest will begin at 5:00pm the Friday of the fair. This contest is open to all 4-H/FFA members. When creating your costume make sure that your animal's safety is in mind. This will be divided by age Junior 7-8 years, Intermediate 9-13 years, and Senior 14-18. There will be a \$5 entry fee for each exhibitor that you will turn in at the gate. Please sign up by noon the Friday of at by calling the extension office before the fair or going by the Fair office the week of the fair.

Fair Stall Reservation

Stall reservations for ALL livestock should be made with the Extension Office by July 15. This is done through the fair entry process when you enter. Each exhibitor will only be allotted stalls based on the number of animals present at check in. Entering extra animals that you do not bring in order to get extra stall space will not be tolerated. If it is determined that you have excess space, then you will be required to move to make room for other exhibitors.

Fair Entry System

Wildcat District will be the use of FairEntry system. FairEntry is a system that is designed to improve overall flow and efficiency of the fair. The use of this system will mainstream a variety of areas such as class entry (at county and state level), tracking livestock information, and even the livestock sale. The system is integrated with 4-H Online which makes it easy for families to access their information and keep organized. The use of this system district wide not only creates more time, but also resources for greater more impactful programs. Adjustments will include age break outs for classes, smoother entry process, and even the opportunity to offer more classes. Enter online at crawfordcountyks.fairentry.com

Crawford County Fair August 4-7th 2021

Health papers are preferred for 4-H and Open (some exceptions see each species below for more details)
Market Animals must have county ear tags – Breeding Animals should have ear tags from you or seller

BEEF: Ear Tags & Vet Check

SWINE: Ear Tags & Vet Check

GOATS: Meat & Dairy - Ear Tags, Vet Check, & scrapies identification tags

SHEEP: Ear Tags, Vet Check, & scrapies identification tags

HORSES: Vet Check, and Negative Coggins paper must be shown to the superintendent

POULTRY: Negative Pullorum-Typhoid Test. You must come to free testing day July 13th 5-7pm at the Fairgrounds or show Will paperwork.

RABBITS: No health papers. Health will be assessed by superintendent. Must have ear tattoo.

DOG: Must have dog immunization record signed by vet and a signed note from vet saying dog is flea free.

A timeline has been established for bringing animals to the fair to allow them to be checked. The south gate of the fairgrounds will be locked. All trailers must enter from the north gate. Trailers will be stopped at the horse area for their health to be assessed by a veterinarian. Pay attention to signs there will be ONE WAY traffic around the barns. No animals will be allowed to come onto the fairgrounds outside of these hours:

Tuesday, July August 3rd – 2:00- 9:00 p.m.

4-H Weigh-in Tuesday August 3rd

No reweighs allowed. All market animals must weigh! Scales open at 2 p.m.

All market animals, bucket calves, feeder steers, and Class 2 Breeding Doe Meat Goats will be weighed. The scales will be open the Tuesday August 3rd of fair week at 2:00pm-8:00pm for weighing of Market and Feeder Steers, Bucket Calves, Lambs and Goats. All species are allowed to weigh in during that time except swine. Swine will begin weigh-in at 8:00pm the alleyway will be set up from 8-9pm August 3rd to weigh in. Once the alley way is set up no other species will be allowed to weigh in. Please be ready to bring your animals to the scales during this time. No re-weighs will be allowed.

Animal Destination Form

If you bring a market animal to fair, we need to know what you plan to do with that animal. Please fill out a destination form telling us if the animal is going home, sold on base bid truck, or going through the livestock sale. Destination forms can be found at the weigh-in table, at the announcers stand during shows, or in the fair office. We understand you may need to wait until after shows to determine which animal to sell but please have these **forms filled out and turned in by FRIDAY AT NOON. Turn in to superintendent, Will, or fair office.**

**All Entries will be made online at
crawfordcountyks.fairentry.com**

If you need assistance with your entries, please contact Will! Entries will close on **July 15th**



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Crawford County 2021 Fair Book!

Below you will find the link to the website where you will find the 2021 Crawford County Fair Book. In the online version all updates have been made in **RED**. Please pay close attention to the schedule and location of events as some have changed this year. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out.

Fair Book: <https://www.wildcatdistrict.k-state.edu/4-h/county-fairs/crawford-county-fair/index.html>

Fair Entry will open up mid-May and will close July 15th.

Planning for future fairs:

I am excited to announce a more formal process has been created to receive and evaluate fair rules, updates, and guidelines. Fair changes will be made through collaboration with the Fair Board, 4-H Council, and Extension. A special committee made up of members representing each entity will receive and evaluate the changes. The move to a special committee has been done in an effort to ensure that every voice is heard and all changes and decisions are made in collaboration for the benefit of our youth.

Online you will find two options to propose changes: <https://www.wildcatdistrict.k-state.edu/4-h/county-fairs/crawford-county-fair/index.html>

- Option 1 - Present changes through your 4-H Council
- The 4-H form must be presented at or before the August 4-H Council Meeting.
- Option 2 – Present changes to the Fair Board.
- The Fair Board form must be presented on or before the September meeting.

You may choose either option. You must present your option yourself, in-person.

Each club's 4-H Council Representatives are in charge of presenting each proposal that is made at Council to their club. They are then responsible for representing their club's position on each proposal at the next 4-H Council meeting.

I look forward to getting this process going to establish a collective unit, make sure that all voices are heard, and operate more closely to other counties across the state. As always please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Thanks,
Will