



Crawford County 4-H News

November 2022

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 goals for this year. You will find everything you need in order to be prepared for the rest of fall!

Sincerely,

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IMPORTANT DATES

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| Nov 1 | District Competitive Team Orientation |
| Nov 2 | Awards Banquet 6:30pm Girard High School Cafeteria |
| Nov 3 | Officer Training RSVP Deadline |
| Nov 7 | Officer Training 6:30pm at Fair Grounds |
| Nov 24-25 | Office Closed |
| Dec 26-Jan 2 | Office Closed |
| 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 27 | Junior Leaders Meeting 6:30pm
4-H Council Meeting 7:30pm |
| Mar 4 | Regional Club Day @ Neosho County College |
| 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 |

Enrollment

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

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 4th at 1:00pm at the Extension Office. The Pancake Feed will be on February 5th 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 27th 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.

Wildcat District Competitive Team Orientation

This year there will be a Wildcat District Competitive Team orientation. If you are interested in competing in events such as livestock judging, meats judging, skill-a-thon, quizbowl, etc... This is a required meeting (a zoom link will also be provided). This will take place on **November 1st** at 6:30pm located at the Parsons Research Center.

Awards Banquet

The annual Crawford County Awards Banquet will be Wednesday November 2nd 6:30pm at Girard High School cafeteria. Please RSVP for a meal by calling the Extension office by Friday October 21 @ 4:30pm. (620-724-8233)

Officer Training

Officer Training will be held on Monday November 7th at 6:30pm. This is open to all youth who would like to learn how to become a better officer. There will be learning, hot dogs, and s'mores. Please RSVP to the office by November 3rd.

Youth/Volunteer Enrollment

The new 4-H year is **October 1st**! Don't forget that all returning families have until **January 31st** 2023 to re-enroll in 4-HOnline. All new families have until **May 1st** to enroll in 4-HOnline. All volunteers must renew their 4-HOnline. <http://v2.4honline.com/>

New Volunteers

If you would like to become a volunteer please contact Will to learn more on 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 at 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! There is also the scholarship from Carolyn Zagonel and Americas Farmers grow Communitates donation. By filling out this application youth can receive \$100 scholarship to go toward a 4-H camp/activity. Please call Will if you have any questions.

Fair Proposals

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

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 4th 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.

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.

Buyers Checks

If you have not done so already your 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.

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 skill 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 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.kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/horse/equine-webinar-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 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 be recorded and made available for those wishing to view at a later date. Participants may submit questions relating to the webinar topic to klnordyke@ksu.edu until 2:00 p.m. the day of the scheduled seminar. Please include "Animal Science Webinar Question" in the subject one of your email.

Leadership Weekend - November 19-20, 2022

Leadership Weekend will be November 19-20 at Rock Springs 4-H Ranch and consists of the Kansas Youth Leadership Forum and the Kansas Volunteer Leader Forum.



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

- Assist during the sale with imputing and tracking the information.
- Provide Destination packing list for base bid buyers after the sale.
 - Mail them a copy after the fact as well to the base bid.
- **Post Sale-** These can either be done on Saturday after the sale or best case would be Sunday or Monday after fair at the latest
 - Make adjustments to each sale member in order for 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.

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 tasks have a knowledge of livestock sales (preferably Crawford County), organized, efficient, works well with others, and good with numbers.

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

- Attend sale committee meeting, typically held during the winter or spring.
- **Friday of Fair-**
 - Review and check the entered destinations for each species provided by Extension staff
 - Utilize 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.





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