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4-H Enrollment

The Wildcat Extension District's enrollment policy is as follows:

All returning 4-H members must enroll by January 31, 2020. All new 4-H members must enroll by May 1, 2020. Members must meet these deadlines to participate in fair activities, and all state events. This district deadline has been established to ensure our youth are active and getting the most out of their 4-H experience. To enroll please visit, <https://ks.4honline.com>. All returning families will have an account in the 4-H Online System. You can use the forgot password option, if needed. New families will need to create a profile - don't forget your county is part of the Wildcat District.

4-H Fee

The Kansas 4-H office has implemented a state-wide \$15 per child fee for participating in the 4-H program. Please do NOT let this fee determine your participation in local 4-H programming. There are waivers available. You can select the waiver option when enrolling using 4-H Online. The fee can also be paid by credit card in 4-H Online or by sending a check to the state 4-H office.

2020 Horse Panorama

The 2020 Horse Panorama will be held January 24-26 at Rock Springs. Rules and registration will be up shortly. The deadline for registration is January 15th.

Kansas 4-H Age Policy

4-H Youth Development programs are open to all youth who are residents of Kansas and between the ages of 7 and 18. Youth who turn 7 before January 1 of the current 4-H year may enroll. Youth who turn 19 before January 1 of the current 4-H year are ineligible to enroll. 4-H members who are selected as winners in late summer or fall, and who turn 19 before January 1, cannot compete in state or national contests, awards, or recognition programs.

Online Resources

4-H Online Enrollment: <https://ks.4honline.com>

Newsletter & 4-H Activities: www.wildcatdistrict.ksu.edu

Kansas State 4-H Website: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/>

Kansas State Fair: www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/



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Wildcat District Calendar

This calendar includes dates for the district Youth are welcome to attend project programming held by any county in the Wildcat District, call ahead to reserve a spot. Dates shown here may or may not appear elsewhere in the newsletter.

Date	Event	Location
Jan. 1	All Offices Closed, New Years Day	All Offices
Jan. 14	KAPs Due in Office for Area Judging	All Offices
Jan. 18	SE KS Leadership Forum	Eureka
Jan. 20	All offices closed, Martin Luther King Jr. Day	All Offices
Jan. 23	State 4-H Scholarships due	Local Extension Office
Jan. 24-26	Horse Panorama	Rock Springs
Jan. 31	4-H Club Days Sign up deadline	
Feb. 16-17	Citizenship in Action	Topeka, KS
Feb. 19	YQCA Training	Fredonia
Feb. 29	Jr Beef Producer Day	Manhattan

For more information and registration forms, please visit county specific web pages.

Record Books

Kansas 4-H is updating the record book process. Wildcat District has been chosen as a pilot for the new process. This is a good opportunity for us to provide feedback to the state 4-H office on the new process and provide uniform books across the district. The new record book process will be completed using form-fillable PDFs. In the future there will be an option to complete record books online through the app Zsuite. The pilot record books are broken into three age divisions based on 4-H age. Record books should be separated by project area (ie. folder for Beef, folder for clothing, ect.) Offices can help make copies of current year's personal page and current year's permanent record.

To find the forms please go to www.wildcatdistrict.k-state.edu/4-h/record-keeping/index.html

State 4-H Scholarship

We encourage all seniors to fill out the scholarship! The form can be found on your local 4-H website or on the Kansas 4-H website at <http://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-library/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html>. Each local office mails in all scholarships from their county to the state. Please have all forms turned in by January 23rd.

4-H Campference

4-H Campference is for youth ages 12- 14 (before January 1, 2020), and will be held June 22-25 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 these 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 interact with others. Participants will meet other youth from around the state of Kansas. Registration and detailed information will be the State 4-H Website in March Register early as the space will fill on a first come basis, and Campference was full the last 6 years! Register online by May 15 (or earlier it will close when it is full) and payment must be in the local Extension Offices by May 15.

Southeast KS Youth Leadership Forum

The Southeast Leadership Forum (SELF) is put on by the Southeast Area Representatives from the Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council. SELF is designed for future and present day leaders. This is an event that will help to create leadership skills, with class leaders from all over the state of Kansas. This event is open to youth ages 12 to 18. There will be a program for volunteers/adults as well as youth delegates. The day will begin with registration at 9:15 a.m. and the program will begin at 9:45 a.m. with small group gatherings followed by classes. The afternoon will include, small group gatherings, and a guest speaker. If you're looking for a one day leadership experience with new friends, leadership skills, and great ideas to take back to your clubs, we hope that you will join us for this year's Southeast Area Leadership Forum!

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). These dates and times haven't been announced yet. Be on the lookout for additional training days that will be set up soon.

Horse Identification

Horse ID paperwork is due May 1st. It is never too early to get your paper work submitted. Remember to print double sided and include a color photo of your horse. There have been changes made to the State Horse rules and guidelines. Please check the State website for these updates.

Volunteers

Volunteers must renew their certification very 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!

Crawford County News

Date	Event	Location
Jan. 14	KAP's due for Area Judging	Crawford Extension Office
Jan. 23	State Scholarships Due	Crawford Extension Office
Jan 24-26	Horse Panorama	Rock Springs
Feb. 8	County Club Days	Girard High School
Feb. 8	Crawford County Junior Leaders make sausage @1	Extension Office
Feb. 9	Crawford County Jr Leaders Pancake Feed @7-1	Extension Office
Feb. 24	Jr Leaders Meeting @6:30 4-H Council @7:30	Extension Office

Enroll now in Crawford County 4-H!

Step-by-step instructions can be found on our Crawford 4-H website or at ks.4honline.com

The system will save your information from last year. If you are a returning member do not create a new account. Please use the "forgot password" 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 <https://ks.4honline.com/>.

Paper enrollment options are available in the office.

Don't forget we are part of the Wildcat Extension District; you are looking for Wildcat District, Girard.

Club Days

Club Days will be February 8 at Girard High School Cafeteria at 9am. Please visit the website go get signed up. The deadline to sign up is January 31.

Area KAP Judging

If you were selected to represent Crawford County at the area KAP judging, please transfer your information from the project record to a KAP document. Appointments can be set-up with Will to help with this process. KAP formatted books are due in the office by Jan. 14th.

Camp Scholarships

Camp Scholarships available through 4-H Council thanks to the generous donations in the community. These are limited to one per-youth per-year. To be eligible 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! Please call Will if you have any questions.

Crawford County 4-H Website
www.wildcatdistrict.k-state.edu/4-h/crawford/

Labette County News

Date	Event	Location
Jan. 31	4-H Club Day Registration due	website or by mailing in form
Feb. 8	Beef Weigh In	
Feb. 22	County Club Days @ 8:30	LCHS
Mar. 10	Labette 4-H Council	
Mar. 16	YQCA Training @ 6:30	LCHS Ag Room

4-H Club Day

4-H Club Day will be held at LCHS and is set for Saturday February 22, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. You must be checked in by 9:30 in the cafeteria. Registration forms can be found at www.wildcatdistrict.ksu.edu under 4-H & Youth - Labette. Please encourage new members in your club to participate along with you.

Beef Nomination

Nominations for Labette County Fair market beef entries will be held on February 8, 2020 from 8 - 10 a.m. at Mike Landrith's cattle facility located at 5053 Rooks Rd Bartlett, KS. (Nominations for bucket and feeder calves will be held in May.) Nomination forms are available online click on 4-H & Youth - Labette.

Nomination is the first step in ensuring your market beef project is eligible to show at the fair. Entries for the fair are due to the Beef Superintendent by July 1 for Market Beef, Breeding Beef and Bucket Calves. The minimum weight to participate in the county fair premium sale is 1,100 pounds.

Heifers are eligible to show in the market beef classes and sell in the premium sale. Only those animals which are nominated February 8th are eligible to show at the fair in market beef classes. Heifers which are only shown in breeding classes do NOT go through nomination.

Nomination (EID Tags) for Kansas Junior Livestock Show and the Kansas State Fair steers are due to the state office by May 1.

YQCA

YQCA Certification will be offered in person on March 16 at 6:30 p.m. in the LCHS Ag Room in Altamont. You must complete either the in person or online training to be eligible to show livestock at the Kansas State Fair and KJLS. If you would like to participate in the in person training but can not make it to this date, please contact Cara for alternative trainings within the district.

KAP Screening

Area KAP Screening will take place on Friday, January 17 in Eureka, KS. We are seeking parent volunteers to attend to assist with judging of KAP's. Please contact the extension office for more details.

Labette County 4-H Website
www.wildcatdistrict.k-state.edu/4-h/labette/

Montgomery County News

Date	Event	Location
Jan. 9	4-H Council Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.	Extension Office Meeting Room
Jan. 14	KAPs due for Area Judging	Extension Office
Jan. 23	State 4-H Scholarships due	Extension Office
Jan. 31	Club Days Entries Due	Online
Feb. 20	MG. Co. Fair Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.	Extension Office Meeting Room

Participation

Please read the first three pages of the newsletter carefully, if you see an event that you would like to know more about please don't hesitate to call! There are some great opportunities coming up!

4-H Club Day

More information will be coming out soon about Montgomery County Club Day. Until then please visit our website, www.wildcatdistrict.k-state.edu/4-h/montgomery/ to find rules and guidelines. We will be following the regional rules and guidelines so our youth are ready for the regional contest. A projector will be available for use at Montgomery County Club Day. You will need to contact the extension office to utilize the projector. The guidelines also show how many county youth qualify in each contest to go on to regionals. For youth that qualify, regionals will be March 7, 2020 at Neosho County Community College. Leaders, the motions for model meeting can be found in the front of the regional guidelines.

4-H Council

- January 9th, 7:00 4-H Leader meeting, 7:30 business meeting for 4-H Council.
- March 12th, 6:45 -7:15 Photography Project meeting everyone invited more details to be announced. 7:15, business meeting for 4-H Council.
- May 14th start with a small learning opportunity followed by a business meeting for 4-H Council.

Anyone is welcome to attend 4-H Council! Clubs are asked to send representatives to every meeting to relay information. Next Fair Board meeting will be, Feb. 20th at 7:00 p.m. at the Extension office.

KAP & Scholarship Help

Any youth wanting help or a review of KAP or scholarship information please reach out to Katie. She would be happy to help.

Montgomery County 4-H Website
www.wildcatdistrict.k-state.edu/4-h/montgomery/

Wilson County News

Date	Event	Location
Jan. 15	Citizenship Washington Focus(CWF) Applications due	Online
Jan. 14	KAPs due for area screening	Extension Office
Jan. 17	Area KAP Screening	Eureka
Jan. 26	4-H Council @ 1:00 p.m. Livestock Club Meeting @2:30	Courthouse
Jan. 31	4-H Club Days Deadline	Office
Jan. 31	Enrollment Deadline for Returning Members	Online
Feb. 15	Steer Tag Day	Fredonia
Feb. 16-17	Citizenship In Action	Topeka
Feb 19	YQCA Training	Courthouse
Feb. 22	County Club Days	
Feb. 23	Livestock Club Meeting	Courthouse
Feb. 28	Superintendent's deadline for fair paper changes	Extension Office

4-H Club Day

4-H Club Day is planned for a Saturday, February 22nd at North Lawn Elementary in Neodesha. A Community Soup Supper will be held following Club Day. At the soup supper 4-H members will give their talks, demonstrations and other presentations they participated in that day. The idea behind this is to promote what 4-H is. We feel it is important to show the impact the 4-H program has on all of you.

We will start at 2:00 pm. Club Day entries are due in the Extension Office by January 31st. Contact your 4-H Community Leader to enter an event for Club Day. Community Leaders have the necessary entry forms and an explanation of the requirements for each event in their expanding files. We encourage all 4-H members to prepare an entry for club day! Begin now to be ready for Club Day! **WE HOPE TO HAVE ALL 4-H CLUB MEMBERS PARTICIPATE IN CLUB DAYS.**

Contact your 4-H Community Leader to enter an event. Community Leaders have the necessary entry forms and guidelines/requirements for each event. Begin preparing now to be ready for club day! **We hope to have all 4-H members participate in club day.**

Steer Tag Day

All market beef steers and heifers that you plan to show at the county fair must be weighed and tagged on February 15th. All those enrolled in market beef will receive more detailed information later. Heifers do not need to be weighed or tagged.

Wilson County 4-H Website
www.wilson.k-state.edu/



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