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

We are starting to get back into the busy season so read the calendar carefully! If you have any questions about upcoming events or activities, please remember to reach out to me. 4-H members if you or your club are doing something great please remember to share it!

Sincerely,

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

June 1-3 Discovery Days
June 2-3 Youth Tractor Safety @ Parsons Research Center
June 3-4 Labette County Swine Jackpot
June 6-7 Greenbush Camp
June 8 Floating on Leadership (Rain date 22nd)
June 8 Small Livestock DNA Envelope Orders Due
June 9 Beginning Judging Clinic @ Fredonia Fairgrounds 6:30 p.m.
June 13 District Favorite Foods Contest 4-6:30pm Fredonia Extension Office
June 15 District Horse Show Entry Deadline
June 15 Poultry Declaration due to Superintendent for LB County Fair
June 15 KS State Fair & KJLS Small Livestock & Commercial Heifer Nominations Due
June 18 Work Day #2 @ Fairgrounds 8-11 a.m.
June 20-21 Labette County Sewing Camp/Maker Camp @ LCHS
June 21 Area Challenge Day 10 a.m. @ Emporia
June 23 Area Livestock Contest @ Yates Center
June 28 District Horse Show @ Parsons State Hospital Arena
June 28-30 Kitchen Kids Can Cook Camp @ Parsons 9:00-11:30
July 1 All 4-H and FFA animals, pre-fair, and indoor exhibits registered on Fair Entry
July 11 Labette County 4-H Foods and Nutrition 1:00-4:00 p.m.
July 13 Labette County Clothing 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
July 14 Pullorum Testing @ Fairgrounds 4-6 p.m.
July 16-23 Labette County Fair

K-State Research and Extension 4-H Events List
**Fair Information**

Fair Entry will be open soon. The link will be emailed out early next week. We will also post it on our district website, in the Fair Book, and on the LB Co. Fair Facebook page. Please note that all entries are due July 1, except for Poultry Declarations, which are due June 15.

*Poultry Declarations*

*Rabbit Entry Form*

Horse Entry Form – see email attachment. Entries will be sent to Gina Pearson this year. Her address is at the bottom of the form.

**Fair Building Watch**

We still have lot of spaces to be filled for building watch. Each club should be signed up for 2-3 time slots. **Leaders, please call the office to sign your club up if you are not already on here at least twice!**

**Tuesday, July 19**
9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. – Foland Fliers  
11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. –  
2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. –  
4:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. –  
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. –  

**Wednesday, July 20**
9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. – Timber Hill  
11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Altamont Rooters  
2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. – Altamont Rooters  
4:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. –  
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. –  

**Thursday, July 21**
9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. – Chetopa Aggies  
11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Montana Roadrunners  
2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. – Montana Roadrunners  
4:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. –  
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. – Thrifty Thrivers  

**Friday, July 22**
9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. – Chetopa Aggies  
11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Timber Hill  
2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. –  
4:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. –  
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. –  

**Fair Clean Up Schedule**

Leaders, if your club is not signed up for one clean-up session, please contact the office to set up a time. We still need someone after the horse show on Saturday, July 16th.

**Saturday, July 16th**
Building Setup @ 8:00 a.m. – Thrifty Thrivers  
After Horse Show –  
**Monday, July 18th**
After Swine Show – Altamont Rooters  
**Tuesday, July 19th**
After Beef Show – Montana Roadrunners  
**Wednesday, July 20th**
After Sheep Show – Timber Hill  
**Thursday, July 21st**
After Look-a-like Contest – Chetopa Aggies  
**Friday, July 22rd**
After Livestock Judging – Foland Fliers  
**After the Livestock Sale – EVERYONE!!**

**Saturday, July 23rd**
EVERYONE

**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 Labette County. If you need to limit the amount of youth we will do a sign up with a cut off number. Meetings can be done in person or hybrid with a Zoom recording to send out as well. If you need help with this, call the office.

**Volunteers Needed**

Volunteers are needed for the Kitchen Kids Can Cook Camp in Cherryvale June 7-9th and in Parsons June 28-30th. Both camps run from 9:00-11:30 a.m. Please contact the office or email Holly Miner at haminer@ksu.edu.
Rock Springs Camp 2022
It’s not too late to sign up for camp. Rock Springs is taking registrations. Prices and length of camp will vary. Rock Springs will be providing transportation to and from camp but will not have a pickup in Parsons this year. Currently the closest pickup is in Emporia or Wichita. If you would like to know other campers going at the same time to try to carpool, please contact the office. The extension office will not be providing transportation to/from camp pickup locations this year.
Go to https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/ for more information.

Greenbush Camp
Greenbush camp is on June 6 & 7, 2022. This camp is for youth 7-8 years old. If you signed up to attend, please be sure you have read your emails coming from Katie Townsend about pickup and drop off times. I will be at a week-long new agent training so I will not be able to attend camps this year.

Floating on Leadership
Youth 13 and older can attend Floating on leadership June 8, 2022. Floating and lunch will be included. Please be sure to watch for emails about pickup and drop off times. If the river is too high and we are not able to attend on the 8th, the rain out date is June 22. Please watch for updates!

4-H Council
The Next 4-H Council meeting will be Tuesday, May 20th at 7:00pm. Please note the change due to the State Fair being on the 2nd Tuesday. Remember each club should have 2 council reps, 1 club president, and 2 adult leaders attend. If one is unable to attend, they need to find an alternate to fill in for that meeting.

SPRING SHOW INFORMATION
Each year we receive lots of show fliers for all sorts of projects. You can visit https://www.asi.ks-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/spring-shows/index.html to get a listing of these events. There are 3 shows left in June and July.

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 per-year. To be eligible you must meet one requirement from each A and B.
A) Be a member in good standing
A) Participate in an event above the club level such as STEM, Judging, or Maker Camps, etc.
A) Attend at least 50% of all club functions
B) Participate at County Club Day
B) Give a presentation about the educational event to 2 groups that are not your 4-H Club within 60 days after your trip. Ex: class, Lions Club, Kiwanis, etc.
B) Sell 10 bundles of pork tickets (100 tickets)
The scholarship will be refunded up to $50 upon the youths return from camp. This is a great way for youth to experience more youth development opportunities! Please call the office if you have any questions.

4-H Judging Teams
Interested in being a part of Wildcat Judging Teams this year? Great! Now is the time to express interest in livestock, horse, horticulture, skill-a-thon, meats, and quiz bowl teams! If you are interested in joining one of these teams and want to practice with them, please reach out and I will put you in direct contact with the volunteer coach for the Wildcat District. Judging teams offer youth the opportunity to travel and interact with other 4-H youth.
Horticulture/Crops practices are currently being held in Labette County. Livestock workouts will be held in Wilson and Montgomery counties. After dates are locked in, I will pass along the information. A beginning judging camp will be held at the Fredonia Fairgrounds June 9th at 6:30 pm. Please call the office to sign up. If any volunteers from Labette County are willing to work with youth on livestock judging, please call the office!

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. 

Enrollment/Payment
Enrollment is closed at this time, however, several still have payment due listed on their profile. Please get your checks mailed to the address below asap. If you are unsure if you have mailed a check, feel free to call the office and I can look it up. I’m not sure if you are able to see your payment on your end or not. If financial assistance is needed, please call the office and I will let the state office know to mark fee wavier. If you have enrolled and selected “pay by check” please mail that to the state 4-H Office at this address as soon as possible. Kansas State 4-H Office 201 Umberger Hall 1612 Claflin Road Kansas State University Manhattan, KS 66506

Parsons Kids Garden Club
Are you interested in helping revive the community garden in Parsons? Check out this Gardening SPIN club. All are welcome to attend, but lesson is geared for ages 7-12. Mondays at 4:00 p.m. Contact jcoover@ksu.edu or call 620-724-8233. 

YQCA: Youth for the Quality Care of Animals
YQCA training is required for youth (ages 7-21) who will be showing livestock at the Kansas State Fair or the Kansas Junior Livestock Show. Youth will learn about reading feed tags, giving shots, and more! Classes open to all youth as a learning opportunity regardless of where you plan to show! Sign up on the new platform https://yqcaprogram.org/. The online course is $12. All in person classes are completed for this year.

Summer Intern
Please help us welcome Holden Vail as the Labette County intern for 2022! KSDE and 4-H have partnered to help bridge the gap of learning loss in our youth due to Covid-19. Interns will develop and lead educational programs for youth with the support and supervision of Wildcat District agents. Holden will be here through May 12. As a member of the Wildcat District Research & Extension Team, he will spend some time in the Extension Office networking local community resources to identify youth participants and develop and lead summer programming in a variety of content areas and site locations. If you have any connections to local organizations that you feel could benefit from programs provided by our intern, please call the office to discuss the site and program suggestions.

Record Books
Now is the time to begin thinking about record books. This year you will be able to do those online! Recourses can be found for the forms here: https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/ProjectRecognition.html Recourses for our online zbooks record keeping can be found here: https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/ZBooks.html These are very user friendly, but you may still use the PDF format if you prefer. Books will be judged the same no matter which format you choose to use. I would encourage you to give ZBooks a try.
Communication is key!
As I step into this new role, I want to find the best way to communicate with the 4-H community. You have all been very responsive to email, calls, and texts. Please let me know if there are ways you would prefer to communicate so I can keep you up to date with the latest information! If you would like to join my Remind text group, I will try to send a minimal amount of texts monthly. I will use it to send out upcoming deadlines and events. To join, please text @labette4-H to 81010.

Shooting Sports Volunteers
Labette County is still in need of volunteers to help with shooting sports. We have several youth enrolled in the program and are anxious to get practices started. If you are interested in getting certified to become an instructor, please contact the office at 620-784-5337 so we can begin the pre-work process. If you are interested in volunteering to help assist with practices, but not getting certified, please call the office. If you are not already a certified volunteer, you will need to complete a profile on 4-H Online as well as complete a background check, paid for by the district.

Host Families Needed
Families needed to host Japanese delegates. Click HERE for more details.

If interested, you may apply here: https://www.states4hexchange.org/apply/host.

State Livestock Nomination Info

Sewing Camp/Maker Camp
Labette County Sewing/Maker Camp is June 20-21 from 8:30-11:30 a.m. at LCHS. Open to the public. Please call the office to sign up. 620-784-5337
Ages: 10+  Cost: $15

Kitchen Kids Camp
Kitchen Kids Can Cook Camp will be held in various locations. Open to the public.
June 14-16 Fredonia 3 spaces left
June 22-23 Greenbush 2 spaces left
June 28-30 2 spaces left
July 12-14 Independence (PM) 9 spaces left
Register Here

State Livestock Nomination Info
Pork Bundle Sales (Started Mar. 1)
Stop by the office to pick up Pork Bundle raffle tickets. $1 each or 7 for $5. Proceeds go to 4-H Council to support various things throughout the year such as camp scholarships, achievement banquet supplies, awards, etc. Raffle tickets will be due on or before July 8th. Anyone participating in the fair is required to sell at least one bundle of tickets. 4-H Royalty will be based on club nomination and ticket sales. Royalty nominations need to be turned in to the Extension Office by June 1. Nominees will need to fill out a short biography page found on our district website to introduce them at the fair.
Ages 7-11 Prince/Princess
Ages 12+ King/Queen.

Champions Livestock Judging Camp
A three day, intense judging camp designed for 4-H and FFA members (ages 14-18) who are seriously interested in enhancing their livestock judging and oral communication skills. Prior livestock judging experience is necessary for this camp. Workouts will be conducted similar to those at a collegiate level. More info and registration HERE.

Dog Conference T-Shirt Contest
4-Hers have the opportunity to send in t-shirt designs using the Doggy Olympics theme by July 1st, 2022. The 4-Her who sends in the design that is selected to be turned into the conference-themed shirt gets free admission to the Conference. More information HERE.

K-State Salina Youth Programs
Students between the third to 12th grades will have the opportunity to experience the hands-on learning style offered at Kansas State University Salina Aerospace and Technology Campus by registering to attend any of the firsthand interactive summer programs offered by the campus in May, June and July.

KS 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.

KS 4-H Equine Webinar Series
The Kansas 4-H Equine Webinar series gives Kansas 4-H'ers, Horse volunteers and parents 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.

Summer STEAM Virtual Academy
This academy focuses on providing quality STEAM learning opportunities to classrooms across Kansas and beyond. Our Academy teachers provide engaging content virtually, with on-site educators in the classrooms to assist in the lessons.

4-H at your Fingertips
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!