

Labette County 4-H

November News

COMING SOON:

November:

13th - Sewing/Fiber Arts Meeting 6-8pm @extension office

December

1st - Entrepreneurship Project Meeting @ Extension office, 6:30pm

February

7th - Beef Weigh-in @ Regional Vet, 7-9am

14th - County Club Days @ LCHS

28th - Regional Club Days

- For those qualifying from County

March

1st - 4-H Day with the Wildcat Women's Basketball Team

- More information and registration coming soon

Sewing Meeting:

We have to prepare material (*which is provided for this meeting*) so PLEASE tell us if you will be attending!

In addition, we have sewing machines available for use that night, please call to reserve if needed.

Participants will be starting a “charm square pan hot pad.”

Thursday, November 13th 6-8pm at the extension office 😊

ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROJECT MEETING

Do you have an interest in running your own business? Selling hand-made jewelry? Farm-to-consumer meats/veggies? Join us for an Entrepreneurship Project Meeting on 12/1 at 6:30pm at the extension office!

We'll be going over the basics of the Entrepreneurship Project, Youth Entrepreneurship Challenge, and the Mini-YEC for the fair!

Bring your business ideas, calendars, and note taking utensils



OFFICER TRAINING

If you did not attend officer training:

Please read the training guide for your office below. ***This is ESPECIALLY imperative if you are a treasurer, because your book has to contain specific things and be turned in at the end of the year.***

If you want a printed copy, they're at the office.

Officer/club leader/parliamentary procedure guides can be found here: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-club-resources/officer-resources/>

Save the Date

Submitted by Lexie Hayes

The 2026 K-State Junior Producer Days have been scheduled. The dates are provided below. We host two junior producer days each year with beef and sheep in even years and swine and meat goat in odd years. So, we will be hosting a junior beef and a sheep producer day next spring. These are one-day, educational events for families to learn about the selection and management of youth livestock projects.

Registration information will be released in the next few weeks. Once released, updates will be posted on the youth livestock program Facebook page, as well as the junior producer days page of youth livestock program website, which is under the events tab.

K-State Junior Beef Producer Day – Saturday, March 7, 2026

K-State Junior Sheep Producer Day – Saturday, April 11, 2026

REGISTRATION REQUIRED - LINK COMING SOON

2026-27 Kansas 4-H Scholarship

Pulled from this page of 4-H website: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html>

Scholarships are due January 5, 2026 by 11:59PM CST

Overview

The Kansas 4-H Scholarship program is open to graduating high school seniors, current college students, and graduate students who have been part of the 4-H experience. Each scholarship has its own criteria, and you may qualify for several. You will only need to fill out one application to be considered for all available scholarships.

A list of scholarships that have been available in the past is included [here](#). Please note, scholarships are available based upon funds available.

Eligibility

The scholarship process combines the State 4-H Scholarships and the Vanier Family Scholarship Program (VFSP) applications together. We hope that this encourages more applicants to pursue both of these scholarship opportunities. Please review the information below to determine which scholarships you are eligible for.

November Project Ideas:

- Write your project goals - record book/project tracking information: <https://www.wildcatdistrict.k-state.edu/4-h/record-keeping/recordbooks.html>
- Job Shadow - And record in your record book under "Educational Experiences"
- Create your project budget
- Gather supplies for your arts/crafts, sewing, etc.
- Write your project talk - and begin practicing for Club Days/club talk/etc.

CLUB DAYS FEATURE:

Because why not start to plan and practice during Thanksgiving?

Events:

Favorite Foods - Select a theme, such as Tea Party, Tropical, etc., and one table setting (table cloth, plate, charger, glasses, silverware, etc.). Then, create a menu with the theme (main dish, sides, dessert, etc.) and print it to include with the table setting. Select one dish to prepare and display with the table setting. You will conference with the judge about your table setting selections, menu choices, and nutrition value of the food. See Guidelines page 19 for more rules.

Project Talks - **for members age 7-12**, to talk about a specific area within their project, i.e. how to feed a bucket calf, threading a sewing machine, etc. Visuals are optional, if you would like to bring props/posters, or you can simply read or recite your speech.

- Project Talk info sheet: https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/kansas-4-h-project-talks_4H979.pdf

Demonstrations - this is where you **actually perform the task in front of the judge while you present**. If you are talking about how to trim a horse hoof with pictures but you don't actually trim the horse hoof, that is an illustration. Ideas:

- Buymanship Project: bring an iron, extension cords, board, and a shirt to present how to iron a shirt
- Horse Project: bring a bridle and some cleaner, present how to clean a bridle
- Agronomy Project: start growing some corn plants now, and bring them to demonstrate determining growth stages, etc. (you must use the corn plant to show *how to do something*, if you just identify parts of the plant or point at them and say, "This one is in V2," that's an illustrated talk)
- Age groups: Jr. 7-9, Int. 10-13, Sr. 14-18
- Demonstration info sheet: https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/kansas-4-h-demonstrations_4H980.pdf

Illustrated Talks - this is where you talk about an aspect of your project and you have visuals/props, but you do NOT actually perform the task while you present.

- Age groups: Jr. 7-9, Int. 10-13, Sr. 14-18
- Illustration info sheet: https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/kansas-4-h-illustrated-talks_4H982.pdf

Public Speaking - **for members 13-18**, outline for judge is required, recommended minimal cue cards, visuals are not required.

Talent/Novelty - Dance, magic performance, Plays/skits, etc.

Music - Chorus, Vocal Solos, Instrumental Solos, etc. You must bring original music (NOT COPIED from a school/hymn book) for the judge and yourself.

For more guidelines and scoresheets, please view the **non-updated** Club Days guide, and I'll let you know when the 2026 changes have been made:

<https://www.wildcatdistrict.k-state.edu/4-h/labette/Regional4HDayGuidelines2025FFS.pdf>

Beyond Ready Leadership

Empowering 4-H Leaders and
Volunteers for Success

Essential Training for the New 4-H Year

Beyond Ready Leadership is an empowering training designed to equip 4-H leaders and volunteers with the skills, insights, and confidence to lead effectively in the upcoming 4-H year.



November 12th
We will begin at 6:30 PM

*Location: First National
Bank in Fredonia's 4-H
Learning Center*

*Register by Calling
620-378-2167*

Key Topics

- Leadership Essentials: Overview of fundamental leadership skills for impactful guidance.
- Volunteerism Foundations: Basics of effective volunteerism and ways to make a difference.
- Last year, we focused on helping members find their sparks. This year, we'll dive deeper into nurturing sparks through developmental relationships.

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