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Montgomery County 4-H News

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Wildcat Extension District – Montgomery County 4-H Website:

www.wildcatdistrict.k-state.edu/4-h/montgomery/



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@ Montgomery Co. 4-H Fair

IMPORTANT DATES

- Dec. 20 Officer Training 6:45 p.m. Independence Extension Office
- Dec. 26- Jan. 2 Extension office closed for Holidays
- Jan. 12 4-H Council 7:00 p.m. Independence Extension Office
- Jan. 21 4-H Club Day at Caney High School. Doors **open at 8:15**
- January 31st Returning member enrollment deadline in [4-H Online](#)
- Feb. - April Katie on Maternity Leave. Wildcat 4-H agents will fill in
- January 31st Returning member enrollment deadline in 4-H Online
- Feb. 12th 4-H Day with the Lady Cats
- March 4 Regional Club Day, Neosho Community College, Chanute (for qualifiers)
- March 9 4-H Council Meeting (Tentative)
- March 16-17 Tractor Safety Certification, Altamont KS (all ages welcome)
- March 30 Judges Training – Inside Exhibits. Southeast Area Research Center Parsons
- May 1 Camp Registration Deadline
- May 1 County Fair Livestock Nomination Deadline – Breeding and Market (NEW)
- May 11 4-H Council Meeting
- June 5-6 Greenbush 4-H Camp
- June 12 Counselors at Cedar Bluff (Tentative)
- June 13 Cedar Bluff Day Camp (Tentative)
- June 16 Area Livestock, Meats, and Skill-a-thon Contest @ Yates Center
- June 28 Area Photography, Horticulture/crops, favorite foods, fsc judging @ Emporia
County 4-H Fair
- July 18 Fair clothing judging
- July 25 King and Queen coronation and Style Revue
- July 27- July 31st – Montgomery County 4-H Fair

If you completed your 4-H Record book your county fair ribbon check is included in this mailing!

High School Seniors

Kansas 4-H State Scholarships link to state page can be found on the Montgomery County website. There are two opportunities, the Vanier application and the general application that puts you in the running for the list of scholarship opportunities.

Cecil Eyestone Scholarship can be found on our Montgomery County website. General scholarship everyone should apply. Application due April 1 to local Extension office.

4-H Council Meetings for 2022

If you are a council rep for your club please book these dates and plan to attend.

If you can not attend it is your job to find someone to come in your place. 7:00

p.m. @ Extension office

- January 12
- March 9
- May 11

Rock Springs Camp

Early bird discounted rates November 15-December 31st! Deposit is due at booking but it is refundable if you cancel 5 weeks in advance of camp date.

Youth can pick the week they want to camp. Camp is now open for youth 7-18 years of age. Camp is lead by Rock Springs Staff and 4-H agents no longer attend camp with youth.

4 day and 6 day options. Costs are listed on the Rock Springs website in a tiered format. Different tier levels are funded by the KS 4-H Foundation. Rock Springs will provide transportation. Closest bus stop last year was Wichita ** Remember local scholarships are available too.

www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/

Discovery Days 4-H Camp

typically June 1-3 in Manhattan KS for youth 14-18. Youth stay in campus dorms and attend “classes” to develop college and career readiness skills which prepare participants academically and socially for a successful transition to college and life as an adult. <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/discovery-days/>

Greenbush 4-H Camp

24 hour overnight camp at Greenbush by Girard, KS for youth 7-8 yrs old. Stay in A/C cabins, high low ropes course, canoeing, fishing, archery, games, etc. Camp date is June 5-6, 2023. Estimated cost \$80. Camp form is located on our website but cost has not been finalized. You may turn in the camper form to dsteed@ksu.edu to reserve your spot if interested.

Cedar Bluff 4-H Camp

Local camp for ages 9-13 *tentatively* scheduled for June 13th. Outdoor games, scavenger hunts, rocket building, art projects, cooking, swimming, campfire, dance and more. \$55 or \$10 for those that gave a talk/demo at club days. Counselors will have responsibilities evening of June 12th. Adult helpers, teenage counselors and campers registration available after club days (end of January).

Adult help needed at camp:

- Male chaperone June 12th for counselors
- Kitchen help 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 4:30-6
- Always open to new presenters/project leaders, etc. at camp.

Floating on Leadership

Typically we go rafting on the river for teens 14 and older in June during the week. We might switch it up this year and try something else but a trip for teens will be offered and details will be released before the end of January. If teens have ideas, preferences, opinions they are welcome to share those by contacting Katie – the sooner the better.

Sewing Camp

Sewing Camp will not be offered by the Extension office this year since Katie will be on maternity leave BUT I can arrange for fabric and 13 sewing machines to be available if any community member would like to organize a camp or simple project meeting. Please let me know by Jan. 20th or contact haminer@ksu.edu to make arrangements.

Camp scholarships available for state camps with talk requirements \$100 and local camp scholarships available by giving a talk or demonstration at club days!

CLUB DAY – January 21 @ Caney High School 8:30 a.m.

DOORS WILL NOT OPEN UNTIL 8:15 A.M.

All youth should be present by 10:30 a.m.

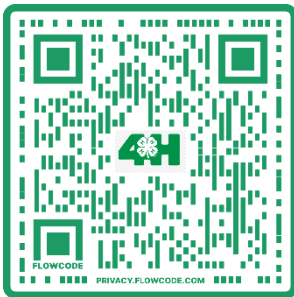
What is club day?

Club day is an opportunity for youth to show off the skills they've learned at their 4-H meetings plus a few extra (dance, music, talent, etc.)! Talks and/or demonstrations need to be prepared for club meeting talks (check your club program to see when you give yours) so why not give it at club days too! Public speaking is an essential skill and 4-H is a safe place to practice and hone skills. Ribbons are awarded and the top two winners (or one group) have the opportunity to represent Montgomery County at the regional contest March 4th in Chanute.

Why should I participate in club day?

If you don't do it for the practice with public speaking skills do it for the camp scholarship! Youth giving a talk or demonstration at club days will receive a \$45 scholarship to a local camp from the Montgomery County 4-H Foundation Funds. Local camps honored are Cedar Bluff 4-H Camp in Coffeyville, Greenbush 4-H Camp in Greenbush (Girard), and Floating on Leadership (float trip for teens)

How do I sign up? And what are my options to sign up for?



Also on our website is the guidelines for each category. They are the same guidelines as regional club days. Sign up for everything you think you might do so we have enough judges to make the day go quickly. You can always scratch at the door that morning.

I have a basketball game can I do go early or late?

YES! Please make arrangements to do both if possible. We are always willing to work with youth. Order is determined by signing up on the door that morning. If you want to go first be sure to show up at 8:30 and be set up and ready for the judge. If you want to go later in the day, have a 4-H friend sign you in on your room door for a later time slot. If you're not present, the room will skip you and go to the next person but as when you get there you'll still be able to give your presentation! **All youth should be present by 10:30 a.m. to keep the day moving.**

When are awards announced?

Ribbons will not be handed out until the entire room is done. If you would like to stay until everyone in your room has gone, ribbons will be handed out as soon as we can get them organized. If you would like to leave when you are done, ribbons will be sent with a club leader or mailed to you. You will be contacted by the extension office if you were the winner of your division to see if you want to compete at regionals or offer it to another youth.

How can I help?

Older youth looking for jr. leader/ambassador check marks for achievement pins should consider being a door monitor or helping with ribbons at the end of the morning. Sign up to be a door monitor when you sign up to compete on the google doc. Club leaders or other adults interested in helping please send the extension office an email, krohling@ksu.edu if you are interested in helping or tag the information onto a youth's google sign-up, either way works.

Club Day categories. Start planning with club members and friends now!

- Public Speaking/Talks
 - 12 and younger or 13 and older
- Extemporaneous
 - 14 & older
- Demonstrations
 - 7-9, 10-13, 14-18
- Video Presentation
 - One division for all age groups
- Reading (reciting)
 - 7-9, 10-13, 14-18
- Talent
 - Individual, Groups 2 or more
 - Group skit
 - Novelty (talent, gymnastics, etc.)

- Music
 - Instrumental solo, chorus, ensemble
 - Vocal solo, chorus, ensemble

FAIR CHANGES

Sale

To sell market animals at the county fair premium sale youth must:

1. Attend five traditional club meetings
 - a. Youth's responsibility to ensure they are counted on the club's secretary role call 5 times

OR

2. Attend four traditional club meetings AND complete the YQCA Course (online or in-person). YQCA certificates should be sent to krohling@ksu.edu by July 1st.

Other requirements for market animals making sale include:

- Animal being pre-registered by new May 1 deadline
- Animal making weight

Animal Registration

All livestock will need to be pre-registered by **May**

1. More information on how to pre-register livestock will be released in February.
 - Pre-registration will be through an online system same as the past July 1 pre-registration deadline. We will NOT be having animals come to an in-person weigh-in before fair.
 - This is being done in an effort to encourage youth to physically own their projects in a timely manner while not putting families through the burden of an in-person weigh-in.
 - Information required will be the class (market or breeding) and tag number. (Fair board to decide on a picture requirement in February).
 - Youth should pre-register all livestock they think MIGHT exhibit at county fair to be covered. July 1 we'll ask families for a final head count to establish pens.
 - Animals will be pre-registered to a family unit and animals may be declared to a

certain youth at the scales during fair weigh-in

YQCA

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a livestock husbandry class for youth ages 7-18. This class is required to show at the state fair or Kansas Junior Livestock Show. It is NOT required for county fair but is open for all youth to take regardless of what shows they'll attend. It's good information for everyone to know:

- How to read feed labels
- How to administer shots
- Basic livestock information related to vet care, shot withdrawal time, etc.

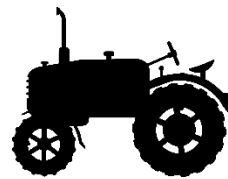
In-person classes will be offered:

- March 16 – Independence Extension Office
- March 20 – Crawford Extension Office
- March 22 – Wilson County
- March 27 – Altamont Community Bld.

Class times are 6:30 and last for one hour. In-person classes cost \$3. All class locations are open to any youth. Sign up through <https://yqcaprogram.org/>

Youth may also register for online classes, anytime, for \$12 at the link above.

- ✓ Any youth completing a YQCA course for county fair sale requirements MUST send a picture/copy of their certificate to krohling@ksu.edu by July 1.



Safety

March 16 – Full Day
 March 17 – Half Day
 Both days are required to complete the training.

Held at the Altamont Community Building with field trips to Thomas Implement and Twin Valley Electric! More details and sign up TBA.

13 & older can be certified but any age is welcome to attend and learn!

Agent contact: Adaven Scronce –
adaven@ksu.edu

NEW 4-H YEAR!

4-H Online system is open!

- The system will save your information from last year. Do NOT create a new profile, use the forgot password option or call the Extension office if you're locked out.
- Sometimes families forget which email address is tied to their account, please call!
- <https://v2.4honline.com/>
- **Club leaders and volunteers are asked to complete a 4-H Online profile to be certified.**

The state 4-H office charges a \$15 fee per child using a card on 4-H Online or by mailing in a check to the state. When you fill out the online enrollment you can apply for a fee waiver with the click of a button; it is anonymous. I strongly suggest families utilize this option. PLEASE do not stop participating due to the fee. *Options are available.*

- Returning member enrollment deadline is January 31st, 2023

Entomology Project Meeting

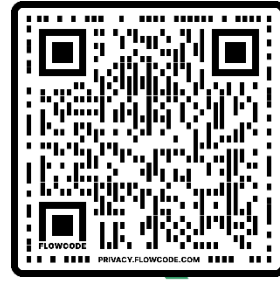
We will have an Entomology project meeting on Saturday, Feb. 18th at the Allen County Extension Office. For more meeting details please contact project leader, Vicky Wallace at (620) 804-9170.

Katie out of office:

I will be out of the office on maternity leave February and March. I will return part-time for the month of April and full time in May.

If you need assistance during my absence please contact the following:

- ✓ **Fair items or State/KJLS tags** – Fair board or Ag Agent Adaven Scronce, adaven@ksu.edu
- ✓ **4-H Online or mass emails** sent out: Secretary Debbie Steed, dsteed@ksu.edu
- ✓ **Judging Teams:** 4-H agent Cheri Nelsen, cnelsen@ksu.edu



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2023, 1:00 PM

KANSAS 4-H DAY WITH K-STATE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

K-State vs. Oklahoma!

\$25 - TICKET, VOUCHER (\$10 CONCESSIONS), &
SHIRT

\$15 - TICKET & VOUCHER (\$10 CONCESSIONS)

HOW TO GET TICKETS?

1. REGISTER!
2. DAY OF: 11:30 AM-12:30 PM - PICK UP TICKET PACKAGES - LOCATION TBD
3. DAY OF: 12:00 PM - DOORS OPEN FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC
4. DAY OF: 1:00 PM - TIP-OFF

Online registration for this event will be due January 15th, 2022. No paper registrations will be accepted. To register, go to:
<https://conta.cc/3UkNw1O>

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Resource: <https://www.apa.org/topics/resilience>

- ✓ **Camps**– 4-H Agent, Will Morris, willmorris@ksu.edu
- ✓ **Regional Club Day** – 4-H Agent Carrie Lance, clance@ksu.edu