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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

Nov 1 st	Enroll in 4-H Online to be entered in gift card drawing
Nov. 1 st	Livestock Judging Team meeting Parsons, KS 6:30 p.m.
Nov. 4	Please pay for banquet meals by November 4 th to Extension office
Nov. 10	Achievement Banquet, 6:30 p.m. Coffeyville Recreation Center
Nov. 24-25	Extension office closed for Thanksgiving
Dec. 26-30	Extension office closed for Christmas break
January 21	Club Day at Caney Valley High School 8:30 a.m.
January 31 st	Returning member enrollment deadline in 4-H Online
March 4	Regional Club Day, Neosho Community College, Chanute (for qualifiers)
County 4-H Fair	
July 18	Fair clothing judging
July 25	King and Queen coronation and Style Revue
July 27- July 31 st	– Montgomery County 4-H Fair

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. Application due March 1.

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

Cash fair checks AS SOON AS POSSIBLE! Fair board will start calling youth with uncashed checks soon in order to close out books by the end of the year!

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.*

- **Enroll by November 1st to be entered in a \$100 gift card drawing.** Winner will be contacted by phone.
- Returning member enrollment deadline is January 31st, 2023

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

Judging Teams

Anyone interested in the following teams should plan to attend our team orientation meeting

- Livestock
- Meats
- Skill-a-thon and Quiz Bowl
- Horticulture and Crops
- Wildlife
- Family and Consumer Science
- Photography
- Horse
- Poultry

November 1st at 6:30 p.m. at the Parsons Research Center just off hwy 400. **If you can't attend please contact Katie for zoom link and options for post meeting attendance.** This meeting is mandatory either in person, zoom, or post meeting options. We want youth to meet the coach, understand the team's budget, travel expectations, and contest dates, etc. Transportation from Independence office can be arranged if there is enough interest.

Rock Springs 4-H 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/

4-H Achievement Banquet

November 10th at Coffeyville Recreational Center, 508 Park St, Coffeyville, starting with a meal at 6:30 p.m. Please [RSVP](#) by November 4th for a meal! You can join us without getting a meal too 😊

- Youth with record book: FREE, thanks to generous community supporters
- Club Leaders \$6.00, thanks to generous community supporters
- Youth without record book, siblings, parents, etc. \$8.00



Record book winners in junior, intermediate, and senior categories will be recognized, achievement pin earners, scholarship winners. and more!

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

DOORS WILL NOT OPEN UNTIL 8:15 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?

In December a sign-up form will be posted to our website and a facebook event will be created. 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 checkmarks 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

Independence Holiday Parade

Valley Victors would like to invite any 4-H member to join them at the Independence parade on Sunday, November 20th. Line up will be at 5 p.m. at Laurel and 5th, the parade starts at 5:30. We would like to invite all Montgomery county 4-H clubs to join us and bring their animals if they would like. We are requesting everyone wear 4-H or Christmas shirts. For more information please reach out to Paula Schenk at schenk1234@gmail.com.

Wildlife Learning Opportunity

All community members and 4-H members are invited to a coyote workshop in Parsons on November 3rd at 6:30 p.m. Supper provided with an RSVP! Call 620-331-2690 for more information.

Entomology Project Meeting

We will have an Entomology project meeting on Saturday, Dec. 3rd at 1:30 p.m. at the Allen County Extension Office. Bring 3 or 4 insects to pin and/or identify and pinning equipment. If you are enrolled in a Photo Notebook phase, bring your camera. If you are new to the project, come join the fun. I will have pinning boards available for new families. Packets of insect pins are \$6.50. Also bring an insect quiz. Pick an insect. look it up and write down 4 or 5 clues as to what insect it is to tell the group. They will need to guess what insect you are describing. Clues might include what Order the insect belongs to, harmful or beneficial, type of wings it has, food it eats, if it migrates, etc. Record books will be due soon. If you have questions, please call me at (620) 804-9170. Hope to see you soon! Vicky Wallace

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