

December, 2022

Dear 4-H Members & Families,

The December, 2022/January, 2023 4-H Newsletter has been posted to our website. Click on the following link to open <https://www.centrankansas.k-state.edu/4-h/newsletters/>

The 2023 4-H Club Day information is now available. Please read the following details carefully.

#### **4-H Club Day**

- The Central Kansas District 4-H Club Day will be at South Middle School, 2015 Simmons in Salina on February 25, 2023. All 4-H members and Cloverbuds are encouraged to enter and participate, even if they are not able to attend on February 25, 2023 (please see Virtual Entry information below).
- **Entries are due by the individual 4-H member, Cloverbud, and groups ONLINE by January 23, by 11:59 p.m.**

#### **Eligibility:**

- 4-H members must be 7 years of age before January 1, 2023, to participate. Cloverbuds (ages 5 and 6) may **only** participate in the Sharing Division.
- **Online enrollment for 4-H members and Cloverbuds must have been submitted and completed by 12/01/22 by 11:59 p.m. for 4-H members to participate.**
  - If a member completes the online registration for 4-H Club Day, but was not enrolled by the deadline, the Extension Office will address the issue with the Organizational Leaders. The Organizational Leaders will then be responsible for informing the families of the problem.

#### **Online Registration:**

- **Registration is now open,** and 4-H members and families can register at their own convenience. The registration link is available on the District website, <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>, under "4-H Club Day Information." Rules and regulations are available in the December/January 4-H Newsletter AND they are posted to the website under "4-H Club Day Information."
- The online registration **will need to be completed separately for each participating 4-H member, including Cloverbuds who wish to present a Sharing Talk.** Group Talent Events will ***only need to be entered ONCE***. This means ***ONLY ONE*** member will register a group entry and will list each person in the group, as well as the club they belong to.
  - In addition, since some Prepared Public Presentations (demonstrations/illustrated talks) can be a team effort of two people, ***ONLY ONE*** member will register online for ***BOTH***, by entering their name and their partner's name in the box provided.
- **Remember:** The 4-H Club Day policy is that a **4-H member must present a public presentation (demonstration, project talk, illustrated talk, public speaking, or sharing)**

**to be eligible for any individual talent. A 4-H'er may participate in a group (3 or more) activity without presenting a public presentation.**

- On the last part of the registration, please list any special requests you may have and we will do our best to accommodate them. At the end of the registration, the person completing the entry **must click "Submit."** Only then will they see a confirmation response, finalizing the registration. Once the registration is completed, you will have the option to print the information for your records. The information will also be available for you to print in the confirmation email you will receive.
- **It is important for 4-H members and parents to carefully enter their 4-H Club Day entries, as no substitutions of 4-H members will be allowed. If individuals are in a group event, ONLY those who have been listed on the entry form will be allowed to participate in the group event.**
- To adequately prepare for Regional 4-H Club Day (March 25, 2023), members will see a question regarding Regional attendance as part of the entry process. If a member qualifies for Regional competition, we will use their response from this question when submitting our Regional entries. They will also be given the opportunity to indicate if they have any scheduling requests.
- **REMEMBER: No animals or weapons of any kind will be allowed at 4-H Club Day, as in previous years.**
- **Deadline: Registration will be due on January 23, by 11:59 p.m.** Any entries submitted after this time will NOT be accepted.

#### **Virtual Entries for 4-H Club Day 2023:**

In light of several considerations (including pandemic related concerns), an option to submit pre-recorded presentations will be available for 4-H Club Day 2023. This option is intended to encourage all 4-H members to participate in preparing and giving a presentation, regardless of health situation or scheduling conflicts. The guidelines are as follows:

- Presenters will need to sign up for 4-H Club Day by the January 23 deadline.
- The option to record and submit digitally is available only for: Sharing, Junior Demonstrations & Illustrated Talks, Junior Project Talks, Senior Demonstrations & Illustrated Talks, & Public Speaking.
- In the registration, there will be an option to state if the 4-H member's presentation will be given in-person or virtually.
  - If the virtual option is selected, the participant forfeits the in-person opportunities.
- Presentations submitted digitally will be "participation only" and not regional eligible, but participants will still receive comments from the judge.
- Virtual participants will not be eligible for incentive prizes or to participate in the talent portions of 4-H Club Day (Music, Dance, Drama).
- All presentations submitted digitally will be due by 12:00 p.m. (noon) the Friday before 4-H Club Day (February 24). Directions on how to submit will be sent directly to the individuals who have registered for this option.
- A link will be available for digital submissions when the 4-H Club Day schedule is published.
- If a 4-H member has signed up for an in-person presentation and a health situation necessitates switching to a digital submission after the January 23 registration deadline,

families will need to communicate with Kate to move to the digital option by calling 785-309-5850 or emailing her at [klittich@ksu.edu](mailto:klittich@ksu.edu).

- Guidelines for recording presentations may be found in 4-H Club Day information in the December/January newsletter along with the guidelines for in-person 4-H Club Day.

### **Incentive Prizes:**

There will be incentive prizes at the 2023 4-H Club Day. However, this is currently under review with the 4-H Club Day Committee, and it may look a little different for 2023 than previous years. As details are finalized, more information will be made available.

### **My 4-H SPARK Contest:**

The purpose of this contest is to prepare our 4-H members (13 years of age and older), for potential job and career readiness opportunities. Additionally, this will give the 4-H member an opportunity to tell their story as related to a 4-H project. Details are available in the December/January edition of the newsletter. 4-H Members who would like to participate will need to sign up as a part of the 4-H Club Day registration process.

### **Help with 4-H Club Day Presentations:**

We encourage every 4-H member to participate in 4-H Club Day! Resources are on the 4-H website at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>, under 4-H Club Day on the left-hand side of the page and include videos to help you with the planning and presenting demonstrations/illustrated talks, project talks, and public speaking. At this time, we are in the process of adding additional videos, so check back as new examples are being added as they become available. Master Volunteer Suzanne Hokett is also available to schedule time with families or clubs to help develop presentations, either in-person, by phone, or via Zoom. Suzanne can be reached at 785-643-6511.

If you have questions regarding 4-H Club Day, please do not hesitate to contact our Program Assistant, Kate Littich at [klittich@ksu.edu](mailto:klittich@ksu.edu).

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