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ATTENTION ALL 4-H MEMBERS & PARENTS – ADD/DROP INFORMATION

There are several responsibilities as a 4-H member and a 4-H parent. One of these responsibilities is the adding and dropping of 4-H projects. Due to the issues with 4HOnline, here are the details for adding and dropping projects.



Adding Projects: 4-H members CAN ADD 4-H projects in 4HOnline. Remember, you must be enrolled in the projects you plan to exhibit at the County Fair no later than May 1. Be sure to check and double check the projects your child(ren) are enrolled in.

Dropping Projects: At this time, 4-H members CAN NOT drop projects in 4HOnline. While this is currently being worked on, we are unaware of the timeline when this will be fixed. Once this option is available, we will let you know. For now, do not worry about dropping projects.

It is **YOUR** responsibility to add any projects by May 1, 11:59 p.m. You will need to do this by logging into 4HOnline. After May 1, the system will not allow you to add or drop projects.

Remember, 4-H members must be enrolled in the project area(s) they will be exhibiting in at the county fair. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact either Extension Office.

TWO NEW PROJECTS

The state has added two new projects to 4HOnline: STEM, Ag Mechanics, and STEM, Architectural Block Construction. If you build things out of blocks, legos®, etc., the Architectural Block Construction is the project you need to be enrolled in., NOT visual arts. Rules will be in the fair paper when it is complete.

MINNEAPOLIS AREA RED WHEEL SCHOLARSHIPS

These individuals will receive a scholarship to a 4-H sponsored event/activity of their choosing (i.e., 4-H Camp, Discovery Days, KYLF, etc.) or college scholarship (if a high school senior). These scholarships will need to be used by September 30, 2021.

- Bella Anderson, Livewires \$100 scholarship
- Aubree Weis, Livewires \$75 scholarship
- Anahleise Murphy, Pleasant Valley \$50 scholarship
- Brody Hurtig, Livewires \$25 scholarship
- Brock Hurtig, Livewires \$25 scholarship
- Ashlynn Alderson, Solomon Valley \$25 scholarship
- Kinzie Racette, Pleasant Valley \$25 scholarship
- Ty Ebert, Solomon Valley \$25 scholarship

Congratulations!

CHANGES TO YOUR EMAIL & MAILING ADDRESSES

If you go to 4HOnline and change your mailing address or email address, please be sure to let the Extension Office know. We do not receive any notification that changes have occurred. To help make sure you will receive the 4-H Newsletter and other important information via the mail and email, please let us know.

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NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK- CELEBRATE SERVICE



National Volunteer Week is April 18-24, 2021. The purpose of this week is to recognize and celebrate the efforts of volunteers on all levels. We would like to take this opportunity to recognize the many volunteers who make 4-H “work” for the Central Kansas District. There are more than 300 volunteers involved in the Central Kansas District 4-H Program. We wish we could name them all here. Without all of you, 4-H would not be as successful as it is today.

We would like to challenge each and every 4-H member to call and/or write a volunteer and thank them for all of their dedication and hard work they put into the 4-H program here in the Central Kansas District.

HAVE YOU THANKED A 4-H VOLUNTEER TODAY?

MID-YEAR AWARD REVIEW PROCESS

Every year, 4-H members have the opportunity to complete a 4-H Member Achievement Plan otherwise known as the 4-H Pin Application. You should have received information about this award at the beginning of the 4-H year from your 4-H Club Leader. Be sure it is the Central Kansas District 4-H Pin Application found on our website (<http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>) For those of you who are new to 4-H, this process considers the entire 4-H year and everything that the 4-H member has done throughout the year. It is not something that is specifically based on one project like the 4-H Project Award Applications or Record Books are. This provides an opportunity for a 4-H member to set goals for their overall involvement in 4-H and earn a pin in the process. You can find the 4-H Member Achievement Plan at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h> → Awards & Recognition → Member Achievement Plan. Regardless of what pin the 4-H member is applying for, they will all fill out the same form, but the items required will vary (see the details on the first page of the application).



Now is the time to do a **status check** on where the 4-H member is with their pin application. The Trips & Awards Committee would like to offer the 4-H members the opportunity to do a mid-year appeal, if they can determine right now that they are not going to be able to get the pin in which they have set out to achieve. There are lots of 4-H events that will still occur this year, but there are several that have come and gone. A 4-H member may have missed an opportunity or two. What does this all mean and what should I do? Here are some steps for the process:

1. Fill out the 4-H Pin Application as completely as you can to make it current.
2. Determine if you are on the right track. Are there still things that you need to complete? Check the 4-H Newsletter and Master 4-H Calendar (both available at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>) to see what other things are still yet to come this 4-H year.
3. If you have missed an opportunity and you do not see where it can be picked up later this 4-H year, please complete the CKD 4-H Deferral Appeal Process Form. This form can be found at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h> → Awards & Recognition → Appeal Process. **Follow the directions on this form and submit it with a copy of your 4-H Pin Application to either Extension Office no later than 5 p.m., May 3.**
4. The Trips & Awards Committee will review your forms and get back to you with a response. This will allow you to know if you continue working towards your goal of achieving the pin, if you will be able to receive it in November. Keep in mind, the Trips & Awards Committee may ask you to do certain things in place of what you may have missed. All of this will be outlined in their response back to you.
5. Additionally, there is a document with helpful hints for parents on the website located at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h> → Awards & Recognition → Helpful Hints for Parents.

If you have any questions regarding the 4-H Pin Application, the opportunity for the appeal, etc. please let Sarah know.

YOU'RE

INVITED

LET'S GLOW CRAZY!

AT ROCK SPRINGS

Oz-Some 4-H Camp

JUNE 24-27, 2021

REGISTER: <https://tinyurl.com/20214HCamp>

**Registration opens April 15th - 6 AM
and closes April 30th - 11:59 PM**

OPEN TO

9-12 year olds - (4-H Age)

Rate: Check with your county 4-H Agent

**SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE THROUGH
YOUR LOCAL EXTENSION OFFICE**

*Contact your local Extension Office if you would like to volunteer!
(Must be 14 or older)*



4-H CAMP

The Oz-Some 4-H Camp Group is so excited that we will have camp at Rock Spring 4-H Ranch this summer **June 24-27!** Camp is an amazing opportunity for our 4-H Youth and we appreciate all Rock Springs is doing to make sure we get to camp this summer. Details for campers and counselors are below.



There will be COVID-19 Protocols to protect all the campers, counselors, and staff at Rock Springs. The first protocol is the number of campers and counselors we can bring will be limited from the past. That way we can make sure everyone has plenty of space to practice social distancing. **Additionally, masks must be worn unless youth are swimming, eating or sleeping. Families are advised to send at least 2 masks per day for each child.**

CAMP COUNSELORS

If you are currently 4-H age, 14-18, ...we need YOU! Camp Counselors are 14-18 years of age (preference given to older youth). The counselor application will be online only and is available at https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8xd3SWntoON5XAW. Applications will be due **April 15**. All counselor applicants **must** attend the Counselor Training on June 23 and 24 at Rock Springs. All interviews will be held via Zoom and will be recorded. Dates for the interviews are April 15, 21, and 22. Interviews will be scheduled between 3:00 -5:30 p.m. If these dates and times don't work for you, contact Sarah (semaass@k-state.edu) to set up an appointment for an interview. To sign up for an interview, go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20FoA4AABA829A5FE3-2021>.

Counselor Scholarship Information: Camp Counselors will need to complete the 4-H Council Scholarship Application and meet the necessary requirements to be eligible for the 4-H Council Scholarship. The scholarship application is due to either Extension Office by April 15. Remember, the application requires an Organizational Leader signature and the 4-H member signature. If the scholarship application is approved, the counselors will not have to pay their registration fee. Please make sure you have attended a Volunteer Screening Orientation in the last 5 years.

As of 4/1/2021, scholarship applications will only be accepted in the office or via U.S. mail.

CAMPERS

Because of these protocols we are opening registration for camp at 6 a.m. on April 15, for **4-H members who are enrolled and activated**. Age for 4-H camp this year is 9-12, 4-H age (before January 1, 2021). Because of the limited numbers, non 4-H members will not be able to attend and there will be no rookie camp. It will be first come first serve. You will use the link below to fill in your camper's information; you will either get directed to Camp Doc where you will pay and register your camper or you will get your information put on a waiting list. **The camper's spot will not be secured until payment is received.** All the counties that camp with us will have access to registration at the same time. Registration will be open between these dates/times:

Thursday, April 15, 6 a.m. through Friday, April 30, 11:59 p.m. To register, go to <https://tinyurl.com/20214HCamp>. Be sure to register early as we anticipate spots will fill up fast!

Remember...all campers will ride the bus to and from.

Cost of Camp for Campers: Cost for regular campers is \$250 or \$120 with the 4-H Council Scholarship.

Camper Scholarship Information: 4-H Members who register for 4-H Camp will need to complete the 4-H Council Scholarship Application and meet the necessary requirements to be eligible for the 4-H Council Scholarship. The scholarship application will include a paragraph on "Why I want to attend camp." Scholarship sponsors include: 4-H Council, Ottawa County 4-H Foundation, Salina Downtown Lions, Saline County 4-H Development Fund, and Tractor Supply Company Paper Clover Campaign. **The completed scholarship application will be due to either Extension Office by April 30, 5 p.m. (remember, it requires an Organizational Leader signature and the 4-H member signature).** You will receive a scholarship code to put in to get credit for the scholarship before paying for camp. Please read the text carefully in CampDoc for this code as you register for camp.

As of 4/1/2021, scholarship applications will only be accepted in the office or via U.S. mail.

OTHER CHANGES FOR 2021 CAMP:

- There will be a refund policy because of illness in place all the way up to camp and prorated refunds during camp
- No youth that is ill should come to camp
- If a youth becomes ill while at camp they must be picked up in 6 hours
- **Masks must be worn unless youth are swimming, eating or sleeping**
- **Families will have to send their youth with masks and we recommend 2 per day**

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact Sarah. Our theme this year is, "Let's Glow Crazy" and we are excited to Glow Crazy with our Oz-Some campers!

Remember...all campers will ride the bus to and from camp.

If your child(ren) have meds, they will need to be checked in with the Ambassadors at the time of loading the bus. It will then be given to the nurses when the buses get to camp.

QUALIFIED FOR A RED WHEEL SCHOLARSHIP?

If a 4-H member qualified for a red wheel scholarship, he/she can use this for 4-H Camp! The 4-H member will need to register online. Once he/she has registered, he/she will need to contact Karen (kborch@ksu.edu or 309-5850) at the Salina Extension Office to let her know that he/she has registered for camp. Once the registration has been confirmed, a check will be sent to the 4-H member/family. Please allow 7-10 business days for this to occur.

CAMP NURSES

We are looking for individuals willing to attend 4-H Camp as one of three camp nurses. If you are interested, please contact Sarah (semaass@k-state.edu).

LEADERSHIP ADVENTURE COURSE AT ROCK SPRINGS RANCH

Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council is challenging their peers including all clubs across Kansas to ***Endorse the Course!*** More than 75 years ago, in 1945, the land that is now part of Rock Springs Ranch was purchased to become the new home for Kansas 4-H camp, all because of 4-H youth. Youth raised the funds to pay off the mortgage before the first camping season even began!

Youth Council was inspired by what these Kansas 4-H members did 75 years ago and have an idea for making sure camp is extra special for the next 75 years. With their leadership, we are introducing a new **Leadership Adventure Course** at Rock Springs Ranch! This is a team obstacle course with high ropes, low elements and a dueling zip line that serve as leadership development tools. All Kansas 4-H clubs are challenged to ***Endorse the Course*** by making a gift today!

Gifts made between ***now and May 1st*** will ensure the Leadership Adventure Course is complete for campers this summer and for the next 75 years! Kansas 4-H clubs have a goal to raise \$25,000. For every \$5,000 they raise, generous donors who believe in them will match every gift dollar for dollar, up to \$25,000! That means their total would double and become \$50,000!

Club representatives are encouraged to join an informational session to learn more about Endorse the Course and how 4-H clubs can get involved! In these zoom sessions, you will learn more about Endorse The Course challenge, what it means for Kansas 4-H members, how to get involved and get your questions answered! The sessions will be held on Sunday, March 28 at 7 p.m. - <https://ksu.zoom.us/j/94070221243> AND Thursday, April 8 at 7 p.m. - <https://ksu.zoom.us/j/97355760914>.

To learn more or to make a gift in support of a 4-H club, visit: <http://www.kansas4hfoundation.org/ETC>. If you have any questions about *Endorse the Course*, please email giving@kansas4hfoundation.org.



Join Central Kansas District and
McPherson County 4-H for a
Virtual Family Magic Show



With Entertainment by

**Conrad
Cologne**

SUNDAY April 25th @ 6:00 PM

**FAMILY FUN
MAGIC
SHOW**



**Magic
Happens
in Your
Hands**

Experience an interactive magic show where the magic happens in your hands and everyone has a front-row seat. Conrad is a 4-H alumnus, former Outstanding 4-Her, and professional family entertainer.

Register here:

<https://tinyurl.com/CentralMcPhersonVMS>

To get what you need to have before the show go to the website below.

<https://tinyurl.com/4hcardtrick>

VIRTUAL FAMILY MAGIC SHOW

Join Central Kansas District & McPherson County 4-H for a virtual night out. While this event is free, registration is required by going to <https://tinyurl.com/CentralMcPhersonVMS>. Also, be sure to go to <https://tinyurl.com/4hcardtrick> to gather things you will need during the show.

LIVESTOCK INFORMATION

ATTENTION LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS – 2021 YQCA CERTIFICATION

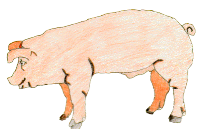
Certification dates are set for April 1, K-State Polytechnic, College Center and April 13 Minneapolis Courthouse Meeting Room and will begin at 6:30 p.m. Masks and social distancing are required. Please see the March 4-H Newsletter for details.

CHECK-IN FOR: MARKET MEAT GOAT & MARKET LAMB

The Districtwide tagging & check-in will be held April 28, in Salina (fairgrounds) and April 29, in Minneapolis (fairgrounds) from 4 to 6 p.m. for meat goats and lambs. Tags will cost \$3/tag. If interested in exhibiting livestock at the State Fair or Junior Livestock Show, a nomination will be required. The cost is \$8/animal. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, masks are required and social distancing will be enforced during the check-in.



ATTENTION: SWINE EXHIBITORS



4-H members will check-in their own swine projects through a required process via email. Information on this process will be sent out to ONLY the families who have children enrolled in the swine project. If you are not already enrolled in the swine project and plan to show swine, be sure to get enrolled in 4HOnline.

LIVESTOCK DECLARATION FORM

The Livestock Declaration Form is required for all market animals for county fair, state fair, and the Kansas Junior Livestock Show. For the Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show, the due date for Market Beef – May 1; due date for Swine, Commercial Heifer, Sheep and Meat Goats – June 15. There will be two forms which will be found under 4-H Member Forms & Documents at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-H>. One form will be labeled as **DISTRICT** for the county fairs, and the other form will be labeled as **STATE** for KSF and KJLS.

KANSAS STATE FAIR & JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW INFORMATION

- All Kansas State Fair and/or Kansas Junior Livestock Show exhibitors are required to complete the YQCA program to be eligible for either state show.
- DNA Hair Samples are required for each nominated animal for ALL SPECIES. Envelopes for the DNA Hair Samples will be \$0.50/each.
- There is a one-time/year \$20.00 fee if a nomination has to be returned to the family for any reason (i.e., incomplete form).
- Wether Dam Ewes and Commercial Ewes – Nominations and declaration form sealed DNA hair sample envelope and official 4-H ear tag number are due June 15 for KSF and KJLS.
- Commercial Breeding Heifers – Nominations and declaration form sealed DNA hair sample envelope and ear tag and legible tattoo are due June 15 for KSF and KJLS.
- Steers and Market Heifers – Nominations and declaration form sealed DNA hair sample envelope are due by May 1 for KSF and KJLS.
- Market Lambs – Nominations and declaration form sealed DNA hair sample envelope and scrapie tag number along with ear tag number are due by June 15 for KSF and KJLS.
- Market Hogs and Commercial Gilts – Nominations and declaration form sealed DNA hair sample envelopes are due by June 15 for KSF and KJLS. All animals must be ear notched and it must be drawn on the form.
- Meat Goats – Nominations, declaration form, sealed DNA hair sample envelope, scrapie tag number, and ear tag by June 15 for the KSF and KJLS.

Nomination forms and DNA hair sample envelopes can be picked up at either Extension Office. A nomination will be required and makes the animal eligible for both the KSF and KJLS. The cost to nominate an animal will be \$8/animal. **Remember, a nomination is not an entry for the show.**



4-H NEWSLETTER DEADLINES FOR 2021

If you have something you would like in the *4-H Newsletter*, be sure to email it to semaass@k-state.edu. The deadline for May is April 12.

JAPANESE EXCHANGE PROGRAM – HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

Looking for some new fun and excitement this summer after a long year of staying home? Host a new friend from Japan in your home this summer, July 23 – August 18. Kansas 4-H International Exchange Programs are offering hosting opportunities for 22 families this summer. Host families are needed who would be willing to host a Japanese boy or girl. The Japanese youth will be between the ages of 13 and 15. Our responsibility is to make host family assignments matching each delegate with an American same-gender host sibling as soon as possible so that families and exchange delegates can communicate and get to know each other.



Any Kansas family with children aged 10-16, who is interested in the Japanese culture, may host. A separate bed is required, but not necessarily a separate room from the host sibling. Delegates are 100 percent medically covered with 4-H insurance and bring their own spending money. They can go on host family vacations, camping trips, or join their host sibling for summer camps and the county fair. The focus is everyday family life. If you have further questions, please email Pam Van Horn, Kansas 4-H Japanese Exchange Coordinator, pvanhorn@ksu.edu.



LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

4-H COUNCIL NEWS

May Meeting

The May 4-H Council Meeting will be held on Monday, May 24, at 7 p.m. Council voted in March for this to be an in-person meeting with an online option. Watch the May newsletter for the location.

LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

Come learn some fun activities you can use at virtual meetings for ice-breakers, teambuilding, and discussion. The workshop will be held virtually on Tuesday, April 27, from 7-8:15 p.m. Please register by going to <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h/> and click on the link under “Upcoming Events & Online Registration.” **Please register by Thursday, April 22.** Remember...This workshop will count for the leadership workshop on the pin applications. ***Who can attend?*** 4-H Members, Parents and Volunteers can attend! Participants will learn activities that they can take back to their clubs and other groups they work with or are a part of. Key lessons that will be emphasized are: teamwork, cooperation, leadership, problem solving, communication and decision making.

COUNTY FAIR INFORMATION



It is hard to imagine that the county fairs will be here before we know it. The planning has begun. Watch for more details in the future 4-H newsletters.

FAIR PAPERS

The fair papers for the county fairs will be posted online as soon as they become available. Watch the newsletter and/or email for when they are posted.

PHOTOGRAPHY THEMED CLASS AT THE COUNTY FAIRS

We are pleased to announce the theme for the 2021 4-H Photography Competition is **Can't Believe it is Kansas**. Picture Kansas. What comes to mind? What do think of when you hear "Kansas"? Now think of the things we have in Kansas that wouldn't be something someone would associate with Kansas. This could be a place, activity, etc. Be sure and check out the specifics when the fair papers are available later this year.

THEME FOR OTTAWA COUNTY FAIR: *Just a Small Town Throwdown*

THEME FOR TRI-RIVERS FAIR: *Barn to be Wild*

TRI-RIVERS FAIR KING & QUEEN CANDIDATES & CONTEST UPDATE

The Fair King and Queen represent 4-H during the Tri-Rivers Fair in the 4-H and Open Class Departments, and at the evening fair events which includes the Rodeo, Demolition Derby, etc. Since 4-H is part of the Tri-Rivers Fair, your club has a part by selecting the best candidates. The names for the King and Queen candidates are due ONLINE. An email will be sent to the Organizational Leaders.

Candidates must be 14 years old before January 1, 2021. They must have been a member for a minimum of three years. The contest consists of résumé/essay, interview, and thank you note writing. Further details may be viewed by going to the 4-H Youth Development page on the District website (<http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>) and clicking on the link under County Fairs (left hand side), click on Tri-Rivers Fair, and then scroll down to 4-H King and Queen Info.

Important dates for candidates include June 1 (deadline for résumé, essay, and bio), June TBD, 7 p.m. (required informational meeting for candidates), and July 27 (Royalty Reception and interviews).

BRING YOUR 4-H PROJECTS TO LIFE

A monthly series connecting your 4-H projects, college, and careers.



4-H Project

Each month we will focus on a different 4-H project for 1-hour in a virtual setting. You may find a new passion!



Grow in Your Project Work

Explore ways you can enhance your learning activities within your favorite projects.



Connecting to College & Career Readiness

College professors, professionals in the field, and others will share their experience(s) and help participants grow.

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K-State Research and Extension is committed to providing equal opportunity for participation in all programs, services and activities. Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested by contacting the event contact Lindsey (620-241-1523 / lmueting@ksu.edu) or Sarah (785-309-5850 / semaass@ksu.edu) two weeks prior to the start of the event. Requests received after this date will be honored when it is feasible to do so.
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Bring your 4-H projects to life is focused toward 10-14 year olds, however other youth are welcome to attend.

April 8, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

Featuring Melissa Riley, K-State Department of Veterinary Medicine

Veterinary Science Program

You are invited to attend a 1 hour Zoom led by Melissa Riley, a third year veterinary student at Kansas State College of Veterinary Medicine. This presentation will give you an insight into how muscles work especially when it comes to our animal friends! We will work on a model to help you learn muscles that you can try to find on your pets at home. We will also go through what it is like to be a veterinary student and the incredible opportunities that are available in a career of veterinary medicine!

Register online at https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3gwifu8Uic2L3To . Please be sure to register by April 6 to receive all program information.

Save the Date:
May 13 - TBD



DISTRICTWIDE PROJECT NEWS



DISTRICT 4-H HORSE NEWS

Horse IDs

A link to the Horse ID Form can be found at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h> under 4-H Member Forms and Documents, "Horse ID." Be sure and check the back page, lower right-hand corner for the **January, 2020** date to ensure you have the correct form.

Items to note:

- The form **MUST BE** front and back of one page, not 2 pages.
- A standard size picture **MUST BE** attached. The picture should include all 4 legs and feet showing a profile of the horse with the head turned toward the camera. **ALL** markings must be clearly visible.
- Members, Parent/Guardian, Owners (if horse is leased) and County Agents **MUST** sign and date.
- The **ORIGINAL** 4-H Horse Identification Certificate **MUST** accompany the 4-H'er. The county office and project leader may have a photocopy.
- This form can be signed anytime between now and May 1, 2021.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the Extension Office.

Horse Level Testing

Anyone wanting to take levels tests before District Horse Show Entries are due (June 1, 2021), should be studying for them now and then contact Bev so that a time may be set up to take the test. You can email Bev at classy3560@gmail.com

CANINE CAPERS NEWS

We would like to offer help for first year members to participate without a dog if, they want to start there or if they want to see what the project is about before getting a dog. We have activities available to help the learning process.

For members with a dog, we start the year with basic obedience training to get the foundation set. If you are coming with an already trained family dog, strengthening the bond and language between the 4-H member and the dog is key to a successful project experience. Training is foundational to the 4-H member/dog team bond and the obedience basics. Practice is coaching the 4-H members on advancing in the other areas of Showmanship, Rally, Obedience, and Agility.

Dog Care and Training participants, please contact k9capersckd4h@gmail.com with your questions. RSVPs **ARE REQUIRED** for scheduling purposes. Meeting details are below.

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Location</u> |
|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| April 6 | 6-8:30 p.m. | Kenwood Hall |
| April 13 | 6-8:30 p.m. | Ag Hall |
| April 17 | 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. | Kenwood Hall |
| April 20 | 6-8:30 p.m. | Ag Hall |
| April 27 | 6-8:30 p.m. | Ag Hall |





EXTRA

NEWS FOR CENTRAL KANSAS DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERS

APRIL CHECK-UP

Are you counting down until school is out? Summer will soon arrive! Are you prepared for all the summer activities... baseball, vacation and fair? Let's look at our monthly check-up so we can keep on track before those summer activities start.

- _____ Ready for the unexpected. ☺
- _____ All 4-H project additions made ONLINE at <http://V2.4honline.com> by **May 1**. **Please double check! No late changes taken.**
- _____ Changes to 4-H online enrollment completed by **May 1** to exhibit at the county fair.

Review

- _____ *4-H Newsletter* read and important dates marked on calendar.
- _____ Review highlights from the *4-H Newsletter* at club meeting.

To-Do

- _____ All project leaders completed the volunteer screening process and enrolled in 4HOnline.
- _____ Project Leaders conducting project meetings.
- _____ Check project leaders progress.
- _____ Fair preparations started...banner, float, etc.
- _____ Check club mailbox at the Extension Office.
- _____ Visitors reported to Kate (klittich@ksu.edu).
- _____ Have a parent meeting.
- _____ Continue working on club banner, float and tour plans.
- _____ Plan summer activities, tours, picnics, etc.
- _____ Update 4-H Project Award Application, Pin Application, and Club Summary.

Promote/Recruit

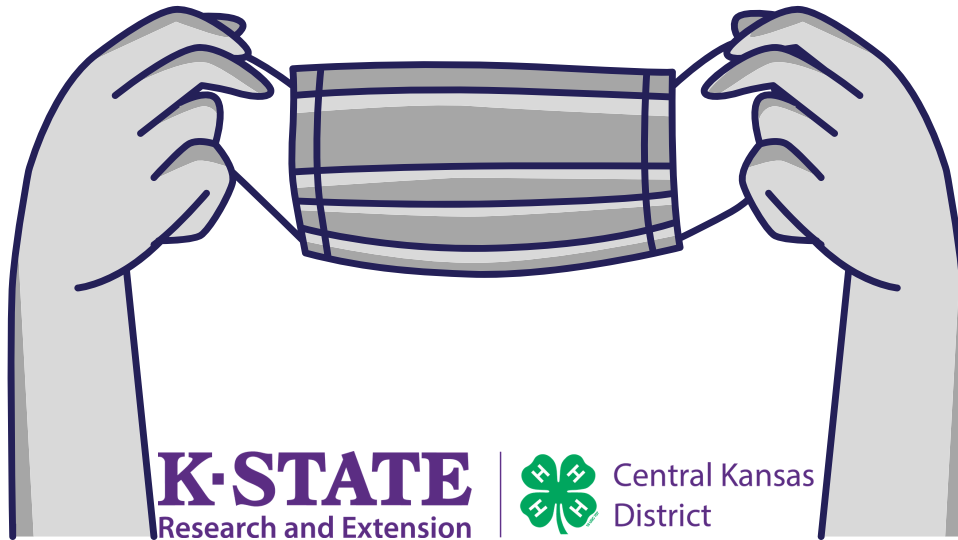
- _____ Current Parents Committee recruiting new Organizational Leaders or Parent's Committee members for the next 4-H year.
- _____ 4-H Camp Counselors promoted. Applications due ONLINE **April 15**.
- _____ 4-H Camp (June 24-27) promoted. Scholarships are available (to 4-H members only) by completing the Central Kansas District 4-H Scholarship Application and submitting it to either Extension Office by April 30.
- _____ Discovery Days promoted. Registration should open next month.

Remember

- _____ Tri-Rivers Fair Queen & King names due ONLINE, May 1.
- _____ Tri-Rivers Queen and King Candidate résumés, etc., due on or before June 1, ONLINE.
- _____ Ottawa County Fair – Market Swine, Market Sheep, Market Goats and Bucket Calves are to be owned by the first Saturday in May. You must call in the tag number for Bucket Calves to the Minneapolis Office by the Friday following.
- _____ Tri-Rivers Fair – Market Swine, Market Sheep and Market Goats are to be owned 90 days prior to fair.
- _____ Club representatives should attend 4-H council meeting.

Welcome Back Central Kansas District 4-H

*We are all excited to hold our face-to-face meetings again.
Here are a few reminders on how to keep us all safe!*



Before the Meeting:

- ✓ **Stay at home if you feel symptoms**– Reach out to the leader for a virtual option for you to join if you feel safer participating from your home or if you are staying at home because you are experiencing symptoms.
- ✓ **Please bring a face covering**– Fortunately, we all already recognize each other from ZOOM; therefore, please be sure to wear a face covering during our meeting. If you are unable to wear a face covering, please join us virtually and we'll see you on ZOOM!
- ✓ **Wear face covering properly**– As tempting as it is to lower your face mask to talk, fight that temptation! Proper protection will cover your mouth **AND** your nose.
- ✓ **Wash your hands**– Knock out some of those germs prior to coming! Wash those hands with soap and water for a minimum of 20 seconds prior to leaving your home.

During the Meeting:

- ✓ **Avoid physical greetings-** It is natural to want to shake each other's hands, high five, or give a touch on the shoulder, but **REMEMBER-** It's safer to give a little wave or even a nice, quick head nod.
- ✓ **Social distance-** If we can read something our neighbor is holding, then we are TOO close! Please maintain a social distance of at least 6 feet from each other to reduce any risk of transmitting of COVID-19.
- ✓ **Practice good hygiene-** Have an itch on your face? Twinkle your nose like in "Bewitched" (ask your parents!) Do your best to not touch your face! Need to cough or sneeze? Cough or sneeze into your elbow but remember not to "elbow bump" with that same elbow to greet someone.
- ✓ **Be wise: Sanitize-** Washing hands with soap and water is the best way to get rid of germs, but in case you can't find a sink- we have you covered! We will have sanitizing bottles available for your convenience.
- ✓ **Speak loudly-** Don't be afraid to let your voice be heard. Those in the room and on ZOOM need to hear you!
- ✓ **Fun and games-** Recreation helps us get to know each other. Choose games that don't require shared equipment or contact!
- ✓ **Snack wisely-** Pre-packaged is the way to go! Try to snack away from others.
- ✓ **Stay on task-** Let's keep our agenda goals in mind so we can make needed decisions, learn, have fun together, and make it home safe.



After the Meeting:

- ✓ **Disinfect surfaces-** Don't disappear too quickly! We will need to disinfect our chair and table area prior to leaving.
- ✓ **Avoid physical greetings-** Give a little wave or head nod again on your way out.
- ✓ **Wash your hands-** You have heard this often, but repetition is good for the mind! Make sure to wash your hands again when you get home.

April, 2021



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| UPCOMING DATES: May 1—Tri-Rivers Fair King/Queen Names, DUE online 1—Horse ID's DUE to exhibit at the County Fair, District Horse Show and State Fair 1—4-H Project add deadline DUE online 1—New 4-H Members: Online Enrollment due to participate in fair 3—Mid-Year Appeals DUE to either office by 5:00 p.m. | | | | 1 Fair Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent Sign-Up DUE Online YQCA Training, K-State Polytechnic College Center, 6:30 p.m. | 2 | 3 |
| 4  | 5 | 6 K-9 Capers, Kenwood Hall, 6:00 p.m. | 7 | 8 Virtual Exchange Meeting with Wisconsin, 6:00 p.m. Bring Your 4-H Projects to Life, Veterinary Science, 7:00 p.m. | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 May Newsletter articles due to Sarah | 13 YQCA Training, Minneapolis, Courthouse Meeting Room, 6:30 p.m. K-9 Capers, Ag Hall, 6:00 p.m. | 14 | 15 Camp Registration Open Online, 6:00 a.m. Camp Counselor Applications, DUE Online Camp Counselor Interviews | 16 | 17 Central Kansas Beef Show, Salina K-9 Capers, Kenwood Hall, 9:00 a.m. |
| 18 | 19 | 20 K-9 Capers, Ag Hall, 6:00 p.m. | 21 Camp Counselor Interviews National Volunteer Week | 22 Camp Counselor Interviews Virtual Exchange Meeting with Wisconsin, 6:00 p.m. Districtwide Leadership Workshop, Virtual, Registration DUE Online | 23 | 24 |
| 25 Virtual Family Magic Show, 6:00 p.m. | 26 | 27 Districtwide Leadership Workshop, Virtual, 7:00 p.m. - 8:15 p.m. K-9 Capers, Ag Hall, 6:00 p.m. | 28 Sheep/Meat Goat Check-in, Salina, fairgrounds, 4:00-6:00 p.m. | 29 Sheep/Meat Goat Check-in, Minneapolis, fairgrounds, 4:00-6:00 p.m. | 30 Camp Registration / Waiting List CLOSES at 11:59 p.m. Camp Scholarship application DUE to either Extension Office by 5:00 p.m. | |



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April Showers Bring May Flowers!

Dear 4-H Families,

I sure hope everyone has had some time to enjoy the nice weather we have had when it hasn't been raining. Can you believe that summer is right around the corner? It is never too early to plan. There will be lots of fun activities coming up for 4-H members to participate in. 4-H Camp registration will open later this month. Check out this newsletter for details and the email that was sent on March 22! District activities for the summer are being planned. Before you know it, it will be time for county fairs! Be sure to start planning out the summer so your child(ren) can maximize their participation in the activities they want to be a part of. Planning is the key!

If you have questions, please be sure to ask the organizational leaders and/or call or email the Extension Office. We are here to help!

Have a great April!

Sarah

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