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THANK YOU SUPERINTENDENTS & ASSISTANTS!!!!

The county fairs are over for another year! ***The county fairs are not possible without our volunteers, parents, and teen leaders.*** THANK YOU for making the fairs a success!!! A special thank you goes out to all the superintendents and assistants for their work in the various 4-H divisions. The fairs would not have been successful without everyone's help!



2022 KANSAS 4-H/JAPANESE EXCHANGE

Thirty-one Japanese delegates are spending July 22 – August 14 in Kansas participating in a family summer cultural experience. The 28 youth and 3 adult chaperones are members of LABO and LEX organizations that focus on learning foreign languages and experiencing first-hand different cultures. The youth delegates, ages 12-16 are excited to come to the United States and Kansas after the exchange was cancelled two-years because of the COVID pandemic.

The Central Kansas District Families that are welcoming Japanese Exchange delegates are:

- Brenton, Anna, Brynna and Marik Anderson, Host Family to Nanaka Maeda
- Michelle, Keegan and Kyson Griffin and Lawrence Coats, Host Family to Shota Irie
- Joe and Suzanne Hokett, Host Family to Mariko Yajima
- Allison Lecklider, Host Family to Yuka Shinoda

Hat's off to a great group of 4-H and non 4-H families that have opened their home for a culture experience!

Kansas State University Agricultural Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service

COUNTY FAIR JUDGING CONTEST RESULTS

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Senior

1. Clare McKain, Solomon Valley
2. Acacia Pracht, Smoky View
3. Zoe Ade, Boldly Go
4. Reygan Schrock, Cardinal
5. Odessa Miller, Willing Workers
6. Lillian Hulse, Pleasant Valley
7. Savannah Juneke, Solomon Valley
8. Elizabeth Hyde, Woodsdale
9. Kayla Norberg, Smoky View
10. Hensli Lofdahl, Smoky View

Intermediate

1. Brik Johnson, Smoky View
2. Karley Thelander, Boldly Go
3. Rachel Doris, Woodsdale
4. Bella Anderson, Livewires
5. Sam Tracy, Boldly Go
6. Will McKain, Solomon Valley
7. May McKain, Solomon Valley
8. Maria Baltazor, Willing Workers
9. Remington Lofdahl, Smoky View

PHOTOGRAPHY JUDGING RESULTS

Senior

1. Erika Koehn, Pleasant Valley
2. Acacia Pracht, Smoky View
3. Kyson Weidman, Pleasant Valley
4. Olivia Boucek, Woodsdale
5. Liam Nichols, Solomon Valley
6. Timothy Ade, Boldly Go
7. Lane Fritz, Gypsum Valley
8. Hensli Lofdahl, Smoky View
9. Matthew Redden, Willing Workers
10. August Hulse, Pleasant Valley
10. Odessa Miller, Willing Workers

Intermediate

1. Jaelyn Gates, Cardinal
2. Thea Hoekstra, Willing Workers
3. Karley Thelander, Boldly Go
4. Bailey Fritz, Gypsum Valley
5. Bella Anderson, Livewires
6. Brik Johnson, Smoky View
7. Gauge Fritz, Gypsum Valley
8. Ady Johnson, Woodsdale
9. Kyson Griffin, Willing Workers
10. Colbey Hyde, Woodsdale

FAIR THANK YOU NOTES

Attention exhibitors!!! Don't forget the important thank you notes! You may think "Thank You" notes are little inconveniences that waste your time, but think again! Donors greatly appreciate knowing who won their trophies and awards. Donors look forward to hearing from the 4-H members. If you cannot find the donor's address...check the bottom of the trophy for the sponsor. Please remember to send thank you notes...it helps for future giving! Don't know what to write? Thank them for sponsoring the award. Tell them about yourself and the project you won the award for. You can also tell them about the other 4-H projects you are enrolled in and the activities you enjoy doing in 4-H. Don't forget to sign your name!

7 Steps to a Great Thank You Note

- 1 A greeting to the thank you note recipient
- 2 Specific reason you are thanking them
- 3 The reason why you appreciate them
- 4 How you plan to use the gift or why the gift was important to you
- 5 A comment or detail about yourself
- 6 A repeat of your thank you
- 7 A closing and signature of your name

4-H GROWS HERE

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THANK OUR FAIR SUPPORTERS

We are very fortunate that we have had some great support for our county fairs. Consider writing a thank you note as a family to the following groups for the respective fairs. If we wouldn't have had the support of our local fairboards we would not have been able to hold the county fairs we had.

Premiums, Facility, etc.
Ottawa County Fairboard
307 N Concord, Ste 190
Minneapolis, KS 67467

Premiums, Facility, Fair Entry
Program, etc.
Tri-Rivers Fairboard
P.O. Box 124
Salina, KS 67401

4-H Council Concession Stand
Accessible Home Health, LLC
Attn: Debra Blomquist
100 N 7th St #206
Salina, KS 67401

Clark, Mize, & Linville
129 S 8th St
Salina, KS 67401



4-H NEWSLETTER DEADLINES FOR 2022

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 October/November is September 7; and December/January is November 8.

HELP NEEDED: LION'S BBQ, OCTOBER 22

Mark your calendars for the Annual Salina Downtown Lion's BBQ, to be held Saturday, October 22, at the 4-H Building in Salina. All 4-H Clubs in the District are asked to help support the Lion's Club by selling tickets to support this BBQ, as the Downtown Lions are big supporters of CKD 4-H. They support 4-H with scholarships for 4-H Camp, Citizenship Washington Focus, and Discovery Days. *It is imperative that we help them with this fundraiser more than ever.* Tickets are now available and 4-H members are encouraged to sell a minimum of 2 tickets.



October 22, 4:30—6 p.m.

October 22, 5:30—7 p.m.

We'd like to have at least three adults and five to six youth per shift. Younger members should be accompanied by an older teen leader or a parent. If members of your club will be able to help, please call the Salina Extension Office or email Michele at mhennes@ksu.edu and let us know how many workers you will have and what shift you will be able to work. This is a big 4-H fundraiser put on by the Downtown Lions, so provide your support since the Lions provide theirs!

END OF THE YEAR FINANCIAL REVIEW

In August, all organizational leaders should have received an email with a link to a letter from Sarah with information about the 2021-2022 Financial Review. Remember, the report is due to either Extension Office by November 15 at 5 p.m. The Financial Review Form is posted online for your convenience under *Organizational Leaders*. If you have any questions, please contact Sarah.



KANSAS STATE FAIR INFORMATION

More details on how to prepare exhibits to be taken to the State Fair has been posted online at <https://www.centrankansas.k-state.edu/4-h/documents/Kansas%20State%20Fair%20Guidelines%202022.pdf>

Transportation of Exhibits

If you have small exhibits (and they are not alive!), they will be taken to Hutchinson for you.

Liability

Exhibits at the Kansas State Fair are entered and displayed at the risk of the exhibitor. The Kansas State Fair or 4-H Youth Development accepts exhibits and will exercise due care to protect them. 4-H or FFA members who have exhibits of great sentimental and/or monetary value should carefully consider whether such exhibits should be exposed to the hazards of the fair.

All 4-H Members- As you prepare to bring items to the Salina or Minneapolis office, please note the following:

- You will come to the Salina office for CKD-Salina members and Minneapolis office for CKD-Minneapolis members and we will have your entry cards and labels, if needed, for your exhibit. Be sure and bring the necessary packing stuff with you.
- Please package your exhibits for travel, as the Extension Offices cannot be responsible for damage.
- Please check-in with front desk after you have finished preparing and before you finish packing the item(s) for the state fair.

Note: Rabbit and Dog entry cards will be available at the state fair.

Please note that entry cards will be available at the Minneapolis or Salina offices. Salina area State Fair exhibits can be brought into the Salina office August 30, 31, September 1, 6. You will need to plan on extra time when you come to the office because you will need to attach the necessary items to the exhibit (i.e., entry card, score sheet, food label, etc.). **You are responsible for attaching the items.** Office staff will check-in the items after the entry is prepared. Entry cards and other necessary items for the exhibits **will not** be allowed to leave the Extension Office unless you are taking your own exhibits down to the state fair.

NOTE: If you take your own exhibits down to the State Fair, you will need to pick them up after 6 p.m. on the last Sunday of the fair. You will also need to come into the Extension office to pick up your entry card(s).

Please read the Kansas State Fair Guidelines posted on the website under 4-H Youth Development, Upcoming Events and online registration, on how to prepare your exhibits and bring them to the Extension office ready to go to Hutchinson.

****Salina Area 4-H Members**

- Foods and Horticulture projects can be brought on Tuesday, September 6, along with the other projects before 4:00 p.m.
- If a member has projects other than Foods & Horticulture, please bring those on August 30, 31 or September 1 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

****Minneapolis Area 4-H Members**

- Food and Horticulture projects must be at the Minneapolis office no later than 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 6.

All exhibits will return from the fair on Monday, September 19, and Salina area exhibits may be picked up beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 20. Minneapolis area exhibits may be picked up beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 21. For more information, please contact your respective local Extension Office.



SAVE THE DATE: 4-H CELEBRATION OF ACHIEVEMENTS

The plan at this time is to hold the 2022 4-H Celebration of Achievements on Sunday, November 6. A time and location are yet being determined. Please be sure and put this event on your calendar. RSVPs will be taken by club and plan to have more information to the club leaders at the September 4-H Leader Updates. Hope to see everyone at the 2022 4-H Celebration of Achievements!

KEY AWARD DUE DATE

The Kansas 4-H Key Award is due to either Extension Office by Monday, September 26, 5 p.m. The application should be submitted by your club's organizational leader. However, the Trips & Awards Committee has decided to give 4-H members the opportunity to submit the application early for it to be reviewed and to receive feedback. ***The optional "review" deadline will be Monday, August 29, 5 p.m.*** If a 4-H member submits their Key Award Application by August 29, the Trips & Awards Committee will review it and provide them feedback on what they will need to change in order for the 4-H member to receive the Kansas 4-H Key Award. The revised application would be due on September 26. If a 4-H member does not turn an application in until September 26, 5 p.m., and the application is not thorough, the 4-H member will not receive an opportunity to revise the application. They will have to apply for the award the following year, if eligible.



HELPFUL HINTS FOR PIN APPLICATION & KANSAS 4-H KEY AWARD

As 4-H members work on their 4-H Pin Application and/or Kansas 4-H Key Award Application, we have some helpful hints for families AND leaders. If you go to <https://www.centrankansas.k-state.edu/4-h/awards-recognition/index.html> you will find the *Helpful Hints for Parents* under "Member Achievement Pin Application" and *Helpful Hints for the Key Award* under "Additional Award Forms." Be sure to check them out before you submit this application to your organizational leader. **Remember, any item left blank will result in an automatic deferral, and the 4-H member will not receive the pin.** Organizational Leaders can find the *Award Details & Helpful Hints for Leaders* at <https://www.centrankansas.k-state.edu/4-h/orgleaders/documents/Award%20Details%20for%20Org%20Leaders.pdf> If you have any questions, please contact the Extension Office.

2022 AWARDS INFORMATION

The next four pages outline the 2022 4-H Award details for our 4-H members. Please take time to read through this document thoroughly (also available at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/> → 4-H Youth Development → Awards, Recognition, & Records). ***Note: Events occurring after the due date for District awards will count towards the next 4-H year.***

We have a series of training videos on the Central Kansas District 4-H Awards. See topics below. We'd encourage you to watch these, and if you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out to your Club Organizational Leader, Sarah, or Kate. Also, if you feel that there is a topic not covered or one which needs more detail, please contact Sarah.

- Introduction to Awards & Recognition (includes Member Achievement Pin Application details)
- Goals & Permanent Record
- Project Learning Experiences, Project Reflection, and Photographs
- Project Presentations & Communications, Exhibits & Showcase Opportunities, and Non-Animal Project Finance
- Project Leadership & Citizenship
- Animal Project Finance

If you are interested in using the new online record keeping, ZBooks, you can learn more by going to <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/ZBooks.html> Contact Sarah with any questions you may have.

4-H Member Records and 4-H Recognition



This section highlights the Central Kansas District 4-H Awards System and what awards and recognition are available to 4-H members and volunteers. 4-H members and parents are strongly encouraged to stay up-to-date on these processes by going to the District website, <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/> → 4-H Youth Development → Awards, Recognition & Records

Events occurring after the due date for District awards will count towards the next 4-H year.

Pin Applications/Member Achievement Plan (Revised 09/21)

The Achievement Pin Application is available on the District website (<http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>). The 4-H Member Achievement Plan/Pin Application is found under 4-H Youth Development → Awards, Recognition, & Records → Member Achievement Pin Application. 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).

The Achievement Pins or **Standard of Excellence Award Categories**: Where a “standard” is set and completion of categories is determined by a minimum requirement.

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| 1. Membership | 5. Silver Pin | 8. Gold Pin |
| 2. Bronze | 6. Silver Guard | 9. Gold Guard |
| 3. Clover Pin | 7. Leadership Pin (must be enrolled in: Civic | 10. Citizenship Pin |
| 4. Emerald Pin | Engagement & Leadership) | |

Only one Achievement Pin can be received by each 4-H member per year.

A pin may be skipped, but once a pin is skipped, a 4-H member may not go back and apply for it. For example: If a 4-H member received the Emerald Pin in 2013 and received the Silver Guard in 2014, he/she could not apply for the Silver Pin in 2015.

Only Central Kansas District 4-H Member Achievement Plan / Pin Application will be accepted.

Members are encouraged to **check all boxes** for the events / activities / accomplishments. This will assist the review committee if there is a problem with one of the items selected on the application. **Any item left blank, will result in an automatic deferral, and the 4-H member will not receive the pin.**

Project Award Applications

Any 4-H member can complete a Project Award Application. All 4-H members will submit their Project Award Application to their club leaders, and the leaders will turn all of the Project Award Applications in to either Extension Office. If the member's goal is to receive a District Award in a 4-H Project Area, then they will want to complete the Project Award Application for their age category. Project Awards can be received more than once during a 4-H member's career.

There are three age levels for the Central Kansas District 4-H Project Awards. They are 7-8 year olds, 9-12 year olds and 13 years old and older. All Project Award Applications are available on the District website under 4-H Youth Development → Awards, Recognition & Records → Project Award Applications. The awards will be divided by age groups: 7-8 years old; 9-12 years old; and 13 years old and older.

4-H Age Definitions (October, 2020)

- Juniors are considered youth with a 4-H age 7-8, before January 1 of the current 4-H year.
- Intermediates are considered youth with a 4-H age 9-12, before January 1 of the current 4-H year.
- Seniors are considered youth with a 4-H age 13 and older, before January 1 of the current 4-H year.

These age definitions will be used to create award divisions for project recognition within Central Kansas District. Please know the state forms which we use may indicate **DIFFERENT** age groups.

Binders

Each Project Award Application should be in its own binder. Binders should be a ½ inch or 1 inch 3-ring binders. No clipart or pictures are allowed on the cover page. The notebooks should have a label (or sheet of paper for the presentation/view binder notebooks) with the following:

4-H Member's name (First and Last name)
Central Kansas District
4-H Club Name
4-H Project Area

Order of the Project Award Application

The Project Award Application for each project submitted for an award should be in its own binder (i.e., one project per binder). The order of the book should be as follows:

- Personal Information Page
- Project Award Application (includes the project story and photos)

Guidelines by Age Group

7-8 years old (October, 2020)

This age group will fill out the project award application for the 7-8 year olds. There is a specific project award application for animal projects (this includes ALL animal projects). This age group will need to turn in their award application in a **red or blue** binder. Everyone in the 7-8 year old group who has turned in a project award application will receive a participation certificate and a “token” of recognition (i.e., 4-H item, such as a pencil, key chain, magnet, etc.). Be sure to complete the 4-H Personal Page and include in the front of the Project Award Application.

9-12 years old (October, 2020)

This group will need to use the project award application for the 9-12 year olds. There is a specific project award application for animal projects (this includes ALL animal projects). This age group will need to turn in their award application in a **white** binder. Be sure to complete the 4-H Personal Page and include in the front of the Project Award Application.

13 years old and older (October, 2020)

This group will need to use the project award application for the 13 years and older. There is a specific project award application for animal projects (this includes ALL animal projects). This age group will need to turn in their award application in a **black** binder. Be sure to complete the 4-H Personal Page and include in the front of the Project Award Application.

The 9-12 year old group and 13 years old and older group will be recognized using the following guidelines: Youth will be recognized based on the enrollment in the age group. 10% or up to 4 books/individuals may be recognized. If 15 or more books are turned in within a project area, more youth may be recognized. For every 5 books over 10, one more 4-H Member may receive recognition. For example, if the photography project had 23 award recognition books turned in and had an enrollment of 43, 6 books/individuals may be recognized (10% up to 4 and for every additional 5 books after 10, 1 more youth can be recognized...4+1+1 = 6). Only books in the 9-12 year old and 13 year old and older groups that warrant recognition will be recognized for an award.

4-H Project Award Areas

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| • Beef | • Health & Wellness (includes health/fitness, bicycle, recreation, outdoor adventures) | • Self-Determined (includes CO ₂ cars) |
| • Civic Engagement (formerly Citizenship) | • Home Environment | • Sheep |
| • Clothing & Textiles (includes construction, buymanship, fashion revue) | • Horse | • Shooting Sports |
| • Communications (includes public speaking, other medias) | • Leadership | • STEM (includes computers, rocketry/aerospace, robotics, astronomy, UAS, architectural block construction) |
| • Dairy (cattle, goats) | • Meat Goats | • STEM: Energy Management (includes electric/electronics, renewable energy, ag mechanics [welding and smithing], small engines) |
| • Dog Care & Training | • Performing Arts | • Swine |
| • Entomology | • Pets (includes cats, hand pets) | • Visual Arts |
| • Environmental Science | • Photography | • Wildlife (includes sport fishing) |
| • Family Studies | • Plant Science (includes forestry, horticulture, field crops) | • Wood Science |
| • Fiber Arts | • Poultry | |
| • Foods & Nutrition (includes foods preservation) | • Rabbits | |
| • Geology | • Reading | |

Kansas 4-H Key Award (November, 2019)

The Kansas 4-H Key Award is a State Award. The basic requirements are: 1) a 4-H member must have passed their 16th birthday before January 1 of the current year; 2) completed four or more years of 4-H work; and 3) enrolled in leadership for four or more years. There are several other requirements for this award. The Kansas 4-H Key Award is found under 4-H Youth Development → Awards, Recognition & Records → Key Award Application (found under Additional Award Forms). Applicants are encouraged to attach additional pages to be able to describe in detail the answers to the questions. **While this award application is due in September with the other awards, there is an optional “review deadline” the end of August.** Watch the 4-H newsletter and email for details. If a 4-H member submits their Key Award Application for review in August, the Trips & Awards Committee will review it and provide them feedback on what they will need to change in order for the 4-H member to receive the Kansas 4-H Key Award. If a 4-H member does not turn an application in until the September deadline and the application is not thorough, the 4-H member will not receive an opportunity to revise the application. They will have to apply for the award the following year, if eligible. **This application should be submitted to the club organizational leader to be submitted to the Extension Office.**

A 4-H member may apply for the Kansas 4-H Key Award (State Award) in addition to an Achievement Pin (District Award) in the same year.

Ten-Year Award (2021)

In order for a 4-H member to receive a plaque for being in 4-H for 10 years, they will need to complete the Ten-Year Award Application. The Ten-Year Award Application is found under 4-H Youth Development → Awards, Recognition, & Records → Ten-Year Award Application (found under Additional Award Forms). This application will be due on the September awards deadline.

Outstanding 4-H Member Award

4-H members 15 years old and older before January 1 of the current year who complete and turn in a Project Award Application in any 4-H project award area by the September awards deadline, will be eligible for this award. There is no separate application to complete. After all the books are judged, the members with the top scoring books will be interviewed by a panel on Sunday October 2. Interviewees will be notified by email with their scheduled time and location of the interview.

The Outstanding 4-H Member(s) will be named at the *Central Kansas District 4-H Celebration of Achievements*.

This award may only be received once during a member's 4-H career.

Additional Club Forms

4-H members who want to keep records and not compete for a 4-H Project Award will need to complete a Project Award Application, but it will not need to be submitted to the Extension Office.

The 4-H Permanent Record (Word – 2020) is also a great record keeping tool for 4-H members. The Permanent Record is found under 4-H Youth Development → Awards, Recognition & Records → Record Keeping Materials → Permanent Record.

Most clubs use the CKD Record Book Check Sheet (Revised 09/2020) to help review the 4-H Record Books and 4-H Project Award Applications before they come to the Extension Office. The CKD Record Book Check Sheet is found under 4-H Youth Development → Awards, Recognition & Records → CKD Record Book Check Sheet (found under Record Keeping Materials).

A complete 4-H Record Book includes: Personal Information Page, 4-H Project Award Application for each project enrolled in, and Permanent Record. Note: The Story and Pictures are included in the 4-H Project Award Application document.

Club Record Keeping and Awards

Also, organizational leaders, the Club Summary (or annual summary) (Revised 09/2020) for the club seal is available under 4-H Youth Development → Organizational Leaders → Club Summary → (found under Award Forms). This form is due on the September awards deadline to either Extension Office.

Don't forget the Club Secretary's Book and Treasurer's Book are also due on the September awards deadline to either Extension Office.

Awards Specific to the Minneapolis Area Club Members - \$50 award

Below is a list of project areas that are included in this series of awards. The recipients of these awards are the senior winners in the respective project based on the 4-H Member's Project Award Application.

- Beef Award – Everett Harris Award
- Citizenship Award, Leadership Award – Sponsored by: Ottawa County 4-H Foundation
- Lucky Seven 4-H Club Horse Award – Sponsored by: Ottawa County 4-H Foundation
- Sheep Award, Swine Award – Sponsored by: Ottawa County Pork Producers Association

Additional District Awards

All of the awards below will be due on the September awards deadline to either Extension Office.

4-H Alumni

Each 4-H Community Club or Individual can nominate an individual(s) for this award. The nomination should be typed and the requirements are as follows:

- ✿ Submit a name of someone whom you feel has contributed a great deal to Central Kansas District 4-H.
- ✿ The nominee does not have to serve in a volunteer leader role.
- ✿ The nominee should be a past 4-H member, but does not have to have been a 4-H member in the Central Kansas District (Ottawa or Saline County).
- ✿ While a nomination form can be found under 4-H Youth Development → Organizational Leaders → Award Forms, nominations can be made in a letter form to the review committee and contain the criteria mentioned above.

Family of the Year

Each 4-H Community Club or Individual can nominate several families for this award (one nomination form per family). The nomination should be typed, and the requirements are as follows:

- ✿ To be eligible, at least one member of the family must be a current Central Kansas District 4-H Member or 4-H volunteer leader.
- ✿ The selection criteria for this award includes:
 - Balance of total family involvement in 4-H
 - Contributions family has made to the 4-H program (most weight given to club and local levels)
 - Years of service to 4-H
 - Involvement and contributions given to community
 - Evidence family has benefited from 4-H
- ✿ While a nomination form can be found under 4-H Youth Development → Organizational Leaders → Award Forms, nominations can be made in a letter form to the review committee and contain the criteria mentioned above.

Friend of 4-H

Each 4-H Community Club can nominate a maximum of one individual for this award. The nomination should be typed, and the requirements are as follows:

- ✿ Submit a name of someone whom you feel has contributed a great deal to Central Kansas District 4-H.
- ✿ The nominee does not have to serve in a volunteer leader role.
- ✿ The nominee does not have to be a past 4-H member.
- ✿ While a nomination form can be found under 4-H Youth Development → Organizational Leaders → Award Forms, nominations can be made in a letter form to the review committee and contain the criteria mentioned above.

Volunteer of the Year Award

This award is for individuals who have served as 4-H volunteers for **less than 10 years** at the district or state level as determined before January 1 of the current year. Nominations can come from the club or individuals. Self-nominations are accepted and encouraged. One award will be given each year. Nominations may be made in a letter form indicating why the nominee is deserving of this award.

Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer Award

This award is for individuals who have served **10 or more years** at the district or state level as determined before January 1 of the current year. Nominations can come from the club or individuals. Self-nominations are accepted and encouraged. One award will be given each year. Nominations may be made in a letter form indicating why the nominee is deserving of this award.

Deferred Pin Applications and Appeal Process for Deferred Pin Applications/Member Achievement Plans & 4-H Club

Summary Applications (Revised 09/2017, Reviewed 09/2020)

If a 4-H member has their pin application deferred on the club level, the organizational leader is to notify the 4-H member. If the 4-H member wishes to appeal the deferral, they may do so by completing the Appeal Process Form. The Deferral Appeal Process Form is found under 4-H Youth Development → Awards, Recognition & Records → Member Achievement Pin Application.

The appeal must be made in writing, up to two pages typed. The Deferral Appeal Process Form and the written appeal must be attached to the deferred pin application or completed 4-H club summary application and turned in to either Extension Office by **May 1 or the September award deadline by 5 p.m.**

The appeal should include the reason why the:

- Requirements were not met
- Trips & Awards Committee should consider granting the award

The parent(s)/guardian(s), organizational leader(s) or other adult leader(s) working directly with the 4-H member or 4-H club making the appeal, will not be allowed input at the Trips & Awards Committee Meeting. Only written information attached to this form will be considered by the committee.

Annual 4-H Achievement Pin Application Appeal

This should be used when a 4-H member does not meet all the requirements for their pin AND the 4-H member, parent/guardian, organizational leader or other adult leader, etc., feel they should still receive it and the Trips & Awards Committee should take into consideration. The appeal can only come from the 4-H member.

4-H Club Summary Appeal

This should be used when a 4-H Club does not meet all of the requirements for the desired club seal AND there are circumstances which the organizational leaders feel the Trips & Awards Committee should take into consideration. The appeal can only come from the organizational leaders or designated representative.

LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

4-H COUNCIL NEWS

September Meeting

The September 4-H Council Meeting will be held on Monday, September 26, at 7 p.m. in Minneapolis at the Courthouse. This is the meeting where the 4-H Council Executive Officer Team will be elected. It would be great to have each club represented.

4-H Council Officer Applications

Have you considered taking a leadership role with the Central Kansas District 4-H Council? Well, now is your chance! 4-H Council Officer Applications will soon be available on the website (<http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>) under 4-H Member Forms & Documents. Applications are due to either Extension Office by 5 p.m. on Monday, September 12. One year of 4-H Council experience is required. If you have any questions, feel free to contact any of the current officers or Sarah.

SAVE THE DATE – OFFICER TRAINING & FAMILY EVENT

The 2022 Officer Training and Family Event has been set for Saturday, October 8. Be sure and place this date on your calendar. As more information is available, it will be emailed out or will be in the upcoming 4-H Newsletters.



THE CENTRAL KANSAS DISTRICT 4-H AMBASSADOR PROGRAM WANTS YOU!!!

Do you enjoy the 4-H program and all the opportunities it provides? Are you looking to take your leadership skills to the next level? Then the Central Kansas District 4-H Ambassador Program just might be for YOU!

We are looking for 4-H members who are interested in becoming 4-H Ambassadors. The Ambassadors represent and promote the 4-H program and help it grow! Some of the programs that the Ambassadors have assisted with are various things at the Fair, 4-H Celebration of Achievements, 4-H Donor Reception, Ag Awareness Day, etc.

The Ambassador Program is a large commitment for 4-H'ers and their families. Please take time to carefully consider the time commitment to the program and other requirements before applying. Interested 4-H'ers need to be in at least the 8th grade, interested in promoting the 4-H program and willing to make a two-year commitment to the program.

Applications will soon be available at either Extension Office or online at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h> under 4-H'er Forms and Documents. Applications are due to either Extension Office **no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 30, 2022. The interview date will be on Sunday afternoon, October 2.** For more information about the ambassador program, contact Collyn Fouard, Ambassador Coordinator at ckfouard@gmail.com or 785-201-2813.

4-H PDC YOUTH REPRESENTATION

Each 4-H Club has the opportunity to encourage 4-H members that are in 8th grade or high school to serve as a youth representative on the 4-H Program Development Committee. Youth will serve on the 4-H PDC from October until September. Two youth from each geographic area in the District will be chosen to serve this one-year term. Applications will soon be available at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>, under 4-H Member Forms & Documents, and are due to either Extension Office **no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 30, 2022.**

CENTRAL AREA REGIONAL EVENT (CARE)

Don't miss this opportunity to meet new people, learn new leadership skills, and enjoy fun classes at the Central Area Regional Event (CARE) on October 22 at the Kansas State University Aerospace and Technology Campus in Salina. This event is for youth 12-18 years of age (before January 1, 2023). Cost to register is \$35 for both youth. Youth have the opportunity for a scholarship through 4-H Council. To be eligible for a scholarship through District 4-H Council, do not forget to complete the 4-H Council Scholarship Application (<http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>, under 4-H Member Forms and Documents) and turn in to the Extension Office by the registration deadline. The scholarship will be \$25. Watch your email for registration information coming soon. Registration and payment is due by September 15, to either Extension Office by this time.

KANSAS YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM (KYLF)

Come and build your leadership skills and potential through workshops, delegate groups, inspirational speakers and more. In addition, the 2023 State 4-H Youth Leadership Council will be elected during KYLF. An awesome set of skill building workshops are planned as well.

The Kansas Youth Leadership Forum will be held at Rock Springs Ranch on November 19-20. The Forum is for youth ages 14-18, before January 1, 2023. Registration information is not yet available, but will be soon. Please check <http://www.kansas4-h.org> often for details. Registration will be online late August/early September. Upon completing your registration online, you will immediately know your workshops and any related fees!

To be eligible for a scholarship through District 4-H Council, do not forget to complete the 4-H Council Scholarship Application (<http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>, under 4-H Member Forms and Documents) and turn in to the Extension Office by the registration deadline. The scholarship will be around \$75. There will be a \$25 cancellation fee that will be charged to any 4-H member who decides not to attend after registering. This is not a local fee, but a state fee. The 4-H Council Scholarship WILL NOT cover this cancellation fee.

KANSAS 4-H YOUTH LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

The Youth Council Application information link is now available on the KYLF webpage on the State 4-H Website. Any Kansas 4-H member between the ages of 14 and 18 before January 1, 2023 may apply. This year's KYLF delegation will elect representatives from the four Extension program areas (NE, NW, SE, SW).



Youth Council members work to involve youth with K-State Research and Extension in promoting, developing, implementing, and evaluating Kansas Extension 4-H Youth Development programs in order to reflect the needs and interests of the youth in the state. Council members will also plan and conduct the Kansas Youth Leadership Forum, Citizenship in Action, 48 Hours of 4-H, and other events.

Please encourage those outstanding young leaders in your club to apply. Applications are due online October 1 before 11:59 p.m. CST, and 2 letters of reference must be postmarked or uploaded on the registration site. Additionally, a 2 minute or less video introduction of the candidate will need to be submitted as well. The signature page should be postmarked by October 1. This year the elections will include the application process detailed above, and from those applications up to 12 young people per area will be invited to interview with a panel on Zoom. From those who interview, up to 6 candidates will be selected to be in the election. If you have any questions about State Youth Council, please contact Sarah.

NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE

The National 4-H Conference is a working conference in which youth and adults, at the invitation of the Secretary of Agriculture, assist in the development of recommendations to help guide 4-H Youth Development programs nationally and in their communities. This event brings together youth, volunteer leaders, and state and county Extension Staff members from across the United States, the U.S. Territories, and the Canadian Provinces.



The event provides youth the opportunity to acquire practical knowledge and skills to reinforce the attitudes and motivation that will give them a heightened sense of responsibility and capacity to connect with others as active member of society. Youth will engage in educational activities to explore, practice and master civic engagement skills and personal development to make a difference in their community, country and world.

Delegates must be 15 to 18 years old before January 1, 2023. Up to six Kansas youth may be selected as delegates. Kansas 4-H members who have attended National 4-H Congress are eligible to apply for National 4-H Conference. The 2022 National 4-H Conference dates are yet to be determined. **Applications are due ONLINE by October 1, 11:59 p.m.** For more information, please visit <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/national-4-h-conference/index.html>

From the state screening process, the top applicants will be invited to participate in an interview to select final delegates. Final selection of delegates will be made on the basis of the written application and interviews. Additional details regarding the interviews are not yet available. If selected as a National 4-H Conference delegate, there are additional responsibilities including being involved in the 4-H program through the State 4-H Youth Council and several other aspects of the Kansas 4-H program. The approximate share of the registration and transportation costs for delegates chosen to attend this conference is \$2,000.00. There are scholarship possibilities to help offset the cost of the delegate's portion through the District 4-H Council and the local 4-H club.



48 HOURS OF 4-H

According to a 4-H study of positive youth development, 4-H'ers are nearly 4 times more likely to make contributions to their communities. But just how much can they do? In one weekend this fall, 48-Hours of 4-H will challenge club members, adult leaders, and 4-H alumni to explore their service capabilities and inspire the community around them by taking part in some type of service project during the weekend of October 8-9, 2022. This weekend after National 4-H Week is the perfect opportunity to set up a service project. Invite your friends, clubs, adult volunteers, and past 4-H members too! For more information, please go to <http://www.kansas4-H.org/484h>. This Kansas 4-H Challenge is brought to you by the Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council in conjunction with K-State Research and Extension, Department of 4-H Youth Development with generous support from the Kansas 4-H Foundation.

Club Projects

4-H Clubs may decide to do their own service project for 48 Hours of 4-H. Please go to <http://www.kansas4-h.org/484h> to register your project in September.

District Projects

Your District 4-H Council Officers have been working hard on the service projects for members, volunteers, and alumni to participate in. This year's project will be held in conjunction with the 2022 Officer Training & Family Event in Salina on October 8. We will be having a Tailgate Service Party and we need YOUR help to provide service activities. We are looking for 4-H members to provide a HANDS-ON service activity for this event. 4-H Members will tend to the service activity from beginning to end. We have budgeted \$10 for each service activity to help offset the cost of the projects (keep receipts for reimbursement purposes).

There will be two different online registrations. One will be to participate in the event itself. The second will be to be in charge of one of the service activities. Right now, the only registration that is open is the Service Project Sign-up. We ask that projects are registered online under Upcoming Events and Online Registration located at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h> by September 9.



EXTRA

NEWS FOR CENTRAL KANSAS DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERS

August/September CHECK-UP

The final countdown is on...fair, pin applications, Project Award Applications, Annual Summaries, etc.!!!
Where has the year gone? Where are we now? Let's take a look...

- _____ Celebrate the current 4-H year...begin planning for the club achievement party.
- _____ Start planning for the new 4-H year...it's not too early!
- _____ Organizational Leaders, appointed or elected, names reported to either Extension Office by September 1.
- _____ Gear up for a great New 4-H Year!



Review

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

To-Do

- _____ Check project leaders on progress.
- _____ Project Leaders conducting project meetings.
- _____ Check club mailbox at the Extension Office.
- _____ Continue 4-H work.
- _____ Start 4-H records and set a date for club books to be reviewed by leaders.
- _____ Club's team of leaders organized to review the 4-H records and project award applications.
- _____ Update 4-H Records, Project Award Applications and Pin Applications.
- _____ Annual Club Summary up-to-date.
- _____ Project leaders notified of the specific responsibilities.
- _____ Project leaders conducting project meetings.
- _____ Report from July 4-H Council meeting.
- _____ Begin planning for election of club officers.
- _____ Have members think about projects for the new year.
- _____ Visitors' reported to Kate (klittich@ksu.edu).
- _____ Record books due to Organizational Leaders.
- _____ 4-H Record Book check sheets, Achievement Plans and Project Award Applications available online.
- _____ Ribbon stickers for record books ordered from the Extension Offices.
- _____ Dates set for Organizational Leaders and Parents' Committee to review 4-H Record Books and Project Award Applications.
- _____ Check club's progress toward goals.
- _____ Names for 2022-23 Organizational Leaders turned in to Extension Offices by September 1.
- _____ Organizational Leaders, appointed or elected, names reported to either Extension Office by September 1.
- _____ Gear up for a great New 4-H Year!
- _____ Send Club changes; Organizational Leaders, times, meeting places submitted to Extension Offices.
- _____ Election of officers.
- _____ Plan club achievement programs.
- _____ Announce 4-H Week and 4-H Sunday.
- _____ Plan meeting with Parents' Committee.
- _____ Plan installation of officers for October.
- _____ Review constitution and by-laws with executive committee.
- _____ Update 4-H Records, Project Award Applications, and Pin Applications.

Promote/Recruit

- _____ Promote Central Leadership Forum, October 22, in Salina.
- _____ 4-H Club's nominating committee recruiting 4-H members to run for club offices.
- _____ Parents' Committee recruiting Organizational Leaders and Project Leaders for the 2022-2023 4-H year.
- _____ Parents' Committee continue search for leaders.
- _____ Parents' Committee meeting and recruiting project leaders.
- _____ Announce to club parents that you are recruiting project leaders.
- _____ Encourage Achievement Pin Award Applications.
- _____ Encourage 4-H Council members to run for a District 4-H Council Officer Position.
- _____ Encourage senior 4-H members to run for a position on the State 4-H Youth Leadership Council.
- _____ Promote National 4-H Conference.
- _____ Promote Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Forum (KYLF).



Remember

- _____ Representatives should attend September 4-H council meeting.
- _____ Organizational Leader Update to kick off the New Year, Tuesday, September 20, at 7 p.m. building & room location TBD on the K-State Salina Campus AND Thursday, September 22, at 7 p.m. in the Minneapolis Extension Meeting Room. Organizational Leaders just need to attend one of the updates...whichever one fits best into your schedule. Don't forget to register. Watch for an email with more details.
- _____ Kansas 4-H Project Award Applications due September 26, 5 p.m., either Extension Office.
- _____ Achievement Pin Applications completed and turned into either Extension Office, by September 26, 5 p.m. Only Central Kansas District Pin Applications are accepted.
- _____ Annual Summary (for club seals), Club Secretary's and Treasurer's Books due September 26, 5 p.m., either Extension Office.
- _____ National 4-H Conference & State 4-H Youth Council Applications due October 1, 11:59 p.m., online.

DEADLINE FOR CLUB ROLL

Organizational leaders, if you want to drop member(s) from your club roll, it must be done no later than September 1. Requests must be made by phone or email to Sarah (semaass@k-state.edu) with the rationale for dropping the member(s) from the roll. Please note: If 4-H members participated in the county fair, they will not be dropped from the roll.

TIPS FROM AWARD COMMITTEE FOR ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERS

As your members are finishing up the Member Achievement Pin Application, we have some helpful hints for organizational leaders posted at <https://www.centrankansas.k-state.edu/4-h/orgleaders/index.html>. Be sure to check them out **before** you submit the applications to the Extension Office. Remember, **any item left blank, will result in an automatic deferral and the 4-H member will not receive the pin.**

4-H FAMILY OF THE YEAR AND ALUMNI NOMINATIONS

Begin thinking about who your club will nominate for the CKD 4-H Family of the Year and 4-H Alumni Awards. Applications and information was available at the July 4-H Council meeting and will soon be posted to the website under Organizational Leaders. Let's challenge ourselves and members to nominate an alumni or family for these honors. Think about the adults in your club serving as organizational leaders and project leaders. What about 4-H sponsors who have contributed to the 4-H movement. How about those long-term families that give 100 percent to make 4-H happen? The list grows when you think about it. Plus...what a special way to thank those who have given so much to you!

PROJECT AWARD APPLICATIONS, PIN APPLICATIONS, SECRETARY & TREASURER BOOK AND ANNUAL SUMMARIES

The end of the 4-H year is quickly approaching...Project Award Applications, Achievement Pin Applications, Secretary's Book, Treasurer's Book, and Annual Summaries are due Monday, September 26, 5 p.m., to either Extension Office. Achievement Pin Applications are available on the website (<http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu>). Only the CKD Achievement Pin Applications will be accepted. *Don't forget to use the Pin Application Summary to list all members of your club and what pin they are applying for AND the Project Award Application Summary to list all the Project Award Applications that are submitted by your club.* These documents are available on the website under Organizational Leaders. If they are not applying for a pin or submitting a Project Award Application, please note that as well.

CLUB VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP

Change is good! Some clubs have a rotation system in place for volunteers to gradually, with training, move into the Organizational Leadership role. This process aids in recruiting volunteers to serve in leadership roles. Volunteers come in all shapes and sizes and ideas...some volunteers are more willing to serve if they know it's not a forever commitment! Plus...the rotation system strengthens a club...as more volunteers know the club's system! The new 4-H year is approaching...will the leadership stay the same? Will it change? Please notify either Extension Office **by September 1** of who the Organizational Leaders will be for the 2022-2023 year! **This is important for preparing promotional materials!**

CLUB ELECTIONS

The following are suggested guidelines for conducting the 2022-23 club election of officers:

- ✿ Nominate and vote for the member who would carry out the responsibilities of the office well. **Election of officers should not be a popularity contest.**
- ✿ A nominating committee, made up of 4-H members and parents, should develop a slate of candidates, preferably two or more candidates per office.
- ✿ Vote on each office individually. It takes extra time, but allows important learning time for members.
- ✿ Club members should be allowed the opportunity to nominate members from the floor for offices.
- ✿ A club needs to have a motion, a second and approval to close the nominations for each office.
- ✿ A nomination does not need to be a motion. It can simply be, 'I nominate Joe.'
- ✿ Voting should be done by ballot. Ballots should be counted by two to three members who are not running for office and preferably not by members who made the nominations or by parents.
- ✿ Each member should have one vote per office.
- ✿ In cases where the club may have more than one person in office, each member should vote for corresponding candidates.

NEW 4-H YEAR ENROLLMENT

At the September Organizational Leader's Meetings, we will be discussing the enrollment process for the new 4-H year, in addition to lots of other new 4-H year items. **It is important that each club is represented at one of the meetings.** Be sure to attend one of the two meetings offered (September 20, in Salina and September 22, in Minneapolis). It is important to have at least one representative from each club present. We will request organizational leaders register for the updates so we know where to expect each club to be represented. Watch for an email from Kate regarding this information and registration deadline. We ask even if you do not plan to attend, that you respond to let us know.



GETTING STARTED WITH THE NEW 4-H YEAR

Here are a few tips to get your new 4-H year and your club moving in the right direction:

- First, who are the Organizational Leaders? You or someone new? Please let Sarah know.
- How is the Parent's Committee functioning? Functioning-recruiting Project Leaders and supporting Organizational Leaders. Need some motivation to get things rolling?
- How is the club structure? Does the club have a New Family Coordinator? Project Leader Trainer? Demonstration Trainer? Awards Trainer? Not sure what these jobs are or what they involve?

If you need help with any of the above, please call Sarah or Kate. They can help you and find answers for you.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR DISTRICTWIDE PROJECT AWARD SCREENING

We need your help! On Tuesday, September 27, adult volunteers are needed to help evaluate and rank the Central Kansas District 4-H Project Award Applications. The evening will begin at 6:00 p.m. at a location yet to be determined in Salina. An email will be sent to participants on the finalized location in a confirmation email. Parents are welcome to participate as reviewers, but they may not screen in an area in which their children have submitted a project award application. Serving as a reviewer is one of the best ways to learn about the 4-H project award application and process. If you've never been a reviewer, please note that you'll be paired with another volunteer for the screening process. We strive to pair a new reviewer with someone who has been a reviewer previously. This is also a great chance to help your club, as we are hopeful that each club will have at least two volunteers for the screening.

Please complete the information at this link: https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_ebpWq3I6NwwpZMq and respond by September 9.



With the new 4-H year starting soon, invite a friend to attend a

4-H club meeting with you?

Think of ways you can help your club recruit new members and grow.

4-H has something for EVERYONE!


August, 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Tri-Rivers Fair 4-H Building static exhibits entered KSF Horse Show Entries Due ONLINE	2 Tri-Rivers Fair pre-judging Tri-Rivers Fair Parade, 7:00 p.m.	3 Tri-Rivers Fair	4	5	6
7	8 Tri-Rivers Fair State Fair pre-entries due (by NOON), Salina	9	10	11 State 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl & Dairy Judging, Salina KS All Breeds Junior Dairy Show, Salina	12	13
14	15	16	17	18 Cloverbud Meeting, Salina Heights Christian Church, 6:30 p.m.	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	UPCOMING DATES: September 1 —Deadline for Club Roll 1 —2022-2023 Organizational Leader names DUE 5 —Offices Closed—Labor Day 12 —4-H Council Officer Applications DUE, 5:00 p.m. 9 — 18 —Kansas State Fair 20 —Organizational Leader update, Salina, 7:00 p.m. 22 —Organizational Leader update, Minneapolis, 7:00 p.m.		

September, 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
UPCOMING DATES: October 1—4HOnline Enrollment open 1—State Youth Council application due ONLINE 1—National 4-H Conference application due ONLINE 2-8—National 4-H Week 8—District Officer Training & Family Event						
4	5 Minneapolis and Salina Offices Closed 	6 State Fair entries (including food exhibits) due in Extension Offices no later than 4:00 p.m.	7 October/November newsletter articles due to Sarah	8 	9 Kansas State Fair	10
11	12 4-H Council Officer Applications DUE, 5:00 p.m.	13 	14 	15 	16 	17
18	19 	20 State Fair entries pick-up date for Salina after 9:00 a.m. Organizational Leader update, Salina, 7:00 p.m. Location: TBD	21 State Fair entries pick-up date for Minneapolis after 9:00 a.m. Districtwide Leader & Master Volunteer Activity Logs due to Sarah	22 Organizational Leader update, Minneapolis, Extension Meeting Room, 7:00 p.m.,	23 	24
25	26 Key Award, Ten-Year Pin Application; 4-H Project Award Application, Club Salina, 6:00 p.m., Summary, Secretary's and Treasurer's Books, & District Awards - DUE BY 5:00 p.m. 4-H Council, Minneapolis, 7:00 p.m.	27 4-H District Project Award Application Judging, Salina, 6:00 p.m., Location: TBD	28 	29 	30 4-H PDC Youth Application DUE by 5:00 p.m. Ambassador Application DUE by 5:00 p.m.	



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SUMMER FUN & FAIR TIME

Dear 4-H Families,

Now that the county fairs are over, school has started (or getting ready to start), and life has a routine again, it is time to finish (or begin) the 4-H record books and/or award applications. You may find details for the project award applications, record keeping materials, etc. at <https://www.centrankansas.k-state.edu/4-h/awards-recognition/index.html> Please read the 2021 Awards Information first before diving into the forms. We also have some instructional videos for you this year on the website as well. Do not hesitate to call or email Kate or I with any questions you may have.

Sarah

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