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Central Kansas District 4-H

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4-H Council News

July Meeting

The July 4-H Council Meeting will be held on Sunday, August 10. Time and location TBD.

4-H Newsletter Deadlines for 2025

If you have something you would like in the 4-H Newsletter, be sure to email it to klittich@ksu.edu.

Deadlines are:

- July/August - June 10
- September - August 10
- October - September 10
- November - October 10
- December/January - November 10



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Ottawa County Fair Pre-Entries are OPEN!

We will be using Fair Entry system again this year for Ottawa County Fair pre-entries. The online entry system will streamline the entry process, check-ins, shows, and results.

Online pre-entries will be required for all exhibitors for all exhibits being entered.

The deadline for pre-entries to be entered online is June 16 at 11:59 p.m.

You will be able to log in anytime to add, delete or edit your entries before the pre-entry deadline. Information and instructions were emailed to all Ottawa County families on May 30.

Exhibitors will not be allowed to pre-enter anything after the deadline, as in previous years.

Kansas State Fair Qualifier Reminder



Any demonstration, illustrated talk, project talk, public speaking, or Drama: Reading receiving a purple at the Central Kansas District 4-H Club Day may be entered, unless it has previously been entered in this contest or does not meet the guidelines. Members must be 9 years of age and not have passed their 19th birthday before January 1, 2025, to participate at the Kansas State Fair. An email was sent on May 5 to all CKD 4-H members who qualified.

ENTRIES DUE to Central Kansas District, July 1 by 11:59 p.m. ONLINE at the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/CommunicationsEntry2025>

Each member may enter up to two exhibits in 4-H Communications but only one entry per class. REMINDER: Regardless of the Public Speaking topic used to qualify, all Public Speaking at the Kansas State Fair will use the topic "What 4-H Means to Me". Call the Salina Extension Office at (785) 309-5850 if you have any questions.

Tri-Rivers Fair Pre-Entries are OPEN!

You will be able to log in anytime to add, delete or edit your entries before the pre-entry deadline. Information and instructions were emailed to all Saline County families on June 3.

Online pre-entries will be required for all exhibitors for all exhibits being entered.

The deadline for pre-entries to be entered online is June 23 at 11:59 p.m.

Fair Papers

The fair papers for the county fairs have been posted online.

Fair News

Fair Pre-Entry Guidelines

Links for pre-entries for the Ottawa County Fair and Tri-Rivers Fair can be found online on the county fair pages and also within this newsletter.

- **ALL EXHIBITS FOR ALL EXHIBITORS WILL BE PRE-ENTERED ONLINE.**
- **DO NOT WAIT** until the last minute to pre-enter your fair exhibits.
- If you do not have access to a device or an internet connection to complete your online pre-entries, you are welcome to come to either Extension Office, or you may opt to use your local public library.
- Specific information regarding each fair's pre-entries may be found in each fair paper.
- If you have any questions about the pre-entry process, please do not hesitate to contact the Salina Extension Office.
- **REMEMBER, each individual exhibit must be pre-entered.**
- Deadline for all Ottawa County Fair pre-entries is June 16, 11:59 p.m.
- Deadline for all Tri-Rivers Fair pre-entries is June 23, 11:59 p.m.

Fair Superintendents and Assistant Superintendents

The dates for the Ottawa County Fair are July 15-18. The Tri-Rivers Fair will be on July 31 - August 3 (pre-fair days on July 29-30). Both fairs need superintendents and assistants. We need a lot of parents and youth to help ensure a smooth-sailing event. Do not forget that these leadership and citizenship opportunities can be counted in the 4-H member's record book. Interested 4-H members, parents and volunteers should **sign up online by June 10** by going to <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h>. Go to County Fairs and choose Ottawa County Fair or Tri-Rivers Fair, and you will find a link for Superintendent/Assistant Superintendent Sign Up.

Photography Themed Class at the County Fairs

We are pleased to announce the theme for the 2025 4-H Photography Competition is **Living in Paradise**. 4-H members can submit a photograph that illustrates what makes living here in our area or in Kansas great. Be sure and check out the specifics when the fair papers are available. You will need to choose the specific class number for Theme Photo Class when pre-entering for the county fair. This is a county only class and is not eligible for the Kansas State Fair.



Ottawa County Farm Bureau Holds 4-H Photo Contest

The Ottawa County Farm Bureau Association is proud to announce the Annual 4-H Photography Contest. The purpose of this contest is to promote agriculture in Ottawa County. The contest is open to all current Ottawa County 4-H members. The photo must have been taken in Ottawa County. The photo could be of animals, crops, equipment, landscape, water sources, farm buildings, or grains, but please, no people should be in the picture. All photographs should be 8"x10" and be submitted to the Farm Bureau Financial Services offices by 4:00 p.m., Monday, July 7, 2025. Prize money will be 1st place \$50, 2nd place \$30 and 3rd place \$20. Any picture submitted for this contest cannot be entered into the Ottawa County Fair. Winners will be announced at the Ottawa County Fair on Friday, July 18. Winning photographs become the property of the Ottawa County Farm Bureau. They will be framed and hung at the Matt Pickrell Farm Bureau Financial Services office. If you have any questions, contact Clara Mull at ottawafb@kfb.org or 785-392-7501.

Minimum Livestock Weights at County Fair

The minimum weights for livestock to be eligible for grand or reserve champion and be eligible to sell in the premium auction at the 2025 Ottawa County Fair and 2025 Tri-Rivers Fair are as follows:

Beef: 1,000 lbs

Meat Goats: 50 lbs

Sheep: 90 lbs

Swine: 220 lbs

Livestock Premium Auction Policy Change

Attention Livestock Exhibitors: Due to recent policy changes at the state and local levels, livestock that have sold through the Ottawa County Fair and Tri-Rivers Fair Livestock Sales are now eligible to show at the Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show, as long as they have not changed ownership. Please feel free to give the Extension Office a call if you have any questions.



Important Fair Update: No Perishable Entries Accepted

To ensure the health and safety of all fair participants and visitors, we will no longer be accepting *perishable* food items as fair entries. This change aligns with current food safety guidelines and helps us maintain a safe environment for all. We appreciate your understanding and encourage you to continue showcasing your talents with non-perishable food items and other creative entries!

Perishable foods are items that must be kept hot or cold — like dairy products, fresh meats, cream pies, or anything with fresh fruit or uncooked eggs. *Non-perishable foods* are shelf-stable and safe to display at room temperature—like cookies, breads, jams, canned goods, or dried foods.

Fair-Worthy Recipes Await! Get Baking with 4-H!

Hey 4-H Foods & Nutrition Stars! County Fair season is just around the corner, and it's time to start thinking about those winning recipes! We've got two fantastic resources to help you find the perfect baked goods to showcase your skills:

Home Baking Association: <https://www.homebaking.org/skill-level/beginner/>

This site is perfect for those just starting out or looking for solid, reliable recipes. It's packed with beginner-friendly options that are sure to impress the judges.

King Arthur Baking Company: <https://www.kingarthurbaking.com/recipes/collections>

King Arthur Baking is a trusted source for bakers of all levels. Explore their recipe collections for a wide variety of treats, from classic cookies to show-stopping breads.

Instead of using sites like Instagram or Pinterest, stick with these tested, trustworthy sources to ensure your recipes are fair-worthy and food-safe!

Your Challenge: As you browse these sites, keep your 4-H Foods & Nutrition knowledge in mind! Look for recipes that:

- Feature whole grains.
- Incorporate fruits and vegetables.
- Offer healthy substitutions (like using applesauce instead of oil).
- Are modifiable to reduce sugar or fat.

Remember, the fair isn't just about delicious treats; it's also about showcasing your understanding of healthy and nutritious food choices. We want to see your creativity and skill shine! **Happy Baking!**

Free All-Purpose Flour

For those interested in the Foods and Nutrition project, contact Lisa Newman, Family & Community Wellness Agent in the CKD Salina Office, for free flour from K-State! Each 4-H member that contacts Lisa will receive 6 cups of "Willie's Pride" All-Purpose Flour while supplies last. This is a great opportunity to practice your baking skills or try out a new recipe.

Lisa Newman, Family & Community Wellness Agent, Central Kansas District
- lnnewman@ksu.edu



Fair Ribbons & Trophies

Do you have a great display idea for ribbons and trophies? Does your 4-H Member keep a scrapbook of ribbons? If so, we'd love to see pictures of how your family displays ribbons and trophies after the events. Please send pictures to klittich@ksu.edu to share your great ideas!

We've also heard from several families they'd like to see a "recycle" option for ribbons and/or trophies, so we are starting one! If your family would like to "recycle" ribbons or trophies, a collection box will be available. Ribbons should be unmarked and can be from any CKD 4-H event (shows, 4-H Club Day, fairs, etc.). Trophies can also be placed in the collection box as they can usually be repurposed by having a new plate made. These items may also be dropped off at either Extension Office to be added to the recycle program.

Can Projects Be Made At School?

Concerned about managing time and resources? You might consider combining 4-H and school projects. However, a few guidelines must be considered before combining, as a definite "yes" or "no" cannot be given across the board for all projects. To help determine if projects can serve the dual roles, ask yourself:



- Will you plan ahead of time to correlate the projects for better use of time and money?
- Will the 4-H project you are enrolled in have similar suggested learning requirements as the school project?
- Will the project be a part of the suggested learning and/or requirements in both the 4-H & school projects?

If you can honestly answer YES to the above questions, then you can legitimize combining the two projects. However . . .

- If you wait to enroll in a 4-H project after the school project is completed and select a "project" that fits the completed school project . . . or
- If you do no advanced planning but instead decide at the last minute to enter the completed school project at the fair because it's done . . . then . . . the project is not considered eligible as a 4-H project.

Take time now and pre-plan...it will save you from confusion in the end. Note: There may be some specific rules for exhibiting at the county fair (i.e., if you have entered an item you made at school, you may also have to enter an item you make at home). Please refer to the fair paper to make sure you are able to meet the requirements for exhibiting at the fair.

General Guidelines on Copyright

4-H exhibitors (individuals or group) should avoid using copyrighted materials whenever possible by originating his/her own work. A 4-H member or group should use with caution a copyrighted and/or trademarked product or service (a brand name, label or product). The intent of using the copyright or trademark materials for educational purposes such as an exhibit, educational poster/display or public presentation is acceptable under the "Fair Use" (legal use) provision.



"Fair Use" is a provision of the current copyright law that allows reproduction without payment or permission of limited portions of a copyrighted work for educational and other public interest purposes. Regardless of the "Fair Use" provision, the reference that a specific name brand project is good or bad inherently or through comparison must be done cautiously, using acceptable research/comparison methods and have a disclaimer that the conclusions are those of the 4-H participant and not those of K-State Research and Extension.

A copyright and trademark are legal methods used by writers, artists, corporations and others to protect their original work. Protected items may range from books to music and logos to computer graphics. Copyrighted and/or trademarked materials utilized in banners, displays, demonstrations, posters or other activities for endorsement or promotion instead of educational purposes will be disqualified and will not receive ribbon and premium and will not be displayed.

The use and inclusion of specific brand names for educational purposes does not imply endorsement or refusal by the Department of Extension 4-H Youth Programs, Kansas State University Agriculture Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension, or the State of Kansas.

2025 Ottawa County 4-H Judging Schedule

Fair Theme: Stayin' Alive in 2025

4-H=4-H Building CH=Courthouse Meeting Room LA=Livestock Arena

MJSHS=Minneapolis Jr/Sr High School RA=Rodeo Arena

Monday, June 16

11:59 pm Pre-Entry Deadline

Friday, July 11

7:00 pm Fairground Cleanup

Monday, July 14

8:30 am 4-H Foods/Foods Preservation judging (CH)

1:30 pm 4-H Visual Arts judging (CH)

Tuesday, July 15

8:00 – 11:00 am 4-H/FFA and Open Class Livestock entered

8:00 am – 12:00 pm 4-H/FFA Divisions (building exhibits) entered

10:00 – 11:00 am 4-H/FFA Horses entered

11:00 – 12:00 pm 4-H/FFA/Open Class Rabbits & Poultry entered

12:00 pm Mandatory Exhibitor Meeting (LA)

12:30 pm Cloverbud show & share sign up with session at 1:00 pm (4-H)

1:00 pm 4-H Posters/Pets/Notebooks/Booths/Banners/Communications/Interior Design & Architecture/Civic Engagement/Leadership/Reading Adventures/Self-Determined/Veterinary Science/Family Studies/Health & Wellness/Shooting Sports (4-H)

1:00 pm 4-H Woodworking judging (4-H)

1:00 pm 4-H Photography judging (CH)

1:15 pm 4-H/FFA & Open Class Agronomy/Entomology/Forestry/Horticulture & Landscape Design/Environmental Science/Geology/Wildlife judging (4-H)

2:00 pm 4-H/FFA Ag Mechanics Welding judging (4-H)

2:30 pm 4-H Aerospace/Rocketry/Astronomy/Building Block Engineering/Computer Science/Electric & Renewable Energy/Robotics/Small Engines/UAS judging (4-H)

Wednesday, July 16

8:00 am 4-H/FFA Swine Show (followed by Sheep, Meat Goat, Dairy Goat & Dairy Cattle (LA)

4-H/FFA show first, followed by Open Class

1:00 pm 4-H/FFA Rabbit & Poultry judging

4-H/FFA show first, followed by Open Class

5:30 pm Bucket Calf show (LA)

4-H/FFA Beef Show, Breeding heifers, Market steers (LA)

4-H/FFA show first, followed by Open Class

6:00 pm Open Class Baking Contest (4-Her's eligible to enter)

Thursday, July 17

8:00 am 4-H Horse Show (Classes 1-38)

11:00 am 4-H/FFA Projects & Livestock Intent to Sell Forms DUE ONLINE

1:00 pm 4-H Sewing & Textile Design/Shopping in Style/Fiber Arts judging (MJSHS)

1:30 pm Fashion Revue judging (HJSHS)

7:00 pm 4-H Horse Show (Classes 33-53) (RA)

Friday, July 18

9:00 am 4-H/FFA Round Robin (LA)

2:00 pm 4-H Ag Olympics (LA)

5:00 pm Preview of Silent Auction Items (4-H)

5:30 pm Public Fashion Revue/Shooting Sports Awards/4-H/FFA Awards Ceremony/Farm Bureau photo contest winners announced (LA)

6:00 pm 4-H Silent Auction (Silent Auction ends 30 minutes after the Premium Auction) (4-H)

7:00 pm 4-H/FFA Premium Auction and Project Auction (LA)

Midnight Livestock Exhibits Released

Saturday, July 19

8:00 am Fair Clean-Up and release of building exhibits

Saturday, July 26

8:30 am 4-H Dog Show – Salina – Saline County Livestock & Expo Center (Ag Hall & 4-H Building)

Sunday, July 27

1:30 pm 4-H Performing Arts – Salina – First Christian Church, 2727 E. Crawford

Thursday, July 31

11:00 am 4-H CO2 Car judging – Salina – 4-H Building

Friday, August 1

1:00 pm CO2 Car Races – Salina – 4-H Building

2025 Tri-Rivers Fair 4-H Judging Schedule

Fair Theme: Fairadise

4-H=4-H Building AH=Ag Hall B1=Barn #1 B2=Barn #2 FCC=First Christian Church, 2727 E. Crawford

Monday, June 23

11:59 pm Pre-Entry Deadline

Friday, July 25

8:00 am Dog Show Set-up (4-H)

Saturday, July 26

8:30 am 4-H Dog Show (AH & 4-H)

Sunday, July 27

12:00 am Online judging time sign up opens
1:00 pm 4-H Fashion Revue judging (FCC)
1:30 pm 4-H Performing Arts Judging (FCC)
7:00 pm 4-H Public Fashion Revue (FCC)
11:59 pm Online judging time sign up closes

Monday, July 28

4:00 pm Fair Cleanup (4-H & Barn 1 & 2)

Tuesday, July 29

7:30 am to 3:00 pm Exhibit drop-off for all 4-H
Building exhibits (4-H)

Wednesday, July 30

9:00 am 4-H Building opens for judging (4-H)
9:15 am 4-H Agronomy/4-H Entomology judging (4-H)
9:15 am 4-H Horticulture & Landscape Design
judging (4-H)
10:00 am 4-H Foods/Foods Preservation judging (4-H)
10:00 am 4-H Wildlife/Forestry/Shooting Sports/Electric &
Renewable Energy/Vet Science judging (4-H)
10:00 am - 2:00 pm 4-H Bake Sale (4-H)
10:00 am 4-H Geology judging (4-H)
1:00 pm 4-H Sewing & Textile Design/Shopping in
Style/Fiber Arts judging (4-H)
2:00 pm 4-H Photography judging (4-H)
2:00 pm 4-H Ag Mechanics Welding (4-H)
5:00 – 6:30 pm Chamber After Hours (4-H)
6:30 pm Crowning of 4-H King & Queen (4-H)
7:30 – 8:30 pm Saline Co. 4-H Development Fund
Reception (4-H)

Thursday, July 31

7:30 am – 12:00 pm Bucket Calves/Dairy
Cattle/Dairy Goats/Horses/All other breeding
livestock entered
7:30 am – 9:00 am 4-H/Open Class Poultry entered (B1)
8:00 am - 8:30 am 4-H Swine weigh in (B2)

Thursday, July 31 - Continued

8:00 am – 10:00 am Pick up pre-ordered hay/straw/
shavings (B1)
8:00 am 4-H Bake Sale continues (4-H)
8:00 am 4-H Civic Engagement/Communications/
Environmental Science/Family Studies/Health &
Wellness/Leadership/Reading Adventures/
Self-Determined judging (4-H)
8:45 am - 9:15 am 4-H Sheep weigh in (B2)
8:30 am Woodworking (4-H)
9:00 am - 12:00 pm 4-H Rabbits checked in (B2)
9:15 am - 9:45 am 4-H Meat Goat weigh in (B2)
10:00 am - 10:30 am 4-H Beef weigh in (B1)
10:00 am 4-H/Open Class Poultry judging (B1)
11:00 am 4-H CO2 Car judging (4-H)
12:00 pm 4-H Aerospace/Rocketry/Astronomy/Building
Block Engineering/Computer Science/Robotics/
Small Engines/UAS judging (4-H)
12:00 pm 4-H Visual Arts judging (4-H)
2:00 pm 4-H Dairy Cattle/Dairy Goats judging (AH)
6:30 pm Parade Downtown Theme: Fairadise

Friday, August 1

8:00 am 4-H Horse Show (AH)
9:00 am 4-H Cloverbud judging (4-H)
9:00 am 4-H Rabbit Show (B2)
1:00 pm 4-H Notebooks/Banners/Interior Design (4-H)
1:00 pm CO2 Car Races (4-H)
4:00 pm 4-H Meat Goat Show (AH)
6:30 pm 4-H Sheep Show (AH)
8:00 pm 4-H Ag Olympics (AH)

Saturday, August 2

9:00 am 4-H Beef Show (AH)
Bucket Calf follows Beef Show
9:00 am – 12:30 pm 4-H Fair Fun Day (4-H)
1:00 pm 4-H Pets Show (4-H)
2:00 - 4:00 pm Thank You Note Table (4-H)
6:00 pm 4-H Swine Show (B2)
8:30 pm or 30 minutes after swine show
INTENT TO SELL DUE IN FAIR OFFICE

Sunday, August 3

8:00 am Round Robin (AH & B2)
12:00 – 1:30 pm Premium Buyers Meal
2:00 pm 4-H Livestock Sale (AH)
4:00 pm Awards Ceremony (4-H)
5:00 pm Dismissal of All Exhibits (Immediately following 4-H
Awards Ceremony)

4-H Building Hours: Wednesday – 9:00 am Not open to the public, ONLY to those who are having items judged.
Thursday – 7:30 am – 9:00 pm
Friday, Saturday – 8:00 am – 9:00 pm
Sunday – 8:00 am – 8:00 pm

Tuesday, July 29 – We will need lots of help on this day to help take entries from 7:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. If you can help take entries this day, please sign up by going to <https://tinyurl.com/2025TuesdayFairHelp>

Tri-Rivers Fair King & Queen Candidates & Contest Update – An informational meeting (required) will be held on **Tuesday, June 10, 6:00 p.m.** via zoom. The interviews will take place at the Royalty Reception on **Wednesday, July 23**. The reception will begin at 5:30 p.m.

Several individuals have asked questions regarding the difference between the Tri-Rivers Fair King & Queen Contest and the Central Kansas District Outstanding 4-H Member. Hopefully the information below will help clarify the difference. If you have any questions regarding this contest, please do not hesitate to contact Kate.

Outstanding 4-H Member

- Self-entered into earning title by submitting a Project Award Application (formerly known as the KAP)
- Focus on citizenship and leadership skills within a 4-H project
- Includes an interview with emphasis on 4-H
- Winner represents their club within Central Kansas District 4-H

Tri-Rivers Fair King & Queen

- Nominated by peers
- Focus on life skills, skills that can be gained through 4-H experiences
- Includes a resume that includes all life experiences that represent citizenship and leadership
- Includes an interview with an emphasis on a well-rounded individual with experiences within and outside of 4-H
- Includes a thank-you note focusing on content, format and penmanship
- Winner must be a 4-H member and represents the Tri-Rivers Fair event & board

Attention Food Exhibitors for Tri-Rivers Fair – All food entries, including preservation items, will need to be brought on Tuesday, July 29.

Tri-Rivers Fair Silent Auction – The Silent Auction Committee with the Tri-Rivers Fair Board would like every club to consider providing an item for the auction held during the fair in the open class building (Kenwood Hall). All the money raised goes toward the Tri-Rivers Fair Scholarship that 4-H members are eligible for. For more information, please call or text Linda Lecklider at 785-452-5775. Also, if you happen to have any baskets you would be willing to donate to the auction for items to be put in, please contact Linda.

Greetings Geology and Entomology Enthusiasts!

The CKD 4-H program has been fortunate enough to receive a donation of display boxes for the entomology and geology projects. If you have a need for these display boxes, please read the information below.

Important things to note:

- There are four boxes that meet dimension requirements to be shown at fair.
 - Two of these four have glass tops that will need to be replaced with plexiglass.
- There are an additional two boxes that **do not** meet the dimension requirements for showing at fair, however they will work great for a personal collection or as storage before mounting entomology/geology projects in the correct boxes for fair.
 - These two also have glass tops.

If you have any interest in these boxes, please let us know! The boxes are available for pickup at the Salina office. Arrangements can be made for pickup at the Minneapolis office.

Districtwide Project News

Cloverbuds at a Glance

Each month, we focus on one 4-H project area through books, activities, experiments, and snacks.

Date: Second Sunday of the month – No meeting in July

(June 8, August 10)

Time: 2:30-4:00 p.m.

Location: First Christian Church, 2727 E. Crawford, Salina)

RSVP: Email Allison at allisonlecklider@yahoo.com

*Must be received at least two days before the meeting (Friday) so there are adequate supplies.

Reading Adventures Meeting

Join us for a Reading Adventures meeting at Salina Animal Services at 329 N. Second St., Salina. We will meet at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, June 7 for a short tour, then we will read to the animals! Bring a book or books you would like to share! Questions? Ask Amber at 785-787-0890 or prachtamber@gmail.com. We will get time with animals, citizenship work in our project, and an opportunity to discuss project goals and ask questions before fair!

Livestock Nominations

ALL State nominations are done online. Kansas 4-H and FFA members who would like to exhibit livestock projects must nominate all market animals and commercial breeding females for those animals to be eligible for the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and/or KJLS. When we refer to “state shows”, these are the two shows in which Kansas state livestock nominations apply.

For the KSF and KJLS, due dates are as follows:

- **June 15** - Commercial Heifer, Sheep, Swine, and Meat Goats

Deadline to order DNA envelopes:

- **June 5** - Small Livestock & Commercial Breeding Heifer

For all information, deadlines and help guides regarding state nominations, please visit <https://www.asi.k-state.edu/extension/youth-programs/nominated-livestock/> or contact Justine at 785-392-2147.

Kansas Junior Dairy Show

The Kansas All Breeds Junior Dairy Show is scheduled for June 19-21, 2025, at the Saline County Livestock and Expo Center in Salina.

Entries are DUE by Friday, June 13. To access show information and register online, please visit <https://www.asi.k-state.edu/extension/dairy/dairyevents/jr-dairy-show/>

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please don't hesitate to contact Kevin Snell at (785) 532-1281 or kpsnell@ksu.edu.

Kansas 4-H/FFA Wheat Expo

Join us for the 2025 Kansas 4-H Wheat Expo on Thursday, August 7 at the South Hutchinson Community Building in South Hutchinson, Kansas. The wheat expo will be a fun, educational and hands-on program for all Kansas 4-H members, siblings, parents, grandparents, and KSRE Extension staff. You do not have to be enrolled in crops/plant science projects to participate. 4-H members enrolled in Foods and Nutrition, Photography and Agronomy are encouraged to participate.

The Kansas 4-H State Wheat Expo is a wheat fun day showcasing all things wheat. Lunch and refreshments are sponsored, and tours will be available. **Registration will open soon** at <https://www.kansas4-h.org/educational-experiences/project-based-events/conferences-events/wheat/> If you are planning on staying overnight don't delay in making your reservation once registration is open.

Wheat Variety Plot Project

If you would like to plant a 4-H wheat variety plot this fall, you need to call our office by Friday, July 11. You will get signs and seed of five varieties.

Recruiting for the 2025-2026 4-H Year

Another 4-H year is quickly approaching...have you given any thought to preparing?

Lay the Foundation

- get the 4-H Parents' Committee together
- write down leadership tasks needed
- think about people who can do tasks
- decide who will call individuals

Put Action into Motion

- ask-personal contact or phone call
- stay positive as you may have to ask several people

Building the Team

- orient new leaders
- get 4-H materials
- encourage and mentor new leaders

Attention 4-H Families and Organizational Leaders: Central Kansas District Policy

The Central Kansas Extension Board adopted a policy to go alongside the Kansas 4-H Policy regarding fundraising at the February, 2014, Board Meeting. The policy is:

*"4-H members MAY NOT solicit funds to help fund their individual 4-H projects. 4-H members may fundraise for a specific 4-H EDUCATIONAL trip. Donations given directly to a 4-H member ARE NOT tax deductible because they do not go to a 4-H club or group. Any fundraising programs by clubs or individuals MUST be approved by the 4-H Youth Development Agent; the funds must be used to further the 4-H mission; the account procedures must be appropriate and in accordance with the POLICY; and the 4-H name and emblem must be properly used." **Any fundraising done in the name of 4-H needs to be submitted to Kate.** If the fundraiser is done annually, it should be submitted each time.*

Co-Brand

Beginning in October of 2017, the co-wordmark is required on ALL 4-H print, digital, apparel, and merchandise. This requirement applies to all designs created at the local, county, district, area, and state levels. In order to ensure we are in compliance, all 4-H print, digital, apparel, and merchandise being designed or utilized by CKD clubs must be submitted to the 4-H staff. This should be done each time an item is produced, as we need to verify vendors and designs. For instance, if your club uses a shirt design from a previous year, you will need to submit the design for the current year.

The Power Is In Your Hands

We know lots of things are going on and it is sometimes hard to keep up. It is your responsibility to be sure to read the emails, newsletters, and anything else that comes your way. During this time, things are continuing to change quickly. Be sure to check your email and **READ** messages from the Extension Office and your Club Organizational Leaders. Don't forget to read the newsletter too!





EXTRA

NEWS FOR CENTRAL KANSAS DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERS

JUNE CHECK-UP

Summer has arrived...where has the time gone!!! School is out! It's time for a break...how about a vacation? We all need one of those every once in a while, but not for too long...remember all those 4-H activities? Remember even though there is no school, the summer schedule is just as busy. Let's take a look at what's coming up so you can stay organized.

- _____ Ready for the unexpected.
- _____ Tri-Rivers Fair Queen and King resumes due June 10.
- _____ Summer activities planned...tour, exchange meeting or swimming party.
- _____ A day planned just for you!

Review

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



To-Do

- _____ Project Leaders conducting meetings.
- _____ Check project leaders on progress. They should be nearly completed with project meetings.
- _____ Visitors' reported to Kate (klittich@ksu.edu).
- _____ Check club mailbox at Extension Office.
- _____ Report from the May 4-H Council meeting.
- _____ Plan fair exhibits.
- _____ Check club's progress toward goals.
- _____ Club summaries up-to-date.

Promote/Recruit

- _____ Parents' Committee recruitment started for the next 4-H year.
- _____ Parents' Committee search for Organizational Leaders and Project Leaders for new year.
- _____ Encourage Fashion Revue participation
- _____ Recruit volunteers for the county fair to help in project areas.

Remember



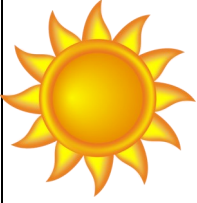

- _____ Calendar marked for the June 17 Organizational Leaders' Update which will be via Zoom, 7:00 p.m.
- _____ Calendar marked for September 16 & 18 (only need to attend one), Organizational Leaders' Update which will be held in person.

Organizational Leader Update

The next Organizational Leader Update will be held at 7 p.m., Tuesday, June 17, via zoom. We will be discussing county fairs and more! You won't want to miss this update!

JUNE, 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Discovery Days	5	6	7 Districtwide Reading Project Meeting, Salina Animal Services, Salina, 2:00 p.m.
8 Cloverbud Meeting, Salina Heights Christian Church 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	9	10 Tri-Rivers Fair King & Queen Informational Meeting, Online via Zoom, 6:00 p.m. Tri-Rivers Fair King & Queen resumes' DUE online by 11:59 p.m. Fair Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent Sign-Up DUE Online	11	12	13	14
15 KSF and KJLS nominations and declaration forms DUE online 	16 Ottawa County Pre-Fair entries DUE online via Fair Entry by 11:59 p.m.	17 Organizational Leaders' Update, Online via Zoom - 7:00 p.m.	18	19 KS All Breeds Junior Dairy Show, Salina	20 State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest, Quiz Bowl & Skill-a-thon, Salina 	21
22	23 Tri-Rivers Pre-Fair entries DUE online via Fair Entry by 11:59 p.m.	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	UPCOMING DATES: July 4 - Offices closed, Salina & Minneapolis 15-18 - Ottawa County Fair 31-August 3 - Tri-Rivers Fair			 	



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Summer Time!

Dear 4-H Families,

What an exciting summer we have ahead of us! 4-H Agent Ellie will soon be joining the Central Kansas District 4-H Team, and we're hoping you'll join us in rolling out the red carpet for her. One way to help Ellie get acquainted with all of our families is by remembering to introduce yourself when participating in programs and activities. We'll be making an effort to have name tags on hand, as well to help everyone get acquainted.

As you've recently seen, the fair papers and fair entry processes are now available. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have questions. We are here to help!

See you soon,

Kate

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