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# Central Kansas District 4-H

**June, 2026**

## Offices Closed

Both the Minneapolis and Salina Extension Offices will be closed on June 19 for Juneteenth. Offices will re-open on June 22.



## 4-H Council News

### July Meeting

Information about the July 4-H Council Meeting will be emailed.

## 4-H Newsletter Deadlines for 2026

If you have something you would like in the 4-H Newsletter, be sure to email it to [ev13104@ksu.edu](mailto:ev13104@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!

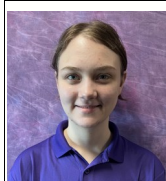
You will be able to log in anytime to add, delete or edit your entries before the pre-entry deadline. Information and instructions were emailed to all Ottawa County families on May 22.

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

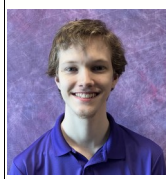
**The deadline for pre-entries to be entered online is June 15 at 11:59 p.m.**

## Summer Youth Enrichment Interns

We want to extend a warm welcome to our 4-H Summer Enrichment Interns: Acacia Pracht and Joel Hennes! This summer, they will be working across the District to provide educational opportunities for youth in the areas of Engineering & Technology, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Creative Arts, Family and Consumer Sciences, and Personal Development. You'll be seeing them in both 4-H and non-4-H settings as they roll out their programming for the next couple of months. Be sure to watch for announcements regarding signups and dates/times. Plus, if you know of an activity in your community where they could provide fun, hands-on learning opportunities, they are still booking events. Please reach out to our office to make arrangements.



Acacia Pracht is a student at McPherson College, where she is majoring in illustration. She enjoys art and sewing, and specializes in 2-D art and illustration. Acacia has been involved with 4-H for many years as a member and is excited to continue her work as an intern.



Joel Hennes is a 4-H alum, being a member for 11 years. He recently graduated from K-State Salina, majoring in Robotics and Automation. Joel enjoys all things computer related. He is super excited to continue helping with the programs that taught him so much in 4-H!

## Tri-Rivers Fair Pre-Entries Will OPEN June 5!

You will be able to log in anytime to add, delete or edit your entries before the pre-entry deadline. Information and instructions will be emailed to all Saline County families on June 5.

**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 29 at 11:59 p.m.**

# 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 15, 11:59 p.m.**
- Deadline for all Tri-Rivers Fair pre-entries is **June 29, 11:59 p.m.**

## Fair Superintendents and Assistant Superintendents

The dates for the Ottawa County Fair are July 14-18. The Tri-Rivers Fair will be on July 30 - August 2 (pre-fair days on July 25-29). 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 <https://www.centrankansas.k-state.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 2026 4-H Photography Competition is **Stars, Stripes, and Summer Nights**. 4-H members can submit a photograph that illustrates the fair theme. Be sure 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 6, 2026**. 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 17. 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](mailto: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 2026 Ottawa County Fair and 2026 Tri-Rivers Fair are as follows:

Beef: 1,000 lbs

Meat Goats: 50 lbs

Sheep: 90 lbs

Swine: 220 lbs

## Fashion Revue Pre-Entries

If you want to model a:	Members must be enrolled in:	Pre-enter in Division:	For Classes to pre-enter in, refer to the:
Constructed garment	Sewing & Textile Design	Fashion Revue	Fair Paper
Purchased garment	Shopping in Style	Fashion Revue ( <b>DO NOT</b> pre-enter in Shopping in Style.)	Fair Paper

Members need to pre-enter in Shopping in Style Division **ONLY** if they are wanting to exhibit a poster, tri-fold display or educational display.

If you want to pre-enter a:	Members must be enrolled in:	Pre-enter in Division:	For Classes to pre-enter in, refer to the:
Poster, tri-fold display or educational display	Shopping in Style	Shopping in Style	Fair Paper

Shopping in Style posters, tri-fold displays and educational displays are judged on the same day as Fashion Revue judging.

## Important Reminder: No Perishable Entries Accepted

by Lisa Newman

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 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.

## Free All-Purpose Flour

by Lisa Newman

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 - [lmnewman@ksu.edu](mailto:lmnewman@ksu.edu) .



## Fair-Worthy Recipes Await! Get Baking with 4-H! by Lisa Newman

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.

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!

## 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.

# 2026 Ottawa County 4-H Judging Schedule

Fair Theme: Stars, Stripes, and Summer Nights

4-H=4-H Building EX= Extension Office CH=Courthouse Meeting Room

LA=Livestock Arena RA=Rodeo Arena

## Monday, June 15

11:59 pm Pre-Entry Deadline

## Friday, July 10

7:00 pm Fairground Cleanup

## Monday, July 13

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

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

## Tuesday, July 14

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 judging(4-H)

1:00 pm 4-H Woodworking/CO2 Car judging (4-H)

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

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)

6:00 pm Parade

## Wednesday, July 15

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 16

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 (EX)

1:30 pm Fashion Revue judging (CH)

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

## Friday, July 17

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 18

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

## Saturday, July 25

8:00 am 4-H Dog Show – Salina – Saline County Livestock & Expo Center (Ag Hall & 4-H Building)

## Sunday, July 26

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

## Saturday, August 1

5:00 pm CO2 Car Races – Salina – 4-H Building

# 2026 Tri-Rivers Fair 4-H Judging Schedule

Fair Theme: Stars, Stripes, and Summer Nights

4-H=4-H Building AH=Ag Hall B1=Barn #1 B2=Barn #2

## Monday, June 29

11:59 pm Pre-Entry Deadline

## Friday, July 24

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

## Saturday, July 25

8:00 am 4-H Dog Show (AH & 4-H)

## Sunday, July 26

12:00 am Online judging time sign up opens

1:00 pm 4-H Fashion Revue judging (TBD)

1:30 pm 4-H Performing Arts Judging (TBD)

7:00 pm 4-H Public Fashion Revue (TBD)

11:59 pm Online judging time sign up closes

## Monday, July 27

4:00 pm Fair Cleanup (4-H & B1 & B2)

## Tuesday, July 28

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

## Wednesday, July 29

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)

6:30 pm Parade Downtown Theme: Stars, Stripes, and  
Summer Nights

## Thursday, July 30

7:30 am – 12:00 pm Bucket Calves/Dairy Cattle/Dairy  
Goats/Horses/All other breeding livestock entered

7:30-9:00 am 4-H Poultry entered (B1)

8:00 am - 8:30 am 4-H Swine weigh-in (B2)

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/Entrepreneurship judging (4-H)

**4-H Building Hours:** Wednesday – 9:00 am – Not open to the public, ONLY to those who are having items judged.

**for 4-H Families\*** Thursday, Friday, Saturday – 7:30 am – 8:00 pm

Sunday – 10:00 am – 6:00 pm

\*These hours may differ from hours open to the public.

## Thursday, July 30 continued

8:45 am - 9:15 am 4-H Sheep weigh-in (B2)

8:30 am 4-H 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 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 Rabbit Show (B2)

6:30 pm Crowning of 4-H King & Queen (4-H)

7:00-8:00 pm Saline Co. 4-H Development Fund  
Reception (4-H)

6:00-8:00 pm Ag Hall open for horse exhibitors to practice

## Friday, July 31

8:30 am 4-H Swine Show (B2)

9:00 am 4-H Cloverbud judging (4-H)

10:00 am 4-H Horse Show (AH)

1:00 pm 4-H Notebooks/Banners/Interior Design (4-H)

2:00-4:00 pm (immediately following horse show) Ag  
Hall opens for beef exhibitors to practice

2:30 pm 4-H Dairy Cattle/Dairy Goat Show (B2)

4:00 pm 4-H Meat Goat Show (B2)

6:30 pm 4-H Sheep Show (B2)

## Saturday, August 1

9:00 am 4-H Beef Show (AH)

Bucket Calf starts Beef Show

9:00 am – 12:30 pm 4-H Fair Fun Day (4-H)

1:30 pm 4-H Ag Olympics (AH)

2:00-4:00 pm Thank You Note Table (4-H)

3:00 pm 4-H Pets Show (4-H)

5:00 pm CO2 Car Races (4-H)

## Sunday, August 2

1:00 pm Round Robin (AH & B2)

4:00 pm Awards Ceremony (4-H)

5:00 pm Dismissal of All 4-H Exhibits (Immediately  
following 4-H Awards Ceremony)

## Monday, August 3

10:00 am 4-H Livestock Sale (B2)

12:00-1:30 pm Premium Buyers Meal

# Tri-Rivers Fair Information

**Tuesday, July 28** – 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 Friday, July 24 by going to <https://tinyurl.com/2026TuesdayFairHelp>

**Attention Food Exhibitors for Tri-Rivers Fair** – All food entries, including preservation items, will need to be brought on Tuesday, July 28.

**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.

## Tri-Rivers Fair King & Queen Candidates & Contest Update

Dates for King & Queen Candidates to remember are:

- Résumé, cover letter and bio are **DUE online by 11:59 p.m. June 8.**
- Informational meeting (required) held via zoom at **6:00 p.m., June 8.** A reminder email and link will be sent candidates.
- Royalty Reception date and time, where interviews will take place, will be determined, and an email will be sent to candidates with this information.

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

# Districtwide Project News

## Reading Adventures Project Meetings by Amber Pracht

It's time to prepare for fair! Join us for a Reading Adventures meeting at the Minneapolis Public Library, 519 Delia Ave., Minneapolis. We will meet at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, June 13 for an opportunity to share our dramatic readings or boards before fair. If you want to take a reading to fair but do not know what to prepare, that's OK. Come with questions and ideas. If you are new to the project and are working on a board and have questions, join us! If you have been working hard and want to practice presenting, bring your work and share it for feedback! This is an opportunity to come together to work on fair projects. Please bring specific supplies, if they are needed. A Zoom link will be available, upon request. Can't make it to Minneapolis or need more time to work? Join us at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, June 27, at the Salina Public Library's McKenzie Center, 308 W. Elm St., Salina. We will be working on projects in meeting room 1. Questions? Ask Amber at 785-787-0890 or [prachtamber@gmail.com](mailto:prachtamber@gmail.com).

## Livestock Nominations

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

### Nominations DUE Online & DNA Postmarked:

- **June 15** -
  - Small Livestock
    - Market Swine, Commercial Breeding Gilt
    - Market Lamb, Commercial Breeding Ewe
    - ALL Meat Goat (Market & Breeding)
  - Commercial Heifer

### Deadline - Last day to order DNA envelopes:

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

For more information on nominating animals, go to <https://www.asi.k-state.edu/extension/youth-programs/nominated-livestock/>

## CKD Horse Show by Stalee Diehl

CKD is thrilled to present an evening fun show on June 12, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Ottawa County Fair Grounds. This will showcase various events and procedures that you'll encounter at your county fairs. Your horse must be bathed and groomed. The rider should dress and tack their horse according to CKD fair rules. We encourage participants to actively engage in all events, as this is an excellent opportunity for you to learn and grow alongside your horse. Additionally, each 4-H member will receive valuable feedback on areas for improvement. Registration will be available soon at <http://www.centrankansas.ksu.edu/4-h/> by clicking the link under "Upcoming Events & Online Registration." There will be a \$5 fee per rider. Payment needs to be made at either Extension Office by the registration deadline. **Registration is due by Monday, June 8.**

## Kansas Junior Dairy Show

The Kansas All Breeds Junior Dairy Show is scheduled for June 18-20, 2026, at the Saline County Livestock and Expo Center in Salina. **Entries are DUE by Wednesday, June 10.** 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 [kpsnell@ksu.edu](mailto:kpsnell@ksu.edu) or (785) 532-1281.

# Recruiting for the 2026-2027 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

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.

# News For 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 candidates' résumé, cover letter and bio **DUE ONLINE, June 8.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Summer activities planned...tour, exchange meeting, swimming party, etc.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 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 with project leaders on progress. They should be nearly completed with project meetings.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Visitors' reported to Kate ([klittich@ksu.edu](mailto:klittich@ksu.edu)).
- \_\_\_\_\_ Check club mailbox at the 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





- \_\_\_\_\_ Organizational Leaders' Update via Zoom, **June 16, 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 **7:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 16**, via zoom. We will be discussing county fairs and more! You won't want to miss this update!

# June, 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1</p> 	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Discovery Days</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>	
<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <p>CKD Horse Show registration DUE online</p> <p>Tri-Rivers Fair King &amp; Queen Informational Meeting, Online via Zoom, 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>July/August Newsletter articles DUE to Ellie</p> <p>Fair Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent Sign-Up DUE Online</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p>CKD 4-H Horse Fun Show, Ottawa County Fairgrounds, Minneapolis, 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>4-H State Geology Field Trips</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Districtwide Reading Project Meeting, Salina Public Library, 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>↑</p>
<p>14</p> <p>↑</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Ottawa County Pre-Fair entries DUE online via Fair Entry by 11:59 p.m.</p> <p>KSF and KJLS nomination forms DUE online</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Organizational Leaders' Update, Online via Zoom - 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>KS All Breeds Junior Dairy Show, Salina</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Juneteenth Minneapolis &amp; Salina Offices Closed</p> <p>State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest, Quiz Bowl &amp; Skill-a-thon, Salina</p> <p>4-H State Insect Spectacular</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Districtwide Reading Project Meeting, Salina Public Library, McKenzie Center, 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>↑</p> <p>↑</p>
<p>21</p> 	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Tri-Rivers Pre-Fair entries DUE online via Fair Entry by 11:59 p.m.</p>	<p>30</p>	<p><b>UPCOMING DATES:</b></p> <p>July</p> <p>3 - Offices closed, Salina &amp; Minneapolis</p> <p>14-18 - Ottawa County Fair</p> <p>July 30 - August 2 - Tri-Rivers Fair</p> <p>TBD - 4-H Council Meeting, Salina</p> <p>TBD - Tri-Rivers Fair King/Queen Interviews/Royalty Reception</p>			



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## Summer Time!

4-H Families,

June is filled with exciting opportunities and plenty of preparation for the fair season! We want to congratulate our recent graduates, wish safe travels to members enjoying summer adventures, and encourage all our 4-H'ers as they continue learning, growing, and working on projects for the fair. We hope your family is enjoying a fun and productive start to summer. Be sure to watch for upcoming deadlines, workshop opportunities, and county fair information in the weeks ahead. Thank you for your continued support of our 4-H program—we appreciate all you do to help our members learn, grow, and succeed!

Ellie Vincent

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