

Agriculture

CENTRAL KANSAS EXTENSION DISTRICT NEWS

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February 2021

Upcoming Events

February

4, 11, Cattle
18, & Conversations
25 Series

Beef Exhibitor Check-In

Beef Check-in will be **Saturday, March 13**, in two locations. From 8:00 -11 a.m. we will be at Glenn Engelland's Farm and from 1-3 p.m. at Spencer Schrader's. Regardless of where you plan to go, please use the link https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6xL5lCVrDusvp5A to sign up for a spot before Thursday, March 11. This link will also be available at www.centralkansas.k-state.edu/livestock. Both check-ins are open to all District 4-H Members. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, all members and family will be required to wear a mask if they exit the vehicle. For any questions or information, contact Justine Henderson at 785-392-2147 or jwho4@ksu.edu.

YQCA Certification

ALL livestock exhibitors (beef, swine, sheep, meat goat) ages 8 and older are once again required to be YQCA-certified in order to participate in the 2021 Ottawa County Fair, Tri-Rivers Fair, Kansas State Fair Grand Drive, and/or Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS). This includes youth who will be showing market animals, commercial breeding females, and/or registered purebred breeding females. Due to COVID, there will be only two face to face instructor led classes (one in Ottawa and one in Saline County). For more details about the YQCA program, please contact Justine Henderson (jwho4@ksu.edu or 785-392-2147).

Junior Producer Days

These educational events are open to any youths, parents, swine project leaders or adults who wishes to increase their knowledge of swine production and management practices. For more information, contact Lexie Hayes at adhayes@ksu.edu.

Junior Meat Goat Producer Day - Held virtually during the week of March 15-20th. Presentations on topics like nutrition & feeding, selection, health & wellness, livestock guard dogs, equipment & daily care, clipping & show day prep, and showmanship. Register by March 8th at https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8nPTtFq4JHZHtFX

Junior Swine Producer Day - Held virtually during the week of February 15-20th. Presentations on topics like nutrition & feeding, selection, meat science & cookery, health management & diseases, equipment & daily care, clipping & show day prep, and showmanship. Register by February 8th at https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8jP1hsk52kCdQb3

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Farmers and Ranchers Eligible for PPP Loans

If you have not already spoken to your lender about a PPP loan, you need to soon. Rules under the Paycheck Protection Program have changed since the first time they were released. The result of these changes means that many more farmers and ranchers will now be eligible for the forgiven loan (free money), potentially \$20,833.

The new PPP loan process is based on gross income rather than net income. That is a tremendous change as most agriculture producers have large gross sales. The difficulty for producers is they also tend to have large expenses, which prevented many from participating during the first go around.

Even those who received payment the first time could also be eligible again. The farm or ranch needs to show a 25% reduction in gross receipts comparing in any one quarter of 2020 to 2019. Agriculture does not operate by quarters like other industries. Sales tend to fall slightly different from year to year, so those could also be eligible.

I have heard that some banks are not participating in this program. So be aware that you might need to look a little further for assistance.

The bottom line is to talk to your lender. Take in your schedule F from 2019 and 2020 if you have it and determine whether you could receive this payment. Please share with your neighbors and make sure everyone is aware. We do not want anyone missing out. This program could make a difference in people's lives as well as our community.


Check us out on YouTube!



Central Kansas Extension is making it a priority to continue delivering programs, information, and education to you in the best way possible. In hopes of better reaching our ag community, we have created a YouTube channel. Current videos include Making the ARC or PLC Decision; Pasture Management and Weed Control Program; and Cattle Marketing and Tax Program. We will continue to add more videos, which will be emailed and linked on our website. If you'd like to be notified when new videos are posted or make it easier to find us, hit the subscribe button and never miss a video! Search 'Central Kansas Extension' in YouTube to join us!

K-State Research and Extension

Join us for the 2021 “Cattle Conversations Series”.....ONLINE



10:00 a.m.
Thursdays
February 4, 11, 18, 25

Details

- Online sessions, Thursdays, beginning Feb. 4
- 10:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. each Thursday through Feb. 25
- One 25 minute session each week with four topics
- NO COST

Register ONLINE at <http://bit.ly/CattleConversations>
(Once you register you will receive the link to participate.)

Schedule:

Thursday, February 4: Gregg Hanzlicek - KSU Veterinarian – Pregnancy Issues

Thursday, February 11: Dale Blasi – KSU Beef Specialist - Post-calving nutrition

Thursday, February 18: A.J. Tarpoff – KSU Beef Vet. - Post-calving vaccinations

Thursday, February 25: Clint Laflin – KSU Livestock Agent - Semen/Sire selection



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Kansas State University is committed to making its services, activities and programs accessible to all participants. If you have special requirements due to a physical, vision, or hearing disability, contact Sandra L. Wick (785-282-6823), Kansas State University Agricultural Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service. K-State Research and Extension is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

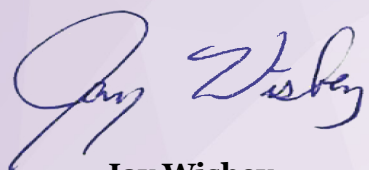
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The enclosed material is for your information. If we can be of further assistance, feel free to call or drop by the Extension Office.

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