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## Southwind 4-H News



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### **EXPLORE YOUR SPARK! THROUGH 4-H PROJECTS**

For each 4-H project, a Explore Your Spark! fact sheet is available. Each fact sheet provides ideas of what you can do or learn as a beginner, intermediate, or advanced youth in the project. Also included are events, curriculum, resources, 4-H Record Keeping, Project Exhibit Ideas, and how to expand your experiences through other 4-H projects. Fact sheets are available under each 4-H project at: [kansas4-h.org/projects/](https://kansas4-h.org/projects/).

### **SUMMER ACTIVITY FUNDS AVAILABLE**

Did you know you can complete an application for a scholarship to attend summer 4-H activities? Well you can! Stop by your local Extension Office and pick up an application or find the form online at: [www.southwind.ksu.edu](http://www.southwind.ksu.edu).

### **FAVORITE FOOD SHOW**

Details to come soon.

### **STATE 4-H HORTICULTURE JUDGING**

The State 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest is planned for Saturday, August 13, 2022 on the campus of Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS. Registration information will be on the web by June 15 and will be due Monday, August 1. The study material is taken from a variety of Healthy Yard Videos detailed on the Kansas 4-H Website on the Horticulture Judging Contest page: [kansas4-h.org/events-activities/contests/horticulture-judging/index.html](https://kansas4-h.org/events-activities/contests/horticulture-judging/index.html). There will also be some written study material which will be updated in May. If you have questions about the contest please contact Beth Hinshaw ([bhinshaw@ksu.edu](mailto:bhinshaw@ksu.edu)).

### **KANSAS 4-H SPORTFISHING TOURNAMENT**

The Kansas 4-H Sportfishing Tournament is available for youth in the Wildlife: Sportfishing project. This is something that can be done at their own pace throughout the year. The contest will end September 15, 2022. Details and entry forms available on the webpage: [kansas4-h.org/projects/agriculture-and-natural-resources/sport-fishing/index.html](https://kansas4-h.org/projects/agriculture-and-natural-resources/sport-fishing/index.html).

### **DISTRICT HORSE SHOW**

The South East District Horse Show will be held June 28, 2022 at the State Hospital Arena, Parsons KS. All youth participating in District Shows must have passed Level I Achievement Testing by registration deadline June 15. Registration: <https://www.wildcatdistrict.ksu.edu/4-h/crawford/documents/22%20SE%20District%20entry.pdf>.

### **2022 STATE 4-H HORSE JUDGING CONTEST**

The 4-H Horse Judging Contest provides youth an opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge of equine-related subject matter, including structure and movement, in a competitive setting. This contest will provide an educational experience for all participants. The two days prior to the contest, the KSU Horse Judging Team will be hosting a beginner and advanced Horse Judging Educational Camp for youth. For more information visit: [kansas4-h.org/events-activities/contests/horse-judging/index.html](https://kansas4-h.org/events-activities/contests/horse-judging/index.html).

### **KANSAS JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW**

KJLS will be held September 30-October 2, 2022 at the Kansas State Fairgrounds, Hutchinson, Kansas. For more information go to [kjls.net](http://kjls.net).

## **STATE LIVESTOCK NOMINATION**

The state livestock nomination process is transitioning to an online system this year! Families are required to plan ahead in order to successfully complete their nominations. Deadlines have not changed. Information and resources regarding the state livestock nominations process maybe found here: <http://bit.ly/ksunominations>. Families, are encouraged to read through the Rookie Guide and use the other resources available in 2022! Exhibitors planning to show at KSF/KJLS need to be aware of the new process. **DNA Envelopes** for state livestock nominations need to be ordered in advance through the ShoWorks online system. Deadline to order envelopes for market beef is April 24 and small livestock is June 8<sup>th</sup>. There is a way to skip ahead in the system (ShoWorks) and order envelopes without actually submitting an animal nomination, including the tag number and other identifying information. Once you enter at least one exhibitor for your family, click the “(3) Items” on the navigation bar on the top of the page. It will take you directly to the “Items” page to enter the quantity of envelopes you need. Follow the steps from there to check out. You’ll have to return to the system later to enter each tag number and the corresponding animal nomination information before you mail the completed DNA envelopes. DO NOT use last years old envelopes. You can’t go into your Extension Office and pick envelopes up-we will not have any! PLAN AHEAD and don’t wait until the last day to order envelopes. Both State Shows require DNA on all market animals and non-registered females to be eligible for their show.

## **KANSAS 4-H DOG CONFERENCE**

Join us at Rock Springs October 22-23, 2022 for the Kansas 4-H Dog Conference. The 2022 Conference theme is the Doggy Olympics. 4-Hers have the opportunity to send in t-shirt designs using the Doggy Olympics theme by July 1, 2022. The 4-Her who sends in the design that is selected to be turned into the conference-themed shirt gets free admission to the Conference. Send T-shirt design ideas to Aliah Mestrovich Seay at [aliah@ksu.edu](mailto:aliah@ksu.edu) with the email subject title: 4-H DOG CONFERENCE T-SHIRT DESIGN.



## **YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS (YQCA)**

YQCA is a national, multi-species youth livestock quality assurance program that focuses on food safety, animal well-being, and life skill development, through age-appropriate educational curriculum for youth 7-21 years of age. This program is an annual certification that grows with a young person, so the learning modules are different every year. ALL exhibitors are required to be YQCA certified in order to participate in the 2022 Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and/or Kansas Junior Livestock Show. This includes youth who will be showing market animals, commercial breeding females, and/or registered purebred breeding females. Families should contact their local extension office to see what options are available in their local area. Everyone planning to state nominate animals are highly encouraged to complete the training as soon as possible. The YQCA program recently transitioned to a new platform, so families will need to create an account, using the new website: [yqcaprogram.org](http://yqcaprogram.org). The program is no longer connected to 4HOnline. Those experiencing technical difficulties should contact the help desk: [help@yqcaprogram.org](mailto:help@yqcaprogram.org). Additionally, families need to double check each child is being registered correctly, using their age as of 1/1/2022. Occasionally, the system uses the parent's name as the default, so families need to make sure the correct child is selected before submitting their payment and completing the registration process. The option is now available for 7-year-olds to register and obtain certification through the YQCA program. They must participate in an instructor-led class with a parent or guardian. Those who need a web-based option for a 7-year-old exhibitor should contact their local extension office. The YQCA requirement to include 7-year-old KJLS exhibitors went into effect in 2021. Families will be prompted to upload their YQCA certificates into the online system while submitting their state livestock nominations. The system will only ask once, so families need to be prepared to upload it upon entering their first animal. More information may be found on the K-State Youth Livestock website: [asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/](http://asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/) under Youth Livestock Quality Assurance, by contacting the local extension office, or via Lexie Hayes at [adhayes@ksu.edu](mailto:adhayes@ksu.edu) or 785-532-1264.

## **WIN A BUCK! ESSAY CONTEST**

Locust Hill Lamanchas of Fort Scott wants to encourage expansion of the dairy goat project by giving away a buck kid to one lucky 4-H'er from the Southwind District. Youth must write an essay expressing what their plans would be for the buck. Essays are due to your local Extension Office by June 1. Locust Hill will contact the 4-H'er with the best essay to arrange for pick-up. If you have questions, contact Sue Reinecke at 620-223-2362.

## **4-H LIVESTOCK CAMP**

Open to all 4-H members in the Southwind District. Improve judging skills, enhance reasons scores, learn about livestock skillathon and meats judging. Bourbon County Fairgrounds on June 21-22, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. each day. Cost is \$10 which includes materials, lunches and snacks. Call the Southwind Iola Office 620-362-2242 by Friday, June 17 to register.

## **CHAMPIONS LIVESTOCK JUDGING CAMP**

A three-day, intense judging camp designed for 4-H and FFA members (ages 14-18) who are seriously interested in enhancing their livestock judging and oral communication skills. Prior livestock judging experience is necessary for this camp. Workouts will be conducted similar to those at a collegiate level.

Chris Mullinix, KSU livestock judging team coach, will conduct the training for each camp. The camp will focus primarily on the proper format, terminology, and presentation of oral reasons. Camp participants will also be exposed to livestock evaluation skills and incorporating performance records in the decision-making process. For more information visit: [asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/JudgingCamp17.pdf](http://asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/JudgingCamp17.pdf).

## **ROCK SPRINGS 4-H CAMP**

Kansas 4-H Foundation decided to open Rock Springs registration up to anyone who wants to attend summer camp. You may select any date you would like to attend and register with Rock Springs. Those dates and registration can be found at: <https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/>. Families are now responsible for transportation as well. You can go on the Southwind website under the tab 4-H Scholarships and fill out the Southwind 4-H Event Scholarship Form and return it to your local Extension Office.

## **ALLEN COUNTY NEWS**

### **ALLEN COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL**

Allen County 4-H Council will meet June 22, 2022, 7:00 p.m. at the Southwind Extension Office in Iola.

### **ALLEN COUNTY FAIR**

Allen County Fair is scheduled for July 28-31, 2022. The Fair theme is "Rustic Traditions "

### **ALLEN COUNTY DATES**

\*4-H Day Camp, June 10<sup>th</sup>.

\*Friends of 4-H and Style Revue July 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at the Iola High School.

## **BOURBON COUNTY NEWS**

### **BOURBON COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL**

4-H Council will meet Wednesday, May 25, 2022 at the 4-H Pavilion on the Bourbon County fairgrounds. This is the last meeting prior to the Bourbon County Fair.

### **GOOD OL' DAY'S PARADE FAIR PROMOTION**

The Bourbon County Fairboard will have a float entry for the Good Ol' Days Parade Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The purpose is to promote fair, 4-H, and the various projects 4-H'ers participate in. All Bourbon County 4-H'ers are invited to join the Fairboard on their float (truck and trailer with straw bales) and show off your favorite 4-H project or bring a bag of candy to pass out along the parade route. You will receive your fair t-shirt provided by Landmark Bank to wear for the parade. If you have any questions, please contact Joy Miller at 620-223-3720 or email at [joymiller@ksu.edu](mailto:joymiller@ksu.edu).

### **BOURBON COUNTY FAIR**

Bourbon County Fair is scheduled for July 16-23, 2022. The Fair theme is "To Fair and Beyond "

### **BOURBON COUNTY FAIR PAPER**

The 2022 Fair Paper was published in the Fort Scott Tribune on Saturday, April 31. The schedule will also be located on the Southwind website: [southwind.k-state.edu](http://southwind.k-state.edu) under Fair/Bourbon County Fair.



### **BOURBON COUNTY 2022 FAIR CHANGES**

- \*There will be no livestock rate of gain.
- \*Bourbon County Born nominations will be taken during weigh in night of the fair.
- \*Dairy Bucket Calves will judge Wednesday, July 20<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.
- \*Beef Bucket Calves will be judged on Wednesday, July 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.
- \*Sheep will show by weight only NOT by breed.

### **PUBLIC STYLE REVUE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We will need eight script narrators and 4 ushers at the County Fair Public Style Revue on Thursday, July 21st. Any 4-H'er can volunteer. Please contact Joy Miller at [joymiller@ksu.edu](mailto:joymiller@ksu.edu) or call 620-223-3720.

### **NEOSHO COUNTY NEWS**

#### **NEOSHO COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL**

4-H Council will meet on May 27, at 7:00 p.m. in the Neosho Valley Event Center in Erie.

#### **SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES**

The Copeland Scholarship and the Neosho County 4-H Development Fund Scholarship applications are due into the Extension office by Friday, July 1, 2022. Remember, both of these scholarships are available to Neosho county 4-Hers only! Apply today!

#### **NEOSHO COUNTY FAIR 2022**

Neosho County Fair is scheduled for July 21-25, 2022. The Fair theme is "Stars & Stripes and Summer Nights".

#### **4-H SHOWCASE**

The Neosho County 4-H Development Fund will be sponsoring the "4-H Showcase" again at the county fair. We had great participation last year and are anticipating the same in 2022! Booth theme should showcase 4-H promotion. This could be a display about joining 4-H, a particular project or a community service activity that the club has participated in. Cash awards will be paid as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place - \$500
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place - \$400
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place - \$350
- 4<sup>th</sup> place - \$300
- 5<sup>th</sup> place - \$250
- 6<sup>th</sup> place - \$200
- 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> place - \$100

### **CLEAN-UP BEFORE FAIR ASSIGNMENTS**

All buildings must be ready by Monday, July 18<sup>th</sup>.

- Best Yet**-Beef Barn
- Hillcrest**-Show Barn
- Jolly Go Getters**-Neosho Valley Event Center
- Jolly Jayhawkers**-Sheep/Hog Barn Wash Racks
- Meadowlark & Sunrise Challengers**-Open Class Building and Bath House
- NVBB**-Dairy/Goat Barn
- SES**-Poultry Barn
- Willing Workers**-Horse Barn/Arena

### **WOODSON COUNTY NEWS**

#### **WOODSON COUNTY FAIR**

Woodson County Fair is scheduled for July 15-20, 2022.

#### **FIREWORKS SALE**

Fireworks will be sold June 27 thru July 4. Schedules will be decided upon at the next 4-H Council meeting.

