

April 2022



Southwind 4-H News

4-H QUESTIONS? Please call!

If you have any 4-H questions, please direct them to Pat, via a phone call at 620-223-3720. Don't worry about calling after hours, just please leave a message and she will be able to get back to you soon.

SUMMER INTERNS NEEDED

Southwind District is looking for four youth to work approximately 20 hours per week to assist with programming and preparation for the County Fair. An intern will be hired for each office location in the Southwind District: Erie, Fort Scott, Iola and Yates Center. Applicants should be at least 16 years of age with the ability to drive. Applications are located on our website: www.southwind.k-state.edu Please drop off or mail applications to your local Extension Office by May 1, 2022.

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/.

4-H SHOOTING SPORTS PROJECT

4-H Shooting Sports is back! We will be offering the following disciplines to the Southwind District:

- Shotgun
- Air Rifle
- .22 Rifle.

4-H'ers interested in the 4-H Shooting Sports project must enroll in 4honline by the deadline of May 1st. For more information contact Chad Guthrie at 620-223-3720.

GREENBUSH 4-H CAMP

Camp is set for June 6-7, 2022 for 7-9-year-olds. Cost is \$70 to be made out to Neosho County 4-H Council. Completed forms and checks need mailed to the Erie Office 111 S. Butler, Erie, KS 66733 no later than May 1st. Forms are located on the Southwind website: www.southwind.k-state.edu. If you have any questions contact the Erie Office at 620-224-3826.

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.

4-H DISCOVERY DAYS - 2022

Kansas 4-H Discovery Days is planning to be in-person on KSU campus June 1st-3rd, 2022. Cost to attend this year will be \$195. Youth ages 13-18 before January 1, 2022 are invited to register. For more information visit: kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/discovery-days/index.html.

KANSAS 4-H SEEKING SUMMER INTERNS

This is a paid position with numerous locations available throughout the state. Hired individuals will be responsible for planning, organizing, and facilitating lessons to youth with research-based curriculum provided by Extension. This full-time, twelve-week internship will run approximately May 23, 2022 – August 12, 2022. Interns will know their selected sites by May 1, 2022. Interested applicants should apply by April 8 for best consideration. Learn more and apply through the K-State Careers webpage at: <https://careers.pageuppeople.com/742/cw/en-us/job/512492/summer-intern-4h-youth-development>.

WOODSON COUNTY SPRING BEEF, LAMB, AND MEAT GOAT SHOWS

Saturday, April 30, 2022 at the Woodson County Fairgrounds, Yates Center, KS. For more details contact Dale Lanham 620-625-8620 or 620-496-7933

HORSE LEVEL TESTING

Level 1 Achievement test is required for all youth to participate in District and State Horse Shows. Ask your local Extension Office for more details.

HORSE ID CERTIFICATES

Horse ID Certificates are due May 1 to your local Extension Office. Use the January 2020 ID certificate: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/horse/docs/P1039%20Horse%20ID%20Form%20Fillable.pdf>.

2022 STATE 4-H HORSE JUDGING RULES

This contest will provide an educational experience for all participants age 9-18 before January 12, 2022. Save the date June 9, 2022 at Manhattan, KS. For more information visit: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/contests/horse-judging/index.html>.

KANSAS 4-H DOG CONFERENCE

This year, 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 1st, 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 with the email subject title: 4-H Dog Conference T-shirt Design.

DOG CARE AND TRAINING PROJECT

The Kansas 4-H Dog Care and Training Project is being updated with revisions to Agility rules and regulations. The following changes will be effective in the 2023 4-H year: [kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/dog/Agility%20Updated%20Effective%202023.pdf](https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/dog/Agility%20Updated%20Effective%202023.pdf).

DOG SHOWS

Upcoming 4-H Dog Shows, Clinics, and Events in Counties and Districts that are open to Kansas 4-H Dog members will be posted here: [kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/dog/local-dog-events/index.html](https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/dog/local-dog-events/index.html).

YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS

YQCA launched a new platform on March 23rd. The website is now live and may be found at: <http://yqcaprogram.org/>. You will be able to access any and all information about YQCA on this new site.

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 may be 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 8th. 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 year's 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 YOUTH LIVESTOCK FAMILIES

There will be an informational session and demonstration via Zoom over the new online state livestock nomination system **Thursday, April 7 at 7:00 p.m.** All market animals and commercial females, families would like to be eligible to show at the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and/or KJLS need to be nominated. The session will be recorded and available for those interested to view later at their convenience. We will focus on market beef and commercial heifer nominations, but the information will generally apply to all species. Families will need to register in order to receive the link and participate. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email. **Registration Link:** <https://ksu.zoom.us/j/9432589111>

GRAND DRIVE SCHOLARSHIP

The Kansas State Fair Grand Drive Scholarship Program is to provide educational opportunities and recognition to youth livestock exhibitors who have demonstrated excellence, commitment, and integrity as ambassadors of the Kansas State Fair Junior Livestock Program. Up to ten \$1,000 scholarships are awarded annually and recipients are recognized at the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive Gala. Graduating seniors and secondary education students who have been a part of the Grand Drive youth livestock show are encouraged to apply! Applications are due April 15th at: kansasstatefair.com/p/competitions/grand-drive-scholarships1.

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.

K-STATE ANIMAL SCIENCE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

The department of animal sciences and industry is hosting a leadership academy for high school-aged students. This educational experience is designed to enhance leadership skills and animal science knowledge of those interested in livestock-related careers. Applications for the academy are due April 15. Visit: asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/k-state-animal-science-leadership-academy/.

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 are available on the webpage: kansas4-h.org/projects/agriculture-and-natural-resources/sport-fishing/index.html.

BRING YOUR 4-H PROJECTS TO LIFE

K-State Department of Interior Design and Fashion Studies invites you to attend a 1-hour Zoom led by Dr. Yingying Wu, Assistant Professor in Fashion Studies on April 14, at 7:00 p.m. In this Zoom meeting, we will first explore the use of advanced fashion technologies, such as 3D body scanning, 3D virtual simulation, smart textiles, and eye-tracking, in our fashion world. Then, we will discuss the sustainability impacts of adopting advanced technologies in the fashion industry. Lastly, we will practice how to effectively read clothing labels for making smart clothing shopping and care decisions. Register online: https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cJilbdhIOL2vBye. Register by April 12 to receive all program information.

ROCK SPRINGS RANCH OPEN HOUSE

You are invited to our first Open House! Rock Springs Ranch is located in the beautiful Flint Hills of Kansas, but you might be surprised at what you see when you first arrive. We are on 435 acres of Kansas paradise, with trees, streams, hills and wildflowers. Come and join us for a tour of the property, meet our staff and learn all about the fun to be had here. Guests will get to see our cabins, activity center, pool, ropes course, horses, dining hall and lots more. We are so excited to meet you and answer all of your questions. Bring a friend or two and plan your camp adventure at Rock Springs Ranch! Tours begin at 2:00 pm and run until 6:00 pm. Light refreshments will be provided. To RSVP visit: rockspringranch4hcamp.org/open-house.

ALLEN COUNTY NEWS

ALLEN COUNTY FAIR

Allen County Fair is scheduled for July 28-31, 2022.

ALLEN COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

The Council will meet on April 28, 2022, 7:00 p.m. at the Extension Office.

LIVESTOCK WEIGH IN & TAGGING

Bucket Calves, Goats, Sheep and Swine will weigh and tag-in at the Allen County Fairgrounds.

Tuesday, April 26, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 27, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Happy Easter

BOURBON COUNTY NEWS

BOURBON COUNTY FAIR

Bourbon County Fair is scheduled for July 16-23, 2022.

BOURBON COUNTY FAIR THEME

The Bourbon County Fair theme selected by the 4-H Council is "To Fair and Beyond"

BOURBON COUNTY FAIR T-SHIRT ORDER

Attention All 4-H Members

Ethan Holly with Landmark Bank is providing a t-shirt to each Bourbon County 4-H member with the 2022 fair theme 'To Fair and Beyond'. Anyone who is NOT a Bourbon County 4-H member may also order a t-shirt for \$6.50. Orders and payment will be accepted through Friday, April 22nd.

Order t-shirts:

https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bIQ6WVGo4Vmpl8e. Checks payable to: Bourbon County 4-H Council and dropped off at the Fort Scott Extension office #13. The Fort Scott Extension office is overseeing this process, if you have any questions, please contact Joy or Pat at 620-223-3720.

MARKET SPRING TAG-IN

4-H/FFA members may tag as many animals as they wish but after the 2 allowed tags per specie members will be charged \$4.00 per tag. Checks can be made out to: Livestock Account.

MEAT GOAT, SHEEP AND SWINE TAG-IN

Choose the location that works best for you.

Wednesday, April 27:

Football Field Parking Lot, Uniontown
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 30:

Bourbon County Fairgrounds, Fort Scott
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

BOURBON COUNTY BORN NOMINATIONS

Bourbon County Born Animals will be declared at the Fair, no prior nominations required. Prize money will be sponsored by the local breeders.



NEOSHO COUNTY NEWS

NEOSHO COUNTY FAIR 2022

Neosho County Fair is scheduled for July 21-25, 2022.

NEOSHO COUNTY FAIR THEME

The Neosho County Fair theme is "Stars & Stripes and Summer Nights"

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!

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:

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

MEAT GOAT, SHEEP, & SWINE TAGGING

The date for tagging is **Monday, April 25th from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.** at the fairgrounds. If you are unable to bring your animals, you will need to find someone to bring them in for you. Cost for the tag is \$4 each. If you have questions, please contact Krista Harding at 620-244-3826.

WOODSON COUNTY NEWS

WOODSON COUNTY FAIR

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

4-H COUNCIL MEETING

4-H Council will meet on Wednesday, April 20th at 7pm in Bressner Hall.