**GENERAL 4-H INFORMATION**

**Record Books/Kansas Award Portfolio (KAP)**  
As soon as the County Fair ends, it is a good time to begin working on Record Books. If you are needing any help with completing these books or are completely new to the process, please let Jennifer, know. Record Books are due to your club leaders at their specific deadline to have plenty of time to review books before they are due to the Extension Office on Thursday, October 1. Books that are turned in after the deadline of your club leader will not be judged for county-wide awards.

**Enrollment Deadline**  
4-H Enrollment opens Thursday, October 1, 2020. Enrollment and payment must be complete by December 1st. Youth age 18: If you plan to participate as a 4-H member you will need to enroll as youth. If you plan to be a volunteer in 4-H only, please enroll as an adult.

**COUNTY FAIR INFORMATION**

**FairEntry System**  
The Extension Offices will be using the FairEntry System again this year. 4-H members may enter their fair exhibits from June 15 – July 1, 2020 ONLY. FairEntry resources to help families log in, enter exhibits and more can be found on the Southwind website: Southwind.k-state.edu/fairs/

**County Fair Participation**  
Alternative opportunities for county fair 4-H participation will be made available to those with COVID-19 health concerns. Please contact your local Extension Office as soon as possible.

**4-H Cloverbuds**  
Cloverbuds was designed for 5 & 6 year old’s and is activity focused, rather than project focused. Cloverbuds may not participate in any competitive 4-H event, but they may showcase their exhibits at fairs and public events, but they may not own and/or show 4-H livestock.

**Family Consumer Science (FCS) Judging Virtual Contest**  
FCS Judging is about applying what you know and making decisions. The FCS Judging contest that will be virtual this year. The contest is broken out into age divisions and each age division will have four classes. A Prezi presentation for each class has been created with resources and activities to help you learn and practice each topic. Look for them on the Southwind Website under Fairs: https://www.southwind.k-state.edu/fairs/. Contest Details: Wednesday, July 8th @ 8 a.m., will run for 24 hours. Registration is required, so please register at this link: https://forms.gle/aZKXRwu6ChGAC2L6AY

**Writing Thank You Notes**  
It is very important that each 4-H member writes-mails a thank you note to fair sponsors and livestock buyers. Please make sure you take time after fair week to send a simple note of thanks to each sponsor that has awarded you with funds, trophies or plaques. It is best to take livestock buyers a token of appreciation the week after fair. This can be a thank you note, baked goods, or gift baskets. Do make sure you visit with your buyer on sale night to thank them initially.

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**LIVESTOCK INFORMATION**

**Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and KJLS Entry Information**  
The entry deadlines for the state youth livestock shows are approaching. Exhibitors need to remember that a complete nomination does NOT constitute entry; it is only the first step in animals being eligible for the state fair and KJLS. Youth who only nominate, but do not official enter the show in which they would like to participate, will not be permitted to show. Entries for the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive (4-H/FFA youth livestock show) are due July 15. Entries are being accepted now through their website. All animals must be entered directly through the state fair using the online system, which is ShoWorks. Only online entries will be accepted. Families who state nominated livestock (market animals or commercial females) this year should have their KSU Nomination # ready when they begin the entry process. All exhibitors will also need to be prepared to submit their YQCA number. Late entry forms will be accepted until July 25, with a late fee. No entries will be accepted after July 25. For more information, visit https://www.kansasstatefair.com/ p/participate/grand-drive/ Continuing this year, county agents and ag teachers will receive instructions from the state fair regarding how to login to the ShoWorks system and approve the entries for exhibitors from their county/school. Entries for KJLS will be due by August 15, also using ShoWorks. However, they are separate shows, so families will need to create a new account when entering KJLS. All exhibitors must register online, using the link found on the KJLS website: https://kils.org/. Families who state nominated livestock this year will need their KSU Nomination #: All youth need to be prepared to submit their YQCA number as well. Late entries will be accepted until August 25th but will cost double the listed original entry fee. Families are encouraged to enter early in order to avoid missing the deadline and experiencing technical difficulties. Exhibitors also need to read the rules for each show before submitting their entries. Questions regarding entries need to be directed to each show, as they manage their own entry processes. Grand Drive – (620)669-3623; KJLS – (316)706-9750.

**KANSAS 4-H STATE FAIR INFORMATION**

**Update on State Fair Encampment Building**  
We have been made aware that the Kansas State Fair Encampment Dormitories will not be available for the 2020 State Fair. The sleeping areas are closed for this year due to COVID-19. We will let you know if something changes.

**Kansas 4-H State Fair Geology Update**  
In light of being unable to host the geology field trip and circumstances related to specimen collection, the 4-H Geology Action team has voted to modify the collection rules for the 2020 Kansas State Fair. "the current year specimen number rule shall be modified for the 2020 4-H year for geology exhibit state fair classes 5200, 5201, 5202 and 5203, due to these extraordinary circumstances, to read: Five (5) specimens must be collected during the current 4-H year."

The rule change only pertains to the 2020 4-H year. So for example, this year participants need only 5 (new) specimens collected during the current year, which begins the day after last year’s state fair. The total number of specimens (15, 30, 45 & 60) per any given exhibit class remains the same. So for a 15-specimen exhibit, for example, the participant needs only 5 specimens from the current year and the remaining 10 could be collected during previous years.
2020 48 HOURS of 4-H
We hope every Extension Unit will join us this fall in seeing just how much we can give back to our communities! The weekend after National 4-H Week, is the perfect opportunity to setup a service project. Invite your friends, clubs, adult volunteers, potential 4-H members and 4-H Alums too!

When: October 10-11, 2020
Who: 4-H Members, 4-H Clubs, Friends, Adult Volunteers, Parents, 4-H Alumni
It’s time to make plans for your club to participate. Check out the website for a helpful guide, and to register your projects. Be watching for the Facebook Event to win some prizes and get excited about serving our communities. The link for t-shirt orders will be available in mid-August. If you have a big Community Project planned, we have two pop up banners and one hanging banner. We would love to have those used in 3 different locations this year. Contact Beth Hinshaw (bhinshaw@ksu.edu) if you are interested in borrowing one!

2021 Kansas 4-H and FFA Wheat Variety Plot Enrollment Open (Repost)
As wheat harvest approaches it is time to remind members to re-enroll or ask new members to enroll for the 2021 Kansas 4-H and FFA Wheat Variety Plot program. The program begins fall of 2020 and goes through September 2021. The enrollment form and program details are currently available. Visit: http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/wheat/wheat-variety-plots/index.html. Members are asked to contact their local Extension Office by July 12 for information with enrollments due to Deryl Waldren, dwaldren@ksu.edu. There will be no cost for the program in 2020-21 since the five varieties are again being sponsored by commercial companies. It is very important that we know the number of participants early, so we can have enough seed and metal signs available for Extension agents and leaders to pick up at the Kansas State Fair. New participants will receive a free large plot sign, and five free individual variety signs. These are scheduled to be distributed on Friday, September 11th at the 2020 Kansas State Fair. Don’t forget to pull your wheat samples for the Kansas State 4-H Wheat Show on Thursday, August 6th in Wichita, and also for wheat samples at your county fair, that may be eligible for the Kansas State Fair 4-H Crops Division. Resource information for the wheat variety project includes: (1) Wheat Variety Plot Brochure, 4-H 565 Revised 2010, (2) Wheat Variety Plot–Youth Participant Handbook, 4-H 566, Revised 2010, and (3) 4-H Wheat Variety Plot Record, P1099, Revised 2010. To download these files, visit: http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/wheat/wheat-variety-plots/index.html. This year’s participants who are getting ready to harvest their plots should be planning their county fair display for possible qualifying for the Kansas State Fair entry in the Showcase Building. For more information, contact Deryl Waldren, 303-349-7403, or e-mail dwaldren@ksu.edu.

COUNTY INFORMATION

Allen, Neosho, and Woodson Counties
Please make sure you are watching emails for any updates between now and the County Fair. Any adjustments or changes will be communicated that way. You might also want to follow our Facebook pages of Southwet Extension District and Southwind District 4-H. Club leaders, please make sure that you are sharing emails you receive in your club Facebook pages and emails.

COVID-19 Event Guidelines and Recommendations during Fair:
1) Wash your hands often or use hand sanitizer.
2) Sanitize surfaces often, especially ones touched by many people.
3) Practice social distancing as much as possible, 6 feet distance from others and less than 10 minutes of talking.
4) Where a facemask to protect others. Be prepared and have one with you at all times during the fair.
5) If you are sick or have symptoms of COVID-19, stay home.
6) Follow current state and county mandates.
7) Fair events may continue to evolve, please check your e-mail regularly.

Volunteer Opportunities for Parent’s and 4-H Members
* Fair Board Work Session – Thursday evening July 9, 6:00 p.m.
* We have a reach in cooler plug-in that needs repaired.
* Table holders in the 4-H building need repaired.
* Launder towels and wash clothes from the Chuckwagon during the week of fair.
* Public Style Revue Narrators - Thursday, July 16th.
* Performances (singing, music, etc.) at Public Style Revue - Thursday, July 16th.
Contact Joy at 620-223-3720 or e-mail jmiller@ksu.edu

Fair Clean-up for all 4-H Clubs
Each 4-H Club is responsible for clean-up of the 4-H Building and the fairgrounds. Club Leaders will have a list of duties for the evening. Please do not come before your assigned time. At this time, you will need to wear a facemask.
• Uniontown 4-H Club – Tuesday, July 7 @ 6:30 p.m. – Meyers Building
• Northeast Scott 4-H Club - Tuesday, July 7 @ 6:30 p.m. 4-H Building Large Area
• Barnstormers 4-H Club – Tuesday, July 7 @ 6:30 p.m. Outside/Storerooms
• Hiawtville 4-H Club – Wednesday, July 8 @ 5:30 p.m. Kitchen

Fair Theme
This year’s theme is “Let the good times grow”.

Buymanship & Contruction Revue Judging July 7th
At this time, judging will happen at the Ellis Fine Arts Center, but we must be in compliance with current COVID-19 mandates and any other requirements by the college. With limited gathering numbers of people, please do not bring extra people with you to the event. Everyone will be required to wear a face mask also. Please do not come too early, social distance from others, and use caution in the dressing rooms.

Static Exhibits:
1) Monday, July 6 - Friday, July 10, pick-up fair entry cards, photo mats, canning labels, reading notebook reports, etc. at the Extension Office. Enter the Courthouse at the Northeast entrance. You are required to where a facemask when entering and they may take your temperature. It is recommended to confirm someone is at the office by calling 223-3720. The office Hours are 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. and lunch is from noon- 1 p.m. Please call if other arrangements need to be made.
2) Static exhibits, also known as indoor exhibits, will not be conferenced judged this year. Attach a notecard or write on the back of the exhibit entry information you want the judge to know about your project. Encourage 4-H’ers to focus on exhibit quality and written communication skills,
3) Monday, July 13, 9:00 a.m. - Noon: Static exhibit entry ‘drop and go’. Check exhibits in at the 4-H building. Constructed Clothing and Textiles will also be judged this day.
4) Judges will provide written evaluation and comments.

CANCELED 2020
4-H Dance and Barnyard Olympics are canceled for this year.
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Fair Office Hours
Fair Office hours Tuesday, July 14 - Friday, July 17 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Must wear a face mask to enter the office.
If door is locked, please knock. Guideline recommendations for social distancing and gatherings will be followed as much as possible in the office.

Livestock Exhibitors
All animals including poultry and rabbits will be entered Monday, July 13 from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Market animals will be weighed in the following order.
- 5:00 p.m. – Beef
- 6:00 p.m. – Goats
- 6:30 p.m. – Sheep
- 7:00 p.m. – Swine

Re-weighs will be handled in the following manner: If a re-weigh is needed, the animal will be taken off the scales, the scales balanced, and then the animal will be weighed again. The animal cannot leave the weigh-in area and no animal will be allowed on the scales in between.

Showmanship 4-H/FFA age before January 1, 2020
Senior – Age 14 and older
Intermediate – Age 10 - 13
Junior – Age 7 - 9
Pee Wee Showmanship (Non-competitive class for youth age 6 years and under)

Minimum and maximum weights for the Livestock
- Beef......1,000+
- Hogs.......220+
- Lambs......90+
- Goats......50+

Rabbit Exhibitors
Per our rabbit judge each exhibitor will be required to wear a mask when presenting your rabbit. Please remember to bring a mask with you one will not be provided.

Exhibit Release
All exhibits must remain on the fairgrounds until scheduled release. Please make arrangements if you are unable to pick up your exhibits at either of the times below. Bourbon County Fair Association, Southwind Extension District nor 4-H Youth Development are liable for the loss or damage of any personal property.
* Friday, July 17 from 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. ONLY, static exhibits and animals not involved in the Junior Livestock Sale will be released.
* Saturday, July 18 from 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m., release of all exhibits.

Fair Clean-up
Saturday, July 18 at 9:00 a.m. Each 4-H Club is responsible for clean-up duties. Club leaders will have schedule list.

Fair Checks
- Premium checks will be available Saturday morning July 18, after fair-ground clean-up is complete. This includes all barns, 4-H building, Meyers building and trash picked up from the fairgrounds.
- Livestock checks will not be ready until late August, the Livestock Committee will notify 4-H families when they are ready for pick-up.