

SOUTHWIND 4-H

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DATES TO REMEMBER:

March

- 3 – Regional 4-H Day @ Chanute
- 10 – Entomology Meeting, Chanute
- 17 – Jr Sheep Producer Day & KS Jr Producer Day
- 18 – Walk KS Begins
- 20 – Livestock Quality Assurance
- 21 – Youth Livestock Judging Workout
- 23 – Build an Outfit, FCS Day
- 24 – Jr Beef Producer Day

April

- 1 – Win A Buck Essays Due
- 5 – Summer Intern Apps. Due
- 6 – Livestock Judging Contest, FS
- 7-12 - National 4-H Conference
- 11 – Livestock Judging Contest, Hutchinson

May

- 1 – Horse Certification Due
- 5 – Riverside Classic Spring Show
- 9 – Tractor Safety Training, Erie

June

- 3-6 – 4-H Camp, Sunny Hills
- 14-25 – KS 4-H Citizenship Washington Focus
- 26-29 – Campference

EXTENSION OFFICES CLOSED
March 30, 2018

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BUILD AN OUTFIT CHALLENGE

Do you have what it takes to build an outfit on a budget? Let's test your skills on March 23rd for our Family and Consumer Sciences Day. Participants will hear from a clothing expert who will share tips on selecting the right fit and style, as well as choosing items that will easily accessorize your wardrobe. And all on a budget! Following a morning learning session, there will be a chance to shop and challenge your skills, model your selections, have lunch, and learn about a bit of fashion history. This will be an all day event with specific times to come. If you are interested, please RSVP by March 9th to 620-244-3826.

DISCOVERY DAYS REGISTRATION

Discovery Days registration for "Tell Your Story" will be opening on March 1, 2018. Registration will then close April 15th at midnight. If you have questions please contact Jennifer Terrell 620-244-3826.

CAMPFERENCE 2018

This is for youth ages 12- 14 (before January 1, 2018), and will be held June 26-29 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. This is a great transitional opportunity, as these tweens go from being a camper to attending educational conferences. Participants will meet other youth from around the state of Kansas. Registration and detailed information will be on the State 4-H Website in March. Register early as the space will fill on a first come basis. Register online by May 15 and payment must be in the local Extension Offices by May 15.

NEW ENROLLMENT DEADLINE

In January, the Southwind Extension District Executive Board voted to move the enrollment deadline to December 1st.

WHAT DOES 4-H MEAN TO YOU?

Why are you in it? It is very important to really ponder the questions. What is your perspective as a parent or as a 4-H'er? Unfortunately, the main response heard is that 4-H means showing at the county fair. The county fair is where you exhibit all of the hard work and skills you have learned in specific projects over the 4-H year, but not 4-H! There is MUCH more to 4-H than the county fair. The most important part of being in 4-H is the sense of belonging you get by attending monthly club meetings. This is where families can make lasting friendships and keep informed of upcoming events/activities. Not to mention, at the club level is where youth are able to learn about how to run a business meeting, hold an office, give presentations to a large group confidently, and work on committees at such a young age. Additionally, youth are able to learn about giving back to their communities as a club. Beyond the club/county level, there are numerous events/activities that youth and families can be a part of. Simply reading this newsletter or checking out the website will keep you informed. If these things are not why you are in 4-H, please make a point to truly experience 4-H as a family to its entirety. It all begins with attending the monthly meetings as a family and becoming more involved. National 4-H says, "4-H empowers young people with the skills to lead for a lifetime." What are is your family gaining from 4-H?

4-H SPACETECH CHANGES for the KANSAS STATE FAIR

In 2018, additional exhibits will be accepted at the KSF. Posters, display boards and notebook classes have all been renumbered in the 5700 series. **Division A – Junior, 9-13**
5701 - Unmanned Aerial System designed and constructed by exhibitor that is operated by a remote controlled device. The UAS must not be a mere modification of an existing kit or plan. You may not exhibit a UAS that is purchased off the shelf in this class.

5702 - Practical application of an Unmanned Aerial System constructed from a commercial (purchased) kit. This includes the UAS, plus one or more of the following: video, notebook, poster, display board, etc. This class is separate from educational exhibits. A tangible use would be mapping Russian olive trees, eroded soils, and bindweed in fields, etc. There are also many other non-agricultural UAS uses that would be appropriate for this class.

Division B – Senior, 14 and older
5706 - Unmanned Aerial Systems designed and constructed by exhibitor that is operated by a remote controlled device. The UAS must not be a mere modification of an existing kit or plan. You may not exhibit a UAS that is purchased off the shelf in this class.

5707 - Practical application of an Unmanned Aerial System constructed from a commercial (purchased) kit. This includes the UAS, plus one or more of the following: video, notebook, poster, display board, etc. This class is separate from educational exhibits. A tangible use would be mapping Russian olive trees, eroded soils, and bindweed in fields, etc. There are also many other non-agricultural UAS uses that would be appropriate for this class.



FCS STATE JUDGING CONTEST

Challenge Topic: Health
Senior: 14-19 as of 1/1/2018
Intermediate: 9-13 as of 1/1/2018
Teams are asked to explore their community and determine an existing health problem they would like to research and create a plan. The next step is to complete a 2-4 minute video that needs to be submitted by **May 15th**.

Eligible teams will be notified about participation in the September 15 state contest, after videos are reviewed.

Both first place teams in the Intermediate and Senior divisions will receive a \$250 grant to be utilized towards implementing the team's proposed solution, to their identified local health issue.

More information and resources are posted at southwind.ksu.edu/fcs
If you need assistance or have questions, contact Joy Miller @ joymiller@ksu.edu or 223-3720.

4-H NAME & EMBLEM USE

Did you know that the 4-H Clover is protected on the same level as the presidential seal? Did you also know that the correct RGB values for 4-H green are: R=51, G=153, B=102? (Handy tip for graphic elements and font colors on flyers!) The use of the K-State Research and Extension/Kansas 4-H co-wordmark is the basis of good marketing and a strong, consistent brand image, for both K-State Research and Extension and the Kansas 4-H program. If you find yourself using the stand-alone clover *in addition to* the co-wordmark, either in print, on apparel or in digital formats, please make sure you are following the proper guidelines. This guide from NIFA/USDA outlines the proper usage and guidelines. As KSRE professionals, it is our legal responsibility to insure the correct use of the 4-H Name and Emblem by all levels of salaried and volunteer Extension staff, 4-H participants, and authorized non-Extension entities.



WALK KANSAS

If you are a 4-H, Girl Scout, Boy Scout, or after school program leader; or school teacher; or any other youth leader and you would like to register your group to participate in Walk Kansas, registration forms (one per leader and one for each youth) are available on our website at southwind.ksu.edu/walk-kansas. An adult serving as captain and all youth in high school and below can participate **FREE!** If you have any questions, please contact Joy Miller at 620-223-3720 or joymiller@ksu.edu.



TRACTOR SAFETY TRAINING

If you are planning to do farm work, and it is for someone other than a parent or guardian, and you are 14 or 15 years of age, you must take a tractor safety course following the U.S. Department of Labor requirements before you can be employed at certain hazardous farm tasks. Training will be Wednesday, May 9th from 5-9 pm at the Neosho County Courthouse meeting room. Contact your local Extension Office to register by May 1, 2018.

4-H CLOVERBUDS and SPRING SHOWS

When 4-H and/or Extension plans, organizes and facilitates a livestock, small animal, horse or pre or post-fair activity, please double check that 4-H Policies are being followed. An area of concern is 4-H Cloverbuds; the program was designed for 5-and 6-year-olds. Cloverbuds is activity-focused, rather than project-focused. Furthermore, 4-H Cloverbuds members may not participate in any competitive 4-H events. 4-H Cloverbuds members may showcase their exhibits at fairs and public events. 4-H Cloverbuds may not own and/or show 4-H livestock.

NATIONAL 4-H HALL OF FAME OPPORTUNITIES for TEENS & COLLEGE ALUMNI

The National 4-H Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony is scheduled for October 19, 2018 at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland. The National 4-H Hall of Fame Task Force is soliciting applications for a 4-H member to serve as the master or mistress of ceremonies and one to provide entertainment (vocal or instrumental) for this event. Each state may nominate one candidate for master of ceremony and entertainment. Applicants may be current 4-H members or 4-H alumni who are in college.

Kansas 4-H is asking interested candidates to apply since Kansas can nominate only one candidate for each of the categories of Master/Mistress of Ceremonies or Entertainer. If you are interested contact Jennifer 620-244-3826.

STATE 4-H FCS/PHOTOGRAPHY TEAM SELECTION

Southwind is allowed 3 teams at all state 4-H judging contests. Team placement and preference will be given to those individuals who have participated in current years FCS and Photography judging contests and practices.

GREENBUSH 4-H CAMP

This camp is for those 4-H'ers who are between the ages of 7 and 9. Dates are June 19 & 20. Camp will cost \$75. Look for more details about registration in your next newsletter.

SUNNY HILLS 4-H CAMP

What a better way to spend a few days this summer, than 4-H Camp! This year, 4-H Camp is June 3-6 and will cost \$205. 4-H Camp is open to youth who have completed the 3rd to 7th Grade. There is a lot of fun at 4-H Camp, like: canoeing, archery, crafts, campfires, horseback riding, and more! Register now until May 4th at: <https://goo.gl/forms/ftxnT2kofRysNFZ>

ENTOMOLOGY PROJECT

A meeting will be held Saturday, March 10th at 2 p.m. at the Chanute High School. Please come to the back of the building. There will be a big yellow sign by the door to come in on the southeast corner of the building. Please bring a short talk on your favorite insect. Also bring your pinning board and insect pins if you have them. If you do not have them, bring \$6.50 to purchase a packet of insect pins. If you are not enrolled in the project, but would like to see if you like it, come join the fun and try it! If you would like to learn about insects, but not touch the insects, join us. There are new phases to make collection notebooks without touching or pinning the insects! Questions? Call Vicky at (620)804-9170. **COME JOIN THE FUN!!!**

RIVERSIDE CLASSIC SPRING SWINE SHOW

Saturday, May 5 at Riverside Park, Iola, KS. New in 2018 the Riverside Classic will be a member of the Eastern Kansas Swine Show Series and therefore be a swine only event. It is open to all youth interested in showing hogs and showmanship will be offered. Details will be posted to the www.eksss.net as they become available.

SUMMER INTERNSHIP

Southwind District is looking for three youth to work approximately 20 hours per week to assist with programming and preparation for the County Fair. Applicants should be at least 16 years of age with the ability to drive. Applications are on our website southwind.ksu.edu and are due by April 5, 2018.

COUNSELORS WANTED

Sunny Hills is looking for Counselors. Must be sophomore complete. Applications can be found on the Southwind website or at the office. They are due back to the Extension office by May 4th. Counselor training will be held the day prior to camp, June 2nd. This is a great opportunity to learn more about being a leader.

LIVESTOCK QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a national multi-species quality assurance program for youth ages 8 to 21. The program is designed to provide an estimated 60 minutes of education each year. The online program requires the passing of a series of three quizzes to earn certification. An in-person YQCA workshop requires complete attendance. Cost will be \$12 for the online training, and only \$3 for a one-hour classroom training. In the Southwind District, the in-person training will be held on **Tuesday, March 20, 2018** from 10 -11:30am at Moran Senior Center, Moran, KS.

YOUTH LIVESTOCK JUDGING WORKOUT

Wednesday, March 21
Noon-5pm

Meet at Gilliland Angus: 1101 Cavalry Road, Fort Scott, KS
All Southwind District 4-H youth interested in livestock judging are welcome to participate in this spring break practice and learn the basics of evaluating livestock and giving reasons. We will be working with Scott Sutton, Uniontown High School FFA Advisor. All students should come to the practice with a steno pad and pencil. No prior livestock judging experience is necessary. If you have any questions, contact Carla Nemecek at 620-365-2242 or cnemecek@ksu.edu.

UPCOMING LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST DATES

April 6 - Fort Scott Community College Aggie Day, Fort Scott, KS
April 11 - Hutchinson Community College, Hutchinson, KS

KANSAS ANIMAL SCIENCE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

High school students with a passion for the animal science industry should apply for the Kansas State University Animal Sciences Leadership Academy. The academy is an intensive four-day educational experience designed to enhance the leadership skills and animal science knowledge of high school students. Hosted by the K-State Department of Animal Sciences and Industry and sponsored by the Livestock and Meat Industry Council, the academy's goal is to develop young leaders within the livestock industry and prepare them for a successful future in this field. The program is open to all current high school students from across the country with an interest in the livestock industry and related careers. For more information contact Carla 620-365-2242.

STATE 4-H LIVESTOCK TEAM SELECTION

Southwind is allowed 3 teams at all state 4-H judging contests. The 4-H livestock teams will be selected by scores and participation in the following:

- Southeast Area Contest
 - Allen, Bourbon and Neosho County Fair Contests (must participate in at least one)
 - Attendance in at least 3 practices before the County Fair
- 4-H Age: to be eligible for an out of state trip, participants must be 14 years or older as of January 1.

To be clear, each county will submit their top 4 individuals from the above events, which will give us 12 individuals eligible for the 3 teams during the Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes weekend. From those 12 youth, composite teams will be determined based on contest scores, practice participation and agent/coach discretion.

WIN A BUCK!

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. To win the buck, youth must write an essay expressing what their plans would be for the buck. Essays are due to your local Extension Office by April 1st. Locust Hill will contact the 4-H'er with the best essay to make arrangements for pick-up. If you have questions, please contact Jennifer.

KANSAS 4-H DOG CARE AND TRAINING PROJECT CHANGES

Periodically the Kansas 4-H Dog Care and Training Project shares changes as they affect 4-H dog shows including the Kansas State Fair 4-H Dog Show.

- The 4-H Dog Show Immunization Record (only MG-34 Revised, October 2017 accepted) must be completed for each dog entered. The record may be printed on any color of paper. Originals or photocopies are acceptable.
- All rabies vaccinations must be administered by a licensed veterinarian. All vaccinations must be current. Dogs must be at least 6 month of age of time of show.
- County 4-H-sponsored dog show flyers may be posted to the Kansas 4-H web site. For directions on how to post dog show flyers and information, visit: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/dog/docs/guidelines-for-posting-county-dog%20-show-flyers.pdf>.
- To see a posting of upcoming county 4-H dog shows, visit: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/dog/local-dog-shows.html>.

NEW 4-H HORSE CERTIFICATION DUE MAY 1

Horse ID's are due to your local Extension Office by May 1st. There is a new form in 2018, that must be used. The paperwork is available from the website: www.southwind.ksu.edu under "4-H useful forms". This paperwork will not be sent out by mail unless you request them from the Extension Office. Remember, before the May 1 registration deadline, you must have completed the levels required to show at District or State 4-H Horse events.

KANSAS 4-H HORSELESS HORSE

Questions have come concerning the Horseless Horse project; below are clarifications based on learning and risk management:

- 4-H member does not own or lease a horse.
- Project intended to offer a 4-H member opportunity to learn about horses.
- 4-H member may participate in judging contests, quiz bowl, hippology and give presentations.
- 4-H member may volunteer to assist another 4-H member at horse show and trails rides.
- Project member may exhibit at local fair with a borrowed 4-H Identified horse in the showmanship class only.
- No riding.

MAY YOUR TROUBLES
BE LESS
and your
Blessings
be MORE
AND NOTHING BUT
HAPPINESS
come through your
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IRISH BLESSING



STATEWIDE HORSE PROJECT LEVEL TEST RIDING EVENT

K-State Research and Extension, Wyandotte County and the Wyandotte County 4-H Program, proudly presents the Kansas 4-H Horse Achievement Level Riding Test Invitational to take place at the Wyandotte County Fairgrounds on April 7, 2018.

Our event will be open to the public to watch youth with their equine partners, while learning about Kansas 4-H and other educational community organizations and businesses in educational tradeshow to be held in our Red Barn. Participants will need to RSVP by March 16, 2018 at, <https://tinyurl.com/wyco4hhorsetest> day. The public Facebook event can be found here, <https://www.facebook.com/events/890389864469163/>. As new details form, they will be posted to this site.



2 & 3-YEAR OLD RULE CHANGES

There will be a new edition of the 4-H Horse Show Rule Book coming out this spring. Coming with the new edition will be some major changes to the 2-Year Old Snafflebit and 3-Year Old Projects. 4-H members in the 2-Year Old Project should expect to show in two rail phases and be prepared for the interview phase. However the 2-Year Old Project will be discontinued after the 2019 State Fair Horse Show. The 3-Year Old Project has been expanded. It will also have three total phases - Phase 1 is rail work, Phase 2 is a pattern, and Phase 3 is an interview. 4-H members involved in the 3-Year Old Project should plan to participate in all three phases at this year's state fair.



ALLEN COUNTY NEWS

BEEF TAGGING & WEIGH-IN

All steers & commercial heifers must be weighed and tagged at the official county weigh in for a charge of \$4 per tag. Mark your calendars for Wednesday, March 7 from 4pm-6pm and Friday, March 9 from 5pm-6pm. Allen County can always use extra help if you are available on either of those dates.

GWEN E. WILSON SCHOLARSHIP

The Gwen E. Wilson Memorial 4-H Scholarship Award, is to be awarded to an Allen County 4-H Club Member, annually. This scholarship must be used at Kansas State University for work leading to a degree of the student's own choice. The scholarship is worth \$1000. No winner may receive it more than once and it is not renewable. Specific details and the application can be found on the Southwind Extension District website, www.Southwind.ksu.edu. Applications are due no later than May 1st to the Southwind Iola office.

MILES KESSINGER 4-H MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is to be awarded annually to an Allen County and/or a Woodson County 4-H member who is a graduating senior and planning on attending Allen County Community College. Those eligible to apply for this scholarship must have been a 4-H member for at least three years, be of good moral character and have financial need. This scholarship is worth \$500.00 and is payable to the recipient-1/2 the amount upon enrollment at ACC and the remainder upon re-enrollment the second semester. The scholarship awardee must maintain a "C" grade point average in order to collect the balance of the monies the second semester. The scholarship winner must use this award in the school year selected, otherwise he/she will be required to re-apply. Completed applications are to be mailed or brought to Allen County Community College, Financial Aid Office, 1801 N. Cottonwood, Iola, KS 66749 on or before April 1.

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