

SOUTHWIND 4-H

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DATES TO REMEMBER:

September

7-17 – Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson

October

- 1 – Record Book Judging, Iola
- 1 – 4-H Youth Council & Nat'l 4-H Conference Apps Due
- 1 – Discovery Days Task Force Apps Due
- 1 – MIG & KAP Books due in Extension Office
- 2 – Record Book Judging, Erie
- 3 – Record Book Judging, F.S.
- 7-13 – Nat'l 4-H Week
- 9 – 4-H Spirit Day
- 13-14 – 48 Hours of 4-H
- 15 – KYLF & KVF Reg. Due
- 28 – Officer Training, Moran
- 31 – District Shirt Order Due

November

- 4 – 4-H Robotics Spaceteach Experience App Due
- 16-17 – 4-H Robotics Spaceteach Experience, Hutchinson
- 17-18 – KYLF & KVF

December

- 1 – Online Enrollment Due
- June 2019**
- 5-8 – Sunny Hills 4-H Camp

Extension Offices Closed
September 4th
Labor Day

EXTENSION OFFICES:

Erie

620-244-3826

Fort Scott

620-223-3720

Iola

620-365-2242

Yates Center

620-625-8620

Website

www.southwind.ksu.edu

Facebook

Southwind Extension District



ENROLLMENT

4-H Online will be closed for all of September to complete end of year reporting. It will re-open October 1st after 8:00am.

Also during enrollment in 4HOnline, you will be asked to declare a program fee intention. There will be an option for credit cards, checks, and waiver. Unless you are asking for a waiver, please select check.

Payment is due within seven days. Clubs who plan to pay for their members need to speak with Jennifer about a form to submit with their check to the State Office. Cloverbuds & volunteers are exempt.

ENROLLMENT DEADLINE

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

4-H RECRUITMENT

Take advantage of this new school year to invite new families to join 4-H. Encourage parents to include 4-H as part of their fall activities. 4-H is the network of families that grows great kids and 4-H is for city/town families, too.

48 HOURS of 4-H in 2018

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 and join the 48 Hours of 4-H Service Challenge, October 13-14, 2018.

Invite your friends, clubs, adult volunteers and 4-H Alums too! By starting to discuss and plan now, you can find the perfect project for your group and engage important partners.

Find information here and start planning your projects.
<http://Kansas4H.org/484H>

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK: INSPIRE KIDS TO DO!

Help celebrate this year's National 4-H Week, Oct 7-13, by joining the movement to "INSPIRE KIDS TO DO!" Now is the time for clubs and 4-H councils to discuss and make plans for local efforts to promote and celebrate National 4-H week New from National 4-H Council in 2018!

- Tuesday, October 9 will be Spirit Day. This is an opportunity for members, parents, and volunteers to show their clover pride by wearing a 4-H t-shirt to school/work.
- 30 Days of Doing will celebrate kids who are doing great things all across the country, for the entire month of September. We are going to celebrate kids, both 4-H and not 4-H, who "do" things with a purpose across the nation through fun tools, tips, resources and stories for moms and kids.
- You will also see a photo contest and major social media engagement. The photo contest is part of 30 Days of Giving where your 5-17 year olds can win a \$10,000 scholarship and a \$10,000 honorarium for their state.

4-H SWAG

If your club is looking for 4-H items to distribute over National 4-H Week contact Jennifer and she can bring it to your local Extension office. Please provide her a week notice due to District travel.

OFFICER TRAINING

All officers and leaders are required to attend the annual training. It will be Oct. 28th at 2:00pm at Marmaton Valley School, Moran. If you are unable to attend, let Jennifer know ASAP! Leaders will be having a special meeting regarding club leader succession plans. Please bring any adults that would like to be a future leader.

RECORD BOOKS/KANSAS AWARD PORTFOLIO (KAP)

Hopefully you are working on or have completed your MIG and at least one KAP. 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 October 1st. Books that are turned in after the deadline of your club leader will not be judged for county-wide awards.

RECORD BOOK JUDGING DATES

Mark your calendars for the following dates which have been set for record book judging:

Iola, Monday, Oct. 1st
Erie, Tuesday, Oct. 2nd
Fort Scott, Wednesday, Oct. 3rd

Judging will be from 1:00—7pm. Volunteers are needed for this task. Junior Leaders and any adults who are interested in judging are welcome. This is a great opportunity to learn more about completing the KAP. Please contact your local Extension Office if you are planning on attending.

DISTRICT T-SHIRTS

Registration is open again for District 4-H Shirts. The t-shirts are made of a soft material. Orders are due by Oct. 31st. If you would like to place an order, please use this link to do so:

<https://goo.gl/forms/CUaKZ7BikMeZMYQS2>

T-Shirt Prices:

Youth S-XL = \$7.00
Adult XS-XL = \$7.00
Adult 2XL = \$8.50
Adult 3XL = \$10.00
Order yours today!!

2019 DISCOVERY DAYS TASK FORCE APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE

Do you love attending 4-H Discovery Days? We encourage you to apply to be on the Discovery Days Task Force for 2019! Applications are now available and are due October 1. Applicants should expect to be notified by November 1 as to their selection as a Task Force member. You can find the link at <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/discovery-days/index.html> it is in the gray box to the right at the bottom.

KANSAS 4-H LEADERSHIP WEEKEND – KYLF & KVF

The Kansas Youth Leadership Forum (KYLF) and the Kansas Volunteer Forum registration is open. The Forums will be held November 17-18, 2018 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. KYLF is for youth ages 14-18 before January 1, 2018 and KVF is for all Kansas 4-H Volunteers. KYLF will feature leadership workshops, Youth Council Elections, and opportunities to learn and have fun. The Kansas 4-H Volunteer forum will feature workshops and information to help volunteers be more effective. Again this year participants in both forums will register through the same system. Registration deadline is October 15, 2018 for both events at an early bird rate or before November 1 at the regular rate. Register here: <http://www.cvent.com/events/2018-kansas-4-h-leadership-weekend/event-summary-1dc75409a19446a2b3e205b821201e>

NOTE: This conference is only Saturday & Sunday. Transportation will not be provided for Friday.

STATE FAIR EXHIBITS

Reminder that they are due to your local Extension office by 10am on September 6th. Following KSF, exhibits can be picked up on Wed. Sept. 19th at 9am.

FAMILIES NEEDED FOR 2019 KANSAS 4-H JAPANESE EXCHANGE

This summer inbound program is seeking counties to participate in 2019. Based on your county/district responses, Kansas will commit to hosting a specific number of youth and adult chaperones for the 2019 summer inbound program. In 2018, Kansas hosted 27 Japanese youth and adults. Participating counties get to host a small group of young Japanese teens who are highly motivated to become a member of their Kansas host family and to learn English. The Japanese will arrive in counties July 23, 2019, and stay with one family each for four weeks through August 17, 2019. Consider getting involved with your county/unit. Participating counties/units must locate a volunteer coordinator who then manages the recruitment and screening of five to six host families, and organizes local activities during the stay. Training, resource materials and some expense money are available for the coordinators and agents. Extension staff liaison with the Kansas 4-H Japanese Coordinator to conduct the program.

GO LIVE!

National 4-H Week is coming soon! Is your family prepared? What about your club?

I want to challenge each and every 4-H Member, Parent, and Volunteer to share your 4-H Story with the world on Facebook! Each day I encourage you to pick a topic and go LIVE! To make it easier, I compiled a list of ideas for you (One for each day of the week!)! Please make sure to use the hashtags (#InspireKidstoDo / #4HGrown / #TrueLeader / #KS4H / #Southwind4H) in your comments/posts all week! Ideas are:

- What is 4-H?
- Why 4-H?
- Best 4-H Memory
- Favorite Project
- 4-H Community Service Project
- Favorite Club Activity
- How to Join!

You may Go LIVE with any one idea for the week (or one each day)!

OUTBOUND OPPORTUNITIES FOR 2019

Opportunities for 4-H members begin at age 12 (for Japan and Korea exchanges) and age 15 for exchanges to Costa Rica and Finland in 2019 through States' 4-H International Exchange Programs (States' 4-H). 4-H alumni 19-25 are eligible for exchanges to a number of countries through the IFYE program. Volunteers, staff and alumni over 25 may apply to chaperone all of the States' 4-H Exchanges. There are career enhancement opportunities for IFYE's in addition to the leadership and life skills development that all exchanges offer. New scholarship opportunities are offered this year. Updated applications and details will be posted on the Kansas 4-H web site by the end of the month. However, changes will be minor from currently posted documents with the exception of Finland replacing Norway in the States' 4-H Outbound Opportunities for 2019. Contact Mary Kay Munson, Kansas 4-H International Exchange Coordinator for details about 2019 exchange programs. Her emails are mkm2@ksu.edu and munson@ksbroadband.net and phone is 785-238-3189.

SHARE THE CLOVER

Each day of National 4-H Week, plan to wear a 4-H Shirt or at least green! I know that all of us have a few shirts to choose from! AND don't forget to take a selfie for FB or Instagram! When you post use the hashtags: #InspireKidstoDo #4HGrown #TrueLeader #KS4H #Southwind4H Don't forget National 4-H Spirit Day on Tuesday, October 9th!!

**"Knowing what's
right doesn't
mean much
unless you do
what's right."**



#SpiritDay

TAIWAN AGRICULTURAL YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

The 2018 Taiwan Agricultural Youth Exchange Program is currently accepting applications from high school seniors or college freshmen who are passionate about agriculture and are interested in representing Kansas in a week-long exchange program October 28 through November 4, 2018. Each year the National Taichung Agricultural Senior High School in central Taiwan hosts students from the Midwest for this program. The Kansas Department of Agriculture coordinates the selection and participation of Kansas students, who will tour agricultural facilities and businesses in Taiwan and learn about Taiwanese agriculture.

To be eligible to apply, students must be a high school senior or college freshman at least 18 years of age with a strong Kansas agricultural background and must have a valid U.S. passport and be willing and able to pay airfare costs. Applications must be submitted by August 31. Students interested in applying can find more information at agriculture.ks.gov/AgEd. The Taiwan Agricultural Youth Exchange Program is coordinated by KDA with support from the Kansas FFA Association and Kansas 4-H. For more information, contact Robin Blume, KDA education and events coordinator, at Robin.Blume@ks.gov or 785-564-6756.

DID YOU WRITE THANK YOU NOTES?

It is VERY IMPORTANT to make sure that you thank your sponsors & buyers and/or those who helped you along the way with your projects. Do your part and show appreciation to anyone who impacted your 4-H year!!



KANSAS LIVESTOCK SWEEPSTAKES RESULTS

The Southwind District is extremely proud of these 15 dedicated, hard working, and competitive 4-H members who brought home 3 State Championships at the 2018 Kansas Livestock Sweepstakes! Champion AND Reserve Livestock Judging Teams, Champion Quiz Bowl Team, 3rd Skillathon Team, Reserve Meats Judging Team, and 3rd & Champion Livestock Sweepstakes Teams.

The Livestock Judging Teams were Champion and Reserve Teams in Hogs, Beef, Reasons, and were Champion and 3rd in Sheep/Goats. Individual accomplishments are big time great, but we are most proud of the purposeful culture of success that has been built in the Southwind District. Thank you to those who have let us work out on their livestock and listened to reasons. A big thank you to the Ag Teachers who we share these youth with, and who are part of the team that help build this culture.

2019 KANSAS 4-H DOG SCHOLARSHIP

The 2019 Keith Neuway and Jim Adams Kansas 4-H Dog Care and Training Project Scholarship is for dog members who have been in the Kansas 4-H Dog Project for three or more years. You need not be a current member, if you fit the other criteria. This 4-H scholarship is a one-time payment of \$500.00 that will be awarded on Saturday, September 14, 2019, during the 2019 Kansas State Fair 4-H Dog Show.

Applications must be received on or before 5 p.m., Friday, February 1, 2019. Late applications will not be accepted.

Send the completed application to the Kansas State 4-H Office, ATTN: Neuway and Adams Dog Care and Training Scholarship Committee, 201 Umberger Hall, 1612 Claflin Road, Manhattan, KS 66506-3404, 785-532-5800. The application is on the Kansas 4-H web site: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animals/dog.html>.

2018 KANSAS 4-H DOG CONFERENCE and QUIZBOWL

The Kansas 4-H Dog Conference and Quiz Bowl will be October 20-21 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. The theme is "4-H Dogs Under Construction." Registration will open through the CVent 4-H system around August 20th. Registration will close October 8th, 11:59 p.m. There is a \$25.00 cancellation fee once participants have registered on CVent. To register, visit: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html>. Cost is \$120.00 for full-time participants, \$70.00 for Saturday only and \$50.00 for Sunday only. T-shirts and hoodies may be ordered on-line for an additional cost. Full registration information will be posted on the Kansas 4-H Dog web site. Visit: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/dog/index.html>.

The conference will have a special "4-H Dog Olympics", a scavenger hunt, dog skill-a-thon, quiz bowl, plus s'mores and much more. All youth must be chaperoned by parent or 4-H leader. County groups will be housed in the same cottage and all dogs must be on leash or kenneled in your room. Owners must pick up and bag after dogs.

STATE 4-H HORTICULTURE CONTEST RESULTS



There were 82 youth competing in both the intermediate division and the senior division. Abigail Meiwes in the intermediate division placed fourth. Representing Southwind Extension District were Levi Meiwes in the senior division and Abigail Meiwes and Carly Kramer in the intermediate division.

4-H ROBOTICS SPACETECH EXPERIENCE

The Kansas 4-H SpaceTech Program and the Kansas Cosmosphere located in Hutchinson are again teaming up to provide fun, hands-on and science-based programming for Kansas 4-H Youth Development. This fourth program will feature "Robotics." The experience will begin Friday, November 16, at 4 p.m., and will end on Saturday, November 17, 4 p.m. Cost will be \$115 for youth between 9-18-years old and \$115 for all adult participants. All youth must have a designated chaperone to attend. Parents, grandparents, other relatives, and guardians may chaperone their own children/relatives. They may not chaperone other non-family members. Registered KSRE 4-H Leaders or KSRE staff may also chaperone 4-H members. Adult chaperones will be responsible for their children overnight. Registration includes three meals, two breaks, and an overnight stay. The CVent registration system will be used, visit: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html> after October 1, 2018. Registration will close November 4, 2018, 11:59 p.m. There will be a minimum number required or the Robotics SpaceTech Experience will be cancelled.

4-H YOUTH COUNCIL & NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE APPLICATION PROCESS

The Youth Council Application and National Conference Application will be combined this year, with applicants indicating if they are applying for one or both opportunities.

The information link is now available on the KYLF webpage and the National Conference webpage on the State 4-H Website. Any Kansas 4-H member between the ages of 14 and 18 before January 1, 2019 may apply as a Council Rep and those 15-18 before January 1, 2019 may apply for National Conference. This year's KYLF delegation will elect

representatives from the four extension program areas (NE, NW, SE, SW) for one year terms on council. Up to 6 National Conference Delegates will be selected through an interview process at KYLF and they serve a two year term on council.

Youth Council members work to involve youth with K-State Research and Extension in promoting, developing, implementing and evaluating Kansas Extension 4-H Youth Development programs in order to reflect the needs and interests of the youth in the state. Council members will also plan and conduct the Kansas Youth Leadership Forum, Citizenship in Action, Campference, 48 Hours of 4-H and other events.

Applications are due on an online form on October 1, 2018 before 11:59 p.m. CST and 2 reference forms must be filled out online and those references should submit a letters of reference either uploaded, emailed or postmarked on or before October 1, 2018 The signature page (both conference or council rep) and agreement page (conference only) must be postmarked by October 1, 2018, or emailed on or before October 1.

This year the Council Elections will include the application process detailed above, and from those applications up to 12 young people per area will be invited to interview by zoom prior to KYLF. From those that interview, up to 6 candidates will be selected to be in the election.



FCE (Family and Community Education) SCHOLARSHIP

The Bourbon County Family and Community Education (FCE) Council is offering a \$200 scholarships to a high school senior or college student who is a Bourbon County resident and will be attending any two- or four-year college or university in Kansas. All students are welcome to apply; preference will be given to a student who plans to major in Family and Consumer Sciences or a related field. Applications and references must be post marked by February 15, 2019.

The application is available on the Southwind Extension District website: <http://www.southwind.k-state.edu/home-family/fce/>. If you have questions or need more information, please contact me at 223-3720 or joymiller@ksu.edu.

THANK YOUR FAIR AWARD SPONSORS

If you received a trophy, gift certificate, special prize or extra award money for an exhibit please take time to write a thank you note to each sponsor. They want to know their award was received and appreciated. Addresses were provided with your premium checks. If you are unsure of a name or address contact the Extension Office.

KANSAS STATE FAIR ENTRIES DUE

All Kansas State Fair exhibits are due in the Extension Office by 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, September 5th except foods, flowers and garden items which can be brought in by 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 6th.

THANK YOUR LIVESTOCK BUYERS

Those 4-H members who sold livestock at the County Fair please remember to thank your buyers and add on buyers. Please let these supporters know how much you appreciate their support!!! Several businesses give money to be split between members after the sale; these names will be included on the invoice you receive with your check. These sponsors need thanks too! Livestock checks are available in the Extension Office. Please make sure to bring your 5 thank you notes with you! If you need an address please give the Extension Office a call 620-223-3720.

4-H COUNCIL

The next 4-H Council meeting will be held Wednesday, October 24 at 6.30 p.m. at the Bourbon County 4-H Building. Election of officers will be held.

CLUB OFFICER NOTEBOOKS

Each club is responsible for turning in their Secretary, Reporter and Historian notebooks to the Extension Office by Monday, October 1st. 4-H Club Treasurer notebooks are due Thursday, November 1st.

ACHIEVEMENT BANQUET

Please save the date of Friday, November 2nd for the Achievement Banquet. There will be **NO MEAL** this year. More information will be listed in the October 4-H newsletter.

If you can DREAM if
You can DO it!

~WALT DISNEY

I pledge...

my *head* to clearer thinking,
my *heart* to greater loyalty,
my *hands* to larger service, and
my *health* to better living for
my *club*, my *community*,
my *country*, and my *world*.

