

SOUTHWIND 4-H

MAY 2019

DATES TO REMEMBER:

May

3 – Sunny Hills Camp Reg. Due
5 – District Sheep Mtg. @ Erie
8 – SWD Livestock Camp @ Erie
11 – Entomology Mtg. @ Chanute
22 – YQCA Certification @ Erie
23 – YQCA Certification @ FS.
24 – Photography & Horticulture Judging Practice @ Iola
29-31 – Discovery Days
27 – Offices Closed/Memorial Day

June

5-8 – 4-H Camp, Sunny Hills
6 – Photography & Horticulture Judging Practice - @ Iola
17 – SWD Judging Camp @ FS.
17 – District Sheep Mtg. @ Erie
18-19 – Greenbush 4-H Camp
20 – SWD Livestock Contest @YC.
23-26 – Campference
23 – District Sheep Mtg. @ Erie
24 – Food Practice Judging @ YC.
25 – Food Practice Judging @ Erie
27 – Food Practice Judging @ FS.
27 – District Horse Show
30 – District Sheep Mtg. @ Erie

COUNTY FAIR DATES

Allen: July 25-29
Bourbon: July 13-20
Neosho: July 25-29
Woodson: July 13-17

EXTENSION OFFICES

Erie: 620-244-3826
Fort Scott: 620-223-3720
Iola: 620-365-2242
Yates Center: 620-625-8620
Website:
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CAMPFERENCE 2019

This is for youth ages 12- 14 (before January 1, 2019), and will be held June 23-26 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. This is a great transitional opportunity, as tweens go from being a camper to attending educational conferences. Detailed information is on the State 4-H Website. Register early as the space will fill on a first come basis. Registration is due online by May 15 and payment must be in the local Extension Offices by May 15.

CONGRATULATIONS SENIOR CLASS


2019

We Are Proud of You!!

Madelynn Ard
Brooklyn Borton
Jonathan Dulling
Mikaela Friend
Chance Fuhrman
Shayla Gaulding
Isaac Gilligan
Ethan Gough
A.J. Hagerman
Maria Jimenez
Aaron King
Jenna Kramer
Tyler Kueser
Allie Pringle
Zoe Rinehart
Haydon Schaaf
Tarah Stockebrand
Kaylee Taylor
Madison Taylor
Taylor Thompson
Kole Wagner
Devan Walker
Katie Weide
Jordan Weseloh
Dawn Weyrich
Sarah Weyrich
Victoria White

CONGRATULATIONS STATE KAP WINNERS!

Clay Brillhart – Sheep
Brody Nemecek – Self Determined

SPRING SHOWS

Did you know there are four different opportunities within the Southwind District to show your animals? For a complete listing of up-coming spring shows, go to the Southwind website www.southwind.ksu.edu Click on 4-H Youth Development in the left hand column, then click on Spring Shows. You can also find shows listed for dogs, rabbits and other animal projects.

GREENBUSH 4-H CAMP

Camp is for those 4-H'ers who are between the ages of 7 and 9. Dates are June 18 & 19. Camp will cost \$75. Registration deadline is May 10th and the form is available at <https://www.southwind.k-state.edu/camps/>

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 5-8 and will cost \$200. 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://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSer6kF9gk2ZJAnwWHQnSgLiYJlqAvshOdduGrEl-SqzRbE1jw/viewform>



SUNNY HILLS CAMP COUNSELORS WANTED

4-H members must be sophomore complete. Applications can be found on the Southwind website or at the office. Due back to the Extension office by May 3rd. Counselor training will be held the day prior to camp, June 4th. This is a great opportunity to learn more about being a leader.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST & PRACTICES

If you are interested in learning more about livestock judging, skillathon and quiz bowl please plan to join us for these fun and informational meetings! No experience necessary and all ages of 4-H members are welcome.

May 8, 15, 22 - 4pm, in Erie at the Extension Office, 111 S. Butler.

May 29 - 4p.m., Allen County Fairgrounds

June 17 - Southwind Livestock Camp, Fort Scott, Bourbon County Fairgrounds

June 20 - Southeast Area Livestock Contests, Yates Center

If you need transportation, please let us know and we will try to coordinate travel.

PHOTOGRAPHY AND HORTICULTURE JUDGING

Want to learn more about Photography and Horticulture Judging? Attend volunteer-led practices to get an idea of what to expect from judging contests. Mark your calendars for the following practices to be held at the Allen County Courthouse Meeting Room (Basement).

Photography :

May 24 from 10:00 -11:00 a.m.
June 6 from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Horticulture:

May 24 from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
June 6 from 2:00 - 3:00pm

YQCA CERTIFICATION ~ 2 MORE OPPORTUNITIES!

Wednesday, May 22

4pm ~ Extension Office, Erie.

Thursday, May 23

3pm ~ 4-H Building, Fort Scott.

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a new, national, multi-species livestock quality assurance program available for youth ages 8-21. This annual educational and certification program focuses on food safety, animal well-being, and life skill development for youth producing and/or showing livestock. The curriculum grows with a child, so youth will expand their knowledge by covering new topics every year. Youth may participate in a 60-minute instructor-led training for \$3/child, or complete the online certification course for \$12/child. Families need to use their 4HOnline credentials on the YQCA website (www.yqca.org) to register for training. Youth must register before taking the class. All Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and KJLS exhibitors are required to be YQCA certified to participate in the 2019 shows.

LIVESTOCK EMERGENCY WORKSHOPS

A series of livestock emergency workshops across the state will be offered this spring by the Kansas Department of Agriculture, focused on helping livestock owners take real-world steps to prevent, prepare, respond, and recover from emergency events – whether natural hazard or disease related.

Workshops will be held in Great Bend (4/30), Montezuma (5/1), Olathe (5/6), Mankato (5/7), Goodland (5/8), El Dorado (5/13), Iola (5/16) and Manhattan (5/20). All workshops are free and registration is now open for all locations. Space is limited to 50 participants. Visit www.agriculture.ks.gov/Emergency/ management. Information contact Kelly Oliver at 785-564-6608.

2019 STATE LIVESTOCK NOMINATIONS

DNA hair samples are required for commercial breeding animals that you are planning to show at the Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show. DNA envelopes and nomination forms are available at the Extension office. Forms are also available at www.youthlivestock.ksu.edu. Contact your local Extension office if you have questions. Nomination fee per animal is \$8 and is due June 15. Postmark deadlines are firm. Any nomination envelope or package received must have a visible postmark prior to the deadline, or it will not be accepted. It is also important to note that **June 15 is a Saturday this year**, so families should be cautious in waiting until the deadline to submit their nominations. Sending nominations via certified mail is highly encouraged. Families are also encouraged to use the check list provided for each specie to make sure their nominations are complete. Incomplete or incorrect nominations will be returned to the family and cost \$20 to correct.

STATE 4-H LIVESTOCK TEAMS SELECTION

Southwind is allowed 4 teams at all state judging contest. Livestock teams will be selected by scores and participation in the following:

- Southeast Area Contest.
- Allen, Bourbon and Neosho County Fair livestock judging contests (must complete in at least one).
- Attendance in 3 practices before the County Fair.

4-H age : Eligibility 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 16 individuals eligible for the 4 teams during the Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes. From those 16 youth, composite teams will be determined based on contest scores, practice participation and agent/coach discretion.

K-STATE LIVESTOCK JUDGING CAMP

Judging camp is designed for 4-H and FFA members age 14-18 who are seriously interested in enhancing their livestock judging and oral communication skills. Prior livestock judging experience is necessary. 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. Camp will focus primarily on the proper format, terminology, and presentation of oral reasons. Participants will also be exposed to livestock evaluation skills and incorporating performance records in the decision making process. Camps will be June 3-5, June 11-13 and June 14-16. Southwind District 4-H members who are interested in attending contact Carla Nemecek 620-365-2242, cnemecek@ksu.edu.

2019 DISTRICT HORSE SHOW

The Southeast District Horse Show will be June 27, 2019 at the Parsons State Hospital Arena. Registration to come. You must complete level testing for District and State Fair.

DISTRICT SHEEP MEETINGS

Cortney O'Brien, will host a series of sheep project meetings which will take place in or around Erie.
May 5, 3:30 p.m. @ O'Brien's.
June 17, 6:00 p.m. @ fairgrounds
June 23, 6:00 p.m. @ fairgrounds
June 30, 6:00 p.m. @ fairgrounds
July 8, 6:00 p.m. @ fairgrounds
June 14, 6:00 p.m. @ fairgrounds

STATE HORTICULTURE JUDGING AT KSU

The contest will be held Saturday, August 17. Registration will be in early July. Study material for years 2019 and 2020 is taken from KSRE Horticulture Videos and is available on the Kansas 4-H Website under Horticulture Judging Contest. <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/contests/horticulture-judging/index.html>

4-H FOOD PRACTICE JUDGING

FCE Agent Kathy McEwan will be available during the schedule below to help 4-H members prepare for the fair. Bring 1 non-perishable food item for a "practice judging" to learn what the judges look for and what the standards are for non-perishable foods. This event will be come and go or come and stay as long as you like to listen and learn from others. If you have questions, contact Kathy at 620-365-2242 or kmcewan@ksu.edu.

Monday, June 24:

Yates Center 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. @ the 4-H Building.

Tuesday, June 25:

Erie 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. @ the Courthouse meeting room.

Chanute 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. @ the Chanute Recreation Center.

Thursday, June 27:

Fort Scott 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. at the 4-H Building

4-H CLOVERBUDS AND SPRING SHOWS

Cloverbuds was designed for 5 & 6 year olds 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.

SAVE THE DATE FOR 48 HOURS OF 4-H

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 12-13, 2019. 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. More information will be shared in the coming months.

ENTOMOLOGY PROJECT

The next meeting is scheduled for May 11th at the Chanute High School at 2:00 p.m. Go around to the back of the school and there will be a yellow sign up by the door to come in. All counties are welcome. For more information contact Vicky at 620-804-9170.

ENTOMOLOGY INSECT SPECTACULAR

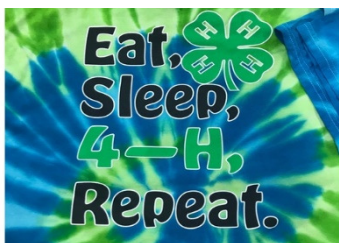
The Kansas 4-H Insect Spectacular is for all youth, beginning through advanced. The event will be held at the Kansas Wetlands Educational Center, Northeast of Great Bend, June 21 & 22, 2019. At least one parent must register and attend with child.

KANSAS STATE FAIR

The 2019 Kansas State Fair 4-H Exhibitor Handbooks are now on the State 4-H website <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/Kansas-state-fair/index.html>

4-H ACADEMY EXPLORE YOUR PATHWAY

4-H Academy offers engaging and exciting activities and challenges that will guide you through adventures to the capstone finale where you and your explorer team share exhilarating discoveries. 4-H Academy is for youth age 13 and older and will be held June 23-26 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Registration will open April 16 and remain open until May 15 or the sessions are full. Register for one of the pathways at <https://www.kansas4hfoundation.org/4hacademycamp>



YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND COMPETITION

Competition has been part of 4-H since the beginning.; however sometimes we wonder, how does youth development fit when the competition overshadows the outcome. We can start by understanding competitive events are a valuable part of demonstrating mastery and provides an opportunity for youth to receive evaluation and feedback on their project. It is from participation in competitive events which helps 4-H youth learn to make and define decisions and public speaking abilities. In competitive events, 4-H cannot overlook the value of the learning process the youth has gone through in making or raising the project to only focusing on winning the top prize. Many principles determine the youth development aspect of the project such as age appropriateness, skill improvement and learning progression. Through 4-H's mission, unique strategies and opportunities are provided to engage youth in reaching their full individual potential through partnerships with caring adults. Although, this learning needs to reflect the young person's maturity within the project area rather than the adult's abilities, therefore, when competition is the main purpose of the event such as the fair, it must be understood that competition in these 4-H events is secondary to the education and development of the youth participants.

TRACTOR SAFETY

If you are age 14 or 15 planning to do farm work, and it is for someone other than a parent or guardian, you must take a tractor safety course following the U.S. Department of Labor requirements before you can be employed. Tractor Safety will be held in Fort Scott on May, 21, 2019 at the John Deere Building, 2223 S. Cotton Street, 5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Cost is \$20/person payable at the time. Fees cover dinner and materials. Register by May 17 by calling the Fort Scott Extension Office 620-223-3720