

K-State Research & Extension

Greenwood County 4-H News

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4-H Online

The deadline for new members to Enroll and the Add/Drop date for 4-H projects for all members on Kansas 4-H Online is Thursday, May 1st. Leaders and volunteers must be enrolled on 4-H online.

4-H Regional Club Day

Regional Club Day is Saturday, March 22nd at Madison High School. If you were a Champion at County Club Day, be on the lookout for an email with links to Signup Genius. **Please let the office know ASAP if you're not intending on going to Regional Level so we can notify the Reserve Champion Alternates!**

March

- 1 State 4-H Scholarships due online
- 1 Kansas Jr Swine Producer Day, Manhattan, KS
- 2 4-H Project Learning Day - Memorial Hall
- 8 Entomology Project meeting - Iola
- 12 Interior Design Project Changes Zoom -7pm
- 20 YQCA Training @ Courthouse, 6:30pm
- 21 Beef Weigh-In, Luthi's, Noon to 5pm
- 21 Kansas Maid order forms due to office – 4:30pm
- 22 KSU Jr Sheep Producer Day, Manhattan, KS
- 22 Regional Club day @ Madison High School
- 31 4-H council Meeting - Joint with Coffey County

April

- 1 Judy Wiggins Scholarship applications due
- 1 Trophy Donor money & list of donors due to the Extension Office
- 11 Kansas Maid Order Pick up at Extension Office
- 20 Last day to order Market Beef DNA Envelopes (State Nominations)
- 22 YQCA Training @ Courthouse, 6:30pm
- 26 Small Animal Weigh-in
- 27 Flint Hills Classic

May

- 1 Market Beef Nominations post-mark deadline
- 1 4-H Online new member enrollment deadline
- 1 4-H Online Project Add/Drop deadline
- TBD County 4-H Camp, 6pm—Location TBD
- 30 Horse ID Papers due to Extension Office

June

- 1 FairEntry Opens!
- 3 SE Area Livestock Contests—Iola
- 4-6 Discovery Days
- 5 Small Livestock DNA envelope order deadline
- 10-13 Kansas Range Youth Camp
- 12 SE Area Contests—Emporia
- 13 GW Co Fair Shooting Sports entries due in FairEntry
- 15 Small Livestock & Commercial Heifer Nominations deadline
- 21 Multi-County 4-H Dog Show—Fredonia
- 21 GW Co Fair Archery Competition @ 9 am
- 29 GW Co Fair Shotgun Competition @ 4 pm
- 29 Shooting Sports Banquet @ 7 pm

Record Books and Pin Applications



It's never too early to start working on record books & pin applications. In fact, it's much easier to work on throughout the year. Pin applications have been updated this year. Check those out, as well as helpful trainings for record keeping via project report forms on Adobe and ZBooks [HERE](#).

Kansas Maid Fundraiser



The Greenwood County 4-H Foundation appreciates the County 4-H members hard work in raising funds for continued improvements for future years. Forms and money are due to the Extension office no later than 4:30pm on Friday, March 21st.

Please check with your leaders on when they are due for your club. Leaders please turn in your club's orders & payment together. The top five salespersons will be awarded (\$50, \$40, \$30, \$20, \$10). The pick-up date is Friday, April 11th. If you have questions, please contact the Extension office.



Livestock Tagging

Beef weigh-in is Friday, March 21st from noon to 5pm at Luthi's, 3673 Z Rd., Madison. Beef Tags are \$4.00

Market and commercial females will need to be tagged at spring weigh-in to be able to show at the Greenwood County Fair. If you have purebred animals that have registration papers they will not be required to be tagged, but you must turn in a copy of those registration papers to the Extension Office by the spring Small Animal weigh-in date. You may email them to Ben (benjam63@ksu.edu). Please ensure they are in a readable format. All market livestock must be castrated or banded by spring weigh-in.

Small Animal Weigh-In

Weigh-in and tag for swine, sheep, meat goats, and bucket calves is Saturday, April 26th. Tags are \$4 each.

Approximate weigh-in schedule:

- 8:00am Hogs
- 9:30am Goats
- 10:00am Sheep
- 10:30am Bucket Calves



Flint Hills Classic

The Flint Hills Classic will be held on Sunday, April 27th. The 4-H Council voted to host a concession stand during the Flint Hills Classic Livestock show. All that is needed is the help of 4-H club members and some adult volunteers to operate the concession stand. 4-H Council has assembled the following schedule for clubs to come and help. Approximately two (2) adults and five (5) 4-Hers are needed for each shift. The 11:00am - 12:30pm shift will need an additional 1-2 helpers. All proceeds from the concession stand will benefit the Greenwood County 4-H Foundation, and will be used to improve fairground facilities.

Concession Schedule:

- * 6:30am – 8:00am Fancy Mustangs
- * 8:00am – 9:30am Fall River 55'ers
- * 9:30am – 11:00am Harmony Sunflowers
- * 11:00am – 12:30pm Racing Wranglers
- * 12:30pm – 2:00pm Willow Valley Go-Getters
- * 2:00pm – 3:30pm Madison Pacesetters





Mark Your Calendars!

March 20th & April 22nd @ 6:30 pm
Greenwood County Courthouse

YQCA Training is required to show at the Kansas Junior Livestock Show and the Kansas State Fair. This program must be completed each year. These trainings will be "in person" and require a \$3 sign up fee.

YQCA Training

Other opportunities for In-Person YQCA Training:

- ◇ March 13 @ 6:30pm in El Dorado
- ◇ March 26 in Howard
- ◇ April 9 @ 6:30pm in El Dorado
- ◇ April 23 in Sedan
- ◇ May 28 @ 6:30pm in El Dorado

******Sign-up by logging into your YQCA account @ yqcaprogram.org and selecting only one session.****

2025 Market Beef Nomination Information

Market Beef Nomination must be postmarked by Thursday, May 1st. Please see nomination information at www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu

All 2025 state livestock nomination information will be posted on the "Nomination Information" tab of the KSU Youth Livestock website.

Important: All animals that are nominated for the Kansas Junior Livestock Show and Kansas State Fair will be required to be tagged with the Kansas 4-H EID tags in 2025. DNA hair samples in official DNA envelopes are also required.

**Exhibitors must contact their local Extension Office to get their animals tagged and further details on state nomination.



4-H Council Corner

Next 4-H Council meeting will be Monday, March 31st at 6:30 pm at the Lamont Wesleyan Church in Madison. Items on the agenda include:

- Fair Building Watch Day/Times
- Trash Duty Times
- 4-H Camp Recruitment



Discovery Days

Kansas 4-H Discovery Days is planning to be in-person on KSU campus!

When: June 4th - 6th, 2025

Who: Youth ages 13 - 18 before January 1, 2025 are invited to register

Cost: TBA

Registration: Coming soon!

General Schedule: TBA

Discovery Days objectives:

- Help youth learn new ideas, techniques, and skills they can use personally and in their 4-H clubs or groups and communities
- Give youth in-depth training through hands-on educational sessions from content and youth development experts
- Prepare youth to make informed decisions about their careers and college path
- Enhance personal growth by giving opportunities to develop responsibility, confidence, independence, accountability, problem-solving, decision-making, and time management skills
- Help youth meet new people and make new friends from different places and with different backgrounds from across the state
- Provide an opportunity for youth to experience the K-State campus and its wealth of resources
- Develop college and career readiness skills which prepare participants academically and socially for a successful transition to college and life as an adult

Scholarships

Kansas 4-H Scholarship:

The online applications for the 2025-26 Kansas 4-H Scholarship are available and due by March 1st. The process has been modified and changes will take effect for the 2025-26 scholarship application process.

Please review all of the documentation thoroughly. The information you will need for this scholarship are available on the following link: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html>

Judy Wiggins Scholarship:

The Judy Wiggins Memorial scholarship application will be due April 1st. Copies of the application are available by request from the Extension Office.

Kansas Range Youth Camp



For more information or to register, visit <https://www.kglc.org/range-youth-camp.cfm>

Entomology Project Meeting

Tips and Tricks for making posters, tri-folds, educational displays, etc. Come join the fun and learn about making great visual displays. Saturday, March 8th at the Allen County Extension Office Meeting Room beginning at 1:00 p.m. It's not too early to start on displays for the County Fair! Learn time saving tips for making posters and tri-folds. Learn about making your displays stand out. This is open to all 4-H families. Please RSVP to Vicky Wallace at vicky.wallace55@gmail.com or (620) 804-9170.

Horse ID Papers

Horse ID's are due in the Extension Office by Friday, May 30th. Get one here: <https://www.bookstore.ksre.k-state.edu/pubs/P1039.pdf> or pick one up at the Extension Office.



Registration papers will no longer be accepted as forms of ID. Also, proof of a negative EIA (Coggins) test will be required to exhibit this year in the Horse Show.

Congratulations to all Greenwood County 4-H members who participated in this year's 4-H Club Day!! Good luck to our Champions at Regionals!

County Shooting Sports Contests

The Greenwood County 4-H Archery Shoot will be Saturday June 21st, and the Shotgun Shoot will be Sunday June 29th, followed by the Annual Shooting Sports Awards Banquet at the Concourse building.

Entries for these contests will be due June 13th on Fair Entry. Please plan accordingly to get all entries complete by the due date.

Join the "Greenwood County 4-H Archery" Facebook page for all archery member information

Dog Project Facebook Page

Our 4-H Dog Project Leader, Suellen Appellof, has created a private Greenwood Co 4-H Dog Project Facebook group! If you are in the project, we encourage you to reach out to Suellen to join the group to stay up-to-date on everything that is going on with the project and upcoming project meetings and training sessions.

The 4-H Dog Project in Greenwood County is a fun and educational activity for dog owners and their pets. It offers engaging activities such as Showmanship, Rally/Obedience, and more.

If you are interested in participating or learning more, contact Suellen Appellof at (907) 841-4713 or suel-len.appellof@gmail.com. She has 15 years experience training, competing, & showing her own dogs in AKC venues. She is also involved in local & national dog organizations.

Don't miss out on this opportunity to improve your dog's skills and have a great training and competition experience with the Greenwood County 4-H Dog Project!

Dairy Goats at the County Fair!



There will be a Dairy Goat Division at the 2025 Greenwood County Fair. Detailed show rules will be released in the Fair Book on June 1st. Animals must be dehorned and debudded. Does must be ADGA or AGS registered.

Registration papers or stamped duplicate registration applications will be required for all registered animals. Animal papers must be in the name of the 4-Hers by June 1 or show ownership by June 1 for grades. Each exhibitor is limited to 4 entries for the entire dairy goat show, with a max of 2 entries per age division (i.e. 2 Jr Does and 2 Sr. Does). Animals without registration papers or legible tattoos, will show with recorded grades, on a bill of sale. Those animals must also be identified by an official USDA Scrapie Premise I.D. tag. If you have any questions feel free to reach out to Agent, Ben Sims, by calling the office at 620-583-7455 or emailing him directly at benjam63@ksu.edu

Fair Concessions Stand

If any non-profit group associated with youth development would like to sign-up for a time to run the Concession Stand at the Fair as a Fundraiser, please contact the Extension Office.

Concessions Schedule:

Friday:

9a-2p Eureka USD 389 Cheerleaders?
2-9p Hamilton H Club?

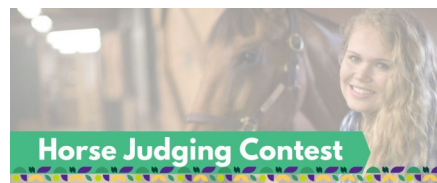
Saturday:

9a-2p Madison FFA Boosters?
2-9p Madison FFA Boosters?

Sunday:

4-9p GW Co Shooting Sports

Horse Judging Contest



Kansas State 4-H Horse Judging Contest will be held March 21st, 2025, in conjunction with EquiFest of Kansas

in Salina. Two contests are available- an open contest and a 4-H contest. Kansas 4-H members age 9-18 are invited to participate in the 4-H contest, and may also participate in the open contest. Youth of any age are eligible to participate in the open contest hosted by Kansas Quarter Horse Association. Registration is \$25. Coaches should register teams and individuals [here](#). Registration closes March 7th. Please be sure to read all rules prior to entry- [4-H Horse Judging rules](#).



Leaders' Notes

- ◆ **Volunteer Screening:** If you know of any 4-H volunteers that have not registered and gone through the screening process, please let the office know immediately! The Extension Office wishes to ensure that **ALL** Greenwood County 4-H Volunteers, both new and old, have gone through the appropriate steps of screening to be 4-H Volunteers. Per the Kansas 4-H Policy Handbook: It is a privilege, not a right, to be a 4-H Volunteer. These volunteers are expected to adhere to the Kansas 4-H Code of Conduct found [HERE](#). New volunteers must complete the initial steps of: 4-H Online profile creation, References, Criminal Background Check, Interview, Orientation, and Approval before they can serve as a 4-H Volunteer. All information must be kept current in the 4-H Online system. A Kansas 4-H Volunteer is defined as any "Adult providing direct supervision to youth at a 4-H program; making decisions on behalf of the 4-H program; having access to private data of 4-H youths or volunteers; and/or handling funds as part of 4-H and must complete the volunteer screening process, be accepted, and enrolled as a KS 4-H Volunteer." We need your help as leaders to ensure we are completing screening for all volunteers. Current volunteers should go through a rerunning of a Criminal Background Check every three years.
- ◆ **Kansas Maid Fundraiser:** Orders are due to Extension Office by 4:30pm on Friday, March 21st. **Please have checks made payable to your club.** Leaders please turn in your club's orders together on one form and with one check from your club for the total amount due for all orders. Tentative pickup date is Friday, April 11th.
- ◆ **Beef weigh-in:** Friday, March 21st noon to 5pm at Luthi's, 3673 Z Rd, Madison. Beef Tag's are \$4.00. All youth with livestock will be required to have a signed copy of the Premium Sale Rules on file in order to sell their animal. Required signatures will be from both the 4-H'er and their guardian.
- ◆ **County Fair 4-H Archery and Shotgun Shoots:** The county fair shooting sports events will be in June again this year. The daily schedules will stay the same. The new dates are: Archery Contest Saturday June 21st, Shotgun shoot Sunday, June 29th, and Shooting Sports Banquet Sunday, June 29th. The banquet will be at the Concourse Building at the fairgrounds. Shooting sports entries will be due on June 13th in Fair Entry
- ◆ **Regional 4-H Day:** Saturday, March 22nd @ Madison High School
- ◆ **Judy Wiggins Scholarship:** Applications available at the Extension office and are due April 1st.
- ◆ **Horse Show:** Please continue to remind your Horse project participants that registration papers are no longer accepted as forms ID for Horse Show participation. Also, all participants are required to show proof of a negative EIA (Coggins) test in order to exhibit at the County Fair Horse Show.
- ◆ **Refinished Furniture Class at County Fair:** This class is no longer offered under the Interior Design & Architecture Division. Youth wishing to enter and exhibit refinished furniture projects must do so under the Woodworking Division. **THEY MUST BE ENROLLED IN THE WOODWORKING PROJECT IN 4-H ONLINE TO DO SO.**
- ◆ **Small Animal weigh-in:** Saturday, April 26th. Tag's are \$4.00

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