# THE 4-H FLASH NEWSLETTER

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## **March 2023**

March is the time of year when things start to really pick up! We have finished Club Days and the 4-H year is quickly on its way! There are a ton of opportunities in the future so make sure to read your newsletters, mark your calendars and follow us on Facebook, so you do not miss any.

-Sarah



Please note: The Cowley County Fair is a week later than normal. August 3-7, 2023

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Office Hours Monday through Friday 8-11:30 a.m. 12:30 - 5 p.m.

## **Community Leaders**

#### **March Check-Up**

- \* Encourage 4-Her's to share what they are doing in 4-H at school.
- \* Ask your 4-H parents to encourage others to get involved.

#### **Review**

- Read the 4-H Newsletter and mark important dates on the calendar.
- Review highlights from the 4-H Newsletter at your club meeting.
- \* Have you checked out the 4-H Club Corner?

#### To-Do

- Review 4-Hers enrollment and selected projects
- \* Check in with project leaders to ensure they are on task and holding meetings.
- \* Make sure 4-H Council report is given to the club
- \* Check club mailbox at Extension Office

#### Promote/Recruit

- \* YQCA for all 4-Hers in animal projects
- \* Celebrate Ag (see below)
- \* 4-H Media Team
- **\*** Entrepreneur Club
- Sign-up for County Committees

#### Remember

- Spring Beef Weigh-In March 5
- \* Small Specie Weigh In April 23 & 25
- \* Horse ID papers due May 1st
- Dairy (Cattle & Goat) Lease papers due May 1st



## **CELEBRATE AG**

We are looking for 4-Hers to participate at Celebrate Ag. 4-H will have a booth set up inside the beef barn. We encourage any 4-Hers to come and bring their animals or other 4-H projects and talk to the public about your project. If you cannot bring your animal or other project, you can set a project display up as well!

May 20, 2023 at the Beef Barn (Winfield Fairgrounds) 9 AM- 1 PM

## **4-H Council & Junior Leaders**

## March 20, 2023 - 7:00 p.m. Meeting Location:

"Ark City High School"
Indoor Pool



4-H Council reps may invite one friend.

If you were selected to represent your club at 4-H Council and find you cannot attend, please let your leader(s) know in advance and find another member to serve in your place.

## March 27, 2023 7:00 p.m.

Junior Leaders will meet on March 27, 2023 in the Assembly Room at the Extension Office.





If you are enrolled in an animal project, we highly suggest attending the in-person course!

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a national, multi-species youth livestock quality assurance program that focuses on food safety, animal well-being, and character development, through age- appropriate educational curriculum for youth 8-21 years of age. This program is an annual certification that grows with a young person, so the learning modules are different every year. Curriculum materials were launched in October, and youth are welcome to begin completing the training at any time. ALL exhibitors are required to be YQCA certified in order to participate in the 2023 Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and/or Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS). This includes youth who will be showing market animals and breeding females. The YQCA certification covers a variety of species, so youth only need to complete one certification session to fulfill the requirement. Youth who are age 7 may participate in an instructor-led course and a parent or guardian will need to attend the training with them. The parent/guardian will not officially register, as this is a youth- only program. The parent/guardian will attend to serve as a guide for their child during the training, and because of the level of involvement first-year parents have in projects to help their child have a positive experience.

Youth ages 8-21 may obtain their YQCA certification using one of the following methods:

Online Course - \$12/child - Test-Out Option - only 12 & 15 year olds eligible; online only; cost varies Families must pay for the online class through the site at the time of registration. It will require a credit card number or coupon code. Contact Sarah (slag11@ksu.edu) for a coupon code.

The in-person option fee will be sponsored by the House Foundation. This will be hosted in the Cowley County Assembly room on March 29, 2023 at 5:30 pm. Contact Sarah (slag11@ksu.edu) for more information, and the required coupon code.

Click on this link to sign up today

https://yqcaprogram.org/login/index.php

## Important Dates and Deadlines \*underlined text is a link

#### March

- 3/1 KS 4-H Scholarship Application Deadline
- 3/5 Beef <u>Tagging</u> / Weigh-In Day
- 3/11 KSU Junior Swine Producer Day
- 3/14 Livestock Information Session
- 3/18 KSU Junior Meat Goat Day
- 3/20 4-H Council Mtg
- 3/25 Dairy Judging Clinic
- 3/27 Junior Leaders Mtg
- 3/29 YQCA

#### **April**

- 4/15 Cowley Classic Beef Show
- 4/16-22 National Volunteer Week
- 4/20-21 KSU Tour
- 4/23 Small Livestock <u>Tagging</u> Day
- 4/25 Small Livestock Tagging Day

#### May

- 5/1 Horse ID papers due
- 5/1 Dairy Cattle & Dairy Goat lease papers due
- KSF/KJLS Beef Nominations due
- 5/3 Superintendent Training
- 5/6 Cowley County Sheep & Meat Goat Show

#### June

- 6/7-9 Discovery Days
- KSF/KJLS Sheep, Swine & Goat nominations due
- 6/16-17 Insect Spectacular

#### July

- 7/5 ENROLLMENT DEADLINE to show at the Cowley Co. Fair (must have an approved enrollment status by 7/5)
- 7/5 ADD/DROP Projects deadline
- 7/15 KSF Livestock entries due

#### **August**

- 8/1 KJLS entries due
- 8/3-7 Cowley County Fair
- 8/11 Kansas State Fair non-livestock preentries due

Cowley County Annual 4-H Calendar

Kansas 4-H Events & Activities Calendar

## **BRAND NEW Opportunities!!**

#### Cowley County 4-H is EXCITED to announce two new opportunities!

**4-H Jr. Rodeo, evening of July 29, 2023 (More details to come)** 

## **\*** Breeding Bulls

## Cowley County Fair Division-Breeding Bulls

- 1.Bulls must arrive the day of the show (Friday, August 4, 2023) and will be released directly following the show.
- 2.Upon arrival, there will be a beef superintendent and a fair board member present for unloading. It will be at their discretion to determine that the animal is safe to continue stalling and show.
- 3. Bulls will be allowed to stall at the participant's designated area.
- 4.Bulls may only be shown in the bull division
- 5.Bulls over 24 months of age will be ineligible to show
- 6.All bulls 12 months or older must have nose control or nose clip.
- 7.Bulls are to only be allowed to stall in the East and West outside portions of the beef barn, and are at no time allowed in the middle, inside portion of the beef barn.
- 8. There must be an adult present with the participant at all times that the bull is not stalled, with the exception of entering the show ring, and exiting the show ring. An adult will escort from stalling to the show arena and again back to stalling.

## **4-H Day Results**

Cowley County 4-H Day was held on February 11, 2023 at the Winfield Middle School, 130 Viking Blvd.

County 4-H Day is one of the first big events of the year. It's an opportunity for all 4-H members to share their speaking skills, knowledge, talents, and creativity before a larger audience. The event is also counted on achievement pin applications.

Any approved/enrolled 4-H member can participate in as many categories as they choose. There is no pre-requisite or qualifying competition required.

Vocal Solo:

Senior

Adison Henderson, Burden, Top Blue

Piano Solo:

<u>Junior</u>

Olivia Clapp, Dexter/Otto, Top Blue

Ella Jelinek, Udall, Blue

Small Instrument Ensemble:

Matthew Henderson and Samantha Henderson,

Burden, Top Blue

Demonstration/ Illustrated Talks

**Junior** 

Ensley Groom Tisdale, Top Blue

Wyatt Bowman, Udall, Blue

Lee Preston, Udall, Blue

Asher Wolfe, Burden, Blue

Intermediate

Dalton Bowman, Udall, Top Blue

Hadley Lackey, Udall, Blue

Anthony Jelinek, Udall, Blue

Anna Wolfe, Burden, Blue

Senior

Andrew Preston, Udall, Top Blue

Adison Henderson, Burden, Blue

Rachel Jirak, Udall, Blue

Wyatt Thompson, Udall, Blue

Project Talks:

**Junior** 

Luke Ahlerich, Udall, Top Blue

Max Champlin, Dexter/Otto, Blue

Westen Pellegrini, Udall, Blue

Landry Robinson, Udall, Blue

Intermediate

Caleb Krepps, Tisdale, Top Blue

Jake Jelinek, Udall, Blue

Brilee Pellegrini, Udall, Blue Addison Robinson, Udall, Blue Alivia Thompson, Udall, Blue

Readings:

Junior

Ella Jelinek, Udall, Top Blue

Kendyl Higdon, Tisdale, Blue

Intermediate

Jayde Wesley, Sunrise, Top Blue

<u>Senior</u>

Isebella Brodbeck, Sunrise, Top Blue

Public Speaking:

Senior

Elizabeth Jirak, Udall, Blue

Model Meeting:

Walnut Valley, Blue

Gavel Games:

<u>Junior</u>

Dexter/Otto, Purple

Intermediate

Dexter/Otto, Purple

Favorite Family Foods:

Junior

Kendyl Higdon, Tisdale, Top Blue

Intermediate

Caleb Krepps, Tisdale, Top Blue

Show & Share:

Cloverbud

Harper Higdon, Tisdale, Cotton Candy

Junior

Kendyl Higdon, Tisdale, Cotton Candy

(Cotton Candy was the participation prize)

## 4-H Day Results cont'.

Twenty-six youth participated in the February 11 Family and Consumer Judging Contest at 4-H Days. This is an opportunity to test your knowledge about various topics (and learn new things too!) Future contests will be available. Youth can include contest participation on their 4-H project records and achievement pin applications. Individual score sheets and answer keys were distributed to participants via email and in club mailboxes.

#### Seniors, 7 youth participants

- 1. Abigial Reid
- 2. Elizabeth Jirak
- 3. Caydence Billiter
- 4. Andrew Preston
- 5. Wyatt Thompson

Other participants: Mathew Norton & Rachel Jirak

#### Intermediates, 11 participants

- 1. Ella Jelinek
- 2. Brilee Pellegrini
- 3. Olivia Brodbeck
- 4. Jayde Wesley
- 5. Jake Jelinek

Other participants: Hadley Lackey, Alivia Thompson, Anthony Jelinek, Anna Wolfe, Olivia Clapp,

#### Juniors, 8 participants:

Ensley Groom, Westyn Pellegrini, Kendyl Higdon, Luke Ahlerich, Lee Preston, Landry Robinson, Asher Wolfe, Dalton Bowman, Wyatt Bowman

(Ranking not available for this class as most youth had assistance from adult helpers)

#### Photography judging, 7 participants

Junior - Kendyl Higdon Intermediates - 1. Jake Jelinek 2. Olivia Brodbeck 3. Addison Robinson Seniors - 1. Andrew Preston 2. Elizabeth Jirak 3. Rachel Jirak

## **Cowley County Extension Council**

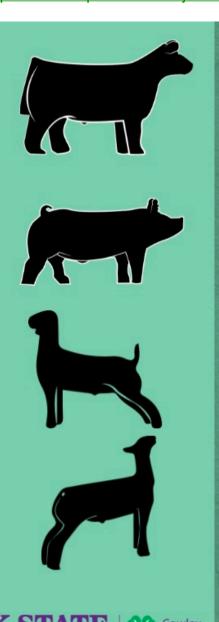
The Cowley County Extension Council Executive Board meets monthly and conducts the business of the Extension Office. The Extension Council monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. in the Assembly Room at the Cowley County Courthouse.

Kansas State University is committed to making its services, activities and programs accessible to all participants. If you have special requirements due to a physical, vision, or hearing disability, contact Becky Reid, 620-221-5450. (For TDD, Kansas State University, 785-532-4807.)

## **Livestock Project Info**

This is a great opportunity to learn about the different species, meet some of the superintendents and hear the ins and outs of preparing your animals to exhibit at the Cowley County Fair

Follow the QR code or link below to sing up <a href="https://kstate.gualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV-3E0gRyv98KHkHno">https://kstate.gualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV-3E0gRyv98KHkHno</a>



# LIVESTOCK PROJECT INFO SESSION

MARCH 14, 2023, 6:30 P.M.
COWLEY COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE
IN PERSON OR ZOOM OPTION

This will be a great opportunity for anyone interested in getting involved in Cowley County 4-H livestock projects, wanting to learn more about your selected specie and getting to know your superintendents!

**Topics Discussed:** 

- -Fair Rules
- -Specie Specific Rules/Info
- -General Care and Feeding
- -Facilities and Equipment needed
- -Answering Any Questions





## **New! 2023 Livestock Production Essay**

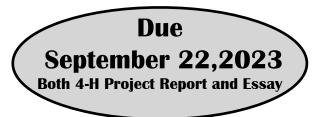
Who can participate: 4-H Members exhibiting livestock at the 2023 Cowley County Fair <u>AND</u> submitting a 4-H Project Report.

Participants exhibiting these species will be eligible:

- \* Beef
- \* Bucket Calf
- \* Dairy Cattle
- \* Swine
- \* Sheep
- \* Meat Goat
- Dairy Goat
- Meat Rabbits
- \* Production Poultry

Potential topics to build on:





- \* Production- Breeding animals, what are your future goals? What specific details do you need to consider if you plan to keep this animal and breed them?
- Finances- pasture stocking rate, available pasture/rental rates, price to feed, maintain, breed, house this animal?
- \* Marketing- Marketing to sell this animal or their progeny for a return on investment.
  - -Break down your plan
- \* Industry Expectations- interview Bankers, FSA Loan Officers, Extension Agents, Local Farm/ Ranchers, study and cite University publications.
- \* Goal Setting- does your animal have products to sell? (milk/eggs/offspring) What does your business plan look like for that and how are you going to make that work and grow to be a profitable business owner?
  - -Do you have a market animal? How are you feeding that animal to be the most profitable on the rail? Are you marketing that animal before the fair to get the best price? Do you know how much meat that animal provided after the fair? What is your goal as you feed this animal and how did you do? Hanging weight, back fat, pounds of product.

If you need help with this project, please schedule an appointment with Sarah to help you explore ideas

The intent of this essay is to dig deeper into the production side of the industry, learning from publications and professionals in our area. You will want to plan to have it proofed by multiple people.

## **Kansas State Fair/Grand Drive Changes**

#### **GROOMING RULE UPDATE (ALL SPECIES): FULL FIT SHOW**

Junior Livestock Show Grooming: The purpose of grooming rules for junior exhibitors is to promote the program as a learning experience for youth. All junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals throughout the show. Grooming at the Kansas State Fair for the breeding and market animal shows may include the use of adhesives, paints, and powders. Twine, other artificial material or hair not from the animal itself are not allowed.

Grooming at the Kansas State Fair for the showmanship competition shall be "no fit"/ "blow and go." Adhesives, paints, and powders are not allowed.

Immediate family members of current Kansas 4-H or FFA members exhibiting may provide grooming and care to assist the junior exhibitor, regardless of whether the exhibitor is present while such grooming and/or care is being provided. Immediate family members include parents, legal guardians, siblings, and grandparents.

Individuals who do not meet the definition of an immediate family member or are not exhibitors at the show, but wish to provide consulting assistance to exhibitors, shall be deemed "Livestock Helpers." A Livestock Helper may only provide verbal guidance, consultation, and educational assistance. Hands-on assistance by Livestock Helpers is not allowed any time during the show.

Livestock Helpers must register with the Grand Drive office either at the time of entry by the relevant exhibitor(s) or during the State Fair. During registration, Livestock Helpers must submit documentation with the State Fair office containing the names of all exhibitors they wish to help. Livestock Helpers must wear a visible badge while in the barns providing guidance and verbal assistance.

Livestock Helpers found to be grooming or caring for animals will be warned once by the Competitions Director or their designee and upon the second violation may have their credentials revoked. An entry that has been groomed by a Livestock Helper may be disqualified.

Violations of this rule are subject to all penalties afforded by all applicable Kansas State Fair rules and may include revocation of Livestock Helper credentials for up to two years.

#### 4-H AND FFA BEEF CATTLE RULE UPDATES (BEEF CATTLE EXHIBITORS ONLY):

#### NO CHUTES IN TIE SPACES IN THE CATTLE BARN

Stall chutes and " EZstay, Straight Up type bars" are allowed in stalls when in use only and cannot take up cattle space.

Only on show day may chutes be placed in aisles. This applies to steer exhibitors on Saturday and heifer exhibitors on Sunday. Please angle and space your chutes so that cattle can be moved to the ring. Do not block the entire aisle.

Chutes may be placed in open space along North and East walls of the barn and in open space in the Southeast part of the tie barn/ Prairie Pavilion.

Please plan and coordinate chute sharing with others from your county.

#### NO PENS OR PANELS IN TIE OUTS

No pens, extra panels or end panels will be allowed in the tie outs.

If pens/panels are set up the exhibitor will receive one warning to remove immediately, and if not removed will be removed by KSF staff.

Tie out space is limited to only the animals that are checked in to the show, not the number of cattle entered.

"Tying out" in the dairy barn or to the chain link fence is not allowed.

Tie out space is not assigned by club/county, and if excessive space is used by an exhibitor the show management and KSF staff have the right to condense the exhibitor's space.

For a full list of Kansas State Fair rules and guidelines, visit <a href="https://www.kansasstatefair.com/p/competitions/2020-special-edition-4-h--ffa-grand-drive">https://www.kansasstatefair.com/p/competitions/2020-special-edition-4-h--ffa-grand-drive</a>

## **Cowley County Beef Classic**



## Saturday, April 15, 2023

Winfield Fairgrounds; Winfield, KS
7:00-9:00 a.m. Check-In and Weigh
9:00 a.m. Weight cards due
10:00 a.m. Show begins
Breeding Heifers
Cowley County Heifers
Market Steers
Cowley County Steers
Showmanship

Cash awards will be given to the top three Market and top three Breeding animals \$750, \$500, \$300

## **Beef Classic Entry Form**

#### General Rules

Entry is open to any bonafide 4-H or FFA member. Exhibitors must be at least 7 years old and not have passed their 19th birthday before January 1, 2023

The entry fee is \$30/head by April 10, 2023. After April 10, entry will be \$35/head. Entry fee may be mailed with official entry blank or presented at check-in. Pre-entries are preferred. **All pre-entered exhibitors will receive a show t-shirt.** 

Cash awards will be given to the top three Market and top three Breeding animals (\$750, \$500, \$300). Prizes will be awarded for Showmanship and Class winners.

There will be no limit on the number of entries per exhibitor.

Heifer and steer check in begins at 7:00 a.m. All entries must be checked in and weight cards are due by 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 15, 2023. No stalling, no bedding available. Must show off the trailer. Generators are encouraged. Exhibitors are to clean up their area before leaving the grounds.

A minimum of 3 head is required to show as a breed. There will be an AOB class if needed. The show management reserves the right to alter and/or combine classes.

Heifers must be accompanied by registration papers or a copy of transfer papers in the member's name. There will be a commercial heifer class for all unregistered heifers. Maximum heifer birth date shall be no sooner than January 1 of the previous year.

Market Steers will show by breed and weight. The Market Heifers will show by weight.

The showmanship contest is open to all exhibitors and will be conducted as follows: Senior (14 and over), Intermediate (10-13), Junior (7-9). Age is determined before January 1, 2023.

There will be a separate Market and separate Breeding class for Cowley County Exhibitors with no entry fee.

The Cowley County Classic will be a full-fit show.

Skills learned in 4-H last a lifetime:

A positive self concept An inquiring mind

Healthy interpersonal relationships

A concern for the community Sound decision making

Please complete and return to: Cowley County Classic c/o Cowley County Extension P.O. Box 538 Winfield, KS 67156

#### \*\*Exhibitors who pre-enter by April 10, 2023 will receive a t-shirt.

Exhibitor Name	Age (before 1/1/2023)
County Add	dress
City/ST/Zip	Showmanship: SR INT JR
T-shirt size (indicate youth or adult size) <sub>_</sub> Breed (specify steer or heifer)	
1	2
3	4

## **Cowley County Sheep & Meat Goat Show**



Saturday, May 6, 2023

Winfield Fairgrounds; Winfield, KS

Sponsored by the Cowley County Sheep and Meat Goat Show Committee

#### Schedule:

7:30-8:30 a.m. Sheep Check-In, Declare weights

9:00 a.m. Sheep Show (30 minutes after Cowley County Classic)

**Breeding Ewes** 

Showmanship (Senior, Intermediate, Junior, Peewee)

Market Lambs

Cowley County Sheep

9:30-10:30 a.m. Goat Check-In, declare weights

Goat Show (30 minutes after sheep show)

**Breeding Does** 

Showmanship (Senior, Intermediate, Junior, Peewee)

Market Goats

Cowley County Goats



## **Sheep & Goat Show Entry Form**

# Cowley Courty Sheep and Meat Goat Show

Winfield Fairgrounds; Winfield, KS

#### General Rules

Entry is open to any bonafide 4-H or FFA member. Exhibitors must be at least 7 years old and not have passed their 19th birthday before January 1, 2023.

The entry fee is \$15/head and \$5 per exhibitor for showmanship by May 1, 2023. Entries received after May 1 are \$25/head. All pre-entered exhibitors will receive a show t-shirt. Entry fee is to defray expenses of the show. No refunds. Judge's decision will be final.

Animals shown in the market classes are not eligible to show in the breeding classes and vice versa.

Everyone must check in at the registration table prior to weighing. This includes in-county, out of county, breeding and market entries.

Market lambs must be slick-shorn to one quarter inch, to the hock. Wool on the face and below the hock is allowed.

Market Goats will be shown clipped to 3/8" or less. All classes will be split by weight.

All goats must be dehorned or tipped and rounded.

All wethers must be castrated/banded prior to coming to the show. No bucks/rams allow.

The showmanship contest is open to all exhibitors and will be conducted as follows: Senior (14 and over), Intermediate (10-13), Junior (7-9).

Age is determined before January 1, 2023. All animals shown in showmanship classes must be owned by the exhibitor.

Classes will be determined by weight and specified by committee. Classes will be determined at the conclusion of weigh-in.

Each exhibitor will be allowed to show only two head in market and two head in breeding classes.

No stalling, no bedding available. Must show off the trailer. Generators are encouraged. Exhibitors are to clean up their area before leaving the grounds.

All lambs must have lamb teeth, all goats must have kid teeth. All sheep and goats must have scrapes tag. No yearling ewes or yearling does. NO MISTREATMENT OF ANIMALS WILL BE TOLERATED.

HEALTH REQUIREMENT: Animals that are ill, have soremouth, and/or "club lamb" fungus **will not be allowed to show.** Decision of veterinarian is final.

The use of artifical coloring, except on hooves is prohibited.

Each exhibitor must groom his/her own animal and may use only the assistance of an immediate family member (mother, father, legal guardian, brother, sister) or another 4-H/FFA member who is an exhibitor at the show.

A special peewee showmanship class for children less than 7 years old will be offered during fitting and showing. \*\*Peewees may ONLY exhibit in fitting and showing.

Goats must be shown with all four feet on the ground. Exhibitors may use a collar, a collar with a short lead or a halter when showing. Medium (3mm) or smaller pinch collars will be allowed.

There will be a separate Market and separate Breeding class for Cowley County Exhibitors with no entry fee.

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Healthy interpersonal relationships Sound decision making

Please complete and return to: Cowley County Sheep and Meat Goat Show c/o Cowley County Extension
P.O. Box 538
Winfield, KS 67156

#### \*\*Exhibitors who pre-enter by May 1, 2023 will receive a t-shirt.

Exhibitor Name	
County Address	(before 1/1/2023)
Sheep Showmanship (\$5) Age by 1/1/2023SRINT	JRPeewee
#Mkt. Lambs#Breeding EwesTotal Sheep (#h	nead x \$15 + \$5 showmanship)
Goat Showmanship (\$5) Age by 1/1/2023SRINT _	JRPeewee
#Mkt. Goats#Breeding DoesTotal Goats (#he	ead x \$15 + \$5 showmanship)

## **Shooting Sports**

Check out the new club tik tok video announcements on Facebook or tik tok pages. #CowleySS, #PROVENIT

March Club Meeting - 1st Sunday, 3:30 @ the fairgrounds

#### **Air Discipline Practice**

Sunday, March 5th @ 2:00 p.m. BB, 4:00 pm Air Rifle, 5:30 Air Pistol at the Winfield Fairgrounds.



#### **Archery Practice**

Thursday, March 2 & 16 @ 6:30 p.m. at the fairgrounds. Thursday, March 30th @ 6:00 at the meadow.

#### **Shotgun Discipline**

Sunday, March 19th at 2:00 p.m. at the Meadow. Inclement weather, indoors at New Hope Fellowship

**2023 Wildlife Habitat Education Program** - 1st Review Meeting, Monday, March 20th at 5:30 pm at New Hope Fellowship Church, 19195 61st Rd., Winfield. Please email <a href="mailto:cowley4hshootingsports@gmail.com">cowley4hshootingsports@gmail.com</a> by <a href="mailto:March 1st">March 1st</a> if your member is interested in attending the Wildlife classes this year to get study material. More information about this National 4-H study contest may be found at <a href="mailto:www.WHEP.org">www.WHEP.org</a>.

Thank you for your support to our club with orders for the 2023 Flower Fundraiser Orders - reminder that delivery will be Friday, April 28th 3-7:00 pm at the Winfield Marquee.

#### --Austin Waite

**Cowley County 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator** 

620-222-1982

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www.4hshootingsportscowleyks.com

https://www.facebook.com/cowleycounty4hshootingsports

## **T-Shirt Design**

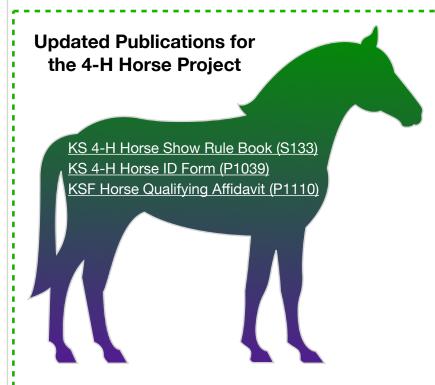
Get creative to create a county 4-H shirt! Cowley County 4-H Junior Leaders are hosting a t-shirt design contest. Anyone can submit a design for consideration that is a single-color design and includes the official 4-H clover with K-State Research and Extension wordmark. Designs are requested by 5 pm. on March 27 and can be emailed to bkreid@ksu.edu.



Misc.

# VOLUNTEER Week April 16-22, 2023

It's a great time to recognize and show appreciation to your club leaders, project leaders, fair superintendents, and other 4-H volunteers.



Kansas 4-H Horse Project members, the February Equine Webinar: 4-H Horse Judging is now available at <a href="https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/horse/equine-webinar-series.html">h.org/projects/animal-science/horse/equine-webinar-series.html</a>. We are trying something new this month with pre-recorded webinars. If you have questions to submit, please email them to klnordyke@ksu.edu with the subject "February Equine Webinar".

Kansas 4-H Livestock Project members, the February Animal Science Webinar: Beef Cattle Health with Dr. AJ Tarpoff is now available at <a href="https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/animal-science-webinar-series.html">https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/animal-science-webinar-series.html</a>. We are trying something new this month with pre-recorded webinars. If you have questions to submit, please email them to klnordyke@ksu.edu with the subject, "February Animal Science Webinar".

Cowley County 4-H

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Cowley County Classic Beef Show

Cowley County Sheep and Meat Goat Show

Cowley County Goat Project

Cowley County Sheep Project

Cowley County Swine Project

Cowley County Horse Project

Cowley County Dog Project



#### **4-H Club Corner**

**Creative Roll Call Ideas** 

**4-H Meeting Wheel Resource** 

A 4-H Project: More than a Fair Entry

4-H Club Meeting Agenda

The Puzzle: Putting a Meeting Together

Just click on the link to see helpful resources. The 4-H Club Corner has many more resources available on their webpage. 4-H Club Corner

## **Kansas Clover Classroom**

**Plant Science: Pollinators** 

**Health & Wellness Challenge: Take A Hike!** 

Foods & Nutrition: Quick Bread vs. Yeast Bread

Many more resources available on the **Clover Classroom page**.

## **4-H AMBASSADORS**

PURPOSE:

WORK TOGETHER WITH A TEAM OF APPROXIMATELY 3-8
AMBASSADORS AND AN ADULT ADVISOR TO DEVELOP A
PUBLIC INFORMATION PROGRAM FOR THE COWLEY COUNTY 4H PROGRAM.

#### **RESPONSIBILITES:**

PROMOTE 4-H TO ALL AUDIENCES ORGANIZE 4-H PROMOTIONAL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES DEVELOP COMMUNICATION SKILLS

#### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMAN TO AGE 18 ENTHUSIASM FOR 4-H INTEREST IN PROMOTING THE 4-H

PROGRAM

#### TIME REQUIRED:

1 OR 2 YEAR TERM 4-8 HOURS PER MONTH

THROUGH THIS EXPERIENCE, 4-H AMBASSADORS WILL HAVE
OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN, PRACTICE AND IMPROVE
COMMUNICATION, MARKETING, EMPLOYABILITY AND JOB SKILLS.

## **APPLY NOW!**

## click HERE! to apply for 4-H Ambassadors

Return application and letter of recommendation by March 31, 2023



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## **Standards of Participation for 4-H & FFA**

#### by Pam VanHorn

The purpose of the standards outlined below are to assist in determining eligible participation in FFA and/ or 4-H Youth Development learning experiences. Both 4-H and Agriculture Education/FFA promote teaching youth life skills. Each program exists to maximize the participants' knowledge of agriculture and its value to our communities while educating the young people to become productive citizens. Eligible youth may participate in both 4-H and FFA but should avoid duplication. The following standards of participation are used in delivering the 4-H and FFA programs in Kansas.

- 1. Agriculture Education teachers, FFA Advisors, Extension staff and local volunteers are encouraged to cooperate in sharing information and resources to provide educational opportunities for youth.
- 2. When young people are members of both 4-H and FFA, they must plan and manage separate projects, and/or supervised agriculture experiences (SAE) programs.
- 3. FFA and 4-H members may enroll in the same area of experience in 4-H and FFA, however; participants cannot identify, nominate, manage, keep records on, or exhibit the same plants, animals, etc. in both organizations. Members must designate exhibits as either FFA or 4-H at weigh-in, registration or similar deadline.
- 4. Members may participate in judging contests and related events in FFA and 4-H but cannot represent both organizations at a contest, show or event at the same time.
- 5. When 4-H and FFA are conducting collaborating activities, both the 4-H and FFA organizations must be represented through emblems and information on all signs, print materials and awards.
- 6. Collaborating FFA and 4-H activities or events are obligated to have supervision representation from both organizations.

The standards are in agreement with Kansas 4-H and FFA and hereby affirmed by members and professionals in order to participate in either educational program.





## Opportunities to Support Cowley Co. KSRE & 4-H

#### Friends of Extension

As someone who contributes time, talent and/or treasure to the benefit of Cowley County Extension, you are invited to be part of the Friends of Cowley County Extension organization. The group will alternate between morning and evening meetings to plan fundraising and advocacy events to support K-State Research and Extension Cowley County.

\*Did you know? Tax deductible contributions can be made to the 4-H Development Fund (c/o PO Box 538, Winfield KS 67156) or to the Friends of Cowley County Extension Endowment (c/o Legacy Regional Community Foundation, 1216 Main Street, Winfield KS 67156)

## **Buy Your Groceries and Support Cowley County 4-H**

Cowley County 4-H has been accepted as a Dillons Community Rewards Member. 4-H supporters can enroll their Plus Shoppers Card into the program and Cowley County 4-H will get credit for every purchase its member makes using their registered Plus card. The more we shop with Dillons, the more opportunity Cowley County 4-H has to earn even bigger rewards. To enroll, go to the secure website <a href="https://www.dillons.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow">https://www.dillons.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow</a>. The NPO number you will need to enroll is 72632.

## Walk Kansas 2023

#### **Walk Kansas**

Walk Kansas will be March 26 through May 20. Teams of six people log minutes during the eight weeks to virtually walk paths in Kansas. Registration is \$10.00 per person and will be online at <a href="https://www.walkkansas.org">www.walkkansas.org</a>. Youth under 18 are free.

The first step is to join a team, select a challenge, and register. The captain of your team should initiate this process and register your team online. (The captain will need your email address.) When you receive the email invitation to join Walk Kansas as a member of a specific team, follow instructions for registration. If you don't have a team to join right now, register online and choose the "individual" option when it asks you to select a team registration or individual registration. You will be placed on a team that could use an additional member.

## **Legal Stuff**

K-State Research and Extension is committed to providing equal opportunity for participation in all programs, services and activities. Program information may be available in languages other than English. Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities, including alternative means of communication (e.g., Braille, large print, audio tape, and American Sign Language) may be requested by contacting the event contact Sarah LaGrone two weeks prior to the start of the event (insert deadline date) at 620-221-5450. Requests received after this date will be honored when it is feasible to do so. Language access services, such as interpretation or translation of vital information, will be provided free of charge to limited English proficient individuals upon request. Kansas State University Agricultural Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service K-State Research and Extension is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

## **Cowley County 4-H Enrollment**

- **4-H Online Enrollment Link**
- **Solution** Cowley County KSRE Website with 4-H Enrollment Information

The 4-H year runs Oct. 1st. to Sept 30. **ALL YOUTH and ADULT VOLUNTEERS** participating in the 2022-2023 4-H year should enroll.

In order to be a regular member of Cowley County 4-H, the member must be 7 years old before January 1, 2023.

Cloverbuds is for children ages 5-6 before January 1,2023.

Project Selection Guide (includes descriptions of all projects)

Setting 4-H Project Goals

4-H Project Record Books

ZBooks (online record keeping option)

Click here to sign up for a County Committee

DID YOU KNOW??

The Kansas Clover Classroom is packed with helpful project information

## **4-H Scholarships**

## **Scholarship Opportunities**

Please visit the Kansas 4-H Resource <u>page</u> for Scholarship Opportunities. Kansas 4-H Scholarship, Kansas 4-H Geology Scholarship, and Vanier Scholarship!

## Get Financial Help Attending Events

The Cowley County 4-H Development Fund is our local 4-H foundation created in 1995 to assist Cowley County 4-H'ers take part in educational events and activities. Funding is provided by gifts from supporters. Each year, the 4-H Development Fund awards college scholarships to high school seniors and college freshmen. Beginning in 2015, the Development Fund introduced "Leadership Development Grants". Leadership Development Grants are available by application to local 4-H members who are registered for a state or national leadership event such as Discovery Days, National 4-H Congress, Kansas Youth Leadership Forum, Citizenship Washington Focus and more. Applications are available from the Cowley County Extension Office. Applicants must submit an essay, write a thank you note to a Development Fund donor and present a program about their experience to a 4-H club or county-wide group following attendance at the event. For more information, contact Sarah at <a href="mailto:slag11@ksu.edu">slag11@ksu.edu</a> or 620-221-5450.

## **Bill House Hereford Scholarship**

The Bill House Hereford Scholarship is specifically for those pursuing a career in agriculture.

Another scholarship with the same name exists through the Legacy Foundation in Arkansas City. These are two different scholarship opportunities. This is NOT the Catch-A-Calf program.



Information about this scholarship and others offered by the Community Foundation of Southeast Kansas can be found at <a href="SoutheastKansas.org/scholarships23">SoutheastKansas.org/scholarships23</a>.

#### The basic application process:

- 1. Visit <u>SoutheastKansas.org/scholarship-app</u>. This will open our online scholarship portal on GrantInterface.com.
- 2. Register for a new account if you haven't already. Otherwise, sign in. You will only create a new account once.
- 3. Click the "Apply" button in the top-right corner to begin your application. You will complete and submit a general application.
- 4. Based on the information you provide in the general application; you will receive a confirmation message identifying which specific scholarships you are eligible for. It will also ask you any supplemental questions required by those scholarships.
- 5. Complete the specific scholarship requirements.
- 6. Submit your scholarship applications by March 31, 2023, at 11:59 p.m. CDT.

https://southeastkansas.org/news/blog/kansas-scholarship-tips/

For more information, please contact:

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Program Coordinator
Work hours: M-TH, 10-3:30
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