

4-H Clover News

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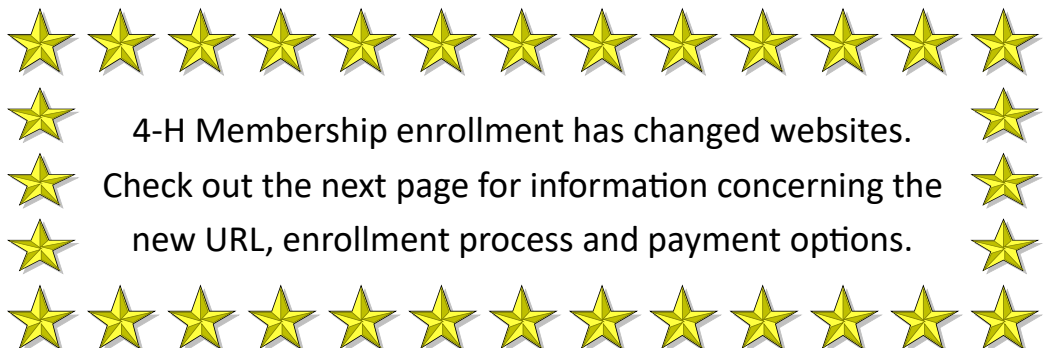


Help celebrate this year's National 4-H Week, Oct 4-10, by joining the movement to Opportunity4All". 4-H Week is held the first full week of October. National 4-H Week is a chance to raise awareness of 4-H, enroll more young people, and recruit more volunteers.

National 4-H Week Gift Card Giveaway!

Get entered to win a \$25 gift card during National 4-H Week! You can get 1 entry every day by following these easy steps— That's 7 chances to win! Let's flood Facebook with Ford County 4-H during National 4-H week!

- ★ Post a picture of yourself wearing a 4-H t-shirt on Facebook and tag Ford County 4-H in it.
- ★ Make any post promoting Ford County 4-H on your page so that your friends can see it and tag Ford County 4-H in it.
- ★ Post your picture with "A Proud 4-H Lives Here" Sign or change your Facebook profile and add a 4-H Frame. Proud sign can be found on our website.



ONLINE 4-H MEMBER ENROLLMENT



4-H Member Enrollment will be done online again this year but with can begin enrollment and re-enrollment on October 10.

Please wait until this date to enroll. The Club with the most member re-enrollments by November 15 of current members will receive a pizza party.

All new and re-enrollment will need to be completed online at <http://v2.4honline.com> . The old URL website will not work to enroll for 2020-2021.

MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT FEE AND PAYMENT PROCEDURES

Remember the State 4-H Office has a \$15 per member fee. At the end of each 4-H'er enrollment there will be a screen concerning the fee and payment options. Options on the screen will include: Debit/credit card, check, coupon and waiver. If you have more than one child and do not want several debit/credit card transactions you will need to indicate check or coupon otherwise each will be it's own transaction. A second transaction does not always go through as it might be considered as a fraudulent transaction. The enrollment fee can be paid through the Extension Office this year, but you will need to indicate payment by check. You can also still pay with a credit card if you prefer. If your club is paying for member's enrollment the office has a county coupon to use when enrolling. Indicate payment by check and the office will insert coupon prior to approval after club payment is received in the office. Club will need to pay 4-H Council for reimbursement.

If your family is paying the fee, you can also use a coupon by indicating payment by check. You can pay the Extension office and we can insert the coupon code prior to approval Office.

Participation Forms *are completed during enrollment online* as you have done previously.

Enrollment will not become active until approval by our county and state 4-H office. If you have any questions, please contact the office. There are instructions on our website for re-enrolling.

It is very important to keep your phone numbers current and list your service provider in the online system. This is our means of communicating with you if you want to receive text messages and phone calls. Also if you would like your kids to receive the newsletter by email, list their email address in the individual profile information. This will allow 4-H'ers as well as families to receive newsletters.

If you can't recall which email address you used to set up your account, give us a call or send us an email and we will help you out. Do NOT create a new family account. If your password doesn't work, you will need to reset it.

All State 4-H Projects will be listed this year in the online enrollment. A complete list of what projects Ford County offers can be found on our website. You can only enroll in projects available due to instructor restrictions for some projects — example some shooting sports disciplines. If you are not sure, check with us.

4-H CLOVERBUDS

Kansas 4-H is proud to claim the Cloverbud (5-6 year olds who are too young to join 4-H) program.

Cloverbuds should only enroll in the Cloverbud project. Below are the policies and guidelines that the Kansas Cloverbud program follows:

- 4-H Cloverbuds is activity-focused, rather than project-focused.
- The 4-H Cloverbuds programming is cooperative, rather than competitive.
- 4-H Cloverbud exhibits can be showcased at fairs or public events, but a 4-H Cloverbuds member may not participate as a competitive exhibitor in traditional 4-H events.
- A 4-H Cloverbud member may showcase a pet from the approved pet list:

Amphibians	Ant farms	Cats	Dogs	Fish	Gerbils
Guinea Pigs	Hamsters	Mice	Parakeets	Rabbits	Rats
- 4-H Cloverbuds requires a safe environment.
- The 4-H Cloverbud members do not manage money.

CONGRATULATIONS

to ALL of our Kansas State Fair Participants!

State Fair exhibitors were:

2020 Kansas State Fair Horse Show Results

Cameron Schulte Reserve Grand Champion Stock Type Gelding
 Cameron Schulte 5th place Western Pleasure 14-18 year olds
 Cameron Schulte 3rd place Horsemanship 14-18 year olds
 Cameron Schulte 4th place Ranch Horse-Rail 14-18 year olds
 Cameron Schulte 10th place Equitation 14-18 year olds

2020 KSF Livestock Show Results

Chance Kerr	2nd	Breeding Heifer- Class #15 Percentage Charolais
Chance Kerr	2nd	Breeding Heifer-Class #45-Maintainer
Kyle Ruehle	7th	Breeding Heifer- Class #28 Hereford
Kyle Ruehle	3rd	Breeding Heifer- Class #55-Shorthorn
Klayton Hessman	5th	Breeding Heifer- Class #80- Commercial
Easton Shenk	3rd	Market Beef- Class #7- Maine
Kyle Ruehle	6th	Market Beef- Class #10 Shorthorn
Jayden Torres	7th	Market Lamb- Class #9 Crossbred
Braeden Simon	8th	Market Lamb- Class #10 Commercial
Quinlan Simon	10th	Market Lamb-Class #11 Crossbred
Jayden Torres	11th	Market Lamb-Class #11 Crossbred
Brooklynn Kerr	3rd	Commercial Breeding Gilt-Class #25
Lincoln Martin	3rd	Commercial Breeding Gilt-Class #28
Klayton Hessman	11th	Registered Breeding Gilt- Class #20-Dark AOB
Brooklynn Kerr	3rd	Market Swine- Class #11- Light AOB
Brooklynn Kerr	4th	Market Swine- Class #12- Dark AOB
Klayton Hessman	14th	Market Swine- Class #12- Dark AOB
Brooklynn Kerr	3rd	Market Swine- Class #15- Crossbred
Lincoln Martin	Class Champion	Market Swine- Class #21 Crossbred
Lincoln Martin	3rd	Market Swine- Class #24 Commercial
Adeline Robinson	3rd	Breeding Does- Class #8 Division 2
Halle Robinson	6th	Breeding Does- Class #13- Division 2
Halle Robinson	5th	Market Meat Goats- Class #9 Division 3

2020 Kansas State Fair Static (inside) Exhibits

Michaela Mink	Red	Photography
Morgan Mink	Blue	Photography
Erika Fry	Blue	Photography
Clark Burgert	Purple	Photography
Grace Woydziak	Blue	Photography
Lincoln Martin	Blue	Photography
Candace Fry	Red	Photography
Candace Fry	9th	Photography Judging
Clark Burgert	Purple	Foods
Clark Burgert	Purple	Foods
Clark Burgert	Purple	Robotics-Sr. Div. Robot
Michaela Mink	Participation	Visual Arts
Calista Stein	Participation	Visual Arts
Heaven Montford	Participation	Visual Arts
Candace Fry	Purple	Fashion Revue- Women
Calista Stein	Blue	Fashion Revue-Women
Clark Burgert	Blue	Fashion Revue- Men
Stanton Custer	Blue	Demonstration
Lyndon Custer	Blue	Demonstration

KSF Family and Consumer Science (FCS) Judging Contest

Quinlan Simon	77th	Sr. Division
Braeden Simon	98th	Sr. Division

**INVITE A
FRIEND TO 4-H!**

In the spirit of National 4-H Week, we challenge each of you to invite a friend to your October and November 4-H meetings! The best way to grow your club and the Ford County 4-H Program is to share your passion for 4-H with your friends! Help us increase Ford County and your 4-H Club's enrollment!

4-H Shout Outs

- ★ To all the 4-H members who turned in a Record Book.
- ★ All 2019-2020 Club, Council and Ambassador/ Exchange Officers for excelling during a very different program year.
- ★ All 2019-2020 Community Leaders, especially those stepping down from being a club leader for the upcoming year: Micki Austin, Becky Swan, Melissa Tasaka and Lori Wiseman, for their leadership & dedication to their clubs.
- ★ 2020-2021 4-H Council officers: Candace Fry — President; Alexa Gerdes — Vice President; Cole Bertleson — secretary; and Kyle Ruehle — Treasurer.
- ★ To Clark Burgert for State Fair Robotics being selected for Best of Show!

4-H AMBASSADOR/EXCHANGE MTG

The next Ambassador/Exchange meeting will be Monday, October 26 @7:00 pm. NEW members are welcome! (4th Monday of the month). Elections will take place for the new year.



This dynamic group work with the promotion of 4-H to the public and within our own organization here in Ford County. The Exchange program is designed to help youth gain more independence, a greater appreciation for other parts of the state and country, news friends and new experiences. It is a two year commitment and we suggest you enroll in the Self Determined project. Youth must be 12 and older to be an Ambassador and 14 and older to be involved with the State to State Exchange. Call Ethel if you would like more information.

The 4-H Exchange Flea Market will be held on October 24 from 9:00 am-1:00 pm. Contact the Extension Office if you are interested in a booth or come to shop and support the Exchange program!

EXTENSION ANNUAL ELECTION MEETING

The Ford County Extension Program Development Committee Election meeting will be held on **Saturday, October 24** from 9 am to 12:00 pm. at the Ford County Fair Building, 901 W. Park Street, Dodge City during the Flea Market.

Elections will be for the four programming areas and candidates elected will serve a two-year term. Information about each candidate will be listed on the Ford County Extension website at www.ford.ksu.edu closer to the election meeting.

48 HOUR CHALLENGE

48-Hours of 4-H challenges club members to explore their service capabilities and take part in a service project. It does not have to be the last weekend of National 4-H Week, but it is encouraged.

Ford County 4-H Clubs are encouraged to participate by doing their own individual service projects. Let us know your project and we can report it to the state.



- ◆ Lucky Clovers 4-H Club is having a Coat Drive on Saturday, October 10, 10 am—1 pm at Beauty Villa in the Gibson Mall. If you have any clean, gently used coats, feel free to drop them off.

TRACTOR SUPPLY PAPER CLOVER CAMPAIGN

Each Spring and Fall, Tractor Supply will help raise money for 4-H programs with the Paper Clover Campaign, a national in-store fundraiser that benefits 4-H programming. The Fall campaign dates are Oct. 7 – Oct. 18. We encourage you to participate at our local Tractor Supply Co. store during Paper Clover and donate.

4-H CLUB OFFICER TRAINING

All newly elected officers are invited to attend a Virtual Officer Training workshop. You will have the opportunity to learn about teamwork, duties of your respective offices, and the responsibility of serving as an officer for your club. An email will be sent with specific dates for this virtual training. Members will need to register for this jam-packed training so we can send out the zoom link. Training will be approximately one hour long. There will be a session for Community Leaders so we hope community leaders will plan to attend.

PROJECT SELECTION

It is very important to sit down as a family to select 4-H projects for the upcoming year. **4-H IS A FAMILY AFFAIR**, so time required, costs involved, parental help, etc. should all be carefully considered when selecting projects. It is usually recommended to take only a few projects. A 4-H project is designed to encompass the entire 4-H year, including project meetings, special events/contests, individual time, fair exhibits, record books, etc. We have project selection guides available in the office if you'd like to learn more about the different projects offered.



County Wide Project Leaders & Volunteers!

The Ford County 4-H Program is always looking for County-wide project Leaders who will share their expertise, time and effort with our 4-H'ers. If you know of anyone who wants to get involved with the 4-H Program, please have them contact the Extension Office! Project Leaders give our members an extra 'edge' in their 4-H Experience!

County Wide Project leader will be listed in future newsletters as they are confirmed.

Virtual Kansas Youth Leadership Forum

The dates for the Kansas Youth Leadership Forum are Saturday, November 21 and Sunday, November 22.

Components will include a speaker, election of the new council, workshops, some small groups and some fun too. We have had some great workshop submissions to offer to attendees.

Sessions are planned as follows:

Saturday 9 a.m. to noon session

Saturday 1:45 p.m. to 4 p.m. session

Sunday 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. session

The registration fee (register by November 10) is \$30. It will

include: a conference t-shirt (mailed after the event), insurance, and program fees. Delegates should pay fees to their local Extension Office.



State 4-H Dog Conference and Quiz Bowl

The 2020 State 4-H Dog Conference and Quiz Bowl will be hosted as a virtual event on November 6, 7, and 8. The 4-H Dog Action Team is currently working to finalize plans for registration which will open soon. Registration will be free for the virtual event. Pre-registration will be requested to allow speakers to prepare and so we can get needed information to participants. During registration youth may choose to take part in a 4-H Dog Quiz Bowl which will be done on an individual basis instead of the traditional team quiz bowl.



Participants in the event will have the opportunity to engage with experts on dog care and training through live presentations and question and answer sessions. Content will also be available in recorded form after the event.



Saturday, Nov. 7th

7:00 pm Fair Building

Refreshments will be served, no meal.



ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT COMMITTEES

Program Assembly: RB

Programs should be ready by November 4. Please check with the office.

Decorations: DIY Jrs and LC

will only need to decorate the stage and a possible backdrop:

Serving Tea and Coffee: DCC

Remember to have long hair tied back and wash your hands prior to putting on serving gloves or serving.

Serving Food: WWW

Remember to have long hair tied back and wash your hands prior to putting on serving gloves or serving.

Clean up: VB

Help clean up trash, take down decorations and take out trash.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND THE ACHIEVEMENT

NIGHT? ALL 4-H Members and Family Members!

Even 4-H Supporters are invited and encouraged to attend! Even if you are not receiving an award, you should still join us for a fun evening and support your fellow club members! You have worked hard this past year and deserve an evening celebrating you!

WHAT SHOULD I WEAR? Since this is a special event for many of our 4-H'ers, we encourage everyone to dress appropriately for the occasion, i.e., slacks, button downs, dresses, skirts, etc. Jeans & t-shirts are NOT appropriate.

DO I NEED TO PURCHASE A TICKET?

FOR 2020 — WE ARE NOT REQUIRING A

TICKET. Since we are having refreshments only, we would appreciate a tentative number of who will be attending to set up for the night. Please call the office by noon on Friday, November 6 to let us know number attending.

PHOTOS NEEDED

Did you take pictures during the past 4-H year at any of your club or county wide activities? If so, we are looking for some pictures to include in this year's slide show for the Achievement Banquet.

You can send photos by email to Andrea at aburns@ksu.edu by Friday, October 23.



WINDOW DISPLAYS

Be on the look out for Ford County 4-H Club's Windows at the following businesses:

- DIY Jrs —JC Penney's North East Window
- LC —Beauty Villa, Gibson's Mall
- VB —Charlie's Hardware
- WWW—Spearville Senior Center

LOCAL BUSINESSES APPRECIATION

At the September 4-H Council meeting it was announced instead of cookies we would send a sign/banner and a package of mints to each of the businesses during 4-H Week because of concerns with COVID-19. This is a small gesture of appreciation for their support. Take time out of your day to say thank you in person if you go into any business that supports our 4-H Program as it would not exist without them!



Project Record Report Form To Replace KAP Form

After piloting a new Project Record Report Form with 10 units (comprising of 26 counties) the 4-H KAP Revision Taskforce is excited to announce the launch of a new project-based record keeping and award system for the 2020/2021 4-H program year. This means that for the new 4-H year beginning on October 1, 2020, Kansas 4-H members will no longer use the KAP forms.

The new system is designed to emphasize project learning and growth and resembles more of a record than an award application, while also developing career readiness skills. The Taskforce is finalizing the records for the upcoming year and forms will be available soon.

Couple of highlights:

- At the local level, 4-H members will submit a project record report form for each project. The report form includes project reflection and photos.
- There are 2 versions of the project record report form. [An animal form and a general project form](#). There are also 3 age versions of each form, one form for juniors age 7-9, one form for intermediates 10-13, and one form for seniors 14-18.
- At the regional level, the top local senior 4-H member in each project area will submit their project record report form, as well as a cover letter and resume.
- At the state level, the top 2 senior 4-H members from the regional screening in each project area will submit their project record report form, cover letter & resume and video submission.

We will be rolling out the new forms, an instructional guide, evaluation rubric and dates for trainings for 4-H members, parents and leaders in the next few months.

Any 2019/2020 KAPS selected within the county for Area and State Judging will conclude the use of the KAP forms.

At this time, the Personal Page and Permanent Record will still be the same forms presently being used.

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Dear 4-H Families,

Happy 4-H New Year!



Can you believe it is already October? These last few months might have been challenging, but you continued to excel and “made the best better!” We have adapted to online club meetings, we rocked a hybrid fair, we exhibited state fair static exhibits virtually, and we have survived record books.

Let’ start this new year off right and try to get more youth to join 4-H in Ford County. Invite your friends to your next club meeting. Promote 4-H online. Share why you like 4-H. The opportunities are endless!

This newsletter is jam packed with information about upcoming opportunities. Be sure to read it carefully and call the office if you have any questions.



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