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Congratulations to our Family of the Year recipient — Hoyt and Linda Fry Family!! Your family is very deserving of this 4-H honor. We appreciate all your volunteer time and donations to our 4-H program.



Record Books DUE October 1st!

It's that time of the year! The 4-H Year ends and begins again October 1st! What does this mean for YOU? The Project Record(s) book, Achievement Pin Applications, etc. are DUE to the Extension Office by 4:00 p.m. on **October 1**. Inside this newsletter is helpful information on how to fill out your Record Books. Our website under 4-H record books has other resources. If you need additional assistance ask us for help!



September 10-19, 2021

We will transport pre-entered exhibits to the State Fair. **Please bring your exhibits to the Extension Office before 12:00 noon on Wednesday, September 1.** Please remove county fair ribbons/cards before

bringing to the office. Exhibits must be wrapped and/or boxed to protect them.

Transportation of large exhibits and animals will be the responsibility of 4-H families. **Food and horticulture exhibits may be brought to the parking lot across from the Extension Office on Wednesday, Sept. 8 between 7:15-8:00 a.m.**

COUNTY FAIR THANK YOU UPDATE



The premium letter containing the list of Thank You's was just mailed out and hopefully you will receive it this week. We appreciate everyone's patience with getting the letter out this year, as we had some computer issues this month in the office. This letter contains a list of sponsors that the 4-H'ers are requested to do Thank you's for in order to receive their premium check. Remember a Thank You should be in an envelope with the name of the person/business you are thanking on the front along with a stamp. We will fill out the address for you. Keep up the good work!

When you look at your fair ribbon/premium print out we want to provide a few explanations.

Class	Entry	Result Type	Result Value	Premium Amount
Snacks/Senior - 14 and older	321	Award	Class Champion	0
Snacks/Senior - 14 and older	321	Ribbon	Violet	3.5

Points are paid on ribbon received — purple, (purple, lavender, violet and pink which is grand, reserve grand, class and reserve class placings), blue, red and white. Under Premium if you have a 0 showing, it is because it is listed as an award, not ribbon and you will also notice the entry number is the same for both listings. This helps us know who received class, reserve class, grand and reserve grand placings. Each purple ribbon exhibit receives 7 points; blue ribbon exhibit receives 5 points; red ribbon exhibit receives 3 points and white exhibit receives 1 point.

There are a few businesses who donated and requested their money be split among exhibitors. These are listed on the premium report form and shows the amount each member receives.

National 4-H Week Gift Card Giveaway!

Get entered to win a \$20 gift card during National 4-H Week, October 3-9! Theme is "Find Your Spark!". 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.

KYLF and 4-H Volunteer Forum

Kansas 4-H Leadership Weekend information will soon be on the web and in the Cvent Registration system.

The Forums will be held November 20-21, 2021 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. KYLF is for youth ages 14-18 by December 31, 2021 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 and learn from each other.

Again this year participants in both forums will register through the same system. Registration deadline is October 15 for both events at an early bird rate or before November 1 at the regular rate. There will also be an option for coming in Friday evening and having breakfast Saturday morning for those coming from a distance. Scholarships are available for both of these events! Contact the office for more details.

4-H COUNCIL & COMMUNITY LEADERS

Community Club Leaders will meet at 6:30 pm and 4-H Council will meet at 7:00 pm at the fair building on Monday, September 27. If you are unable to attend the 4-H Council meeting, please make sure you find someone else from your club to attend in your spot. **We will be having officer elections at this meeting so please have your new representatives also attend! Officer nomination forms will be used this year and will be available on our website.**

COUNTY AWARDS-CLUBS NOMINATE

The nomination forms for the 4-H Alumni Award, Family of the Year and the 4-H Meritorious Award are available online. Each year these awards are presented at the 4-H Achievement Night. The **Alumni Award** is presented to a past 4-H'er (does not have to be a Ford County resident) and have given leadership and dedication to the total 4-H program in Ford County. The **Family of the Year Award** goes to a Ford County 4-H Family who has been an outstanding family throughout our program. The **Meritorious Award** is given to a person or business who has supported 4-H for several years in various areas. Nominations are due at the September 4-H Council meeting or prior to the Extension Office.

HORSE/HORSELESS HORSE

Hi guys, Casey here! I hope you had a wonderful summer and are settling back into the routine of school. I am looking forward to a fun-filled year as Horse Project Leader. I want to hold some meetings this fall before the holidays consume us. Upcoming meeting dates are:

Sunday, September 12th at 2pm in the Fair Building— Please leave your horses at home. This meeting will be an opportunity for me to introduce myself and learn more about you. Snacks will be provided!

Sunday, September 26th at 2pm at the Fairgrounds Arena—Do not tack up upon arrival, we will start with Showmanship before riding.

I would like to encourage any 4-Hers who do not have a horse but are interested in horses to consider the Horseless Horse Project and join us for meetings. It will be a great opportunity to learn more about horse care and handling, and there will be opportunities to work with horses hands-on!

-Casey Pemberton, Countywide Horse Project Leader 3

ONLINE 4-H MEMBER ENROLLMENT 2021-22

4-H Member Enrollment will be done online again this year. You can begin enrollment and re-enrollment on October 1. Please wait until this date to enroll. The Club with the most re-enrollments by November 15 of current members will receive a pizza party.

All enrollment will need to be completed online at <https://v2.4honline.com> for new and re-enrollments. Remember the State 4-H Office has a \$15 per member fee. If you had an account in 4HOnline, login to the system by entering your email address and password. Click [Sign In]. Continue to Youth Member Enrollment on Page 6 (Section 4) to enroll youth members or Page 4 (Section 3) to Add a New Member to the Family. TIPS: If you have forgotten your password, click "Reset Password?" to receive an email with a link to set a new password. You will need to select your club and desired projects this year when you enroll.

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: Pay online, Mail a check, Request a Waiver, or Use a Coupon Code. 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. If your club has voted to pay for their member's fee you would select "Coupon Code". Please let us know if your club or someone else is sponsoring your fee. Coupon Codes can be obtained by contacting Ethel or click that option and we can insert the code prior to approval. Enrollment will not become active until the State 4-H Office has received payment of the fee. If you have any questions, please contact the office. There are instructions on the online website for re-enrolling.

It is very important to keep your emails and phone numbers for yourself, family and 4-H'er, 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, phone calls, emails and newsletters. 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.

Don't forget to update the 4-H'er Health information and t-shirt sizes (please be sure to check if it is Youth or Adult sizes) when needed throughout the year.

4-H Club Officer Elections

As you prepare to elect your officers at your September 4-H meeting, consider these guidelines:

- ★ Nominate and vote for the member who will carry out the responsibilities of the office well. *Remember to vote for the person you think will do the job and also attend meetings on a regular bases.* Elections should not be a popularity contest.
- ★ Vote on each office individually. It takes time but allows important learning time for members.
- ★ Consider having members sign up for the office they are interested in or allow members to nominate themselves from the floor for an office.

★ A nomination does not need a second. It can simply be, “I nominate Joe”.

★ In order to “close the nominations” for each office, a motion, second and a vote is required.

★ Voting should be done by ballot. Once again this does take time, but it is the proper way to vote. Ballots should be counted by members who are not running for office.

★ Each member should have one vote per office.

★ In cases where there are more than one person in an office (ex: if there are two song leaders) each member would vote for the corresponding candidates (2 votes for 2 song leaders).

National 4-H Week

National 4-H Week is **October 3-9, 2021!** This means that your club window displays should be up by October 3. This is a great marketing tool for 4-H, so lets get creative! National theme is “Find Your Spark!”

Here are some other tips to market 4-H year round, but especially during National 4-H Week!

- ★ Wear your 4-H shirts to school!
- ★ Talk to your friends about your favorite 4-H activities and projects, they’ll be interested in joining too!
- ★ Hold an “open house” 4-H meeting and invite all of your friends to come check out your club and see what 4-H is all about!
- ★ Ambassadors/Exchange is planning to provide promotional fliers to the schools. If you would like to help at your school, please let Ethel know.
- ★ If your club is doing a community service project or anything interesting, tell the office and send us some pictures. We’re more than happy to write a news release to let the public know about all the good 4-H is doing for the community.

Shooting Sports

Congratulations to the Shooting Sports members for a successful Ford County Shoot! First Place team members were: Brayden Prater, Braeden Pennington, Braeden Simon, Jace Ochs and Cody Farra.

3rd Place team members were: David Fischer, Morgan Mink, Finn Martinez, Adrienne Wasson and Faith Woydziak.



Kansas 4-H Fall Volunteer Project Leader Training Series

Registration is NOW OPEN for the 2021 Kansas 4-H Fall Volunteer Project Leader Training Series. As a volunteer the time and hard work you contribute to make the 4-H program an amazing experience for youth across Kansas is greatly Appreciated!

To help you kick off the new program year, this series is designed to provide tangible ideas and resources you can use to engage 4-H Youth. All sessions are free and will be recorded. The sessions are scheduled to start at 6:30 CST. The general outline for sessions is as follows:

Sept. 21 – Personal Development– Public Speaking

Sept. 23 – STEM – Rocketry

Sept. 28 – FCS - Textile Science

Sept. 30 – Animal Science – Livestock

Oct. 5 – Service Learning

Oct. 7 – Creative Arts – Visual Arts – Barn Quilts

Oct. 12 – Financial Literacy

Oct. 14 – Ag & Nat Resources – Wildlife

To register for the event visit - <https://www.kansas4-h.org/volunteers/project-leaders/index.html>



Fair Board Town Hall Meeting

The Ford County Fair Board strives to provide a safe and fun county fair for Ford County.

Faced with some current challenges, they would appreciate input from county residents regarding the future of the Ford County Fair and the facility that has been its home for many years.

Ford County residents are invited to an **town hall meeting of the Fair Board at the Ford County Fairgrounds, 901 W. Park Street, Dodge City on September 14th at 7 p.m.** They will discuss staying at the existing facility and finding funding for day-to-day expenses, or moving to the Western State Expo center for a fair only. If you have questions, or will not be able to attend you can

email Fordcountyfairassn@gmail.com

or jakering50@gmail.com with any concerns.



4-H AMBASSADOR/EXCHANGE MTG

The next Ambassador/Exchange meeting will be Monday, October 25 @7:00 pm. NEW members are welcome! (4th Monday of the month)

The 4-H Exchange Flea Market will be held on October 30 from 9:00am-1:00pm. Contact the Extension Office if you are interested in a booth or come support the Exchange program!

Future Dates to Remember

September

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| 1 | State Fair Exhibits due in office |
| 6 | Closed for Labor Day |
| 8 | State Fair Food/Hort Exhibits due (7:15-8:00 am) |
| 10-19 | Kansas State Fair |
| 23 | Pick up state Fair exhibits from office |
| 27 | 4-H Com. Leader/4-H Council Mtgs. |

October

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| 1 | Record Books due
New 4-H Year Begins |
| 3-9 | National 4-H Week |
| 9-10 | 48 Hours of 4-H |
| 25 | 4-H Ambassador/Exchange mtg. |
| 30 | 4-H Exchange Flea Market |

November

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| 6 | Achievement Night |
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ACHIEVEMENT PINS

What are they?

Achievement Pins are like little awards or goals 4-H'ers can work towards each year.

Who can get them?

Anyone in the 4-H Program can earn achievement pins.

Where can I find the applications & paper work?

Go to <https://www.ford.k-state.edu/4-h/4hforms/awardsandrecognitionforms/index.html> to find all of the pin applications.

Where do I start?

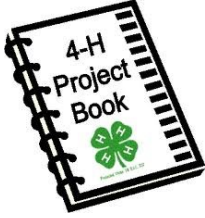
If you are new to the award pin process, start at the beginning. Some of the pin levels require lots of effort and some are just as easy as attending club meetings! Remember to have your club leader sign all of your paperwork!

Ford County 4-H Achievement Night will be Saturday, November 6, 6:30 pm at the Ford County Fair Building.

Did You Know?

The Ford County 4-H Foundation gives a cash prize to the club who turns in the largest percentage of Record Books. Even if you do not apply for an award you should turn in a complete book to count for your Club's total. Also, our local 4-H Foundation Scholarships and Awards trips require a Complete Record Book to apply for the awards.

- ★ **Membership Pin** - First in a series of 4-H Achievement Pins. Must attend more than half of the club meetings and complete record book.
- ★ **Bronze Pin** - Second in the series of pins. Exhibit at Fair, complete 4-H record book, attend over ½ of club meetings, attend one county or club event.
- ★ **Clover Pin** - Third in the series of pins. Exhibit at Fair, attend over ½ of club meetings, complete record book and complete three of optional guidelines.
- ★ **Emerald Pin** - Fourth in the series of pins. Exhibit at the Fair, attend over ½ of club meetings, give a presentation, complete 4-H record book, and complete 5 of optional guidelines.
- ★ **Silver Pin** - Fifth in the series of pins. Exhibit at the Fair, attend over ½ of club meetings, give a presentation, complete 4-H record book, and complete 6 of optional guidelines.
- ★ **Guard for Silver Pin** - Sixth in the series of pins. Must have received the previous pin, exhibit at the Fair, attend over ½ of club meetings, give a presentation, complete 4-H record book, and complete 8 of optional guidelines.
- ★ **Leadership Pin** - Seventh in the series of pins. Must have received the previous pin, exhibit at the Fair, attend over ½ of club meetings, give a presentation, complete 4-H record book, enroll in Leadership project for the current year and complete 11 of optional guidelines.
- ★ **Gold Pin** - Eighth in the series of pins. Must have received the previous pin, exhibit at the Fair, attend over ½ of club meetings, complete 4-H record book, enroll in Leadership project for the current year and complete 15 of optional guidelines.
- ★ **Guard for Gold Pin** - Ninth in the series of pins. Must have received the previous pin, exhibit at the Fair, attend over ½ of club meetings, complete 4-H record book, enroll in Leadership project for the current year, be 15+ on January 1 of current year, and complete 16 of optional guidelines.



RECORD BOOKS? – Why turn in a Record Book?

The Record Book is an organized summary of your entire 4-H experience that contains a comprehensive report of your goals, plans and accomplishments. It is one way to make a formal review of your goals and achievements and is a helpful tool to plan your own growth for the future. Your records and report will be a good keepsake for years after you've finished your 4-H career. The record you build opens doors to many awards and benefits such as medals, trips, scholarships and other kinds of recognitions. Completing a record book will make it easier to apply for scholarships and state level awards.

4-H Members develop the following life skills through record keeping

- * Maintaining records of 4-H project and club work, school and community activities
- * Keeping personal and business records
- * Improving communication with other people
- * Learning time management and organizational skills
- * Learning responsibility and developing goal setting skills

Do I have to do a Record Book for EVERY project I'm enrolled in? The answer to that question is **NO!** Only fill out a record for the projects you would like to be considered for an award in. For example, Suzy is enrolled in Beef, Foods and Visual Arts. She only actively participated in the Beef and Visual Arts Projects during the year. She did take one entry of cookies to the fair. Because she was highly active in Beef and Visual Arts, those would be the Projects she would consider doing a record for. Also some areas only require one record even if you are in 2 separate projects (example is Market and Breeding Beef = 1 record and include both in the record, Clothing Construction and Clothing Buymanship = 1 record)

What kind of awards can I apply for?

Project areas will award a certain number (a percentage of the total number of 4-H'ers enrolled in the project) of 'project pins' to the award winners (only projects listed on the back of the Ford County check sheet will be considered for project winners.)

Visit: www.ford.ksu.edu/p.aspx?tabid=59

To find all of the forms needed to fill out your record books. Most forms are available in a writeable PDF or Word Doc. If you need materials printed out, we can do so at the office!

Additional resources include:

4-H Record Books—Purpose

Guide to Kanas 4-H Project Recognition

4-H Record Book Goals

Citizenship vs Leadership

JUNIORS (7-9 YEAR OLDS)

Should fill out the Junior Record for 7 & 9 year olds . Complete the general or the livestock record depending on the project. These are found on our website. Eligible to win county awards only.

INTERMEDIATE (10-13 OLDS)

Should fill out the Intermediate Record for 10-13 year olds . Complete the general or the livestock record depending on the project. These are found on our website. Members younger than 14 can receive county awards.

SENIORS (AGES 14 & OLDER)

Should fill out the Senior Record for 14 & older. Complete the general or the livestock record depending on the project. These are found on our website. Members who are 14 and older are eligible for area judging.

Helpful Record Book Information.....

PERSONAL PAGE

Only ONE (1) copy is needed for the entire record book.

- Make sure every item is filled out
- Include a color picture
- List ALL projects that you are enrolled in, even if you are not completing a KAP for that specific project.
- Projects should be listed in **ALPHABETICAL ORDER by the name of the state project listing.**
Example:
Beef (Breeding & Market)
Clothing (Construction & Buymanship)
- Signatures from the 4-H'er, Parent and Club Leader are needed and required!

Your 4-H Project Story

1. First, introduce yourself. Tell about your age, years in the project, etc.
2. Second, tell about your project. What goals did you set? What did you learn? Tell about the successful and not so great things that happened. How did the project turn out financially?
3. Third, tell about your plans for the future. Will you take the project(s) again. How have they helped you in school and in your other activities?

Technical Stuff:

- ◆ Print one-sided only
- ◆ Top, right side and bottom: 1 inch margins
- ◆ Left side: 1 1/2 inch margin
- ◆ No smaller than 12 point font, double spaced. (14 point font preferred.)
- ◆ Times New Roman or Cambria Font
- ◆ Proper grammar and spelling
- ◆ Use bolding, headings, bullets, etc. to your advantage
- ◆ Should be at least 1 page in length—6 pages maximum

Be creative and go in depth with your project.

Picture Pages

- Landscape oriented photos work better in the form.
- Include captions in the spaces provided.
- Indicate the level of where the leadership took place. L (Local), C/D (County or District), R (Regional), S (State), M (Multi-State), N (National), I (International).
- Maximum photos by age division:
 - Junior – 6 total photos
 - Intermediate – 12 total photos: 6 learning photos and 6 combined leadership & citizenship photos
 - Senior – 18 total photos: 6 learning photos, 6 leadership photos and 6 citizenship photos You should try to keep pictures related to that project, but it's better to have pictures not related to your project than not to have any.
- Pictures are encouraged to be in color but is not required.

PERMANENT RECORD TIPS

Permanent Records may seem like a pain and a waste of time, but let me tell you a little secret....there comes a time when you are a Senior in High School applying for College Admissions and Scholarships. They will ask you how you are involved in your community, citizenship activities and what leadership roles you play.

This is where your Permanent Record comes in handy! Everything you have been involved in—whether it’s church, school, extra curricular activities or 4-H—is right in one location! You can see exactly how many times you volunteered for an event, or when you were president of your club, etc.!

The forms are on our website in Word compatible format. The form can be downloaded to your computer and saved. Each year you will add new information.

What type of information can go into the Permanent Record? Church, school, 4-H, FFA, Scouts, Sports, basically any activity you are involved in can go into the Permanent Record.

There are FOUR (4) sections of the Permanent record:

1. Groups/Organizations

Club Meetings, Committees, Officer Positions, Leadership Roles.

2. Communications/Presentations, Exhibits, Contests

Project Talks, Contests, Fair Exhibits, Open Shows, Judging Contests

3. Activities

Any leadership or citizenship activity (community service/volunteering/teaching/helping others)

4. Most Important Recognitions

Honor Roll, Letters, State Champion, Project Awards, Pins, Grand Champion, etc.

Under the LEVEL column, there are different choices as to where the event took place. Make sure to mark how many times you participated at that level.

WHAT SHOULD MY RECORD BOOK BE KEPT IN?

Your entire record book should be kept in a **3-ring binder** or the green 4-H extender binder folder.

Which ever way you choose to display your book, make sure you have your first and last name, 4-H club and Ford County on the front. A cover page is available on our website for your use.

Tab dividers are appreciated at the county level since we have you put all project records in one book and tabs makes it easier for judges when looking through your record book. They can not be used at area judging.

If you have questions about your final book, please ask us in the office.

If you have questions about how to fill out your forms, please call the Extension Office at 620-227-4542. No question is a silly question!

What do I need to turn in?

Ask yourself...

“Am I going to apply for an award?”

If you answered: “Yes” please turn in:

- ◆ Personal Page (only one for entire book)
- ◆ 4-H Project Story (one for each project specific, over project experience, 6 pages max)
- ◆ Record for your age group—general or livestock (one for each project area)
- ◆ Pictures
- ◆ Permanent Record (only one for entire book)

If you answered: “No” please turn in:

- ◆ Personal Page (only one for entire book)
- ◆ 4-H Story (6 pages max)
- ◆ pictures (optional)
- ◆ Permanent Record (only one for entire book)
- ◆ **Your record book will not count towards your club’s total is you do not have all 3 necessary items above in your book.**

COMPLETE A FORD COUNTY CHECK SHEET FORM

The updated Ford County Check Sheet forms are available on the Ford County 4-H Website. Be sure to complete it. If you need a copy printed, please come to the Extension Office.



Outstanding 4-H'er Award

4-H'er must be at least 4-H Age 16 and be nominated by a Community Club Leader. A nomination form along with a 500 word essay on “Why this 4-H'er Is Deserving of this Award” must be turned into the Extension Office by September 30. For more information, please visit the Ford County 4-H website.

Key Award

Key Awards are presented by the state to only 10% of the 4-H'ers in Kansas. Applications for this award should be obtained early in the year, so the member can work toward meeting the requirements. 4-H'ers 16 and older may apply if enrolled in junior leadership and meet nine of the eleven local, county, and state activities.

The Key Award does take some prior planning. Ask if you have questions about what will count for each of the requirements.

I Dare You Award

To apply for the I Dare You Award a 4-H'er must:

- Be enrolled in the Leadership Project
- Complete a Leadership record
- Complete and submit the nomination form

To learn more about the I Dare You Award consider looking up the history of the award and read a little bit about William H. Danforth. It help you understand what exactly this award means!



A 4-H Project: More than a Fair Entry

4-H project-based learning provides a place for youth to explore their interests and passions — or what we like to call their sparks! Youth learn from caring adult volunteers, or in some cases through self-guided study, in projects in areas such as science, health, agriculture, and citizenship. Screened adult volunteers provide a safe and positive environment where youth learn by doing. Young people thrive through 4-H participation, finding their way to success in life and career.

Careful consideration should be used when selecting a 4-H project to enroll in for the year. A 4-H project has five components: Learning Experiences, Leadership, Citizenship, Exhibition, and Record Keeping. An explanation of each component can be found below. These five components can all be found along the [Kansas 4-H Learning Pathway \(4H1131\)](#).



Learning Experiences	Citizenship	Leadership	Exhibition/ Showcase	Record Keeping
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curriculum-guided activities • Project meetings • Kansas Clover Classroom • Educational tours • Workshops/clinics • State project events • KSU Junior Producer Days • Judging contests • Public presentations • Interviewing the experts • Educational presentations • Quiz bowl contests • Skill-a-thon • How-to shows and online videos 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helping your community or others outside your family • Helping others without financial compensation <p>Examples may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food drives • Sew and donate lap quilts to nursing home • Knit caps for newborns • Assist in community garden • Volunteer with Story Walk, featuring a book related to project work • Launch rocket with daycare or elementary grades 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teaching skills or information to others outside your family • Organizing or coordinating an event or activity <p>Examples may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teach a workshop • Facilitate a group activity • Assist a Project Leader with project meeting • Plan a tour • Serve as a Junior/ Teen Leader • Serve as a Junior Superintendent • Create project-related videos for use on social media 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contest (foods show, photography contest, wheat show, etc.) • 4-H Club Days • 4-H Project Displays • Livestock show • Educational presentation • County Fair • Kansas State Fair 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal setting • Record of project work, income, expenses, and skills learned, etc. • Leadership and Citizenship • Project reflection • Pictures documenting learning and engagement



Re-Ignite Your Spark in Kansas 4-H

A Kansas 4-H Volunteer Training

Re-Ignite Your Spark!

Sit and think for a moment. What makes your 4-H role have meaning and purpose? What is something you are passionate about, the hidden flame that motivates you?

The *Search Institute* describes this passion as one's "spark". Sparks are activities and interests that brings out a person's energy and joy, allowing them to express their personality and contribute to the world.

Volunteer Training Timeline

- 7:00 PM** **Welcome**
Wade Weber, State 4-H Program Leader
Department Head
- 7:10 PM** ***Re-Ignite Your Spark***
Susan Mueller, Kansas 4-H Volunteer
- 7:40 PM** **Share Your Spark**
Group Discussion
- 8:00 PM** ***The Magic of Connections***
Conrad Cologne, 4-H Alum
- 8:30 PM** **Closing Comments**

Register for your chance to win a door prize!

Join us for an evening to re-ignite YOUR spark in Kansas 4-H as we hear from current volunteers and passionate 4-H alumns. Participants will explore how to find their spark, engage families, and realize the impact they have on youth.

Register by September 17th:

<https://tinyurl.com/4HSparkTrain>



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K-State Research and Extension is committed to providing equal opportunity for participation in all programs, services and activities. Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested by contacting the event contact Aliah Mestrovich Seay two weeks prior to the start of the event 9/23/2021 at 785-532-5800 and aliah@ksu.edu. Requests received after this date will be honored when it is feasible to do so.

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Photography Leaders WANTED!

In 2019, pre-pandemic, the State Photography Action Team applied for and received a grant from the Kansas 4-H Foundation to help increase the number of volunteers serving as Photography project leaders in Kansas 4-H.

The grant funds C.A.T.S. (Cameras at the Springs) which is a training, networking weekend (Saturday morning through Sunday morning) designed to provide leaders with **hands on shooting activities**, **resources from print**, **web resources**, **mentors and materials to take back to home county to use with youth**.

If you would serve as a photography volunteer leader, you could attend C.A.T.S. at **no cost** to you beyond transportation to Rock Springs. Up to 24 volunteers are eligible to attend with full scholarship joining with those who attended the 2019 session. Adults and youth age 16 and older are welcome to attend for training.

Interested??? Contact C.A.T.S. chair, Pansy Fryman and submit your name on or before **Friday, September 24th, 2021**.

C.A.T.S. 2021 will be held Saturday, October 9 starting at 10 am through Sunday, October 10, dismissal at 10:30am at Rock Springs 4-H Center.

Plans are already being made to provide fun, learning and lots of sharing about photography.

Questions? Contact any of the following

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Dear 4-H Families,

As we conclude the 2020-21 4-H year, we hope you have had great learning experiences and will submit what your goals were and what you have learned in your record book. Record books can be very beneficial to you when you get older and are completing college and job applications. Information is all in one place — your RECORD BOOK!

Please remember the new 4-H year will begin on October 1. You will need to re-enroll online and be sure to sign up for what projects you would like to be in for the upcoming year. We look forward to working with each and everyone one of you! If we can help you as you are working on your record book or have a question about re-enrolling, please email or give us a call.

Also, if you would prefer to have a paper copy of the 4-H newsletter, you will need to pay \$12 to the Extension Office. It can be emailed and mailed if that is something you would like to have done. Let us know.



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