



POST ROCK DISTRICT 4-H NEWSLETTER JUNE 2024

DISTRICT/STATE EVENTS AND DEADLINES AT A GLANCE

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| Jun. 2: | 4-H Dog Project Practice, Osborne | Jun. 22: | NW Kansas 4-H Dog Conference & Show, Phillipsburg |
| Jun. 3-5: | Champions Livestock Judging Camp 1, Manhattan | Jun. 23: | 4-H Dog Project Practice, Osborne |
| Jun. 4: | Garden to Table Day Camp, Beloit | Jun. 24: | Post Rock District 4-H Dog Show registration due |
| Jun. 4: | Off to the Races Adventure Lab, Burr Oak | Jun. 25: | Investigation Station Day Camp, Kensington |
| Jun. 5: | Last day to order Small Livestock DNA Envelopes | Jun. 27: | Discovery Quest Day Camp, Lincoln |
| Jun. 5-7: | Discovery Days, Manhattan | Jul. 8: | Post Rock District 4-H Dog Show, Osborne |
| Jun. 5-8: | Animal Science Leadership Academy, Manhattan | Jul. 11-14: | Jewell County Fair, Mankato |
| Jun. 10-12: | Champions Livestock Judging Camp 2, Manhattan | Jul. 12-13: | Dr. Bob Hines Kansas Swine Classic, Manhattan |
| Jun. 11: | Imaginarium Day Camp, Glen Elder | Jul. 15: | Kansas State Fair Grand Drive entry deadline |
| Jun. 11-14: | Plant Science Range Camp, Murdock, KS | Jul. 16-20: | Lincoln County Fair, Sylvan Grove |
| Jun. 13: | Super Sitter Workshop, Mankato | Jul. 18-22: | Smith County Fair, Smith Center |
| Jun. 13: | KSU Horse Judging Advanced Camp, Manhattan | Jul. 21: | Post Rock District Archery Qualifier, Waconda Lake |
| Jun. 14-16: | Geology Field Trip, Northwest Kansas | Jul. 24-27: | Mitchell County Fair, Beloit |
| Jun. 15: | Small Livestock Nomination due & DNA postmarked | Jul. 24-27: | Osborne County Fair, Osborne |
| Jun. 15: | Commercial Heifer Nominations due | Aug. 10: | State Horticulture Judging Contest, Manhattan |
| Jun. 15: | Registered breeding papers in exhibitor's name | Aug. 12: | Wheat Expo, Manhattan |
| Jun. 16: | 4-H Dog Project Practice, Osborne | Aug. 15: | Kansas Junior Livestock Show entry deadline |
| Jun. 17-28: | Citizenship Washington Focus | Aug. 17-18: | Livestock Sweepstakes, Manhattan |
| Jun. 18: | aMAZE Adventure Lab, Sylvan Grove | Sep. 6-8: | Kansas State Fair Grand Drive |
| Jun. 18: | Super Sitter Workshop, Sylvan Grove | Sep. 12-14: | Kansas State Fair 4-H Horse Show |
| Jun. 19: | Shopping in Style Workshop, Downs | Sep. 26: | Beef Stocker Field Day, Manhattan |
| Jun. 21-22: | Insect Spectacular, Hays | Sep. 27-29: | Kansas Junior Livestock Show, Hutchinson |

KANSAS 4-H MASTER CALENDAR

Kansas 4-H has a state and regional events master calendar. It is a living document with regular additions. Access the latest version at www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/.



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JEWELL COUNTY 4-H

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Jewell County Fair: July 11-14

Pre-Fair Entry Deadline: June 20

Pre-Fair Judging: July 9

Jewell County Fair Information

July will be here before we know it! As we get closer to the fair, don't forget that there will be lots of information to help you prepare on the Post Rock District website. You will be able to access the Fair Book, Schedule, Livestock Forms, Fashion Revue Forms, and more at:

<https://www.postrock.k-state.edu/4-h/county-fairs/jewellfair/index.html>



2024 4-H Food Stand Sign-Up

The fundraiser for Jewell County 4-H activities is our fair food stand! Each family is required to work one shift which includes at least 1 adult and all 4-H members. The link to sign-up for the 2024 Food Stand is:



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4FACAD29A0FBC07-49284035-2024>

Jewell County Fair T-Shirts



Jewell County Fair T-shirt order forms are do back by June 4. Make sure your club leader has your family's order.

Wild West Day Camp in Jewell County



I would like to thank the Jewell County 4-H Council for all the hard work and the planning for the Wild West Day Camp. I would also like to give a big THANK YOU to all the 4-Her's and adults that helped the day of the activity. Without you it would not have been so successful!



4-H Council Meeting

Jewell County 4-H Council will meet in August at the Mankato Courthouse starting at 7:00 p.m. The date will be announced at a later date.

Jewell County Fair Cleanup is July 1st at 6:00 p.m.



LINCOLN COUNTY 4-H

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**SIGN UP TO BE A
JUDGE'S ASSISTANT
PLEASE!**

Welcome Katie! Katie Elder will be helping with Lincoln County 4-H throughout the summer. She will start the first week of June, so be on the look out for fair planning information from Katie soon.

Purchase Livestock Tags: 4-H tags are needed for 4-H/FFA livestock. As soon as you own your animal, please get it tagged. Pick up and pay for your tag at the Extension Office for beef, bucket calf, sheep, swine, and goats. You **MUST** have your animals tagged and verified before submitting your pre-fair entry paperwork!

Pre-Fair Entry Deadline is July 1: Mark your calendars for July 1! This is the deadline to pre-register for county fair entries at the Extension Office. ALL livestock and animals require pre-entry. Fashion Revue also needs pre-entry. There are a few other pre-fair judged projects where we will offer an opportunity to sign up in advance to help with the judging schedule. Please watch your emails closely throughout the month of June for details.

Fair Book: The fair book is being printed. We'll email you when you can stop by the Extension Office and pick up a copy. You can view it online starting June 4th at www.postrock.k-state.edu/4-h/county-fairs/lincolnfair/.

Judge's Assistant Sign-up: Take some time to sign up to help with a project area at the county fair. We need judge's assistants. Adults and responsible youth should sign up. Generally, this role involves assisting the judge with paperwork while they complete consultation judging, placing ribbons, and arranging the public display. It takes many volunteers to have a successful fair, and we appreciate each 4-H family signing up for at least one area.

Sign-up online to help by following the QR code or visiting

<https://bit.ly/2024LCFJudgingAssistantSignUp>



**Fair week
is July 15 - 20!**



Fair Shirt Orders will be emailed out soon!
The design is above.



MITCHELL COUNTY 4-H

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2024 4-H Food Stand Shift Sign-Up

The fundraiser for Mitchell County 4-H activities is our fair food stand!

Each family is required to work one shift which includes at least 1 adult and all 4-H members. The link to sign-up for the 2024 Food Stand is:



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4FACAD29A0FBC07-49346066-mitchell>

Mitchell County Fair Food Stand Donations

Here is the Mitchell County Fair Food Stand Donations sign-up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4FACAD29A0FBC07-49253509-2024>



4-H Fair Superintendents and Youth Assistants

Adult superintendents and youth assistants are needed to help with the Mitchell County Fair and will receive credit at the food stand. Please sign-up for the department you are willing to help with at this link:



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4FACAD29A0FBC07-49256189-fair>

Tonia's Office Hours

Tonia plans to be in the Beloit Office on most Tuesdays or by appointment! If you need something, please call or email!



4-H Council Meeting

Mitchell County 4-H Council will meet at the First Beloit State Bank in the meeting room on Monday, August 26 at 7:00 p.m.



Dancing With The Steers

July 24- 27, 2024

Pre-Fair Entry Deadline: July 8



Mitchell County Fair Information

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<https://www.postrock.k-state.edu/4-h/county-fairs/mitchellfair/index.html>

Post Rock District Day Camps and Workshop in or near Mitchell County

Shopping in Style Workshop on Wednesday, June 19 from 1:00 – 3:30 p.m. in Downs, KS at the State Bank of Downs Basement Meeting Room. Participation fee is \$5.00. All youth are welcome.

Imaginarium Day Camp on Tuesday, June 11 from 8:00 - Noon and 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. in Glen Elder, KS at the Glen Elder City Library. You can choose a session. Participation fee is \$5.00. For youth entering grades 1 – 6 in the fall.

From Garden to Table Day Camp on Tuesday, June 4 from 8:00 a.m. to Noon with Mitchell County 4-H as the host of the camp. The Garden to Table Day Camp reached full capacity of 46 participants. Teens and adults wanting to volunteer to help at this day camp should let Tonia know.



OSBORNE COUNTY 4-H

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4-H FOOD STAND SIGN-UP

The fundraiser for Osborne County 4-H activities is our fair Food Stand. Each family is required to work one shift. An email with the link to sign-up for Food Stand shifts will be sent out **Friday, June 7th at 9:00 a.m.** Attached with the newsletter is the 2024 4-H Event Schedule to review before selecting shifts.



FAIR T-SHIRT ONLINE STORE COMING SOON

Council voted to have a 2024 fair t-shirt. Watch your email and the Post Rock District 4-H Insider Experience for details.

WELCOME OSBORNE OFFICE SUMMER HELP

Please join us in welcoming Post Rock District Program Assistant's who will be working from the Osborne office this summer. Rylee, Carter and Brooke are here to help!



Rylee Conway is the office Program Assistant. Rylee lives in Alton with her husband Jacob. Rylee is looking forward to interacting and working with Osborne County 4-H families. She is a 4-H alumni.

Carter Walsh is an Osborne County native who will be providing support to Post Rock District Extension in many ways this summer. Carter was an Osborne County 4-H member. She will be returning to college this fall in Curtis, Nebraska.



Brooke Wehrman is a Lincoln County native who will be providing support across Post Rock District Extension through this summer. Brooke will return to K-State this fall.

4-H COUNCIL DAY CAMP WAS FUN!



STAY CONNECTED TO 2024 OSBORNE COUNTY FAIR INFORMATION

July 24 - 27, 2024

For the latest news, deadlines, forms, fairbook, fair tips and fair details, follow the Post Rock District 4-H Insider Experience Facebook page and visit the Post Rock Extension website Osborne County Fair page. Use the link below to go to the web page:

<https://www.postrock.k-state.edu/4-h/county-fairs/osbornefair/>.

CHANGES TO 2024 OSBORNE COUNTY FAIR 4-H EVENT SCHEDULE

Please note these changes that were recently made to several 4-H events.

- Post Rock District 4-H and Osborne County Open Dog Show will be **Monday, July 8th at 9:00 a.m.** at Covered Arena.
- The 4-H and Open Class Pet Show has been moved to **Friday, July 26th at 1:00 p.m.**

FAIR ENTRY DEADLINE JULY 8TH

Fair Entry is our online entry system to register 4-H entries for the 2024 Osborne County Fair 4-H divisions. The system opens **June 4** and deadline to register is **July 8th**. A computer is available at the Osborne Extension Office if you need computer access and/or help. Here is the link:

<https://osbornecountyfair.fairentry.com>

WATCH FOR UPCOMING WORK DAYS

Thanks to the Osborne County Fair Board for initiating the Covered Arena continuous fencing project! We will be planning some work days in the upcoming weeks.



SMITH COUNTY 4-H

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FAIR JUNIOR LEADERS AND RIBBON HANDLERS

Any 4-Her 12 and older can sign up to be a junior leader in any project area at the fair. They will need to be there at judging to help the superintendent and the judge.



Any 4-Her can be a ribbon handler for a project area. They will need to be there during and after judging to help handout or put ribbons on projects. Please email Risa to let her know what project area you can help in and what job you would like to have.

Fair Forms and Book can be found here:

[Fair Book and Forms](#)

FAIR CLEAN UP

July 13, 8-10 a.m.

Make sure to sign in

FOR YOUR INFO:

To get your fair premium money you must work fair set up (1 hr), fair clean up (1 hr) and a shift in the food stand. If you can not do any 1 of those things you must write a letter to the 4-H Grievance Committee by July 1 & turn into the extension office.

Important Dates:

- June 5-7: Discovery Days, Manhattan
- June 7: Registration Due for Dog Show, Phillipsburg
- June 15: All Animal Nominations due to the state
- June 22: NW Kansas Dog Show, Phillipsburg
- June 23: Smith County 4-H Council, 2:00 p.m.
- July 1: All Animals need to be tagged
- July 1: Pre-fair entry deadline, forms due to the office
- July 12: 4-H Foods Judging
- July 15: 4-H Sewing & Textiles and Fashion Judging
- July 15: State Fair and KJLS Animal Entries Due
- July 16: 4-H and Open Cats and Hand Pets Judging
- July 18-22: Smith Co. Free Fair - Wild About the Fair
- July 29: 2 dozen cookies per family to Extension office by 10 a.m.
- August 9: All State Fair information to Office
- Sept. 6-22: Kansas State Fair



Horse Practices

Starting Sunday June 9 at 6 p.m. each Sunday in June.

The horse superintendents will be hosting practice for all those involved in the horse project. You can check with them on Facebook on Smith County Horse Program 4-H/Open.

FAIR SHIRTS

Don't forget to check to see if your shirt still fits from last year.

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SHOPPING IN STYLE WORKSHOP



Shopping in Style Workshop is Wednesday, June 19 in Downs at the State Bank basement meeting room. All School-age youth are welcome! Youth will build confidence to show off their personality in a respectful and vibrant manner. Participants will learn how to build a versatile wardrobe that makes each individual feel good while reaching goals and being mindful of money. Register at bit.ly/24ShoppinginStyleWorkshop. Space is limited!

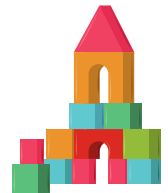


Register for the Shopping in Style workshop today!

SUPER SITTER WORKSHOP



Super Sitter Workshop is Thursday, June 13 in Mankato at the Mankato Library. All 2nd grade - High School youth are welcome. This workshop will support the growth and confidence of youth babysitters, kids helping with younger siblings, and those who find enjoyment playing with littles. Register at bit.ly/24SuperSitterWorkshopMankato.



Super Sitter Workshop is Tuesday, June 18 in Sylvan Grove at the Sylvan Gove Library. All 2nd grade - High School youth are welcome. The workshop is focused on helping youth understand the ages and stages of child development (infant through school-age) while exploring safe, interactive play and engagement activities. Register at bit.ly/24SuperSitterWorkshopSylvanGrove.



POST ROCK DISTRICT DAY CAMPS

Imaginarium Day Camp is Tuesday, June 11 at Glen Elder at Glen Elder City Library. All school-age youth are welcome! Youth will let imaginations thrive through a variety of exciting, hands-on activities that are sure to bring out creativity this summer! Participants will explore art, photography, nature, and leadership throughout the energizing day camp experience. Space is limited. Register by June 11 at bit.ly/24ImaginariumDayCamp.



Investigation Station Day Camp is Tuesday, June 25 at Kensington at St. John Lutheran Church. For youth entering grades 1-6 in the fall. Investigation Station summer day camp will challenge youth to collaborate while applying skills in investigation and innovation. Participants will explore basic principles of STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) while further developing mindfulness and a growth mindset. Practice leadership and increase confidence during the energizing day camp experience! Space is limited. Register by June 17 at bit.ly/24InvestigationStationDayCamp

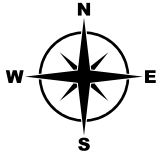


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Discovery Quest Day Camp is Thursday, June 27 in Lincoln at St. Patrick's Catholic Church. For all youth entering grades 1-6 in the fall. Spark curiosity and creativity in youth through compelling quests. Hands-on activities will challenge youth to problem-solve using principles of science, math, art, teamwork, and more as they embark on a mission to discover fun and friends this summer. Space is limited. Register by June 19 at bit.ly/24DiscoveryQuestDayCamp



POST ROCK DISTRICT ADVENTURE LABS



Off to the Races Adventure Lab is Tuesday, June 4 in Burr Oak at the Burr Oak Library. For all school-age youth. The youth will practice Steam concepts as youth strategically build racers and complete energizing challenges. Come problem-solve while developing leadership skills and having fun! Register at bit.ly/24OffToTheRacesAdventureLab.



aMAZE Adventure Lab is June 18 in Sylvan Grove at Sylvan Grove Library. For all school-age youth. The youth will practice STEAM concepts related to mazes. Come problem-solve while building leadership skills and have fun! Register at bit.ly/24aMAZEAdventureLab.



STAY TUNED FOR MORE DISTRICT-WIDE LEARNING

Post Rock District is excited to host four interns in our region this summer! Our interns are Sierra, Ella, Laci, and Allison. They will implement a wide-variety of interactive learning experiences for youth. Be on the lookout for exciting opportunities in all five counties! Follow [Post Rock District 4-H on Facebook](#) for updates. We'll also be posting programs on our website, postrock.ksu.edu.



COUNTY FAIR INFORMATION

Post Rock District county fairs will be here soon! Be watching your email for important reminders. We are also using the [PRD 4-H Insider Experience Facebook Group](#) to post reminders. Do not hesitate to reach out to your local Extension Office if you have any questions. If you are new to 4-H or new to a project, navigating the county fair can be confusing. Post Rock District staff, your club leader, and our entire 4-H family are here to help you!



County Fair Websites: www.postrock.k-state.edu/4-h/county-fairs/

Visit your fair website to find the online fairbooks, forms, and more... updated as available!

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MEMBER ACHIEVEMENT PINS DUE OCTOBER 1

Member Achievement Pins are a great opportunity to be recognized for your hard work and activities throughout the 2023-2024 4-H year! Applications, with all required signatures, are due to your local Post Rock District office no later than close of business on Tuesday, October 1. Please plan ahead so all signatories can review your application and assist with any questions or concerns.



KS 4-H Pin and Key Award Applications

Download the Member Achievement Pin and Key Award applications for the Kansas 4-H website at www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition. If you are not sure what awards you are eligible for, please email your 4-H Coordinator or call the Extension Office. Post Rock District has helpful information to assist you with completing your applications at www.postrock.k-state.edu/4-h/awards-and-recognition.



PRD Member Achievement Pin Resources

SET GOALS FOR SUMMER LEARNING

Setting measurable goals helps guide youth through a high quality 4-H project learning experience. Make sure you have clear goals for each enrolled 4-H project. This will help you focus your learning during the summer months. Use the [Kansas 4-H Setting 4-H Project Goals](#) resource to help you, or complete the goal section of your [Project Record Report](#) form.

4-H RECORD BOOK - DON'T WAIT TO BEGIN!

Don't delay getting your 4-H permanent and project record books started! Kansas 4-H offers paper-based and online record keeping forms. Work on them regularly this summer! Find details at the www.postrock.k-state.edu/4-h/record_keeping_resources/.

Why 4-H records and reporting? Record keeping and reporting are valuable life skills taught to members of the Kansas 4-H program. The purpose and objectives of 4-H records and reports:

- To learn how to set goals, how to make plans for action, and how to decide how well you did (evaluation).
- To learn the skills of record keeping and organization to use now and in the future. Examples: finances, taxes, health, immunizations, careers, scheduling, etc.
- To learn to communicate, prioritize, and summarize your project mastery and experiences.
- To practice responsibility by completing a task.
- To evaluate information that will market personal skills through future resumes and application forms.
- To allow 4-H members to tell how they have grown, what they have learned, where they came up short and to do it within outlined parameters.
- To provide an opportunity for competition at the County, Regional and State level.

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NW KANSAS 4-H DOG CONFERENCE & SHOW

The NW Kansas 4-H Dog Conference & Show, hosted by Phillips-Rooks Extension District, will be at the Phillips County Fairgrounds on Saturday, June 22. It will offer a rotation of three workshops in the morning: Adventures in Agility, Ready for Rally Obedience, and Paws Together for Service (a service project for area animal shelters). In the afternoon, there will be a State Fair qualifying dog show for Agility and Rally Obedience ONLY. The workshops will be designed with the beginner in mind, but will be appropriate for all experience levels. They will also offer the on-leash levels of Pre-Agility and Rally Obedience that are not State Fair eligible for true beginners who would like to give it a try. Attending workshops (with or without a dog) only or show only will also be an option. You will find additional details on the [flyer posted on our 4-H events webpage](#). Questions should be directed to Cindy Walker, 785-543-6845.

DOG PROJECT PRACTICES

Post Rock District's 4-H Dog Project Leader, Kelli Burrus, will be hosting spring Dog Project meetings on Sundays - 16 and 23 - at 3:00 p.m. at the Osborne County Fairgrounds covered arena. 4-H members can work with their dog on showmanship, obedience and rally obedience, and/or prepare for a State Fair qualifying show. In order to participate at the State 4-H Dog Show, members must receive a blue or purple ribbon at a qualifying dog show. If you want to show at state for dog, be sure to attend practices so you know about the current rule changes and set yourself up for success. Contact Kim Naber with questions at kimn@ksu.edu.

POST ROCK DISTRICT DOG SHOW DATE HAS BEEN CHANGED



Post Rock District will host an annual district-wide dog show in place of five separate 4-H dog shows at each county fair. To help avoid other fair events, it has been changed to Monday, July 8, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. at the Osborne County Fairgrounds in Osborne. Pre-registration is due by end of day Monday, June 24th. An email will be sent to all youth in the project with registration details. This is a state qualifying show. Contact Kim Naber with questions at kimn@ksu.edu.

KANSAS STATE FAIR 4-H HORSE SHOW REQUIREMENTS

The State 4-H Horse Show will be on September 12 - 14. Entries are due August 1 via Kansas State Fair's ShoWorks entry system. Exhibitors must have completed ALL qualifications prior to August 1, including completing the Horse Safety Webinar and Exam. The guide "Are You Ready for the Kansas State Horse Show?" is helpful for setting goals and to help determine the level of exhibition for state level competition. Find it and many other resources on the [Kansas 4-H horse project website](#). The complete schedule for the 2024 Kansas State 4-H Horse Show can be found at the [Kansas 4-H State Fair website](#).

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STATE FAIR ANIMALS

Exhibiting an animal beyond the 4-H division at a Post Rock District county fair means that ownership and identification must meet the requirements outlined by the specific show's governing body. The 4-H member is responsible for understanding the deadlines and expectations involved.

- Contact your local Extension Office as soon as possible if you are considering showing at the Kansas State Fair, so we can share resources to help you navigate the process.
- If your animal species doesn't classify for state livestock nomination, visit the [Kansas 4-H State Fairbook](#) for important ownership, verification, and exhibition deadlines and details.

STATE LIVESTOCK NOMINATIONS - QUICKLY APPROACHING DEADLINES!

All market animals and commercial females you would like to be eligible for the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and/or Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS) must be nominated. The [Kansas Youth Livestock Program](#) website outlines the [State Livestock Nomination Process](#) under the "Nomination Information" tab. Families are highly encouraged to use the resources available, especially the [Rookie Guide](#).

The nomination process transitioned to an online system in 2022, so there are no longer physical forms for families to complete and mail. Families will purchase DNA envelopes in advance, submit their animal and exhibitor information online, then mail their completed and signed DNA samples by the deadline. Extension Agents and FFA Advisors will approve nominations online. Exhibitors who nominated animals in past years (2022 or 2023) need to use their existing ShoWorks account. Those who need help accessing their account may request a password reset through ShoWorks or contact the [Kansas Youth Livestock Program](#) for assistance. Returning exhibitors should not create a new account. The ShoWorks website is <https://kansasnom.fairwire.com/>.



**KANSAS
YOUTH LIVESTOCK
PROGRAM
WEBSITE**

Grand Drive and KJLS Important Dates:

- June 5: Last Day to Order Small Livestock DNA Envelopes
- June 15: Small Livestock Nominations Due & DNA Postmarked
 - Market Swine, Commercial Gilt
 - Market Lamb, Commercial Ewe
 - ALL Meat Goat (Market & Breeding)
- June 15: Commercial Heifer Nominations Due
- June 15: Registered Breeding Heifer Papers in Exhibitor's Name
- June 15: Registered Breeding Gilt Papers in Exhibitor's Name
- July 1: Registered Breeding Ewe Papers in Exhibitor's Name
- July 15: Kansas State Fair Grand Drive Entry Deadline
- July 25: Kansas State Fair Grand Drive Late Entry Deadline
- August 15: KJLS Entry Deadline
- August 25: KJLS Late Entry Deadline
- September 6 - 8: Kansas State Fair Grand Drive
- September 27-29: Kansas Junior Livestock Show

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SHOOTING SPORTS STATE QUALIFIERS

There are a variety of 4-H shooting sports activities going on by our Post Rock District certified instructors. Youth are required to participate in practices and learning experiences with a certified instructor in order to be eligible to compete. Contact Tonia at tiunderw@ksu.edu if you have questions. Post Rock District is organizing an Archery Qualifier to take place at Waconda Lake the morning of Sunday, July 21. Youth must qualify in shooting sports disciplines in order to attend a state match. Qualifiers scheduled around the state are posted at the [Kansas 4-H Shooting Sports website](#) as information becomes available.

COUNTY FAIR LIVESTOCK MANAGEMENT WEBINAR RECORDINGS

The County Fair Livestock Management Webinars were hosted in April. Recordings of the sessions are available on the [Kansas 4-H County Fair Resources page](#). Topics include: Who's Who- Roles and Responsibilities, Hosting a Quality Premium Sale, Awards, Risk Management, Insurance, Showmanship and Round Robin, Tagging and Identification, KDA Resources Update and Traceability.

FOOD HANDLING GUIDLINES FOR BAKE SALES

There is a food safety fact sheet, [Food Handling Guideline for Bake Sales](#) available for bake sales. All packaged goods must be labeled with the common name of the product (e.g. apple pie) and name and physical address of the person that made and is selling the product. There should also be a sign at the bake sale stating "Label information available upon request".

STATE 4-H HORTICULTURE JUDGING

The State 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest will be held on Saturday, August 10 in Manhattan (tentative date). The contest is hosted for the day by the Department of Horticulture and Natural Resources. The objective of 4-H Horticulture Judging is for members to grow in their ability to think, to reason, and to make logical and scientific judgments, through plant identification, knowledge testing and judging classes. Interested youth should notify their Extension Office so we can form district teams. Adult volunteer coaches are also needed. If you want to participate, we can connect you with study resources. For more information, go to the [State 4-H Horticulture Judging website](#).

WHEAT EXPO

The 2024 Kansas 4-H Wheat Expo will be held Monday, August 12 at Pottorf Hall in Manhattan, KS. The day includes contests and exhibit opportunities for Crops ID, Photography, Foods, Wheat, Project Displays, and Cloverbuds. Participants will also have the opportunity to learn more about Kansas wheat through tours of industry partners. The cost will be \$10 per person and registration is online at <https://bit.ly/3Wrq7Uh>. Registration is required by July 25th. For additional information and to register go the [Kansas 4-H event webpage](#).

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K-STATE 4-H THRIVING STUDY

In early June, Kansas 4-H will be conducting a 4-H Thriving Model evaluation. Members in grades 3 and up will be invited to participate in a survey to tell us about their experience in 4-H. The survey is designed to help Kansas 4-H understand how youth are thriving in 4-H. Emails will be sent to the parent emails on file in 4-H Online with an electronic survey link. Parents will be asked to share the electronic survey link with their child(ren). The survey will close mid-July. Direct any questions to Samantha Grant (samgrant@ksu.edu), Evaluation Consultant, or Sarah Maass (semaass@ksu.edu), State 4-H Program Leader, or 785-532-5800.

DR. BOB HINES SWINE CLASSIC

The 2024 Dr. Bob Hines Kansas Swine Classic is scheduled for July 12-13 in Manhattan. This two-day event includes an educational swine skillathon, photography contest, showmanship, and a prospect and market hog show. The flyer is available at KSUswine.org. Registration deadline is June 24th.

BIOSECURITY RESOURCES FOR EXHIBITION LIVESTOCK

Livestock exhibitions are events where animals have an increased risk of getting infectious diseases due to the commingling of animals from different sources. Taking some simple precautions can help reduce that risk and keep your animals healthy. KDA has biosecurity resources available to livestock exhibitors on the KDA website at <https://agriculture.ks.gov/divisions-programs/division-of-animal-health/animal-diseases/biosecurity-resources>.

KANSAS 4-H LIVESTOCK SWEEPSTAKES

The [Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes](#) is in Manhattan on August 17-18. It includes the state 4-H livestock judging contest, meat judging contest, livestock skillathon, and livestock quiz bowl in one action-packed weekend. 4-H'ers can test their knowledge and display their expertise in a variety of livestock-related events. This is also the qualifying event to select youth who will represent Kansas at each of the national 4-H contests. All entries must be submitted through local extension units by August 1.

Contact your local Extension Office if you want to participate. We register you from the extension unit as Post Rock District, and these are due by August 1. We can combine youth from across Jewell, Lincoln, Mitchell, Osborne and Smith counties into Post Rock District teams. Adult volunteers are needed to serve as coaches if any teams sign-up. If there is enough interest we can assist coaches with coordinating district-wide educational practices. Post Rock District does not provide transportation to Sweepstakes and all costs are at the expense of the participants. Additionally, we do not provide transportation or organize teams for any competitions leading up to the Sweepstakes (outside of your county fair offerings), yet we are happy to help connect you with other youth/families exploring these opportunities.

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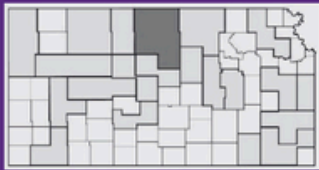
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