



4-H NEWSLETTER JUNE 2024

KANSAS 4-H SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Lawson Collins: Vanier Family Scholarship
Brody Nemecek: Andrew J. Clawson Memorial 4-H Scholarship
Gwenyth Fry: Goppert Southeast Kansas Scholarship
Aidan Yoho: Goppert Southeast Kansas Scholarship
Abigail Meiwes: Winter Family Grant
Clay Brillhart: June Beaver Scholarship

STATE 4-H PROJECT AWARD WINNER

Congratulations! Jarrett Birk STEM: Energy Management, Southwind District, Woodson County

SUMMER 4-H ACTIVITY FUNDS AVAILABLE

Did you know you can complete an application for a 4-H scholarship to attend summer 4-H activities? Forms are online [Here](#).

FAIR ENTRIES

- All fair entries will be made on the FairEntry System beginning June 15 through July 1.
- Entries will not be accepted after Monday, July 1, 2024

4-H CLOVERBUDS

Cloverbuds was designed for 5- and 6-year old's and is activity focused, rather than project focused. Cloverbuds may not participate in any competitive 4-H event, but they may showcase their exhibits at fair and public events. Cloverbuds are not to own and/or show 4-H livestock. All Cloverbud members will receive a Cloverbud participant ribbon for their fair exhibit.

PHOTOGRAPHY PROJECT

Each photo exhibited at the County fair will need to be properly mounted for display. Your local Extension Office has photo mats and photo sleeves for the purchase of a \$1.25.

PHOTOGRAPHY PROJECT MEETING

Photography project meetings will be held on the following dates 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. at 1202 W. Main in Chanute, KS at Zion Lutheran. Bring your cameras to each meeting. Parents are welcome to attend. Contact Susan Stich H: 620-431-6986 or C: 620-212-2943 to RSVP or for more information.

- June 11, 2024 Location to be determined
- July 9, 2024 - Mounting fair photos

ENTOMOLOGY PROJECT MEETING

We will have an Entomology Project meeting on Saturday, June 8th at the Allen County Extension Office. We will have a split day. You can come for either session or both. From 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. we will work on identifying insects you have caught, repairing insects that need to be glued back together and going over insect photos if you need to. We will break for lunch. Then from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. we will work on pinning, getting labels on insects and getting insects arranged in your display box. This will also be the final opportunity to finished your dragonflies. Questions: call Vicky at (620)804-9170.

4-H LIVESTOCK CAMP

Improve judging skills, enhance reasons scores, learn about livestock skillathon, quiz bowl and meats judging. Bourbon County Fairgrounds on June 17-18, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. each day. Cost is \$20 which includes materials, lunches and snacks. Register by Friday, June 7 at: <https://forms.gle/Se1nV9fCAZABE5t58>.

YOUTH LIVESTOCK EVENTS

Locate Spring Shows [Here](#) click on the events tab.

2024 STATE LIVESTOCK NOMINATION

The information for state livestock nominations has been released. Information may be found under the "Nomination Information" tab on the youth livestock website [Here](#).

DISTRICT HORSEMANSHIP CLINIC

Neosho County Fairgrounds, Erie, KS on June 4th and 5th from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (ish). For more information click [Here](#).

STATE LIVESTOCK NOMINATIONS DUE JUNE 15

State livestock nominations for hogs, sheep, meat goats, and commercial heifers' families would like to be eligible for the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and/or KJLS are due June 15. This includes submitting animals online and postmarking DNA envelopes.

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 [Here](#).

CRAWFORD FAMILY KITCHENAID MIXER 4-H CHALLENGE

Sponsored by Carol & Larry Crawford. Open to Senior Division (ages 14-18) 4-H'ers enrolled in the Food & Nutrition Project within the Southwind District. To qualify, 4-H'ers must exhibit specific food & nutrition items at their local county fair in the 4-H Division. Points will be assigned to the ribbon placings and totaled to determine the winner. **Required Specific Items (must do all 5):**

- **Angle Food or Chiffon Cake**
- **Yeast Bread**
- **Preserved Vegetable**
- **Preserved Soft Spread**
- **Gift Basket**

Winners will be announced in August!



2024 STATE 4-H HORTICULTURE JUDGING CONTEST

The State 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest will be held on Saturday, August 10, 2024, in Manhattan, Kansas (tentative planned dates). Contest is hosted for the day by the Department of Horticulture and Natural Resources. Intermediates must be 9 thru 13 before January 1 of the current year. Seniors must be 14 thru 18 before January 1 of the current year. 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. For more information and the study list visit: kansas4-h.org/events-activities/contests/horticulture-judging/index.html.

SOUTHEAST REGION 4-H YOUTH CHALLENGE DAY

Contests: FCS Judging, Favorite Foods Show (must be local extension unit winner), Horticulture, Crops ID, Photography Judging
Date: Tuesday, June 25
Location: Anderson Building on the Lyon County Fairgrounds, Emporia, KS
Registration: 9:30 a.m.
Age: 9-18
Cost: \$10/person- may judge as many contests as you would like.
Transportation provided. Please let your local Extension Office know.

SOUTHEAST AREA LIVESTOCK CONTEST

Contests: Livestock Judging, Meat Judging, Skillathon
Date: Thursday, June 27, 2024
Location: Riverside Park, Iola, KS
Cost: \$10/person- may judge as many contests as you would like. Pre-registration is appreciated, but not required and may be changed at check-in:
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdGN36Sr-ydCdzhGaqlsdsyuLLgpK4-vNy0Px5nxtG2I66MOg/viewform>.

The Four H's
The foundation of 4-H learning

Head—managing & thinking

Heart—relating & caring

Hands—giving & working

Health—being & living



4-H THRIVING STUDY – WE WANT TO HEAR FROM 4-H MEMBERS!

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. While the survey is optional, we would love to hear from every member. Emails will be sent to the parent emails we have 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). Here are some key things to know: The goal is for the first survey to go out the week of June 9. Two reminders will be sent to all participants who have not completed the survey. The survey will close mid-July. This data will help us share the impact of 4-H programs in Kansas. By responding, your child(ren) will help us tell the story of Kansas 4-H. If you do not want your child(ren) to participate in this study, you can simply delete the message. There is no impact on 4-H programming, and Extension Agents will never know who completed and who did not complete the survey. 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. Thank you for supporting Kansas 4-H as we continue “To Make the Best Better!”

DANISH SYSTEM

Did you know all exhibits receive a ribbon at the County fair? Exhibits are judged in comparison with an ideal standard, not to each other. Exhibits are placed in 5 ribbon groups.

- Purple: Outstanding on all standards.
- Blue: Exceeds the minimum standard; may have minor flaws where improvements can be.
- Red: Meets all minimum standards; may be visible signs of needed improvements.
- White: Meets minimum standards; obvious improvements needed.
- Green: Failed to meet minimum standards; basically, a participation ribbon

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED FOR JAPANESE EXCHANGE

Twelve families are needed for this exciting opportunity of hosting a Japanese delegate this summer. Japanese delegates will be in Kansas from July 21 – August 16, but host families are needed for July 23 – August 15. Want an exciting way to learn about another culture and not have to travel? The 12 Japanese youth are between 13 – 16 years of age. Our Kansas responsibility is to make host family assignments matching each delegate with an American same-gender host sibling by May 24 so families and exchange delegates can communicate and get to know each other before the delegates arrive. Don't delay! Any Kansas family (4-H Family or non-4-H Family) with children aged 10-17, who is interested in the Japanese culture, may host. A separate bed is required, but not necessarily a separate room from the host sibling. Delegates are 100 percent medically covered with 4-H insurance and bring their own spending money for souvenirs. The delegates can go on host family vacations, camping trips, or join their host sibling for summer camps and the county fair. The focus is everyday family life. To host a particular youth from the attached list or if you have further questions, please call Pam Van Horn, Kansas 4-H Japanese Exchange Coordinator, (785) 826-8917, or e-mail pvanhorn@ksu.edu. Increase your family's cross-cultural and global understanding, broaden family communication skills, make a new friend from another country, and have fun while learning about Japan in your own home. Families may now apply online [Here](#). There is a required application with references. In addition, there will be an in-home interview conducted as well as background checks conducted for all adults living in the household. The host family treats the delegate as a family member keeping a “regular” family schedule like chores, fairs, camping, ballgames, etc.... Most delegates will have studied English for one year in school. They are usually shy and don't want to make mistakes –so the first few days getting them to talk may be a challenge! The host family needs to be proactive on ways to communicate without words, or using a Japanese/English translation dictionary. Chaperones are always available by phone when needed.



ALLEN COUNTY NEWS

DAY CAMP - Save the Date

Allen County 4-H Council will hold their annual 4-H Day Camp on June 14th from 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the Extension Office. All 4-H'ers who would like to help, please reach out to Jennifer and please plan to mark your calendars.

ALLEN COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

4-H Council will be June 27th at 7:00 p.m. at the Iola Extension Office.

ALLEN COUNTY FAIR PAPER

The 2024 Allen County fair paper is located on the Southwind website [Here](#).

ALLEN COUNTY FAIR

Fair is scheduled for July 25-29, 2024. Static exhibits will be judged Wednesday, July 24th from 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Fair theme is "Over the Moon With 4-H."

PREMIUM SALE:

With new state rules, animals can be sold in the premium auction and still be taken to the State Fair/KJLS. This does **NOT** change anything with the sale. The buyer will still get the first choice of the animal if they buy the premium. Please keep this risk in mind when deciding which animals to sell. As of mid-May, we do not have a base bid for Market Beef, so you may need to market your own animals. If there is a change we will let families know. If you have any questions, please call Hunter Nickell at 620-365-2242.

4-H ON THE FREE STAGE

The Allen County Fair Board is looking for 4-H'ers to share demonstrations, illustrated talks, poetry/prose, musical number or other talent during a 15-minute time slot on Saturday of fair from 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. on the Free Stage. If you would be interested in a time slot, please visit the link below and sign-up! Should you find all slots taken at anytime, please reach out and we will try to secure more time. Register [Here](#)



BOURBON COUNTY NEWS

BOURBON COUNTY FAIR THEME

"Walk the Red Carpet With 4-H". 4-H members are encouraged to use Hollywood decorations for all Livestock Stall Entries, Poultry and Rabbit Exhibits, 4-H Club Banners and Booth Displays.

BOURBON COUNTY FAIR PAPER

The 2024 Bourbon County fair paper is located on the Southwind website [Here](#).

SEWING & TEXTILE DESIGN REVUE/SHOPPING IN STYLE REVUE

Both events will be held at the Ellis Fine Arts Center on Tuesday, July 9. More information and times will be e-mailed to all project members.

PUBLIC STYLE REVUE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Script narrators and ushers are needed at the County Fair Public Style Revue to be held Thursday, July 18 at 5:30 p.m. Any 4-H'er can volunteer you do not need to be enrolled in the clothing projects. Please contact Jennifer at jkterrell@ksu.edu or call 620-223-3720.

BOURBON COUNTY BORN

The Fair Board Association has announced there will be Bourbon County Born for Breeding this year for Beef, Meat Goat, Sheep and Swine.

NEOSHO COUNTY NEWS

NEOSHO COUNTY FAIR PAPER

The 2024 Neosho County fair book is located on the Southwind website [Here](#).

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

The Neosho County 4-H Development Fund plans to provide financial support to 4-H events this year. The events and amounts include: Rock Springs campers \$100; \$100 towards state events such as Discovery Days or CIA; support Greenbush campers with \$25. To be considered for financial support, you must complete an event request form.

2024 PHOTOGRAPHY FUN CLASS THEME

This year, take a picture of an everyday hero in your life for this extra photography class.

NEOSHO COUNTY FAIR THEME

"Unveiling Potential, Unleashing Heroes". 4-H members are encouraged to use Super Hero decorations for all Livestock Stall Entries, Poultry and Rabbit Exhibits, 4-H Club Banners and Booth Displays.

CLEAN-UP BEFORE FAIR ASSIGNMENTS

All buildings must be ready by Monday, July 22nd.

Best Yet: Beef Barn & Show Arena

Hillcrest: Neosho Valley Event Center

Jolly Jayhawkers: Sheep/Hog Barns & Wash Racks

Neosho Valley Busy Bees: Open Class Building

Southeast Sunflowers: Dairy/Goat Barn

Sunrise Challengers: Bath House & Poultry Barn

Willing Workers: Horse Barn/Arena

ROYALTY CONTEST DETAILS

Royalty details and the questionnaire form for candidates are located [Here](#). Please have your club royalty contestant list to Tara by June 21st.

tsolomon@ksu.edu, or by calling 620-244-3826.

Contestant questionnaires are due July 8th, and money will be due July 22nd.

MEAT GOAT PROJECT MEETINGS

Becky Isle will have a goat meeting on June 26 and July 10 at 6:00 p.m. at the fairgrounds.

BEEF PROJECT MEETINGS

For those wanting to work with their beef animals, including bucket calves, project meetings will be held at the fairgrounds on July 7, 14 and 21. All meetings will start at 6:30 p.m. and conclude by 8:00 p.m. This will be a come and go opportunity. For information, please contact Jill Kepley, County-wide beef leader, at 620-432-1383.

FAIR AWARD SPONSORS NEEDED

Neosho County 4-H needs award sponsors for the following, cost will be \$35.00 each.

- Horticulture Judging 1st Place Intermediate
- Horticulture Judging 1st Place Junior
- Horticulture Judging 1st Place Senior
- Horticulture Judging 2nd Place Intermediate
- Horticulture Judging 2nd Place Junior
- Horticulture Judging 2nd Place Senior
- Horticulture Judging 3rd Place Intermediate
- Horticulture Judging 3rd Place Junior
- Horticulture Judging 3rd Place Senior

FOODS

Sign up form is now ready for 4-H Foods Judging to take place on Monday, July 22nd, at 2:00 p.m. It does not matter what judge you sign up with, as you will be going to whoever is first available. Sign up at: <https://bit.ly/NOFoods>

4-H SHOWCASE

Neosho County 4-H Development Fund will be sponsoring the 4-H Showcase at the county fair. Booth theme should showcase 4-H Promotion. This could be a display about joining 4-H, a particular project or a community service activity that the club has participated in. Cash awards will be paid as follows:

1 st place - \$500	2 nd place - \$400
3 rd place - \$350	4 th place - \$300
5 th place - \$250	6 th place - \$200
7 th place - \$100	

ASK ME BOOTH (BUILDING WATCH) CLUB ASSIGNMENTS AND DUTIES

Community members who are visiting the fair will have an opportunity to ask questions about the fair and the exhibits. We hope to promote 4-H to potential new members as well! All while we are monitoring the building. The Neosho Valley Event Center building monitor duties will begin at 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. for the morning shift and 2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. for the evening shift (*unless otherwise specified*). We will also be asking those clubs to help with the flag raising or lowering during your assigned building monitor time. The flags should be up by 8:00 a.m. and down by 8:00 p.m. Please make sure to have at least one 4-H'er and one adult available. Below is the schedule:

Friday 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Neosho Valley Busy Bees

Friday 2:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. – Hillcrest

Saturday 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Willing Workers

Saturday 2:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. – Southeast Sunflowers

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Jolly Jayhawkers

Sunday 2:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. – Staff will cover/family activities in the building

Monday 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Best Yet

Monday 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (*help set up for dinner*) – Sunrise Challengers

NEOSHO COUNTY FAVORITE FOODS SHOW

You will have an opportunity to participate in this during the foods judging at the fair. The Favorite Foods Show was developed to help 4-H members learn valuable skills in table setting, planning a menu, and food preparation. It is important for participants to identify a theme, a menu that compliments the theme, and a favorite food item from the menu selected. This can truly be anything. The item could be a snack, dessert, soup, salad, drink, side, or an entrée.

Prior to foods judging, please do the following:

- * Practice preparing your favorite food
- * Practice serving your favorite food
- * Understand the nutritional value of your favorite food and if there is a way to make it healthier
- * Select the table service and dishes
- * Practice setting up your table to be attractive and proper for your favorite food. This can be formal or informal (paper plates are acceptable as long as the setting is informal).

Items needed for the Favorite Food Show:

- * Card table (we will not provide them)
- * Proper table setting for one (the judge)
- * Menu
- * Recipe card for favorite food
- * Sample of your favorite food for one to be on display (judge will not sample due to the potential of safety concerns)
- * Anything else you might need

This event is a conference style judging, so it is important for participants to be knowledgeable about each aspect of the display. Participation helps youth learn valuable skills they can use for a lifetime with menu planning and table setting.

CAMPER CONTEST AT NEOSHO COUNTY FAIR

4-H Council is sponsoring a camper contest again this year. You are encouraged to use the fair theme, but are welcome to decorate how you wish. The judging will be July 26 at 4:00 p.m. Entries must be submitted to the Extension Office or Fair Office by 1:00 p.m. on July 26 with the \$5 entry fee. Winning campers will receive a banner.



WOODSON COUNTY NEWS

WOODSON COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

4-H Council will be June 26th at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Building.


WOODSON COUNTY FAIR

The 2024 fair book is located on the Southwind website [Here](#).

PREMIUM SALE:

The 2024 Woodson County Premium Sale is **NON-TERMINAL**. With new state rules, animals can be sold in the premium auction and still be taken to the State Fair/KJLS. This doesn't change anything with the way the sale functions, the buyer will still get the first choice of the animal if they buy the premium. Please keep this risk in mind when deciding which animals to sell.

4-H Basics

<p>The 4-H Symbol A green 4 leaf clover with a white "H" on each of its leaves.</p> 	<p>The 4-Hs</p> <p>HEAD HEART HANDS HEALTH</p>
<p>MOTTO "To Make the Best Better"</p>	<p>SLOGAN "Learn by Doing"</p>
<p>PLEDGE I pledge my head to clearer thinking, My heart to greater loyalty, My hands to larger service, And my health to better living, For my club, my community, my country and my world.</p>	<p>COLORS Green and White</p> <p>Green represents springtime</p> <p>White represents innocence</p>

