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STATE 4-H NEWS

4-H VOLUNTEER IMPACT STUDY SURVEY

A survey will be distributed by email on January 15 and close on February 15. As a 4-H volunteer we would greatly appreciate your input. This survey is being conducted by the North Central Region Volunteer Specialists.

GOATS ACROSS KANSAS—"ASK BEFORE YOU BUY"

February 4 at 2:00 p.m. via Zoom. This session will feature an industry expert who will guide in learning the parts of the meat goat, while discussing desirable and undesirable physical traits. Additionally, show goats producers will provide their tips and tricks as you make plans to purchase your next project. Register here by February 1 — [Goats Across Kansas Series - 'Ask Before You Buy' Session Registration \(qualtrics.com\)](https://qualtrics.com)

K-STATE JUNIOR BEEF PRODUCER DAY

March 2 in Weber Arena on the K-State Campus in Manhattan. Topics will include—project selection, nutrition, meat science, reproduction, health, grooming and showmanship. Register by February 12—[Kansas Junior Producer Days \(k-state.edu\)](https://k-state.edu)

4-H FAIR JUDGES TRAINING

February 24 from 10:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Western Research Center in Hays. Judging areas that will be included—style revue, photography, clothing, fiber arts, foods and nutrition, rabbits, horticulture and crops, visual arts, woodworking, wildlife, shooting sports and STEM. \$10 registration fee, lunch is provided.

KANSAS SHEEP ASSOCIATION STARTER FLOCK PROGRAM

The Kansas Sheep Association (KSA) Starter Flock Program was initiated with the intent to encourage and assist young people to enter the sheep and wool industries and help sustain this important food and fiber industry and our American culture. Available for Kansas residents between age 12 and 25, it can be a good fit with 4-H members looking to start their own flock. Selected participants will receive up to six ewes (based on breed) purchased by KSA, and will also be provided a list of producers who have volunteered to supply a ram. Applications must be submitted by mail or email by February 24.

K-STATE JUNIOR SHEEP PRODUCER DAY


March 16 in Weber Arena on the K-State Campus in Manhattan. Topics will include—project selection, nutrition, feeding, facilities, health, reproduction, meat science, wool, clipping, grooming and showmanship. Register by February 26—[Kansas Junior Producer Days \(k-state.edu\)](https://k-state.edu)

KANSAS 4-H SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Due March 1. There are two types of scholarships; State 4-H Scholarships and the Vanier Family Scholarship Program (VFSP). Members that are continuing their education should check it out—[Scholarships | Awards and Recognition | Resources | Kansas 4-H Youth Development](#)

4-H HORSE SHOW JUDGES SEMINAR

April 12 in Colby. Kansas 4-H, the KSU Horse Judging Team and Colby Community College are excited to offer this opportunity. Registration information is forthcoming.



STATE 4-H NEWS

LIVESTOCK COUNTY FAIR MANAGEMENT CLINIC

April 15 and 18 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. via Zoom. This clinic is designed for county fair board members, K-State Research and Extension Agents and volunteers involved in local livestock fair management and leadership. The clinic has been divided over two evenings with different topics being covered each night. The sessions will be recorded so those who are not able to attend may watch at their convenience. Register here by April 8—https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_2nLMofH3IkeU182

HORSE SAFETY WEBINAR & QUIZ

Horse project members wanting to enter the Kansas State Fair Horse Show must complete the 4-H Horse Safety Webinar and have a passing score of 76% or better on the quiz. This must be completed prior to submitting entry. These are also good educational resources for any member enrolled in the 4-H Horse project. The Kansas 4-H Horse Safety Webinar can be found here—https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zPD_CVfOe7A The quiz is available here—https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_enRMAAbC8x8efl4

INSECT ART CONTEST

Plan to enter the Insect Superheroes Art Competition for all ages (Kindergarten to adults). Entries are due April 15. For more information and the entry form check out https://www.ksre.k-state.edu/pesticides-ipm/?fbclid=IwAR0IWJiBnTdl_d0QTImRZtptzsv3tU-

SHARE YOUR WORLD

Kansas 4-H has set a goal of hosting 36 youth (ages 12-17) from Japan during the summer of 2024. What a great opportunity for you to share your family “culture”. Japanese delegates are in Kansas mid-July to mid-August. For more information, please contact Pam VanHorn, pvanhorn@ksu.edu

LIVESTOCK SOLD IN PREMIUM SALES SHOWING AT STATE SHOWS

With the change to 4-H Policy regarding sale animals and state shows, the Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS) have asked that the following statements be shared.

Kansas State Fair: The State Fair has worked with State 4-H on a rule for sale animals. This rule is no longer a part of the State 4-H rules but is now a decision that will be made at a county level. The Kansas State Fair Board will allow each county to decide whether they are going to allow exhibitors to continue to show sale animals. If a county sale committee determines that they want to NOT allow the entry of sale animals, that county’s agent will need to not approve the animals at entry validation time for the Grand Drive. They will also need to reach out to the Kansas State Fair and let them know why they are not approving the entries. Some exhibitors may substitute another animal at check in time, but their entry will be flagged that the animal entered is not eligible to show.

Kansas Junior Livestock Show: KJLS has worked with Kansas 4-H on the 2021 Kansas 4-H Policy Section 10.6 Sale Animals which was rescinded from Kansas 4-H policy. Terminal livestock sales at county fairs are a local decision. KJLS will allow each county sale committee and/or county fair board to make the decision whether they can exhibit animals sold in local sales at KJLS. If a county sale committee and/or county fair board determines that animals sold at the local level must be harvested, the local Extension Agent will not approve the animal at entry validation for KJLS. Extension Agents will also notify KJLS about the reason entries are not approved.

LOCAL 4-H NEWS

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Phillips County 4-H Council—February 26 at 7:00 p.m. at the Phillips County Annex Meeting Room
Rooks County 4-H Livestock Committee—February 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the 4-H Building
4-H Junior Leaders—February 12 at 7:00 p.m. at the 4-H Building
Rooks County 4-H Council — February 12 at 7:30 p.m. at the 4-H Building

YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS (YQCA)

Required for livestock exhibitors at Rooks County Free Fair, Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show. Trainings will be available on March 11 at 6:30 p.m. at the 4-H Building and March 25 at 6:00 pm. at the Phillips County Annex Meeting Room. All livestock must be tagged and turned into the Phillips-Rooks Extension District by May 1 to be eligible for the Phillips County Fair and Rooks County Free Fair.

COUNTY 4-H CLUB DAY

Youth can participate in Project Talks, Public Speaking, Extemporaneous Speaking, Demonstrations, Illustrated Talks, Model Meetings, Vocal Ensemble, Vocal Chorus, Instrumental Ensemble, Band/Orchestra, Vocal Solo, Instrumental Solo, Dance, Square Dance, Other Dance, Reading, Skit/Creative Dramatics, and Other Talent. Those selected as top blue at County 4-H Club Day will advance to Regional 4-H Club Day.

Guidelines can be found here: [Phillips County 4-H - Wakelet](#) and [Rooks County 4-H - Wakelet](#)

Phillips County—March 19 at 5:00 p.m. at Phillipsburg Middle School, please register by March 1 [https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3Fc0WfqrHuZU3jw?](https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3Fc0WfqrHuZU3jw?fbclid=IwAR1cFxF3BxLYlvVot4K1M_voZArRHtQuCIRq-zYKavQplaoiQMrTOzpYb1Q)

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Rooks County—March 18 at 5:00 p.m. at the Palco School, please register by calling the Phillips-Rooks District Extension Office by March 11

Regional Club Day—April 5 at 5:00 p.m. at the Stockton High School, please register by March 22

ASSISTANTS TO FAIR SUPERINTENDENTS

Any 4-Her interested in being an Assistant to the Superintendents at the Fair please call the Phillips-Rooks District Extension Offices and specify which division you would be interested in by March 15.

PHILLIPS COUNTY GUN SHOW FOOD STAND

Phillips County Fair Building. Club work schedules are as follows (each club needs four 4-Hers and three adults to work):

Saturday, February 10

7:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m. Deer Creek

11:00 a.m.—2:30 p.m. Lone Prairie

2:30 p.m.—close Agra Trailblazers

Sunday, February 11

8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. Iowa Union

12:30 p.m.—close Sunnyside



Each club must provide 5 pies (uncut, nine inch).

Please send a list of workers and those donating pies to the Phillips-Rooks Extension District by February 6. Members that have volunteered for the Gun Show Food Stand Committee will be cooking on February 7 at 3:30 p.m.

4-H CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY

- 4 Goats Across Kansas - "Ask Before You Buy"
- 12 Rooks County 4-H Livestock Committee
- 12 4-H Junior Leaders
- 12 Rooks County 4-H Council
- 15 North Central Region 4-H Volunteer Impact Study Survey Deadline
- 18-19 Citizenship in Action
- 19 Phillips-Rooks Extension District Offices Closed

MARCH

- 1 Kansas 4-H Scholarship Application Deadline
- 1 Phillips County 4-H Club Day Registration Deadline
- 2 K-State Junior Beef Producer Day
- 7 Phillips-Rooks Extension District Offices Closed
- 11 Rooks County 4-H Club Day Registration Deadline
- 11 Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)
- 11 Rooks County 4-H Council
- 16 K-State Junior Sheep Producer Day
- 18 Rooks County 4-H Club Day
- 19 Phillips County 4-H Club Day
- 22 Regional 4-H Club Day Registration Deadline
- 23 4-H Super Saturday
- 25 Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)

Visit our website:

<https://www.phillipsrooks.k-state.edu/4-h/>

APRIL

- 5 Regional 4-H Club Day
- 8 Rooks County 4-H Livestock Committee
- 8 4-H Junior Leaders
- 12 4-H Horse Judges Seminar
- 13 Phillips County 4-H Carnival
- 15 Livestock County Fair Management Clinic
- 18 Livestock County Fair Management Clinic
- 19-24 National 4-H Conference

MAY

- 1 Add/Drop Project Deadline on 4-H Online
- 1 Horse Identification Certificates Deadline
- 1 4-H/FFA Livestock Tag Deadline
- 3-5 State Shooting Sports Coordinator Training
- 13 Rooks County 4-H Council



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