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4-H UPDATE

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IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

- **NOVEMBER 10** ACHIEVEMENT AND PROJECT AWARD CEREMONY
- **NOVEMBER 11** OFFICE CLOSED
- **NOVEMBER 23-24** KYLF, ROCK SPRINGS
- **NOVEMBER 28-29** OFFICE CLOSED
- **DECEMBER 1** DEADLINE FOR LAST YEAR MEMBERS TO RE-ENROLL
- **DECEMBER 27** WICHITA THUNDER





From the Desk of..... Stephanie Hays



Wow what an amazing month October has been. I have officially been your 4-H agent for a whole month and have loved every minute of it!!

4-H enrollment - Make sure to get your family re-enrolled in 4-H online. If you are a volunteer, please also enroll for the first time or re-enroll. Remember we need to do background checks every three years.

National 4-H week I was able to start the week joining two 4-H club meetings. Then our 4-H team completed record book reviews with some amazing volunteers. We had a total of 106 project record books turned in. I was able to join KWCH and share all about 4-H. Sophia and I drove around and judged some amazing 4-H window displays. We ended the week with Carnival and somehow I ended up taking some ducks home with me.

I ended the month meeting with leaders, club officers elect, and meeting with FFA advisors to see how we can collaborate to extend our reach. Thank you all for participating.

This month of Thanksgiving, I am thankful for each and everyone of you.

I am thankful for each of our 4-Hers. Through your knowledge, caring, hard work, and self care you are becoming our leaders of tomorrow.

I am thankful for each of our 4-H leaders. You give so unselfishly to our 4-H youth. You reflect compassion, unselfish caring, patience and determination that give our youth opportunities they can't get without you.

I am here for all of you. Please do not hesitate to reach out to the office if there is anything we can help to make your 4-H experience the best it can be.



4-H Shooting Sports Fall Enrollment

The weather is turning cooler and that means it's time to start the new 4-H year and the shooting sports of BB, Air Rifle and Air Pistol. BB is for ages 9-14, Air Pistol for 12-18 and Air Rifle for 12-18. Ages are determined by Jan. 1, 2025.

First of all, returning members must be enrolled in 4-H online before the first time they practice or by December 1. If you fail to do that, you will not be able to participate in the shooting sports program this year. Please do it today. Join 4-H here: <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>. You must join 4-H before attending any practices or classes. If you are in another club in the county, please add the Super Shooters club to your enrollment as well (you can participate in both). It helps me know who has enrolled without contacting the 4-H Office. The cost to join 4-H is \$15.

In addition to joining 4-H online and helping with the carnival, we need to know who is interested in participating in Air Rifle, Air Pistol or BB for the 2024-2025 season. (please share with any friends that might be interested). Cost is \$25 per discipline (in addition to the 4-H fee). This project is led by certified 4-H instructors. All practices are held at the Sedgwick County Extension Center at 21st and Ridge in 4-H Hall. To participate in 4-H matches (competitions), you must participate in the county program. Please register for AP, AR and BB by completing this form:

<https://forms.gle/kXBH4VqPVBfAecJL6>

If you have not attended the beginner safety class, you are required to attend that before participating in these projects. The date for the beginner class is on the schedule. Returning members, we request that you attend the fee payment/sign up day on Sunday, November 3 in the Bison Room. We will have bb's and pellets available to purchase when you pay your fees and make sure you have all your paperwork in.

We will be practicing mostly on Sunday afternoons ([click here for tentative schedule--more dates will be added as available](#)) for all disciplines. For Sunday practices, air rifle and air pistol will arrive at 12:30 and set up and shoot. BB shooters will arrive beginning at 2:45 and shoot immediately following air rifle/air pistol and will be responsible for cleanup. As we get further into the season, this schedule might be tweaked as needed.

We request that if you sign up for one of these disciplines, you plan to attend a majority of the practices. Those attending matches must be attending practice on a regular basis.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions. I know this is lots of information!!!

Super shooters website:

<https://sites.google.com/view/sedgwickco4-hshootingsports/home>

Youth Livestock Programs



This year Sedgwick County 4-H is requiring a YQCA course to be completed if you are showing an animal at the Sedgwick County Fair.

You have two options to take a YQCA course

1. In person with Stephanie at the extension. The cost will be \$3.00 a person. This is the cost the extension is charged per person. Dates to be determined-Stay tuned...
2. Online at https://yqcaprogram.org/local/resources_for_youth_parents.php The cost for this is \$12.00
 - a. Directions on how to sign up for the online YQCA training can be found here. https://yqcaprogram.org/local/pdf/YQCA_HelpDoc_GettingWBTCertification_2024.pdf

2024 Calendar & Important Deadlines

March 2: K-State Junior Beef Producer Day
March 16: K-State Junior Sheep Producer Day
April 15: KASLA Application Deadline
April 20: Last Day to Order Market Beef DNA Envelopes for Nominations
May 1: Market Beef Nominations Due
June 5: Last Day to Order Small Livestock DNA Envelopes for Nominations
June 15: Commercial Heifer, Swine, Sheep, & Meat Goat Nominations Due
July 12-13: Dr. Bob Hines Kansas Swine Classic
August 17-18: State 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes
September 6-15: Kansas State Fair
September 27-29: Kansas Junior Livestock Show

KSU YLP Internship

Join the team! The KSU Youth Livestock Program is currently accepting applications for our 2025 internship. One or two undergraduate college students are selected each year to assist with events and activities throughout the spring and summer, including the junior producer days, DNA envelope distribution, state livestock nominations, Dr. Bob Hines Kansas Swine Classic, and Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes. Internship applications are due November 15, 2024.

2025 KSU YLP Internship Application Information



EXPLORE

4-H School Enrichment



Coding with Steve

Our indi robots (dubbed “Steve” and friends) teach students how to use sequential thinking, math, and strategy to accomplish tasks. If you’re interested in bringing Steve to your child’s classroom, send their teacher to our website to learn more!



Plants and Science

We have multiple classes brought to you by our Master Gardener volunteers as well as our Life Cycle Miracle and Wheat Science classes. Order your butterfly larvae before March and check out our other Earth Science based classes while on our website!



Mindful Me

Being mindful about our emotions and how to regulate them is difficult. The mindfulness muscle is something that must be exercised. Learn how to do this through our seven session Mindful Me class or free rentable curriculum kit!



CONTACT US

316-660-0115

www.tinyurl.com/school-enrichment

4-H CLUB NEWS

On October 13th the 4-Hers picked up trash at the Wetlands Park in Valley Center for the 48 Hours of 4-H service project. Afterwards, the regular monthly meeting and the 4-H Carnival were held at the Extension office at 3:30 pm. The 4-H meeting was called to order by President Knox Crouch at the Sedgwick County Extension Office. The Flag Salute was led by Alex Lang and the 4-H pledge was led by Elijah Lang. Then club officers were installed. Afterwards, the new officers took over. The 4-H members answered roll call with “What is your favorite part of Halloween?” After roll call, Christian Lang read the “Thought for the Day.” Brie Bell led the club in singing “My Country ‘Tis”. The Treasurer’s report was read by Brenden Crouch. The Reporter’s report was read by Shannon Crouch. Jonathan Lang gave a Parliamentarian Minute. The club adjourned and set up their carnival booth.

At the carnival, every 4-H club hosted a game there. This means that there were a lot of fun games to play! For example, there was a cookie decorating booth where you got to create your own cookie designs! I think that booth was my favorite one there. The hosting club had a bunch of different color frostings you could use to decorate the cookies, and all the colors and decorations were Halloween themed because Halloween was coming up. There were a bunch of different Halloween sprinkles you could choose from to decorate your cookie. My cookie was a pumpkin shape and I used purple frosting, bat sprinkles, purple sprinkles, orange sprinkles, and white sprinkles. I even got to eat the cookie I decorated, and it tasted really good!

The 4-H club will have the next meeting on November 10th at 2:00 pm at the Extension Office right before the County Awards Banquet.

-Amelia Bell, reporter



TEEN COUNCIL ACTIVITIES



**Sedgwick County
4-H invites you to**

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JOIN THE 4-H TEEN COUNCIL

*Meeting Times
4th Monday night of every
month
7:00 p.m.
Extension Office*

Open to any Sedgwick County 4-H Youth ages 13 and over.

Sedgwick County 4-H Teen Council provides an opportunity to work within your community with younger 4-Hers, participate in community service projects, get to know 4-H Teens from other county clubs and participate in leadership conferences and workshops.

Teen Council News

- Teens WE need you November 10th at 1:00 to set up for our Awards Ceremony.
- Remember to let us know the officer positions you are interested in being considered for. We are electing officers online prior to November's meeting. These officers will be inducted at our meeting.
- Next meeting will be November 18th at the Extension office. I would love to see at least 2 members from each club so we can make sure there is good communication from the clubs to our council. At this meeting there will be a short meeting and then you do a Thanksgiving activity and I will provide some great thanksgiving desserts.

Leaders please start thinking how you can start sending at least 2 members from your club to teen council meetings.

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4-H Marketing Ideas and Supplies



Joining 4-H

Here is some helpful information to pass along to potential 4-H members and their families.

Please direct families to our website: sedgwick.k-state.edu

There is helpful information regarding club locations that include what time the club meetings are and where they will be held.

The link to 4-H Online enrollment is on that web page as well. Other information and helpful 4-H Online resource topics can be found at: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-online/index.html>

Also included on that website is a link to the most current Project Selection Guide which gives families a brief description of the projects available. Even current members will find this helpful when selecting projects for the upcoming 4-H year. The deadline to add or drop projects will remain March 1.

Many of our 4-H clubs have Cloverbud members, 5 and 6 year olds. Kansas does have a Cloverbud program designed specifically for them. Since Sedgwick County does not have a designated club for them these ideas can be used on a club level for any leader or volunteer needing more detailed and helpful guidelines. Here is the link: <chrome-extension://efaidnbmnnnibpcajpcglclefindmkaj/https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/policy-guide/Policy%20Book-%20Cloverbuds%20Kansas%204-H.pdf>

In Sedgwick County our standard rule is that a cloverbud must already have an older brother or sister in 4-H in order to join unless the club they are interested in agrees to accept them.

If you have questions please give the 4-H office a call at 316-660-0115.

Food Drive Results!!!

Thank you for being a part of a worthy cause! 4-Hers are Awesome!!!



Sedgwick County 4-H Youth Development also participated in in this food drive. The 4-H kids collected canned goods and brought them to Murfin to help build a nice holiday meal for families in need!

It really does take a village, and we are so appreciative of everyone's support! I've included Barbara Wingfield with K-State Research and Extension 4-H, as she reached out to all the 4-H kids/families for support.

Murfin staff was also eager to help and with the support of all employees we hoped to make a difference.

**Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas to you all!
Brandi LeClair, Muffin Oil**



Sedgwick County Teen Council members making the delivery to Murfin Oil with 4-H Agent Stephanie Hays

Making a difference together.





4-H Club Booths for Wichita Thunder Hockey Team

The Wichita Thunder Hockey Team have agreed to be a community partner with Sedgwick County 4-H, December 27th their game against the Idaho Steelheads. We need Clubs and Project clubs to participate in setting up booths in the mezzanine. All 4-Hers that are present will be invited to be recognized on the ice during half time. These booths could a club information, pictures, slide shows, projects, etc. Anything that makes your 4-Hers and club stand out. Let's show them how great our youth are!!

Use the link below to order tickets.

<https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/Sedgwickcounty3>

4-H Week Window Displays

Valley Victors 4-H Club



Delano 4-H Club



There is
Always
something to be
Thankful for...



....family, friends, our health, opportunities that help us to develop in character and skills. It is also a good time to thank our 4-H leaders, community and project, and to reflect back on the past year and remind ourselves how fortunate we are in ways that we sometimes take for granted.

Carnival Re-Cap

Total collected	8,799.25
Less 25% to clubs	(2,193.56) (note this does not calculate 25% as \$25 of the total was direct to the Council)
3% to Ext. office	(263.98)
Pay pal fees net	(18.36)

Total to Advisory Council \$6,341.71

Here's what is owed to each club:

Club % to club	
Achievers	836.50
Colwich Clovers	76.25
Country Kids	45.00
Delano	62.50
Derby	271.25
Goddard	105.25
Ninnescah Valley	75.00
Peck Ramblers	175.50
Quail Valley	143.75
River City Kids	121.31
Super Shooters	83.75
Valley Victors	197.50
<u>Totals</u>	<u>2,193.56</u>

cash/check/paypal tie out:

Total: cash	\$2,143.25
Checks	\$5,370.00 (note checks I gave Barb today total \$5,270 as she already deposited Delano's \$100 check)
Pay Pal gross	\$1,286.00
Total collected	\$8,799.25



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