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Great Things Happening in Frontier 4-H

Over spring break, we had our second annual camp! As you may have seen we changed it, from Camp Livestock, to Animal Adventure Camp and opened it to all animal species shown in 4-H! We all had a blast making new friends, seeing old friends, learning something new or even just making smore's! There were 44 youth and 20 counselors that attended camp. Our speakers were Chloe Ecord with Advocacy, and Jacob Schmeilder; 4-H Agent, Central KS District and Tessa Beeman; KDA with Livestock Judging. It's safe to say, the camp was a blast!



Dancing Fun for the Whole Family

The Ottawa Promenaders have created an opportunity for 4-H members and families to learn dancing! This is open to all in the District, so bring the whole family. The Promenaders will be teaching square and line dancing! Classes will be **April 6th**, from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. at Celebration Hall. Please dress casual and appropriate. Dancing can bring joy and happiness to all. We encourage families to take advantage of this great opportunity! Keeping the form of these dances alive for the next generations is important! **Attention!** Please call the Ottawa office to be put on the list to attend. This is important to make sure we have enough people attend to be worth the Promenaders time!

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National Volunteer Week

It's a week dedicated to volunteers! National Volunteer Week is **April 21st - 27th**. There are several things to do "To Make The Best Better!" Check what the website has to offer! We are extremely grateful for our volunteers, and couldn't get through the year without everyone! Thank you for everything that you all do!!

Rock Springs Ranch Camp Open House

Rock Springs Ranch is offering an Open House on **April 23rd** from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity to explore the camp if you are interested in attending. Even if you have attended, come on out, and see what has changed since you last went!

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FRONTIER DISTRICT 4-H CALENDAR



The calendar has dates for all three counties. Dates may/may not appear elsewhere in the newsletter. Read carefully, please and direct any questions to the Extension Office.

APR	6	OS CO: Shooting Sports Practice @ 3:00 p.m.	Burlingame
		Dance Fun, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. @ Celebration Hall	Ottawa
	8	KLF Scholarship Due	Online
	13	Entomology Meeting, 1:00 p.m. @ Allen County Extension Office	Iola
	15	KASLA Application Deadline	Online
		IPM Art Contest Entries Due	
		GROWMARK Scholarship Due	Online
		KSF Grand Drive Scholarship Due	Online
		Franklin County Horse Club Meeting, 6:00 p.m.	
	20	Last Day to Order Market Beef DNA Envelopes for Nominations	Online
		OS CO: Shooting Sports Practice @ 3:00 p.m.	Burlingame
	21-27	National Volunteer Week	
	23	Rock Springs Open House @ 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.	Junction
	27	OS CO: Shooting Sports Practice @ 3:00 p.m.	Burlingame
		Shutterbug at Botanica	Wichita
	24	FR CO: Small Animal 4-6 p.m. @ fairgrounds	Ottawa
MAY	1	State Market Beef Nominations Due	Online
		Last Day to Add/Drop Projects	Online
	2	AN CO: Small Animal Weigh-In 5-7 p.m. @ fairgrounds	Garnett
	4	Shutterbug at the Zoo	Garden City
	7	OS CO: Small Animal Weigh-In 4-6 p.m. @ Osage fairgrounds	Osage
	18	Blazin' the Ring Spring Classic	Ottawa
	20	Franklin County Horse Club Meeting, 6:00 p.m.	
JUNE	5	Last Day to Order Small Animal DNA Envelopes for Nominations	Online
	15	Small Animal Nominations Due	
		PT Testing 8 - 10 a.m. @ Franklin County Fair Grounds, BBQ Pavilion	Ottawa
	27	SE Area Contest; Livestock, Meats and Skillathon	Emporia
	30-1	Dr. Bob Hines Kansas Swine Classic	Manhattan
JULY	6	PT Testing, 8 - 10 a.m. @ Anderson County Show Arena	Garnett
	9	PT Testing, 5 - 7 p.m. @ Osage City Show Arena	Osage
	16-21	Franklin County Fair	

Check county pages for fair dates and information!

GENERAL NEWS

Care to Share Form Available

Positive things are happening in the Frontier Extension District's 4-H program! The Care to Share form is designed to help recognize individuals, committees, etc. Completed forms should be sent to the Extension Office. The Office will then send a congratulatory card to the appropriate person(s). Forms are accepted year round.

4-H Policy

Frontier District 4-H families are encouraged to review the State 4-H Policy. This year they have been updated! Updates include the addition of K-State's updated child protection policy. The current KSRE and 4-H practices cover the new requirements and are now included as a reference in the policy. Direct all questions the Office.

Club Boxes

Each 4-H club is asked to designate one or two people to come in and pick up the information from the club box in the Extension Office. Plan to check the box on a regular basis.

Enrollment

The new 4-H year began October 1st. The cost will remain \$15. Cloverbuds and volunteers will not be charged.

Returning 4-H members and volunteers should be re-enrolled by **December 1st**. When enrolling, projects and clubs will not pre-populate. Returning members will need to select the club and all the desired projects. If selecting a project in which the youth was enrolled last year, the years in the project will increment correctly based on what was on the enrollment the year before. Some of the **project names** have changed. Check these when enrolling! Families are also encouraged to confirm the email address for the family and for each member/volunteer.

Helpful Resources

It's called "4-H at Home", but anyone can use this wonderful resource! It is full of project ideas to explore, learn, practice or experience. The content is appropriate for beginning, intermediate and advanced project members. Also included are resources and events that might be available, including curriculum, record-keeping and project exhibit ideas.

Raffle Policy and Guidelines

It is the time of year when clubs begin discussing fundraising options. Nonprofit and education entities may conduct raffles. However, a raffle policy and guidelines must be followed.

Any Extension unit-affiliated group (e.g. 4-H club, 4-H project group, etc.) wanting to conduct a raffle must first fill out and submit an application. The Extension District Board meets monthly (beginning of the month) and all applications must be approved by them prior to conducting the raffle.

A financial report must then be presented to the Board upon completion of the raffle. Completed applications for Board approval may be sent to any Frontier District Office.

Do I Really Need to Read the Newsletter?

The short answer is YES! ALL Frontier District 4-H families should read the newsletter! It is used to communicate important information! The article titles indicate the content and the red font is a link that will take the reader to the information. Previous newsletters are available, too.

GENERAL NEWS

Electronic Treasurer's Book Available

An electronic version of the Treasurer's Book is available for any club or group to use.

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Kansas Clover Classroom

The Kansas Clover Classroom is an amazing 4-H project supplemental guide being offered to 4-H families. Taking photos, designing a cabinet, building rockets, collecting insects, tending to livestock...those activities are part of a much bigger, project-based learning process to prepare youth for the future. Which challenge will you take on?

Mass Emails Not Received or Going to Junk/Spam

The 4-H Agent and Program Managers will communicate important information and reminders with families via 4HOnline in mass emails. Frontier District families who are not receiving mass emails or they are showing up in the junk or spam folder are requested to follow these steps. 1). Ensure the email address is correct in both the family's profile and member's profile in the 4HOnline System. 2). Ensure the family has "unsubscribed" to 4HOnline emails. If so, each member must re-subscribe to receive "Broadcasts" (emails) again. 3). "Whitelist" the address from which the broadcasts originate: *no-reply@4honline.com (RegMax-4-H)*. Whitelisting means taking manual steps to ensure that an email from a particular recipient is not blocked or does not go to the junk/spam folder. Simply Google "how to whitelist an email address," and follow the instructions for the family's specific email client (Outlook, Gmail, Yahoo, etc.).

4-H Camp at Rock Springs 4-H Center

Summer Camp 2024 registration is open! This includes half week, full week, LIT (Leader in Training) and Counselor in Training (CIT) sessions. There are eight different traditional 4-H camp dates in June and July. We recommend Session two! There are also three CIT dates in June and July and two LIT dates in June. Each have the opportunity to attend for free! They have also added a two night mini camp for rising 1st-3rd graders, as well as a Specialty camp for rising 6th-9th graders. Transportation schedules are being finalized. Check out which date and/or camp works best for you! Camper-ships (scholarships) are available for all levels!



PROJECT NEWS

Setting Project Goals

After choosing projects, it is important to plan what can be learned and accomplished. What new skills can be gained? Who is going to help along the way? Setting measurable goals will help guide youth through positive 4-H project learning experiences. This resource can help members get started!

District Wide Projects and Leaders Available

A list of District-wide projects and leaders is available to Frontier District 4-H members. Leader contact information is available in the Extension Office. Meeting and project information will be posted in the newsletter and/or emailed to those enrolled in the project.

Cloverbud: Jennifer Whiteford-Houk

Dog: Rochelle Nelson

Geology: Gayla Corley

Fiber Arts, Quilting: Michele Altendorf

Horse: FR CO-Kathy Hinderliter

OS CO-Dorothy Christiason & Niki Schoepflin

Livestock Judging: Hyatt Frobose

Rabbits: Jillian & Mat Oberly

Shooting Sports: (available disciplines vary by county)

FR CO-Tim Kunard & Becky Cain

Shooting Sports-Western Heritage: Becky Cain,

Dave Sielert, John Torrence, Ken Wilk

Sheep: Diane Spisak

Wildlife: Rochelle Nelson

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3) **NOTE: ENTRY IS ONLINE ONLY!**

Beef Cattle Information from the Experts

Practical beef cattle economic information, health, and nutrition will be shared by a team of experts from Kansas State University and delivered right to an email account! Sign up now to receive the Beef Cattle Institute's weekly e-newsletter. Send an email to bci@ksu.edu and let them know you want to be added to the mailing list. Don't forget to check out their 25-minute podcast!



District's 4-H website:

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PROJECT NEWS

Entomology Meeting

The next Entomology Project meeting will be on **Saturday, April 13th**, beginning at 1:00 p.m. at the Allen County Extension Office. The plan is to go out collecting, so bring your insect nets, killing jar, and specimen containers. Hopefully Mother Nature will cooperate with the weather! Please bring your pinning boards and materials to pin insects with and one or two insects to pin. Questions: call Vicky at (620)804-9170.

Entomology: Insect Art Contest

This year's theme for K-State's Integrated Pest Management (IPM) is "Incognito: Insects in Disguise". Participants will enter an art piece showing how insects are beneficial. Selected artwork will be used to promote the importance of insects and to create other educational items. A winner will be selected from each category and one overall winner will be selected from those entries. Be sure to add the participation to the PRRF or pin application! Entries are due by **April 15th**.

Geology: GeoCAT Bites

The newsletter offers a variety of resources that can be used by anyone and be helpful to everyone. This month's GeoCAT Bites includes a 'yummy' activity, introducing the rock cycle using chocolate. This activity was developed by the Geological Society of London and adapted for Earth Science Week by the American Geosciences Institute. Check it out!

Reminder! Horse Webinar and Quiz

Last year the rules changed for the State Fair! Follow the link above for more information!

District-Wide Horse Groups

Join the group and watch for updates and reminders on Facebook!

Franklin County Horse Club - Facebook name: Franklin County 4-H Horse Club. Contact Kathy at 785-242-5506 or at kathy.hinderliter@gmail.com.

Osage County Horse and Youth (H.A.Y.) - Facebook name: 4-H H.A.Y Club (no period after the "Y"): Dorothy: 785-806-5786 or Niki: ncfm1234@hotmail.com or 785-219-1829.

Reminder! Horse Project Changes

1). Horse Achievement Levels will no longer be required to participate at the Kansas State Fair 4-H Horse Show.

2). Eligibility for the KSF 4-H Horse Show has changed.

3). Those planning to participate at the Kansas State Fair must fill out and upload an **affidavit** when entering.

Kids N Horses Newsletter

The Kids N Horses Newsletter is a great resource!

PROJECT NEWS

Horse Webinar Recordings

The Kansas 4-H Equine Webinar series gives Kansas 4-H members, Horse volunteers and parents an opportunity to gain skills and knowledge about horses and the horse industry in Kansas. Topics will include basic 4-H Horse project knowledge, horse health and college and career readiness. Recordings are available to watch at your leisure!

Horse Qualifying Shows

Lyndon Saddle Club will be hosting 4 Open Fun Shows this year which can serve as a pre-qualifying show, with the exception of the last one since it is later in the year. They will be hosting the shows **May 18, July 13, August 10 and September 21**. Please take some time to review all the necessary steps now, so you can ensure that you are doing what you need to do. You can find that information on the [Kansas 4-H Horse Project webpage](#). The show affidavit and other needed forms can be found on this page as well.

Livestock: KS 4-H Animal Science Recordings

This is an opportunity to learn more about the livestock industry, career opportunities, and good animal husbandry practices. The recordings are available!

Animal Science Leadership Academy

The Kansas State University Animal Sciences Leadership Academy is an intensive four-day educational experience designed to enhance the leadership skills and animal science knowledge of students in grades 9-12. This is the 15th year of the academy, hosted by [K-State's Department of Animal Sciences and Industry](#) in Manhattan and set for **June 5-8**. Applications are due **April 15**.

Local Livestock Show

WHAT: Blazin' the Ring Spring Classic (search on Facebook)

WHEN: **May 18th, 2024**

WHERE: Franklin County Fairgrounds, Ottawa, KS

NOTES: Entries due by **May 6th**. Show order and schedule change!

Save the Date!

June 27, 2024 SE Area Livestock, Meats, and Skillathon Day. Location to be determined. **June 25, 2024** SE Area Program Day held in Emporia. More information coming soon!

Plant Science: Horticulture Newsletter

This is a fabulous resource!



PROJECT NEWS

Poultry: #FlockDefender

For those interested in the Poultry project, an outreach effort is aimed at helping youth poultry owners learn about and practice good biosecurity. This effort is called **#FlockDefender** and it encourages and prepares all poultry owners to implement diligent biosecurity practices. Electronic resources are available to youth and leaders to be used during meetings and when caring for flocks. A free youth toolkit is now available. Check it out!

PT Testing 2024

Last year, the KDA implemented Poultry PT testing to be done on a 5-year rotation. 2024 is Frontier District's year to test. All poultry (except ducks and pigeons) must test negative for Pullorum-Typhoid (P-T) within 90 days of any Kansas fair or exhibition. Frontier District 4-H members enrolled in the Poultry project are welcome to utilize the date that works best for them. Testing will be \$1.00 per bird. Exact change is appreciated! The exact locations are TBD.

Franklin County - **June 15th**; 8 - 10 A.M. @ FR CO: BBQ

Anderson County - **July 6th**; 8 - 10 A.M. @ AN CO: Arena

Osage County - **July 9th**; 5 - 7 P.M. @ Osage City Arena



Photography Workshop/Shutterbug Opportunities

Shutterbugs at Botanica: **April 27th**, Wichita.

Shutterbugs at the Zoo: **May 4th**, Garden City.

State Fair Changes!

As some of you may have noticed, there have been some changes at the state fair. Please read over your projects and if you have any questions, don't hesitate to call the office. Some big changes that have been made are the project names. Please read over and see the differences in the **Project Names**. The top part is the updated project names, and the bottom is the previous project names. Some projects that have had some changes are Clothing and Textiles as a whole, Shooting Sports and STEM projects. Please feel free to reach out for any questions!

TEEN MEMBER NEWS

Kansas 4-H Discovery Days 2024

Discovery Days 2024 is **June 5-7th** at Kansas State University Campus. The theme for this year is “Party All Discovery Days”. This camp gives youth the opportunity to experience the college life, as well as explore classes available. For teens, ages 13-18! Registration is due **May 5th**.

Feeding your Future Camp

KSU is hosting a camp with Agronomy and Grain Science Departments in an effort to increase awareness of the departments offered for future enrollments with K-State Ag. The camp will take place **July 16-20, 2024**. Camp will feature Agronomy, Milling Science, Bakery Science and Feed and Pet Food Science. Only 30 participants are allowed, so please fill out the interest form, and a registration will be provided!

Scholarships

GROWMARK Scholarship - Due **April 15th**

KLF Scholarship - Due **April 8th**

KSF Grand Drive Scholarship - Due **April 15th**

What's In Outdoors Scholarship - Due **May 1st**

Include 4-H Experiences in a Resumé or Interview

Here are tips for putting 4-H experiences on a resumé and to have a successful interview! These are excellent resources to use while filling out a scholarship/job application or preparing for an interview! A [guide](#) to prepare a resumé is available!



CWF 2026 Delegate Applications Available

Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) is a week of action-packed week in Washington, D.C. with fellow 4-H members from throughout the United States. The nation's capitol will be the classroom! Youth will experience how government works and how to become an active leader in the community. The Frontier District will, once again, be taking a delegation in the Summer of 2026. The delegation will be selected early so funds may be raised and decisions can be made. Frontier District 4-H members, 15-18 years of age by January 1, 2026, are eligible to apply. Interested members must fill out an application, participate in a mandatory interview, and be approved in order to attend. Applications are available on the District's 4-H website under “District Events” and are due to any Frontier Extension District Office by **April 1, 2024**. Contact the Extension Office to have questions answered.

VOLUNTEER NEWS

Volunteer Resources

Club and project volunteers are only as good as the resources made available to them. Kansas 4-H is providing several recorded resources which are available to anyone anytime. Currently, there is Public Speaking, STEM: Rocketry, FCS: Textile Science, Animal Science: Livestock, Service Learning and Visual Arts: Barn Quilts. Other project leader resources are also available! Check these out and help yourself become a better leader!

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4-H EZ: Recipe for Club Success

This online resource for club leaders includes six videos and handouts and resources that go with the videos. They are designed to help create a better club experience. Help yourself be a better leader and check it out! Also included is the “4-H EZ Application Guide”. It allows for reflection of the videos and application of the info for the Club.

Volunteers Must Be Up-To-Date!

All 4-H volunteers must be up-to-date on required paperwork (online). Jo is making sure all volunteers have the proper paperwork completed. Volunteers needing updates will be contacted via email. Please look for an email from her janstaett@ksu.edu. If you do not see one, and are not yet approved in 4-H Online, please check your junk mail or call her at the Lyndon Office (785-828-4438) to see what needs to be done. Please promptly complete any directions or requests received. If a volunteer is not making an effort to be updated, he/she will not be allowed to be a volunteer within the Frontier District 4-H program and/or will not be recognized at the end of the year. The Extension Office is happy to help or answer questions. Volunteers are welcome to use office computers, if needed!

Club Leader Meetings Available

Community Club Leaders, new or returning, are encouraged to attend meetings designed just for club leaders! Info will be available on the Leader's home county page. Meetings are at 6:00 p.m. and held before every other 4-H Council meeting and usually last an hour. They are very informative!



District's 4-H website:

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NEW MEMBER NEWS

With so much information, 4-H families may find the newsletter to be overwhelming! With 3 counties and 20 4-H clubs with over 600 4-H members/volunteers, it is vital everyone have a way to receive the information. This page is designed to help new (and not so new) 4-H families stay informed! **Stay informed and read the newsletter!**

In which projects are you interested or enrolled?

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4-H Basics

The 4-H Symbol

A green 4 leaf clover with a white "H" on each of its leaves.



4-H Pledge

I pledge my head to clear thinking,
My heart to greater loyalty, My hands
to larger service, And my health to
better living, For my club, my
community, my county, and my
world.

The Motto

"To Make the Best Better"

Slogan

"Learn by Doing"

Colors

Green and White

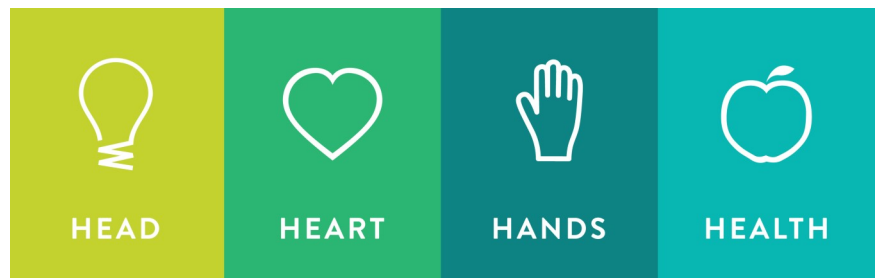
The 4-Hs

Head

Heart

Hands

Health





ANDERSON COUNTY NEWS



4-H Council and Club Leader Meetings

The Anderson County 4-H Council meetings are held on the second Monday of each odd numbered month at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting will be **May 13th, 2024** at 7:00 p.m. at the Extension Office in the Annex. Be sure to attend and represent your club as there must be a representative from each club at every meeting in order for the club to be on track to receive a purple seal at year's end. While only club elected Council members are allowed to vote, all 4-H members, parents or volunteers are welcomed to attend.

Save the date! Club Leader meetings will be held in January, **May 13th, 2024** and September at 6:00 p.m. before the 4-H Council meeting. All club leaders are encouraged to attend!

DNA Envelope Purchase

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Council Committees: Assignments will be in effect October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2024.	National 4-H Week	CM & L13
	Achievement Celebration	CM
	County-Wide Community Serv.	L13
	Club Day	SS
	Recognition of 4-H Seniors	SNS, SS
	District-Wide Day Camp	SNS
	Judge Project Record Report Forms (PRRFs)	Parents & Leaders
	District-Wide Activities & New Member Kick Off	All Clubs

Weigh-in Date

Small Animal; **May 2nd @ 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.** at the fair grounds on North Lake Road in Garnett.

Note: Fairboard has voted a new rule for the 2024 fair. All tagging for county fair must be done on or before weigh-in only. If missed, the animal will be ineligible to be shown at the Anderson County Fair.

Note: You are able to take your animal prior to the dates above if you are unable to make it. Please contact the office to let me know if you need to tag earlier than the dates above!

Anderson County Born Nominations Form

Anderson County Born Nomination Forms for the fair are due in the Garnett office by **July 10th, 2024**. Forms are available at the Extension office.

Fair Information and Pre-Entry

Pre-fair judging will be held **July 27th, 2024**. All Fair entries must be pre-entered online. A link will be available **June 10th - July 10th**. Anyone not entered during the allotted time will be assessed a \$25 late fee.

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Important Livestock Dates

Check out the Youth Livestock Program Newsletter or "like" the Kansas State Youth Livestock Program on Facebook!

5/1/24: Market Beef Nominations Due for KSF & KJLS

6/15/24: Commercial Heifer, ALL Swine, ALL Sheep and ALL Meat Goat Nominations Due for KSF & KJLS

Save the Date

Richmond free Fair: **July 11th - 13th; 100th Anniversary**
Anderson County Fair: **July 29th – August 2nd, 2024.**

Anderson Co. Scholarship

Anderson County 4-H Council will offer a \$50 scholarship to 4-H members attending any out-of-county event (Camp, Discovery Days, State Geology Field Trip, Insect Spectacular, etc.). This scholarship can be used to help cover the cost of an in person or virtual event. Youth are eligible to receive the scholarship only once per 4-H year (**Oct. 1st-Sept. 30th**).

Also available is the Jeanette Arnett Event Scholarship. This \$20 scholarship will be awarded to youth attending any 4-H event that promotes personal or project development. There is no limit to the number of times a youth may apply. One application covers both event scholarships and must be submitted prior to the event payment deadline.



OSAGE COUNTY NEWS



4-H Council and Club Leader Meetings

The Osage County 4-H Council meetings are held on the fourth Monday of each even numbered month at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting will be **April 29th, 2024**, at the Extension Office. Be sure to attend and represent your club as there must be a representative from each club at every meeting in order for the club to be on track to receive a purple seal at year's end. While only club elected Council members are allowed to vote, all 4-H members, parents or volunteers are welcomed to attend.

Save the date! Club Leader meetings will be held in December, April, and August at 6:30 p.m. before the 4-H Council meeting. All club leaders are encouraged to attend!

Schoepflin Scholarship

In honor of Deloris Schoepflin and to continue her commitment to 4-H, the family is offering a full scholarship to one Osage County 4-H member to go to 4-H Camp or Discovery Days. Complete the application and submit by **April 19th**. Read the link for more information!

Shooting Sports Practice

Shooting Sport practice is **April 6th, 20th, and 27th**. Shotgun will be at 3:00 p.m. at 15303 S Osage Rd, Burlingame.

Currently seeking individuals interested in becoming certified as instructors for any of the following: Archery, Pistol, and Coordinator. If so, please contact Dustin Eiche or Marcie Quaney.

Leadership Event Scholarship Information:

Are you attending a 4-H Leadership Event (CIA, CWF, Discovery Days, etc.)? If you are, there are funds available from the Fredrickson Leadership Scholarship Fund. Please contact the Extension Office for more information.

Council Committees: Assignments will be in effect October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2024.	County-Wide Fundraiser	NO
	Club Day	WW
	Achievement Celebration	BG
	District-Wide Day Camp	CW
	Judge Project Record Report Forms (PRRFs)	Parents & Leaders
	Council By-Laws & National 4-H Week	LL
	District-Wide Event	MJH

Member/Volunteer Enrollment

The new 4-H year began October 1st, so it is time for new and returning 4-H members and volunteers to enroll. All returning 4-H members and volunteers should be re-enrolled. Projects and/or clubs will need to be added when enrolling. Project years should auto-populate, if not, please call the office. Some project names have changed, so check them out! Families are also encouraged to confirm the email address and phone numbers for the family and for each member or volunteer. Direct any questions or concerns to the Extension Office.

Livestock Weigh-Ins

Small Animal: **May 7th, 2024** 4-6 p.m. at Osage City Fairgrounds. Small animal includes Bucket Calf, and Market and Breeding in Swine, Sheep, and Goat.

Youth enrolled in Breeding Beef, Dairy, Market and Breeding Meat Goat, Sheep and Swine must own and have possession of animals by **May 15th**.

Youth enrolled in the Rabbit and poultry project must own/have possession of animal(s) by **June 15th**.

A Bucket Calf must have been born **Jan. 1st-May 1st** of the current 4-H year.

Overbrook Fair Only!

The 2024 Overbrook Fair will be a premium only sale this year. You will need to make spots for animals to be processed and find your own floor buyer ASAP! Contact the office for any questions.

Poultry Member Announcement

Participants planning to bring birds larger than standard chickens and ducks (i.e. turkeys or peacocks), the Osage City Fairboard has requested that you bring your own cages for these birds.

Save the Date

Richmond free fair: **July 11th-13th**; 100th anniversary.

Osage City Fair: **July 24th-27th, 2024**

Overbrook fair: **August 6-9, 2024**; this is now a Tues-Fri.

PT Testing 2024

Last year, the KDA implemented Poultry PT testing to be done on a 5-year rotation. 2024 is Frontier District's year to test. All poultry (except ducks and pigeons) must test negative for Pullorum-Typhoid (P-T) within 90 days of any Kansas fair or exhibition. Frontier District 4-H members enrolled in the Poultry project are welcome to utilize the date that works best for them. Testing will be \$1.00 per bird. Exact change is appreciated! The exact locations are TBD.

Franklin County - **June 15th**; 8 - 10 A.M. FR CO: BBQ

Anderson County - **July 6th**; 8 - 10 A.M. AN CO: Arena

Osage County - **July 9th**; 5 - 7 P.M. @ Osage City Arena

Volunteers Must Be Up-To-Date!

All 4-H volunteers must be up-to-date on required paperwork (online). Jo is making sure all volunteers have the proper paperwork completed. Volunteers needing updates will be contacted via email. Please look for an email from her janstaett@ksu.edu. If you do not see one, and are not yet approved in 4-H Online, please check your junk mail or call her at the Lyndon Office (785-828-4438) to see what needs to be done. Please promptly complete any directions or requests received. If a volunteer is not making an effort to be updated, he/she will not be allowed to be a volunteer within the Frontier District 4-H program and/or will not be recognized at the end of the year. The Extension Office is happy to help or answer questions. Volunteers are welcomed to use office computers, if needed!



FRANKLIN COUNTY NEWS



4-H Council and Club Leader Meetings

The Franklin County 4-H Council meetings are held on the last Monday of each odd numbered month (not July) at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting will be **June 3, 2024**, at Commission Chambers, 1418 S. Main, in Ottawa (down the hall from the Extension Office). Be sure to attend and represent your club as there must be a representative from each club at every meeting in order for the club to be on track to receive a purple seal at year's end. While only club elected Council members are allowed to vote, all 4-H members, parents or volunteers are welcomed to attend.

Save the date! Club Leader meetings will be held in January, May and September at 6:00 p.m. before the 4-H Council meeting. All club leaders are encouraged to attend!

Scholarships

Franklin County Farm Bureau - April 1st, 2024
Ottawa Co-op - April 1st, 2024

Franklin County Ag Ambassador Program

Check out the Farm Bureau Ag Ambassador Program in Franklin County. This is a great opportunity for teens to get involved with their county, and learn the behind scene of Farm Bureau. Applications are due by **May 5th**.

Horse Club

The Franklin County 4-H Horse Club meetings will be on **Monday, April 15th** at 6:00 p.m. and **Monday May 20th** at 6:00 p.m. Make sure to follow the group on our Facebook page: "Franklin County 4-H Horse Club". This is where any updated information will be!

2024 Franklin County Fair Dates

The 2024 Franklin County Fair will be **July 16th-21st**.

DNA Envelope Purchase

Families planning to participate in the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive or the Kansas Junior Livestock Show will need to Order DNA envelopes. Families will purchase envelopes directly through ShoWorks for each animal to be nominated. The cost will be \$12/animal. DNA envelope orders will close **April 20th** for market beef and **June 5th** for small livestock. **Families must get envelopes ordered early! DO NOT WAIT!**

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Livestock Weigh-In

Small Animal - **April 24th, 2024**; 4:00-6:00 p.m. at the Fair grounds, 220 W. 17th, in Ottawa. Small animal includes Swine, Sheep, and Goat. We will only be using EID Tags. They will cost \$3.00 a tag, and you must pay for tags at weigh in. There will no longer be invoices, so please have exact change or check available at weigh-in.

Livestock Family Nominations

This year at spring weigh-ins and taggings, 4-H livestock will be tagged under a family name. Previously, families had to indicate at weigh-in which 4-H member was paired with what animal. That information will no longer be needed until fair stall reservations are due to the office. When registering for stall reservations in June, families will need to be specific and indicate which 4-H member is showing which animal. In trying to make this a positive and smooth transition, please direct all questions to the Ottawa Extension Office.

Add/Drop Project Deadline

The Extension Office will need to be contacted to have information changed. Any adding or dropping of projects must be done by **May 1st** in order for the member to enter in the 4-H division of the Fair. Members will not be able to change project information after the deadline. Direct all questions to the Extension Office.

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Council Committees: Assignments will be in effect October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2024.	Club Day	BGG & AR
	District-Wide Day Camp	SH
	Livestock Buyers Appreciation	GA & TC
	Market 4-H & Nat'l 4-H Week	RW
	Judge Project Record Report Forms (PRRFs)	Parents & Leaders
	Achievement Celebration	PGB
	District-Wide Event	AT
	Community Service & Fair Goody Plates	RR

Club and Group Tax Exempt Status Paperwork

Kansas 4-H is a 701(c)1 and has a tax exempt status. However, according to Kansas 4-H Policy, clubs and project groups should have their own number in order to receive those benefits. The website will allow clubs/groups to attain that status. Those who already have their own number are asked to make sure a colored copy is on file in the Extension Office. Those who need the form should click on "Submit New Request" and then "Register Now". Please send a colored copy of the certificate to the Extension Office. It would also be helpful to have the contact information, password and security question answers the certificate was attained under in case the original or information is lost. Direct any questions to the Extension Office.

Helpful Websites - Bookmark Them!

1. **www.frontierdistrict.ksu.edu**--This is the website for the Frontier Extension District. Upcoming events, District newsletters, contact information for all agents, etc. is available. The 4-H Youth Development page is used to communicate information, dates, deadlines and links to 4-H families.
2. **Frontier Extension District: Kansas State Research & Extension**--This is the District's Facebook name. Info, dates and last minute event changes are posted and shared.
3. **www.kansas4-h.org**--This is the Kansas 4-H website and is an excellent resource. Information about state events, project materials and the state 4-H newsletter is available.
4. **<http://pinterest.com/kansas4h/>**--This is the Kansas 4-H Pinterest page. The site showcases 4-H media tips, events, programs, volunteers, community service and club management ideas, as well as helpful hints for projects.

Disabilities Accommodations Request Form

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requires persons with disabilities be provided "reasonable" accommodations and prohibits discrimination against persons with disabilities. Accommodations are generally considered reasonable if they do not change the fundamental nature of the program or alter the essential criteria for participation. Accommodations meeting these standards should typically be provided. Reasonable accommodations are determined through an interactive process between the community member and local and State 4-H Offices. It is essential for the Accommodation Request Form to be filled out **FIRST** at the local level in collaboration with a local Extension Professional to launch a formal accommodations process. Because it can take time to plan for accommodations, KSRE requests this form be submitted **no later than two weeks prior to the event/activity**. Submitting a request on shorter notice may reduce and/or limit any ability to implement accommodations.

Do a Radio Spot!

The Frontier Extension District 4-H program has a short radio spot on KOFO 1220 AM/103.7 FM that airs every Wednesday at 6:40 a.m. All 4-H members are invited to share 4-H experiences (such as the fair and what was learned), talk about upcoming community service projects, club happenings, etc. Several 4-H members have done a radio spot and found it to be quite fun! To sign up, contact the Extension Office. FYI: There are no early morning recordings as the program is pre-recorded at a time that works for you!

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