SPRING IS AROUND THE CORNER!

Written by Jessie Carr, 4-H Youth Development Agent

I can’t believe it’s already March and that Spring is almost here! Spring means warmer weather, vibrant colors...and the start of the busiest time of year for 4-H’ers! 4-H events continue to look different as we move into the spring season. Be sure to stay up to date by watching your email, newsletters, and the WyCo 4-H Facebook page. As always, 4-H staff members are here to support you.
Spring Into WyCo Extension

In place of in-person Spring Break Sessions, we will host an introductory video series about Wyandotte County 4-H and Extension beginning March 15!

Be sure to watch our Facebook page and your emails for more information.

LOCAL RECORD KEEPING & PROJECT REPORT FORMS

Check out KS 4-H’s new way of record keeping with the Kansas 4-H Project Report Form! “Record-keeping isn’t necessarily anyone’s favorite life skill, but it’s a necessary one. If done right, it can be pretty painless and quite astounding to look back on all that you’ve accomplished.” -Amy Sollock, 4-H youth development specialist in the southwest region

KANSAS 4-H POLICY

Kansas 4-H has made updates to the KS 4-H Policy Handbook! Now is a great time to familiarize yourself with state level 4-H policies.

CHECK OUT THE KS 4-H TIP SHEET

For the latest information from Kansas 4-H see the Kansas 4-H Tip Sheet. There you’ll find information on upcoming State 4-H deadlines, State 4-H events, project curriculum, scholarships, global citizenship, and the new KS 4-H Dog Show Rule Book.

GIDDY-UP: 4-H HORSE SHOWS GET GREEN LIGHT BEGINNING IN APRIL

Kansas 4-H officials got a bit more pep in their gait recently when it was announced the state’s largest youth organization will proceed with several horse shows in 2021. Learn more here.

IMPORTANT DATES

- March 1: KS 4-H Scholarships Due
- March 22: Regional Club Day Entries Due
- May 1: Project Add/Drop Deadline
- May 1: YQCA Completion Deadline
- May 1: Beef, Sheep, Goat, Swine, Horse ID Papers Due, KSF Market Beef Nominations Due
KC METRO AREA 4-H UNITS HAVE TEAMED UP TO PRESENT THE FEED YOUR SPARK AND EXPLORE 4-H SERIES!

During Feed Your Spark 4-H’ers age 12-18 will spend 5 weeks learning valuable program planning and facilitation skills while networking with other 4-H’ers throughout the KC Metro area. At the end of the series the newly trained teen leaders will present an interactive Explore 4-H Event for youth ages 5-10 to learn more about 4-H!

KC Metro 4-H Teen Leaders present...

EXPLORE

FREE

Small supply cost may apply

Explore 4-H with hands on activities virtually!

April 24 10-11:30am
Registration opens April 1st.
Open to all youth ages 5-10 in the KC Metro Area. Adult support is recommended.

REGISTER NOW!

MU Extension
University of Missouri

K-STATE
Research and Extension

MU Extension and K-State Research and Extension is an equal opportunity provider and employer.
FEED YOUR SPARK

Strengthen your leadership and citizenship life skills while networking with your peers from the KC Metro Area.

Open for any youth ages 12 through 18
Meet, virtually on Thursdays (6:30pm) & Saturdays (10am) starting April 8th. Ends with April 24th with Explore 4-H event.
Use the QR Code for more details or contact your local 4-H staff for more information.
Registration closes March 26th.

REGISTER NOW!

[Logo: University of Missouri Extension, 4-H, K-State Research and Extension]
Since October through the end of January, Blazing Bridles and the Wyandotte County Horse Project have had 4 virtual club meetings, 8 youth virtual project talks, 4 socially distant compliant drill team practices and 4 socially distant hippology study sessions. During this pandemic, our club and project has continued to support the equestrian youth of our county, while being scientifically and socially responsible. Here are some pictures of how the youth has continued to push forward and educate themselves and grow in their horsemanship skills.

In addition to moving forward as equestrians, our Horse project and Blazing Bridles 4-H club are active in the community. In December, the youth sent 27 Christmas cards to the nurses at KU Hospital. They wished them a Merry Christmas and thanked them for their dedication during this difficult time.

The Blazing Bridles and the Horse Project in Wyandotte County are going places!

Top and Middle: Youth perform mounted riding maneuvers during a Drill Team practice
Bottom Right: Youth practice hippology
Bottom Left: Cards made by youth for KU Hospital

Check out the county 4-H website tabs for more information about WyCo 4-H!