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Monthly newsletter of the Wyandotte County 4-H Youth Development Program



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WHAT'S YOUR SPARK?

Written by Jessie Carr, 4-H Youth Development Agent

October 1 marks the start of the 2021-2022 year and y'all I am excited! I've probably said this 100 times or more, but I am so energized by our 4-H'ers, families, volunteers, supporters and anyone who has a hand in 4-H. Even as we have continued to face some pretty tough challenges, our program continues to grow. We've seen an increase in members, involvement and even volunteers...awesome!

This year the national 4-H theme is Find Your Spark! In 4-H there is something for everyone, no matter your interest. Whether you enjoy reading, cooking, robotics, livestock or anything in between, 4-H staff and volunteers are here to help you find your spark and keep that spark lit!

As your 4-H agent my spark is: YOU! Yes, you! My passion for developing tomorrow's leaders is what sparks me. Knowing I get to play a small part in each 4-H'er's life motivates me! As we move into another year of 4-H, I want to know: What is your spark?

Important

DATES & DEADLINES



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IMPORTANT DATES

October

- 1 – Happy New 4-H Year!
- 1 – 4-H Enrollment for the 2021-2022 year opens!
- 1 – 4-H Club Organizational Forms due
- 1 – Record Keeping Forms (formally record books) Due
- 1 – Membership Pin Applications Due
- 3-9 – National 4-H Week
- 9-10 – 48 Hours of 4-H

November

- 1 – Financial Reviews due
- 1 – Treasurer and secretary record books due
- 1 – 4-H Clubs By-laws Review with addition of Dissolution Clause due

SETTING 4-H PROJECT GOALS

The start of the new 4-H Year is the perfect time to make plans for your project work this year. Setting goals for 4-H projects will help ensure that you are learning and accomplishing new things this year! KS 4-H has developed a [resource](#) to help you set goals for your 4-H Project this year!

UNDER CONSTRUCTION: 4-H WEBSITE

Like many things, the information on our WyCo 4-H Website is always evolving. We are in the process of making some updates to our website so some resources may be moving. Please be sure to check back frequently. If you are looking for something specific and cannot find it on our website, please reach out to Jessie.

PROJECT INFORMATION

The Dog Project has resumed project meetings. Training is on Thursday's at 7 p.m. at Wildvie Aussies. Please contact Danell Collins, project leader, for more information. Danell Collins, 913-522-1322, dmoksupsu@yahoo.com

PROJECT SUPPLIES AVAILABLE AT EXTENSION OFFICE

The extension office has an abundance of supplies that 4-H'ers can utilize for project work. As you are planning for project work this year, reach out to 4-H staff to see if we have what you need on hand! We have tons of curriculum, various art supplies and other resources available for 4-H'ers, free of charge!

WYCO 4-H

HAPPY NEW 4-H YEAR!

- **4-HOnline Opens for Enrollment**
 - On October 1, 4-HOnline will open for enrollment! Remember, returning 4-H members and volunteers need to re-enroll by November 30th to fully participate in 4-H for the 2021-2022 year. New members and volunteers have until May 1 to enroll.
- **National 4-H Week**
 - Celebrate all things 4-H during National 4-H Week! National 4-H Week is the perfect time to showcase all things 4-H. Share the 4-H experience with your friends, family, and community by starting conversations, showing your 4-H pride on social media, by wearing your favorite 4-H shirt and participating in 48 Hours of 4-H.
 - [KS National 4-H Week Promo Resources](#)
 - [National 4-H Week Toolkit](#)
 - **4-H Spirit Day, October 5**
 - Show off your 4-H Spirit by wearing your favorite 4-H shirt! If you don't have a 4-H branded shirt you can show your spirit by sporting the color green!
- **48 Hours of 4-H**
 - 48 Hours of 4-H is a weekend full of opportunities for youth to use their heart and hands to help improve our community! Our county wide 48 Hours project this year is to create at least 15 care packages to be delivered to local nursing home residents and staff. There are multiple ways to participate this year!
 - **Donate:** Use this sign up genius to sign up to donate needed items. Donations can be dropped off at the extension office before October 9th.
 - **Assemble:** Join us at 1pm on October 9th at the Extension Office to help assemble care packages.
 - **Donate & assemble:** donate needed items AND join us at the extension office!

ANNUAL FORMS DUE SOON

Annual forms are a state and local requirement in order for clubs to stay in good and active standing.

Annual Forms can be found on the Wyandotte County 4-H Page under [4-H Club Resources and Forms](#). Annual forms can be submitted digitally to carrjessie@ksu.edu or paper copies can be delivered to Jessie at the KSRE WyCo office.

Due November 1

- **4-H Club and Project Financial Review Forms** - 4-H Clubs, Projects or groups who have a bank account or eIN number, need to annually complete a Financial Review. Notice, the treasurer and check signers cannot be the reviewers. This specific review form must be used, as it is the only financial review form approved by Kansas State University. **(PDF)**
- **4-H Club Treasurer's Record Book** - 4-H Club Treasurer must use the 4-H Treasurer's Record Book throughout the year and submit it annually. **(PDF)**
- **4-H Club Secretary's Meeting Minutes** - 4-H Club Secretary is to use the 4-H Secretary's Record Book throughout the year and submit it annually. **(PDF)**
- **4-H Club By-Law Reviews** - Newly elected Club President, along with Club Leader and others in the club must review the club's bylaws annually. Copies of the reviewed or revised By-laws, signed and dated by the reviewers and by the newly elected Club President and Club Leader are to be submitted.
 - **Effective immediately, all 4-H Clubs are to add the following to their Club bylaws: "Upon dissolution of the (insert club name) 4-H club, the members agree that all tangible real property, including money and equipment, shall become the property of any recognized 4-H or Extension organization and/or a percentage to all. The last official duty of the club's organizational leader shall be to transfer club assets and club records to the extension office."**

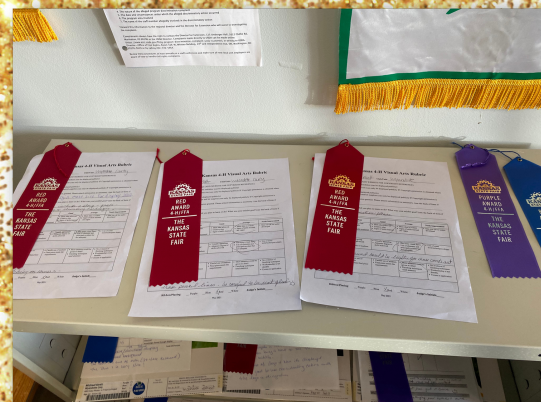
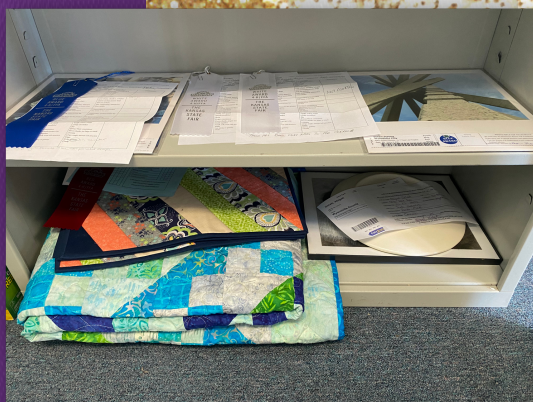
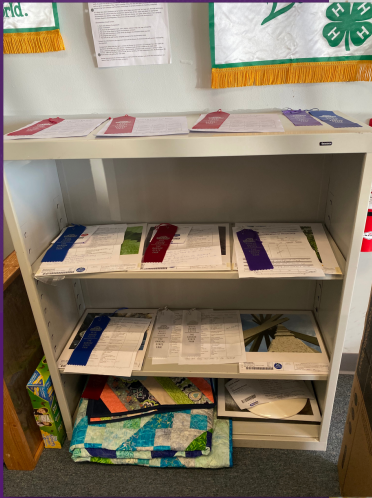
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KANSAS 4-H

UPCOMING DEADLINES (STATE 4-H)

October

- 1 – Youth Council & National Conference Application deadline
- 2 – Fall Shooting Sports Match: hunting skills, small bore, muzzle loading
- 8 – Dog Conference & Quiz Bowl registration deadline
- 9 – Fall Shooting Sports Match: Shotgun
- 15 – KYLF Early Bird Registration Deadline
- 15 – National Shooting Sports Registration Deadline
- 23 – KS 4-H Dog Conference
- 31 – 2022 4-H Camp “Open Enrollment” deadline



KSU YOUTH LIVESTOCK PROGRAM (YLP) PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST

Happy Fall! Everyone needs a little fun to help welcome the season! We invite you to participate in the KSU YLP Pumpkin Decorating Contest. There are a lot of creative minds out there and we want you to show us what you've got! Below are the details. Winners will be announced on our Facebook page @ksuylp after November 1. We will also be posting pictures of the entries and identifying the creator on our page.

- Pumpkins may be carved, painted, decorated, or a combination of any crafty method. Show us your creativity!
- Theme MUST be K-State or livestock/animal science-related.
- Both youth and adults may enter.
- Participants will upload up to two (2) photos of their finished pumpkin by October 31. Use the entry link below.
- Winners will receive K-State swag and free admission to the junior producer day of their choice.
 - Entry Link: https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9Wxtzp9S26EvtGK

2022 KS 4-H CAMP

Many of you may have already heard, that 4-H camp will now look different than it has in the past. Please see the letter attached at the end of the newsletter for information about camp in 2022. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to 4-H Staff. We are committed to navigating change together.



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Dear Wyandotte County 4-H Families,

Over the summer you may have heard about anticipated changes to our state 4-H camp hosted at the Rock Springs Ranch located outside of Junction City, Kansas. Since 1946, 4-H members from across the state of Kansas have gathered at Rock Springs Ranch each summer to experience overnight 4-H camp. Over the past 75 years, 4-H camp has evolved to fit the needs of today's youth and to provide the ultimate overnight camping experience.

As we look ahead to the 2022 4-H camping season, we will be looking forward to a new and improved overnight camping model that offers youth more choices. The enhancements we are making at Rock Springs Ranch are specifically designed to meet the current and future needs of Kansas youth. K-State Research and Extension, the Kansas 4-H Foundation, and Rock Springs Ranch leadership teams are working together to ensure the legacy of Kansas 4-H Camp will endure tomorrow and for years to come. To help provide more insight into what the camp will look and feel like, below are a few questions and answers about 4-H camp 2022.

When will 4-H camp happen in 2022?

Several camping sessions will be offered throughout the summer months. Both three-night and six-night sessions will be offered for youth ages 8-18. The new camping schedule allows for 4-H'ers to register for any session of camp.

Who will serve as camp counselors?

Camp counselors will be paid Rock Springs Ranch staff who have completed extensive youth development training prior to the start of the camping season. Teens are now invited to participate in a camping experience tailored to their age range and leadership experience. We are NOT excluding teens from camp. We're just simply reframing the teen experience to provide even more options for these youth to have their own unique camp experience.

Will transportation be available?

Yes! Campers will be coming from all corners of the state to Kansas 4-H Camp. Rock Springs Ranch will work with local Extension Agents to organize group transportation to and from camp based on regional hubs. Transportation fees are included in the price of camp.

How can I register for 4-H camp?

To sign up visit: <https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/>. Early bird registration will be open from September 1- October 31, 2021. 4-H members who register during the early bird window will receive a 10% discount. Monthly payment options are

available. At the time of registration, 10% of the fee will be due. The remainder of the camper fee will be due by May 1.

Extension staff members are committed to working with 4-H families as we navigate the new and improved camping model. For additional details about changes to 4-H camp visit: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/4-h-programs/camp/docs/Direct%20Mailing%20to%204H%20Families.pdf>

Let me know what questions you have!

Jessie