

THE 4-H FLASH NEWSLETTER

November 2024

A note from Sarah...

As of November 1, we have 161 4-H youth enrolled, 11 Cloverbuds, and 36 adult volunteers! We are excited to have a great 4-H year!

As we begin to plan for our new year, how does that look for your family? Make sure to review the 4-H newsletter carefully and see the WIDE range of opportunities 4-H has all year round! 4-H is so much more than the Cowley County Fair-take advantage of it! These programs are designed to help youth find their SPARK and THRIVE!

This fall is a great time to set goals with your child. However, if you're like me, you may have set a goal and looked back only to realize you have utterly failed. If it's tough for adults, it's even tougher for a child and they need your support in making their goals a reality.

Set goals with your child.

1. Goals help young people see how their efforts toward a goal impact the outcome, it **puts them in control of their own learning**.
2. Goals help young people **develop a growth mindset**, a mindset that drives people to try new things and continue trying when things get difficult.
3. Goal setting is a powerful process that encourages the young person to have a **direction and focus for their efforts**.
4. Goals can **motivate and encourage** youth to work toward self-improvement.
5. Achieving goals feels good, it **builds confidence and self-esteem**.
6. Goal setting at an early age can lead to a **lifelong habit of goal setting**.

How can we help a child set goals? Say for example, your child tells you their goal is to get better at skateboarding. Their goal is not a SMART goal.

Specific Measurable Attainable Relevant Time-Bound

Coach your child to make SMART goals by asking questions:

- How will you know you are getting better?
- What might you be able to do that you weren't able to before?
- How long do you think it will take?
- How much practice are you willing to put in?
- Why is this important to you?

Help your child set a **plan of action**, and check in regularly. Coach them to **set some smaller goals** in order to reach the big goal. Write it down and post it for all to see. Set a goal for yourself and keep each other accountable. **Praise your child for their efforts or improvements**. Be excited for them! Encourage them to keep trying. It's ok to fail, remind your child that failure is just their **First Attempt In Learning**. Keep trying!

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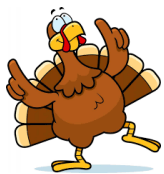
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Cowley County Extension Office will be closed on November 11th, 22, 28th & 29th.



HELP WANTED!

Looking for responsible 4-H youth (preferably 12 and older) servers at the Fall For Extension Gala. (November 23rd) Please contact Sarah ASAP at 620-221-5450 or slag11@ksu.edu

Community Leaders

November Check-Up

- ✿ Recognize those that submitted a Kansas Project Book, Pin Application, and Scholarship winners
- ✿ Distribute Achievement Celebration items to those that weren't able to attend.

Review

- ✿ Read the *4-H Newsletter* and mark important dates on the calendar.
- ✿ Review highlights from the *4-H Newsletter* at your club meeting.
- ✿ Check out the **4-H Club Corner**.

To-Do

- ✿ Please report 48 Hours of 4-H Projects (even if you didn't register)
- ✿ Encourage Project Leaders to conduct project meetings.
- ✿ Turn in Organizational Report-by November 1, 2024.
- ✿ Turn in Club Financial Review-by November 1, 2024.
- ✿ Update club bank account to new unrelated signers (2 board-approved adult volunteers, 2nd could be the Extension Council Treasurer: Kent Miller)
- ✿ Remind volunteers and 4-Hers to enroll/re-enroll in 4-Honline for the new year.
- ✿ Complete Club Goals list- keep it in the Secretary's Book
- ✿ Plan holiday celebration
- ✿ Review Club Bylaws (pg 7.3)

Promote/Recruit

- ✿ Achievement Night- November 9.
- ✿ Fall For Extension fundraiser gala - November 23.
- ✿ Sign-up for County Committees
- ✿ Extension Council Election - November 23.

Remember

- ✿ Make it a fun and rewarding year!
- ✿ Work with your co-leader.



4-H Council

4-H Council 101

4-H Council is an organization that includes representatives of each club. As a representative, you represent your club's viewpoints during 4-H Council. The representatives are responsible for taking information back to the 4-H Club. If a representative must be absent, it is recommended that a replacement be found for that meeting.

Facts about 4-H Council:

- Meetings last about 45 minutes.
- All meetings begin at 7:00 p.m.
- Meetings are typically held at the Extension Assembly Room located in the Cowley County Courthouse.
- 4-H Council has a President, Vice President, Secretary/Reporter and Treasurer.
- Officers are elected at the September meeting.
- There are 6 meetings held in a year.
- Meetings are generally held on the third Monday of every other month; except July.
- Meetings for the 2024/2025 4-H Program year are:
- November 18th, January 20th, March 17th, May 19th, July 24th and September 15th.

What to Expect:

- Council meetings are called to order by the President. A person is selected by the President to lead the group in the flag salute and 4-H pledge.
- Officer reports are given, followed by an agent report.
- Committee reports are given.
- New business is discussed and votes are taken.
- Announcements are offered, followed by adjournment.

**November 18, 2024
Meeting Location:**

**Cowley County
Extension Office
Assembly Room**

7:00 p.m.

4-H Junior Leaders

The purpose of the 4-H Junior Leaders club is to help members:

- 1) build self-confidence
- 2) relate to others
- 3) develop concern for the community and others in it
- 4) use knowledge, skills and values in making decisions
- 5) develop an inquiring mind. These aims are to be implemented by encouraging members' participation in planning and involvement in meetings, individual or group projects, tours or field trips, camps and other community or county activities.

Our meetings are typically at the Cowley County Courthouse Extension Assembly Room and via zoom. Any youth 12 and older are invited to participate.

**November 18, 2024
6:00PM**

**Cowley County
Extension Office
Assembly Room**

**Youth volunteers are
needed for November
23rd at Fall For
Extension event.
Contact Sarah if you
can help.**

Important Dates and Deadlines

November

- November 1st: Club Financial Report due
- November 1st: Club Organizational Report due
- November 9: 4-H Achievement Celebration
- November 11, Extension Office Closed
- November 16: Officer Training
- November 22: Extension Office Closed
- November 23rd: Fall For Extension Gala
- November 23-24th: [KYL](#) (Kansas Youth Leadership Forum) AND [KVLF](#) (Kansas Volunteer Leader Forum)
- November 28th & 29th: Extension Office Closed for Thanksgiving

December

- Livestock dates published
- State 4-H Scholarship Information published
- Begin goal setting for projects
- Citizenship In Action information published
- Club Day planning (Talks, Demos, Musical presentation, Talent, Model Meeting, etc.)
- Extension Office Closed 12/24-1/1

January

- January 1: Deadline to sign up for Market Broiler Contest

February

- February 9, 4-H Club Day, Winfield Middle School
- February: Citizenship In Action
- February 22-23: Horse Panorama

March

- March 1: Jr Swine Producer Day
- March 22: Jr. Meat Goat Producer Day



YOU ARE INVITED TO

4-H

Achievement Night

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE ALL YOUR 4-H
ACHIEVEMENTS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2024

Doors open at 4:00 PM

TISDALE METHODIST CHURCH GYM
17507 US-160, Winfield, KS 67156

BRING YOUR FAVORITE COVERED DISH AND WEAR YOUR SUNDAY BEST

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Help Wanted

Cowley County 4-H seeks County-Wide Project Leaders for the upcoming year to provide positive learning experiences for 4-H youth. The volunteer(s) in these positions would be responsible for the following:

- hold at least 6 educational project meetings/activities for project members throughout the year.
- serve as a resource to project members
- work under the direction of the Cowley County 4-H Agent with direction from the 4-H Youth Development Program Development Committee.
- communicate with families enrolled in the project(s)

Volunteers need not be current 4-H parents/family members.

To apply, contact the 4-H agent at slag11@ksu.edu or 620-221-5450. All volunteers will be asked to enroll as a volunteer at v2.4honline.com and must complete the volunteer screening process including: criminal background check, orientation and review by 4-H PDC and Extension Council Executive Board.

We encourage our kids to keep learning and to try new things. The same should be true for us, as adults. The best way to teach our kids valuable skills and characteristics is to model those same skills for them. Show your kids that you aren't afraid to learn or try new things. Get involved!

Cowley County 4-H needs project leaders to organize learning opportunities throughout the year in many of the project areas. That could be you! Contact [Sarah](#) today to find out more!

County-wide Project Leaders

The following volunteers are serving as county-wide project leaders:

- Austin Waite- Shooting Sports Coordinator, BB, Air Pistol, Air Rifle, Shotgun, Small Bore Pistol and Small Bore Rifle
- Troy Archer, Shooting Sports/ Archery
- Joe Rasico, Shooting Sports/ Archery, Muzzleloader
- Justin Deal, Shooting Sports/ Archery
- Greg Dixon, Shooting Sports/ Hunting Skills
- Debbi Waite, Shooting Sports/ Hunting Skills
- Jade Alquest, Shooting Sports/ Air Pistol, Shotgun and Small Bore Pistol
- Jason Kindt, Shooting Sports/ Air Rifle, Small Bore Rifle
- Pete Nulik, Shooting Sports/ Shotgun
- Heath Adams, Shooting Sports/ BB, Shotgun, Small Bore Rifle
- Melissa Adams, Shooting Sports/ Air Pistol, Small Bore Pistol
- Tim Evans, Shooting Sports/ BB
- DJ Holland, Shooting Sports/ BB
- Darrin Green, Shooting Sports/ BB, Air Rifle, Muzzleloader, Small Bore Rifle
- Angie Krepps- Horse and Leathercraft
- Becky Henderson- Dairy Cattle
- Andy Murphy- Dairy Cattle
- Scott Murphy- Dairy Cattle
- Kerri McEntire- Dog
- Kelsey Nordyke- Leadership

Cowley County 4-H Enrollment

✿ [4-H Online Enrollment Link](#)

✿ [Cowley County KSRE Website with 4-H Enrollment Information](#)

- 🔊 New 4-H year begins Oct. 1st. **ALL YOUTH and ADULT VOLUNTEERS** participating in the 2024-2025 4-H year need to enroll.
- 🔊 In order to be a regular member of Cowley County 4-H, the member must be 7 years old before January 1, 2025.
- 🔊 Cloverbuds is for children ages 5-6 before January 1, 2025.
- 🔊 [Project Selection Guide](#) (includes descriptions of all projects)
- 🔊 [2024/2025 Kansas 4-H Projects](#)
- 🔊 [Setting 4-H Project Goals](#)
- 🔊 [ZBooks](#) (online record keeping option)
- 🔊 Updated [Horse ID](#) for 2025

DID YOU KNOW??

The [Kansas Clover Classroom](#) is packed with helpful project information

Club Bylaws

Bylaws

A club's constitution and bylaws help to define and outline the administration of a club. It is imperative that new clubs determine their constitution and bylaws before becoming chartered by the National 4-H Council. The articles of the constitution and bylaws determine the official name of the club, state where and when meetings will be held, set up how business will be conducted, determine officers and even allow for planning of dissolution. Officers of existing organizations should review the club's bylaws annually. Clubs should also provide a copy of their bylaws to the Cowley County Extension Office. Officer teams that have not reviewed current bylaws are encouraged to do so under the guidance of adult leadership. A sample constitution and bylaws may be found at <https://www.kansas4-h.org/4-h-programs/clubs/strengthening-clubs-1/docs/constitution-bylaws-sample.pdf>

Kansas 4-H Policy

3.1: 4-H: Fulfilling the Cooperative Extension Mission

We are K-State Research and Extension

Who are we? The Cooperative Extension Service is a cooperative effort of the United States Department of Agriculture; the land-grant university, Kansas State University; and the local extension board representing local citizens. K-State Research and Extension is a statewide network of educators sharing unbiased, research-based information and expertise on issues important to Kansas. It has established local, state, regional, national, and international partnerships.

Mission: We are dedicated to a safe, sustainable, competitive food and fiber system and to strong, healthy communities, families, and youth through integrated research, analysis, and education.

Purpose: With a presence in every county, K-State Research and Extension develops and delivers engaged educational programs in partnership with the people of Kansas that provide solutions for the Grand Challenges of water, health, global food systems, community vitality, and developing tomorrow's leaders.

K-State Research and Extension is the university's community engagement program. Thus, its mission is to help people improve their lives through an educational process that applies knowledge to critical issues, needs, and opportunities.

We are Kansas 4-H Youth Development

4-H Youth Development is the youth development program of K-State Research and Extension. We exist to create non-formal, experiential, educational opportunities designed to connect in-school learning with out-of-school activities to help youth thrive in a complex and changing world. The following is from the Vision 2025 strategic plan for 4-H Youth Development.

Vision: Youth in 4-H will grow and develop into healthy, caring adults prepared to meet the challenges and opportunities of a globally connected world.

Our Mission: 4-H Youth Development engages youth in reaching their full potential through partnerships with caring adults.

Our Purpose: The Department of 4-H Youth Development provides leadership for 4-H youth development programs and is a valuable partner in developing and delivering educational programs and initiatives that prepare youth to reach their full potential.



MEDIA TEAM

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OPPORTUNITIES INCLUDE:

- PHOTOGRAPHING 4-H EVENTS
- MARKETING
- WORKSHOPS AND TRAININGS

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JOIN NOW

For 4-H youth and adult leaders that are interested in photography and media marketing.

Are you a 4-H youth member or adult volunteer that is interested in photography and media marketing? This is an opportunity for you!

Click the link below to sign up!

<https://forms.gle/F81DWCSGCMk3kkpx9>

County Committees

County Committees

All 4-H families are needed to take an active committee role in 2024/25. Please sign up for a county committee and identify an area where you can assist at the Cowley County Fair. The first 20 youth/adults to sign up will receive a Sonic drink token.

Cowley Committee and Fair Help Sign-up

Achievement Celebration Committee

Committee Duties:

Select committee co-chairs and an adult advisor. Select a date for the celebration. The traditional date is the first Saturday in November. A date should be selected at the May or July 4-H Council meeting.

Select where the celebration will be held.

Select a theme for the celebration, plan/collect decorations and purchase paper goods and drinks.

Design the cover for the Achievement Celebration program.

Plan and prepare decorations for the location and set them up prior to the program.

Clean up decorations and facility after the program. Return all items to appropriate places.

Extension Office Duties:

Organize all awards and the script.

Provide signs and set-up supplies as needed by the committee.

Publicize event in the 4-H newsletter.

Answer any questions of the committee.

Contact award presenters.

Correspond with the school and book the location.

Club Day Committee

Committee Duties:

Select committee co-chairs and two adult advisors.

Select a date for Club Day. A date should be selected at the May or July 4-H Council meeting.

Select where Club Day will be held.

Recommend judges at the November meeting.

One judge should be secured per room.

Publicize the event in local news media.

Be available to assist with room set up on Friday afternoon, the day prior, to the event.

Be available the day of the event to work at the front "Information Table" and to check on judges periodically during the day.

Bring judges items they need, and collect score sheets for the tabulation room.

Check in with each room to be certain that room monitors are present, and find substitutes in the event of an absence.

Sort completed score sheets by club.

Be available to assist with room clean up on Saturday late morning. Rearrange classrooms, and return all items to the appropriate location.

Return all Extension supplies (easels, ribbons, score sheets, pencils, tape, signs, etc.) to the Extension vehicle.

Extension Office Duties:

Collect entries and produce a schedule for the event.

Send judging correspondence to judges.

Orientate judges prior to the judging start time.

Provide paper, pencils, judge packets, door signs and other supplies as needed by the committee.

Publicize the event in the 4-H newsletter, and assign clubs rooms and time slots for room monitoring.

Answer any questions of the committee.

Correspond with the school and book the location.

County Committees

Fashion Revue Committee

Committee Duties:

Select committee co-chairs and two adult advisors.
Select a theme for the public fashion revue by the May 4-H Council meeting.
Plan and prepare decorations for the public fashion revue.
Set up and decorate prior to the evening public fashion revue.
Clean up stage decorations and fashion revue location. Return all items to appropriate places.
Committee members may also be asked to help with judging tear down.
Recruit script readers.

Extension Office Duties:

Provide signs, judging supplies and other office supplies needed by the committee.
Handle all details associated with the judging portion of the day.
Secure judges for the judging portion.
Write the script for the public fashion revue.
Provide resources needed by the judges.
Book the location of the judging and the public fashion revue.
Answer any questions of the committee.

National 4-H Week Committee

Committee Duties:

Select committee co-chairs and two adult advisors.
Determine county-wide events using the National 4-H Week theme.
Promote Cowley County 4-H during National 4-H Week.
Publicize 4-H Week events in appropriate media outlets.

Extension Office Duties:

Print needed signs.
Publish events in the 4-H newsletter.
Answer any questions of the committee.
Correspond with Community Leaders.

Finance/Policy Committee

Committee Duties:

Select committee co-chairs and two adult advisors.
Determine the annual 4-H Council budget under the guidance of the 4-H Agent.
Present the budget to the 4-H Council at the November meeting for approval.

Extension Office Duties:

Keep record of funds spent for budget line items.
In cooperation with the Treasurer, pay 4-H Council bills.
Answer any questions of the committee.

Fair and Shows Committee

Committee Duties:

Select committee co-chairs and two adult advisors.
Determine needed foodstand improvements and present to 4-H Council for approval.
Coordinate needed improvements of the foodstand.
Purchase supplies to make foodstand improvements.

Extension Office Duties:

Publicize foodstand work days.
Check out foodstand key to committee chair(s).
Publish events in the 4-H newsletter.
Answer any questions of the committee.

County Committees

Consumer Judging Contest Committee

Committee Duties:

- Select committee chair(s)
- Develop judging classes
- Plan and coordinate county-wide Consumer Judging Events

Extension Office Duties:

- Print information
- Provide information to members.
- Publish information in the newsletter
- Answer any questions of the committee.
- Provide consumable/print materials.

Awards Committee

Committee Duties:

- Select committee co-chairs.
- Provide training to families on completing Project Record Books and 4-H records.
- Provide training to screeners to judge record books.
- Coordinate dates and times to screen record books.
- Recruit volunteers to screen record books.
- Provide a list of record book screening results to 4-H Agent.
- Determine judging criteria for scholarships and award applications.
- Meet with 4-H Agent/4-H PDC to approve record screening process as needed.

Extension Office Duties:

- Print information.
- Provide information to members.
- Publish information in the 4-H newsletter.
- Update information on the Cowley County Extension Website.
- Answer any questions of the

committee.

Correspond with Community Leaders.

Community Service Committee

Committee Duties:

- Select committee co-chairs (youth) and two adult advisors.
- Determine county-wide service projects.
- Promote service projects to clubs and community.

Extension Office Duties:

- Provide oversight.
- Print needed signs.
- Publish events in the 4-H newsletter.
- Answer any questions of the committee.
- Correspond with Community Leaders.



Shooting Sports- CONGRATULATIONS to ALL Competitors!

Congratulations to the fall state match Cowley representatives...

Fall State Shotgun Match - Trace Thomson, Asa Hoover

Fall State Muzzleloader Match - 3rd Place State Team - Lanie Arnett, Kyle Bannon, and Andrew Hoover (2nd Place Aggregate Individual)

Fall State Archery Match - 1st Place Open Team - Cody Deal (5th Place Open Trail Individual), Price Kindt, Andrew Hoover (2nd Place Open Trail Individual, 2nd Place Open Aggregate Individual), Trace Thomson, Kaden Webster, Anna Wolfe, Asher Wolfe.



We are proud to say our Cowley open archery team is FIRST IN THE STATE and 3rd place state muzzleloader team!! Thank you coaches!!

Congrats to all who represented Cowley at the state match!!

Club Meeting - Last Mondays of the Month - November 25, 7:00 p.m. at New Hope Fellowship Church, 19195 61st Rd., Winfield. - All new officer workshops coming soon!

Archery practices, starting **Thursdays, Nov. 7th & 21st**, bi-weekly at 7:00 pm at the fairgrounds, building #1.

Shotgun practice, **3rd Sunday, November 17th** 2:00 at the meadow - weather allowing. ****Must email for a relay time for member to be on the practice line.**

Air Discipline (BB, Air Pistol, Air Rifle) **1st Sunday, November 3** at 2:00 at the fairgrounds.

Remember to enroll for the new year, October 1st at v2.4honline.com for the 2024-25 practice season!

HAPPY THANKSGIVING! - More information between newsletters, please email at cowley4hshootingsports@gmail.com and go to project page <https://www.facebook.com/cowleycounty4hshootingsports> or www.4hshootingsportscowleyks.com/contact

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Austin Waite

Cowley County 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator

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Fall For Extension

K-State Research & Extension Cowley County delivers educational programs related to Agriculture and Natural Resources, Family and Consumer Sciences, 4-H/Youth Development and Community Development. Local programs are implemented by Extension Agents with volunteer assistance for Cowley County residents and communities.

We are funded by allocations from Kansas State University and Cowley County Commissioners. To help with the impact of budget cuts, our supporters formed a "Friends of Cowley County Extension" group to raise awareness and financial support.

The Friends of Cowley County Extension will be hosting our 10th annual "Fall for Extension" charity dinner with raffle drawings and live/silent auctions on Saturday, November 23 in Arkansas City, Kansas. This event is open to the public and dinner tickets go on sale October 1 (\$35/seat or \$250 for a table for 8). Based on past attendance, we expect 250+ people at our event.

We are collecting donations for the live and silent auctions. Auction items are featured in our printed auction catalog and promoted on social media. You can view past catalogs on our website at cowley.k-state.edu/friends/untitled.html. We also accept financial contributions and donations are requested by November 8, 2024 so they can be included in marketing and our printed catalog.

We appreciate your consideration to partner with our planning committee. Please contact the Extension Office with additional questions.



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Catch - A - Calf Program

2024 HOUSE APPRECIATION BANQUET

We had a great evening and dinner with over 80 participants, we heard from speaker Chase Reed about “Yearly Health Considerations for the South Central Kansas Cow-Calf Herd” we celebrated a year in review of the House Foundation Donation, our youth achievements and accepting the exciting \$50,000 House Foundation Donation for livestock programming in 2024-2025.

2024-2025 CATCH A CALF PARTICIPANTS



**CAMDEN VICKERY
CONNOR MINSON
KOY HOLCOMB
LANDRY ROBINSON
PRESLEE BROWN**

Production Essay Scholarship Winners:

Hadley Lackey
Beef-\$500

Adison Henderson
Beef- \$500

Addison Robinson
Beef-\$250

Caleb Krepps
Bucket Calf-\$250

Landry Robinson
Beef-\$200

Samantha Henderson
Swine-\$100

Jake Jelinek

Swine-\$100

Honoring

2023-2024 Participants

Matik Tatum
Hadley Lackey
Caleb Krepps
Corbin Spengler

Youth Mentors

Madi McGee
Kennedy Holcomb

Grand House Drawing

Top five youth are rewarded for their excellent livestock program attendance.

Caleb Krepps-\$800 Sullivans Supply Gift Card

Hadley Lackey-\$700 Sullivans Supply Gift Card

Samantha Henderson-\$600 Sullivans Supply Gift Card

Matik Tatum- \$500 Sullivans Supply Gift Card

Kennedy Holcomb- \$400 Sullivans Supply Gift Card

Two names from livestock event attendance were drawn, receiving \$100 Sullivans Supply Gift Cards:

Adison Henderson

Brooke Haunschild



Sign up [HERE!](#)



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Market BROILER CONTEST

2025

**CHICK PICK UP
AND EDUCATIONAL
PROGRAM
MARCH** Date TBD

**JUDGING
APRIL**
Date TBD
Winfield Fair
Grounds



Sign up closes
January 1, 2025



10-15 Chicks provided
per family, open for
smaller groups



7- 8 weeks



Must be Enrolled 4-H Youth



T-Shirts for all exhibitors
and Prizes for top teams



Family retains all meat

Following the judging portion we are
excited to Collaborate with our Cowley
County Farm Bureau and 4-H volunteers to
guide the youth as they hands on process
their birds!



CONTEST SPONSORED BY THE HOUSE DONATION

Kansas State University is committed to making its services, activities and programs accessible to all participants.
If you have special requirements due to a physical, vision, or hearing disability,
contact Sarah LaGrone, 620-221-5450.

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L.E.A.D. - More info coming soon!



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YOUTH WITH **A**CCOUNTABILITY AND
POSITIVE **D**EVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES
SMALL SPECIE MINI GRANT PROGRAM

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Exciting new program first announced at the House Appreciation Banquet!!
Details and application will be published soon!!

Legal Stuff

K-State Research and Extension is committed to providing equal opportunity for participation in all programs, services and activities. Program information may be available in languages other than English. Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities, including alternative means of communication (e.g., Braille, large print, audio tape, and American Sign Language) may be requested by contacting the event contact (insert name) two weeks prior to the start of the event (insert deadline date) at (insert phone number and email). Requests received after this date will be honored when it is feasible to do so. Language access services, such as interpretation or translation of vital information, will be provided free of charge to limited English proficient individuals upon request. Kansas State University Agricultural Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service K-State Research and Extension is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Important Fair Changes

MARKET LIVESTOCK SALE

Auction Clerk - Edw. B. Stephenson & Co., CPA

Monday, August 4, 2025 - 6:45 p.m. Cowley County Fairgrounds

1. The 4-H and FFA Market Livestock Sale will be for Market: Beef, Swine, Sheep, Goat and Rabbit Meat Pen only.
2. The sale order for 2024 will be: Meat Goat, Sheep, Beef, Rabbit and Swine
3. Animals sold through the sale must be exhibited at the Cowley County Fair.
4. Each 4-H and FFA exhibitor can participate in the Market Sale with one animal or rabbit meat pen only, and must exhibit their own animal in the sale ring. Exceptions may be considered for a substitute sale exhibitor with prior written approval prior to fair pre-entry deadline of a majority of the Market Livestock Sale Superintendents and the Cowley County Extension Agents for the following reasons: An official State or National 4-H/ FFA/Agricultural Industry event whereby the exhibitor is a documented officer or committee person.
5. The Market Livestock Sale Committee will announce a base bid on all species prior to the sale to be used only on all market animals sold through the Cowley County Fair. The base bid for all market animals will be subject to discounts for weight ranges according to industry standards. Discounts will be announced prior to the sale.
6. A charge of 3 percent of the total premium value only will be made for all animals. No commission will be charged on the base bid value of the animal. This fee is used to provide a special barbecue honoring buyers and other supporters of the Market Livestock Sale. It also covers advertisements, buyer's ribbons, and supplies.
7. All market livestock will be shown and sold based on official weight at fair weigh-in.
8. Each exhibitor must complete a "Livestock Destination" card for all livestock species eligible for the market livestock sale. This card must be turned in to the species superintendent by 2:00 p.m. on Saturday. There will be a 3% dock of premium money for cards which are turned in late or marked incorrectly.
9. All animals entering the sale **ring that are not "take home"** will be sold and must be picked up by a state inspected locker plant or to the base bid buyer.
10. Steers must be controlled without use of extra ropes or lariats.
11. 4-H/FFA members selling animals through the sale are expected to feed/water and care for them up until the time they are loaded on the truck **or taken home**
12. To qualify for the auction, market animals' weight must fall within the following ranges. No shrinkage will be calculated on any animals.
 - Market steers/heifers- minimum of 1,050 pounds
 - Market hogs- 230-290 pounds
 - Market lambs- Minimum of 90 pounds
 - Rabbit meat pen- 3-5 pounds each
 - Market goats- minimum of 50 pounds.
13. **Starting in 2025 the Market Livestock Sale is not a mandatory terminal sale, individuals will have the option to select "premium only and take home" on their Livestock destination card. These animals will sell as premium only and animal will go home with the youth member.**