Elk County 4-H News

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4-H Calendar of Events

For the most up to date list of events, go to the Rolling Prairie/Elk County 4-H website

November
1 Registration Deadline for 4-H Leadership Weekend
10 Achievement Banquet -- Longton -- 5:00 p.m.
11 Holiday -- Office Closed
19 Community Club Leaders Meeting -- 7:00 p.m.
23 - 24 Kansas 4-H Leadership Weekend
28 - 29 Holiday -- Offices Closed

December
4 4-H Council -- 6:30 p.m.
13 - 15 Kansas Beef Expo -- Hutchinson

January
17 Southeast Area KAP Screening -- Eureka
20 Holiday -- Offices Closed

March
1 Beef Weigh In -- Longton

May
1 - 2 Small Animal Weigh In -- Longton

July 29 - August 1 Elk County 4-H Fair -- Longton

4-H Achievement Banquet

Sunday, November 10
5:00 p.m. -- Elk Valley School, Longton

A big thank you to the Longton Boosters 4-H Club as they will be providing everything for the meal! No other clubs need to bring anything.

We will eat at 5:00 p.m. followed by the awards ceremony.
Responsibilities for the awards ceremony are:
Master of Ceremonies: Hannah Whetstone and Haley Hogan

Lead Flag Salute/4-H Pledge: KayLeeann Greer

Give Thanks to Supporters: Jadyn Allen

Assist with Presenting Awards: Wyatt Fechter and Rachel Hendricks

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Kansas State Fair Ribbon Premium Checks

Members that had indoor exhibits at the Kansas State Fair may have a ribbon premium check with your name on it. These are available at the Extension Office to be picked up. If you don’t get yours before the Achievement Banquet, I will have them available at that time.

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Elk County 4-H Council

4-H Council Officers for the 2019 - 2020 4-H Year are:

President - Hannah Whetstone
Vice President - Rachel Hendricks
Secretary - Dakota Wiseman
Treasurer - Wyatt Fechter

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4-H Enrollment

Families are now able to enroll for the 2020 4-H program year (October 1, 2019 - September 30, 2020).

Kansas 4-H has an annual $15 Kansas 4-H Program Fee for organized 4-H community club members ages 7 - 18. Cloverbuds and adult volunteers will not be charged an annual program fee.

Everyone will enroll through the 4HOnline system. As part of the enrollment process, each member will be asked the following question: Please indicate your payment intention by selecting the appropriate option below. This will assist the state in processing your 4-H enrollment. Payment options are:

✓ Pay online with a credit/debit card
✓ Pay by mailing a check
✓ I am a Cloverbud, there is no fee
✓ Wish to request a waiver
✓ A local sponsor has agreed to pay my fee

Please ask your club leaders which option you should select when you enroll.

Resources are available to help families enroll using 4HOnline. On the Rolling Prairie District website under the Enrollment/Club Leaders tab are several documents to assist families. These documents are step by step guides on how to enroll in 4-H and pay the program fee. One is the 4HOnline Enrollment Guide for New Families and the other is 4HOnline Enrollment Guide for Returning Families. Included in these documents are a list of projects that members may choose. These documents are also available at the Extension Office.

One other note on enrollment, members must be enrolled and have all fees paid by FEBRUARY 1 in order to be eligible to exhibit at the county fair.

If you have any questions about enrollment related issues, don’t hesitate to ask me.

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Livestock Sale Committee Rule Change

The Livestock Sale Committee had their fall planning meeting and made a change for the 2020 livestock premium sale in regards to the livestock educational requirement. Members no longer need to attend and/or participate in at least three livestock educational events to be eligible for the premium sale.

However, each member that wishes to sell animal(s) in the premium sale must complete YQCA certification training before July 1. This can be done in a couple of ways. First a couple of YQCA meetings will be held (not scheduled yet) or
members may complete an online course. Once you complete a training, members will receive a certification number. That information will need to be forwarded to Michael Hogan. More information about these trainings will be in future newsletters.

Officers for the year were elected as:
President - Shawn Mills
Secretary/Treasurer - Michael Hogan

Weight ranges and daily gain requirements that must be met to be eligible to sell were left the same as previous years.

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**Adult Volunteer Application Steps**

All individuals who work directly with youth are required to complete the Kansas 4-H volunteer screening process. Volunteer screening is done in order to assure a safe, positive, and nurturing environment for all youth involved with the Kansas 4-H programs and provide protection for the child, the volunteer, the agent, the Extension Board, and the Kansas State Research and Extension.

**Being a 4-H Volunteer is a Privilege, Not a Right:** While volunteerism is crucial to the success of 4-H, it is a privilege, not a right to be a 4-H volunteer. Volunteers are expected to adhere to the Kansas 4-H Volunteer Code of Conduct. Volunteers may be dismissed from service at any time.

**Kansas 4-H Volunteers** that are adults providing direct supervision to youth at a 4-H program; make decisions on behalf of the 4-H program; have access to private data of 4-H members or volunteers; and/or handle funds as part of 4-H must complete the volunteer screening process, be accepted, and enrolled as a Kansas 4-H volunteer.

Process Steps include: 4-H Online profile, References, Criminal History, Orientation, and Approval. These roles will include, though may not be limited to:
- Organizational (Project) Club Leaders
- Chaperones for any overnight events
- Camp Volunteers
- Volunteers who will have access to funds raised on behalf of 4-H
- Volunteers who will have access to confidential records or information

Listed below are the steps for an adult volunteer to become registered and screened.

1. If your family uses the Kansas 4HOnline system at https://ks.4honline.com/, you already have a family account. Login to your family and add yourself as a new family member if you don’t have an adult profile. If your family has never used 4HOnline, you will need to create a new family account before creating an adult profile for yourself.

2. Complete the Kansas 4-H Volunteer Orientation available through Kansas 4HOnline or in person through your local office.

3. After completing the Kansas 4-H Volunteer Orientation, notify the local Extension Office about completing the Kansas 4-H Volunteer Orientation.

4. Upon completing the orientation, the Extension Office will provide information for the required background checks.

5. The Extension Office will compile information and submit applicant’s packet for approval to the Extension District Board.

6. Extension Office will send a letter concerning volunteer status and appointment for 4-H work and update status within the Kansas 4-H Online system.
K-State Research and Extension 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, or a dietary restriction, please contact the Howard Office.

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