

# Elk County 4-H News

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## 4-H Calendar of Events

March 1	Kansas 4-H Scholarship Applications Due
March 2	KSU Jr Beef Producer Day
March 10	Daylight Savings Time Begins -- Set Clocks Ahead One Hour
March 16	KSU Jr Sheep Producer Day
March 19	YQCA Training, Livestock Judging Workshop
March 20	4-H Records Workshop
March 23	Regional 4-H Club Day -- Madison
March 23	4-H Council Steak Supper -- Grenola
March 29	Good Friday -- Extension Offices Closed
March 31	Elk County 4-H Scholarship Applications Due
April 3	4-H Council Meeting
April 24	YQCA Training -- Sedan
April 26 & 27	Sheep/Swine/Meat Goat Weigh in and Tag Day -- Longton
April 27	Chautauqua County Spring Beef Show -- Sedan
May 1	Project Drop/Add Deadline
June 1	Chautauqua County Spring Small Animal Show -- Sedan
June 5 - 7	Discovery Days -- Kansas State University
June 25	Southeast Area Crops, Horticulture, Photography, and FCS Contests -- Emporia
June 27	Southeast Area Livestock Judging, Skillathon, and Meats Judging Contests

**INCOGNITO: INSECTS IN DISGUISE**  
2024 INSECT ART CONTEST

The Kansas State Pesticide Safety and IPM Program is hosting an insect-themed art contest!

This year's theme is "Incoognito: Insects in Disguise." The goal is to explore how and why insects camouflage.

Participants of all ages are welcome to submit a work of art featuring an insect that can camouflage.

**How to Enter:** Fill out an entry form and send with your insect artwork by **April 15, 2024**

See full rules and details at:  
<https://www.kstate.edu/pesticides-ipm/>

**CATEGORIES**

- Illustrates a real life insect
- 2-D (drawings, stained glass, or other media)

**AGE GROUPS**

- Kindergarten - 2nd Grade
- 3rd Grade - 5th Grade
- 6th Grade - 8th Grade
- High School
- Adults

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# Elk County 4-H Club Day and Favorite Food Show

Results from Elk County 4-H Club Day are listed below. Champions and some Reserve champions are qualified for Regional 4-H Club Day, EXCEPT those noted by \*\*. Those that qualified for Regional 4-H Club Day will be receiving information from Richard about signing up for times once he receives it.

**Model Meeting:** Flint Hill Boosters, Champion.

**Senior Interviews:** Peyton Fechter, FHB, Champion.

**Public Speaking:** Peyton Fechter, FHB, Champion.

**Junior Demonstrations/Illustrated Talks (Age 7-9):** Vedah Gilliland, MSS, Blue; Grace Cucar, FHB, Blue; Nate Cucar, FHB, Blue; Leah Griesel, FHB, Reserve Champion; Mackenna Mast, FHB, Champion.

**Intermediate Demonstrations/Illustrated Talks (Age 10-13):** Regan Herold, GJ, Reserve Champion; Leah Humphrey, FHB, Blue; Ryatt Griesel, FHB, Champion; Jaycee Griesel, FHB, Blue; Katie Kraft, FHB, Blue; Jane Nungesser, FHB, 1<sup>st</sup> Blue.

**Senior Demonstrations/Illustrated Talks (Age 14 & Older):** Rachel Humphrey, FHB, Champion; Maggie Humphrey, FHB, Reserve Champion.

**Junior Project Talks (Age 7-9):** Kash Bidwell, FHB, Champion.

**Intermediate Project Talks (Age 10-13):** Corbin Arbuckle, GJ, Champion; Katie Kraft, FHB, Reserve Champion; Noah Cucar, FHB, Blue.

**Senior Readings (Age 14 & Older):** Kord Tracy, MSS, Reserve Champion\*\*; Helena Gilliland, MSS, Blue; Jaxson Bogdahn, MSS, Champion; Isabella Apsley, GJ, Blue.

**Intermediate Readings (Age 10-13):** Allison Stewart, GJ, Champion; Miles Stewart, GJ, Reserve Champion\*\*; Jayton Bogdahn, MSS, Blue; Braxton Wilson, GJ, Red; Cooper Wilson, GJ, Red.

**Junior Readings (Age 7-9):** Vedah Gilliland, MSS, Champion.

**Junior Instrumental Solo (Age 7-13):** Jaycee Griesel, FHB, Champion; Regan Herold, GJ, Reserve Champion\*\*.

**Senior Instrumental Solo (Age 14 & Older):** Rachel Humphrey, FHB, Blue.

**Senior Vocal Solo (age 14 & Older):** Isabella Apsley, GJ, Champion.

**Novelty:** Flint Hill Boosters, Champion.

**Skit/One Act Play:** Grenola Jayhawkers, Champion.

The Champion and Reserve Champion in the Jr and Sr Divisions of the Favorite Food Show are eligible to compete at the SE Area Contest, June 25 in Emporia.

## Favorite Food Show Results:

**Beginner Division (Ages 7-8):** Leah Griesel, FHB, Champion; Grace Cucar, FHB, Blue; Nate Cucar, FHB, Reserve Champion.

**Junior Division (Ages 9-13):** Jaycee Griesel, FHB, Champion; Noah Cucar, FHB, Reserve Champion.

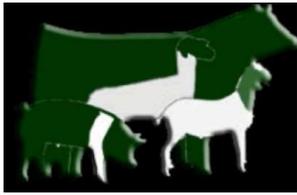
**Senior Division (Ages 14-18):** Peyton Fechter, FHB, Champion.

## YQCA Certification

One of the requirements for those who plan to participate in the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and/or KJLS is that ALL exhibitors are required to complete Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) certification to be eligible for either show in 2024.

**FOR ELK COUNTY MEMBERS:** Each 4-H/FFA member that wishes to sell animal(s) in the

livestock premium sale at the county fair must complete YQCA certification training before **July 1**. Members may complete an online course or attend a face-to-face training. Once you complete a



training, members will receive a certification number. That information will need to be forwarded to Stephanie Bogdahn.

There will be two face-to-face YQCA training opportunities in Howard and in Sedan. The registration fee of \$3.00 is due online when you register. ***To attend this training, you will need to register online BEFORE THE TRAINING.***

Tuesday, March 19 -- Howard; 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 24 -- Sedan; 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

## Livestock Judging

Following the YQCA training on March 19, at approximately 7:45 p.m. we will have a livestock judging workshop at the Extension Meeting Room.

## 4-H Records Training

**Wednesday, March 20**  
**7:00 p.m. -- Extension Meeting Room**

Now is the time to start working on your record books. Do not wait until the last minute to look at record pages and then have no idea how to complete them.

The training will cover the project report forms as well as the achievement pin applications and Excellence in Project Achievement forms. I will also cover how to download the form fillable forms and how to complete them.

Also, we will cover the ZBooks option to use for recordkeeping.

## 4-H Council Steak Dinner

**Saturday, March 23 -- Grenola Community Building**  
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

This is the annual fundraiser for 4-H Council. Funds are used for fair awards, achievement awards and other expenses of 4-H Council. If you are wanting tickets to sell, they are available at the Extension Office.

Roles and Responsibilities:

- **Flint Hill Boosters** - Rolls
- **Grenola Jayhawkers** - Potatoes, Sour Cream, Butter
- **Moline Shining Star** - Salad, Cheese, Dressings, and Tomatoes
- **Extension Office** - Paper products
- **4-H Council Members** - each member bring a dessert.

## Livestock Tagging

If you wish to exhibit an animal of any species at the 2024 Elk County 4-H Fair, it must be tagged and/or ownership verified by registration papers, including dairy and bucket calf. All breeding animals must have ownership as of the date of that species weigh in/tag day. Commercial livestock needs to be tagged with a 4-H tag, and registered purebred livestock must have registration papers in the exhibitor's name.

## Bucket Calves

Many calves are being born now. Sometimes a producer has an orphan calf or bucket calf available. If you are wanting a bucket calf for a 4-H project, let me know as producers often let me know they have calves available.

Dairy cattle/goats and bucket calves need to be tagged and recorded with the Extension Office by May 1 of the current year. Tags are available at the Extension Office and cost is \$2.00. Pickup a tag at

the Extension Office or call to schedule a time for Richard to tag your calf.



## Hog/Sheep/Goat Weigh In and Tag Day

The Longton Fairgrounds will be the site of this year's Hog, Lamb and Goat tag and weigh-in. All hogs, lambs and goats must be weighed and tagged in order to be shown and sold at the county fair.

This year you will have two opportunities to weigh and tag your animals. **Animals can be weighed & tagged Friday, April 26 from 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. or Saturday, April 27 from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.**

Members may weigh and tag a maximum of 6 market animals per species. However, you may only show two of each species at the fair. Tags are \$4/head.

As has been for several years now, animals will be tagged and nominated under a family name if more than one 4-H'er is in the immediate family. Family members must reside in the same household.

**This year, families need to designate which animals that are tagged are breeding animals and which are market.**

Registered breeding animals must be tagged on April 26 or 27 or have registration papers by this date.

When selecting your hog, lamb or goat, keep in mind there will be no rate of gain requirements for

all species to be eligible for the premium sale. Also, the only weight requirement is a minimum weight for each species. Those are as follows:

Species	Weight
Market Hog	minimum of 220 lbs.
Market Lamb	minimum of 100 lbs.
Market Goat	minimum of 60 lbs.

Even though there is not a rate of gain requirement for each species, an award for the highest rate of gain will be presented at the fair for each species.

Weight projection charts are available for each species on the Rolling Prairie website at <http://www.rollingprairie.k-state.edu/elkcounty4h/livestock/index.html>

## 4-H Policy Change Regarding Premium Sale Animals

In previous years, Kansas 4-H Policy was "Any 4-H exhibit sold at public auction or by private contract is not eligible to be exhibited at the Kansas State Fair or Kansas Junior Livestock Show. Public auction includes: premium sale, ribbon auction, or similar event. If the project is sold, regardless of ownership changes, on the date of the transaction the 4-H youth has given up the right to exhibit that specific animal or product in the future. In the case of livestock, market animals sold are ineligible to be shown as breeding animals in the future."

However, that policy was rescinded and removed beginning with the 2024 4-H program year. The Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show is allowing each county to make the decision whether exhibit animals sold in a premium sale can be shown at the Kansas State Fair and/or Kansas Junior Livestock Show.

The Elk County 4-H/FFA premium sale is non-terminal.

## Spring Shows, Sales, Judging and Other Contests

Many events are starting to occur and the Extension Office is receiving information about these.

Included on the Rolling Prairie website a list of these as I receive them. Here is the link to them:

<http://www.rollingprairie.k-state.edu/elkcounty4h/springshows/index.html>

These events are listed FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY! No endorsement of any event is intended. For more information about any of these, contact the Extension Office. Some of these have a pre-registration deadline, so do not wait until the last minute to inquire about a contest or event. Check back often as list will be updated when notices are received at the office.



## Drop/Add Project Deadline

Even though you needed to be enrolled by December 1 to be eligible to exhibit at the county fair; you have until May 1 to make changes in your projects. You can do this through 4HOnline or call the Extension Office and we can do it for you. If you are trying to do this in 4HOnline, after May 1 it will not allow you to make any changes.



## Horse ID's

Horse project members need to turn in Horse ID's by June 1 on horses they want to show at the county fair and/or Kansas State Fair. Here is a link to the Horse ID form that is to be used.

<https://www.rollingprairie.k-state.edu/elkcounty4h/livestock/livestockdocuments/Horse%20ID%202023.pdf>



## Jim Williams Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was setup several years ago for Elk County 4-H members to receive up to \$50 to attend an out of county 4-H event. The *Scholarship is for attending events like 4-H Camp, Citizenship in Action, KYLF, Livestock Judging Camp, Junior National Beef Shows, Discovery Days, Geology Field Trip, etc. Not one day judging contests or events such as SE Area Contests, Livestock Judging Contests or spring shows.*

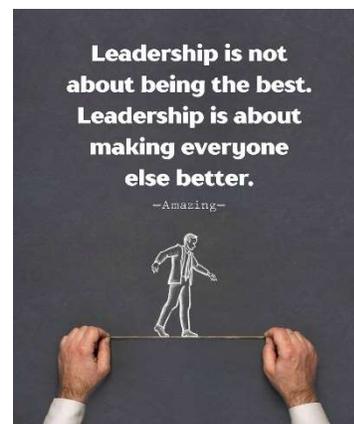
### Mandatory requirements to receive up to a \$50 scholarship for an out of county 4-H event:

- Write a paragraph about why you want to attend this event and attach to this form.
- 4-H members must meet at least 5 of the requirements listed below. All requirements must have been completed within the past 12 months unless stated otherwise.
- Turned in a completed record book to the Extension Office the previous 4-H year. This is not a requirement for first year members.

Here is a link to the application:

<https://www.rollingprairie.k-state.edu/elkcounty4h/scholarships/index.html>

*The application must accompany the registration form and payment for 4-H event when submitted to the Extension Office.*



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