



JANUARY 4-H NEWS

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We hope you all had a Happy Holiday Season and are looking forward to a great 2023! Please feel free to share any new ideas with us at any time that will benefit the 4-H program.

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UPCOMING EVENTS / ACTIVITIES

JAN 13	Record Books Due for Area Screening
JAN 15	Registration for 4-H Day with Women Wildcats
JAN 16	Office Closed for MLK Day
JAN 20	Area Record Book Screening
JAN 28	Horse Panorama @ K-State Salina
JAN 30	Leaders Meeting @ 6 4-H Council @ 7:30 Ambassadors following
FEB 12	4-H Day with Women Wildcats (Registration Jan 15)
FEB 24-25	Ambassador and Communication Training—Rock Springs Ranch (Registration due Feb 1)
FEB 20-21	Citizenship in Action—Topeka
FEB 20	Office Closed for Presidents Day
FEB 25	Club Days—Burlington Elementary School
MAR 1	Scholarships applications are due
MAR 11	Junior Swine Producer Day
MAR 18	Junior Sheep Producer Day—Manhattan
MAR 26	Regional Club Days—Madison
MAR 18	Beef Weigh-In/Tagging & Breeding Heifer ID
APR 19	Sheep, Goat, 1st Year Bucket Calf Weigh-In
APR 26	Swine Weigh-In
APR 29	County Livestock Spring Shows
JUNE 7-9	Discovery Days at KSU
JUNE TBD	Coffey County 4-H Camp
JULY 19-23	143rd Coffey County Fair

QUARTERLY COMMUNITY LEADER MEETINGS

We will be continuing the Quarterly Leader Meetings for the leaders to get together for an informal discussion on 4-H events and topics. It is a great opportunity to be able to share ideas and ask questions to the Agents and amongst each other. We have planned a few meetings for the 2023 year and they will all begin at 6:00 pm at the Extension Office, 225 Cross St, Burlington.

The dates are as follows: **January 30th– 6:00pm** **June 26th— 6:00pm**
March 27th—6:00pm **September 25th– 6:00pm**

PROJECT LEADERS

The 4-Her's need encouragement and assistance to keep them interested and to gain knowledge as well as to make record book time much easier. If you are a new project leader, please check with the office for info. Reminder - ALL Project Leaders and anyone else who works with 4-H Youth, must be 4-H Volunteer Certified. Contact the Extension Office if you are a new leader and/or you have questions!

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SENIORS –DUE MARCH 1, 2023

Watch for the state 4-H Website for available Kansas 4-H Scholarships. The scholarship process is online only. (Paperless process)

2023 Kansas 4-H Scholarship Application, 2023 Scholarship List, Vanier Family Scholarship—links will be posted.

KSU Ag College Scholarship forms can be found at <https://www.ag.k-state.edu/academics/scholarships.html>

Local scholarship applications are located on the 4-H page of our website at <http://www.coffey.k-state.edu/4-h/scholarshipsandapps/>

If you are completing an application and need a letter of recommendation, then please let us know as soon as possible.

*****4-H MARKET BEEF TAGGING AND BREEDING BEEF ID DAY*****

ALL Market Beef MUST be weighed in and tagged on this day in order to show at the Coffey County Spring Show or County Fair. In addition we will be recording ID numbers for BREEDING BEEF. If your cow or breeding heifer already has an ID tag in an ear that is the number that will be used. If not you will be given a number tag that must be in the animal's ear at County Fair time. **Beef weigh-in will take place at the Burlington Vet Clinic from 8:00am to 10:00am, Saturday, March 18th Mark this date on your calendar as it is mandatory in order to exhibit!**

BREEDING MUST COME IN TO BE ID'd.

Beginning this year, ALL BEEF HEIFERS will be required to be brought to initial weigh-in for verification of breed designation. Ear tag numbers of cows to be entered in the cow/calf pair class in the Coffey County Fair must be recorded that day but cows do not need to be present at weigh-in.

CITIZENSHIP IN ACTION—TOPEKA, KS

Citizenship in Action, state 4-H legislative event will be February 19-20, 2023. Registration will be out in early January. More details are available online with the registration. Contact the office if you are interested.

JR. PRODUCER DAYS- SWINE- MARCH 11TH- MANHATTAN, KS

The deadline to register is February 15. The cost is \$20/person by the deadline, or \$25 after. Only those registered by February 15 will receive a t-shirt. All attendees, including both youth and adults, must register.

<http://bit.ly/ksuasiregister>.

JR. PRODUCER DAYS- MEAT GOAT- MARCH 18TH- MANHATTAN, KS

Tentative topics include selection, nutrition, meat science, reproduction, health, clipping and grooming, and showmanship. The deadline to register is February 22. The cost is \$20/person by the deadline, or \$25 after. Only those registered by February 22 will receive a t-shirt. All attendees, including both youth and adults, must register.

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DISCOVERY DAYS—JUNE 7-9—MANHATTAN, KS

Watch for more details in the future. Discovery Days is for youth ages 13-18 before January 1, 2023.

YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CCARE OF AANIMALS

REQUIRED FOR STATE LEVEL CONTEST

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a , national, multi-species livestock quality assurance program available for youth, ages 8-21. This annual educational and certification program focuses on food safety, animal well-being, and character awareness for youth producing and/or showing livestock. The species targeted in the training includes swine, beef cattle, dairy cattle, sheep, goats, market rabbits, and poultry.

Extension specialists and animal industry representatives were involved in designing the program with the intent to provide a national, standardized livestock quality assurance applicable to multiple species. The curriculum is designed to provide different modules annually, so youth will expand their knowledge by covering new topics every year.

There are two options by which a youth may obtain their YQCA certification; they may attend a 1-hour face-to-face training with a certified instructor, or they may complete the age-appropriate online certification course. Both the face-to-face training, and the online certification course have an associated per child “certification fee”. The YQCA program has been integrated into the 4HOnline system, so families that may need to will be able to register for a face-to-face training, or complete the online certification, by logging in using their 4HOnline credentials.

Coffey County 4-H members at this time are NOT required to complete such training to participate in a livestock project at the county level. However, **YQCA is a requirement associated with the Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show.**

ZBOOKS Online 4-H Record Keeping - <https://4h.zsuite.org>

- Youth may choose to use either record keeping option: a.) the fillable PDF Project report forms or b.) the online ZBooks software
- The Permanent Record is included in ZBooks. If you choose to keep records with ZBooks, do not feel like you have to transfer over all of your previous years' activities into the online Permanent Record. Start with this year and attach it to your previous document.

COUNTY 4-H CLUB DAY

Coffey County 4-H Day and Model Meeting contest will be **February 25th**.

- Model Meetings should have an agenda of the meeting for the judge; this includes order of business, old and new business items and the program.
- Public speaking remember the judge needs an outline.
- Interview remember to bring a cover letter and resume.
- Music numbers need to have original copy for the judge (no photocopies) with the measures need to be numbered.
- “Weapons (toys weapon) are not allowed and can’t be used for display or demonstration.
- Favorite Foods—you will need to provide one picture of the favorite food you have selected being prepared and one of the finished plated product.

Remember it helps your club when you participate. Each club needs to assign assistants for the Judge of the clubs assigned room that day. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the Extension Office.

SAVE THE DATE!

COFFEY COUNTY 4-H CAMP MID-JUNE 2023

