



# JANUARY 4-H NEWS

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We hope you all had a Happy Holiday Season and are looking forward to a great 2022! Please feel free to share any new ideas with us at any time that will benefit the 4-H program.

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## COUNTY 4-H CLUB DAY

Coffey County 4-H Day and Model Meeting contest will be **February 26th**.

- 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.
- 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.

## UPCOMING EVENTS / ACTIVITIES

JAN 14	Record Books Due for Area Screening
JAN 17	Office Closed for MLK Day
JAN 21	Area Record Book Screening
JAN 31	4-H Council/Leaders Meetings
FEB 4-5	Ambassador Training—Rock Springs Ranch
FEB 20-21	Citizenship in Action—Topeka
FEB 21	Office Closed for Presidents Day
FEB 26	Club Days—Burlington Elementary School
MAR 1	Scholarships applications are due
MAR 5	Junior Beef Producer Day—Manhattan
MAR 19	Junior Sheep Producer Day—Manhattan
MAR 26	Regional Club Days—Madison
MAR 19	Beef Weigh-In/Tagging <b>**DATE CHANGED**</b>
APR 20	Sheep, Goat, 1st Year Bucket Calf Weigh-In
APR 27	Swine Weigh-In
APR 30	County Livestock Spring Shows
JULY 20-24	142nd 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 2022 year and they will all begin at 6:00 pm. Tentatively, the location will be at the 4-H Building at Kelley Park.

The dates are as follows:     **January 31st– 6:00pm   June 27th— 6:00pm**  
   **March 28th—6:00pm   September 26th– 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, 2022

Watch for the state 4-H Website for available Kansas 4-H Scholarships. For the 2021 Kansas 4-H Scholarship process, we will be moving to online applications. Please continue to check back for more information.

2022 Kansas 4-H Scholarship Application, 2022 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. **At this time we will plan for weigh-In will take place at the Burlington Vet Clinic from 8:00am to 10:00am, Saturday, March 19th Mark this date on your calendar as it is mandatory in order to exhibit!**

**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.

## CITIZENSHIP IN ACTION -

Citizenship in Action, state 4-H legislative event will be virtual this year on February 20-21, 2022. Registration will be out in early January and due by February 1st. More details are available online with the registration. Contact the office if you are interested.

## JR. PRODUCER DAYS—BEEF AND SHEEP

Registration Due:  
February 11th!



Registration Due:  
February 25th!

**Discovery Days**—watch future newsletters for more details.

**KSU Youth Livestock Leadership Academy**—watch future newsletters for more details.

## 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.**

## **WE ARE MOVING!**

The Extension Office is moving to a new location at 225 Cross Street in Burlington. Please be patient with us as we work through this transition this month. We advise all patrons to call the office before stopping by to make sure we are available. Major move days will be January 27th and 28th, so we will be between offices and less accessible during this time. The Extension Office will be officially moved out of the Coffey County Courthouse and in the new location beginning January 31st. Our phone number and email addresses will stay the same.

Thank you for your understanding during this time!

