

# K-State Research & Extension

## Greenwood County 4-H News

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### January

- 9 Horse Panorama Registration Deadline
- 17 Record Books due in Extension Office
- 21 SEA 4-H Record Book Judging in Eureka, KS
- 23 “4-H Day with Wildcat Women’s Basketball” (registration was due Dec. 21st)
- 28-30 Horse Panorama – Rock Springs
- 31 “Junk In A Bucket” registration due on FairEntry
- 31 Club Leaders check email for County 4-H Club Day Group presentations sign up (Due February 1st)

### February

- 1 CIA Registration Deadline
- 4-5 4-H Ambassador Training - Rock Springs
- 9 County 4-H Day entries due on SignUpGenius (Registration link will be sent out February 2nd)
- 11 Fair Theme Ideas due in Extension Office
- 12 County 4-H Club Day @ Hamilton School
- 20-21 CIA
- 19 County 4-H Club Day Snow Date

### March

- 1 State 4-H Scholarships due online
- 5 Kansas Jr. Beef Producer Day (Manhattan, KS) - Registration deadline is February 11th
- 18 Beef Weigh-In 1pm-5pm
- 19 Kansas Jr. Sheep Producer Day (Manhattan, KS) - Registration deadline is February 25th
- 26 Regional Club Day @ Madison High School

### April

- 1 Judy Wiggins Scholarship applications due

### “Junk In A Bucket”

The last page of the December newsletter had the flyer describing the 4-H class for the county fair called “Junk In a Bucket”! Entries for this class are due by Friday January 31, 2022. All entries can be made on FairEntry.

**Registration will not open until January 3rd.**  
<http://greenwoodcountyfair.fairentry.com/>

For information on how to create a FairEntry account and how to submit entries, visit our website.

<https://www.greenwood.k-state.edu/4-h/greenwoodcofair/index.html>

### 4-H County Club Day

This year’s 4-H County Club Day is just ahead, Saturday, February 12th at Hamilton Elementary School. Guidelines were included in the December newsletter relating to how to make entries, times, ages, etc. Cloverbuds may participate in Show & Share and club skits.

This year we will be offering a couple new contests— Family & Consumer Science, Livestock Judging, and Interviews. View attached documents or our website for more details. <https://www.greenwood.k-state.edu/4-h/4-heventsactivities/index.html>

### SEA 4-H Record Book Judging

The SEA 4-H Record Book judging will be held in Eureka this year on January 21, 2022 from 9am - 3pm (record books are due at the Extension office by the end of the day on January 17th). If you are interested in helping judge this year, please call or email the Extension office by Wednesday, January 12th.

### 4-H Regional Club Day

Regional club days is planned for **March 26th at the Madison High School**. Save the date and start planning for events!



## Tips for New 4-H Members and Families

- \* Check out the K-State Research & Extension-Greenwood County website [www.greenwood.k-state.edu](http://www.greenwood.k-state.edu)
- \* Read the Greenwood County 4-H newsletter carefully (you can find it on the website listed above)
- \* **Ask lots of questions!** Please don't hesitate to call the Extension office with questions, ask community and project leaders and reach out to older, more established 4-H families (contact information for the Extension office is located on the website and in every newsletter)
- \* Attend every club meeting-explore county 4-H events during the entire year
- \* Do just a few projects per member the first year of 4-H as you "learn while having fun"
- \* Read the Greenwood County 4-H Family Handbook available through your 4-H club leaders

## Scholarships

### Kansas 4-H Scholarships:

The online applications for the 2022 Kansas 4-H Scholarships are online. All applications with supporting documentation & reference letters must be submitted no later than March 1st! The information for these scholarships is available on the following link:

<https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html>

### Judy Wiggins Scholarship:

The Judy Wiggins Memorial scholarship application will be due April 1st. Copies of the application are available by request from the Extension Office.

## 2022 Greenwood County Fair Theme

The 119th Greenwood County Fair is **July 22-25, 2022!** Each 4-H club is encouraged by the Greenwood County 4-H Foundation to be creative and submit a theme for the fair. Last year's theme "Raising the Barn" appeared on fair t-shirts, the fair paper, newspaper advertisements, and on the radio. Entries are due in the Extension by Friday, February 11th. Below is a list of requirements to fit our graphic needs:

- Black and White Only**
- Digital Design (no hand drawn ideas)**
- Size should be 8 inches x 8 inches**

## Standard for 4-H and FFA

By: Pam VanHorn

The purpose of the standards outlined below are to assist in determining eligible participation in FFA and/or 4-H Youth Development learning experiences. Both 4-H and Agriculture Education/FFA promote teaching youth life skills. Each program exists to maximize the participants' knowledge of agriculture and its value to our communities while educating the young people to become productive citizens. Eligible youth may participate in both 4-H and FFA but should avoid duplication. The following standards of participation are used in delivering the 4-H and FFA programs in Kansas.

1. Agriculture Education teachers, FFA Advisors, Extension staff and local volunteers are encouraged to cooperate in sharing information and resources to provide educational opportunities for youth.

2. When young people are members of both 4-H and FFA, they must plan and manage separate projects, and/or supervised agriculture experiences (SAE) programs.

3. FFA and 4-H members may enroll in the same area of experience in 4-H and FFA, however; participants cannot identify, nominate, manage, keep records on, or exhibit the same plants, animals, etc. in both organizations. Members must designate exhibits as either FFA or 4-H at weigh-in, registration or similar deadline.

4. Members may participate in judging contests and related events in FFA and 4-H but cannot represent both organizations at a contest, show or event at the same time.

5. When 4-H and FFA are conducting collaborating activities, both the 4-H and FFA organizations must be represented through emblems and information on all signs, print materials and awards.

6. Collaborating FFA and 4-H activities or events are obligated to have supervision representation from both organizations.

The standards are in agreement with Kansas 4-H and FFA and hereby affirmed by members and professionals in order to participate in either educational program.

## Junior Producer Days

This year the junior producer days are one-day (Saturday) educational events for families to learn about the selection and management of a specific species. These events will be hosted in Weber Hall on the K-State campus in Manhattan, Ks. Youth, parents, volunteers, and extension agents are invited to attend and learn about a variety of topics related to the project. Sessions include selection, nutrition, meat science, repro, fitting and grooming, daily care, and showmanship, plus a few that are specific to a particular specie. Presenters include K-State faculty, staff, students, and invited speakers. We will once again be offering an instructor-led YQCA training as an optional class at the end of the day for those interested in getting certified while they are here. T-shirts are provided to youth and adults who sign up before the deadline published on the registration materials.



## Citizenship in Action

Citizenship in Action (CIA) will be in person for 2022. Plans are being made for programming on February 20 and 21.

Registration should open in early January and will be due Tuesday, February 1. More information will be available soon.

## LIVESTOCK TAGGING

Beef weigh-in Friday March 18th 1-5 pm at Luthi's.  
Beef Tag's are \$4.00

All animals including market and breeding females will need to be tagged at spring weigh-in to be able to show at the Greenwood County Fair. If you have purebred animals that have registration papers they will not be required to be tagged, but you must turn in a copy of those registration papers by April 15th to the Extension office. You may email them to Lindsay @ lindsayshorter@ksu.edu. All livestock must be castrated or banded by spring weigh in.

## 4-H Council Corner

The 4-H Council will be meeting be a joint meeting with Lyon County on Wednesday, January 19th at the Sauder Center in Madison at 7pm.

Items to be on the agenda:

- ◆ Concessions at Flint Hills Classic
- ◆ Kansas Maids Fundraiser

## 4-H Ambassador Training

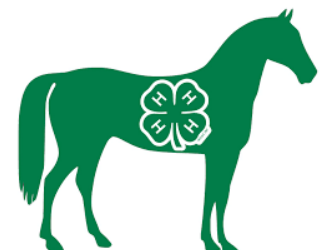
Ambassadors, Save the Date! Annual State 4-H Ambassador Training is planned for February 4-5 at Rock Springs. Information should be available in early January.

What do 4-H Ambassadors do? See the job description [here](#)

## Horse Panorama Back at Rock Springs

Horse Panorama will be at Rock Springs January 28-30, 2022. Horse Bowl, Hippology, and Speaking Contests will be held in person. While photography, logos, posters, and the model horse will be offered as hybrid classes, allowing those unable to attend an opportunity to submit materials.

Registration is now open! Check the [Panorama webpage](#) for registration information, schedules, and contest rules. Registration is due by January 9th!



## LEADERS' NOTES

- ⇒ SE Area Record Book Screening: We need adults to assist with screening in Eureka on Friday, January 21, 2022 beginning at 9am. Must have some previous experience with Record Book records. If interested contact the Extension office by Wednesday, January 12th.
- ⇒ FairEntry: Check out our website for information on how to sign up for and submit entries using FairEntry. There are step-by-step videos and word documents that will help families register and submit entries.  
<https://www.greenwood.k-state.edu/4-h/greenwoodcofair/index.html>
- ⇒ 2022 Scholarships: For the 2022 Kansas 4-H Scholarship process, the online applications are available at:  
<https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html>. Deadline to apply is March 1st!
- ⇒ Judy Wiggins Scholarship: Applications available at the Extension office & are due April 1<sup>st</sup>
- ⇒ 4-H County Days: County Clubs day will be February 12th. Encourage members to make plans now! Entries will be made via SignUp Genius. Club leaders will receive an email with the sign up link on January 31st for the group events at club days (model meeting and gavel games) and will be due February 1st at 5pm. **THIS LINK IS FOR CLUB LEADERS ONLY!** Another email containing links to sign up for individual presentations (Show and share, demos, project talks, public speaking, video presentations, music, talent, skits, dance, and interviews) will be sent out February 2nd to all 4-H members. Registration will close February 9th at 5pm. This email will include the schedule for group events (model meeting and gavel games) that leaders signed up for, so members do not double schedule their activities.
- ⇒ 4-H Regional Days: Regional Clubs day will be March 26th at Madison High School.

### Resources for 4-H Club Leaders

As a resource for club leaders the North Central Region Volunteer Specialists have created a new online training resource: ["4-H EZ: Recipe for Community Club Success."](#)

This training includes 6 videos, handouts, and resources that go with the videos. Volunteers can watch the videos and review the handouts and resources designed to help create a better club experience. We have also included a "4-H EZ Application Guide" that allows you to reflect on the videos and apply the information specifically to your 4-H Community Club.

This online training can be completed by an individual as volunteer development or with a group of youth and adult volunteers. The videos are set up so they could be completed all in one setting or divide them up, as needed, for a busy schedule.

The videos are available at: <http://bit.ly/4-HEZ>. Click on the heading of each section to go to the video. You'll first be asked to sign in, then you can click on the video link. At the end of each video, you'll be asked to reflect on something you have learned and offer suggestions for future training opportunities.

Thank you for your interest in strengthening your 4-H Community Club!

# 4-H Club Day Presentation Tips

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## General Thoughts

- ✿ Don't read your talk. Don't memorize, but do practice so you are familiar with it.
- ✿ Look at the audience and judge. This is a must for keeping their attention.
- ✿ Talk loud enough so people on the back row can hear you.
- ✿ Don't talk too fast. Make sure everyone can understand everything you say.
- ✿ Dress appropriately. Be sure you are well groomed and neat. Dress to fit your presentation.
- ✿ Good posture increases self confidence.
- ✿ Stand on two feet. Try not to rock back and forth.
- ✿ Charts should be easy to read – not crowded and cluttered.
- ✿ Place your charts in a place everyone can read.
- ✿ Remember to smile, smile, smile! It takes fewer muscles to smile than to frown.
- ✿ Demonstrations and Illustrated talks – ask for questions. Project talks – do not ask for questions.

## Demonstrations/Illustrated Talks

- ✿ Cover table with paper, table cloth, etc.
- ✿ Organize all your ingredients on a tray so that you can quickly move them from the supply table to the work area.
- ✿ Pre-measure ingredients or supplies.
- ✿ Clear empty containers from the work space as you finish with them.
- ✿ Make sure the electrical equipment works properly. Bring all supplies needed and equipment.
- ✿ Have examples of every step of the process. If something needs to dry for 5 minutes, have one already dry.
- ✿ Have “fill” information. Silence is not a good thing for a demonstration. Provide additional information about your topic – nutritional value, costs, origin of products, history of the subject, etc.
- ✿ Foods presentations: wear an apron, washable clothing and some device to keep hair in place.
- ✿ Use trays to help organize your supplies.
- ✿ Use clear containers so the audience can see what you are doing.

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- ✿ Use a damp cloth to wipe hands if doing foods demonstration or when using glue for crafts, etc.
- ✿ Cover name brands of products.
- ✿ Clear your work area before you show your finished product.
- ✿ Show your finished product with mirror.

### Posters/Charts

- ✿ Serve as a guide to you.
- ✿ Add interest to the title, topic and ideas presented.
- ✿ Focus and hold audience attention.
- ✿ Emphasize key points.
- ✿ Show comparisons.
- ✿ Summarize main thoughts.
- ✿ Should be neat and attractive.
- ✿ Use upper and lower case letters. (all capitals are hard to read)
- ✿ Use block letters. Avoid script or broken letters.
- ✿ Letters should be at least 2" in height in order to be read from 20' away.
- ✿ Should be easily read. Don't clutter or crowd with too many words/ideas. Use bullets or outline style.
- ✿ Limit the number of colors used. Easy to read colors include:
  - ✓ Black on white
  - ✓ Green on white
  - ✓ Blue on white
  - ✓ Yellow on black
- ✿ Hard to read colors include:
  - ✓ White on red
  - ✓ White on orange
  - ✓ Red on yellow
  - ✓ Green on red
- ✿ Use color for emphasis, but don't use it on everything.
- ✿ Beware that flourescent colors can be hard on the eyes.
- ✿ Do not mix color within words.
- ✿ Let color work for you, not against you!
- ✿ At least 3 posters – Title poster, steps/supplies and a summary.
- ✿ Use heavy weight poster board.

## 2022 Senior Job Interview Contest

Public speaking is one of the most important life skills 4-Hers develop over their 4-H careers. Yep, that's right. You are developing career-based skills, and 4-H Club Day is one opportunity to develop and showcase these skills.

In 2022, Chase, Chautauqua, Coffey, Elk, Greenwood, Lyon and Morris counties will debut a Job Interview contest at their local club day for 4-Hers in the senior division ages 14-18. County winners will have the opportunity to compete at Regional 4-H Club Day.

Many of you may already have a cover letter and a resume put together for your project record book area screening requirement. With the cover letter and resume a new requirement for area and state, the Job Interview will give you another place to utilize the work you've already done (or encourage you to get these important career-based tools ready!). The guidelines and project specific work that is required for area record judging will be your guideline for preparing for this portion of the contest.

Page 10-11 and page 13 includes information on the cover letter and resume: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/docs/projectrecordsandawards/Master%20Guide%20to%20KS%204-H%20Project%20Recognition%20System.pdf>

Job Interview contest expectations:

- 4-Hers will present a prepared cover letter and resume following the state record keeping guide. You will be able to use the cover letter and resume that you already put together for the area screening (or this will help you get this step of career employment started).
- 4-Hers will be interviewed by a potential employer/boss or panel of interviewers
- The interview will focus on the Job Description provided (see attached). The same Job Description will be used at both your local and regional 4-H Club Day competitions
- Interviews will be timed and will last no longer than 20 minutes
- The 4-Her who is selected as the top candidate for the job at each county contest will earn the right to compete in the Job Interview at Regional 4-H Club Day March 26 in Madison, KS. One alternate can be selected to attend if the top candidate wishes not to compete.

Note:

This is a mock interview competition. The job description is one of a job that could be filled by a teen 4-Her in your community but is not currently in the budget. Please review the information and consider your skills/experience and how it would fit into your goals and future career opportunities. What you present and share for the interview must be factual and true to your personal 4-H experience.

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## Youth Volunteer Coordinator

### Position Description and Responsibilities:

Your Extension County 4-H program is looking for a **Youth Volunteer Coordinator** to serve as a teen spokesperson and coordinator to help recruit and engage new volunteers to help lead project-specific learning opportunities for community youth ages 5-18.

- Work directly with your local Extension Office 4-H program to help identify and recruit new or first-time volunteers willing to serve program areas including:
  - Project-based learning experiences
  - Leadership
  - Civic engagement/community service
  - Judging and evaluation
  
- Promote volunteer opportunities within the 4-H program to the community
- Assist new 4-H Volunteers in designing, implementing, and delivering positive youth development programs to new and underserved audiences in the community
- Help maintain the registered "volunteer portfolio" to help ensure new volunteers receive support and regular contact with your local 4-H Extension Office/program leader
- Help identify areas where new volunteer leadership is needed. Some example volunteer descriptions include:
  - [Club Leader Position Description](#)
  - [Project Leader Position Description](#)
  - [Parents' Committee Position](#)
  - [New Family Coordinator Position Description](#)
  - [Records Position Description](#)
  - [Public Speaking Position Description](#)
  - [The 4-H Project Exhibit: A Superintendent's Role](#)

### Qualifications:

- Open to current 4-Her ages 14-18
- Evidence of strong 4-H participation and engagement in the community
- Willingness to learn more about positive youth development and the volunteer screening process
- Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing, with individuals, groups and through mass media
- Must uphold strict confidentiality and professionalism with volunteers and data management

### Expectations:

The Youth Volunteer Coordinator will work approximately 2 hours per week (10 hours per month) over a one-year period. Upon completion of 120 hours, the Youth Volunteer Coordinator will receive a \$250 scholarship.

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