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Chautauqua County 4-H Update



March

- 29 Good Friday—Extension Offices Closed
- 31 Happy Easter!

April

- 1 CQ County 4-H Scholarship Applications Due
- 10 4-H Council
- 24 YQCA Training—Sedan, 7:00 pm
- 26-27 Market Hog, Lamb and Goat Weigh-In—Sedan
- 27 Rolling Prairie Spring Beef Show—Sedan, 11 am

May

- 1 Project Drop/Add Deadline
- 1 State Nominations Due for Market Beef
- 12 Fun Fish Clinic—Sedan
- 27 Memorial Day—Extension Offices Closed

June

- 1 Rolling Prairie Small Animal Show—Sedan, 9:00 am
- 5-7 Discovery Days—Manhattan

May 1 Deadlines

May 1 is a very important deadline date.

- ⇒ **Drop/Add Deadline:** This is the last day you can drop or add projects for the year so make sure you are in the projects you want. You can do this through 4HOnline or call Jenny and she 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.
- ⇒ **Market Beef State Nominations:** Nominations and paperwork needs to be postmarked by May 1.

CQ Co. 4-H Council Meeting

The next council meeting will be April 10 at 7:00 p.m. at Sedan.

Rock Springs 4-H Camp

Registration for 4-H Camp at Rock Springs is now open for 2024.

For more information about summer camp, visit www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org.

Geology Club

Starting **April 5th**, we will have Geology Club for those enrolled in the geology project. The club will meet on **Fridays after school, on the steps of the Old Gym**. Linda Bever will be the project leader. We will be doing experiments to learn more about the geology of Earth and how it has been changed over the years. It is always advisable to wear long pants and closed-toed shoes while looking for rocks. We will also do a field trip towards the end to dig up some interesting rocks in our

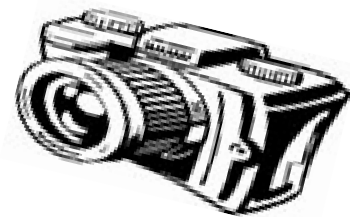


Photography Project Workshop

When: Tuesday, May 21, 2024

Where: Riverside Park & Zoo, Independence

What to bring: SD Memory Card, Lunch, Creativity!



All those enrolled in the Photography Project are welcome to attend our first ever Photography Project Workshop to learn about how to take quality photographs with a DSL Camera. Lori Vitt will be teaching photography techniques and providing instruction on using a DSL camera. Cameras will be provided, but you must have a SD Memory card (See picture). SD Memory cards are available locally at Dollar General and H&H.

To sign up or if you have questions, call Jenny or Linda at 620-725-5890.

Drop/Add Project Deadline

You have until May 1 to make changes in your projects. You can do this through [4-H Online](#) 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.

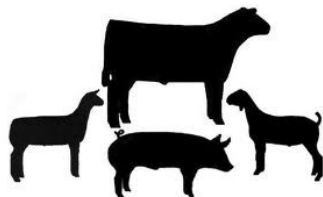


Horse IDs Due:

June 1, 2023



Each horse should be properly identified with the local Extension Office by June 1 of the current 4-H program year. Horses may be identified by a) completed Horse ID Certificate with all required signatures, or b) breed registration papers with horse ownership listed in the 4-H member's or a family member's name. "Family member" includes: immediate family: parent, stepparent, sibling, stepsibling, grandparent, or legal guardian. A copy of the 4-H Horse ID Certificate or the horse's registration papers must be kept on file with the local Extension Office. 4-H'ers exhibiting registered horses must present a copy of the registration papers or the 4-H Horse ID Certificate at check-in to the State Fair.



WEIGH-IN DATES

Small Animal	April 26-27
5:00-7:00 pm	9:00-10:00 am

SPRING SHOWS

Beef	April 27
Small Animal	June 1



State Nominations Due

Market Beef—May 1, 2023

Small Livestock—June 15, 2023



March 23 was Regional 4-H Day in Madison. Chautauqua County had two 4-H'ers that participated in individual contests and the Prairie Pride 4-H Club performed a dance called Old McDonald ReMix and received a blue rating.

Lakyn Sutton presented a project talk on Brahmas at Regional 4-H Day and received a red ribbon. Lakyn Sutton is a 7th grader in Sedan Jr. High School and has been a member of the Prairie Pride 4-H Club for 5 years. Her favorite activities are showing livestock at the local fair and jackpot shows. She also enjoys playing volleyball and basketball. Some of Lakyn's accomplishments are: winning Round Robin in 2021, 3rd place in this year's basketball tournament, and showmanship at the Interstate Fair and Rodeo at

Coffeyville, as well as winning both the market and breeding cattle shows. She also won the JV Scholars Bowl this year.

Lakyn's favorite thing to do in 4-H is to show cattle and spend time with her family and friends the at have similar interests. Her advice to others : Join 4-H! Start by exploring all the opportunities you can have within 4-H.

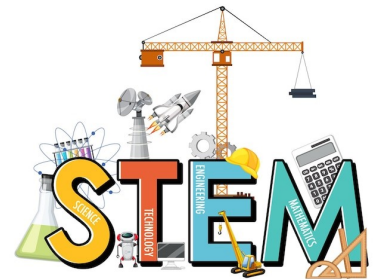
Wyatt Schmidtberger presented an illustrated talk on the history of the Angus breed of cattle and received a blue rating. Wyatt has been a member of the Sedan Willing Workers 4-H club for three years and is a 7th grader through a homeschool program. His favorite project is bucket calf and his breeding heifer, Bonnie. Wyatt's favorite activities are working with his heifer, crafting things, and playing video games.

Wyatt would encourage all 4-H'ers to try crafts because everyone can do it and you can do just about anything you can imagine.

Congratulations to all Regional 4-H Day Participants!

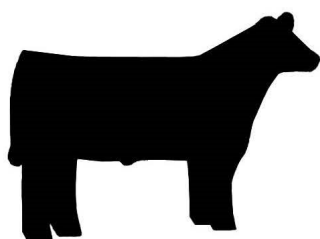
Engineering & Technology Project Exploration Camp

This summer, we will be hosting a Engineering & Technology Exploration Camp for those interested in any projects in the Engineering & Technology group. These projects will be discovery based activities that allow participants to learn more about these projects. Below is a schedule for the topics being explored.



Tuesday		Thursday	
When: June 4, Noon-4:00pm Where: Fairgrounds, 4-H Building	Rocketry Architectural Block Design	When: June 6, Noon-4:00pm Where: Fairgrounds, 4-H Building	Electricity Robotics
When: June 11, Noon-4:00pm Where: School, Vocational Building	Electricity Unmanned Aerial System Welding	When: June 13, Noon-4:00pm Where: Fairgrounds, 4-H Building	Rocketry Robotics

Chautauqua County 4-H Spring Livestock Shows



Small Animal Show

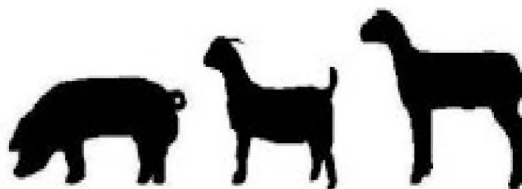
June 1, 2024

Beef Show

9:00 am

April 27, 2024

11:00 am



Chautauqua County Fairgrounds – Sedan, KS

Weigh-in & registration 30 minutes prior to each
show

**Open only to youth in
Chautauqua & Elk Counties.**

For more information contact the Extension Office

9:00 a.m. Goat

10:30 a.m. Sheep

12:00 p.m. Swine

2:00 p.m. Bucket Calf

Concessions will be available.

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Premium Sale Requirements

A new 4-H year means that it is time to start thinking about the fair. It is required that youth wishing to sell animals in the Premium Sale at the fair next summer complete at least three educational events or live-stock activities between August 1, 2021 and weigh-in at the fair. The events should pertain to the 4 species that are eligible for the premium sale.

This may include

- Rolling Prairie livestock project meeting
- Exhibit in a spring show
- Livestock judging contest
- YQCA program online or face-to-face
- Present a market livestock presentation at Club Days
- Participate in a livestock educational tour or event
- Write a story about you livestock project
- Do a Financial Analysis of your livestock project with a loan officer at a lending in-situation.

If you are not sure if an event will count ask Jenny prior to attending to get verification. Also, it is your responsibility to notify the office what events you attended and/or participated in order to receive credit for them. Local club events or project meetings are not the only activities that were meant to count toward the requirement. We want you to attend both in and out of district events for the requirements.

To sell in the premium sale, animals must be of a packer acceptable weight based on the scales at the fair. **Animals may go across the scales two times if under weight. Under weight animals maybe feed & watered under supervision but must reweigh in the time allotted. No drenching of animals. Superintendent has overall say in ethical treatment of animals.** The minimum weight for each species is:

- Steers 1,050 pounds (8a-9a)
- Pigs 210 pounds (9a-10a)
- Lambs 90 pounds (10a-11a)
- Goats/Hair Sheep 50 pounds (10a-11a)

Spring Tagging

- If you plan on showing market livestock at the fair all animals will need to be weighed in and tagged. All 4-H members should be enrolled in their projects before tagging. If you need help adding projects call Jenny. Tagging will be at the following locations and times (89-88 days before the fair):

Tags cost \$4.00 each. Please have exact change or check ready.

Weigh-In Dates

- Sheep, Goats, & Swine—**Friday, April 21st** from 5-7 pm at Sedan Fairgrounds
- Sheep, Goats, & Swine—**Saturday, April 22nd** from 9-10 am at Sedan Fairgrounds.



Kansas 4-H Discovery Days 2024

Kansas 4-H Discovery Days is planning to be in-person on KSU campus June 5-7th, 2024.

When: June 5-7th, 2024

Who: Youth ages 13-18 before January 1, 2024 are invited to register

Cost: \$225 - Some class sessions may have additional fees associated

Registration: Open [HERE](#) @ 12:01am on March 20, 2024

Discovery Days participants will be included in a special recognition event honoring the State Project Award Winners. This event will be held in the K-State Student Union on the evening of Thursday, June 8th and will include an evening social and entertainment. More details to follow!

Objectives for Discovery Days:

- Learn new ideas, techniques, and skills you can use personally and in your 4-H clubs, groups and communities
- In-depth training through hands-on educational sessions from content and youth development experts
- Prepare youth to make informed decisions about your careers and college path
- Enhance personal growth by giving opportunities to develop responsibility, confidence, independence, accountability, problem-solving, decision-making, and time management skills
- Meet new people and make new friends from different places and with different backgrounds from across the state
- Experience the K-State campus and its wealth of resources
- Develop college and career readiness skills which prepare participants academically and socially for a successful transition to college and life as an adult.





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