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Greenwood County 4-H News

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4-H Online

The deadline to Add/Drop 4-H projects and for **NEW** members to Enroll on Kansas 4-H Online is May 1st. Leaders and volunteers must be enrolled on 4-H online.

2025 KSF & KJLS

KSF & KJLS nomination information can be found at this link: <https://www.ksu.edu/extension/youth-programs/nominated-livestock/>

Lamb Lead-In Contest

It has been said that March comes in like a Lion and goes out like a Lamb. Hopefully that means calm and easy to lead for 4-Hers and others who might like to enter the Lamb Lead-In contest at the Greenwood County Fair. This contest has been a popular and fun one and now is the time to think ahead for entering this year's event. The Lamb Lead-In contest is open to anyone, there are classes for 6 years and under, ages 7 - 9, 10 - 13, 14 - 18, and adult. It is listed in the Open Class section of the Fair paper and is open to 4-Hers and others. You don't have to own the lamb but early summer would be a good time to make friends with a lamb, and it's owner, to practice leading the lamb. Check with others in your club to see who might have a lamb you could borrow if you're not enrolled in the project. The lamb's head and/or neck may be decorated, but it may not be blanketed to cover it's body. The participant's outfit is also part of the entry and may be purchased or sewn and must be at least 60% wool. The Make It With Wool contest has had many entries from Greenwood County and there may even be an outfit you could borrow if you don't have one. Your outfit may be a sweater with slacks or jeans, a vest with jeans, a jumper, skirt or dress, or a suit. The judging will be held Sunday, July 28th during the Greenwood County Fair. Pre-entries may be made with open class and will also need a description of the garment and a narrative form for the show. Participants will be evaluated on how well they model their outfit and how well they show the lamb.



May

- 1 Market Beef Nominations post-mark deadline
- 1 4-H Online **new** member enrollment deadline
- 1 4-H Online Project Add/Drop deadline
- 10 Entomology Project Meeting @ 1pm in Iola
- 14 County 4-H Camp, 6pm @ Concourse Building
- 19 4-H Council Meeting, 7pm in Neal
- 26 Extension Office Closed - Memorial Day Holiday
- 28 Poultry & Rabbit Showmanship Clinic—Eureka
- 30 Deadline to sign GW Co Fair Livestock Premium Sale Rules (due to the Ext. Office by 4:30pm)
- 30 Horse ID Papers due to Ext. Office by 4:30pm

June

- 1 FairEntry Opens!
- 3 SE Area Livestock Contest - Iola
- 4-6 Discovery Days (registration due May 5th)
- 5 Small Livestock DNA envelope order deadline
- 6 Fair T-Shirt orders w/payment due to Ext. Office (order form is at the end of the newsletter)
- 10-13 Kansas Range Youth Camp
- 25 SE Area Contest Day—Anderson Bldg., Emporia
- 11-14 K-State Animal Science Leadership Academy
- 12 SE Area Contest Day—Anderson Bldg., Emporia
- 13 GW Co Fair Shooting Sports entries due in FairEntry
- 15 Small Livestock & Commercial Heifers Nominations deadline
- 21 Multi-County 4-H Dog Show in Fredonia, KS
- 21 GW Co Fair Archery Competition @ 9am
- 26 Poultry Banding & Testing, 5:30 pm @ Fairgrounds
- 27-28 Kansas 4-H Insect Spectacular in Hays, KS
- 29 GW Co Fair Shotgun Competition @ 4pm
- 29 Shooting Sport Banquet @ 7pm

July

- 1 FairEntry Closes!
- 4 Extension Office Closed - 4th of July Holiday
- 19 County Fair 4-H Horse Show, 5pm
- 19 County Fair - Consultation Judging, 8am
- 23 County Fair Clothing Judging Day - 8:30am
- 23 Public Fashion Revue - 7pm
- 25-28 Greenwood County Fair

Discovery Days

Kansas 4-H Discovery Days is planning to be in-person on KSU campus!

When: June 4th - 6th, 2025

Where: KSU Campus

Who: Youth ages 13 - 18 before January 1, 2025

Cost: \$225

Registration: Closes May 5th

General Schedule: Can be found [HERE](#).

Discovery Days objectives:

- Help youth learn new ideas, techniques, and skills they can use personally and in their 4-H clubs or groups and communities
- Give youth in-depth training through hands-on educational sessions from content and youth development experts
- Prepare youth to make informed decisions about their careers and college path
- Enhance personal growth by giving opportunities to develop responsibility, confidence, independence, accountability, problem-solving, decision-making, and time management skills
- Help youth meet new people and make new friends from different places and with different backgrounds from across the state
- Provide an opportunity for youth to 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

Poultry Banding & Meeting

All poultry exhibited at the fair must be identified with a leg band. Also, U.S. Pollorum-Typhoid testing is required this year. The date for banding and testing will be Thursday, June 26th at 5:30pm at the fairgrounds. If you are unable to make it, please make plans for your birds to be transported by someone. Feel free to reach out to Ag Agent, Ben, with questions. benjam63@ksu.edu

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Horse ID Papers



Horse ID's are due in the Extension Office by Friday, May 30th.

Get one here:

<https://www.bookstore.ksre.k-state.edu/pubs/P1039.pdf> or pick one up at the Extension Office.

The Kansas 4-H horse rule book may be found [here](#).

- ⇒ **Horse Ownership:** Youth may own the horse themselves, or use a family-owned horse (immediate family: parent, stepparent, sibling, grandparent, or legal guardian).
- ⇒ **Leasing:** The leasing option is intended for youth who do not have access to family-owned horse or who want to expand their participation in the 4-H Horse Project, provided that they manage the horse at least 75% of the time from June 1 through September 30. If a 4-H member leases his or her project horse to another 4-H member, the leaser forfeits the right to use the horse.
- ⇒ **Sharing Project Horses:** The names of all siblings who intend to show the horse must be listed on the 4-H Horse Identification submitted on or before June 1st. Youth may exhibit the same horse; however the horse cannot participate in the same class in the same age division more than once at a given show. Youth can be in same age division, but they will have to participate in different classes. Youth must share management of the horse.

Dairy Goats at the 2025 County Fair!



Detailed show rules will be released in the Fair Book on June 1st. Animals must be dehorned and debudded. Does must be ADGA or AGS registered. Registration papers or stamped duplicate registration applications will be required for all registered animals.

Animal papers must be in the name of the 4-Hers by June 1 or show ownership by June 1 for grades. Each exhibitor is limited to 4 entries for the entire dairy goat show, with a max of 2 entries per age division (i.e. 2 Jr Does and 2 Sr. Does). Animals without registration papers or legible tattoos, will show with recorded grades, on a bill of sale. Those animals must also be identified by an official USDA Scrapie Premise I.D. tag. If you have any questions feel free to reach out to Agent, Ben Sims, by calling the office at 620-583-7455 or emailing him directly at benjam63@ksu.edu.

SE Area District Livestock Judging Contest

When: Tuesday, June 3rd

Where: Allen County Fairgrounds—Iola

This contest will determine who represents Greenwood County at the State 4-H Contest hosted in Manhattan in August. All are welcome at the District contest, but youth must be at least 9 years old to compete at the State Sweepstakes Contest in August. Registration information will be sent out as soon as it's available.

SE Area Youth Challenge Day (SE Area Regional Contest)

When: Thursday, June 12th

Where: Lyon County Anderson Building in Emporia

Contests available: Horticulture, Crops, FCS, Favorite Foods (for local winners), and Photography

Contact the Extension office if you would like a ride there that day!

Greenwood County Fair Photography Special Category Award

1. Photography judging will be on Saturday, July 19th starting at 8am.
2. Do **not** label your exhibit. Superintendent will place label on exhibits when they are brought in for judging. Keep your bags unsealed.
3. Kim Gaines will be sponsoring a photo category "4-H Spirit Photography Special Category Award." One (1) color entry per 4-H member (needs to be enrolled in the photography project) that depicts the spirit and promotion of the 4-H organization. A \$20.00 cash prize will be awarded.

Guidelines are:

- ◆ Photos could be selected to go to the state fair under the color category.
- ◆ If entering your color photo in the special award there will be a sticker to apply to your entry.
- ◆ This is a one winner category.
- ◆ All members would acknowledge that the GWCO Extension and Research office and/or ambassadors would use these photos for publication and promotion.
- ◆ Upon being selected for these possible projects, a digital file will need to be submitted to the extension office at a later date.
- ◆ The photo would not be eligible for open class.
- ◆ This would not increase the number of photos a 4-H member could enter at the county level.

Greenwood County 4-H Dog Project Training Sessions



Greenwood County 4-H Dog Project will help you elevate your skills and your own knowledge and prepare both you and your dog for competitions at the 4H Dog Shows. Starting April 30th at the Fairgrounds, weekly sessions will offer training in Showmanship, Rally/O, and Obedience. Build stronger bonds, get better obedience, and learn techniques in training and handling your dog. All age levels and experience levels are Welcome. For more information and to sign-up, contact Suellen Appellof at (907) 841-4713 or suellen.appellof@gmail.com.

Multi-County 4-H Dog Show

The dog show will be held in Fredonia on Saturday, June 21st. Registration forms will be emailed out and are due to the Fredonia Extension Office.

4-H/FFA Fair Premium Sale Policy Reminders

This policy is regarding eligibility for the Livestock Sale from the Greenwood County 4-H Foundation:

- Livestock sale participants are required to attend a minimum of 4 monthly meetings.
- The livestock sale is terminal for all animals. Grand and Reserve Grand in each species are required to sell. Fair participants will be limited to one animal in the sale **with the exception that in the event that a participant has more than one Grand and/or Reserve Champion, the participant will be required to sell ALL Grand and/or Reserve Champions.**
- Requiring all Grand and Reserve Champions to sell ensures the quality and integrity of the program.
- Each fair participant has the right to withdraw their animal from the grand drive if they wish not to sell it.

For questions, contact Jamie Nelson, President of Greenwood County 4-H Foundation. Other members include Mike Mallek, Natalie Boone, Kim Gaines, Doris Decker, and Luke Westerman.

Each 4-H member who wishes to sell an animal in Greenwood County 4-H Premium sale must:

1. Attend at least four monthly meetings of the club in which they are enrolled. Attendance will be counted from October 1st - June 30th; with the official record being the 4-H club Secretary.
2. Have a signed copy (both 4-H'er and guardian must sign) of the GW Co Fair Livestock Premium Sale Rules on file with the Extension Office by **May 30th!**

Kansas 4-H Insect Spectacular

Mark your calendars for the 2025 Kansas 4-H Insect Spectacular, a two-day state-wide entomology work shop, will be held in person on June 27th - 28th in El Dorado, KS. Classes will include basic pinning, basic and advanced identification, insect photography, invasive species, pollinator gardens and more. A parent or legal guardian must attend with their 4-H'er. Registration, proposed schedule, and full information will be coming soon. More info can be found [HERE](#).

4-H Council Corner

The next council meeting is Monday, May 19th at the courthouse. Each Council member should plan to bring one younger 4-H member with them to the meeting! Buyers' Meal, Day Camp, & Fair Movie/Dance Committees should plan to meet prior to the May Council Meeting and be prepared to present upcoming plans at the May Council Meeting.

Items on Agenda:

- Clean up date for fair
- Fair help sign-up
- Approve Buyer's Meal budget

Fair Changes

There have been some changes to the fair this year. When things will be judged, how they are judged, and class offerings. The main change being that many indoor projects will now be judged on Saturday July 19th. We have compiled those changes in to one document that can be found on our website [HERE](#).

Entomology Project Meeting

The May Entomology project meeting will be on May 10th beginning at 1:00 p.m. starting at the Allen County Extension Office Meeting Room. They will be going out and trying to collect some insect specimens. Bring your nets, kill jars and specimen containers.



Leader's Notes

- ♦ May 4-H Council Meeting: Bring a Buddy: Each 4-H Council member should plan to bring one younger 4-H member with them to the May 19th Council meeting. **There will also be a Club Leaders meeting starting at 6 pm before the start of the 4-H Council Meeting. The location has changed to the Courthouse.**
- ♦ Premium Sale Rules: The deadline to sign the GW Co Fair Livestock Premium Sale Rules for Livestock youth exhibitors and parent/guardian is 4:30pm on Friday, **May 30th!** In order to participate in the Greenwood County Fair Livestock Premium Sale, there must be a signed copy of these rules on file at the Extension Office!
- ♦ Ambassador Program: Please start encourage your high school age members to be thinking about applying to be an 4-H Ambassador.
- ♦ FairEntry: Opens June 1st, Closes July 1st! Special note that Shooting Sports entries are due June 13th this year.
- ♦ Small Livestock & Commercial Heifers Nominations: must be post-marked by June 15th
- ♦ Poultry Testing and Banding: Testing is required for all birds that exhibit at the fair this year. June 26 @ 5:30 pm on fairgrounds.
- ♦ Horse Identification: Please remind members wishing to show at the County Fair that registration papers are no longer accepted as forms of ID. It must be the Horse ID form. Also, all exhibitors must show proof of a negative EIA Coggins test for each horse.
- ♦ Fair Changes: Please be sure to direct your members to the County Fair changes for this year that have been linked in the newsletter. Especially the change to the judging of indoor exhibits to Saturday the 19th.

2025 Greenwood County Fair

T-Shirt Order Form

The Greenwood County 4-H Foundation is selling 2025 Greenwood County Fair T-Shirts. Please fill out the form below and return **w/payment** to the Extension Office by 4:30pm on Friday, **June 6th!** T-Shirts shall be purple in color with a white logo. Cost will be \$12 each. Please make **checks payable to the Greenwood County 4-H Foundation**. Thank you for your support!!

Name: _____ Email: _____

Sizes (please note how many you are ordering):

_____ Youth X-Small (4/5)

_____ Youth Small (6/8)

_____ Youth Medium (10/12)

_____ Youth Large (14/16)

_____ Adult X-Small

_____ Adult Small

_____ Adult Medium

_____ Adult Large

_____ Adult X-Large

_____ Adult XX-Large (**add'l \$2**)

_____ Adult XXX-Large (**add'l \$2**)

Total: _____



Thank you and congratulations to the Madison Pacesetters 4-H Club for this year's county fair logo!

Poultry & Rabbit

**Bring Your
Animal!**

Showmanship Clinic

When: Wed., May 28th

Poultry from 5-6 pm
Rabbit from 6-7 pm

Where: Greenwood
Co. Fairgrounds
210 N Jefferson St.
Eureka, KS 67045

- ✓ Basic Anatomy
- ✓ Showmanship Tips
- ✓ Show Day Prep

Register



Call: 620-583-7455 or
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