

GREENWOOD COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

Kansas State University Extension - Greenwood County ~ Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:30pm

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March

- 7 Kansas Jr. Beef Producer Day, Manhattan, KS
- 8 Shooting Sports Safety Meeting @ Eureka Library
- 10 Record Book Workshop - Courthouse, 6 pm
- 16 4-H Council Meeting - Joint with Elk County
- 19 YQCA Training @ Courthouse, 6:30pm
- 20 Beef Weigh-In - Luthi's Ranch, 1-5 pm
- 21 Project Learning Day - Memorial Hall, 1-3 pm
- 27 Kansas Maid Order Pick Up
- 28 Regional Club Day @ Madison High School

April

- 1 Judy Wiggins Scholarship applications due
- 1 Trophy Donor money and list of donors due to the Extension Office
- 11 KSU Jr. Sheep Producer Day, Manhattan, KS
- 13 YQCA Training @ Courthouse, 6:30pm
- 18 Small Animal Weigh-In
- 20 Last day to order Market Beef DNA Envelopes (State Nominations)
- 26 Flint Hills Classic

May

- 1 Market Beef Nominations post-mark deadline
- 1 4-H Online New Member enrollment deadline
- 1 4-H Online Project add/drop deadline
- 30 Multi-County 4-H Dog Show - Fredonia

June

- 1 FairEntry Opens!
- 3-5 Discovery Days, Manhattan
- 5 Small Livestock DNA envelope order deadline
- 9-12 Kansas Range Youth Camp
- TBD SE Area Contests - Emporia
- 13 GW Co Fair Shooting Sports entries due in FairEntry
- 15 Small Livestock & Commercial Heifer nominations deadline
- 20 GW Co Fair Archery Competition @ 9am
- 21 GW Co Fair Shotgun Competition @ 4pm
- 21 Shooting Sports Banquet @ 7pm

4-H Online

The deadline for new members to Enroll and the Add/Drop date for 4-H projects for all members on Kansas 4-H Online is Friday, May 1st. Leaders and volunteers must be enrolled on 4-H Online.

4-H Regional Club Day

Regional Club Days is planned for Saturday, March 28th at the Madison High School. Save the date and start planning for events!

Record Book Workshop



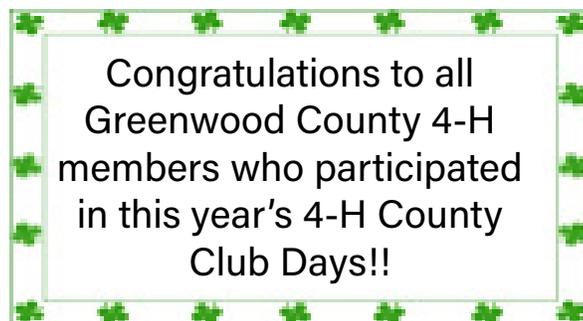
It's never too early to start thinking about Record Books for the year! Join us on March 10th at 6:00 PM at the Courthouse Commissioners Room) to learn about ZBooks, form-fillable files, and examples of what should be included in each section of the record book. Time will be set aside for a Q&A at the end.

Find a helpful document [HERE](#) to start planning your goals for the year.

Kansas Maid Fundraiser



The Greenwood County 4-H Foundation appreciates the County 4-H members hard work in raising funds for continued improvements for future years. The pick up date for the clubs will be Friday, March 27th. If you have any questions, please contact the Extension office.



Flint Hills Classic

The Flint Hills Classic will be held on Sunday, April 26th. The 4-H Council voted to host a concession stand during the Flint Hills Classic Livestock show. All that is needed is the help of 4-H club members and some adult volunteers to operate the concession stand. 4-H Council has assembled the following schedule for clubs to come and help. Approximately two (2) adults and five (5) 4-Hers are needed for each shift. All proceeds from the concession stand will benefit the Greenwood County 4-H Foundation, and will be used to improve fairground facilities.

Concession Schedule:

6:30am – 8:15am	Fancy Mustangs
8:15am – 10:00am	Madison Pacesetters
10:00am – 11:45am	Harmony Sunflowers
11:45am – 1:30pm	Racing Wranglers
1:30pm – 3:30pm	Willow Valley Go-Getters

Entomology Project Meeting

Time to get some new insect specimens identified! We will work on this at the March 14th Entomology project meeting at the Allen County Extension Office beginning at 1:00 p.m. Please bring the insects you need help getting identified. Parents please bring your laptop or a zip drive so we can get the insect labels spreadsheet on your computer for you to use. I will plan on staying a little later in the afternoon to help new families pin more insects, so bring you pinning supplies and insects to pin. Questions? Call Vicky at (620)804-9170.

Interested in creating a design for the 2026 Insect Spectacular T-shirts? Find a flyer with details at the end of the newsletter!

Judy Wiggins Scholarship

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

K-State Junior Producer Days

K-State Junior Beef Producer Day:

Date: Saturday, March 7st

Registration Deadline: Friday, February 13th

Cost: \$20/person by February 13th (\$30/person after February 13th)

- Registration must be RECEIVED by February 13th to receive a t-shirt
- Both youth & adults attending need to register

Online Registration: <https://bit.ly/BeefJrProducer>

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*****An instructor-led YQCA certification class will also be offered at the end of the day for each program. You will need indicate if you plan to stay for this optional class during the registration process. More details on registering for the appropriate course through the YQCA website will be sent only to those who plan to stay and attend. You will need to complete an extra step to register through the YQCA platform and pay the additional \$3.00/child fee.

Project Learning Day

The 4-H Ambassadors are planning a Project Learning Day that will be on March 21st from 1:00 - 3:00 PM at Memorial Hall. This is the perfect opportunity to learn about and explore some of our project areas! Flyer is on page 5, sign up by March 16th! Registration link: <https://bit.ly/40sBLiC>



Upcoming 2026 Dates

- Record Book Workshop - March 10
- Beef Weigh-In - March 20
- Project Learning Day - March 21
- Regional 4-H Club Day - March 28
- Small Animal Weigh-In - April 18
- Flint Hills Classic - April 26
- Shooting Sports - Archery June 20, Shotgun - June 21, Banquet - June 21
- Greenwood County Fair – July 24 - 27

County Shooting Sports Contests

The Greenwood County 4-H Archery Shoot will be Saturday June 20th, and the Shotgun Shoot will be Sunday June 21st, followed by the Annual Shooting Sports Awards Banquet at the Concourse building.

Entries for these contests will be due June 13th on Fair Entry. Please plan accordingly to get all entries complete by the due date.

Join the "Greenwood County 4-H Archery" Facebook page for all archery member information.

Livestock Tagging

Beef weigh-in is on Friday, March 20th at Luthi's, 3673 Z Rd. Madison. Beef Tags are \$4.00

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 to the Extension office by the spring weigh-in date. You may email them to Clinton(cllaflin@ksu.edu). All market beef must be castrated or banded by spring weigh-in.

Small Animal Weigh-In

Weigh-in and tagging for swine, sheep, meat goats, and bucket calf is Saturday, April 18th. Tags are \$4 each.

Approximate weigh-in schedule:

- 8:00 AM - Swine
- 9:30 AM - Goats
- 10:00 AM - Sheep
- 10:30 AM - Bucket Calves

2026 Market Beef Nomination Information

Market Beef Nomination must be postmarked by May 1st. Please see nomination information at www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu

All 2026 state livestock nomination information will be posted on the "Nomination Information" tab of the KSU Youth Livestock website.

Important: All animals that are nominated for the Kansas Junior Livestock Show and Kansas State Fair will be required to be tagged with the Kansas 4-H EID tags in 2026. DNA hair samples in official DNA envelopes are also required.

**Exhibitors must contact their local Extension Office to get their animals tagged and further details on state nomination.

The next Greenwood County 4-H Council meeting will be held on Monday, March 16th at 6:30pm at the GW Co. Courthouse. We will be having a joint meeting with Elk County. Items to be on the agenda:

- Fair Building Watch Day/Times
- Trash Duty Times

Shooting Sports Safety Meeting

We are hosting a safety meeting on Sunday, March 8th @ 4pm at the Eureka library. Please make EVERY EFFORT to attend!! If you have attended 2 safety meetings with Greenwood County Shooting Sports, you are EXEMPT from further safety meetings. We will have prepractice refreshers. But, if you would like to attend, you are more than welcome. In the past there has been some confusion on the safety requirements. There is no change to this rule. Please do NOT bring your bow/arrows or shotgun into the Safety meeting. If you have not been shooting your bow since last 4-H season, you are encouraged to bring it in after the meeting or schedule a time to meet up with Brad to ensure the draw length and arrow length is correct before shooting again.

Contact 4-H S/S Coordinator Annissa Boulanger with questions: fivebtribe@gmail.com or (620) 583-4100.

Discovery Days

When: June 3rd - 5th, 2026

Who: Youth ages 13 - 18 before January 1, 2026 are invited to register

Where: Kansas State University

Registration: Coming soon!

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.



Horse ID Papers

Horse ID's are due in the Extension Office by Friday, May 29th. Get one here:

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

Livestock Judging, Meat Judging, Livestock Skill-a-thon, and Livestock Quiz Bowl Practice

The 2026 Contest Season is soon approaching and it is time to get started with preparations. Any 4-Her that is 4-H age 11 or older that is interested in Livestock Judging, Meat Judging, Livestock Skillathon, or Livestock Quiz Bowl is invited to join practices. Jeanna Beeman and Carla Davis will be coordinating the practices and contest attendance. Please contact Carla with the 4-Her's name, an email for parents, and phone number.

NOTE: Practices will be scheduled on average once a week and will be held at RanchLand Feed, LLC in Madison.

Per county rules anyone that would like to attend the Kansas State 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes in Manhattan at KSU in August must attend our SE Area Contests. The dates for these contests have not been set yet, but we will share more information as soon as possible.

The first Meat Judging Contest is in April.

A parent meeting will be scheduled to share details and dates.

4-Her's age 11 is due to the fact that the materials and concepts we cover are very detailed.

If you have any questions, please contact Carla Davis at (620) 437-6315 or gregncarladavis@gmail.com.



Dog Project Update

The 4-H Dog Project in Greenwood County is a fun and educational activity for dog owners and

their pets. It offers engaging activities such as Showmanship, Rally/Obedience, and more. Practices take place at the Greenwood County Fairgrounds and weekly classes will begin soon.

If you are interested in participating or learning more, contact Suellen Appellof at (907) 841-4713 or email her at suellen.appellof@gmail.com. She has 15 years experience training, competing, & showing her own dogs in AKC venues. She is also involved in local & national dog organizations.

Don't miss out on this opportunity to improve your dog's skills and have a great training and competition experience with the Greenwood County 4-H Dog Project!

YQCA Training



Mark Your Calendars!

March 19th & April 13th @ 6:30 pm
Greenwood County Courthouse

YQCA Training is required to show at the Kansas Junior Livestock Show and the Kansas State Fair. This program must be completed each year. These trainings will be "in person" and require a \$3 sign up fee.

Other opportunities for In-Person YQCA Training:

- March 25 @ 6:30pm in El Dorado
- March 26 @ 6:30 pm in Howard
- April 23 @ 6:30pm in El Dorado
- TBD @ 6:30 pm in Sedan
- May 21 @ 6:30pm in El Dorado

******Sign-up by logging into your YQCA account @ yqcaprogram.org and selecting only one session.****



PROJECT LEARNING DAY

Open to current and potential
4-H members!

March 21st at 1:00 PM - Memorial Hall
309 N Oak St, Eureka, KS 67045

Project Areas included:

- Foods & Nutrition
- Jewelry
- Crafts
- Horticulture
- And more!

To register: scan the
QR code or visit
<https://bit.ly/40sBLiC>
by March 16th



Questions: Contact Alisha at
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4-H RECORD BOOK WORKSHOP

MARCH 10, 2026 | 6:00PM

COURTHOUSE-COMMISIONER'S ROOM



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FORM-FILLABLE FILES,
RECORD BOOK EXAMPLES,
AND Q&A

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2026 T-Shirt Design Contest

Calling all creative 4-Hers! Try your hand at creating a design to go on the 2026 Insect Spectacular T-shirts.

Theme: Lepidoptera (Butterflies, Skippers and/or Moths) of Kansas

Contest Dates: Contest will run from February 01 to March 06, 2026.

Design must be submitted to Vicky Wallace by midnight March 06, 2026.

Mailing Address: 2447 40th Road, Humboldt, Kansas 66748

Email: vicky.wallace55@gmail.com

Design Size: Design must fit on an 8 ½" X 11" sheet of paper.

Colors: Maximum three colors plus one color for T-Shirt

Wording: Must include "Insect Spectacular 2026". You can include something that goes with the theme if you like.

Description: You are creating the design for the graphic that will be on the T-shirts for participants at the 2026 Insect Spectacular. This is the State 4-H Entomology Workshop held each summer. You can use graphics of true Lepidoptera or create your own artful images. No copy righted clip art, photos or graphics may be used. Remember to use only Lepidoptera found in Kansas.

Prize: Winner will receive a \$20 gift card to Sonic.

Leadership: This would be a great addition to your 4-H Record Book, especially for the Visual Arts, Entomology, and Leadership projects.

Information that must be on the back of your entry:

4-Hers Name, 4-H Age, County/District, Mailing address, Phone number, first and second choice of T-shirt color, Email (if you have one)

Questions: Contact Vicky Wallace at vicky.wallace55@gmail.com OR Phone: (620)804-9170

Winning design will be selected by the State 4-H Entomology committee. Anyone submitting a design for competition may not vote on the design selection.

2026 K-STATE JUNIOR BEEF PRODUCER DAY

Program

Join us on March 7, 2026, for the biennial K-State Junior Beef Producer Day! This event is a fun-filled educational day for youth, parents, beef project leaders, ag teachers, and extension agents to expand their knowledge of youth beef projects. Presentations by K-State faculty, staff, K-State livestock judging team members, students, and guest speakers will cover topics that may include selection, nutrition, daily care, meat science, reproduction, health, grooming, and showmanship. An optional YQCA certification class will be offered at the end of the day. A complimentary lunch and t-shirt will also be provided for those who register by the deadline. The registration fee is \$20 per person for those who sign up by February 13. The fee will increase to \$30 per person for those who register after the deadline. Only those who register by February 13 will receive a t-shirt. This is a family event! Anyone attending the event must register, including youth and adults.



Tentative Schedule

8:00AM	Check-in
9:00AM	Welcome
9:15AM	Project Selection
10:00AM	Morning Breakout Sessions -Nutrition, Meat Science, Daily Care, Grooming & Fitting
Noon	Lunch
1:00PM	Afternoon Breakout Sessions -Health, Reproduction, Showmanship
3:15PM	Dismissal
3:30PM	Optional YQCA Class

Registration

Deadline: February 13

Fee: \$20/person

Registration Link: <https://bit.ly/BeefJrProducer>

Late Registration: \$30/person (after February 13)

*All attendees must register, including youth & adults.

**Late registrants will not receive a t-shirt.



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Questions?
Lexie Hayes

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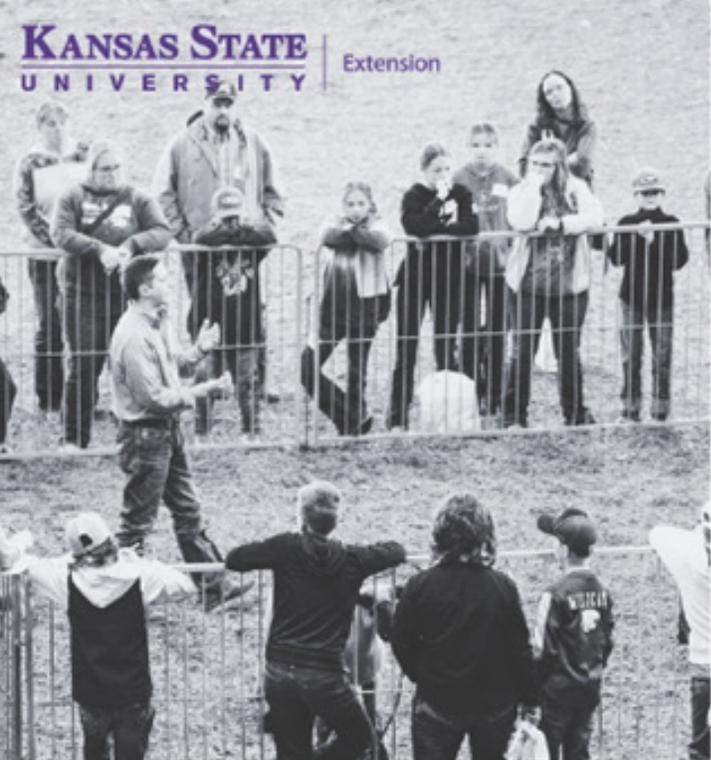
Registration Due
February 13



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2026 K-State Junior Sheep Producer Day



Date

4.11.2026

Manhattan, KS



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Registration

Due: 3.20.2026

Cost: \$20/person

<https://bit.ly/SheepJrProducer>

*All adults & youth must register to attend.

**Only those registered by 3/20/26 will receive a t-shirt.

***Late registration is \$30/person.



Questions

Lexie Hayes



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Program

Join us for the biennial K-State Junior Sheep Producer Day on Saturday, April 11, 2026. Presentations will be provided by featured guests, as well as K-State faculty, staff, and students. This event will be an educational day of activities in which youth, parents, extension agents, ag teachers, and sheep project leaders can increase their knowledge of youth sheep project selection and management. A variety of topics will be shared, including an optional YQCA certification at the end of the day. All ages and skill levels are invited! Lunch and a t-shirt are included. The registration fee is \$20/person for those who sign up by March 20 or \$30/person for those who register after that date. Only those who register by the deadline will receive a t-shirt. This is a family event! Anyone attending, including both youth and adults, must register. There will be an optional tour of the sheep and meat goat center offered on Friday evening and Saturday after jr. day.

Tentative Schedule

Friday, April 10

5:00-7:00PM Optional Tour of Sheep & Goat Center

Saturday, April 11

8:00AM Check-in

9:00AM Welcome

9:15AM Selection

10:00AM Nutrition

10:45AM Morning Breakout Sessions

-facilities & equipment, reproduction, project management purchase to show

NOON Lunch

1:00PM Health

1:45PM Afternoon Breakout Sessions

-wool, showmanship, clipping & grooming

3:45PM Dismissal

4:00PM Optional YQCA Class

4:00-6:00PM Optional Sheep & Goat Center Tour

4-H CLUB LEADERS NOTES

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Leaders, if you have questions you're asked frequently, please let us know. We want this to be a helpful workshop for families!

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Social Media: If you have photos from club events or meetings that you would like shared on our Facebook page please email the photos and a caption to Alisha. We are happy to share flyers for club fundraising events too!

Volunteer Screening: If you know of any 4-H volunteers that have not registered and gone through the screening process, please let the office know immediately! The Extension Office wishes to ensure that ALL Greenwood County 4-H Volunteers, both new and old, have gone through the appropriate steps of screening to be 4-H Volunteers. Per the Kansas 4-H Policy Handbook: It is a privilege, not a right, to be a 4-H Volunteer.

