

GREENWOOD COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

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

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May

- 1 Market Beef Nominations post-mark deadline
- 1 4-H Online New Member enrollment deadline
- 1 4-H Online Project add/drop deadline
- 18 4-H Council Buddy Meeting @ 7pm at Courthouse
- 19 County 4-H Camp, 6pm @ Memorial Hall
- 25 Memorial Day - Extension Office Closed
- 28 Poultry Banding
- 29 Horse ID Papers due to Extension Office
- 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
- 10-13 K-State Animal Science Leadership Academy
- 18 SE Area Contests - Emporia
- 13 GW Co Fair Shooting Sports entries due in FairEntry
- 15 Small Livestock & Commercial Heifer nominations deadline
- 19-20 Insect Spectacular, Iola
- 20 GW Co Fair Archery Competition @ 9am
- 21 GW Co Fair Shotgun Competition @ 4pm
- 21 Shooting Sports Banquet @ 7pm

July

- 1 FairEntry Closes!
- 2 SE Area Livestock Contest in Erie, KS
- 3 Extension Office Closed - 4th of July Holiday
- 18 County Fair - Consultation Judging, 8am
- 18 County Fair 4-H Horse Show, 5pm
- 22 County Fair Clothing Judging day - 8:30am
- 22 Public Fashion Revue - 7pm
- 24-27 Greenwood County Fair

4-H Online

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

2026 KSF & KJLS

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

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:

5. 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.
6. 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 29th!

Greenwood County 4-H Dog Project Training Sessions



Are you ready to level up your bond with your favorite four-legged friend? The Greenwood County 4-H Dog Project is back, and we want you to be a part of it!

Whether your dog is a seasoned pro or just starting out, our project is all about having fun while learning something new. We offer exciting classes in:

- Showmanship – Shine in the ring!
- Rally & Obedience – Build teamwork and focus.
- ...and Beginning Agility this year!

Practices are held at the Greenwood County Fairgrounds. Weekly classes begin April 1, so now is the perfect time to jump in!

Don't miss this chance to sharpen your training skills, make new friends, and enjoy working with your "best friend".

Ready to get started or have questions? Reach out today:
Call/Text: (907) 841-4713
Email: suellen.appellof@gmail.com

Fair Concessions Stand

If any non-profit group associated with youth development would like to sign-up for a time to run the Concession Stand at the Fair as a Fundraiser, please contact the Extension Office.

Concessions Schedule:

Friday:

9a-9p Harmony Sunflowers

Saturday:

9a-2p OPEN

2-9p OPEN

Sunday:

4-9p GW Co Shooting Sports

K-State Animal Science Leadership Academy

For more information or to register click [HERE](#).

Multi-County 4-H Dog Show

The dog show will be held in Fredonia on Saturday, May 30th. Registration forms were emailed out to 4-H members enrolled in the Dog Project. Registration forms are due to the Fredonia Extension Office by May 22 at noon.

Entomology Project Meeting

How do we get the bugs in a box? That's what we will be working on at the May 2nd Entomology project meeting. The meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. at the Allen County Extension Office. Bring your display boxes and the insects you have ready to go in the box. We will work on the arrangement and display of insects in the box. If you would like to give a presentation on any project, please bring it to give. Questions? Call Vicky at (620)804-9170.

Kansas 4-H Insect Spectacular

Registration is now open for Insect Spectacular. If you are enrolled in Entomology and did not receive the link for registration by C-Vent, please contact Vicky Wallace at vicky.wallace55@gmail.com. You do not have to be in the Entomology project to participate in this workshop. If you are interested in attending but not enrolled in the project, again please contact Vicky. A parent or legal guardian must attend with their 4-H'er. More information can be found [HERE](#).

4-H Day Camp

When: Tuesday, May 19th

Where: Memorial Hall - Eureka

Who: Kids ages 5-9

Register [HERE](#) - flyer on page 6



Upcoming 2026 Dates

- County 4-H Camp - May 19
- Multi-County Dog Show - May 30
- SE Area Contest - June 18
- Insect Spectacular - June 19-20
- Shooting Sports - Archery June 20
- Shooting Sports Shotgun - June 21
- Shooting Sports Banquet - June 21
- SE Area Contest - Meats & Skillathon - July 2 @ Erie
- Extension Office Closed - July 3
- Greenwood County Fair - July 24 - 27

Classes for Sewing & Textile Design Project

Sewing sessions are planned for members enrolled in the Sewing and Textile Design Project who would like help with their projects. Suzan Greenwood and Jan Stephens will conduct the classes. The first session will be May 27 – 28. There will be a morning session for more experienced sewists and an afternoon session for beginners. The sessions will be held at the Eureka United Methodist Church.

Club leaders will receive more information to share with members. Those interested will be asked to fill out an information sheet before May 15 to return to the Extension Office or Suzan or Jan.

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: Click [HERE](#) - closed May 8

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

All poultry exhibited at the fair must be identified with a leg band. Banding will be May 28th at 6:30 PM at the Greenwood County Fair Grounds. If you are unable to make it, please make plans for your birds to be transported by someone.

4-H Council Corner

The next Greenwood County 4-H Council meeting will be held on Monday, May 18th at 7:00 pm at the GW Co. Courthouse. Buyers' Meal, Community Service, Day Camp, & Fair Dance/Activity Committees should plan to meet prior to the May Council Meeting and be prepared to present upcoming plans.

Items on Agenda:

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

4-H Leaders meeting will be before 4-H Council at 6:00 pm.

Bring a Buddy for the 4-H Council May Meeting

Bring a buddy night! Each 4-H Council member should plan to bring one younger 4-H member with them to the May Council meeting. This is a great way to show our younger members what being a Council member entails and encourage them to want to join once they are old enough.

SEA Youth Challenge Day (SEA Regional Contest)

When: Thursday, June 18th

Where: Lyon County Anderson Building in Emporia

Contests available: Horticulture, Crops, FCS, and Photography.

SE Area District Livestock Judging Contest

When: Thursday, July 2nd

Where: TBD—Erie

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.



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Horse ID Papers

Horse ID's are due in the Extension Office by Friday, May 29th. Get ID Papers [HERE](#)

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 lessor 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 May 29th. 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.

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.**

I pledge my **H** **AD** to clearer thinking,

my **HE** **RT** to greater loyalty,

my **H** **NDS** to larger service,

and my **HE** **LTH** to better living,

for my club, my community, my country

and my world. 

Greenwood County Fair Photography Special Category Award

1. Photography judging will be on Saturday, July 18th 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.



4-H'ers are 4X
more likely to
contribute to their
communities*

2026 Greenwood County Fair T-Shirt Order Form

The Greenwood County 4-H Foundation is selling 2026 Greenwood County Fair T-Shirts. Please fill out the form below and return **with payment** to the Extension Office by 4:30pm on Friday, **June 5th!** T-Shirts will be blue in color with a white logo. Cost will be \$15 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: _____





4-H DAY CAMP

TUESDAY, MAY 19TH

6:00-7:30 PM

MEMORIAL HALL



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REGISTER BY USING THIS LINK:



<https://bit.ly/3011axi>

**CALLING 620-583-7455 OR
EMAILING ALISHA32@KSU.EDU**



**REGISTER SOON!
SPACE IS LIMITED**

ACTIVITIES

- **CLAY CREATIONS**
 - **SNACK MIX FUN**
 - **PLANT GROWING**
 - **GAMES**
 - **SONGS**
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4-H CLUB LEADERS NOTES

May 1: Last day to add/drop projects and for NEW members to enroll in 4-H Online

May 4-H Council Meeting: As a reminder this is also our buddy meeting. 4-H Council members should bring a younger 4-H member to expose them to 4-H Council. There will be a leaders meeting at 6:00 PM before the Council meeting. We will discuss updates and upcoming dates related to 4-H. If you have anything to add to the agenda please let Alisha or Clinton know.

Discovery Days: June 3-5 in Manhattan - Please inform club members that are planning to go to get registered as soon as possible (closes May 8th) and to notify the Extension Office that they plan to attend.

Premium Sale Rules: The deadline to sign the Greenwood County Fair Premium Sale Rules for Livestock exhibitors is 4:30 PM on Friday, May 29th! In order to participate in the Greenwood County Fair Premium Sale, there must be a signed copy of these rules on file at the Extension Office.

FairEntry: Opens June 1st, and closes July 1st! Shooting Sports entries are due June 13th!

Small Livestock & Commercial Heifers Nominations: Must be postmarked by June 15th.

Poultry Banding: Will be on Thursday, May 28th at 6:30 PM at the fair grounds.

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 Concessions Stand: If any group (i.e. 4-H groups, Boy or Girl Scouts, church or school organizations, etc.) would like to sign-up for a time to run the Concessions Stand, please contact the Extension Office.

Fair Changes: A list of fair changes will be sent out to families very soon! There have not been any major or large changes to projects this year. We will be doing consultation indoor judging again this year on Saturday, July 18th.

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.

