



4H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT District Newsletter

KANSAS STATE FAIR DEADLINES AND INFORMATION



Now that the County Fair is in the rear view mirror - it's time to start thinking about entries for the Kansas State Fair!

If a 4-H member is 9 years old and received a state fair blue or a purple ribbon (Edwards County) or a blue ribbon (Stafford County) at the county fair, they are eligible to enter that project in the Kansas State Fair. (This does not include livestock as it has its own nomination & entry process in the spring.)

EDWARDS COUNTY

Find out more information on How to register on page eight.

Most, but not all, county fair division have a division at the State fair. Check with your local extension office to see if your project is offered at the State fair level.

4-H Youth can also sign up to give talks & demonstrations, participate in judging contests, or volunteer their time to help in Centennial Hall. In fact, parents or 4-H members (13 and up) can sign up to volunteer. This is always a great way to learn more about certain projects and hear State Fair judges feedback. Signing up for events like these can also help 4-H members meet their pin application requirements!

STAFFORD COUNTY

Find out more on How to register on page nine.

The schedule for the Kansas State Fair has been published. You can find it at <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/2022%20Kansas%20State%20Fair%20Schedule%20June.pdf>

State Fair participants will receive a ribbon on each project they enter. In lieu of premium money this year, each exhibitor will receive a ticket to the Kansas State Fair.

FAREWELL TO AMY COLLINS - WE WISH YOU THE BEST IN YOUR NEXT CHAPTER!

K-State Research and Extension, 21 Central District is sad to see Amy Collins pursue a new adventure but want to celebrate the contributions she's made to Extension in her 18 years of Extension work, 17 of those in Stafford County. Shawn and Amy Collins are relocating to Manhattan, Ks. in August as Shawn has taken on a new territory with his job with Corteva/Pioneer Seed.

Through her time in Stafford county, Amy has played a key role in strengthening the local 4-H Youth Development program. From encouraging 4-H members to attend regional and state 4-H events to applying for State 4-H Youth Council, Amy has the ability to get kids to push their limits and expand their 4-H experience. Stafford County has had several 4-H members serve on State 4-H Youth Council, much to her encouragement and mentorship. For years, she has ensured that campers had a great time at camp. She spearheaded efforts to provide visual art experiences for the Heart of Kansas 4-H Camp Group. With this, she planned, bought supplies and implemented the activities. She's done an amazing job guiding 4-H members through the record book/KAP/Project Report Form process each year and helping members polish their KAP's for area and state judging. Stafford Co. has had eight State 4-H Project Award Winners and many State 4-H scholarships in her time as an extension agent. One of the highlights of her career was chaperoning 5 4-H members to National 4-H Conference in Washington D.C.

Amy always made sure to volunteer at the State Fair as a superintendent and has helped with State Fashion Revue multiple times. She has also worked as a State Fair judge. For the last several years, Amy has implemented an after-school program a few days a week throughout the school year. This program takes a large amount of planning and implementation time.

4-H is only one piece to her role as an Extension Agent. Amy has served on the Adult Development and Aging Program Focus Team for many years, and has served as a co-leader. This focus team addresses issues related to older adults, such as chronic disease management, caregiving, intergenerational relationships, and planning for long-term care. Amy was committed to providing education on Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, something that was near and dear to her heart. She was also a strong advocate for adults of all ages to incorporate strength training throughout their weekly exercise program through **Stay Strong, Stay Healthy** so that they can remain as independent as possible as older adults.

Stafford County recently districting with Edwards County did not come together by itself. Amy has played an instrumental part in forming the 21 Central District. She stepped up and took on the role of District Director, leading the effort and spending considerable time doing so. She's also hired two new employees within the last year. She's truly gone above and beyond her duties as an agent to help bring this district together and has done so with strong leadership, patience and a wonderful sense of humor.

To say Amy will be missed here at 21 Central is an understatement. We greatly appreciate the work she's done in Stafford and Edwards county. We wish her the best in her future and hope to see her again!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, 21 CENTRAL!



As of July 1st, 21 Central has been a district for one year! We are excited to see what future years will bring this district! Here are some of our favorite events we have been able to participate in as a district!

DISTRICT 4H NEWS

PROJECT RECORD FORMS & PIN APPLICATIONS

We are encouraging everyone to keep their Project Report Forms and Pin Applications up to date. Now is the time to be working on them. **Record books and Project Report Forms are due by Monday, October 3rd.**

Please submit these forms in a 3 ring binder, no page protectors and print on regular printer paper.

There are two different formats to choose from for Project Report Forms & Permanent Record:

1. The digital format, ZBooks
2. Form fillable PDF

These forms (with tutorial videos) are all found on the Kansas 4-H website:

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

PROJECT REPORT FORMS:

To receive your yearly pin, a 4-H member must complete a Record book. This consists of:

1. Personal Page
2. Permanent Record
3. Current Year Pin Application

To submit a Project Report Form for an award, this includes:

1. Personal Page
2. Project Report Form for each project you are submitting. (General or Livestock) and the appropriate age division. (Jr., Int., or Senior). The Project Report Form also contains "Project Reflection" which takes the place of the 4-H Story.
3. Permanent Record

Pin Applications: 4-H Families (especially those with older 4-H members) be checking your 4-H Pin Applications to make sure you are meeting your requirements. If you still need to plan a community service project, give a presentation or meet any other requirements, now is the time doublecheck and get it completed by the end of the 4-H year. Pin Applications can also be found at the link above.

ZSuite (mobile record keeping) is:

- mobile friendly- you can work on them from any device!
- unlimited amount of entries until final report is submitted
- permanent record included

To get started:

1. Visit <https://4h.zsuite.org/> and register
2. Click on "Sign Up"
3. Complete the prompts to register new household
4. Once the household is established, then have them add each 4-H member profile

Please also remember that if a member or family has poor internet access, use the form fillable PDF at the link above.

Contact your local extension office with questions.



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DISTRICT 4H NEWS

STATE 4-H HORTICULTURE JUDGING CONTEST

The State 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest is planned for **Saturday, August 13, 2022** on the campus of Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS. Registration information will be on the web by **June 15!** Registration is due **Monday, August 1.**

The study material is taken from a variety of Healthy Yard Videos detailed on the Kansas 4-H Website on the Horticulture Judging Contest page. There will also be some written study material for participants to use.

LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE THIS FALL:

Saturday, October 22

CENTRAL LEADERSHIP FORUM -

Kansas State University Aerospace and Technology Campus - Salina

For Youth 12-18 years of age before January 1, 2023

Saturday/Sunday, November 19-20

KANSAS YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM -

Rock Springs Ranch - For Youth 14-18 years of age before January 1, 2023

48 HOURS OF 4-H

When: October 8-9, 2022

Who: 4-H Members, 4-H Clubs, Friends, Adult Volunteers, Parents, 4-H Alumni

It's time to make plans for your club to participate.

www.Kansas4H.org/484H

SAVE THE
DATE!

Kansas 4-H Wheat Expo

Thursday, August 4, 2022

Stafford County Annex Building
210 E. 3rd, St. John, KS

- Flour Mill Tours
- Wheat Judging
- Foods Contest
- Photography Contest
- Judging Contest

K-STATE
Research and Extension

The 2022 Kansas 4-H Wheat Expo will take place on Wednesday, August 4th at the Stafford County Annex Community Building in St John. The Wheat Expo takes place in a different location each year, so take advantage of this opportunity while it's in our own district!

The Wheat Expo is a fun, educational and hands-on program for ALL Kansas 4-H members, siblings, parents, grandparents, and Extension staff. You do not have to be enrolled in the plant science or foods project to participate. The Wheat Expo is a wheat fun day showcasing all things wheat. Lunch and refreshments will be sponsored and tours will be available for all participants. (Could be a fun 4-H Club educational tour possibility if you can get them all signed up in time!)

There will be 8 contests open to youth members, they will win ribbons and/or cash prizes!

Classes include:

1. 1 lb bin run for crops members;
2. 1 lb bin run for "adopt a producer" (all wheat samples must be postmarked to KSU by July 19 so testing can be completed);
3. 1 quart jar sample of cleaned wheat;
4. Three standard wheat rolls;
5. Three standard cookies;
6. Three standard muffins;
7. Wheat photography contest;
8. Wheat educational posters.

County fair entries can also be used for wheat expo entries!) Cost will be \$6.00 per person. Registration will go live by June 14th and pre-registration will be required by Sunday, July 31st to ensure an accurate meal count. Past participants have always had a great time and report that they always learn something new when they attend!

DISTRICT 4H NEWS



KANSAS 4-H EQUINE WEBINAR SERIES

The Kansas 4-H Equine Webinar series gives Kansas 4-H'ers, Horse volunteers and parents to gain skill and knowledge about horses and the horse industry in Kansas. Topics will include basic 4-H Horse project knowledge, horse health and college and career readiness. Industry experts and K-State faculty will share their experience and expertise during the webinars.

Webinars will be hosted live the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Central Standard Time. Please register in advance to receive the link and details to join. Webinars will be recorded and made available for those wishing to view at a later date.

Participants may submit questions relating to the webinar topic to klnoordyke@ksu.edu until 2:00 p.m. the day of the scheduled webinar. Please include "Equine Webinar Question" in the subject line of your email.

After attending the live webinar, or viewing the recording, please provide feedback through the survey link. This helps Kansas 4-H to plan and improve future webinars.

<https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/webinars/equine-webinar-series.html>



KANSAS 4-H ANIMAL SCIENCE WEBINAR SERIES

The Animal Science Webinar Series is designed to give Kansas 4-H'ers an opportunity to learn more about the livestock industry, career opportunities and good animal husbandry practices.

Webinars will be hosted live the fourth Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Central Standard Time. Register in advance to receive an email with the link to join. Webinars will be recorded and made available for those wishing to view at a later date.

Participants may submit questions relating to the webinar topic to klnoordyke@ksu.edu until 2:00 p.m. the day of the scheduled webinar. Please include "Animal Science Webinar Question" in the subject one of your email.

<https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/animal-science-webinar-series.html>

EDWARDS COUNTY

If you received a purple ribbon on your project at the Edwards County Fair, it is eligible for the Kansas State Fair. **Please notify the Extension Office, 620-659-2149, as to what you plan to send to the Fair by AUGUST 5th.** Please see the list attached in the email for those items. The agents will take exhibits to the fair. You will be notified as to when we need those items at a later date.



4H CLUBS

Lewis
Northern Star
Trenton Workers
Shooting Sports

Private Facebook Page
Edwards County 4-H Members

4H Council Officers:

PRESIDENT Levi Taylor	VICE PRESIDENT McKenna Schaller	SECRETARY Cassidy Ary	TREASURER Dylan Haselhorst
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4-H Council Meeting

Monday, August 22, 2022
Lewis at 7 pm



ED CO PREMIUM MONEY

The 4-H Premium (ribbon money) checks will be distributed following the August Fair Board Meeting. Checks for the 4-H Premium Auction held at the fair will be mailed out as soon as all the buyers have paid. Please deposit or cash these checks in a timely manner.

STAFFORD COUNTY

DON'T FORGET- SAY THANKS!

4-H members - If you received help from someone with your fair projects, you received a banner/trophy/monetary award, or if someone paid a premium for your animal in the premium auction please write a thank you note. **There should be labels attached to the award with the sponsors name and address. Give the office a call if you do not see a label and we'll get you the address.** It's always a nice touch to take a batch of cookies, or a picture of you and your animal or even a small gift certificate to Sonic with your thank you note and deliver in person. This helps show your appreciation for their support. Remember...**Thank you notes should be four to five sentences in length!**

4H CLUBS

- Cloverleaf
- Corn Valley
- Jolly Workers
- Shooting Sports

Facebook Page
Stafford County 4-H, KS

4H Council Officers:

PRESIDENT Cali Newdigger	VICE PRESIDENT Weston Peterson	SECRETARY Jessica Schrag	TREASURER Ian Dunn
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KANSAS STATE FAIR INFORMATION

If you received a blue ribbon at the county fair and you are at least nine years old (4-H age) you are eligible to go to the Kansas State Fair with your static exhibits! Any 4-H member who would like to participate in the KSF this year needs to notify the Extension Office at 620.549.3502 **BY AUGUST 10th** of the project(s) you plan to bring. **Projects will need to be dropped off at the Extension Office prior to the fair.** More information will be coming once everyone has signed up. **(AUGUST 10th deadline!)**



4-H Council:
BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR AN EMAIL ABOUT THE UPCOMING AUGUST 4-H COUNCIL MEETING!

FAIR CLEAN-UP AWARDS

1. Cloverleaf - \$35.00
2. Jolly Workers - \$25.00
3. Corn Valley - \$15.00

Swine & Beef Carcass Show Placings



Swine Carcass Show

Grand Champion - Liddy Axman
 Reserve Champion - Easton Alpers
 1st Blue - Lance Lickiss
 2nd Blue - Rylee Ferguson
 3rd Blue - Cody Newdigger
 4th Blue - Lainey Peterson
 5th Blue - Paisley Byer
 6th Blue - Bo Ward
 7th Blue - Kole Foote
 8th Blue - Braxton Alpers
 9th Blue - Reagan Ferguson
 Red Ribbons (in no particular order) went to :
 Makenzie Kraushaar, Kenyon Barney, Weston Peterson, Ryer Ward, Kaden Foote, Elijah Foote

Each year, Stafford County holds a swine & beef carcass show at Ellinwood Packing after the County Fair. We are very grateful that our 4-H members get to have this experience and get to view their livestock as it hangs on the rail. One of the most important learning experiences of the livestock project is understanding why we raise our animals to begin with.

This is also an important learning opportunity for our Meat Judging Team, coached by Jennifer Pfortmiller. While we don't have many photos from the actual carcass show, we are showing pictures of the Grand & Reserve carcass show winners from the live show.

Beef Carcass Show:

Grand Champion:
 Liddy Axman

Reserve Champion:
 Lance Lickiss

Ribbons in no particular order went to:

Bo Ward
 Braxton Alpers
 Ian Dunn
 Weston Peterson
 Makenzie K.
 Garrett Dunn
 Madelynne Siefkes
 Ryer Ward
 Easton Alpers
 Preston Dunn
 Luke Petty

Photo credit to:
 Tessa Lickiss
 Marissa Hurst
 Amy Collins



Dear 21 Central 4-H Families,

As we have officially wrapped up both county fairs, I have a list of people that I would like to thank! Without you, the Edwards and Stafford county fairs would not have been as successful and fun, and would not have run as smoothly as they did.

All of our volunteers, superintendents, and Jr. Superintendents were incredible. Thank you for stepping up and making sure that things were all in order for all of our projects areas.

A big thank you to all of our 4-H families. Firstly to our 4-H members who were always running around with a smile on their face, participating, and learning something new: thank you! But, while our 4-H members are the ones that are bringing in their projects, our families are doing the behind-the-scene work. Whether its waking up early to press the clothing, being an encourager, or working a shift in the concessions stand, fairs would not be possible without you.

Thank you to our concessions stand managers. You all do so much behind the scenes work, and make things run so smoothly. Thank you!

Thank you to our fair boards. With out your hard work, our fairs would not be possible. Thank you for all your efforts and planning throughout the year to make the fairs enjoyable for everyone!

Thank you so much to our KDOE Summer Interns! Your entertainment and learning that you brought to both fairs was greatly appreciated and enjoyed.

A huge thank you to our office staff. Amy, Trisha, Marty, Jean, and Maribel were constantly busy with something at the fair. They really went the extra mile to make sure everything went smoothly and were always flexible when things needed to get done.

I am sure that I could write a list a mile long full of "thank you"s and still manage to forget someone, but I want all of you to know how appreciative I am of you! Thank you all again for being so patient and understanding during my first year of fairs. You all were so welcoming and really made each fair a unique and exciting experience. You even included me in a few water fights! None of this would be possible without any of you. Give yourself a pat on the back! I look forward to next year's fairs!

Sincerely,

Marissa Hurst

August 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1	2	3	4 Kansas Wheat Expo, St John	5 August 5- ED Must notify office of State Fair Entries	6
7	8	9	10 August 10- SF Must notify office of State Fair Entries	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 August 20-21 Livestock Sweepstakes,
21 August 20-21 Livestock Sweepstakes,	22 August 22 - ED 4-H Council Meeting, Lewis	23	24	25	26	27
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AUGUST 2022

AUGUST 4 - Kansas Wheat Expo, St John
AUGUST 13 - State 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest
AUGUST 20-21 Tentative - Livestock Sweepstakes, K-State Campus

SEPTEMBER 2022

SEPTEMBER 8 Tentative - Kansas State Fair 4-H Exhibit Check-In, Hutchinson
SEPTEMBER 9-18 - Kansas State Fair

OCTOBER 2022

OCTOBER 1 New 4-H Year begins (4honlinev2 will be active on Oct 2 for enrollment)
OCTOBER 8-9 - 48 Hours of 4-H
OCTOBER 22 - Central Leadership Forum

NOVEMBER 2022

NOVEMBER 19-20 - Kansas Youth Leadership Forum

OFFICE LOCATIONS

www.21central.k-state.edu

212 E 6th St

Kinsley, KS 67547

Hours: Monday - Friday 8 am to 5pm

210 E 3rd

St John, KS 67576

Hours: Monday - Friday 8 am to 5 pm

Hours are subject to change and lunch hours excluded

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