

4-H NEWS

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CALENDER OF EVENTS

MARCH

17 – Regional 4-H Day

24 – Beef Weigh-In

APRIL

16 – 4-H Council, 7:00 p.m.

28 – 4-State Lookout Preview Show

28 – Sheep & Goat Weigh-In

MAY

1 – Last day to make project changes

1 – horse ID papers, livestock tag/ID numbers due to the office.

16 – Camp forms due in the office

29-June 1 – Discovery Days

JUNE

8-9 – Rodeo

23-26 – Camp

26-29 – Campference

ENROLLMENT DEADLINE

Remember that in order to show or exhibit a project at the county fair, you **MUST** be registered in that project in 4-H Online! Double-check what you're enrolled in before May 1. Not sure you'll exhibit in a project? That's okay – you don't *have* to exhibit in every project you're enrolled in, but you *cannot* exhibit if you're not enrolled!

PROJECT GUIDELINE UPDATES

Dog project: new guidelines on paperwork and information on judging and shows: <http://bit.ly/2EHeGx4>

Space Tech: new classes and information on the UAS project: <http://bit.ly/2odRkJb>

HORSE PROJECT INFORMATION

Horse project: changes to 2- and 3-year-old rules: <http://bit.ly/2okPnKw>

Wyandotte County is offering two great opportunities for 4-Hers hoping to ride at district or state:

- March 13-16: Spring Break Sessions covering the Level I study guide, with test administered March 16.
- April 7: Statewide 4-H Horse Levels Riding Tests

Get more info here: <http://bit.ly/2EG9TMI>

OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

- March 24: Thomas Farms show pig sale, Doniphan County Fairgrounds. Viewing at 11am, lunch to follow, sale starts at 1.
- April 7: swap and sell meeting, Doniphan County Fairgrounds. Setup starts at 7am. \$10/spot, call Megan Jeschke to reserve: 785-741-0999

DISCOVERY DAYS

MAY 29 – JUNE 1

Ages 13-19

This college experience held on the K-State campus gives youth the opportunity to learn in a variety of classes, tours, and activities. The event costs approximately \$235 (some classes have additional fees) and 4-H Council pays half. Registration opens online on March 1 and is due by April 15.

<http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html>

RODEO

JUNE 8-9

The Doniphan County Fair Association is putting on the 7th Annual Rodeo on Friday June 8 and Saturday June 9. Save the dates!

K-STATE ANIMAL SCIENCE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

JUNE 6-9

Grades 9-12

Applications are now being accepted for the 2018 K-State Animal Science Leadership Academy. This four-day event will enhance the leadership skills and animal science knowledge of youth. Applications are due April 2 and may be found at www.youthlivestock.ksu.edu. Contact Sharon Breiner at sbreiner@ksu.edu or 785-532-6533 with questions.

AWESOME 4-H CAMP!

JUNE 23-26

4-H Ages 7-13 (Finishing 7th Grade)

Campers' excitement like fireflies lighting a summer evening, sparks childhood memories of fun-filled, stress-free, spontaneous days.

Attending summer camp can be a time for experiencing nature and the outdoors, making new friends, and learning life skills. Summer camp is more than just a vacation. Camp is a learning adventure like no other place to gain

self-confidence, practice cooperating with others, and experiencing life beyond one's own world. The outcome of camping is for those life lessons to contribute in a positive and significant way that enhances the child's adjustment into their adult years.

This year we will once again be camping with the Pioneer Trails Camping Group at Rock Springs Ranch.

Camp cost is \$210, including all fees and activities plus travel. **4-H Council is paying HALF** toward the camp fees to all Doniphan County 4-H members going to camp.

A **Camp Registration Form** may be picked up at the Extension Office after April 1. Call and we will mail you one, or you may download it from our 4-H page at <http://www.doniphan.k-state.edu/4-h/campinfo.html>.

Camp registration is due May 16.

We are in need of counselors! You must be 16 years of age. Please contact Kathy or Margaret if interested.

CAMPFERENCE

JUNE 26-29

4-H Ages 12-14

Participants will experience the "feel" of a conference while enjoying the typical camp activities Rock Springs Ranch has to offer. Workshops will encourage leadership, healthy living, and positive interactions with others. Registration will open in mid-March and is due May 15.

Watch for information here:

<http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/camping/>

LIVESTOCK INFO FOR FAIR

This year, **ALL** livestock (beef and dairy cattle, sheep, meat and dairy goats, swine, horses) must be identified and reported to the Extension Office by **May 1**.

All animals that might be shown need to have permanent ID, whether a county or state 4-H eartag, or a home eartag and tattoo associated with registration papers, or horse ID papers.

- County eartags cost \$1.00.
- State EID eartags cost \$3.25 (sheep, goat, swine) or \$4.00 (beef)

The permanent ID of any animal you might bring to fair must be reported by May 1.

You may report more animals than you will end up bringing, but if the animal is not reported, it cannot be shown at the fair.

Please contact Margaret with any questions.

WEIGH-INS

All market beef, sheep, and goats must be weighed-in and eartagged at the set dates prior to the fair.

Spring beef weigh-in will be on **Saturday, March 24 at the Fairgrounds from 10am-12pm.**

- Bucket calves need a county eartag.
- Breeding heifers and cows must be identified with a county or state 4-H eartag OR registration tattoo.

Spring sheep and goat weigh-in will be on **Saturday, April 28 at the Fairgrounds from 10am-12pm.**

- Breeding ewes/does must be identified with a county or state 4-H eartag OR registration tattoo.
- **ALL** sheep and goats must have a valid scrapie ID/eartag.

STATE FAIR AND KJLS UPDATES

Those wishing to show market animals at the state fair or KJLS must go through the nomination process for their animals, which includes:

- Identification with a state 4-H EID tag
- Submission of a DNA sample
- Submission of a nomination form and declaration form
- Payment of \$8.00

DNA sample submission envelopes will be available at the weigh-ins or at the office.

Due dates:

- Market beef: **May 1**
- Commercial breeding heifers: **June 15**
- Market lambs, commercial ewes: **June 15**
- Meat goats: **June 15**
- Market hogs, barrows, and commercial breeding gilts: **June 15**
- Purebred breeding gilts: **June 15** (EID recommended but not required)

Remember: **nomination is not entry** to the state fair or KJLS; entries are due later in July.

4-STATE LOOKOUT PREVIEW SHOW SATURDAY APRIL 28 4-H Fairgrounds in Troy

Weigh-in: 7:30-9:30

Check-in by: 9:30

Sheep show: 10:00

Goat show: 30 min after sheep show

Entry fee: \$15/head

Pre-entry must be postmarked by April 15

\$5 late fee per contestant applies to entries received after that date.

For more info or to volunteer, contact Jodi Leatherman (785-741-0272) or Trina Earl (913-370-3297)