October Kicked Off New 4-H Year

4-H is open to any youth ages 7-18 in Kansas. Also, Cloverbuds are available for 5 & 6 year olds. 4-H Online is the program that manages project enrollment, family contact information, and volunteers. It is important that you check this information each year when members enroll. The office downloads addresses and email addresses multiple times throughout the year to stay current.

See the details of many upcoming events in this newsletter.

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**Read 4-H**

Read 4-H is a program for 4-H members to read books and earn rewards! The Extension Office will select one required book to read that has a movie adaptation. Once they have read a book, they will complete a Book Review form provided by the Office. After completing the form it can then be submitted to the Extension Office. They can compile reviews to create a reading project book that will be eligible for judging later on! Participants can read however many books they choose but 4-Her's must read books at their reading level. There will be a Junior and Senior level book available. Intermediates may choose which level to read at but they must watch the film associated with that book.

Once the 4-Her has read the Extension selected book they must complete a Book Review form, and submit it to the Office. This earns their ticket to the bi-monthly reward night to enjoy snacks and the movie adaptation of the Extension selected book. The participant who reads and submits the most Book Reviews will receive an additional prize!

**Sumner County Junior Leaders**

SuCo Junior Leaders is a group of the best and brightest 4-H youth leaders in Sumner County. Their job is to assist with events, be the public face of Sumner County 4-H, work on leadership skills, and to have fun. All 4-H members whose 4-H age is 12-18 are encouraged to apply!

Applications open 12/1/2023 to 1/17/2024

Selections announced by January 31st.
Meet The Agent

Hello everyone! I’m excited to be your new 4-H Youth Development Agent in Sumner County. Some people know me and others I look forward to meeting. For those who do not know me I will give you a brief background on me.

I was involved with 4-H since I was a cloverbud through the Cardinal’s 4-H club. In 4-H I was very active participating in almost every project at one time or another. My main project however was goats. Through project involvement I ended up starting my own goat herd that totaled 75 head at one point! If you can’t tell from my photos above, I still quite enjoy goats. Now I show them with my wife and parents under the BX Farms name. We show across the Midwest through the ABGA showcasing our breeding stock.

After graduating high school I attended Cowley County Community College for 1 year to complete my Associates degree. While at Cowley I was on the Livestock Judging team coached by Buddy Curry.

Upon graduating from Cowley, I attend K-State where I received my Bachelors degree in Animal Science with a minor in Business. While there I was involved with several clubs as well as working at the K-State Sheep and Meat Goat Center.

Then after graduating from K-State I worked briefly in Fort Scott, Ks with ReproLogix. There I worked with sheep, goat, and cattle reproductive technology.

Finally I got the opportunity to come back home to Sumner County to serve the organization that I grew up in. I look forward to serving you all!
Looking Ahead

November
- 1st; Shooting Sports Meeting @ 6:00 pm @ RFC
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- 5th; Awards Celebration @ 4:00 pm
- 10th; Office closed for Veterans Day
- 15th; Shooting Sports Meeting @ 6:00 pm @ RFC
- 16th; K-State Swine Day 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
- 17th; 4-H enrollment closes for returning members
- 23rd-24th; Office closed for Thanksgiving
- 27th; 4-H Council meeting @ 7:00 pm @ RFC
- 27th; Greenery arriving to office during the week

December
- 6th; Executive Board Annual Meeting @ 6:30 pm
- 13th; Shooting Sports Meeting @ 6:00 pm @ RFC
- 15th; Read 4-H Book Reviews due by 5:00 pm
- 18th; Read 4-H Movie Night @ 6:00 pm @ RFC
- 20th; Shooting Sports Meeting @ 6:00 pm @ RFC
- 25th; Office closed for Christmas
- 29th; Office closed at Noon

January
- 1st; Office closed for New Years
- 3rd; Joint Executive Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm
- 10th; Shooting Sports Meeting @ 6:00 pm @ RFC
- 15th; Office closed for Martin Luther King Jr Day
- 17th; Shooting Sports Meeting @ 6:00 pm @ RFC

Meeting Tips

HOW TO MAKE A MOTION:

WHEN A MOTION IS NEEDED, A 4-H MEMBER MUST STAND UP AND START BY SAYING “MR./MISS. PRESIDENT, I MOVE…”

NEXT A DIFFERENT 4-H MEMBER MUST STAND UP AND SAY “I SECOND”.

FINALLY THE PRESIDENT WILL STAND AND SAY “IT HAS BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED THAT…. ALL IN FAVOR SAY “I”, ALL OPPOSED, GIVE SAME SIGN, MOTION CARRIED.”
Club News

Coming Soon.....

Submit notes from your club meetings to gbeesley@ksu.edu by the 1st of the month to have them included here. Highlights from club meetings including events, community service projects, demos, and other points of interest will be published on this page. The record of what the club did that month will be wrote up as well as alerting members to important dates in the current month. For example; November club minutes can be submitted until December 1st. Then the club news will show what occurred in November and also what is to come this month in December.

2023/2024 Kansas 4-H Projects

**Animal Science**
- Beef
- Dairy Cattle
- Dairy Goats
- Dog
- Horse
- Meat Goats
- Pets
- Poultry
- Rabbits
- Sheep
- Swine
- Veterinary Science

**Communication & Expressive Arts**
- Communications
- Performing Arts
- Photography
- Visual Arts

**Consumer & Family Science**
- Sewing & Textile Design
- Shopping in Style
- Family Studies
- Fiber Arts
- Foods & Nutrition
- Health & Wellness
- Interior Design & Architecture

**Engineering & Technology**
- Ag Mechanics Welding
- Building Block Engineering
- Astronomy
- Computer Science
- Electric & Renewable Energy
- Robotics
- Aerospace/Rocketry
- Small Engines
- Uncrewed Aircraft Systems
- Woodworking

**Leadership & Personal Development**
- Civic Engagement
- Leadership
- Reading Adventures
- Self-Determined

**Natural Resources**
- Environmental Science
- Geology
- Shooting Sports
- Wildlife

**Plant & Environmental Sciences**
- Entomology
- Agronomy
- Forestry
- Horticulture & Landscape Design

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