

4-H UPDATES



Official Newsletter of Sumner County 4-H



Enrollment is Here!

It's that time again, time for the new 4-H year! With the new year upon us, don't forget that all existing members must re-enroll. Enrollment will open October 1st and remain open until November 14th. The enrollment fee is \$15 for both new and returning members. Make sure to check with a club leader to see if your enrollment fee is covered. Enrollment is all online through the 4-H Online program. If you have any questions, whether this is your first time enrolling or 10th, please don't hesitate to reach out to the Extension Office for assistance.

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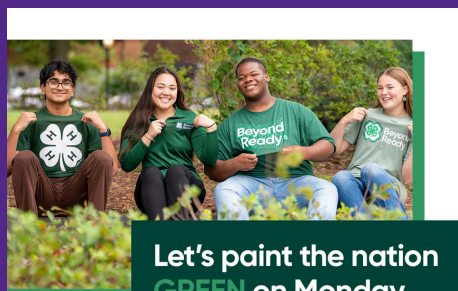
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Let's paint the nation
GREEN on Monday,
October 6th.



4-H for Good Day

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9
NATIONAL 4-H WEEK



National 4-H Week

National 4-H week is just around the corner and it is a fun way to show your 4-H Pride! This fun event runs from Monday October 6th through Friday October 10th. The whole week is aimed at celebrating and promoting 4-H. Two days in particular have fun themes that you and your club can really represent. Monday the 6th is "Go Green" day, where we want everyone to wear green to show your 4-H pride. Thursday the 9th is "4-H for Good" day where we want to highlight all the good things that 4-H does. This can be anything that your club does to benefit 4-Hers, community members, or any good thing you can think of. Let's all use National 4-H week as a way to celebrate the awesome things we do as well as promote our good work to others.



Junior Leaders

If you are an older 4-Her looking for a way to be more involved, you might be a great fit for the Sumner County Junior Leaders. The Junior Leaders are 4-Hers ages 12-18 who want to improve their leadership skills, meet other 4-Hers from across Sumner County, and become more in county wide 4-H events. If you or someone you know might be interested please reach out to the Extension Office for an application. Applications are open October 1st and are due by 5:00pm on October 24th. Selections will be announced at the Awards Celebration in November.

Agent Notes

Year Two In the Books

It's hard to believe, but this month marks two years that I have been the 4-H Youth Development Agent for Sumner County. They say time flies when you're having fun, and that has to be true because I can't believe its already been this long.

When I reflect back on the last two years, I am full of gratitude. I'm grateful for those on the Extension Board who gave me the chance to come back to Sumner County where I grew up. I'm grateful for all the 4-Her's who participate in our program and the relationships we've been able to make. Most importantly, I can't forget to say how grateful I am for the volunteers who are on PDC's, help with the 4-H Fair, and those who I can call at the drop of a hat for help. It is thanks to you all that I've had a successful two years with Sumner County 4-H.

Some of the successes we've had include creating more resources for 4-H members, joining a regional 4-H Club Day, and record high numbers at our 4-H Fair! These are just a few of many amazing things that have happened over the last two years.

So what about the future? Well, we have several new and exciting things coming together to continue to elevate the 4-H program. Some program revamps, continued 4-H Fairbook improvements, and much more. So be on the lookout for these changes and make sure to check the Newsletter every month to see what fun changes are taking place.

Side Notes

I noted in the main article how much I appreciate the relationships I've built over the last two years and I mean it. To me, part of the success of the 4-H program comes from relationships. Arguable the most important relationship is 4-H families to the Extension Office. I strive to make myself available to any and all 4-Her's who need help. My desire is to have a positive relationship with as many people as I can because that is how we grow. If families feel comfortable reaching out to the Extension Office, we can continue to help them which in turn elevates our program. So please don't hesitate to reach out for help and let's continue to elevate our 4-H program!



Thank You!

THANK YOU EVERYONE FOR
TWO EXCITING YEARS OF
BEING THE SUMNER COUNTY
4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
AGENT



Club News



Reporter's Corner

Club News from
Sumner County



Cardinals

The Cardinals 4-H Club has been busy making masks for the Conway Springs Fall Festival Parade. The club also built a float for the parade which took place on September 27th.

Buccaneers

Trail Blazers

Redwings

Happy Hustlers



4-H Council Meeting

NOVEMBER 24TH
@ 7:00 PM



4-H Tips

ROLE MODELS

THIS IS A SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT TIP FOR EVERYONE, BUT AN IMPACTFUL TIP NONE THE LESS. OLDER 4-HER'S SHOULD BE ROLE MODELS FOR YOUNGER ONES.

WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT IMPORTANT ROLES OR DUTIES FOR A 4-H CLUB, YOU OFTEN LOOK AT OLDER MEMBERS. THEY'VE BEEN AROUND AND KNOW HOW TO DO THINGS. THIS IS GREAT, BUT AFTER THEY GRADUATE THE PROGRAM WHO WILL HELP OUT?

THE OBVIOUS ANSWER IS YOUNGER MEMBERS, BUT HOW CAN WE EXPECT THEM TO HELP IF THEY DON'T KNOW HOW TO DO THINGS? THIS IS WHY ROLE MODELLING IS IMPORTANT.

IT IS EASY TO EXPLAIN A TASK WITH WORDS, BUT IT MAY NOT MAKE SENSE TO EVERYONE. ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS.

SO, OLDER 4-H MEMBERS MAKE SURE YOU ARE NOT ONLY LEADING, BUT PAY ATTENTION WHO YOU ARE LEADING TO. MAKE SURE TO TAKE YOUR RESPONSABILITIES SERIOUSLY AND TO MODEL WHAT A GOOD 4-H MEMBER LOOKS LIKE.



Looking Ahead

October

- 1st; Enrollment Opens
- 5th - 11th; National 4-H Week
- 11th; Quartermania
- 11th - 12th; 48 Hours of 4-H
- 13th; Office Closed for Columbus Day
- 24th: Junior Leader Applications Due
- 27th - 31st; PDC Elections @ Extension Office

November

- 2nd; Awards Celebration
- 11th; Office Closed for Veterans Day
- 14th; 4-H Enrollment Closes
- 24th; 4-H Council @ 7:00pm @ RFC
- 27th - 28th; Office Closed for Thanksgiving



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