






# JUNE



## Highlights:

-  June 1: FairEntry OPENS!
-  June 6: Events Council Meeting
-  June 19: Office Closed
-  July 1: ALL Fair Entries DUE!

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*hello* **SUMMER**



# Shawnee County 4-H *Chatterbox*

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## Dates to Remember:

- June 1: FairEntry OPENS
- June 1: Horse ID Papers DUE
- June 19th: Office Closed
- July 1: FairEntry CLOSES
- July 15-16: County Fair Horse Show
- July 20-23: County Fair

**Please send Chatterbox submissions to Grace, Haley, & Lisa by June 26th**

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## A Word From Your Agent...

Hello 4-H Families!

Summer is in full swing and you can expect FairEntry to be open the afternoon of June 1st. You can find the entry site at [shawneeks.fairentry.com](http://shawneeks.fairentry.com). **Entries are due by 5:00 pm on July 1st.** We will not take any late entries this year, so it is vital that you do not miss this deadline. Do not wait until last minute to start your entries. We are happy to help in the office if you run into any issues with your entries, so feel free to call, email, or stop by!

Please make sure you look over the rules for each project you enter as there are some new classes this year and some existing classes have had rule changes.

Lots of good reminders in this issue of the chatterbox, please look at the calendar in the back to make sure you are not missing out on anything.

Have a Safe and Fun 4-H Summer!

~Grace



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## Livestock Corner

### Important Dates

**June 1st Horse ID Papers Due**

June 5th Last Day to Order Small Livestock DNA Envelopes for Nominations

**June 6-7th Tractor Safety**

**June 10-11th 4-H Open Horse Show**

June 15th Commercial Heifer, Meat Goat, Sheep & Swine Nominations Due

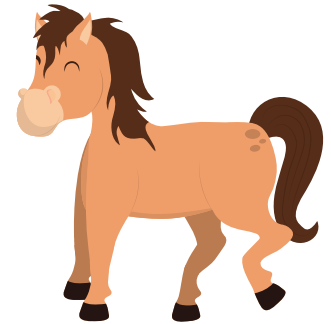
**July 1st Fair Entries Deadline**

July 15th State Fair Grand Drive Entries Due

August 19-20th (tentative) State 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes

September 8-17th Kansas State Fair

September 29 – October 1st Kansas Junior Livestock Show



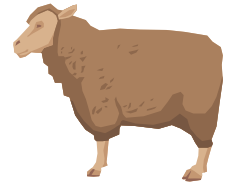
### Kansas State Fair 4-H Horse Show Qualifying Information

*Submitted by Kelsey Nordyke*

In order to exhibit at the Kansas State Fair 4-H Horse Show, a 4-H Horse Project member must complete the following:

- Have a horse properly ID'ed with a 4-H Horse ID or Horse Registration Certificate by June 1, 2023.
- Participate in a horse show in the event category that they wish to exhibit at the Kansas State 4-H Horse Show.
- Complete the 4-H Horse Safety Webinar and receive a passing score of at least 75% on the Horse Safety Quiz.
- Complete the online 4-H Horse Show entry via ShoWorks at <https://www.kansasstatefair.com/p/competitions/equine> by August 1.

The 4-H Horse Safety Webinar and Quiz are now available at <https://bit.ly/3zbn5XC>. As members begin preparing for the State 4-H Horse Show, they are encouraged to review their readiness with "Are You Ready?" at <https://bit.ly/horseready>. The Kansas State 4-H Horse Show is an advanced level event. For the safety of our 4-H members and volunteers, it is important that participants are able to master the appropriate skills.



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## State Livestock Nomination Information

The 2023 information for state livestock nominations has been released. The process transitioned to an online system in 2022, so there are no longer physical forms for families to complete and mail. Families will purchase DNA envelopes in advance, submit their animal and exhibitor information online, then mail their completed and signed DNA samples by the deadline. Extension Agents and FFA Advisors will approve nominations online. Exhibitors who nominated animals last year (in 2022) need to use their existing ShoWorks account. Those who need help accessing their account may request a password reset through ShoWorks or contact the Youth Livestock Program for assistance. Returning exhibitors should not create a new account.

All market animals and commercial females youth would like to be eligible for the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and/or KJLS must be nominated.

**Market Beef nominations were due May 1, with Small Animal due by June 15. The deadline to order DNA envelopes has been moved up to 10 days prior to the deadline, which is April 20 and June 5, respectively.** Information may be found under the "Nomination Information" tab on the youth livestock website: <http://bit.ly/ksunominations>. Families are highly encouraged to use the resources available, especially the Rookie Guide.



## Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)

YQCA Training is still required for all Shawnee County Livestock Exhibitors 4-H Age 7-18(including Meat Rabbits & Broiler Meat Chickens) and State Livestock Shows; Kansas State Fair & Kansas Junior Livestock Show(KJLS).

For more information please contact Haley Kelley ([kelly13@ksu.edu](mailto:kelly13@ksu.edu)).

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## County Notes

### Camp Scholarships

**Scholarships for Camp at Rock Springs are available!** All enrolled Shawnee County 4-Hers who sign up for 4-H Camp are eligible for a \$100 scholarship provided by Johnsonville Sausage and Capitol Federal Bank. Find the application here: <https://www.shawnee.k-state.edu/4-h/documents/2023%20Camp%20Scholarship%20Application.pdf>

### Horticulture Judging Practices

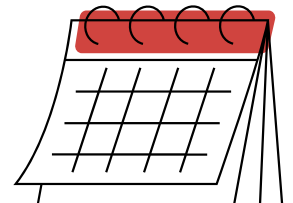
Hello, 4-Her's, families, and volunteers! My name is Lane Wiens and I'm the new Horticulture Agent at the Extension Office. I just wanted to let everyone know that I will be holding three horticulture judging practices throughout the summer to prepare for the county and state horticulture judging contests. The dates for practices are **June 14th, June 28th,** and **July 7th** from 2:00-4:00 and will focus on plant identification, quality judging, and general horticulture knowledge. You don't have to be a member of the horticulture project to participate, you just have to be a registered 4-Her and open to learning more about plants!

For our practice on **June 14th**, we will meet at the Garden House (3720 SE Yacht Ct., Topeka, KS 66609) on the south end of the Ted Ensley Gardens near Lake Shawnee. We'll spend the afternoon walking around the park, learning to identify plants in the landscape! I hope to see you there! Practices on June 28 and July 7 will be in the EMR.

### Record Book Tip of the Month!

One of our earlier tips was to Stay Organized. There are so many events and activities to keep track of, but what is the best way to do that? Here are some ideas:

- Index cards and storage box: fill out a card after each event and keep it in the box
- Calendar/planner: write down or type in the details of an event on the date it occurred
- Color code by 4-Her for easy tracking



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**SCHOOL  
ENRICHMENT  
WANTS  
YOUR  
EGG CARTONS**



School Enrichment is needing to restock the supply of egg cartons.

These cartons are used to transport the hatching eggs from the Nelson Hatchery to the schools for the Chicken Embryology Program.

Please bring your empty/used 12 count egg cartons to the office and let someone know they are for school enrichment. Every donation is greatly appreciated.



ENTRIES FOR THE  
2023 SHAWNEE  
COUNTY FAIR ARE

**NOW OPEN!**





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## State Events



### Kansas 4-H Wheat Expo

When: Tuesday, August 8, 2023

Where: Pratt Area 4-H Center, Pratt, Kansas

Find all the details on our flyers page!

<https://www.shawnee.k-state.edu/4-h/up-coming-events/flyers/index.html>

### State 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest

The State 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest will be held on **Saturday, August 12, 2023**, in Manhattan, Kansas (tentative planned date). Our contest is hosted for the day by the Department of Horticulture and Natural Resources.

A tentative schedule is available at Horticulture Judging | Contests | Events and Activities | Kansas 4-H Youth Development



2022 Horticulture Judging team members

### 48 Hours of 4-H 2023

We hope every Extension Unit will join us this fall in seeing just how much we can give back to our communities! The weekend after National 4-H Week, is the perfect opportunity to setup a service project. Invite your friends, clubs, adult volunteers and 4-H Alums too!

When: October 7-8, 2023

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. More information on the 48 Hours of 4-H Webpage, <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/48-hours-of-4-h/>



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## Club Chatter

### Shawnee Riders

We played Circle Story and finished with Heads Up Seven Up.

-Tristan Bradley

### Silver Lake



This May has been busy for members of the Silver Lake 4H club as they gear up for the summer. We took part in the city cleanup day and many members attended the spring livestock show.

Respectfully submitted by Jaylee  
Hamilton, SL Club reporter



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## Shawnee County 4-H Calendar

### June 2023

#### **1 County Fair Entries OPEN**

Horse ID Papers Due

Shooting Sports 2, EMR, 6:30 pm

4-H Exchange, Farm Bureau Building, 7pm

5 Bunny Bunch Rabbit Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm

6-7 Tractor Safety, Wamego

6 Events Council Meeting, EMR, 7 pm

7 4-H Horse Clinic, Domer Arena

7-9 Discovery Days, Manhattan

9-11 State Geology Field Trip, Manhattan area

10-11 4-H Open Horse Show

14 Horticulture Judging Practice, Garden House  
at Lake Shawnee, 2 pm

15 State 4-H Horse Judging Contest, Salina

16-17 4-H Insect Spectacular, Manhattan

#### **19 Office Closed**

20 Geology, Washburn University, 7 pm

21 Livestock Committee, Conference Room, 7:30  
pm

22 Horse Club, EMR, 7 pm

26 Paw Prints Dog Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm  
Chatterbox Submissions Due

28 Horticulture Judging Practice, EMR, 2 pm

### July 2023

#### **1 County Fair Entries DUE**

3 Bunny Bunch Rabbit Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm

#### **4 Office Closed**

5 4-H Horse Clinic, Domer Arena

6 4-H Exchange, Farm Bureau Building, 7pm

#### **Fair Superintendents Meeting, EMR, 7 pm**

7 Horticulture Judging Practice, EMR, 2 pm

14 Shawnee County Fair Clothing Judging

Shawnee County Fair Horticulture Judging

15-16 Shawnee County Fair Horse Show

16 Shawnee County Fair Photography Judging

18 Geology, Washburn University, 7 pm

19 Livestock Committee, Conference Room, 7:30  
pm

#### **20-23 SHAWNEE COUNTY FAIR!**

24 Paw Prints Dog Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm

26 Chatterbox Submissions Due

27 Horse Club, EMR, 7 pm

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All dates and activities are subject to change.