

Newsletter

Official Newsletter of Coffey County 4-H



County Fair Premium Checks

Just a quick reminder that county fair premium checks are only good for **60 days** following the date of issue. Please be sure to deposit or cash those checks in a timely manner. Check with your club leader if you have not received your premium check.



Project Record Books Due

The deadline for record books to be turned into the Extension office by Club Leaders is September 23rd!

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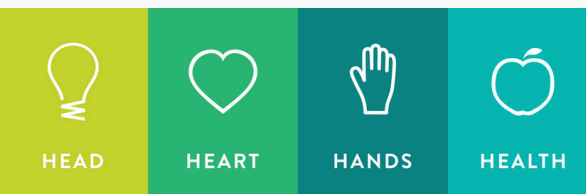
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2024 Extension Council Elections

Voting to elect 2024 Extension Council members will take place on a walk-in basis, October 14- 18 from 8:00 am-5:00 pm (including the lunch hour) at the Extension Office.

Each year, Kansas State Law requires an election be held for the purpose of selecting representatives to serve a two-year term on one of four committees on the Coffey County Extension Council. These representatives will be selected for Agriculture, Family & Consumer Sciences, 4-H Youth Development or Community Development. The members of the council have the responsibility of directing the work of the Extension programs in Coffey County and they serve as advisors to the Extension Agents. *Anyone wanting to have their name placed on the ballot for one of those positions needs to turn their name in by September 25th to the Extension Office or an Extension Board Member: Megan Wilson, Kelsey Lingenfelter, Carie Collins, Lacy Lankton, Janine Dorr, Amy Foster, Sarah Rice, Aimee Ludlum, and Sheila Swank.*



RADIO SPOTS - MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON

STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFORMATION ON RADIO SPOTS! START OFF THE NEW 4-H YEAR BY PRESENTING A SHORT SPEECH ON THE RADIO. YOU CAN GET ONE TALK CHECKED OFF FOR THE NEW YEAR! NOT ONLY WILL THESE PROMOTIONAL SPEECHES COUNT AT THE COUNTY LEVEL, BUT ALSO AT THE AREA, STATE AND NATIONAL LEVELS!

2023–2024 Achievement Ceremony

*Join us as we recognize 4-H members, volunteers, and clubs
for their special achievements in the 2024 4-H year!*

October 20th

4PM – New Strawn Community Building

4-H Officer Elections

To make elections a more educational experience, talk to the 4-Her's (especially the younger ones) about the election process and why we use it in a democracy. Prepare a ballot. Allow the group to see the total nominating committees' report of nominations before taking nominations from the floor. The elections meeting is a unique meeting and not a good example of most 4-H club meetings, because of this, never encourage a prospective member, especially a young member to attend the election meeting. Other suggestions include:

- New members are not eligible to be elected into offices or vote.
- 2023-2024 4-Her's are allowed to vote.
- Candidates should be introduced and encouraged to introduce themselves with a very brief (one minute) campaign "speech" before balloting.
- Numbering the candidates may allow very young members to vote without assistance.
- Consider setting term limits to allow new leadership. Policy should be consistent from year to year. Example: 2 consecutive terms.
- An effective officer must be someone that has a good attendance and participation record.
- Every leader, nominating committee member, and current officer should review the club bylaws and be familiar with them before elections.

Officer Training

Each club is responsible for training all of their own officers! Officers training will be held by your club during your October 4-H club meeting (unless scheduled otherwise by your club leader) by November 1, 2024! Training must be held for Presidents, Vice Presidents, Parliamentarians, Secretaries, Treasurers, Reporters, Historians, Song Leaders, and Recreations Leaders. All elected club officers are required to attend, and sign in indicating that they were in attendance.



NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

October 6-12, 2024

48 Hours of 4-H

Kansas 4-Her's are looking to make a big impact across the state of Kansas October 12 & 13, 2024 during 48 Hours of 4-H. Join the Coffey County 4-H Ambassadors and 4-H Clubs in a weekend of service after National 4-H Week to show your appreciation and give back to your communities. Community service gives young people a chance to cooperate together for the common good developing connections with their communities that will extend into adulthood. If you have an idea for a service project, contact the Extension Office or a 4-H Ambassador. <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/48-hours-of-4-h/>



2024 - 2025 4-H Enrollment Begins **OCTOBER 1ST**

Step-by Step Instructions for enrolling are located on our website under the "Enrollment Information" tab of the 4-H web page on our website at: <http://www.coffey.k-state.edu/4-h/enrollingin4h/>

The very basic instructions include 2 steps:

1. Enroll or Re-Enroll online using a previous 4-H Online account, or by creating a new account. If you are a returning member DO NOT create a new account, as this will create a duplicate enrollment for you online. The website is ks.4honline.com.
2. Print and sign an enrollment report from 4-H Online to turn into the Extension Office by or before December 1st.



Looking Ahead...

Dates are subject to change!

September

- 4 | State Fair Food/Hort/Crops Exhibits due by end of day to Extension Office
- 5 | State Fair Food/Hort/Crops Exhibits due by 7:30-7:45am at the Extension Office
- 7-15 | Kansas State Fair
- 18 | Fairboard Meeting
- 23 | Record Books turned into Extension office by Club Leaders
- 25 | Extension Council Meeting
- 27-29 | Kansas Junior Livestock Show

October

- 1 | ENROLLMENT FOR NEW 4-H YEAR!
- 6-12 | National 4-H Week
- 9 | Wear your clover to school day
- 12 & 13 | 48 hrs of 4-H
- 14-18 | Extension Council Elections
- 16 | Open House and 4-H Showcase
 - Fairboard Meeting
- 20 | Achievement Banquet at the **New Strawn Community Building at 4:00 PM**
- 28 | 4-H Council & Leaders Meetings
- 30 | Extension Council Meeting

Excited to announce our new 2024 4-H Ambassadors: Jesse Durst & Daniel Rausch



October 9th Wear your clover to school day!

Show your 4-H PRIDE by coming to school wearing the 4-H clover and sharing with your peers about the 4-H program.



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