

# Newsletter

Official Newsletter of Coffey County 4-H



## New 4-H Year

December 1st is the deadline to enroll in 4-H projects for 2024. We are currently at 18 Cloverbuds and 155 4-H members for the 2024 year!



## Regional Record Book Judging

Project record books are due to the Extension Office for submission by January 16th. Please let us know if you are interested in volunteering to judge! This is an excellent opportunity to see some outstanding Project Record Books and get format ideas to help improve Project Record Books in our county.



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### Scholarships

Friday, March 1st - Kansas 4-H scholarships are due to the State 4-H office. Applications are posted online on the Coffey County 4-H page. There are also three local scholarships available: Frances Spielman, Ottawa Coop, and Dale Douglass which are also due by March 1, 2024 to the Extension Office.

### Coffey County Fair Board

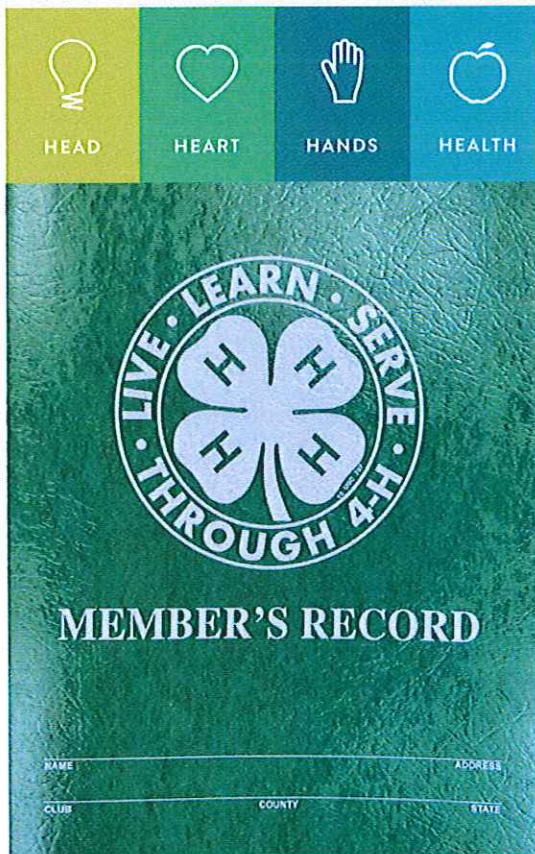
If you have any questions or input please feel free to attend a monthly meeting which takes place every third Wednesday at the Fair Office beginning at 7pm.

**The Fair theme for 2024 is:**

**"No place like the Coffey County Fair"**

### K-STATE JUNIOR PRODUCER DAY-REGISTRATION IS OPEN

Registration is now open for the 2024 K-State Junior Producer Days! Junior Beef Producer Day will be hosted on March 2, with Junior Sheep Producer Day scheduled for March 16. These are family learning events. Attendees of all ages are invited!



### ZBOOKS Online 4-H Record Keeping

Record keeping and Project Reporting are valuable skills taught to members of the Kansas 4-H program. Members are encouraged to keep a permanent record of all 4-H and non-4-H experiences and are encouraged to summarize their project experiences on the Kansas 4-H Project Report Form for project recognition.

To help you through this process, please refer to the [Guide to Kansas 4-H Project Recognition](#). A few items to make note of include:

- Youth may choose to use either record keeping option: a.) the fillable PDF Project report forms or b.) the online ZBOOKS software
- The Permanent Record is included in ZBooks. If you choose to keep records with ZBooks, do not feel like you have to transfer over all of your previous years' activities into the online Permanent Record. Start with this year and attach it to your previous document.



## COUNTY 4-H CLUB DAY

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR  
**FEBRUARY 24, 2024 FOR  
 THE COUNTY 4-H CLUB DAY  
 AT THE BURLINGTON  
 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

## Preparing for County and Regional 4-H Day

- Model Meetings: Must include one of each of the five main categories of motions – Main, subsidiary, incidental, privileged and unclassified.
- Model Meeting is a requirement to become eligible to receive a blue or purple seal
- **All talks must pertain to a project that you are currently enrolled in.**
- Music entries must bring the original sheet of music for the judge and have measures numbered.
- This year, unfortunately we do not have access to a piano
- Instrumental entries do not have to be memorized.
- Pre-recorded music accompaniment is allowed
- Script required for readings

## Important updates to Club Days:

- **Project talks** will now have two divisions
- **ONLY** at Club Days and Regionals
  - Junior, age 7-9
  - Intermediate, age 10-13
  - **Two** from each age division will qualify for Regional Club Days
- **Readings** will now have three divisions
  - Junior, age 7-9
  - Intermediate, age 10-13
  - Senior, age 14-18
  - **One** from each age division will qualify for Regional Club Days
- **Demo Days**
  - Project talk age, 7-11
  - **ONLY one** division





## 4-H DAY WITH WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Save the date!

KAE4-HA's annual "4-H Day with Wildcat Women's Basketball" has been scheduled for Saturday, January 13th at 1pm! Join us as the Wildcats take on Texas. More information and registration details will be available soon.

### Important 4-H Policy Reminder:

A 4-H member must attend and participate in a least **six** community club meetings from the start of 4-H year until the *County Fair* in order to participate in any project sales, including the livestock premium sale.

### Project Leaders:

If you are a new project leader, please feel free to contact the Extension Office, or some of your local libraries for project leader information, project meeting ideas, lesson plans, etc.

### Coffey County 4-H Program Development Committee (PDC)

Congratulations to Christina Morray and Amiee Ludlum on being elected to the Coffey County 4-H Youth Development Program Committee for 2024. They will join Amy Foster, Lacy Lankton, Janine Dorr, and Kelsey Lamer in giving direction to the 4-H programs of Coffey County over the next year. We want to thank Coltlyn Hale and Travis Skillman for their leadership and service this past year as they will be leaving the PDC.



## 4-H COUNCIL MEETINGS

Monday, January 29th @ 7:30pm  
in the Extension Office

Monday, March 25th @ 7:30pm  
in the Extension Office

Monday, June 24th @ 7:30pm  
in the Extension Office

## COFFEY COUNTY FAIRBOARD

Wednesday, December 20th @  
7:00pm in the Fair Office Building

Wednesday, January 17th @  
7:00pm in the Fair Office Building

Wednesday, February 21st @  
7:00pm in the Fair Office Building

## Looking Ahead...

### December

- Dec 1 | 4-H Enrollment Due + Club Programs Due
- December 25 | Office Closed for Christmas

### January

- January 1 | Office Closed for New Years
- January 16 | Project Record Books Due for Area Screening
- January 19 | Area Project Record Book Screening

### February

- February 12 | Registration deadline for Beef Producer Day
- February 24 | County Club Days
- February 26 | Registration deadline for Sheep Producer Day

## 2023-2024 Club Assignments

**Blue Ribbon:** County Fair Horse Show

**Liberty:** Parade of Purples Set Up

**Smilin Thru:** Assist with Spring Show

**Tip Top:** Achievement Ceremony

**Stringtown Bombers:** 4-H Sunday

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to do so.