



Coffey County 4-H Newsletter



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HAPPY NEW (4-H) YEAR!

Welcome to the new 4-H year! This year is sure to be full of memories that will last a lifetime!

What better way to kick off the new year than by getting out into the community and completing service project(s) for National 4-H Week and 48 Hours of 4-H?! We can't wait to see what you do to put your "hands to larger service" and hope that you are as excited as we are to get this new year started!

Remember to enroll for the new 4-H year by **December 1st**. This is the final communication that will be sent to our 2021-2022 4-H families, so **you will have to re-enroll before you will receive anymore information regarding the new 4-H year from us.** We certainly want to keep you in the "know", so re-enroll today!

<https://www.coffey.k-state.edu/4-h/enrollingin4h/>

Contact the Extension Office if you have any questions about 4-H, enrollment, clubs, projects, or hey, just want to chat!

Oct 1	Open Enrollment
Oct 3-7	Extension Council Elections in Office
Oct 5	OPEN HOUSE– Extension Office & Wear Your Clover to School Day
Oct 8-9	48 Hours of 4-H 2022
Oct 8	Eastern Regional Leadership Forum—Rock Springs
Oct 16	4-H Achievement Ceremony– 2p at Kelley Park
Oct 17	Deadline for Kansas Youth Leadership Forum on Nov 19-20 at Rock Springs.
Oct 24	4-H Council @ the Extension Office
Nov 1	Financial Audit Reports Due
Nov 24-25	Extension Office Closed– Thanksgiving
Dec 1	Enrollments Due/ Club Program Books Due

48 Hours of 4-H

48 Hours of 4-H is set for **October** ! This is a great way to promote 4-H in your communities following National 4-H week. Each club will be completing at least one community service project—talk to your club leaders and ambassadors about what your club is doing.

BEFORE THE EVENT: Register your project with Kansas 4-H

DURING THE EVENT: Keep track of how many youth/adults participate, what you accomplish, and how much time you spent

- Take lots of pictures!!!!

AFTER THE EVENT:

- Have your club's reporter send something to the newspaper about your project! Include pictures, number of people, and a summary of what you accomplished.
- One person from each club should report event results and participation numbers online at kansas4h.org
- Send thank you notes to anyone who helped make your event a success or went the extra mile.

ACHIEVEMENT BANQUET

October 16, 2022, 2pm

- We are SO proud of Coffey County 4-Her's for your growth and accomplishments in the 2021-2022 4-H year! Mark your calendars for a fun afternoon celebrating your accomplishments! The achievement program will be hosted by Liberty 4-H Club on **Sunday, October 16th, beginning at 2:00pm** at the Livestock Arena at Kelley Park. If any club has sponsors, buyers, or any special person that they want to invite-please send a list of those invitees with addresses to Liberty leaders right away. Each club should RSVP with the total amount from your club attending the achievement banquet by **October 7th**. Your club leader may **RSVP** to the Extension Office at 620-364-5313.

4-H Recruitment

With a new 4-H year starting, it's a good time to be out recruiting new families to join your clubs. Think about getting out to your local school, library, & other public meeting places to spread the word about 4-H! Get with your club leaders and ambassadors to learn about how your club is promoting 4-H. We have several recruiting and informational items about 4-H in the Extension Office. Give us a call or drop by if you need any help!

LEADER INFO

2022-2023 Club Assignments

Smilin Thru: Achievement Ceremony

Stringtown Bombers: County Fair Horse Show

Liberty: Assist with Spring Show

Tip Top: 4-H Sunday

Blue Ribbon: Parade of Purples Set Up

Financial Audit Reports Due... It is required that all 4-H Clubs have their Treasurer's books audited every year before the new Treasurer takes over, even if the Treasurer is re-elected. A copy of the Annual 4-H Audit Report should be turned into the Extension Office by **November 1st**. Each club's report will be reviewed by the Extension Executive Board at their December meeting!

**** NO EXCEPTIONS****

[Blank financial reports are available on our county 4-H page under the "4-H Financial Review" tab.](#)

2023 Coffey County Fair Theme Ideas... Each club may submit a fair theme idea to the Coffey County Fair Board for the 142nd Annual Coffey County Fair by **Noon on November 16th!** Send your ideas to Vickie Wolford at svwolford01@gmail.com. The Fair Board will vote on your ideas to select the theme for this coming year!

CLUB PROGRAM BOOKS... Please turn your 2022-2023 Club Program Books into the Extension Office by **December 1, 2022**. These books are very important resources for prospective and new 4-H families. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

We would also like one copy of your club bi-laws this year to keep on record in the Extension office.

2023 Horse Project Changes

Due to decreased participation in the Kansas 4-H Horse project, Kansas 4-H has changed requirements to participate in district and state horse shows. This includes changes to the Horse ID deadline, no longer needing level testing to participate in the State Fair, and other changes. To review these changes click [HERE](#).



ENROLL NOW!

Don't forget to enroll in the new 4-H year! Enrollment is an easy 2 step process that can be completed on your own, with the help of a community club leader, or by simply stopping by the Extension Office anytime between now and **December 1st**.

- 1) Enroll in 4-H Online and pay the State 4-H enrollment fee (\$15) by check or credit card. (You may choose to request a waiver of the fee so that you do not have to pay it!)
- 2) After you submit your membership and it is approved by Kansas 4-H, we will send you a membership report to verify project enrollment. Please sign and date the forms verifying the correct

Check out the project resources at...

<https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/>

Club Leader Resources in the Club Corner...

<https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/leader-resources/clubcorner/>

TIP: Taking a few steps to make potential club members and their families feel welcome at a 4-H Club meeting can return benefits of increased membership.

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Renewing Volunteers: Volunteers that were ACTIVE volunteers for the 2020-2021 4-H year.

- Re-enroll in 4-H Online.

New Volunteers:

- Enroll in 4-H Online under your family account
- Complete Criminal Background Check

Attention: Only community club leaders, countywide project leaders holding meetings, and club project leaders who will hold, at minimum, **2 project meetings** per year should enroll as certified volunteers.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN ~ OPEN HOUSE ~

October 5 • 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Come tour our new office location and remodel at
225 Cross St. in Burlington
COFFEY COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE



VOTE FOR THE 2023 EXTENSION COUNCIL WHILE YOU ARE HERE!

4-H PROJECT SHOWCASE

(During the Extension Office Open House 5 p.m.-8 p.m.)
Refreshments and Cookies provided!

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