



Wildcat Extension District – Montgomery County 4-H Website:

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IMPORTANT DATES

Oct 1 st	NEW 4-H Starts! Re-enroll in 4-H Online
Nov.6	Last day to purchase meals for 4-H banquet
Nov. 9	Achievement Banquet, 6:30 p.m. Coffeyville Recreation Center
Nov. 14	Food Project Meeting/Frosting Calculations – Extension office 7 p.m.
Nov. 23-24	Extension office closed for Thanksgiving
Dec. 25-1st	Extension office closed for Christmas break
January 31 st	Returning member enrollment deadline in 4-H Online
Feb. 24	Regional Club Day, Neosho Community College, Chanute (for qualifiers)

High School Seniors

Kansas 4-H State Scholarships link to state page can be found on the Montgomery County website. There are two opportunities, the Vanier application and the general application that puts you in the running for the list of scholarship opportunities. Application due March 1.

Cecil Eyestone Scholarship can be found on our Montgomery County website. General scholarship everyone should apply. Application due April 1 to local Extension office

Cash fair checks AS SOON AS POSSIBLE! Checks will be voided after December 31st to close out the year. See your fair book for a reprint fee if you need a new check. If you turned in a **completed** record book your fair ribbon check is included in this mailing.

4-H Achievement Banquet

November 9th at Coffeyville Recreational Center, 508 Park St, Coffeyville, starting with a meal at 6:30 p.m. Please RSVP by November 6th for a meal! You can join us without getting a meal too ☺ RVSP to dsteed@ksu.edu or 620-778-4616.

- Youth with record book: FREE, thanks to generous community supporters
- Club Leaders \$6.00, thanks to generous community supporters
- Youth without record book, siblings, parents, etc. \$8.00

Record book winners in junior, intermediate, and senior categories will be recognized, achievement pin earners, scholarship winners, and more!

NEW 4-H YEAR!

4-H Online system is open!

- The system will save your information from last year. Do NOT create a new profile, use the forgot password option or call the Extension office if you're locked out.
- Sometimes families forget which email address is tied to their account, please call!
- <https://v2.4honline.com/>
- **Club leaders and volunteers are asked to complete a 4-H Online profile to be certified.**

The state 4-H office charges a \$15 fee per child using a card on 4-H Online or by mailing in a check to the state. When you fill out the online enrollment you can apply for a fee waiver with the click of a button; it is anonymous. I strongly suggest families utilize this option. PLEASE do not stop participating due to the fee. *Options are available.*

- Returning member enrollment deadline is January 31st, 2024
- New members are asked to enroll by May 1st. We accept enrollments year-round by to get the most out of our year we strongly encourage new families to enroll by May 1.
- **Members must be "active" aka paid, in 4-H Online before fair entry will allow you to login and preregister for fair.** This is a state setting. No late entries for fair will be accepted due to this issue.

4-H Council Meetings for 2024

If you are a council rep for your club please book these dates and plan to attend. **If you can not attend it is your job to find someone to come in your place.**

7:00 p.m. @ Extension office

- January 11
- March 14
- May 9

Food Project Meeting

Holly Miner, KSRE agent specializing in food and preservation will be hosting a project meeting for any 4-H youth interested in learning more about the new state rule for calculating sugar ratios for frostings. There will be hands-on activities. The event will be held November 14th at 7:00 p.m. at the Extension office meeting room. More info coming!

Shooting Sports

Shooting sports orientation is scheduled for Sunday, November 12th at 2 p.m. at IGC Heritage Center in downtown Independence. Orientation is mandatory if you plan on participating in our archery, air rifle or shotgun disciplines.

To participate youth must be 8 years old as of January 1st for archery and air rifle while youth must be 10 years old as of January 1st for shotgun. Parent and youth must attend meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Blaes at 620-205-8732 OR Carla Keene at 620-515-5799.

Wildlife Project meetings

Follow along with Michigan State University as they explore the wildlife project!

Sessions last approximately 30 minutes. Youth will be encouraged to learn more through a live Q&A with scientists. Viewers are encouraged to watch together with their families. This series is free of charge.

Monthly Sessions will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. CT through March.

- **Nov. 14, 2023**
- **Dec. 12, 2023**
- **Jan. 9, 2024**
- **Feb. 13, 2024**
- **March 12, 2024**

LOCATION:

Zoom. Register at

<https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=DAFB1BA7E9A9FCCEA2BF9A966D04C8260EB8908B41D7EE15B946714E80AAC092> (linked in email version)

Entomology Family Day

We will meet at the Allen County Extension Office at 1:30 p.m. Come see the different things you can learn about insects! 4-Hers will have games and challenges for youth and adults! If you are thinking about trying this project for 2024, come check us out. Family and Consumer Science Agent Cassidy Lutz will be joining us to work with the parents in a special session on safety with 4-H Projects and social media. I will have pinning set ups available for purchase for \$10 each at this meeting for new families that want them. Brothers and sisters of all ages are welcome!

If you have questions, please call me at (620) 804-9170. Hope to see you soon! Vicky Wallace