2022-2023 4-H Enrollment

The new 4-H year is almost year (GASP)! That means it’s time for re-enrollment in 4-H online.

Who?  4-H Members and volunteer both need to enroll in 4-H online

When? Beginning Oct. 1st, enrollment will be open! I highly recommend doing so soon!

Why Soon? A big reason is, 4Honline is our primary way staying in contact with 4H families (i.e. this news- letter)

Cost? Nothing! 4-H Council and Blue Valley Technologies cover the cost of enrollment

How?  1. Visit v2.4honline.com

   2. Existing login and member information has been transferred from the previous system. So only new families/volunteers need to create an account profile.

   3. When Selecting payment method, choose "Payment for this invoice will be collected by 4-H Institution". Click confirm, but do not send a check for payment. The fee is covered!

   4. The State 4-H office has provided a PDF enrollment guide, it can be found this link.

Award and Project Report Season- Award season is here! Below is information that you should know

Dates
September 30th  Award application and Project Reports deadline
October 4th  Volunteer Project Report Judging
October 19th  Outstanding 4-H’er interviews
October 23rd  Achievement Ceremony at St. Bernard in Wamego - RSVP will be sent to e-mails
(Send 4-H pics to Daniel for the slides! skuciusd@ksu.edu)

Forms
Find Project Report forms on our website. On our page is also a link to the state information pages regarding the forms (they aren’t scary!). You do not need to do a project report form for every project, but we encourage it for the projects you are active and passionate about!

-Project Report forms
-Project Reports PDF Guide
-Achievement Forms
   -Pin applications, club goals, key awards, outstanding 4-H’er, “I Dare You”, Thelma Hubbard memorial, etc.

Special Awards
Don’t Forget to apply or nominate someone for special awards!

“I Dare you award” - The “I Dare You” award recognizes character and leadership qualities in young people and encourages and challenges them to have creative and purposeful lives.

“Thelma Hubbard Award”- This award is dedicated to Thelma Hubbard. It is designed to honor individuals who are genuinely helpful and frequently volunteer for tasks which they see through to their completion. Volunteerism is not limited to 4-H work and may include other types of community service

“4-H Service Award”- This award is designed to show appreciation to: a project leader, award donor, business person, news media, fair superintendent or others who have provided leadership for your group or the county 4-H program and does not have immediate family directly involved in the 4-H program.
**Project Report Judging Volunteers**
Volunteers needed! Each year we switch with another county to judge record books. For this, we do need volunteers to help judge books. You don’t need to be a record book expert to do this! **We will have an day/evening of come and go judging on October 4th from 12pm - 7pm at the extension office. RSVP to skuciusd@ksu.edu in case we finish early (snacks provided)!** If more judging is needed, we’ll have the books at the office on the 5th, 6th, and 7th for judging too. Call us ahead!

**ZBooks - Project Reports Online!**
A new online record book option is here for Kansas 4-H youth. Zbooks provides on online platform for keeping and organizing project report records. Zbooks should make projects reports a lot easier to make and maintain!
- The website for zbooks is: [4h.zsuite.org](http://4h.zsuite.org)
- Visit the Kansas information site [here](http://here).
- Find a quick video overview of using Zbooks for record projects [at this link](http://this link).

**National 4-H Week: “Opportunity4All”**
Don’t forget National 4-H Week is October 2nd-8th. Now is the time to start thinking about how you and your club would like to celebrate! This is a great week to promote 4-H locally or to plan a volunteer opportunity during “48 hours of 4-H” on the 8th and 9th. **Kansas 4-H Spirit day to wear green is set for Tuesday, October 4th!**
**48 hours of 4-H Information is found here.**
**National 4-H week promotion material can be found here.**

**County Fair Wrap-up: Ribbon Premium Checks**
Just as an update, premium checks have been processed and signed. 4-H premium checks are now being distributed to club leaders for handing out at next club meetings.

**Pictures Needed!**
Each year we put together a slideshow of 4-H pictures for our Achievement banquet. Over the next month or two, I’d love to get photos to represent each club from families! Picture can be e-mailed to skuciusd@ksu.edu. Pictures that contain multiple members are great to have!

**Ambassador Applications**
Are you currently a freshman in high school or older? Consider becoming a 4-H Ambassador. Ambassadors will be the face of all things Pottawatomie County 4-H. They promote our local 4-H program at county-wide events, raise funds, and work as a team to ensure the 4-H mission is known in our local communities. We are currently accepting applications [found here on our website](http://found here on our website) for those interested in taking their 4-H experience to the next level. **Applications are due November 1st.** Interviews date is TBD based on availabilities.

**Kansas Youth Leadership Forum**
Leadership Weekend will be November 19-20 at Rock Springs 4-H Ranch and consists of the Kansas Youth Leadership Forum and the Kansas Volunteer Leader Forum. KYLF is for youth ages 14-18 before January 1, 2023 and KVF is for all Kansas 4-H Volunteers. KYLF will feature leadership workshops, Youth Council Elections, and opportunities to learn and have fun. The Kansas 4-H Volunteer Leader Forum will feature workshops and information to help volunteers be more effective and learn from each other. **Registration will open mid-October with a November 1st deadline.**
Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council
Applications are available for the Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council and are due October 1st. Council members plan and conduct the Kansas Youth Leadership Forum, Citizenship in Action, and other events along with other duties. 4-H members 14 to 18 years old as of January 1, 2023 are eligible to apply. Contact Daniel for more information.

Dog Conference
The Kansas 4-H Dog Conference and Quiz Bowl will be October 22-23 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. It is open to all Kansas 4-H members, accompanying parents, volunteer 4-H leaders and KSRE staff. This year’s theme is Doggie Olympics. This is a fun weekend with your dog to learn and do things with them. There will be class presenters, prepared presentations given by 4Hers, Quiz Bowl competitions, and activities for the 4H members. Don’t forget your dog costumes! Deadline is Oct 7.

Dates and Deadlines
September
30th  Project Award Deadline

October
1st  Kansas Youth Leadership Council Apps Due
1st  National 4-H Council Applications Due
6th  Project Report Judging
2nd-8th  National 4-H Week
8th-9th  48 Hours of 4-H
19th  Outstanding 4-H’er Interviews
22nd-23rd  Dog Conference at Rock Springs
23rd  Achievement Banquet

November
1  KYLF Registration Due
1  Ambassador Applications Due
5  Pottawatomie Officer Training - Details coming
19-20  Kansas Youth Leadership Forum “KYLF”

Parents: Main thoughts for August
- This is a good time to start talking to 4-H’ers about leadership roles they may want to go for! I.e. Ambassador, 4-H Council officer, Trips/Awards member
- If possible, think of ways you can help your local club out as a volunteer as the new 4-H year begins. 4-H clubs really do take a village!
- If you have questions about awards and forms, don’t hesitate to ask club leaders or myself (Daniel). The achievements pins and project reports can have a learning curve!
- Hand written or typed for record books? Either way works. It’s the content that matters.
- October will the new 4-H year and enrollment. Start thinking about projects and awards that your 4-H’er may want to pursue next year.
Show off your 4-H baking skills!

OZTOBERFEST 2022

MUNCHKIN Muffins
Baking Contest

SATURDAY, OCT 1
Judging begins at 11 a.m.
Columbian Theatre, Wamego

Bake your favorite muffins and bring them to the Columbian Theatre between 10-11 a.m.

Six STANDARD size muffins, not mini muffins, are required for judging. On a paper plate. We ask that you cover the muffins in pastic wrap to transport. NO store bought cupcakes or muffins will be accepted as an entry.

Categories are:
1. Best Themed Muffin
2. Best Tasting
3. Most Creative

$50 in Chamber Bucks will be awarded for 1st Place in each category listed above.

Muffins not used for judging will be sold, with proceeds benefiting the Columbian Theatre.

For more information, go to www.OZtoberFEST.com