



RILEY COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

November 2023

2023-2024 4-H Enrollment and Re-Enrollment

Enrollment and re-enrollment opened on **October 1** and will be done via [4-H Online](#). If you have forgotten your password, 4-H Online can set you up with a temporary one. If you have forgotten your email log-in, PLEASE do not create a second account. Instead, contact Brandy brandymarie@ksu.edu or call 785-537-6350 and she can assist you. The deadline to enroll and change projects will be May 1. You must be enrolled by May 1 to exhibit at the Riley County Fair.

4-H Council Officer Applications

Please consider being a 4-H Council Officer. We have extended the application deadline to this **Friday, November 3 at 5 pm**. For details on 4-H Council Officer responsibilities and for an application, please visit <https://www.riley.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/council/index.html> You will have to download the application and save in order for it to be form fillable.

2024 Riley County Foundation Grants

Are you a Riley County 4-H youth development group seeking support funds? Consider filling out a Riley County 4-H Foundation funding request application. Application must be returned to the Riley County Extension office, 110 Courthouse Plaza, Rm B220 by **5:00 pm on Thursday, November 22**. Recipients will be notified after the first of the year as to the status of their request.

Applications can be found online at <https://www.riley.k-state.edu/4-hfoundation/index.html>

If your group received a grant at the beginning of 2023 you will need to fill out a grant follow-up report <https://www.riley.k-state.edu/4-hfoundation/index.html>



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The Riley County Extension Office will be closed **Friday, November 10** in observance of Veterans Day



If you have something for the 4-H newsletter, please submit it to jajobe@ksu.edu by the *10 of the month*.

4-H Council Dates for 2023-2024

Monday, November 6, 2023; Monday, January 8, 2024; Monday, March 4, 2024; Monday, May 6, 2024; Monday, July 1, 2024; Monday, August 26, 2024.

Each club is allowed to have 5 voting representatives: 3 youth and 2 adults.

Importance of Attending 4-H Council

Our Riley County 4-H Council serves as a vital component to our month-to-month programming here in our area, but also allows club representative to take vital information back and report to their club. 4-H Council plans and implements county-wide events, oversees funding request, and votes to make necessary changes to our program as they see fit. Each club is allowed to have (5) voting representatives (3) youth and (2) adults. I would strongly encourage you to exercise that right throughout the year. You don't have to be a Council Representative to attend. It is open to all 4-Hers and parents. The 4-H Council dates are **ABOVE**.

4-H Showcase Event 2024

Our 4-H Showcase event date will be announced in the coming weeks. Once again we will be at Riley County Grade School on Saturday, February 17. Events will begin at 8:30 am and we should be done by 3:00 pm. As part of the event we will have photography, horticulture, and FACs judging. Breakfast and lunch items will be on hand on that day. Registration will open to 4-Hers in December so check back in with us. Start the planning process now. See you there!

4-H TRIPLE E BINGO Fundraiser

Please come to Wamego to support our 4-H TRIPLE E BINGO Fundraiser on Thursday, November 9 @ Columbian Theatre.

Doors open 6:30 ~ Games begin at 7:00 ~ \$10 pack for 1 card/game or 3 cards/all 10 games = \$25.

Additional cards may be purchased for \$1 each. We will also be taking orders for delicious (like homemade) pies from Golden Boy Pies in Olathe that will be delivered in time for Thanksgiving.

4-H TRIPLE E is a Multi-County 4-H Exchange Trip group for 12-18 year old 4-Hers ~ for more information call or text 785-844-0781. We will be traveling in 2024 & hosting in 2025. Participation in our group can help you fulfill CWF requirements as well.

Kansas 4-H T-Shirts

The Kansas 4-H T-Shirts sold at the Kansas State Fair, are on an online order with our business partner.

Find the flyer here. <https://www.kansas4-h.org/docs/2023%204H%20T%20Shirt%20order.pdf>

Order here. <https://www.companycasuals.com/20234-HTEES/start.jsp>

We are also doing a Riley County group order (colors are limited). If you wish to order via our Riley County group order click [Riley County Group Order](#). You must pay for your shirts by **8:00 am Wednesday, November 29** or they will not be ordered.

There are 2 designs this year! They can be ordered through December 1, 2023 and will be shipped before December 25, 2023. The link is up on the Kansas 4-H Website under News and Updates. Live near Manhattan, call Anndee at NZone about local pick up. Thanks for supporting this 4-H Youth Leadership Council

Leaders and Parents

Consider in November

- ◆ Make sure families enroll/re-enroll via 4-H Online
- ◆ Install new officers & recognize new members
- ◆ Create club goals for the new year
- ◆ Have members sign up for club committees
- ◆ Talk about club holiday plans for meeting, etc.
- ◆ Financial Audit due to Extension Office ASAP!
- ◆ Encourage seniors to apply for county and state 4-H scholarships (Open in December/ January)
- ◆ Invite Mr. Jobe to a club meeting
- ◆ Start talking to families about attending the annual Showcase event (February 17 at RCGS)
- ◆ Make sure 4-H Council Reps are attending meetings as voting representatives of your club.

Annual 4-H Officers Training 2023

Join us on **Tuesday, November 14 from 6:30-8:00 pm** at Pottorf Hall in Cico Park for our annual officers training meeting. Both junior and senior officers are encouraged to join the fun for that evening. We will have a general session, then break out into training groups for President, Vice President, Secretary, Parliamentarian, Treasurer, Reporter, Rec. Leader, and Song Leader. We hope to see you there!

Welcoming New Families

As new families come into your club, please make sure you have assigned someone to greet these families and make them feel welcome. Feeling welcome can be the difference between a family staying with the 4-H program for years to come, or dropping out after a few meetings. New Family Handbooks are available at the Extension Office to share with your new families.

2024-25 State 4-H Scholarships and the Vanier Family Scholarship Changes

The 2024-25 scholarship process for State 4-H Scholarships and the Vanier Family Scholarship Program has been streamlined. This process has been designed to encourage more 4-H'ers to apply for these scholarships by simplifying and combining the process. Evaluation criteria has also been included to provide transparency throughout the entire process. Please note several of the larger changes listed below:

1. Applicants will provide a cover letter and resume as part of their application – the same resume may be used for both scholarship processes. Applicants are encouraged to have a separate cover letter for the State 4-H Scholarships from the Vanier Family Scholarship Program.
2. Evaluation materials are provided to increase the transparency of the process.
3. References do NOT submit a letter of recommendation – they will be asked to answer several short answer questions about the applicant. These questions can be found on the Kansas 4-H website (<https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html>).

For questions about the scholarship process, please reach out to Sarah Keatley at keatley@ksu.edu or call 620-366-0035.



4-H Garage Sale
November 3-4
Wreath Barn, Cico Park, Manhattan

**We are looking for a huge selection of items
to be donated.**

We do not accept TVs of any kind.

**Proceeds benefit 4-H members in Pottawatomie, Riley,
& Wabaunsee Counties**

Drop Off Items on Location

Wednesday, November 1, 5-8 PM

Thursday, November 2, 10 AM - 8 PM

NO ITEM PICKUP

Garage Sale

Friday, November 3, 9 AM - 8 PM

Saturday, November 4, 8 AM - Noon

Questions: Call John Jobe, 785-537-6350

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2023-2024 Riley County 4-H Calendar

November

- 1-4 CWF Garage Sale/ Cico Park
- 6 4-H Council Meeting, 7 pm Pottorf Hall
- 10 Veteran's Day, Extension Office Closed
- 14 Officers Training, Pottorf Hall
- 18-19 Kansas Youth Leadership Forum
- 22 Riley County 4-H Grant Proposals DUE
- 23-24 Thanksgiving Holiday, Ext Office Closed

December

- 7 YQCA Training, 6-7:30 pm; Pottorf Hall
- 25 Christmas Holiday, Office Closed

January

- 1 NYE Holiday, Ext. Office Closed
- 4 YQCA Training; 6-7:30 pm; Pottorf Hall
- 8 4-H Council, 7 pm Pottorf Hall
- 10 YQCA Training; 6-7:30 pm; Pottorf Hall
- 11 NE Area PRF Screening, Pottorf Hall
- 15 MLK Jr. Day, Extension Office Closed
- 27 Horse Panorama, Rock Springs
- TBA 4-H Showcase Pre-Entry DUE
- TBA State and Local Scholarships DUE

February

- 19 Presidents Day, Extension Office Closed
- 24 Beef Weigh-In; Fairgrounds 1-3 pm
- TBA State Horse Judging
- TBA 4-H Ambassador Training, Rock Springs
- TBA Riley County Showcase, RCGS
- TBA Citizenship in Action, Topeka

March

- 1 State 4-H Scholarship and State PRFs DUE
- 1 Red Wheel Sales Begin
- 4 4-H Council, 7 pm Pottorf Hall

April

- Early April Red Wheel DUE to Club Leaders
- TBA Fair Royalty Applications DUE
- 20 Red Wheel Pick-Up, Pottorf Hall 9-9:30 am
- 20 State Shooting Sports Match
- TBA Discovery Days Registration DUE

May

- 1 Project Add/ Drop Deadline
- 6 Sheep & Goat Weigh-In/ Tagging, Hulburt Arena, 5-7 pm
- 6 4-H Council, 7 pm Pottorf Hall
- TBA Discovery Days, KSU Campus
- TBA Fair Royalty Interview; Pottorf Hall
- TBA Emerald Circle Banquet

June

- 1 Horse ID Papers DUE
- 1 Dog Show (Disciplines TBA)
- 5-7 State Geology Field Trip
- 19 Juneteenth; Office Closed
- 22 Dog Show (Disciplines TBA)

July

- 1 4-H Council, 7pm Pottorf Hall
- 1 Fair Pre-Entries DUE
- 4 Independence Day, Ext Off. Closed
- 15 State Fair Livestock Entries DUE
- 18 Fair Fashion Review
- 20 4-H Horse Show
- 22 Fair Work Night, Pottorf Hall
- 23 4-H Photography Judging
- 23 4-H and Cloverbud Pet Show
- 24 4-H Visual Arts Judging
- 24 4-H and Cloverbud Foods Judging
- 25-29 Riley County Fair, Cico Park
- 30 Fairground Cleanup

August

- 2 State Fair Entry Forms DUE
- 10 State Horticulture & Livestock Judging
- 15 KJLS Entries DUE
- 24 4-H Council, 7 pm Pottorf Hall

September

- 2 Labor Day, Extension Office Closed
- 4 State Fair Project DUE to Extension Office
- 6-15 Kansas State Fair
- 20 Project Report Forms & Awards DUE

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