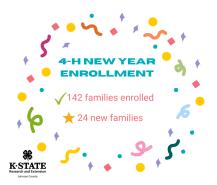


# Clover Clips

A newsletter for 4-H families

## **Announcements**

#### 2025 Enrollment



4-H Online opened October 1 for new 4-H members to enroll and current 4-H members to re-enroll for the 2025 4-H year. We asked that all returning 4-H members be enrolled by November 1, 2024. **If you have not enrolled, please do ASAP.** If you are not re-enrolled, your family will miss out on important correspondences from the county Extension office and State 4-H office as only the contact information from 2025 enrollments in 4-H Online will now be used.

The website for 4-H Online is <a href="http://v2.4honline.com">http://v2.4honline.com</a>. Enrollment guides for families and volunteers are posted

at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/.

### **Get Involved!**

Would you like to help plan county events like Achievement Celebration, Food Fare or Club Days? Would you like to help review scholarships or voice your opinion on county award procedures? There are several county committees to get YOU involved at the county level. Come be a part of one and meet other 4-H'ers in the county. Anyone can participate in county committees - you do not have to be a council representative to participate. Look HERE for a list of committees and their

# County Committees are calling YOU!

Did you know that ANYONE can volunteer to be a member of county committee? Our events and programs are better when YOU step up! Voice your opinion on a review committee and put your ideas into action on an event committee!



responsibilities and find one that you want to be a member of and sign up via the link on that page.

# Congratulations!

Our Johnson County 4-H Shooting Sports teams have a lot to celebrate! At the fall matches of Archery, Muzzleloading and Hunting Skills, we had 3 members accept invitations to 4-H Shooting Sports Nationals next summer in Nebraska! Mary T. in Recurve Archery, Jack W. and Emily K. in Hunting Skills. Congrats to all! It is always wonderful to celebrate our youth

developing life skills like self-worth, conservation ethics, environmental stewardship and discipline within our Johnson County 4-H Program!







Mary T.

Jack W.

Emily K.

# **November Reporter's Corner**

Club reporters submit their 4-H related articles, and you get to read about the latest Johnson County 4-H Club happenings! Click the button below for some fun news and updates!

Read Reporter's Corner

# **County Events & Updates**



# 4-H County Council Elects New Officers

By: Victoria Olberding, 4-H County Council Reporter

The new 4-H year brings new leadership opportunities! The Johnson County 4-H County Council members elected new officers during the November meeting. This officer team will lead the County Council for the 2024-2025 4-H year. Congratulations to all of our new county officers!

Our new officers include:

- President: George D.
- Vice President: Ann'adele K.
- Secretary: Olivia Y.
- Corresponding Secretary: Isla D.
- Treasurer: Sammie S.
- Reporter: Victoria O.
- Historians: Eliana D. and Isaac M.
- Parliamentarian: Oscar W.

# **County Council Representatives**

Each club needs to have two youth and two adults serve as the club's representatives at 4-H County Council. The meetings occur on the first Monday of odd months at 7:00p.m. The next

meeting will be January 6, 2025. **Actively participating in two Council Committees is one of the requirements for Council Reps to receive their pin**. Descriptions of each of the Council committees is posted on the <u>4-H Council Page</u> on the Johnson County 4-H website. Please choose at least one Event Planning committee and at least one Review Committee to participate in this year. A link for the committee sign ups is posted on the <u>4-H Council Page</u>. If you have questions, please contact the JoCo 4-H office.

# **Training with the Tail Waggers 4-H Dog Project**

Johnson County 4-H Tail Waggers Dog Project is now accepting registrations for the 2025 training season. All registration materials must be submitted no later than **January 1**, **2025**. Further details and a sign-up can be found here: <a href="https://forms.gle/LV4Jcf">https://forms.gle/LV4Jcf</a>

A mandatory orientation meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 8 at 6:30 p.m. in the 4H building on the Johnson County Fairgrounds in Gardner. Training sessions will be held weekly from January to May on Wednesdays for Showmanship and Obedience, and on Sundays for Agility.

New Tail Waggers members must commit to attending all Obedience training sessions; as each week's lesson builds on prior training activities and are not conducive for part-time attendance. If you have questions, email Donna Holloway or call 913-433-6752.

# 4-H Shooting Sports Hunting Skills Discipline

Would you like to learn skills in hunter knowledge, wildlife identification, compass and orienteering? Have fun in group activities learning about wildlife management? Have an opportunity to get introduced to Archery, Smallbore Rifle, and Shotgun shooting? Youth are not required to be a hunter, or even intend to hunt, although having some knowledge of hunting may be helpful.

Hunting Skills is one of the disciplines within Kansas 4-H Shooting Sports. While it does have shooting disciplines incorporated for those old enough to meet 4-H requirements and are interested, it also provides knowledge about history of hunting, why we hunt, how hunters and hunting support wildlife management, survival skills, etc. We have meetings that include youth from surrounding counties who all enjoy the project. Opportunities are available to attend local, state, and national competitions. Three members of our group will be participating in the National 4-H Shooting Sports Championship Match next summer!

Our first beginner's class will be **January 10 at 6:30pm** at the Johnson County Extension Office. Members will learn more about how Hunting Skills fits into the shooting sports program and cover our first unit, History of Hunting. **Youth wishing to be involved in the discipline will need to get enrolled in the project through <b>4-H Online**.

Please contact <u>Beth Alloway</u> or <u>Arn Eccles</u> to let us know you are coming or if you would like more information.

# 4-H Calendar Events

Check out all the available 4-H Projects and Events coming up in the next few weeks.

#### Monday, November 18th 6:00pm Johnson County Entomology Project Meeting

Get ready for a bug-tastic adventure! Come join us and discover the thrill of exploring the fascinating world of insects. From the basics of insect identification to advanced techniques for collecting and studying insects, we'll cover it all! The November meeting will be an introduction to the project and the essential tools you need to get started. Even if you don't know that entomology is for you, come

and see what all the buzz is about!

Registration: None required

Contact: Patrick Delancy at <a href="mailto:patrick.delancy@gmail.com">patrick.delancy@gmail.com</a>

Location: Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Room #115 (13145 Blackbob Rd. Olathe, KS)

Wednesday, November 20th 6:30pm

**Club Leader Meeting** 

Please have one club leader or another club parent representative present.

Contact: Lexi or Cyla

Location: Johnson County Extension Office

Thursday, November 21st 6:30 - 8:30pm County-Wide Sewing Project Meeting

This is the last sewing meeting of 2024. Meetings will resume January 2, 2025 and continue until

July 17. All skill levels are welcome.

**Contact:** Martha Powell at 913-302-5812 or mmp4powell@yahoo.com.

Location: Johnson County Extension Office

Thursday & Friday, November 28th-29th Johson County Extension Office Closed

Monday, December 16th, 2024 6:00pm Johnson County Entomology Project Meeting

Join us for an evening of bugs-ploration as we delve into the fascinating realm of insects! Our monthly meetings are great opportunities to expand your knowledge of insect identification, collection techniques, and research methods. Whether you're a seasoned naturalist or just starting to explore the world of bugs, our meetings are a perfect platform for learning, sharing ideas, and connecting with like-minded individuals.

At the December meeting we will explore basic insect identification. There will also be time to get help pinning or identifying a few insects you have already caught.

Registration: None required

Contact: Patrick Delancy at <a href="mailto:patrick.delancy@gmail.com">patrick.delancy@gmail.com</a>

Location: Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Room #115 (13145 Blackbob Rd. Olathe, KS)

View 4-H Calendar

# **State Events & Updates**

# **Entomology Meeting in Allen County**

Come join the fun and learn about insects! The next Entomology Project meeting will be on Saturday, December 14th at the Allen County Extension Office beginning at 1:00 p.m. Please bring your pinning boards, pinning supplies and 2 or 3 insects to pin. If you are just starting in this project, I will have pinning set ups available to purchase for \$10. 4-Hers, please bring a short talk on Entomology on the subject of your choice. If it is about an insect, please try to do a "Who Am I?" to start out with. We are going to do a group community service project to try to grant a few Christmas wishes for some Senior Citizens. If you plan to attend and want to participate in this, please reach out to Vicky for items needed from the Christmas Wish List for the gift box.

Questions: call Vicky at (620) 804-9170

# K-State Junior Producer Day

The junior producer day programs are one-day educational programs through which families can attend to learn about the selection and management of a specific species. These events are open to all ages and skill levels including youth, parents, extension agents, ag teachers,

project leaders, and other volunteers. A variety of topics are provided by K-State faculty, staff, graduate students, former exhibitors, and guest speakers. The tentative program and topics for each day can be found at this <u>link</u>. This is a family event! Parents and youth are invited to come learn together! All attendees must register, which includes both youth and adults (including parents). Families need to register online <u>here</u> (scroll to the bottom of the page for registration link).

**NEW THIS YEAR...** 

**Limited Registration!** Due to the capacity of the facility this year, registration for each junior producer day will be capped at 400 participants. Families are encouraged to register early to reserve their spot!

**New Location** - The 2025 K-State Junior Producer Days will be hosted at the Stanley Stout Center, which is in Manhattan, north of campus, near the Sheep & Meat Goat Center and Purebred Unit.

#### K-State Junior Swine Producer Day

Date: Saturday, March 1, 2025 Registration Deadline: February 5

Cost: \$20/person by February 5 (\$25/person after

February 5)

\*Only those who register by February 5 will receive a t-shirt.

\*\*Both youth and adults attending (including parents) need to register.

\*\*\*No refunds.

#### K-State Junior Meat Goat Producer Day

Date: Saturday, March 22, 2025 Registration Deadline: February 26

Cost: \$20/person by February 26 (\$25/person

after February 26)

\*Only those who register by February 26 will receive a t-shirt.

\*\*Both youth and adults attending (including parents) need to register.

\*\*\*No refunds.

### **Partner Events**



# 4-H Afterschool Cooking Program in Gardner

The Master Food Volunteers are offering a monthly afterschool cooking program in Gardner that is open to any 4-H'er who is interested! Sessions are usually held the first Thursday of every month from 3:30 p.m.-5 p.m. Students will learn how to prepare various recipes and develop skills that are transferable to preparing foods for the fair and beyond. Cooking is an essential skill for life!

Parents are encouraged to stay, learn, and participate with their youth. Participants will get to eat or take home food prepared during each session. Food safety, nutrition, healthy eating, physical activity, and other lessons will be incorporated into each session.

For session topics and to sign up, visit the website here: Afterschool Cooking Program (k-state.edu)

# **Contact Us!**

## **Clover Clips Submission**

The deadline for submissions for Clover Clips will be on the **15th** of each month. If you have a submission that you would like to have considered for an edition of Clover Clips please send it to Erin at <a href="mailto:Erin.Yeung@jocogov.org">Erin.Yeung@jocogov.org</a>

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