

Clover Clips

A newsletter for Johnson County 4-H families.

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Participate in Food Fare

This event is an opportunity for clubs to have a booth that showcases their creativity with food samples, decorations and activities based on a theme. Food Fare participants will tour each booth, trying the food samples and participating in the activities. This year's theme is "Months of the Year." If your family would like to attend Food Fare as participants, please sign up using the link on the 4-H Food Fare webpage at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/food-fare.html by April 1. This is a free event, however we do ask that participants bring nonperishable food items that will be donated to a local food bank. Food Fare starts at 6 p.m. on Friday, April 8, at the Extension office.

Johnson County Ambassador Advisor Position Opening

Johnson County 4-H is seeking an adult volunteer for the Ambassador Advisor position. The Ambassador Advisor facilitates the selection, training and leadership of 4-H Ambassadors and helps to promote 4-H and Extension youth programs in the county. This volunteer role should be a two-year term, might require 4-10 hours of work per month, and requires enthusiasm for 4-H youth, specifically teens. This person must also complete the Johnson County 4-H volunteer screening process. If you, or someone you know is interested (does not need to currently be involved in 4-H), please contact the Johnson County 4-H office at 913-715-7000 or joco4-h@jocogov.org.

Welcome, Ambassadors

It took us a little while to get their picture, but please welcome your 2022 Johnson County 4-H Ambassadors!

Top Row (L to R): Ally (Morning Glory), Kristen (Blue River Wranglers), Tyler (Prairie Moon), Jonathan (Blue River Wranglers), Charli (Prairie Star), Alexis (Prairie Moon); Fern (Oxford Hustlers), Maddison (Oxford Hustlers), Nathan (Lucky Clover)

Bottom Row (L to R): Ainsley (Blue River Wranglers), Abby (Lucky Clover), Jaden (Lucky Clover), Maddie (Lucky Clover), Elly (Prairie Star)

Not pictured: Becca (Great Plains), Elizabeth (Prairie Moon), Evan (Country Hearts), Noah (Great Plains)



Important Deadlines

Adding/Dropping Projects and Enrollment Status

The project add/drop deadline for new and returning 4-H'ers is May 1. 4-H members must be enrolled in the project by May 1 and be approved in 4-H Online to be eligible to exhibit in the corresponding project area at the Johnson County Fair. Project enrollment is an important component of the project experience. 4-H families can update this information any time in 4-H Online by simply clicking the Edit button in the Projects tab within the 4-H member's profile. This option will be available through May 1 and after that the system will not allow any changes to be made to a 4-H member's projects. If you have questions about project enrollment or the May 1 deadline, please contact your club leader or the Johnson County 4-H office.

Horse Identification and Horseless Horse Certificates

All Horse Identification Certificates and Horseless Horse Certificates are **due to the Extension office by 5 p.m. on Friday, April 29** because May 1 falls on a Sunday this year. Appropriate forms can be found at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/livestock.html. **Please note that the Horse ID Certificate dated January 2020 **must** be used. Also posted on the website above is an example of a correctly filled out Horse ID Certificate; it must only be one page (front and back).

4-H Horse Snaffle Bit Project Nominations - Horse snaffle bit project nominations are also **due to the Extension office by 5 p.m. on Friday, April 29** since May 1 falls on a Sunday this year. Along with the nomination, a Horse Identification Certificate and a \$10 fee must be submitted.

IMPORTANT UPATED INFORMATION

Ks Junior Livestock Show & Ks State Fair Livestock Nominations

4-H members planning on showing their animals at the Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS) and/or the Kansas State Fair must submit nominations to the KSU Youth Livestock office. Market Beef nominations are due by May 1. Commercial Heifer, Swine, Sheep, and Meat Goat nominations are due by June 15.

****NEW THIS YEAR: The nomination process is transitioning to an online system for state livestock nominations. Instructions on how to complete the new nomination process are linked on the KSU Youth Livestock Program's website at www.YouthLivestock.ksu.edu under "Nomination Information." Make sure to become familiar with the process right now, as every family will need to plan ahead to make sure all the steps are completed on time and in the correct order.****

YQCA Certification Requirement - As a reminder, YQCA certification is required to participate at KJLS and at the Kansas State Fair. See page 5 for more information about YQCA Certification.

Livestock Ear Tag Information

Below are pictures of each species' ear tag. This is the number you will use when registering for the county fair, Kansas State Fair and KJLS. Tip from a pro: Take a picture with your phone and you'll have it with you whenever you need it! **REMINDER:** Animals must be tagged on or before the date of their corresponding spring show to be able to show in the county fair. Please see page 4 for this year's tagging procedures.



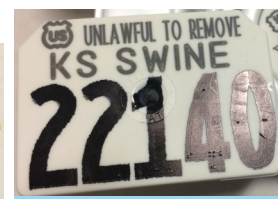
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Advice from Ms. 4-H

Question: *In what ways has your 4-H record keeping helped you?*

Ms. 4-H, Becca Adair: As any 4-H'er can tell you, the record book due date always seems to creep up without my knowing. Even though turning record books in takes a lot of hard work, in the end it proves useful to more than just 4-H activities. As a senior, my record book has certainly aided in filling out scholarship information and applications to prepare for the future. From seeing a list of the previous year's accomplishments to writing more in-depth in the 4-H story forces me to consider the past year and remember everything I've done. Through the record book, I'm also able to look through the years and be proud of my experiences. It's amazing to see the growth throughout the years and remember back to trying each project for the first time.



Local Opportunities

New Family Orientation

We will be offering a New Family Orientation on April 27, from 6:30-8 p.m. This meeting is for parents of all first and second year 4-H members. Topics to be discussed will focus on the upcoming fair and there will be time to answer questions. To register please complete the information at <https://forms.gle/erTHFh9mvUatnjWQ6>. Registration is required by April 22. We must have a minimum number of families registered to hold the orientation. If you have any questions please contact the Johnson County 4-H office.

Help Wanted: 4-H Food Stand

A responsible and organized adult is needed to serve as the 4-H Food Stand Manager for this year's Johnson County Fair. The 4-H Food Stand is the largest fundraiser for 4-H Council and helps to pay for County Club Day, Achievement Celebration, Style Revue, and much more. The position does come with a stipend. Please see the Position Description posted at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/council.html. If you have questions or are interested in the position, please contact the Johnson County 4-H office at joco4-h@jocogov.org.



County Council Meeting Information

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 p.m. Elected officers will have meetings which occur on the first Monday of even months at 7 p.m. If you have questions, please contact the Johnson County 4-H office.

SAVE THE DATE!

Spring Tractor Supply Paper Clover Fundraiser will be April 27-May 8.

Kansas 4-H Insect Spectacular will be June 17-18 in Chanute.

Johnson County Fair will be July 31-August 6 in Gardner.

State 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest will be August 13 in Manhattan.

Fall Tractor Supply Paper Clover Fundraiser will be October 5-16.

County Project Opportunities

Livestock Project Tagging & Spring Livestock Shows

All market sheep, steers, market heifers, hogs and goats must be tagged by Johnson County Extension staff on or before the respective Spring Show date in order to be eligible to show in the 4-H division at the Johnson County Fair. The cost for this Kansas 4-H EID ear tag is \$3 each. Johnson County Extension staff will be on the Johnson County Fairgrounds in conjunction with the Spring Livestock Shows to facilitate the purchasing and tagging process on the following dates:

April 8 (6-7 p.m.) — Beef only

April 9 (7-9 a.m.) — Beef Spring Show participants only

June 3 (5-7:30 p.m.) — Goats, Sheep, Swine and Bucket Calves only

June 4 (7-9 a.m.) — Goat and Sheep Spring Show participants only

June 5 (7-9 a.m.) — Swine and Bucket Calf Spring Show participants only

For more information on the Spring Livestock Shows at the Johnson County Fairgrounds go to www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/livestock.html.

Countywide Livestock Program Activities

The Countywide Livestock Program is centered around three pillars: education, judging, and careers dealing with livestock. Education could include, but is not limited to, hosting clinics, teaching youth what to expect when preparing for the livestock auction, etc. Judging includes working with youth wanting to learn more about each species and competition. Lastly, career information includes touring local agribusinesses, hosting presentations from professionals in the agriculture community, etc. **You do not have to be enrolled in a livestock project to participate!** The committees have been hard at work planning activities and have two upcoming events everyone is invited to attend:

Sheep and Goat Clinic — The Education Committee will be holding a Sheep and Goat Clinic on Sunday, April 10, 2022. This event is for youth with any level of experience! Speakers will go over clipping your animal, nutrition information, and showmanship. The clinic will be held in Gardner on the Johnson County Fairgrounds from 1:30-4:15 p.m. Please register at <https://tinyurl.com/sheepgoatclinic>. Contact Ainsley (ainsleyjp@icloud.com) or Kristen (kohnkristen0@gmail.com) with any questions.

Meat School for 4-H Families — Locally sourced meats are in high demand here in Kansas' most populous county. Why not bring 4-H to the center-of-the-plate in Prairie Village, Overland Park and beyond? Join the Judging Committee on Friday, May 6 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Extension office for Johnson County Meat School. This event will familiarize 4-H'ers with the terms and terminology of meat processing and merchandising; a first-step toward building a micro-business or perhaps just marketing a fair project. You'll learn about cuts, cut-outs and custom processing. You'll learn what to ask, how to answer and how to price it right. This course will be an excellent backgrounder for those interested in going to the KS 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes this summer. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/4Hmeatschool> by April 30.

The Johnson County Livestock Program plans to meet again in late April or early May. If you or anyone in your family is interested in attending, please help select the meeting date by completing the poll at <https://doodle.com/meeting/participate/id/vbm5gXrb>. Contact Jessie at jessie.furgins@jocogov.org with any questions.

Countywide Sewing Project

Attention Sewing Project members - If you have ever wanted to learn to sew or are currently sewing and want a place to sew, then come join the countywide sewing group. The group meets to sew 6:30-8:30 p.m. every Thursday through July. For more information please contact Martha Powell, countywide sewing group leader, at mmp4powell@yahoo.com or 913-302-5812.

County Project Opportunities

YQCA Requirements

What is YQCA? Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a national, multi-species youth livestock quality assurance program that focuses on food safety, animal wellbeing, and character development, through age-appropriate educational curriculum for ages 7-21. This program is an annual certification that grows with the youth, so the learning modules are different every year.

Who needs to be certified?

Johnson County Fair Exhibitors: All youth age 8 and older exhibiting in the beef, goat, sheep and/or swine project must be YQCA certified by June 15, 2022 in order to exhibit at the fair. Please remember to print your YQCA certificate to bring to county fair.

Exhibitors at State Livestock Shows: All youth age 7 and older who will be exhibiting market or breeding animals in the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive or Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS) are required to obtain certification. A copy of the YQCA certificate must be included with your nominations.

How do I get certified? Certification can be done by taking a minimum one-hour in-person training or an online training. Both types of trainings are registered for and paid for by going to <https://yqcaprogram.org> and logging into the system through 4-H Online using your current login information. All registration and payment is handled through the YQCA website and must be done before attending either type of training. The online training is \$12 per youth and the in-person training is \$3 per youth. (If a family needs financial support, contact the Extension office.) **Johnson County 4-H will hold an in-person training at the Extension office on April 13 at 6 p.m.**

For more information visit www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/livestock.html. Contact the Johnson County 4-H office with questions.

Countywide Astronomy Project Activities

Anyone interested in astronomy is invited to participate in the following activities:

- Telescope-Building Workshop – Telescopes will be built from scratch and they can be brought to the Powell Observatory trip in June to look at the night sky!
Date: May 14, 2022 **Time:** 10:30-11:45 a.m. **Location:** Room 1070/1075 at the Johnson County Extension Office **Seats Available:** Attendance is limited to the first 10 4-H'ers who RSVP due to available supplies.
- Trip to the Powell Observatory – Be sure to bring your telescope!
Date: June 4, 2022 **Time:** TBA

If you plan on coming to any of these events, please RSVP to Nathan Anderson, Countywide Astronomy Project leader at handerson3@gmail.com.

Kansas 4-H Project Report Form Resources

Set goals, practice record keeping, reflect, and compete using Kansas 4-H Project Report forms. All forms, along with video tutorials, can be found at www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/ProjectRecognition.html. Informational slides from our local training are posted at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/record-books.html.

Kit Check Out for Registered Volunteers

In an effort to make hands-on, quality, educational resources available to your program and club, we have Johnson County 4-H kits for Registered 4-H Volunteers to borrow. Thank you Johnson County Extension Education Foundation and Google's CS Pathway grant for making this possible! Find information at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/KitCheckOut.html and contact the Johnson County 4-H office with any questions.

County Project Opportunities

Tail Waggers Invitational 4-H Dog Show

An informational flyer and entry form for the Tail Waggers Invitational 4-H Dog Show is posted at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/countywide-projects.html. The event will be held on Saturday, June 11 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds in Gardner. Pre-registration is due by June 4. Also, walk in entries are welcomed.



Johnson County 4-H Dog Club Dog Shows

The Johnson County 4-H Dog Club will be hosting two invitational dog shows in 2022. The first invitational show will be on June 25, starting at 8:30 a.m. Pre-registration and 4-H Dog Show Immunization Records are due by June 18. Walk-ins will be taken the day of the show at an increased entry fee. There will be an invitational Rally-Obedience and Agility only dog show on July 9 at 8:30 a.m. Pre-registration and 4-H Dog Show Immunization Records are due by July 2. An informational flyer for each show is posted on the Johnson County 4-H website at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/livestock.html. For additional information, please call or text Shelley Goebel at 913-634-8688 or Holly Nitz at 913-568-6266.

Don't Miss Out on the 4-H Fashion Revue

Do you have a great outfit you are proud of and would like to show off? You can strut your stuff at the 4-H Fashion Revue this summer! The categories are Buymanship and Everything Under \$15. To enter the Fashion Revue, enroll in the Clothing and Textiles project by May 1. You do not have to sew what you wear in Buymanship or Everything Under \$15! However, you must be enrolled in the Clothing and Textiles project by May 1 in 4-H Online, and enter in the appropriate class(es) in the 4-H Fashion Revue department by the 4-H fair entry deadline. You can find more information in the Johnson County 4-H Fair Book. Judging for the Fashion Revue is Saturday, July 23, 2022. The Public Fashion Revue is the evening of Wednesday, July 27. All 4-H'ers, gals and guys, are invited to come join the fun!

Calling all Project Talks, Demonstrations & Public Speaking!

Did you know that in addition to County 4-H Club Day and Regional 4-H Club Day, there is another opportunity for 4-H public presentations? Yes, at the Johnson County Fair! Plan to add "Public Presentation" to your fair entries this year! Purple ribbons on Illustrated Talks and Demonstrations will be eligible to present at the Kansas State Fair.

Project Videos Available

Explore different 4-H projects from the comfort of your home! Informational videos by 4-H'ers in the project are posted at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/project-club-resources/projects.html for you to watch when you choose.

Kansas 4-H Policy Highlight of the Month

Did you know... All 4-H related programs and activities should be supervised by at least two adult approved and screened volunteers (this practice is called two-deep supervision). Providing a safe environment for youth is our greatest responsibility. More information can be found in section 9.4: Supervision Ratios in the Kansas 4-H Policy Handbook at www.kansas4-h.org/resources/policy-guide/.

State Opportunities

Insect Art Contest

It's time once again for K-State's Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Insect Art Contest! This year's theme is "The Benefit of Insects." The goal is to capture in an art piece that insects benefit us as a society and why they are important.

Selected artwork will be used to promote the importance of insects and to create other educational items. Artists that have art selected will receive a certificate and a prize to recognize their achievement. A winner will be selected from each of the outlined categories and one overall winner will be selected from those entries.

Why should you participate? It's fun. It's an opportunity to learn more about the benefits of insects. It's an opportunity to flex your creative muscles and practice your (art)craft. It's a state contest and you can add that to your record book or pin application for Entomology and/or Visual Arts.

The deadline to submit entries is April 15, 2022. Additional information can be found at www.ksre.k-state.edu/pesticides-ipm/.

Summer 4-H Youth Development Intern Positions Open

K-State Research and Extension and 4-H Youth Development are seeking multiple Summer Interns for planning, organizing, and facilitating lessons to youth with curriculum provided by Extension. The intern will also assist 4-H Agents in coordinating and teaching programs such as day camps, summer camps, and other youth events. This is a full-time, twelve-week paid internship that will run May 23-August 12, 2022. Applicants must be at least 18 years old and have a high school diploma or equivalent. In the KC Metro, we are specifically seeking interns in Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth, and Douglas counties. Please visit the K-State Careers page at <https://careers.k-state.edu/cw/en-us/job/512492/summer-intern-4h-youth-development> for more information and to apply.

K-State Animal Science Leadership Academy

Applications are now available for the 2022 K-State Animal Science Leadership Academy. The goal of this academy will be to further develop young leaders within the livestock industry and prepare them for a successful future in this field. In 2022, the program will offer two separate sessions, June 22-25 and June 29-July 2, to meet increased demand and serve more young people. Each four-day session will focus on increasing knowledge of Kansas' diverse livestock industry, as well as building participants' leadership skills. Twenty high school students will be selected to participate in each group based upon educational, community, and agricultural involvement, as reflected through an application process.

Applications must be postmarked by April 15, 2022. More information and the application are available at www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/k-state-animal-science-leadership-academy/.

Kansas 4-H Discovery Days

Discovery Days is held in Manhattan and is a mini college experience designed for youth ages 13-18 (before January 1). Youth participate in tours, attend evening social events, and take classes to expand their 4-H experience. This year Discovery Days is June 1-3 and registration opens April 1. The cost is \$195 with some classes having additional fees. Registration is available at www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/discovery-days/. Don't wait too long to sign up as classes fill up quickly! More information can be found at the website listed above.

REPORTER'S CORNER

Recently, the Johnson County 4-H Rifle Club and Shooting Sports hosted a local match. Multiple Morning Glory members participated. The Shooting Sports club placed 3rd overall as a team in the competition. The KSRA competition is a qualifying match happening in March.

In February, MG hosted a special seminar on Impromptu Speaking at the Gardner Library. Susan Rogers, a MG mom, was gracious enough to teach this valuable skill, in preparation for members wanting to enter this category in the fair. We are grateful for her time and effort.

MG parents enjoyed serving in their children's positions for the February meeting. It was fun to swap spots with our parents.

By Jack Hogan, Morning Glory 4-H Club Reporter

Johnson County Horse Club

By Emma Grove, Johnson County 4-H Horse Club Reporter

The Johnson County Horse Club has been planning a fun weekend get together at the Johnson County fairgrounds for a weekend in July. We are also hopeful to put together group rides in the near future. Great job to Avery for sharing an amazing presentation on proper western show attire.



Club Reporters, Your Article Can Be Featured Here!

Attention all club Reporters! Does your club have some exciting news or photos to share? Is there something you think the rest of the county should know that's happening in your club? Then we have an opportunity for you! The *Reporter's Corner* is a section within Clover Clips that features 4-H club Reporters' articles/pictures. We would like to ask you to limit the article to 200 words and it must be submitted to Christin by the Clover Clips submission deadline. Check the 4-H Calendar on the Johnson County 4-H website for each month's submission deadline.

REPORTER'S CORNER

Sowing Seeds of Kindness

By Kennedy Graham, Prairie Moon 4-H Club Reporter

Each month the members of the Prairie Moon 4H Club combine their skills and talents to serve in their community. The recipients of this altruism during the month of March were some shut-in nursing home residents, both in the local KC area, and across the country. Numerous names and addresses of nursing home residents were collected by members of the 4H club and then the club members came together to create personalized greeting cards and write well-wishes. These one-of-a-kind customized greetings were then mailed out to their intended recipients in the middle of March in hopes of bringing a smile to the faces of these elderly inhabitants. I think that we can all agree that receiving unexpected “happy mail” is a smile-worthy blessing.



Who Needs a Zamboni?

By Kennedy Graham, Prairie Moon 4-H Club Reporter

Who needs a Zamboni when you have eleven amateur 4H club members ice skating on a Saturday afternoon in March? While many of us spent more time sprawled out across the ice rink than we did on our rented ice skates, eleven Prairie Moon 4H Club members attempted to ice skate to commemorate the end of our shared Spring Break week. A few of us even got brave and ventured more than a skate's distance away from the rink wall by the end of our two-hour public skating outing. All in all, I'd consider it a success since everybody had fun and the most severe injury was an easily treatable blister.



REPORTER'S CORNER

County Council Members Learn About COVID Impacts on Animal Health

By Lily Ames, 4-H County Council Reporter



Kansas Assistant State Veterinarian Sarah McReynolds came and spoke to the Johnson County 4-H Council as part of its regular bi-monthly meeting March 1st. Her presentation was about how COVID impacted the meat supply. Meat processors in the state could not work full hours with so many employees out sick. Therefore, there was a back-up of supply as the number of pigs grown in Kansas for each week's harvest could not be harvested. Dr. McReynolds helped disease experts from the CDC to understand the work environment of a meat processing plant and how not allowing those plants to stay open would cause an animal welfare problem. She also spoke to the group about avian influenza that is highly contagious and can devastate backyard flocks in Kansas.

Blue River Wranglers Participate in Young Cattle Producer's Day

By Hope Ames, Blue River Wranglers 4-H Club Reporter

Members of the Blue River Wranglers 4-H Club attended the bi-annual Young Cattle Producer's Day on March 5th in Manhattan, KS. Ainsley, Keaton, Landon and Hope each have cattle projects this year and enjoyed the fun and educational experience. Demonstrations were held to show how to clip and exhibit a beef animal. Kansas State University experts spoke about health, nutrition and meat.



April

- 1 - Food Fare Participant registration due online
 - Discovery Days registration opens
 - Club Leader Survey due online
- 4 - County Council Officers meeting
- 7 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 8 - Evening tagging for Beef Project members **not** participating in Spring Show, JOCO Fairgrounds
 - Food Fare, Extension office
- 9 - Morning tagging for Spring Beef Show participants, JOCO Fairgrounds
 - Deadline for Beef Project animals to be tagged in order to show in 4-H division at JoCo Fair
- 10 - Sheep and Goat Clinic, JOCO Fairgrounds (pre-registration required)
- 13 - YQCA in-person training, Extension office (pre-registration required)
- 14 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 15 - KSU Insect Art Contest submission deadline
 - Animal Science Leadership Academy applications due
 - Clover Clips Submission deadline
- 21 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 27 - New Family Orientation, Extension office
- 27-May 8 - Tractor Supply Paper Clover Fundraiser
- 28 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 29 - Horse ID Certificates, Horseless Horse Certificates & Snaffle Bit Project Forms due to Extension office
- 30 - Meat School registration due online

May

- 1 - Deadline to Add or Drop projects in 4-H Online
 - Market Beef Nominations due online
- 2 - County Council meeting
- 5 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 6 - Meat School, Extension office (pre-registration required)
- 12 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 14 - Telescope Building Workshop, Extension office (pre-registration required)
- 16 - Clover Clips Submission deadline
- 19 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 26 - Countywide Sewing Group

Check out www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources for the 2022 4-H calendar.

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Clover Clips Submission Deadline

The deadline for submissions for Clover Clips will be on the 15th of each month. If that date falls on a weekend or holiday please check the 2022 4-H Calendar at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources for the deadline for that month. If you have a submission that you would like to have considered for an edition of Clover Clips please send it to Christin at christin.bartels@jocogov.org.

Leader Update

Club Leader Meeting

You should have received an email from Jessica with the link to a survey. If you did not, reach out to her at jessica.lawrenz@jocogov.org. Please complete the survey by April 1. There will be a Club Leader Meeting at the Extension office (and on Zoom) on Tuesday, April 26 at 6:30 p.m. The results of the survey will be discussed, then there will be an open discussion regarding concerns and issues with the group hopefully offering suggestions and ideas for improvements. Snacks will be provided! Please have at least one leader in attendance at the meeting. Contact Jessica if that won't be possible.

Remind Families to Re-enroll

4-H Online opened October 1, 2021 for families to re-enroll current 4-H members and enroll new 4-H members. We asked that all returning 4-H members be re-enrolled by November 1, 2021. **If families are not enrolled for the 2022 4-H year they are missing out on important correspondences from the Extension office as only contact information from the current year's enrollments is now being used.**

The website for 4-H Online is <http://v2.4honline.com> and enrollment guides for volunteers and families are posted at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/. As a reminder, the \$15 program fee will be paid at the time of enrollment within 4-H Online. (Adult volunteers and Cloverbuds will not be charged the fee.)

As a leader, if you have any questions about enrollment contact the Johnson County 4-H office.

Project Leaders and Volunteers must be Registered Volunteers

Adults providing supervision to youth at a 4-H program; making decisions on behalf of the 4-H program; having access to private data of 4-H members or volunteers; and/or handling funds as part of 4-H must complete the volunteer screening process, be accepted, and enrolled as a Kansas 4-H volunteer.

Volunteer applications and renewals are completed through 4-H Online. We asked that all returning volunteers complete their renewal by November 1, 2021. If a volunteer has not completed the renewal process in 4-H Online for the 2021-2022 year, they should not be volunteering for your club. Once the renewal process has been completed in 4-H Online and their profile has been approved they may resume their volunteer duties.

If you have any questions please contact the Johnson County 4-H office.

Resources for 4-H Club Leaders

Please take time to review the forms, links and resources available on the Leader Resources page at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/project-club-resources/club-leader-resources/. Resources include information about the Annual Financial Report, requirements for the Club Seal, and the link to complete the Club Organization Report.

There are also more resources available to support 4-H clubs on the Kansas 4-H website at www.kansas4-h.org/resources/leader-resources/clubcorner/.

Families with Financial Difficulties

All youth in the community deserve to have the positive youth development experience offered in 4-H. If you have families facing financial challenges, preventing them from participating in a 4-H event, please contact the Extension office for support.