



Clover Clips

A newsletter for Johnson County 4-H families.

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4-H Families,

This was a year of change and adaptation for the world, 4-H, and in my personal life. Change often is not easy and it's often uncomfortable, especially when it is forced upon us. However, with the change came appreciation. Appreciation for my colleagues who I worked with to navigate the unknown waters of COVID. Appreciation for my 4-H volunteers that helped envision a different method of the same mission. Appreciation for my 4-H'ers for adapting and trying something new.

So, I think.... Did we use this interruption to introduce new ideas and methods? Did we find the opportunities within the obstacles we faced? Are we coming out of this pandemic stronger, more resilient, and more innovative? Let's end this year on a positive note and look forward to a great 2021. Wishing your family a safe and happy holidays! -Ami

Extension's COVID-19 Programming Update

With the rising number of COVID-19 cases, Johnson County Extension has decided to limit in-person programming from November 23, 2020 through January 31, 2021 for the safety of all Extension participants, volunteers, guests, and professionals. **This applies to any Extension program delivered by staff, volunteers and representatives of Extension.** Please check for an email from Ami on November 20, 2020 for more information. If you are a program leader seeking an exception, please contact Ami.

What does this mean for 4-H families?

- 4-H Club Meetings should be delivered virtually. Please contact the Extension office to set up Zoom meetings or if you need any support.
- 4-H project work can continue within the family unit or virtually. This includes most countywide project meetings.
- Continue to prepare your individual talks, musical pieces, and performances for 4-H Club Day. Group practices need to be postponed.

With the continued disruption of 4-H programs due to COVID-19, membership pin applications, club seals, and member record book score sheets will be adjusted and modified for 2020-21. If your club or program has an attendance requirement for running for office, club scholarships, etc., there should be an option for individuals to participate virtually during the 2020-21 year. Clubs cannot set attendance requirements to participate in showcase opportunities such as Club Day or Fair.

Congratulations are in order!



The Science Matters team #WatchYourWaste competed at the KSU Science of Ag Challenge on Saturday, November 14 at the Kansas Farm Bureau in Manhattan. The team has educated our community on the importance of planning meals ahead of time, eating leftovers, and composting as a way to reduce food waste. Each 4-H'er posted their most memorable experiences on the team's Instagram account. Elizabeth L especially enjoyed listening to the kids' responses during their compost sorting activity at the Bentwood Elementary Farm & Family Night before Coronavirus restrictions were in place. Jayden liked all the new

things the team tried to get their message across after their original action plan to work in a middle school had to be dropped because of COVID-19. Ben enjoyed putting on the composting workshops, and Elizabeth F was excited to work with incredible people, to do more for the climate and knows the resilience she has learned through this project will stay with her. The team is grateful for the ability to attend the National 4-H Agri-Science Summit where their vision to make a difference in our community took place, for their many awesome mentors who helped them succeed, and for the Johnson County Extension Education Foundation and National 4-H & Nutrien for the funding to DREAM BIG!

Congratulations to #WatchYourWaste on their first place winnings!

Submitted by Nancy Bergdall, advisor



Tara Markley, Extension Director with Elizabeth L (Stanley Buccaneers), Elizabeth F (Prairie Moon), Ben R (Morning Glory), and Jayden B (Great Plains) receiving the First Place Community Engagement Award and First Place 2020 Science of Ag Scholarship

Congratulations 4-H Council Officers!

Please welcome your 2020-21 4-H Council officers:

President - Maddie (Lucky Clover)

Secretary - Ben (Morning Glory)

Treasurer - Corinne (Stanley Buccaneers)

Historian - Lily (Frontier Family)

Vice-President - Abby (Lucky Clover)

Corresponding Secretary - Millicent (Pioneer)

Reporter - Ainsley (Blue River Wranglers)

Updates & Reminders

Updates to the 4-H Award & Recognition Document

4-H Council's Trips & Awards Committee has reviewed and updated Johnson County's 4-H Award & Recognition Procedures document. This document is posted on our website at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/record-books.html. A few key changes include:

- The KAP has been replaced with the Project Report Form, a change made by the Kansas 4-H office. Please see page 4 in this issue of Clover Clips for more details on the Project Report Form.
- The Key Award is not listed with the membership pins. It is a separate award.

Clarifications for Treasurer's Book and Position

Minor updates have been made to the Treasurer's Book to provide a more detailed job description for this officer position. Resources are posted on our website at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/officer-training.html.

Please remember:

- 4-H club accounts must have at least two screened, non-related, and board approved adult volunteers as signatories on the account.
- Treasurers should keep all receipts of transactions, including when reimbursing families.
- All checks should have two signatures.
- When dealing with cash, have a system with two volunteers counting together.

2021 Enrollment

The new 4-H Online system opened October 1 for families to re-enroll current 4-H members and enroll new 4-H members. We asked that all current 4-H members be re-enrolled by November 1, 2020. **If your family has not re-enrolled yet please do so immediately.** If not re-enrolled, your family will miss out on important correspondences from the Extension office as only the contact information from 2021 enrollments in 4-H Online will be used now. The new website for 4-H Online is <http://v2.4honline.com>.

New enrollment guides for families and volunteers are posted on our 4-H website at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/. If you have any questions about enrollment please contact your club leader or the Johnson County 4-H office. 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.)

Kansas 4-H Policy Highlight of the Month

Did you know... The 4-H Name and Emblem is federally protected and cannot be used without authorization. In Kansas, the K-State Research and Extension/4-H co-branding wordmark is required on ALL 4-H print, digital, apparel and merchandise. Find the co-branding policy and the KSRE/4-H wordmark at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/project-club-resources/club-leader-resources/index.html. For more information, see section 3.5: 4-H Name and Emblem in the Kansas 4-H Policy Handbook (www.kansas4-h.org/about/policy-guide.html).

Local Opportunities

It's the beginning of the year, what should I be doing?

- ⇒ Put the 4-H Calendar on your refrigerator. The calendar can be found at www.johnson.k-state.edu/docs/4h/forms-and-resources/2021%20Calendar.pdf.
- ⇒ Complete enrollment in 4-H Online. (<http://v2.4honline.com>)
- ⇒ Set goals. Review Membership Pin Applications and discuss Project goals.
- ⇒ Print a Permanent Record to add to monthly. (www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/record-books.html)

Kansas 4-H Project Report Form Resources

****NEW**** Project Report Forms are replacing Kansas Award Portfolios (KAPs) for Project Recognition. This is a way for 4-H'ers to share the learning and contributions in a specific project area while developing their skill for record keeping. Links to the forms and guidelines are posted on the Kansas 4-H website at www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-library/awards-and-recognition/ProjectRecognition.html. Supporting videos are coming soon! Contact the Extension office with any questions.

County Council Meeting and Committee 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. starting on December 7. 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 4-H Council website at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/council.html. Please choose at least one Event Planning committee and at least one Review committee to participate in this year. A link to sign up is posted on the 4-H Council website listed above. Committee sign-ups are due by December 31, 2020. **As a reminder, any 4-H member may sign up to be on a Council Committee.** If you have any questions, please contact Ami.

Winter Wonders—Understanding Animal Behavior Class

Do you wonder what animals do in the winter? Would you like to know more about our furry neighbors and how they survive when nobody is looking? Come join this hands-on experience that will help you see the winter world in a whole new way! Youth in grades 3rd-5th are invited to join the Junior Extension Master Naturalist program for three winter learning sessions.

Session 1: January 31 - In-person kick-off at Ernie Miller Nature Center

Session 2: February 1-27 - Online Resources and Extended Learning Opportunities

Session 3: February 28 - Virtual celebration

The cost is \$20 per child and registration should be completed at <https://bit.ly/jmnwinterwonders>.

2021 County Club Day

Cold weather keeping you indoors? Use this opportunity to plan and practice your presentations, musical pieces, and performances for the 2021 Club Day. Unfortunately, group events will most likely be cancelled for the 2021 Club Day. Club Day is scheduled for February 27, 2021. To help you prepare, check out the resources at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/club-days.html and new resources available at www.kansas4-h.org/projects/personal-development/communications.html. More information about this year's Club Day will be shared as details are worked out.

Local Opportunities

Officer Training Resources Available

Please visit the Officer Training website at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/officer-training.html to view informational videos about many of the 4-H officer positions. Also posted on this page is a link to the slides from the presentation given during Officer Training before participants went to their officer-specific training sessions. Some resources that presenters used during their training session are posted on the page as well.

County Project Opportunities

Be a Part of the Countywide Knitting Project

Looking for a relaxing, indoor 4-H project for the winter months? Learn the skills to begin knitting, or improve your knitting skills, by being part of the Countywide Knitting Project. The Countywide Knitting Project meetings will be December 4, December 18, January 8, and January 22. The meetings will be held virtually. Please contact Sarah at skallansrud@yahoo.com to be added to the email list and then watch your email for exact meeting dates and times.

Countywide Coding Project Session 2

Youth ages 9-12 are invited to the Countywide 4-H Coding Project meeting for Session 2 to learn how to program your own game on MIT's Scratch platform. For this session, the goal will be for you to have a final product ready to be showcased. The meeting will be held on December 19 from 1-3 p.m. on Zoom. If possible, having two screens will be ideal – one screen for Zoom and another screen for the Scratch platform. If you missed the first meeting but are interested in joining, please contact Ami. A short recap of the first session can be found at https://youtu.be/au2pX_RJvnU.

Countywide Livestock Program

If you are looking for a way to enhance your livestock project or learn more about livestock then check out the Johnson County 4-H Livestock Program! The Johnson County 4-H Livestock Program includes educational programs, events, and competitions that 4-H'ers can be involved in throughout the year. Meetings will resume in January via Zoom and information regarding meeting dates and times will be sent out later. If you would like to be added to the email list for meeting information and future updates, contact Molly at molly.maddy@jocogov.org. **All 4-H families of all experience levels are welcome and encouraged to attend the meeting and sign up to receive information!**

Johnson County 4-H Dog Club Training Registration Open

Registration for training with the Johnson County 4-H Dog Club is now open for the 2021 year. All registration materials must be submitted no later than December 31, 2020. Training will start January 18, 2021 and will be held every Monday at 7 p.m. with set-up starting at 6:30 p.m. in the Green Building on the Johnson County Fairgrounds in Gardner. The first meeting on January 11 is a mandatory orientation meeting for everyone. This meeting begins at 6:30 p.m. and will be at the Gardner First Presbyterian Church near the Johnson County Fairgrounds. A schedule and the registration form are posted on the Johnson County 4-H Livestock webpage at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/livestock.html. If you have questions you may reach out to Shelly Goebel at 913-634-8688 or Robin Tropansky at 913-620-9066.

County Project Opportunities

Register for Training with the Tail Waggers 4-H Dog Project

Johnson County 4-H Tail Waggers Dog Project is now accepting registrations for the 2021 Training season. All registration materials must be submitted no later than January 2, 2021. A mandatory orientation meeting for new Tail Waggers will be held on Wednesday, January 6. Obedience and Showmanship training sessions will be held on Wednesday nights (6:30-8:30 p.m.) at the Johnson County Fairgrounds, starting January 13. Further details are available in the Information/Registration packet posted at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/countywide-projects.html. Contact Donna Holloway at 913-433-6752 or Pat Rawitch at 913-681-0406 with questions.

Countywide Sewing Project

Meetings for the Countywide Sewing Project are currently on hiatus and will be re-evaluated over the next few weeks. Updates regarding the Countywide Sewing Project will be sent to everyone enrolled in the “Clothing and Textiles: Clothing Construction” project in 4-H Online, so make sure all enrollments are up to date. If you have any questions, please contact Martha Powell, county sewing leader, at 913-302-5812 or the Extension office.

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 7 and older exhibiting in the beef, goat, sheep and/or swine project must be YQCA certified by May 1 of the current year in order to exhibit at the fair.

Exhibitors at State Livestock Shows: All youth age 8 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.

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 www.YQCA.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. Dates for in-person trainings in Johnson County will be announced at a later date. **Online certification is highly encouraged. Please remember to print your YQCA certificate to bring to county Fair.** For more information visit www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/livestock.html. Contact the Johnson County 4-H office with questions.

SAVE THE DATE!

Citizenship in Action is tentatively scheduled for February 14-15.

Junior Swine Producer Week will be virtual February 15-20.

Junior Meat Goat Producer Week will be virtual March 15-20.

Fantastic 4-H Camp will be June 6-9 at Rock Springs 4-H Center.

Campference is tentatively scheduled for June 27-30.

Johnson County Fair will be July 25-31 in Gardner.

State Opportunities

Parenting Through a Pandemic - Kansas 4-H Webinar Series

In this challenging time, Kansas 4-H is here for you. Using the resources of Kansas State University, we are offering a webinar series designed to support you as a 4-H parent to deal with some of the new struggles facing your family. Once registered please feel free to join one or all the planned sessions. The sessions will also be recorded and posted as a resource if you are unable to attend one and want to catch up later. Each session will last approximately an hour and will begin at 6:30 p.m. on each of the scheduled days.

- November 30 - *Parenting During Remote Learning* with Cindy Shuman, Associate Dean in the College of Education
- December 3 - *Partnering with Projects: Learning Together – Building Resilience with your child!* with Wade Weber, 4-H Program Leader, K-State Research and Extension
- December 7 - *"Conversation about family resilience: Getting ready for the winter/holiday break together"* with Dr. Elaine Johannes, Associate Professor, Family Studies and Human Services
- December 14 - *"Conversation about family recovery: Getting through tough patches during winter/holiday break together"*
- December 17 - *"Conversation about resistance and return: Preparing for 2021 together"*

There is no cost for these events we just ask that participants register so we can send out login information. Complete registration at https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3vYM9cbo9vYHtYN.

National Opportunities

National Youth Summit Series

The 4-H National Youth Summit Series brings together high school students for three days of hands-on activities and workshops, led by leaders and educators in these fields. For 2021, these events will be held virtually. Participants will have the opportunity to work alongside students and experts with shared interests, as well as learn and strengthen technical and leadership skills.

Healthy Living Summit - Online, February 11-14, 2021 - *Registration Opens Soon*

At the National Youth Summit on Healthy Living, high school students develop the knowledge and skills to address issues surrounding nutrition, physical fitness, wellness, and emotional well-being. Working alongside professionals in family consumer science and healthy living, students will create action plans they can implement in their communities to teach other youth about what they have learned.

Agri-Science Summit - Online, March 4-7, 2021 - *Registration Opens Soon*

At the National 4-H Youth Summit on Agri-Science, high school students develop the skills and knowledge needed for the challenges facing agriculture, food security, and sustainability. Students will work with each other and experts in the agricultural community in this collaborative, hands-on educational setting.

For more information visit <https://4-h.org/parents/national-youth-summits/>.

REPORTER'S CORNER

S'mores and More for the Great Plains Club

By Leah Kwasiborski, Great Plains 4-H Club Reporter

The Great Plains 4-H Club was busy during the month of October! Their first meeting of the 4-H year was the annual bonfire and hayride. The club enjoyed getting to play games, fellowship, and go on a beautiful country hayride at Sharp's Farm. The Great Plains 4-H Club goes on a hayride almost every year, and it is always a great time of initiating the new club officers and making fun memories.

The Great Plains 4-H Club also participated in the National 4-H Week window display contest that was organized by the Johnson County 4-H Ambassadors! The club painted the windows at VaughanFire Market and the Spring Hill Oil Company in downtown Spring Hill, Kansas. The club painted "Come Grow with Us" on the windows of the oil company and "Head, Heart, Hands, Health" on the windows of the shop! The club won the window display contest and was very excited for the opportunity to promote 4-H in this way!



On Sunday, October 4th, 2020, the Prairie Star 4-H Club had their monthly meeting at Celebration Park in Gardner, KS. To celebrate 48 Hours of 4-H we picked up trash around the park. The weather was beautiful and happily there was not much trash. When the meeting was called to order one of our community leaders held the Officer Installment by using funny fruit poems for each officer. This was the first time we had been able to get together in person in months. It was nice to see each other.

By Natalie Woerdehoff, Prairie Star 4-H Club Reporter



REPORTER'S CORNER

Lucky Clovers Support Shawnee Superbly

By Jaden Fox, Lucky Clover 4-H Club Reporter

For National 4-H Week the Lucky Clover 4-H Club collected donations of nonperishable foods for Shawnee Community Services, a local food pantry and free clothing resource for those in need in the Kansas City area. Prior to collecting donations from friends and family, club members sent out information about the food drive using social media and email. Vice President, Abby, provided the



material to share what 48 Hours of 4-H is, what Shawnee Community Services provides, the nonperishables most in need, and items for Thanksgiving Dinner boxes. The effort was a great success with 589 food items collected and delivered in October. Club member Kyndal was able to obtain a business donation of \$200 that will allow Shawnee Community Services to purchase items needed the most.



Stream Clean Up

By Kristen Kohn, Blue River Wranglers 4-H Club Reporter

Blue River Wranglers partnered with the Lenexa Rotary Club for a community service project and picked up trash in ditches and a dry stream bed in Lenexa. Community leader Martha set up the date with the Rotary Club and encouraged club members to help the environment.

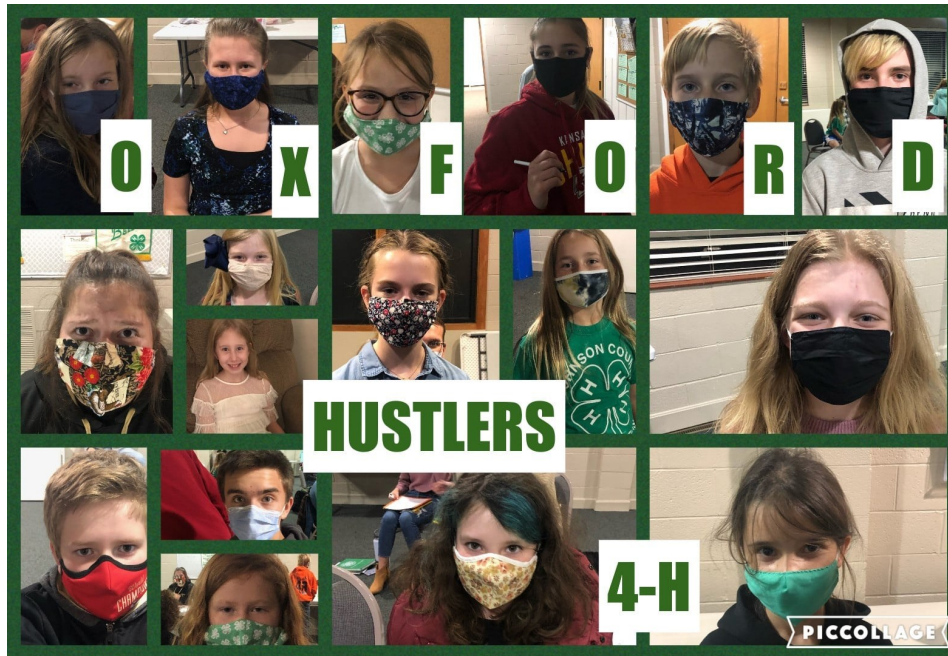
If you want to help your city or town look better, you can grab some friends and have your own earth day with your friends!

REPORTER'S CORNER

Oxford Hustlers Achievement Celebration

By Victoria Olberding, Oxford Hustlers 4-H Club Reporter

The Oxford Hustlers 4-H Club recognized all the hard work 4-H'ers put in during the 2019-2020 year. The club earned a Purple Seal. Fourteen members earned their annual membership pins, and the club officers were recognized. Victoria and Elliot received Public Speaking pins. Fern received KAP Medallions in Citizenship, Clothing and Textiles, and Leadership. Iris received KAP Medallions in Citizenship and Performing Arts. Victoria received KAP Medallions in Foods and Nutrition and Leadership. Several adults were recognized for their contributions to the club. Congratulations to everyone for their accomplishments!



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

Johnson County 4-H Horse Club 2019-2020 Summary

Submitted by Shannon Maxwell, Jo. Co. 4-H Horse Club Community Leader

As we all know, 2019 began, normal as usual. Nothing could have prepared us for the challenges of COVID19 and the year 2020. Fortunately, Jo. Co. 4-H Horse Club was able to have our monthly meetings November 2019 through March 2020. Unfortunately, these are the quieter (planning) months of the 4-H year.

February 2020, Jo. Co. 4-H Horse Club prepared 2 teams to participate in the Kansas State Horse Judging Contest held in conjunction with Equifest in Salina, Kansas. The Intermediate team consisted of Sierra, Kessler, Vivy Jo and Maddie and placed 2nd overall with individual placings as well. The Senior horse judging team consisted of Peyton, Olivia, Emma and Avery. The Senior team placed 2nd overall as well as individual placings. These teams prepared for 3 months prior to the contest.

Horse Club was planning for a great year, including several open arenas at the Jo. Co. Fairgrounds and a large Kansas State Horse Show Circuit (KSHSC) fundraiser show, hosted by Jo. Co. 4-H Horse Club. The KSHSC fundraiser horse show was scheduled for June 14th 2020.

Of course, following the Kansas State 4-H COVID guidelines, we were forced to reschedule the KSHSC Horse Show to July 19th. Unfortunately, I did not feel comfortable hosting the fundraiser horse show in questionable arena footing, therefore we were forced to cancel the KSHSC fundraiser horse show.

Jo. Co. 4-H Horse Club had 10 members participate in the Jo. Co. Fair Horse Show. The arena footing was properly prepared for the Jo. Co. Fair Horse Show, scheduled for July 28th. Unfortunately, Gardner received three inches of rain on Monday July 27th and the Jo. Co. Fair Horse Show was relocated to private property and was a huge success for all 4-H horse project members. Together, the Jo. Co. Fair Horse Barn Superintendent and Jo. Co. 4-H Horse Club raised nearly \$1,400 (in 18 days) to provide exhibitor buckets in lieu of class trophies and Horse Show High Point Awards. Each of the 22 Jo. Co. Fair Horse Show exhibitors went home with useful equine products.

Three Jo. Co. 4-H Horse Club members, Olivia, Emma and Avery went on to participate in the Kansas State Fair Horse Show. Emma participated in the 3 year old horse project. This is a horse project that started in November of 2019 with the purchase of her (then) 2 year old Dex, What A Sandy Dandy, an AQHA registered gelding. Emma dedicated herself to breaking Dex to ride throughout the winter and spring. In 10 months, Emma transformed Dex from a barely touched 2 year old, to a fully functioning 3 year old under saddle. This is a huge undertaking by a young horseman. Emma participated in a virtual interview, rail work and horsemanship pattern. Emma and Dex received the Kansas State Reserve Champion, interview portion, and 3rd place for both the rail and horsemanship portions. Emma received 3rd place overall at the Kansas State Fair for her 3 year old project. This is a huge accomplishment for a great horseman of any age.

On a state and national level, Jo. Co. 4-H Horse Club President, Avery, is the Kansas Paint Horse Association youth leader, American Junior Paint Horse Association Zone 3 Executive Leader, and has participated in the American Paint Horse Association National Conference, held in Fort Worth Texas. Avery serves on several youth advisory boards and participates in APHA monthly conference calls. Avery also participated at the American Paint Horse Association World Horse Show in Fort Worth Texas. Avery continues to find ways to be a leader locally, regionally and nationally.

In conclusion, I am very proud to lead this great group of young horsemen. Jo. Co. 4-H Horse Club has taken a financial hit for the year of 2019/2020. However, plans for a strong 2020/2021 are already under way.



Senior and Intermediate teams at the February 2020 Kansas State Horse Judging Contest in Salina.

December

- 1 - Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Program application deadline
- 3 - Parenting Through a Pandemic Series, online
- 4 - Countywide Knitting Group, online
- 7 - County Council Officers meeting, online
 - Parenting Through a Pandemic Series, online
- 14 - Parenting Through a Pandemic Series, online
- 17 - Parenting Through a Pandemic Series, online
- 18 - Club Achievement photos/videos/slides due
 - Countywide Knitting Group, online
- 19 - Countywide Coding Session 2, online (pre-registration required)
- 25 - Christmas Day, office closed
- 28-30 - Office closed
- 31 - Dog Club Training Registration due
 - Council Committee sign-ups due online

January

- 1 - New Year's Day, office closed
- 2 - Tail Waggers Training Registration due
- 4 - County Council meeting and elections, online
- 8 - Countywide Knitting Group, online
- 18 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, office closed
- 22 - Countywide Knitting Group, online
- 31 - Winter Wonders Class at Ernie Miller (pre-registration required)

Check out www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources for the 2021 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 2021 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

****REMINDER: Please submit Club Achievement Celebration photos/slides/videos to joco4-h@jocogov.org by December 18, 2020!****

Kansas 4-H Policy Handbook Clarifications

The Kansas 4-H Policy Handbook was updated in November 2020 and it is available at www.kansas4-h.org/about/policy-guide.html. If you missed the Leader Policy Check-in, please contact Ami for the recording.

The following need to be completed by 4-H Leaders:

- Review, sign and submit **Certification of Non-Discrimination**
- Work with your club to review/revise/approve the **Club Bylaws** and share with the Extension office by March 2021
- Encourage volunteers to complete the **Volunteer Screening Process**
 - Club Account signatories should be Registered Volunteers
 - Social Media pages should be administered by Registered Volunteers
- Add @jocoks4h as an administrator for **Social Media Pages**

2021 Enrollment in New 4-H Online System

The new 4-H Online system opened October 1 for families to re-enroll current 4-H members and enroll new 4-H members. We asked that all current 4-H members be re-enrolled by November 1, 2020. **If families are not enrolled for the 2021 4-H year they will miss out on important correspondences from the Extension office as only contact information from the current year's enrollments is now being used.**

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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 current volunteers complete their renewal by November 1. If a volunteer has not completed the renewal process in 4-H Online for the 2020-2021 year, they should not be volunteering for your club. Once the renewal process has been completed in 4-H Online and their profile is "Active" they may resume their volunteer duties.

Youth under the age of 18 do not need to complete the volunteer screening process. (There are a few exceptions such as camp counselors.)

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

Club Leader Resources Page

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/. There are also new resources available to support 4-H clubs at www.kansas4-h.org/resources/ClubCorner.html. If you are looking for something and can't find it, please contact the Johnson County 4-H office.