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A newsletter for Johnson County 4-H families.

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County Club Day

Johnson County's 4-H Club Day is scheduled for Saturday, February 11, at Wheatridge Middle School in Gardner. Club Day is an opportunity for 4-H'ers to showcase their acting, dancing, public speaking, demonstration, parliamentary procedure and musical skills. Links for registration and the Club Day Guidelines are posted at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/club-days.html. Please note that there are two different registration links. One is for individual, duo, etc. events and the other is for club events. Only one person in your club needs to sign the entire club up for club events. All events are required to be pre-registered online by January 13 in order to participate in Club Day. Once registration has closed, additional information will be sent out in regards to signing up for specific time slots.

4-H'ers receiving a Top Purple ribbon placing will be invited to participate in Regional Club Day which will take place on Saturday, March 25 at Wheatridge Middle School.

Complete Enrollment Now for 2023!

4-H Online opened October 1 for families to re-enroll current 4-H members and enroll new 4-H members for the 2023 4-H year. We asked that all returning 4-H members be re-enrolled by November 1, 2022. **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 2023 enrollments in 4-H Online is now being used.

The website for 4-H Online is <http://v2.4honline.com>. Enrollment guides for families and volunteers 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.)

2023 Johnson County Fair Theme Contest

The Johnson County Fair Board wants YOUR ideas for the theme and artwork of the 2023 Johnson County Fair! In cooperation with Extension, the Fair Board is holding a contest for 4-H'ers to create a theme AND to design the fair book cover art. The design will also be on the fair T-shirts. **Deadline for submissions is February 17.** Your design can be hand drawn or digitally created and **must** be original. One entry/idea per person. Please send your theme idea, artwork, and contact information to jessica.lawrenz@jocogov.org. In your email, please include: your name, parent/guardian's name, club name, phone number and email. Please attach your artwork design in a GIF format if possible (the higher the quality image, the better). The Fair Board will vote on their top choice at their February meeting. The winner will receive a Fair concession stand gift card, arena passes, and a Fair t-shirt. Good luck to everyone!

County Project Opportunities

It's winter break, what should I be doing?

Winter break is the perfect time to get started on projects to take to the Johnson County Fair! If you have questions regarding specific projects, please check out the newly updated County Projects Resources section on the Johnson County 4-H website at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/countywide-projects.html. These volunteers are “experts” in their designated area and are ready to help you, so don't hesitate to reach out to them. Also, check out the Kansas 4-H Projects website at www.kansas4-h.org/projects/ as there are many resources on projects, including how to get started, ideas, and tips.

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 2023 training season. All registration materials must be submitted no later than January 2, 2023. Further details can be found at the link posted on the Johnson County 4-H website at www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/countywide-projects.html under the Tail Waggers Dog Project heading.

A mandatory orientation meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 4 at 6:30 p.m. in the Green building on the Johnson County Fairgrounds in Gardner. Training sessions will be held weekly from January to June on Wednesdays for Showmanship and Obedience; and on Sundays for Agility. New Tail Waggers members must commit to attending Obedience training sessions from January 11 to April 5; as each week's lesson builds on prior training activities and are not conducive for part-time attendance. If you have questions, contact Donna Holloway at DonnaL.Holloway@yahoo.com or 913-433-6752.

Johnson County 4-H Dog Club Training Registration

Registration for training with the Johnson County 4-H Dog Club is now open for the 2023 4-H year. All registration materials must be submitted no later than January 2, 2023. Training will be held on the Johnson County Fairgrounds in Gardner. The first meeting on January 9 is a mandatory orientation meeting for everyone and will be held on Zoom starting at 6:30 p.m. 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 Shelley Goebel at 913-634-8688 (call/text) or shelley.goebel@gmail.com OR Holly Nitz at 913-568-6266 (call/text) or hollynitz@comcast.net.

Learn More About Kansas 4-H Projects

4-H Clover Classroom is an online classroom to help youth explore 4-H projects and is open to anyone interested in learning more about the different project areas within Kansas 4-H. The online activities have been developed for different skill levels. So, for example, even if you've never done photography before, the lesson will give you some things to get you started in photography. Some of the initial activities include getting to know your camera; learning about pollinators in the garden; and knowing the differences between quick bread and yeast bread. The lessons that are currently available are based on the most popular 4-H projects in past years, according to enrollment and more activities will be routinely added in the future. The online materials are free and if printed materials are preferred there is a small fee for those.

With a lot of families home for the winter holidays this would be a great page to go to and start exploring some new projects. A bonus since the activities are online, family members in different locations could participate together in an activity like baking, for example. The classroom is located on the Kansas 4-H website at www.Kansas4-H.org under the Resources tab.

County Project Opportunities

Countywide Sewing Project

All interested 4-H'ers are welcome at the countywide sewing classes! No experience is required. The group will start meeting again on January 5. Classes are held every Thursday from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Extension office. If you have questions, please contact Martha Powell, countywide sewing group leader, at 913-302-5812 or mmp4powell@yahoo.com.

Countywide Knitting Project

Learn the skills to begin knitting, or improve your knitting skills, by being part of the Countywide Knitting Project. Classes start at 7 p.m. and are held at the Extension office. Upcoming meeting dates are January 6 and 20. To be added to the mailing list for meeting announcements, contact Sarah at skallansrud@yahoo.com.

YQCA Requirements

Johnson County 4-H will hold three in-person trainings at the Extension office on Saturday, **January 14**, Saturday, **March 4**, and Saturday, **May 13**. All trainings begin at 11 a.m.

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, goats, sheep and/or swine project must be YQCA certified by June 15, 2023, 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 submitted during the nomination process.

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>. All registrations and payments are 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.) For more information visit www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/events-programs/livestock.html. Contact the Johnson County 4-H office with questions.

Entomology Project Class

Whether you are a novice or a seasoned veteran, you are welcome to join an Entomology Project meeting held at the Allen County Extension office in Iola on Saturday, February 18 at 1:30 p.m. For families that attended in December, please bring back the two handouts you were given at that meeting. More pinning work will be done at February's meeting and the handouts will help in understanding some of the techniques better. Everyone, please bring your pinning board, insect pins and quilting pins if you have them. A pinning board will be available for new families that attend and insect pins will be available for purchase at \$6.50/package. Also, everyone please bring one or two empty and clean tuna cans for a special project that will be done during the meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact Vicky Wallace at vicky.wallace55@gmail.com or 620-804-9170. In case of bad weather Vicky will send out an email to cancel, so watch your emails. Please don't drive if your roads are bad.

Local Opportunities

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 6:30 p.m.

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. ****As a reminder, any 4-H member may sign up to be on a Council Committee.**** If you have questions, please contact the Johnson County 4-H office.

Rock Springs Summer Camps and Employment Opportunities

Ready, set, register! Summer Camp 2023 registration is now open! This includes half week, full week, Leaders in Training (LIT), and Counselors in Training (CIT) sessions. **The 10% early bird registration discount ends on December 31, 2022.** For more information, session dates and fees, visit www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/. Johnson County 4-H's unofficial camp session is the Traditional 4-H Camp, Session 1, June 4-7, 2023.

Rock Springs employee applications for summer 2023 are now open too! If you know someone who likes spending time outside and working with youth, Rock Springs Ranch may be a great fit. Approximately 60 staff are hired each summer in a variety of roles from counselor to activity specialist and leadership roles. For more information and job descriptions, visit www.rockspringsranch.org/employment/.

Celebrate 4-H with Holiday Activities

Explore hands-on activities to spark curiosity for the kids in your family with National 4-H this holiday season. Check out the 4-H at Home Holiday Activity Guide at <https://4-h.org/about/4-h-at-home/activity-guides/> for lots of festive activities. Also, your family can find educational activities and learning experiences all year long at <https://4-h.org/about/4-h-at-home/>.

Date Set for 2023 Food Fare

Food Fare will be held on Friday, March 31 at the Extension office. 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. More information including the Food Fare theme and club sign-ups will be coming soon!

Kansas 4-H Project Report Resources

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

Local Opportunities

Makerspace Lab at Olathe Public Library Indian Creek Branch

Do you want to be creative and inventive but don't have the materials, equipment, or space to work on projects? The Makerspace Lab provides a space to explore, create, invent, build, and collaborate with others. Equipment and tools are for every skill level. Equipment includes: 3-D printing, embroidery, crafting, large format printing, laser engraving, sewing and a music/sound/recording studio. Cost is free to minimal, but the equipment is free to use. For more information and to sign up for a time slot visit www.olathelibrary.org/services/makerspace.

Officer Training and Project Videos Available

If you weren't able to attend Officer Training in October, or would just like more tips about your officer position, 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 positions.

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.

Wanted! Food Stand Manager

A responsible and organized adult is needed to serve as the 4-H Food Stand Manager for the 2023 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 <https://tinyurl.com/2a5cdrx2>. If you have questions or are interested in the position, please contact the Johnson County 4-H office at joco4-h@jocogov.org.

Advice from Ms. 4-H Runner-up, Fern Schrotberger

Question: *What are qualities that make a good leader? What are some 4-H leadership roles that you have held and enjoyed?*

I think the qualities that make a good leader depend on the person, because what makes one person a good leader may be a different quality than another person. However, with that said, there are a few common characteristics of good leaders. One is the ability to communicate with any person. Another is confidence, because this makes it easier to talk to anyone or a group of people. I used these two qualities when I was my 4-H club's President, which is one of the most fun leadership roles I have ever had! I am also a Johnson County 4-H Ambassador, another leadership role in which I communicate with others about 4-H.



State Opportunities

Dog Judge Training

The 2023 Kansas 4-H Dog Judges Training and Recertification will be held in Wichita at the Extension Center on January 27-29. Beginning the training on Friday evening allows participants to be trained in and certified in the four dog phases of showmanship, obedience, agility and rally obedience in one weekend. New judges can be certified and returning judges can get a refresher and be recertified. This is also a good opportunity for local dog project leaders and older 4-H members to observe the training and better understand how they will be judged at invitational and the Kansas State Fair 4-H Dog Show. Participants must be 16 or older to attend this training. New judges are always needed. If you are a parent or someone who wants to help 4-H youth with the dog project, please consider taking the training. Registrants should have knowledge of the 4-H Dog Program.

To register, click on the link posted at www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/trainings/dog-leader/ and the deadline for registration is January 15, 2023. The cost for certification is \$95 and the cost to only observe is \$50.

4-H Day with Wildcat Women's Basketball

The Kansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents will host the annual 4-H Day with Wildcat Women's Basketball at 1 p.m. on Sunday, February 12, 2023, when the Wildcats take on the Oklahoma Sooners. For \$25, each attendee will receive a ticket to the game, a game day T-shirt and a \$10 meal voucher to use at the main concession stands. This year, a ticket/voucher option with no T-shirt is available for \$15. Register at conta.cc/3UkNwIO by January 15.

January is the Best Time to Apply as a Host Family

Since applications of students wishing to participate in 4-H Academic Year Exchange (AYP) begin coming at the end of January, Kansas families who would like to host one of these students should apply now to have the best choice in a match for them.

Students for 2023-24 will be boys and girls from Japan representing Labo and LEX, and from South Korea representing Korea 4-H and Better Futures Education (BFE). They attend U.S. high schools as full time students, participate in school activities and 4-H, share their cultures, and do community service, while becoming members of their host families. Host families provide meals, lodging and transportation. The students' natural parents provide for their personal and school expenses. It is not required that host families have children who are the same age and gender as the AYP student they host. Students for the 2023-24 academic year arrive in August and depart in June 2024. For more information and application for hosting AYP Exchanges, contact Mary Kay Munson, State Exchange Coordinator, at 785-375-3189 or mkm2@ksu.edu.

2023 Kansas 4-H Scholarships

Applications for 2023 Kansas 4-H Scholarships will be collected online. The deadline to complete applications and submit recommendation letters and references is March 1, 2023. The Kansas 4-H Scholarship Application information is posted at www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html. Listed on this website is the scholarship application link, recommendation letter link and the required files that you will need to submit in addition to completing the application. Contact the Johnson County 4-H office with any questions.

State Opportunities

Junior Swine and Meat Goat Producer Days

Registration is now open for Junior Swine Producer Day and Junior Meat Goat Producer Day held in Manhattan. The junior producer day events are one-day family educational programs to learn about the selection and management of swine and/or meat goat youth livestock projects, as well as a variety of aspects related to the animal science industry. Each day is dedicated to one specie. Online registration information is listed below. All attendees must register, which includes both youth and adults. You must register by the deadline to receive a t-shirt.

In addition to the junior producer day events, an instructor-led YQCA certification class will also be offered at the end of the day for each program. You will need to indicate if you plan to stay for this optional class during the registration process. Then, more specific details on registering for the appropriate course through the YQCA website will be communicated with only those who plan to stay and attend. You will need to complete an extra step to register through the YQCA platform and pay the additional \$3/child fee. The junior day registration is independent from the YQCA class and does not include that additional fee.

A session over the state livestock nomination process will also be hosted at the end of each junior producer day for those who are interested. It will be offered for parents concurrently with the YQCA class. So, the adults can come learn about the state nomination process, while the kids go earn their YQCA certification for the 2023 year!

Finally, there will potentially be an option for families who are participating in junior meat goat producer day to tour the K-State Sheep and Meat Goat Center before or after that event. If that is something that interests you, please watch your email for details as March 18 gets closer!

K-State Junior Swine Producer Day

Date: Saturday, March 11, 2023

Registration Deadline: February 15

Cost: \$20/person by February 15 (\$25/person after February 15)

*Registration must be RECEIVED by February 15 to receive a t-shirt.

*Online Registration: <https://commerce.cashnet.com/KSUASIND>

K-State Junior Meat Goat Producer Day

Date: Saturday, March 18, 2023

Registration Deadline: February 22

Cost: \$20/person by February 22 (\$25/person after February 22)

*Registration must be RECEIVED by February 22 to receive a t-shirt.

*Online Registration: <https://commerce.cashnet.com/KSUASIND>

SAVE THE DATE!

Citizenship in Action will be February 19-20 in Topeka.

Ambassador Training will be February 24-25 at Rock Springs.

Food Fare will be March 31 at the Extension office.

Discovery Days will be June 7-9 on the K-State campus in Manhattan.

Kansas 4-H Insect Spectacular will be June 16-17 in Manhattan.

Johnson County Fair will be July 30-August 5 in Gardner.

REPORTER'S CORNER

Achievement Celebration 2022

By Corissa Rietcheck, Morning Glory 4-H Club Reporter

The Achievement Celebration was held on November 5, 2022. The Morning Glory 4-H club was awarded a purple seal for their hard work. The theme was Hawaiian. The Achievement Celebration was to recognize how much people have grown in their 4-H year. Each member got their own pin some got medallions too.



The 4-H Dog Club has two high school seniors that are the soul of this dog club. They are natural leaders, and their love of dogs fill their hearts. They have taken on the challenge of teaching younger 4-H'ers how to start small with getting their dog's attention and have led them all the way to teaching how to get a dog to jump over hurdles and run through dark tunnels. Teaching a dog to sit for 3 minutes, is not easy, but even harder when the dog can't see you. Both Emily and Brianna have surpassed these challenges. Emily and Brianna are both recipients of the Jean Templin Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship requirements are academic, leadership within 4-H, and personal reflection. Both Brianna and Emily are distinguished and meet each and every part of the intended recipients of this scholarship. Congratulations Emily and Brianna!

By Samantha Snyder, Johnson County 4-H Dog Club Reporter



Brianna with Daisy



Emily with Saige

REPORTER'S CORNER

Salvation Army Bell Ringing

By Corissa Rietcheck, Morning Glory 4-H Club Reporter

The Morning Glory 4-H club participated in the Salvation Army bell ringing which was held on November 21, 2022. The Salvation Army is a protestant church and an international charitable organization headquartered in London, England. The Salvation Army was founded in 1865. Over 100 million dollars are raised by bell ringing per year in the US.



Lucky Clover Offers a Helping Hand to the Community this Holiday Season

By Kyndal Romero, Lucky Clover 4-H Club Reporter



Over the past two months, the Lucky Clover 4-H club members have been busy volunteering their time serving the community of Johnson County. During 48 Hours of 4-H, our club raised funds, shopped, and delivered nearly 400 items (plus 240 rolls of toilet paper and 32 bottles of laundry detergent) to the De Soto Food Pantry. These items were highly needed and appreciated by the pantry.

In November, a few of our Junior Leaders braved the near-freezing temperatures to remove honeysuckle from a park in Shawnee.

Finally, in December, the club collected over 80 children's clothing items (hats, coats, gloves) and two boxes full of toiletries for the Johnson County Christmas Bureau. This will help provide a better (and warmer) Christmas for children in our community.



REPORTER'S CORNER

Prairie Moon Volunteer Day – Joy's Closet

By Ian Collins, Prairie Moon 4-H Club Reporter

Serving others comes in all shapes and forms. On December 4, 2022, the Prairie Moon 4-H Club volunteered at Joy's Closet, a mission focused thrift and consignment store in Gardner, KS. Club members helped sort and organize donated items. Great progress was made and club members are excited to return and volunteer again. Prairie Moon 4-H Club strives to have a service-oriented heart.



Oxford Hustlers Celebrates the Holiday Season

By Iris Schrotberger, Oxford Hustlers 4-H Club Reporter

On December 8th, the Oxford Hustlers club enjoyed a White Elephant gift exchange and a cookie exchange. Many laughs were exchanged during the gift exchange. Everything from candy canes to videotapes were exchanged that night. Families brought delicious cookie treats that were enjoyed all night. We hope to see all our members for the January meeting. Happy Holidays!



REPORTER'S CORNER

Johnson County 4-H Horse Club

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

The JoCo 4-H Horse Club had a great time during our white elephant gift exchange and we loved all of the snacks! A little reminder for the next meeting is that you need to bring a buddy that may be interested in the club, your buddy does not have to own a horse to be able to come. We are getting hyped up for the upcoming joint county winter buckle series and we are happy to be participating with the Miami County 4-H Horse Club and anyone else who would like to join. We also have a horse panorama in January that we are studying for so we are also getting ready for that. Happy Holidays!



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.

January

- 2 - New Year's Day observed, office closed
 - Tail Waggers Dog Training Registration due
 - Dog Club Training Registration due
- 3 - County Council meeting
- 4 - Tail Waggers Orientation meeting, JoCo Fairgrounds (pre-registration required)
- 5 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 6 - Countywide Knitting Group
- 9 - Dog Club Orientation meeting, Zoom (pre-registration required)
- 12 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 13 - County Club Day Registration deadline
- 14 - YQCA Training, Extension office (pre-registration required)
- 15 - Dog Judge Training Registration due
 - KSU Women's Basketball 4-H Day Registration due
- 16 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, office closed
- 19 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 20 - Countywide Knitting Group
- 26 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 27-29 - Dog Judge Training, Wichita (pre-registration required)
- 28 - Horse Panorama, Salina (pre-registration required)

February

- 2 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 6 - County Council Officers meeting
- 9 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 11 - County Club Day (pre-registration required)
- 12 - KSU Women's Basketball 4-H Day (pre-registration required)
- 15 - Jr. Swine Producer Day Registration due
- 16 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 17 - JoCo Fair Theme Contest Submissions due
- 18 - Entomology Class, Allen Co. Extension office
- 19-20 - Citizenship in Action (pre-registration required)
- 22 - Jr. Meat Goat Producer Day Registration due
- 23 - Countywide Sewing Group
- 24-25 - Ambassador Training (pre-registration required)

Check out www.johnson.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources for the 2023 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 2023 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

Remind Families to Re-enroll

4-H Online opened October 1 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, 2022. **If families are not enrolled for the 2023 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 returning volunteers complete their renewal by November 1, 2022. If a volunteer has not completed the renewal process in 4-H Online for the 2022-2023 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 Christin Bartels.

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.