

4-H Connections

County Club Day Results

Thanks to all the 4-Hers who participated in our County Club Day!

	Name	Result
READINGS	Karay Henson	PURPLE
	Ashley Carpenter	PURPLE
PUBLIC SPEAKING	Hannah Fieser	PURPLE
PROJECT TALKS	Clayton Yohn	PURPLE
	Avery Yohn	PURPLE
SHOW & TELL	Naomi Fieser	PURPLE
DIGITAL PRESENTATIONS	Micah & Bryce McDowell	PURPLE
	Chase McDowell	PURPLE
	Josie Fieser	PURPLE
ILLUSTRATED TALKS/DEMONSTRATIONS	Audy Woods	RED
	Abby Fieser	PURPLE
EXTEMPORANEOUS	Liz Hawley	BLUE
	Kaylen Langhofer	PURPLE
	Emmett Woods	RED
	Adeline Woods	PURPLE
SKITS	Karay Henson & Ashley Carpenter	PURPLE
	Town & Country	BLUE
	Plains Livewires	PURPLE
INSTRUMENTAL SOLO	Abby Fieser	PURPLE
	Naomi Fieser	PURPLE

[Regional Club Day Schedule](#)

Find the Regional Club Day Schedule at the link above or on our website under 4-H Youth Development->County Club Day

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News and Upcoming Events



Blue & Gold

Blue and Gold orders are due to the office March 13th by 4:00pm! Feel free to

bring them in ahead of time if that day does not work for you.

- Order delivery will be on March 28th to the Extension Office. We will know the delivery time when the driver is on the way. Please make sure that you will have someone available to pick up all of your orders and deliver to whoever purchased from you. We do not have enough freezer space at the office to store orders.
- **Money (cash or check) for all of your orders must accompany the order forms. Checks should be made out to Meade County 4-H Council.**

Product Information

B&G Sausage: the definition of down-home flavor and goodness. Available in 2.5-pound packages.

B&G Premium Bacon: thick-sliced and naturally hickory smoked to perfection. Available in 3-pound packages.

B&G Chicken Breast Tender Fritters: all-white meat chicken fritters in a home-style breading with an excellent blend of seasonings. Available in 5-pound bags containing approximately 25-30 pieces.

Pig Sale

Seward County Community College is having a pig sale on March 22nd at the Seward County Community College AG Department.



SEWARD COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

1801 N. Kansas Avenue, P.O. Box 1137, Liberal, KS 67905 / 620-624-1951

Seward County Community College is extremely excited to announce The Comeback Pig Sale! We are going to host an elite pig sale that will have numerous consigners from the entire five-state area, both crossbred and purebred barrows and gilts will be available. Join us on March 22nd at the Agriculture Department for an enjoyable time, delicious food, and quality pigs!

Some important information to know if you are interested:

- Sale will be held on Friday, March 22, 2024 at 7:00 PM located at the Seward County Community College Agricultural Department.
- A show will be held to decide the sale order.
- Food will be available, a meal of a pork burger with chips and a drink will be \$5.00.
- The sale day schedule is posted below. The Overall Champion Gilt and Barrows will be first to sell, followed by Reserve Champions.

We hope to see you at The Comeback Pig Sale! If you have any questions email Will Milashoski at will.milashoski@sccc.edu. It has been a couple of years since the college has put on a pig sale, and we are beyond excited to bring this opportunity back, and better than ever before.

Thank you,
Seward County Community College

SALE SCHEDULE:

3:00	Show Begins
5:30	Preview and Concessions Open
7:00	Sale starts

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Scholarship Opportunity!

Bucklin Tractor and Implement has a \$1000 scholarship available to current high school seniors who are pursuing a degree in an ag related field. Find the information and application here: <https://www.btiequip.com/--2024-scholarship>

SPRING INTO VOLUNTEERING

SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024

**KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY
SALINA AEROSPACE AND
TECHNOLOGY CAMPUS**





Who should register:

This is for anyone serving as a 4-H Volunteer or considering it!

Registration:

Registrations should be submitted online and payment taken to your local by the local office by April 4, 2024.

Cost:

The cost per participant is \$20

Event Objective

The goal is for volunteers to go home recharged, excited, and ready to try some new things in their volunteer roles.




Attire & What to Bring:

Dress for the day is casual and bring something to take notes.

Schedule for the Day:

Registration will begin at 9 a.m. and the day will conclude at 3 p.m.

Sessions for the day include: Understanding the 4-H Thrive Model, Record Books, Facilitating Sparks in SPIN Clubs, Hands-on Learning Techniques, and more!



Accommodations:

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This is a great opportunity for junior high and high school 4-Hers! If you would like to go, please turn this form in to the Meade County Extension Office by April 19th. Hannah will not be able to attend, so we will either need a parent volunteer to drive or families will need to coordinate their own transportation.

4-H LEADERSHIP DAY: THE YOGOWYPI EXPERIENCE!

CHECK OUT: WWW.YOGOWYPI.COM TO LEARN ABOUT OUR SPEAKER--BILL CORDES

APRIL 27TH, 2024 10AM-12:30PM

EVENT LOCATION: GRAY COUNTY FAIR GROUNDS 17002 W HWY 50, CIMARRON, KS

SPONSORED BY GRAY COUNTY 4-H AND
WALNUT CREEK DISTRICT 4-H



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Event is for **4-Hers in 6th -12th grades** and 4-H volunteers.
\$10/4-Her or Volunteer. Registration Due to Local Counties by April 19, 2024

Name: _____ Grade: _____
Age: _____ Circle One: Male Female Prefer Not to Answer
Extension County/District: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Parent/Guardian: _____
Home #: _____ Cell #: _____
Food Allergies: _____

2024 Meade County Fair Theme: Sew it, Grow it, Show it!



2024 Meade County Fair Book Cover Page Contest

Want to see your design on the cover of our 2024 Fair Book? Enter a design in the cover page contest! Full rules can be found at:

<https://www.facebook.com/meadecofair/>.

Entries must be turned in to the Extension Office or emailed to hannahmckenzie@ksu.edu (digital designs).

Deadline to submit: March 15th, 2024



YQCA Training

In person: March 12th at 10am OR April 18th at 6:30pm in B Building at the Fairgrounds

Please register so Hannah can get a head count!

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals is a required course for 4-Hers exhibiting livestock in the county and state fairs. 4-H Youth have the option to take YQCA training online for \$12 or in person for \$3. We highly recommend attending the training in person if possible, as this will be more engaging and hands on. Registration for either type of training will be at

<https://yqcaprogram.org/>. Video instructions for how to log in and register can be found at:

<https://yqcaprogram.org/local/help-desk.php>. Let

Hannah know if you need any help! **Please sign up ahead of time if possible and remember to take the pre-test before attending the in-person course.**

Livestock Weigh-ins

Beef – Wednesday, March 20, 5-6 pm

All beef, both market and breeding, will need to come to weigh in! Beef weigh in will be from 5:00-6:00 PM at the fairgrounds. If you cannot make this date, you will need to schedule an alternate date with Hannah, *prior to* March 20th. Beef must be tagged, weighed and identified by the weigh-in date! (Cow/Calf pairs do not apply.) Also, remember to notify us if your animals are bred and owned in Meade County!

Small animal – Monday, May 6

5:30-7 pm

This event is mandatory for ANY small animal! Small animals are: Bucket Calves, Meat Goats, Breeding Does, Market Lambs, Breeding Ewes Market Swine, and Breeding Gilts. We will be using EID tags this year, which are the same tags that are required for state fair!

Auction Eligibility Form

Due July 15th, 2024

The auction eligibility form has been updated on our website! Any 4-Her wanting to sell in the food or livestock in the Meade County Fair Premium Auction will need to turn their signed form in to the office by July 15th, 2024.

<https://www.meade.k-state.edu/4-h/fair/fair.html>

Summer Activities!

Save the Date – Tractor Safety Course May 29th, 2024
Registration Due May 24th



Tractor Safety Operator's Course
Wednesday, May 29, 2024
Gray County Fairgrounds
17002 W. Highway 50, Cimarron

Students must attend all day on May 29th for the training and final test.

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PURPOSE OF COURSE & TEST:
To provide teenagers with a fuller appreciation and awareness of needed safety practices around tractors and farm machinery. As well as provide 14 & 15 year old youth an opportunity to receive a tractor operator's permit, required by the Child Labor Regulations in regard to agricultural hazardous occupations before they can be employed to operate a tractor.

WHO MAY PARTICIPATE:
Any teenage youth, regardless of age. Those completing the course and test will receive an operator's certificate upon completion of when he/she turns 14. Those who are 16 or older do not need an operator's certificate, but are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

SCHEDULE:
Tractor and other important farm safety skills will be given from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 29th. Registration starts at 8:00 a.m. at the Gray County Fairgrounds.

COST:
\$20.00 (made payable to the Ford County Ag Activity Fund) for noon meal and handouts.

MEAL:
The noon meal, included in the registration fee, is hamburgers hot off the grill. Students are encouraged to eat the meal provided. Please contact the Ford County Extension Office, 620-227-4542 with any participant's dietary restrictions.

ENROLLMENT:
All participants will need to complete a registration form and a 4-H Participation form in order to participate.

PRE-REGISTRATION FOR TRACTOR COURSE IS REQUIRED BY MAY 24th. TO YOUR LOCAL EXTENSION OFFICE.

Sponsored By:
Clark, Comanche, Ford, Gray, Hodgeman, Meade, Pawnee County Extension Councils, Walnut Creek Extension District, & 21st Central Extension District—Edwards County

Kansas State University is committed to making its services, activities and programs accessible to all participants. If you have special requirements due to a physical, vision or hearing disability, contact Andrea Burns, 620-227-4542. Kansas State University Agricultural Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Camp at Rock Springs Ranch

It's not too late to sign up for camp at Rock Springs Ranch. If you are interested in going to camp with other 4-Hers from Meade County, select the session from **June 30-July 3rd**. We currently know of one 8th grader who will be attending those dates, and she would love to have other Meade County 4-Hers attend with her!



Meade County 4-H Council pays \$100 towards your registration, and Town & Country will pay half of the fees for their club members (that means T&C 4-Hers could go to camp for 3 nights for \$175)! Camperships (camp scholarships) are also available through RSR. We are also brainstorming some ideas to help fundraise to cover some of the cost of camp. Let us know if you are interested or have any questions, or visit their website: <https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/sessions-rates/>

4-H Camp at Silver Maple Camp AKA WildHorse Camp

June 11-13th at Silver Maple Camp in Kingman

Mark these dates down for our 4-H camp with 6 other surrounding counties (Comanche, Kiowa, Barber, Harper, Kingman, and Reno)! This camp is open to youth ages 7-12. We will have lots of fun activities again this year including archery, crafts, swimming/paddle boats, fishing, and more!! See the sign up sheet on the next page.

SIGN UP NOW

4-H CAMP 2024
JUNE 11-13

**AT SILVER MAPLE CAMP IN KINGMAN COUNTY
COST IS \$75 FOR 4-H OR \$125 FOR NON 4-H
YOUTH, INCLUDING ALL MEALS,
ACTIVITIES AND LODGING**

**CAMPERS BETWEEN 7 AND 12 YEARS OLD
COUNSELORS NEED TO BE 14 AND OLDER
COUNSELORS WILL ARRIVE ON JUNE 10 FOR TRAINING.**

**PARTICIPATING COUNTIES: MEADE, COMANCHE, KIOWA,
BARBER, HARPER, KINGMAN AND RENO**

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**JUNE 11-13
AT SILVER MAPLE CAMP IN KINGMAN COUNTY
COST IS \$75 FOR 4-H, \$125 FOR NON-4-H YOUTH,
INCLUDING ALL MEALS, ACTIVITIES AND LODGING**

Return to Meade County Extension Office by May 1ST

Name: _____ Current Grade: _____

Parent / Guardian: _____ Male or Female

Phone: (Home) _____ Work or Cell: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City & Zip Code: _____

T-shirt Size: (Please Circle) Youth or Adult XS S M L XL

Make Checks payable to your local 4-H Council.

Return form and payment to local County Extension Office.

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Upcoming Meetings:

4-H Ambassadors

March 3rd 5:00pm

4-H Council

March 3rd 6:00pm

Horse Shows – 10am at the indoor arena

March 30th

April 21st

Crochet Project Meetings:

Join Jeanne Clawson at the Extension Office to work on your crochet project.

March 11th 5:30pm

March 19th 5:30pm

Cloverbuds

RSVP Required

April 17th 3:30-4:30pm (rescheduled from original date)

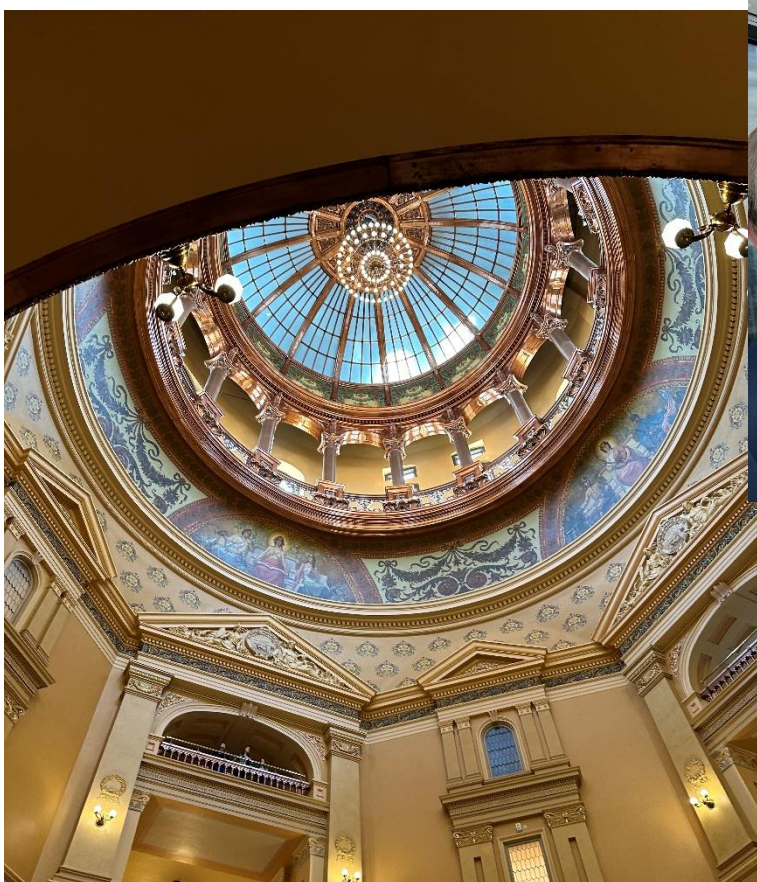
This is our last Cloverbuds meeting until next 4-H year!

Shooting Sports Practices:

No practice in March and April.

4-Her Spotlight

14 Meade County 4-Hers & 1 Haskell County 4-Her traveled to Citizenship in Action in Topeka on February 18th and 19th.



March 2024

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Year in a Glance:

Important dates for 2024!

March

2 – Regional Club Day
2 – Junior Beef Producer Day in Manhattan
3 – Ambassador Meeting & 4-H Council Meeting
12 – YQCA Training
13 – B&G Orders Due
16 – Junior Sheep Producer Day in Manhattan
20 – Beef Weigh In
28 – B&G Delivery
30 – Horse Show

April

17 - Cloverbuds
18 – YQCA Training
20 – Spring State 4-H Shooting Sports Match BB, Air Rifle, Air Pistol
21-27 – National Volunteer Week

May

6 – Small Animal Weigh In
29 – Tractor Safety Course

June

5-7 – Discovery Days, Manhattan
11-13 – Wild Horse 4-H Camp

July

15 – Auction Eligibility Due
22-26 – Meade County Fair!

August

TBA – State 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes

September

6-15 – Kansas State Fair