

2025-2026 Chisholm Trail District – Dickinson County Yearly Calendar of Events

These dates are tentative and may change. Please check emails, newsletters, & social media to verify dates.

October 2025

1: All project report forms due. Achievement pin applications, club completing, club financial report, officer books, club summary report, nominations for Family of the Year, Friends of 4-H, Key Award applications. Salute to Excellence nomination and Outstanding 4-Her due.

5-11: National 4-H Week

11-12: 48 Hours of 4-H

13: Indigenous Peoples' Day/Columbus Day – office closed

18-19: Kansas 4-H Dog Conference, Rock Springs Ranch

25-26: Shooting Sports Leader Training and Update, Cimarron

27: District 4-H Club Officer Training, Emmanuel Church, Abilene

27: SQUAD meeting

November 2025

1: County committee sign-ups are due

11: Veteran's Day observance – office closed

22-23: Kansas Youth Leadership Forum, Rock Springs Ranch

24: DK 4-H Achievement Celebration setup, Sterl Hall.

24: DK County 4-H Council

25: DK 4-H Achievement Celebration, Sterl Hall

27-28: Thanksgiving – office closed

28-Dec. 2: National 4-H Congress, Atlanta, GA

December 2025

1: All re-enrollments due in 4-H online

1: Club leader list, officer lists due

1: Officer training scavenger hunt due

13: Radio Day, KABI

23: Bread in a Bag workday

24-31: Office closed - holiday

January 2026

1-4: Office closed – Holiday

2: Adult volunteer applications and renewals due on 4-H online

3: District Model Meetings, Emmanuel Church

16: NE Region 4-H Project Record Book Judging, Manhattan

19: Martin Luther King Jr. Day – office closed

20: 4-H Day entries due online

26: DK County 4-H Council

30-Feb. 1: Kansas 4-H Dog Judges Training, Salina

February 2026

1: Sheep and swine project starter grants due

14: District 4-H Day, Emmanuel Church, Abilene

15: 4-H Basketball entries due

15-16: Citizenship in Action, Topeka

16: President's Day – office closed

23: SQUAD meeting

March 2026

1: 4-H Day with Wildcat Women's Basketball, 1:00 p.m., Bramlage Coliseum

3-4: DK County 4-H Foundation Phone-A-Thon, CTD – Abilene office

7: Kansas Junior Beef Producer Day, Manhattan

8: Beef weigh-in and tagging, 2:00 p.m.

14: 4-H Basketball Tournament, Chapman District Gym

15: CKFF grounds clean-up

23: DK County 4-H Council

28: Regional 4-H Day, Clay Center

April 2026

- 1: All county scholarship applications due
- 4: Wild Bill Buckle Bonanza (beef)
- 11: Kansas Junior Sheep Producer Day, Manhattan
- 11-16: National 4-H Conference, Washington D.C.
- 27: SQUAD meeting
- 28: Swine tagging
- 28-29: Youth Entrepreneurship Contest, Manhattan

May 2026

- 1: Project drop/add deadline in 4HOnline, bucket calf ID's due
- 1: State market beef nominations due
- 5: Sheep and meat goat weigh-in and tagging
- 9: Wild Bill Showdown (sheep, swine, meat goat)
- 25: Memorial Day – office closed
- 25: DK County 4-H Council (tentative will change due to Memorial Day)

June 2026

- 1: Horse ID's due
- 3-5: Discovery Days, Manhattan
- 12-14: State Geology Field Trip
- 15: CKFF King and Queen club nominations due
- 15: State nominations for commercial heifers, swine, sheep, and market goats due
- 21-26: National 4-H Shooting Sports Championship
- 22: SQUAD meeting



July 2026

- 4: Independence Day – office closed
- 8: Friends of 4-H Picnic, Sterl Hall
- 10: All CKFF fair entries due
- 9-11: Tri-County Fair, Herington
- 15: KS State Fair Livestock entries due
- 18: CKFF Horticulture Judging contest
- 18: Favorite Food Show
- 21: CKFF Dog Show
- 23: CKFF Cat Show
- 25: CKFF conference judging: foods, visual arts, home environment, photography, woodworking, STEM, energy management, forestry, entomology and geology projects
- 27: Fashion Revue and Royalty announcement, Emmanuel Church, Abilene
- 27: DK County 4-H Council meeting (tentative will change due to CKFF conflict)
- 27-Aug 3: Central Kansas Free Fair, Abilene
- 28: Central Kansas Free Fair Parade

August 2026

- 3: Central Kansas Free Fair Livestock Sale
- 5: Kansas State Fair "Intent to Exhibit" forms due online and Kansas State Fair advance ticket orders due
- 15: State Horticulture Judging contest, Manhattan
- 15: KS Junior Livestock Show entries due
- 24: SQUAD meeting

September 2026

- 7: Labor Day – office closed
- 8: Non-perishable state fair entries due
- 9: Perishable state fair entries due
- 11-20: Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson
- 26: State Archery Match
- 28: DK County 4-H Council