

Clover Connection

Chisholm Trail District - Dickinson County
4-H Youth Development News & Updates
December 2023 – February 2024



Congratulations!

Thank you to all who attended the 4-H Achievement Celebration. Dickinson County can be very proud of the number of 4-Hers and volunteers who were honored for their work over the past 4-H year!

Thank You Notes

If you received a pin or award at the Achievement Celebration, please remember to write a note of thanks to the sponsor. The celebration would not be possible without the support of these sponsors. Sponsor names and addresses were printed in the program book.

Dickinson County 4-H Foundation
Address: 712 S. Buckeye
Abilene, KS 67410
All project awards – ribbons & pins

Gary DePew & Jill Martinson
Address: 3335 Tulip Rd
Junction City, KS 66441
Junior leader recognition

Dickinson County Farm Bureau
Address: 2486 1600 Ave
Woodbine, KS 67492
*Pins – silver, silver guard,
Jr leader, gold, gold guard*

Abilene Rotary Club
Address: 1419 Park Place Terrace
Abilene, KS 67410
Adult leader recognition

Dickinson County Rural Life
Address: 2481 Game Rd
Abilene, KS 67410
*Pins – membership, bronze,
clover, emerald*

Frontier Farm Credit
Address: 2009 Vanesta Place
Manhattan, KS 66503
Key Awards

4HOnline

4HOnline is our 4-H enrollment database. Both **4-H members** and **adult volunteers** should be enrolled at <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-up> and **re-enrolled each year**. If you haven't yet activated your memberships for the new 4-H year, please do it today! Instructions and link to [ks.4Honline.com](https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-online/index.html) may be found at: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-online/index.html> Remember to use the coupon code **DSLBSD** as payment. This year the Kansas 4-H program fee is being covered by Dickinson County 4-H Foundation for all Dickinson County 4-H members. Notes of thanks should be sent to:

Dickinson County 4-H Foundation
712 S. Buckeye
Abilene, KS 67410

Save the Date

Regional 4-H Day is scheduled for **March 23rd in Clay Center.**

4-H Camp at Rock Springs

Registration is now open for all sessions of 4-H camp at Rock Springs Ranch! An early bird discount is available for those who register by **December 31, 2023**. The Dickinson County 4-H Foundation is committed to making camp financially accessible for all of our 4-Hers. Thanks to financial gifts from Friends of the Dickinson County 4-H Foundation as well as a gift from The Allen and Evelyn Knopp Family (who are also DK 4-H Alumni), the first 43 4-Hers attending overnight, specialty, or mini-camp at Rock Springs Ranch the summer of 2024 will receive \$300 toward their camp registration fee! Apply now at <https://bit.ly/4-hcampscholarshipapp>.

The Knopp family believes in the Rock Springs Ranch camp experience so much that they are also providing a \$200 scholarship for a limited number of non-4-Hers to attend camp. If you have non-4-H friends that would enjoy camp as much as you do, they can apply for a scholarship at: <https://bit.ly/non4-hercampscholarshipapp>.

Learn more about camp at Rock Springs Ranch at <https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/>.

Fully paid scholarships to attend Leaders in Training (LIT) sessions are available for those going into 10th or 11th grade and Counselor in Training (CIT) sessions for will-be high school seniors. Check out more information today at <https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/sessions-rates/>. More information is also available on our [district 4-H events page](#).

Bread-In-A-Bag

Foods project members and other volunteers are needed to help assemble and measure out the ingredients for Bread-In-A-Bag packets. This school enrichment program will be presented in area schools in January. The workday is set for **Friday, December 22rd, 10 a.m. until finished, in the Extension Office Meeting Room**. Please call or email us at the Extension Office to let us know if you plan to attend. 4-H members are welcome to help with school programs. Let us know if you are interested in being a bread in a bag assistant!

Model Meeting

Model meetings will be held on **Saturday, January 6 at Emmanuel Church**. Each club participating will draw one parliamentary procedure they must perform during the meeting (options: lay on the table, amendment, previous question). Clubs must conduct 3 items of business. A program is optional, but clubs that do not include a program in their meeting will not be eligible to advance to Regional 4-H Day. Make note of when your club meets. If you have questions, please refer to "The Meeting Will Come to Order" and "Parliamentary Practice Problems for 4-H" pamphlets available at the [KSRE bookstore](#). Remember that the first club scheduled is responsible for setting-up and the last club scheduled is responsible for clean-up. If your club has not signed up for a model meeting time, please use the [Google Drive](#) doc or call the Extension Office to reserve your time as soon as possible.

Model Meeting Schedule:

8:30 a.m. – Navarre Boosters
9:15 a.m. – Holland Sunflowers
10:00 a.m. – Jolly Jayhawkers
10:45 a.m. – Fragrant Hilltoppers
11:30 a.m. – Detroit Ramblers
12:15 p.m. – Lunch
1:00 p.m. –
1:45 p.m. –

District 4-H Day

This chance to show off your presentation skills is scheduled for **Saturday, February 10th** at Emmanuel Church. The entry deadline is **January 20th**. Start planning your presentations and review the 4-H Day Rules summary in this Clover Connection. The link to sign up for 4-H Day is: <https://bit.ly/20244hday>. This is for individual contests only. For group entries, sign-up at: <https://bit.ly/20244hdaygroup>

Room monitors are also needed for a successful 4-H Day, if you are age 10 or older and interested in being a room monitor sign up at bit.ly/4-HDayMonitor. Complete rules are posted on our 4-H events page at https://www.chisholmtrail.k-state.edu/4_h/events/Events.html. Contact Jill with any questions at martinso@ksu.edu or 785-263-2001.

Club Secretary Books

Keep in mind that your club's secretary book is an important historical document. Make sure that after each meeting the attendance is accurate. This is the only way for the Awards and Recognition Committee to tell how many meetings each member has attended to meet achievement pin requirements. This is important to each member of your club.

4-H Basketball

The 4-H Basketball Tournament is scheduled for **March 9th**. Sign up with your organizational leader to participate. Remember that Cloverbuds are not allowed to play. To be eligible to play, you must have re-enrolled in 4HOnline by **December 1st**. New members must have enrolled by the time rosters are due. Rosters are due to the Extension Office or entered in the online form by **February 15th**. Find additional information and tournament rules on our [4-H Events page](#).

Volunteer Screening Process

Our 4-H program relies on volunteers to accomplish our Positive Youth Development goals. Part of our commitment to these goals is the need to provide a safe environment for learning. To help accomplish this, Kansas 4-H screens volunteers who work directly with youth. As a potential or current volunteer, we ask you to complete the screening process. This process will be accomplished through 4HOnline. As you set up your profile, the system will take you through the volunteer application. If it's your first time applying, please complete the [Outside Background Check](#) and contact Jill for a new volunteer interview.

NOTE: once completed initially, the outside background check only needs to be completed every three years and can be accomplished by letting our office know to re-submit your information.

Online Volunteer Orientation

The Volunteer Orientation needs to be completed by everyone applying to be a 4-H volunteer. It only needs to be done one time. **You will need to be enrolled as an individual in your family's 4HOnline account in order to access the training.** Instructions are available at <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-online/index.html>. The course consists of video modules and quizzes. Please let our office know when you have completed the orientation.

4-H Club New Family Mentors

In 4-H we "learn by doing" which can often cause new families to feel lost until they've experienced a 4-H event or activity. To help ease their anxiety and keep our new families engaged, clubs are asked to recruit an adult volunteer (who is not currently an organizational leader) to serve as a New Family Mentor. This individual will be responsible for checking in with new 4-H families and helping them understand more about Dickinson County 4-H. Check out the [Welcome to 4-H! New Family Guide](#) for helpful information.

Radio Day Thank You

Thank you to the clubs that supported Radio Day this year. Twenty-eight ads were sold with proceeds supporting the Dickinson County 4-H Council. Each club was asked to sell 3 ads which means our basic goal was to have 33 ads sold. Thank you to the 8 clubs who sold ads. Council funds are used for basic support of the work done by council and our county-wide committees. Thanks to the committee and all 4-Hers who sold ads and recorded promotional spots as well as those who were "on-air" and answering the phone on Saturday, December 9th.

Area and State Project Record Judging

The northeast area project record judging will occur on **January 9th, beginning at 9:30 a.m., in Manhattan.** Chisholm Trail District may send 6 adults to judge award applications. Previous experience working on the county awards and recognition committee is required and volunteers may only judge two years consecutively on the area level. Preference will be given to those who are available to judge the entire day, are objective and fair, and can keep confidential information. Please call or email Jill by **January 2nd** to let her know if you are interested in judging. This is a unique opportunity to see what other 4-Hers are accomplishing as well as get great ideas for completing the new Kansas Project Records.

- Applications to be a part of the state project record judging are due to the State 4-H Office by **mid-January.** Criteria are similar to those used for area judging. Please let Jill know if you would like to apply. State judging will be done online in **March.**

County Committees

In this newsletter you will find a list of county committees as well as information about the Dickinson County 4-H Council. If you have been named to a committee, please make a commitment to being an active member of that committee. Thank you for your willingness to be a part of the county 4-H program! Contact us if your name is not listed and you would like to serve on a committee. The committee list document may also be accessed at: bit.ly/DKCNTYCOMM

Spring Livestock Show Committee Meetings

When: **Wednesday, December 13, 6:30 PM (Small Livestock Show), 7:30 PM (Beef Show)**

Where: KSRE-CTD Abilene Office, Meeting Room

Who: Committee Members and anyone interested in helping plan the spring shows

Next 4-H Leadership SQUAD Meeting

When: **Monday, February 26th, 7:00 p.m.**

Where: KSRE-CTD Abilene Office, Meeting Room

Who: any 4-Her 6th grade and up interested in learning about and practicing leadership skills!

Next DK 4-H Council Meeting

When: **Monday, January 22nd, 7:30 PM (officers meet @ 6:45 PM)**

Where: KSRE-CTD Abilene Office, Meeting Room

Who: Club 4-H council representatives – youth & adults

4-H Leadership SQUAD

All 4-H members 6th grade and up are invited to be a part of this dynamic group! Meetings are held on the fourth Monday of the month in February, April, June, and August. Participants promote the 4-H program, learn leadership skills, and put leadership into practice! Contact group advisors Shawna Riffel (riffelclan@eaglecom.net) or Becky Chase (r_ruthstrom@yahoo.com) with questions or just attend the next meeting!



4-H Horse Panorama

4-H Horse Panorama has been scheduled for **January 27** at K-State Salina. Registration is available now and due by **January 2**. Check the following link for information and rules for 4-H Horse Panorama: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/horse/horse-panorama.html>. Event scholarships are available from the Dickinson County 4-H Foundation up to \$50 or half the cost of registration (does not include costs for clothing). In-person opportunities include quiz bowl, hippology, and public speaking while virtual contests include logo, photography, ad layout, and others.

Horse Project Hippology

Members interested in learning more about horses (hippology) and competing at Horse Panorama in January 2024, email Susan Buckley at 3bhequine@gmail.com or leave a message 785-280-9092 for more information.

Horse Show Judge Seminar

Kansas 4-H, the KSU Horse Judging Team and Colby Community College are excited to offer a 4-H Horse Show Judges Seminar **Friday, April 12, 2024 in Colby, KS.**

Dog Judge Certification Workshop

The 2024 Kansas 4-H Dog Judges' Certification training will be held **January 26-28, 2024**, at the Leavenworth County Fairgrounds. This is a 5-year certification. All 4-H dog shows must have certified judges for members to qualify for the State Fair Dog Show. There is a reduced cost for leaders/members who want to observe but not become a judge. Registration will be out soon and located on Kansas4H.org website under events.

Kansas 4-H Scholarships

All high school seniors and college 4-H alums are encouraged to complete the state 4-H scholarship application. Application information is posted on the Kansas 4-H website at: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html> with a submission deadline of **March 1, 2024.**



**4-H Day with
Wildcat Women's Basketball
Sunday, January 13, 2023, 1:00 p.m.
K-State vs. Texas**



Group Ticket Rate of \$30 per person, youth or adult
Non-T-Shirt Group Ticket Rate of \$20 per person, youth or adult
4-H and non-4-H Families welcome to attend
Includes game ticket, \$10 meal voucher, & t-shirt (optional)

Orders must be completed online by January 1st at <https://bit.ly/3N85oPY>



Food Pantry Needs

According to the 4-H study of Positive Youth Development, 4-Hers are nearly 4 times more likely to make contributions to their communities. But just how much can they do? The last several years, our clubs have made a huge difference in helping the food insecure in our county.

Items that are most needed by county food banks:

- *soup
- *ramen noodle soup
- *pork and beans
- *chili beans
- *canned tomato products
- *all kinds of pasta
- *rice
- *tuna
- *peanut butter
- *cereal – hot and cold
- *personal hygiene products – shampoo, toothpaste, deodorant, bars of soap



Kansas Junior Producer Days Announced

The 2024 Kansas Junior Producer Day dates have been set! We are excited to return to hosting in-person events next spring. **Kansas Junior Beef Producer Day will be Saturday, March 2, with Kansas Junior Sheep Producer Day scheduled for Saturday, March 16.** Both events will be hosted in Weber Hall on the K-State campus in Manhattan. These events are one-day educational events for families to learn more about the selection and management of a specific specie. Youth, adults, extension agents, project leaders, and volunteers are invited to attend!

Presentations will be provided by K-State faculty, staff, students, extension agents, and guest speakers. Topics range from selection, to nutrition, to meat science and showmanship. Tentative schedules and registration information are forthcoming. For more information, including details to sign up, please follow the @ksuylp Facebook page and check the KSU YLP website: [Kansas Junior Producer Days \(k-state.edu\)](http://k-state.edu)

Online ZBooks Available for 4-H Record Keeping

Record keeping and Project Reporting are valuable skills taught to members of the Kansas 4-H program. Members are encouraged to keep a permanent record of all 4-H and non-4-H experience and are encouraged to summarize their project experiences on the Kansas 4-H Project Report Form for project recognition. To help you through this process, please refer to the Guide to Kansas 4-H Project Recognition. Couple of items to make note of:

- Youth may choose to use either record keeping option: a.) the fillable PDF Project report forms or b.) the online ZBooks software
- The Permanent Record is included in ZBooks. If you choose to keep records with ZBooks, do not feel like you have to transfer over all of your previous years' activities into the online Permanent Record. Start with this year and attach it to your previous document.

[Click here for instructions and video tutorials for using ZBooks](#)

Kansas 4-H Wordmark Policy

The K-State Research and Extension/4-H wordmark is required on all 4-H marketing and publishing materials, including print, digital, apparel, and merchandise. **This means, if your club is creating a t-shirt, this wordmark is required.** More information about the wordmark may be found at: <http://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/marketing/>. Resources are available for local printers to work through the KSU license process.



Kansas 4-H Accidental Insurance

Kansas 4-H will continue to provide accidental insurance under a statewide group activity accident policy for 4-H members and volunteers through American Income Life. This benefit is provided through the \$15 annual state program fee (free to all Dickinson County 4-Hers by the Dickinson County 4-H Foundation). This policy covers members and volunteers enrolled in 4HOnline, so please make sure you are re-enrolled (or enrolled) for the new 4-H year!

Kansas 4-H Participant Code of Conduct and Volunteer Code of Ethics

As you enroll for the new 4-H year, please take time to notice the participant code of conduct and volunteer code of ethics. These documents may be found at: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/policy-guide/index.html>

Ideas to Shake Up Club Meetings

BACKWARDS MEETING:

Start the meeting with the motion for adjournment and go from there! The entire meeting is backwards. Members and parents might even want to dress backwards. Talk about really learning the meeting order; this will do it!

MOVE TO A NEW SEAT DURING THE MEETING:

This is a seating adventure. The President could give the command: "Move two seats to your left." "Rows one and two switch seats." "End seats switch with each other." The command can be different each time. The club members will definitely be paying attention to the meeting to hear where they need to move next.

HAVE GUEST SPEAKERS:

Invite people to come visit your club. These folks might have some neat information or activities to share with you. Some ideas of people to contact include: Fire Department, Police Department, Hospital, Wildlife and Parks Department or Newspaper.



VISIT A NEW PLACE:

Club field trips are an excellent way to see what is in your community. The club can have a short meeting or incorporate the new location into the meeting. Don't forget to take pictures to document all of the club adventures!

HAVE A SECRET WORD CONTEST:

When the Secretary reads the minutes of the previous meeting, a secret word can be inserted. Members will listen closely to determine what the word is. Members who then use the word in some way during the meeting can receive a small prize. Secret word examples include: popsicle, pillow, jelly bean, clover, and armadillo.

DRAW YOUR MEETING OUT OF A HAT:

Cut up the order of the club meeting. Place the slips of paper in a hat. Draw out a slip of paper. That is the first item of the meeting. Continue until every item has been drawn out of the hat. This should make for a most interesting meeting!

CKFF Suggested Changes

The following is a list of suggested changes for the 2024 Central Kansas Free Fair. Feedback should be emailed or submitted in writing to the Extension Office (chisholmtrail@listserv.ksu.edu) by **5 p.m. on February 1st**.

Beef

- Clarify in fair book – dirty bedding must be placed in the street past the marked white line so it can be picked up

Sheep

- Add team showmanship

Swine

- Add a fun activity to make money for improvements

Cat

- Add a zoom meeting option to fill required pre-fair project meeting attendance

Horticulture/Crops (4-H/FFA)

- Display on tables instead of in showcases

Floriculture

- Clarify entry time is 9-11 AM

Other Projects/Miscellaneous

- Change wording of class #831 – clubs that check in at least 3 pre-entered club books will automatically be entered and judged in the group of 3 club books class

General Fair

With the parade moving to Tuesday afternoon, the following livestock schedule changes are proposed:

- Wednesday
 - Animal check-in 8 AM – 1 PM
 - Sheep and meat goat exhibitor meeting – 3:45 PM
 - Meat goat weigh-in – 4 PM
 - Breeding sheep check-in – 4 PM
 - Sheep weigh-in – 4:30 PM
 - Beef weigh-in – 7-9 PM
- Thursday
 - Swine weigh-in – 8 AM
 - Meat goat show – 6 PM

**Notes from livestock premium sale committee:**

- The premium sale will continue to be a terminal sale. Animals sold in the sale will be harvested and, therefore, not available to be shown at other livestock shows including the Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show.

Dickinson County Old Fashioned Christmas Celebration

Great work by our clubs and members assisting the Dickinson County Heritage Center with their holiday celebration! Winning the people's choice club Christmas trees awards were Popular Choice: Willowdale, Elves' Choice: Navarre Boosters, and Santa Award: Holland Sunflowers!

Club Community Service Grants

Thank you to clubs for submitting grant applications to the Dickinson County 4-H Foundation. We're looking forward to seeing this great work in your communities!

Global Citizenship

Experience shows that learning other ways of doing things helps us be successful in a diverse world. Now is an excellent time for families to explore other cultures through hosting exchange programs. As 4-H families make plans for the new year, it's the perfect time to apply to host a 4-H exchange youth or young adult. To get more information or apply, check out the hosting section of the Kansas 4-H web site <https://www.kansas4-h.org/>, (Look under news and updates.) and contact the exchange coordinator: Pam Van Horn pvanhorn@ksu.edu for Japan Summer Inbound, Mary Kay Munson mkm2@ksu.edu for other States' 4-H Summer Inbound and AYP hosting, and Chelsy Champlin chelsycoen@gmail.com for IFYE Hosting. Most of these exchanges will be making placements in January-February, the time when there is the greatest chance to find a good match for your family. Check it out today.

Setting Project Goals!

Now is the perfect time for 4-H members to be thinking about what they want to learn and accomplish with their projects throughout the coming year. Use the handy [Setting 4-H Project Goals](#) worksheet to document those plans for the coming year!

Need ideas for your club meetings? Check out the [Kansas 4-H Club Corner!](#)

Want to explore a project but not sure where to start? Check out the [Kansas 4-H Clover Classroom!](#)

4-H Year Calendar

A calendar full of important dates for the 2023-2024 4-H year is posted on our district [News & Newsletters](#) page. Check it out!

Follow Us on Social Media!

Facebook: @ChisholmTrailKSRE

Instagram: @chisholmtrail_ksre



Chisholm Trail District 4-H DAY Rules

As you begin preparing your presentations for 4-H Day, please note some of the time limits and other important information you need to know. Complete rules are available on the Chisholm Trail District – 4-H-Events page:

https://www.chisholmtrail.k-state.edu/4_h/events/Events.html

Some general items:

- If you sign-up for something . . . follow through! Cancellations cause scheduling problems.
- Purple ribbon winners (ages 9 and over) in public presentation and drama categories are eligible for State Fair exhibition.
- Those 4-Hers named Top Purple in their divisions will be eligible for Regional 4-H Day in March. If you are the Top Purple and cannot attend Regional 4-H Day, contact the Extension Office immediately so we can notify the Alternate Top Purple.

Show & Share (ages 7-9 and Cloverbuds)

- 5 minutes maximum
- Visuals may be used.

Project Talks (ages 7-12)

- Time recommended: 3-4 min., 7 min. max.
- Visuals are encouraged but not required.
- Questions are not asked.
- PowerPoint is allowed – see leader for specific guidelines

Demonstrations & Illustrated Talks

- Jr. Time recommended: 4-7 min., 10 min. max.
- Sr. Time recommended: 5-10 min., 15 min. max.
- Visuals are encouraged.
- Questions are asked.
- Summary is required at end of presentation.
- The endorsement of brand names is discouraged.
- PowerPoint is allowed – see leader for specific guidelines

Public Speaking (ages 13 and older)

- Time recommended: 5-7 min., 15 min. max.
- Visuals are optional; they should enhance the talk, not distract. No posters or PowerPoint allowed.
- *An outline is required for the judge; if not provided, one ribbon placing will be deducted.*



General Music Rules

- Number the measures on music for the judge.
- Write your name on the music and give original copy to judge before performing. Pick up music after results are announced. Failure to present original copy of music results in one ribbon placing lower.
- Recorded accompaniment is allowed in all divisions, if you have original copies of the recorded music.

Vocal Chorus (group of 16 or more)

- Each group will sing two numbers.
- The director and accompanist need not be a 4-Her, but they cannot sing unless they are.
- *Memorization is not required, but is desirable.*

Vocal Ensemble (2-15 people)

- Each group will sing two numbers.
- Accompanist need not be a 4-Her, but they cannot sing unless they are.
- Memorization is not required, but is desirable.

Vocal Solo

- Junior and Senior divisions.
- Participant will sing one number.
- Memorization of number is required. Placing will be dropped one ribbon if not memorized.

Instrumental Band/Orchestra (16 or more)

- Each group will play one number.
- The director need not be a 4-Her, but they cannot play unless they are.

Instrumental Ensemble (2-15 people)

- Each group will play one number.
- Memorization is not required but is desirable and may influence judge's rating.

Instrumental Solo

- Junior and Senior divisions.
- Participant will play one number.
- Memorization is not required but is desirable and may influence judge's rating.

One-Act Play

- Entries are limited to strictly one-act plays. Only one set is allowed.
- The maximum time allowed shall be 45 minutes from beginning to end.
- Each club responsible for all property.
- Maximum set-up time is 5 minutes.

Dance

- Junior and Senior divisions, may be individual or group (2-15 members)
- Recorded music is encouraged.
- Suggested that participants limited to one dance or 5 minutes.
- Introduction is important.
- Types of dance: country (swing or line dance), folk (circle dance, polka, schottische, waltz), square (one set of four couples suggested), choreographed (as seen at half-time shows), or other (tap dance, jazz, break/street dance, interpretive, or acrobatic dance).

Skit

- Any size group may participate.
- Maximum time should not exceed 15 minutes.
- Maximum set-up time is 5 minutes.
- Each group responsible for all property.

Reading

- Junior and Senior divisions.
- 10-minute maximum time limit
- Introduction is important.
- Acceptable to use folder or book as a prop, no other props are allowed.
- No extra points will be awarded for memorized work.

Solo Acting

- Junior and Senior divisions.
- 10-minute maximum time limit
- Introduction is important.
- Props may be used.
- Must be memorized.

Other Talent (novelty, puppets, etc.)

- Junior and Senior divisions.
- May be individual or group presentation.
- Time limit of 10 minutes or less.
- Introduction is important.

2023-2024 County Committees

4-H Day Committee					
Youth Chair	Joss	DePew	FH	785-238-6949	josslyndepew@icloud.com
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Adult	Barbie	Woody	W	785-452-2107	barbiew@ksu.edu
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Member	Godric	Baetz	SS	785-564-2002	melody.baetz@gmail.com
Member	Adeline	Hackett	JJ	785-410-2525	amanda_lee83@hotmail.com

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Dickinson County 4-H Council Meeting Dates

11/20/2023 Favorite Thanksgiving Food

1/22/2024 New Years' Resolution

3/25/2024 Spring Break Activities

5/27/2024 One Project You Are Exhibiting at Central Kanas Free Fair

7/22/2024 Favorite Summer Activity

9/23/2024 Favorite Fair Food

****Council officers meeting at 6:45 p.m., full council at 7:30 p.m.**

KSRE-CTD Abilene Office Meeting Room, 712 S Buckeye, Abilene

2023-2024

Yearly Calendar of Events

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

October 2023

- 1** – All project report forms due
Achievement pins applications, club completion report, 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, & Outstanding 4-Her due
- 1-7** – National 4-H Week
- 7-8**– 48 Hours of 4-H (or other date in October)
- 9** – Office closed
- 21-22** – Kansas 4-H Dog Conference @ Rock Springs Ranch
- 23** – District 4-H Club Officer Training @ Emmanuel Church

November 2023

- 1** – county committee sign-ups due
- 10** –Veteran’s Day Observance - office closed
- 18-19** – Kansas Youth Leadership Forum & Kansas Volunteer Forum @ Rock Springs Ranch
- 20** – DK County 4-H Council & Achievement Celebration set-up
- 21**-Dickinson 4-H Achievement Celebration
- 23-24** – Thanksgiving – Office closed
- 24-28**– National 4-H Congress @ Atlanta

December 2023

- 1** – All re-enrollments due @ 4-HOnline
- 1** – Club leader list, officer lists due
- 1**-Officer training scavenger hunt due
- 9** – Radio Day @ KABI (tentative)
- 22**-Bread in a bag work day
- 23-31**-Office Closed –Holiday



January 2024

- 1** – New Year’s Day – Office closed
- 2** – Adult Volunteer applications & renewals due in 4HOnline
- 6** – District Model Meetings (Emmanuel Church)
- 15**- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – Office closed
- 20** – 4-H Day entries & 4-H Basketball entries due
- 22**-DK 4-H Council
- 27**--Horse Panorama at Rock Springs Ranch

February 2024

- 10** –District 4-H Day (Emmanuel Church)
- 19** – President’s Day – Office closed
- 26**-SQUAD meeting
- State Events generally held in February:***
Citizenship in Action @ Topeka
Kanas Ambassador Training @ Rock Springs

March 2024

- 3** – Beef weigh-in and tagging noon– 2pm
- 5 & 6** – Dickinson County 4-H Foundation Phone-a-Thon @ Extension Office
- 9** – 4-H Basketball Tournament, Chapman District Gym
- 10**– CKFF grounds clean-up
- 23** – Regional 4-H Day at Clay Center
- 25** – DK 4-H Council



April 2024

- 1** – All county scholarships due
- 6** – Wild Bill Beef Shoot-out
- 19-24**– National 4-H Conference
- 22**-SQUAD meeting
- 30** – **ONLY** Swine tagging 6pm – 8pm

May 2024

- 1** – Project drop/add deadline in 4HOnline, bucket calf ID's due
 - 1** – State market beef nominations due
 - 7**– Sheep & Meat Goat weigh-in & tagging 5pm – 7pm
 - 11** – Wild Bill Sheep, Swine, & Meat Goat Shoot-out
 - 27**-DK 4-H Council (tentative will change due to Memorial Day)
 - 27** – Memorial Day – Office closed
- State Events generally held in May:***
Discovery Days @ KSU

June 2024

- 1** - Horse IDs due
- 15** – CKFF King & Queen club nominations due
- 15** – State nominations for commercial heifers, swine, sheep, & market goat due
- 24**-SQUAD meeting

July 2024

- 4** – Independence Day -office closed
- 9** – Friends of 4-H Picnic, Sterl Hall
- 10**– All CKFF 4-H entries due in FairEntry
- 11-13** – Tri-County Fair @ Herington
- 15** – Kansas State Fair livestock entries due
- 20** – CKFF Horticulture judging contest
- 22**-DK 4-H Council
- 23** – CKFF Dog Show
- 25** – CKFF Cat Show
- 26** – Favorite Food Show

July 2024 Continued

- 27** – CKFF conference judging including visual arts, home environment, photography, woodworking, STEM, energy management, forestry, entomology, & geology projects
 - 29** – CKFF Fashion Revue and King & Queen announcement @ Emmanuel Church
- July 30 – August 5** – Central Kansas Free Fair

August 2024

- 1** – CKFF Parade
 - 5** – CKFF Livestock Sale
 - 7**– Kansas State Fair "Intent to Exhibit" forms due online & Kansas State Fair advance ticket orders due
 - 15** – Kansas Junior Livestock Show entries due
 - 26**-SQUAD meeting
- State Events generally held in August:***
4-H Wheat Expo

September 2024

- 2** – Labor Day – Office closed
- 3** - Non-perishable state fair entries due
- 4** – Perishable state fair entries due
- 6-15** – Kansas State Fair
- 23**-DK 4-H council

October 2024

- 1** - Achievement pins applications, project report forms, club completion report, 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, Outstanding 4-Her



SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 2024



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KANSAS 4-H DAY WITH K-STATE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

\$30: Ticket, Voucher (\$10
concessions), & Shirt

\$20: Ticket & Voucher (\$10
concessions)

HOW TO GET TICKETS?

1. Register! Use the QR code or the link below!
2. Pick up ticket packages - location TBD
(1/13/24, 11:30 AM-12:30 PM)
3. Doors open for the general public (1/13/24,
12:00 PM)
4. Tip-off! (1/13/24, 1:00 PM)

Online registration for this event will be due **January 1st, 2024**. No paper registrations will be accepted. To register, go to: <https://bit.ly/3N85oPY>

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