## Important 4-H Dates

This is an interactive document. Please be sure to click on the links provided for easy access to forms, help, and other information that can help you. Please note that if you have any questions concerning specific events to contact:

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# 2021 Douglas County Fair Entries

The fair entry system is now open! Entries can be made at: [https://www.fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/15414](https://www.fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/15414)

Fair entries will close at 11:59 pm on June 30. Late entries will not be accepted.

A step by step “how to” for making entries is available at: [https://www.douglas.k-state.edu/docs/4h/fairdocuments/2020fairentryhowto.pdf](https://www.douglas.k-state.edu/docs/4h/fairdocuments/2020fairentryhowto.pdf)

The 2021 Douglas County Fair Book can be viewed at [http://dgcountyfair.com/fair-info/](http://dgcountyfair.com/fair-info/). Any families wanting assistance with fair entries should contact our office before 5:00 pm on Wednesday, June 30!

Questions concerning fair entries can be directed to Margaret Kalb (mkalb2@ksu.edu), Kaitlyn Peine (kpeine@ksu.edu), or Nickie Harding (nharding@ksu.edu).

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# 2021 Douglas County Fair Changes to Note

The fair schedule is available to view at: [https://dgcountyfair.com/calendar/](https://dgcountyfair.com/calendar/)

**Food Preservation** - Exhibitors can no longer use, “Ball Complete Book of Home Preserving” as a source for a recipe.

**STEM** (formerly SpaceTech) - Updates have been made for the 2021 county and state fair. Please refer to the 2021 Douglas County Fair Book for updates.

**Beef** - Wood chips and the vet fee for beef exhibitors will be $20.00 for large animals and $10.50 for bucket calves.

**Poultry** - The pullorum-typhoid test for all poultry will be required for the 2021 county fair.

**Livestock Auction** - If you have extra animals to sell at the conclusion of the county fair to friends or family, please contact local processors as soon as possible. Many are booked through 2022, but have reserved spots for current customers. Please note, most will not be processing animals for new customers. If you need a list of local processors and contact information, please contact Margaret Kalb at mkalb2@ksu.edu.
All 4-H’ers exhibiting a food producing animal for the 2021 Douglas County Fair, Kansas State Fair Grand Drive, and KJLS will again be required to complete the YQCA training. Food producing animals include: beef (including bucket calf), swine, sheep, meat & dairy goats, dairy cattle, poultry, and all rabbits. YQCA is designed as an educational tool and certification program focused on food safety, animal well-being and character development for youth ages 7–18. As a result of this program, we hope youth leave with a better understanding of their livestock project and how to produce a healthy and safe food product.

2021 YQCA online training is now live. Youth may complete the online training for $12/child. Any 4-H’er who is seven years old (4-H age) may now complete YQCA certification online or in-person.

A young person’s YQCA certification is valid for one year and must be completed by June 30th.

For details regarding in-person training and for more information go to: https://www.douglas.k-state.edu/crops-livestock/youth-livestock/YQCA.html

For questions regarding YQCA contact Mallory Meek at: mgmeek@ksu.edu

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**2021 County Fair Livestock Health Requirements**

The Kansas Department of Agriculture (KDA) has released the 2021 County Fair Livestock Health Requirements. These requirements are mandated by the KDA. All 4-H’ers exhibiting livestock at the 2021 County Fair should review the requirements prior to the fair. The document can be found at: http://www.douglas.k-state.edu/4-h/forms.html under the livestock heading.

Questions regarding the requirements can be directed to Mallory Meek at: mgmeek@ksu.edu

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**4-H’ers with Market Livestock**

**Beef, Goats, Sheep, Swine, Rabbits and Poultry**

All 4-H’ers with market beef, goats, sheep, swine, rabbits and poultry will be required to complete detailed treatment records. The record should include administration of any dewormer, antibiotic, medicated feed, etc. The treatment record form can be found at http://www.douglas.k-state.edu/4-h/forms.html under the livestock heading. There is an Excel spreadsheet available.

The forms will be due to the fair office in Building 21 by **1:00 p.m. on Friday, July 30** for all livestock sold through the premium auction and livestock that is shipped.

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**Douglas County Fair Entry Deadline**

- 11:59 p.m. on June 30
County Fair 4-H Livestock Skill-a-Thon Contest

The 4-H Livestock Skill-a-thon contest is an event that test a 4-H members knowledge and comprehension of animal science and livestock management practices.

The 4-H Livestock Skill-a-thon contest will consist of a system of questions relative to the livestock project areas of beef, swine, sheep and goats. Junior, intermediate and senior members will have the same contest topics. However, the actual questions may vary depending on age level. Participants will rotate through six stations answering questions to the following topics:

Meat Identification - Contestant must identify various cuts of meat from each species.

Breed Identification - The contestant must be able to identify various breeds of each species. Levels III and IV should also be able to match the origin and/or important traits of each breed.

External Parts - The contestant must be able to identify a given number of external parts for each species.

Animal Health - Contestant must be able to read and identify a medicine label. Levels III and IV should be able to identify common risk factors to biosecurity on a farm and how the risks can be reduced.

Equipment Identification - The contestant must be able to identify common equipment used in the livestock industry. Levels III and IV should identify uses for each identified equipment piece.

Feed and Nutrition - The contestant should be able to identify common feedstuffs. Levels III and IV should be able to identify nutrient groups for each feedstuff identified.

Go to https://www.douglas.k-state.edu/4-h/ for a detailed study guide and study links.

Questions? Contact Mallory (mgmeek@ksu.edu), Kaitlyn (kpeine@ksu.edu) or Nickie (nharding@ksu.edu).

County Fair Poultry Skill-a-Thon Contest

The 4-H Poultry Skill-a-thon contest is an event that test a 4-H members knowledge and comprehension of poultry science and poultry management practices.

The 4-H Poultry Skill-a-thon contest will consist of a system of questions relative to the poultry project. Junior, intermediate and senior members will have the same contest topics. However, the actual questions may vary depending on age level. Participants will rotate through five stations answering questions to the following topics:

External Parts & Comb Identification - The contestant must be able to identify a given number of external parts and comb variations.

Parts of an Egg - The contestant must be able to label the parts of the egg. Level III and IV should also be able to match the definition/function of the egg part.

Breed Identification - The contestant must be able to identify five common poultry breeds. Levels III and IV should also be able to match the origin and/or important traits of each breed.

Quality Assurance - The contestant must be able to identify five types of poultry diseases. Levels III and IV should also know how the disease is transmitted and treated.

Feed and Nutrition - The contestant should be able to identify common feedstuffs. Level III and IV should also be able to identify nutrient groups for each feedstuff identified.

Go to https://www.douglas.k-state.edu/4-h/ for a detailed study guide and study links.

Questions? Contact Kaitlyn (kpeine@ksu.edu) or Nickie (nharding@ksu.edu).
2021 Douglas County Fair Reading Contest

The annual walk-in reading contest will be on Wednesday, July 28 from 12:00 -2:00 p.m. in the Dreher Family 4-H Building. Top scorers in each level will earn an award.

This year there are three different books. Junior members ages 7-9 (4-H age) will answer questions about the book, Fantastic Mr. Fox by Roald Dahl. Intermediate members ages 10-13 (4-H age) will answer questions about the book, The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster. Senior members ages 14-19 (4-H age) will answer questions about the book, Life of Pi by Yon Martel.

Free copies of these books, which are provided by the Douglas County 4-H Council, are available at the Extension office. Copies are limited, so call the office to RSVP your copy before you come by to pick up your book.

Photo Mats, Entomology Pins and Labels for County Fair

Available at the Douglas County Extension Office:
- Photo mats $3 each
- Entomology pins $4.25 per pack
- Labels: Food Preservation, Food Preparation, Geology and Entomology

Northeast Kansas District #5 Horse Show

The Northeast Kansas District #5 4-H Horse Show is scheduled for July 1 at the Stormont Vail Events Center. 4-H’ers who are at least 9 years old as of January 1, 2021 and have horse ID papers on file are eligible to show at the district show. 4-H’ers earning a blue or purple ribbon in their respective classes will qualify to show at the Kansas State Fair 4-H Horse Show.

The entry deadline for the district show is June 10. Additional information about the entry process and requirements can be found at: https://www.meadowlark.ksu.edu/4-h/news.html under the District Horse Show tab. 4-H’ers showing at the District Horse Show are required to complete Horse Level testing by June 15.

Contact Kaitlyn Peine, 4-H Youth Development Agent at: kpeine@ksu.edu to make arrangements to complete the testing.

Commercial Heifer and Small Livestock Nominations for KSF and KJLS Due June 15

Any 4-H’er planning to show a commercial heifer and/or small livestock are required to nominate their animals by June 15. A complete nomination includes: an official 4-H EID tag, hair sample with DNA envelope, household declaration form, nomination form, YQCA certification and an $8 nomination fee.

Nomination materials must be postmarked by June 15 and sent to K-State. For the updated forms, 2021 updates, and additional information visit: https://www.douglas.ksu.edu/crops-livestock/state_livestock_shows/statelivestockshows.html

Please contact Mallory at: mgmeek@ksu.edu to request a DNA envelope(s) or with any questions.
County-Wide Poultry Project Meeting

What: 4-H Poultry Project Meeting - Hosted by Janine Leslie
When: Sunday, June 27 at 2:00 p.m.
Where: Douglas County Fairgrounds
Who: Any person interested in or participating in the poultry project.
Why: To assist 4-H youth with their Poultry Project in preparation for the Douglas County Fair.

The 4-H Poultry Project assists youth in developing an understanding of selecting and raising birds, as well as health issues, poultry products and careers! Bring a bird and learn how to wash and prepare them for exhibit day!

Please e-mail Nickie at nharding@ksu.edu to register for this meeting by June 25!

Poultry Pullorum Testing

All 4-H'ers exhibiting Poultry at the Douglas County and/or Kansas State Fair (except for water fowl) are required to have a negative pullorum test within 90 days of the county fair.

Pullorum testing will be offered Saturday, July 17 in the Poultry Barn from 7:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Due to the rising cost of serum, each bird tested will cost $1.00. Please sign up (one slot per family) for a time slot at: http://bit.ly/2021PullorumTesting

If you are unable to test your poultry at this time or have any questions, you may contact Kaitlyn Peine, 4-H Youth Development Agent at kpeine@ksu.edu or 785-843-7058.

County-Wide Pet Project Meeting

What: 4-H Pet Project Meeting - Hosted by Becky Bentley
When: Sunday, June 6 at 1:00 p.m.
Where: Dreher Family 4-H Building
Who: Any person interested in or participating in the pet project.
Why: To assist 4-H youth with their pet project in preparation for the Douglas County Fair. Pets welcome!

The 4-H pet project helps youth explore what kind of pet fits into your family’s lifestyle and how to be an excellent caretaker of your pet.

Please e-mail Nickie at nharding@ksu.edu to register for this meeting by June 4.

Photo Mounting for County Fair

Photo mounting for the county fair will be on Monday, July 19 from 10:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Extension office. Photo mats will be available for purchase at that time. Photos need to be trimmed at home to 8x10 before coming. No white borders or date stamps. If you would like to spray mount your photos and are unable to come on July 19, please contact Nickie at nharding@ksu.edu or 785-843-7058 prior to that date.

Douglas County Fair Entry Deadline - 11:59 p.m. on June 30
2021 State Fair Entries

4-H'ers who are at least 9 years old as of January 1, 2021 and who have earned a purple ribbon on their fair project(s) are eligible to enter at the Kansas State Fair. 4-H'ers may make entries for all qualified projects at the Extension office.

The Extension office can transport no more than two exhibits per 4-H'er. Because of space limitations projects may be no larger than an entomology box.

Entries can be made at the Douglas County Extension Office throughout the fair from 8 a.m. to 5:00 pm. The Extension office will also be open on Saturday, July 31 from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. to accept entries.

All entries must be made by 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 31.

Questions? Contact Kaitlyn at kpeine@ksu.edu or Nickie at nharding@ksu.edu.

Douglas County Fair Camper Spots Electrical Hookup

There are 16 camper spots located east of the Open Pavilion. With the limited spots available, we will be hosting a lottery to announce who will get a camper spot. The lottery is only open to families with livestock exhibitors. To enter the drawing please complete the registration at http://bit.ly/2021DGFairCamper. Each household will only be entered in the drawing once. Registration will close at 11:59 pm on June 30. Names drawn from the lottery will be notified by Friday, July 2.

Each electrical hookup is $15 a day. Families will pay for the entire week of the fair. The total cost will be $105. Details about collecting payment will be sent at a later date.

Hayleigh Wempe 4-H Mentoring Award

The Hayleigh Wempe 4-H Mentoring award will be awarded to a Douglas County 4-H member who shares their time and talent with other 4-H members through mentoring. The cash award is intended to celebrate a 4-H member who intentionally lives by the 4-H motto, “To Make The Best Better” by helping others succeed in their 4-H project work.

Anyone can nominate a Douglas County 4-H member for the Hayleigh Wempe 4-H Mentoring Award. There are no project enrollment or age requirements. Each nomination application will be reviewed by a selection committee. The selection committee will select the finalists who will be evaluated by secret judges during the county fair. A winner will be selected by the committee based off of information collected from the application and in person interactions during the county fair. The award will be presented at the Douglas County 4-H Fair awards ceremony. The award includes a cash award and a plaque that will be displayed in the Dreher Family 4-H Building with each recipient’s name.

Nominations must be submitted by July 1. To nominate a 4-H'er go to: http://bit.ly/2021HayleighWempeAward

Questions? Contact Kaitlyn Peine at: kpeine@ksu.edu.
Four Leaf Clover 4-H Club Service Projects

Twelve Four Leaf Clover 4-H’ers and family members participated in the Kansas River clean up on April 24 in Lawrence sponsored by the Friends of the Kaw. For two hours members climbed the rock riverbanks and picked up trash and separated out recyclables. It was a morning of sunshine and hard work as volunteers filled five dumpsters of trash taken from the Kansas Riverbank. The trails and riverbanks are now much nicer for everyone’s enjoyment.

Sixty cards made by Four Leaf Clover 4-H’ers were delivered to Vermont Towers to wish the residents a happy spring. Members enjoyed making and decorating the cards with flowers, rainbows, birds, frogs, and other spring things. Residents were encouraged to “Have a good day”, “Stay safe and healthy”, and “Enjoy the sunshine” by their 4-H friends.

Please note: new distribution day, sites, and times:

**FREE Meal Kits**

**FRIDAYS:**

**JUNE 11 - AUGUST 6**

Meal kits are available free of charge to children ages 1-18. One kit contains seven breakfasts and seven lunches. To be able to pick up a meal kit, you must sign up at www.usd497.org/FoodService.

**How do I preorder my children’s meal kits?**

1. Order your children’s weekly meal kits at [https://forms.gle/DWVBiACQ1zJGNkw46](https://forms.gle/DWVBiACQ1zJGNkw46).
2. Place your order by noon on Tuesday of the week you want to start picking up meal kits. You only need to place your order once to receive weekly meal kits. Sign-up begins June 1.
3. List all of your children on one order form.
4. Choose to pick up your meal kits at: Woodlawn Elementary 8:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m.; Kennedy Elementary 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.; Free State High School 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.; or Sunflower Elementary 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
5. Pick up your weekly meal kits each Friday, beginning June 11 at the location/time you selected on the order form.
6. Use the same order form to make changes or cancel your weekly meal kit order.

Parents and children do not have to be present. You may designate anyone to pick up your meal kits. District buildings will be closed on Fridays. If you need assistance on Fridays, please email food service staff: fsofficestaff@usd497.org
IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE

Northeast Kansas District Horse Show Entry Deadline - June 10

Douglas Co. Fair Entries Deadline - June 30 by 11:59 p.m.

Poultry Project Meeting - June 27, 2:00 p.m., Douglas County Fairgrounds

Pet Project Meeting - June 6, 1:00 p.m., Dreher Bldg.

Llama Project Meeting - July 14, 7:00 p.m., Douglas County Fairgrounds

Pollorum Poultry Testing - July 17, 7:00 a.m., Open Pavilion

4-H Hand Pet and Cat Show - July 17, 9:00 a.m., Bldg. 21

4-H Dog Show - July 17, 1:00 p.m., Bldg. 21

4-H Fashion Revue Judging - July 19, 8:30 a.m., Bldg. 21

4-H Clothing Consultation Judging - July 19, 10:00 a.m., Dreher Bldg.

Photo Mounting - July 17, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Deal Six Auditorium

4-H Horse Show - July 28, 8:00 a.m., Community Bldg.

Douglas County Fair - July 26 - July 31, Douglas County Fairgrounds

State Fair Entries Deadline - July 31 by 12:00 p.m.

“To Make The Best Better”

The Douglas County 4-H newsletter is published monthly by K-State Research and Extension, Douglas County.

The newsletter is one way of communicating educational information and updates to members, leaders, parents, and community officials.

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