2019 Douglas County Fair Entries

Fair entry packets will be mailed by May 14th. If you have not received a packet by May 20, contact the Extension office as soon as possible.


Entries will only be accepted online. A computer is available at the Extension office for families without access to a computer. Contact the Extension office at 785-843-7058 to schedule an appointment to use the computer.

**Fair entries are due by 11:59 pm on Sunday June 30.** Keep in mind the office closes at 5:00 pm on Friday, June 28. Any families wanting assistance with fair entries should contact our office before 5:00 pm on Friday, June 28!

The 2019 Douglas County Fair Book is available electronically at [http://dgcountyfair.com/fair-info/](http://dgcountyfair.com/fair-info/). Hard copies of the fair book are available for $10.00. Families are asked to contact Margaret 24 hours in advance to request a book.

Questions concerning fair entries can be directed to Margaret Kalb at mkalb2@ksu.edu or 785-843-7058, ext. 115.

### 2019 Douglas County Fair Changes to Note

- The fair schedule is also available to view at [https://dgcountyfair.com/calendar/](https://dgcountyfair.com/calendar/) ***The fair awards ceremony will start at 3:30 pm. The livestock auction has also been moved to 5:30 pm.***

- Due to a nationwide shortage of the antigen needed to conduct pullorum-typhoid testing in poultry, the Kansas Department of Agriculture is waiving the requirement for testing. The pullorum-typhoid test will not be required for the 2019 county fair.

- Spacetech - Updates have been made for the 2019 county and state fair. Please refer to the 2019 Douglas County Fair Book for updates.

- Entomology - Updates have been made for the 2019 county and state fair. Please refer to the 2019 Douglas County Fair Book for updates.

- Wood chips for beef exhibitors will increase to $18.25 for large animals and $ 9.25 for bucket calves or any breeding calves born after January 1, 2019.
Looking for educational and fun summer programs for your child? Check out our 2019 summer listing of youth programs.

For class descriptions and to register visit: www.douglas.ksuedu Classes will be held in the Dreher Family 4-H Building located at 2110 Harper St. Lawrence, KS. Registration and payment for all summer programs are due to the Extension office by Thursday, May 30.

**Exploring Plant Science**
Tuesday, June 4, 8:30 a.m. to Noon. For ages 7-9. Class fee is $10.

**Creation Station**
Thursday, June 6, 8:30 a.m. to Noon. For ages 5-9. Class fee is $10.

**Animal Science Adventures**
Thursday, June 13, 8:30 a.m. to Noon. For ages 5-9. Class fee is $10.

**Creative Culinary Challenge**
For ages 10-18. Class fee is $30. **Participants should plan to attend all four sessions. Every Friday in June- 7, 14, 21 and 28. 8:30 a.m. to Noon.

**Horticulture Consumer Education**
Tuesday, July 9, 8:30 a.m. to Noon. For ages 7-9. Class fee is $10.

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2019 Campference

The Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council is excited to host 4-H Campference!!! This event is focused on "betweenagers," youth ages 12-14 (As of January 1, 2019), and will be June 23-26 at Rock Springs 4-H Center.

Participants will experience the feel of a conference, while enjoying the "camp" activities Rock Springs 4-H Center has to offer. Campference will feature workshops about opportunities in the 4-H program, becoming a leader, activities to energize youth while learning healthy living skills, and how to better interact with others. Participants will meet other youth from around the state.

Families can visit: http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html for details and registration.

Registration Deadline is May 15th!

4-H Academy . . . Explore Your Pathway

The 4-H Academy is fun, fast-paced and a great way to build strong, fit mental muscles in a subject that interests you. Explore, learn and ask the experts to satisfy your deeply-rooted curiosity to understand more about the topic. The best part is you choose and register for the pathway that will inspire you at 4-H Academy. Each pathway is created to challenge your critical thinking skills and open new approaches for learning. You'll be amazed and enthused to excel!

Nestled in a serene locale, 4-H Academy offers engaging and exciting activities and challenges that will guide you through adventures to the capstone finale where you and your explorer team share exhilarating discoveries. Pathway opportunities for 2019 are Horse, Photography, Leadership, STEM, and Environmental Science.

4-H Academy will be held June 23-26 at Rocks Springs 4-H Center. Youth ages 13 (as of January 1, 2019) and older are eligible to enroll starting at the end of March. Registration is $300 and may have additional fees dependent of the tract you select.

Families can visit: http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html for details and registration.

Registration deadline is May 15th!

2019 Kansas 4-H Geology Field Trip

The 2019 Kansas 4-H Geology State Field Trip will be held June 7-9, 2019, in two locations; Northern Smoky Hills and Southern Osage Cuestas. Please visit the State 4-H Geology Field Trip page at https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/geology-field-trip/ for field trip and lodging information for each site.

Registration deadline is May 24!
Kansas 4-H Insect Spectacular

This year's Kansas 4-H Insect Spectacular will be held Friday and Saturday June 21 & 22, 2019 at the Kansas Wetlands Education Center, northeast of Great Bend, KS on Hwy 156. The workshop is open to all youth and adult volunteers interested in 4-H entomology! Please note that one parent from each family must register and attend with children.

Learn about collecting, storing, identifying, and pinning your insects for exhibit. All levels of experience are encouraged to attend, from beginning to advanced. This is a fun event, designed to encourage curiosity and the sharing of knowledge. This year’s event will feature several sessions specifically on aquatic insects.

Please visit the State 4-H Insect Spectacular page at https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/insect-spectacular/index.html for trip, lodging and registration information.

Registration Deadline is June 1!

County-Wide Photography Meeting

The May county-wide photography meeting will be Saturday, May 11 from 9 - 11:00 a.m. at One Heart Farm & Nursery (formally known as Sunrise Gardens) located at 1501 Learnard Avenue, corner of 15th and Learnard, Lawrence.

This meeting will cover composition and will be a hands-on photo shoot with minimal formal instructions. Kids will work individually or in small groups with assistance from adult and junior leaders. If you are unable to attend you can go to any local garden centers to take beautiful photos.

Please RSVP to Nickie at nharding@ksu.edu by May 9th!

County-Wide Forestry Meeting

The forestry project is excited to inform you that there is a field trip opportunity coming up soon which is open to all 4-H’ers. We will be visiting the Prairie Elf Christmas Tree farm, a long time supporter of the project, on Saturday, May 11 from 2:00 - 4:00pm.

While we are there we will be given a tour of the farm, a hay ride, hands-on experience of how they handle diseased trees, a look at some previous forestry project exhibits, and time to make pinecone bird feeders. Refreshments will be provided!

If you are interested, please RSVP to Aaron Mullen at mullenfam96@gmail.com

County-Wide Pet Project Meeting

There will be a county-wide pet project meeting on Sunday, May 19 at 1:30 p.m. in the Dreher Family 4-H Building. This meeting will focus on fair entries, rules, and classes followed by hands-on learning with your pet. Jr. Leaders will provide information and assistance regarding how to show and prepare your pet for the fair.

Please rsvp to Becky Bentley at skaggs.bentley@gmail.com by May 16th!
2019 YQCA For Livestock Exhibitors

The national, multi-species youth livestock quality assurance program, Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA), launched its second year of the program. Therefore, a new set of educational modules are now available for youth to complete. Youth may complete the online training for $12/child. A young person’s YQCA certification is valid for one year. The Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and KJLS will require all exhibitors to complete YQCA to be eligible to exhibit in the 2019 shows.

Go to https://yqca.learngrow.io to sign in through your 4-H Online account and complete the online training. You may go to http://www.douglas.k-state.edu/4-h/ for a guide to complete the online training.

Final Weigh-In and Tagging for Sheep, Swine and Goats

May 20 - 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.
Douglas County Fairgrounds Open Pavilion

The Details
All market lambs, hogs, and goats intended to be shown at the county fair must be tagged by May 20. Each 4-H member can tag up to 5 market animals per specie for the Douglas County Fair. All livestock will be tagged with 4-H EID tags. The tags are $4 each.

Make an Appointment
Appointments are required for May 20. Schedule an appointment by calling the Extension office at 785-843-7058.

Tagging Policy for State 4-H Livestock Shows

The following policy is regarding tagging livestock after the spring weigh-in and tagging dates. Please note the same policy applies to county fair livestock that lose their tag prior to county fair.

Livestock tagged after May 20 will not be eligible to be shown as a market animal at the 2019 Douglas County Fair. Exhibitors purchasing livestock for state shows after the spring tagging date will be required to bring the animal(s) to the Douglas County Extension Office. Exhibitors also have the option to have the tags delivered to their farm by an Extension agent for a $40 fee. Make checks payable to the Douglas County Extension Council. Either the exhibitor or parent will be responsible for tagging the animal(s) under the supervision of an Extension agent. An appointment is required. For appointments, contact Kaitlyn Peine at 785-843-7058. Our office is open Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.

2019 County Fair Livestock Health Requirements

The Kansas Department of Agriculture (KDA) has released the 2019 County Fair Livestock Health Requirements. These requirements are mandated by the KDA. All 4-H’ers exhibiting livestock at the 2019 County Fair should review the requirements prior to the fair. The document is posted at http://www.douglas.k-state.edu/4-h/forms.html under the livestock heading. Questions regarding the requirements can be directed to Kaitlyn Peine at kpeine@ksu.edu.

County - Wide 4-H Poultry Meeting

There will be a county-wide 4-H poultry meeting on Saturday, June 15 at 10:00 a.m. in the Dreher Family 4-H Building located on the Douglas County Fairgrounds. This hands-on clinic will focus on poultry judging and poultry skill-a-thon, a new contest for the 2019 Douglas County Fair.
**Bromelsick and Dreher Memorial Services**

Each year, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and 4-H join together to remember Alfred Bromelsick. Mr. Bromelsick graciously designated Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and 4-H to be the beneficiaries of his estate. Bromelsick funds are used throughout the year to help defray the cost of 4-H Camp, leadership conferences, volunteer training and much more. **The Bromelsick Memorial service is scheduled for 10 am on Saturday, May 25 at the Oak Hill Cemetery. All 4-H’ers are welcome and encouraged to attend!**

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**2019 Douglas County Fair Reading Contest**

The annual walk-in reading contest will be on Wednesday, July 31, 2019 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 two different books. Members ages 12 and younger will answer questions about the book, *Escape From Mr. Lemoncello’s Library* by Chris Grabenstein. Members ages 13 and older will answer questions about the book, *Ice Dogs* by Terry Lynn Johnson. Free copies of these books, which are provided by the Douglas County 4-H Council, are available at the Extension office. Stop by, pick up a copy, and join us at the contest during the Douglas County Fair.

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**KAP Tip of the Month**

The 4-H Leadership and Citizenship Experiences is Section 3 in the Intermediate KAP and Section 4 in the Senior KAP. This section should only include leadership and citizenship activities, meetings, committees, and offices that relate to the specific project. The documentation you kept for Section 2 will help you with this section also. Identify all the activities that involved leadership and/or citizenship and flag them for this section. Remember, leadership is **teaching** another person or group skills or information and includes **organizing** or **coordinating** an activity, event, or meeting; selecting and preparing materials and selecting presenters. Citizenship is **helping** in your community and **serving** others without compensation. Some activities may fit into both categories.

When listing the items in the section use strong verbs to explain exactly what your role was in the event/activity. Did you **demonstrate**? Did you **organize**? Did you **prepare**? Did you **assist**? If you collected and donated food items for a food pantry, that’s citizenship. If you organized the food drive for the food pantry, that’s leadership. Each item listed should be identified with the level of participation, the number of hours, and the audience (number of people reached). Even though this section is project specific and only for one year, both leadership and citizenship activities should be included.

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**County-Wide 4-H Project Clubs Hard at Work**

The 4-H dog project club is GROWING!! Classes have been busy and full of fun. 4-H’ers and their dogs have been working hard and growing by leaps and bounds. John and Lauren Berg have noticed confidence growing in each member as they have observed 4-H’ers helping each other and working as a team. If you would like to see what all the fun is about, feel free to join them on Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Open Pavilion located on the Douglas County Fairgrounds.

Keep up to date on classes and information on their Facebook page, “Douglas County 4-H Dog Project.”
The county-wide photography project met on March 24th. 4-H’ers gained better knowledge of what light does, where it comes from and the different types of light that can be used to change how photos look.

Addison Leslie and Hayden Slough conducted a memory game, reviewing parts of the camera. Morgan Leslie conducted a mini photography judging contest. Alivia and Ashton Rapp led a station asking true/false questions, testing photography knowledge.

4-H’ers used florescent markers to draw designs then viewed them with a black light. Everyone had a good time and learned a lot about light!

The county-wide pet project met on Sunday, March 10 at Wakarusa Veterinary Hospital. Dr. Norma Gottstein, DVM spoke on animal health and basic care for hand-pets. Dr. Gottstein specializes in rabbits, guinea pigs, chinchillas and small rodents. Youth toured the vet clinic learning about each station in the clinic, viewed x-rays and watched as Dr. Gottstein examined a guinea pig. She did a great job explaining what she looks for as she conducts an exam on animals in her practice.

The county-wide poultry project met on April 14. 4-H’ers tested their poultry knowledge by participating in poultry jeopardy then gained a better understanding of poultry nutrition, by listening to Dr. Scot Beyer, Associate Professor of Poultry Nutrition at Kansas State University. Dr. Beyers mixed together two feed rations to demonstrate the different nutritional needs of laying hens and broilers, which are used for meat production. 4-H’ers ended their session for the day by learning how eggs are graded and how candling is used to determine egg quality and grade.
IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE

County Photography Meeting - May 11, 9:00 am, One Heart Farm & Nursery
County Forestry Meeting - May 11, 2:00 pm, Prairie Elf Christmas Tree Farm
County Pet Meeting - May 19, 1:30 pm, Dreher Family 4-H Building
Weigh-in & Tagging for - May 20, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m., Dg. Co. Fairgrounds
Bromelsick/Dreher Memorials - May 25, 10:00 a.m., Oak Hill Cemetery
Exploring Plant Science Day Camp - June 4, 8:30 am, Extension office
Creation Station Day Camp - June 6, 8:30 am, Dreher Family 4-H Bldg.
Creative Culinary Challenge - June 7, 14, 21, & 28, 8:30 am, Dreher 4-H Bldg.
Geology Field Trip - June 7-9, Northern Smokey Hills/Southern Osage
County Reading Meeting - June 9, 1:00 pm, Dreher Family 4-H Bldg.
County Photography Meeting - June 9, 2:00 pm, Dreher Family 4-H Bldg.
Animal Science Adventures Day Camp - June 13, 8:30 am, Dreher 4-H Bldg.
County Poultry Meeting - June 15, 10:00 a.m., Dreher Family 4-H Building
Fantastic 4-H Camp - June 17 - 20, Rock Springs Ranch
4-H Insect Spectacular - June 21 - 22, KS Wetlands Education Center
Campference - June 23 - 26, Rock Springs Ranch
2019 Douglas County Fair Entry Deadline - June 30, Online Only
Horticulture Consumer Education Day Camp- July 9, 8:30, Extension office

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