

# Wabaunsee County 4-H News



K-State Research and Extension

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## Extension Office Update

As we spring into more 4-H activities and deadlines, please read through the newsletter carefully! Some exciting project learning experiences are happening this Spring and Summer that you don't want to miss! Download the Wabaunsee County 4-H App to stay up-to-date!

Congratulations to Corbin Russell and Leah Schrader for a job well done at the Wabaunsee County Youth Entrepreneurship Challenge. We are proud of both of you and the businesses you've developed! Corbin will be representing Wabaunsee County at the State Entrepreneurship Challenge in April at KSU.

Please always remember that we are only a phone call or email away and are happy to help or answer any questions!

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## Fundraising Opportunity!

We are excited for the opportunity to host Kansas 4-H Shooting Sports State Match, **April 15, 2023!** 4-H Council has voted to host the concession stands with the opportunity for clubs to profit! 100% of the profits will be divided out to the clubs, based on the volunteer percentage that works.

Shift check in will be at the Wabaunsee High School Commons Area, 15 minutes before your shift begins. **Please sign up for your available times through [SignUp Genius](#) by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 10.** Contact Stephanie if you have questions!

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## March

- 1 **2023 State 4-H Scholarships Deadline**
- 1 **Shooting Sports Training Registration Early Deadline**
- 4 **YQCA Training, 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.; E-Building Conference Room**
- 5 Fair Board Clean Up, 4:00 p.m.
- 11 Junior Swine Producer Day; KSU
- 17 **Month of Service Grant Application Deadline**
- 18 Junior Meat Goat Producer Day; KSU
- 26 Beef Weigh-In & Tagging; 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.; Jones Family Angus
- 26 Rabbit Project Meeting; Marlow-Lietz Building; 2:00 p.m.
- 27 Geology Project Meeting; Marlow-Lietz Building; 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
- 31 **Wab. Co. on Campus Registration Deadline**

## April

- 10 Wab. Co. on Campus, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
- 15 State Shooting Sports Match, KanEquip Arena & Wabaunsee High School
- 16 Rabbit Project Meeting; Marlow-Lietz Building; 2:00 p.m.
- 16-22 National Volunteer Week
- 17 Volunteer Recognition, Commissioner Meeting
- 17 **Beef Tagging Deadline, 5:00 p.m.**
- 20 **Market Beef Envelope Order Deadline**
- 22 Spring into Volunteering, KSU Salina
- 22 Swine Clinic, MCM Swine Barn, TBA
- 23 RSR Open House, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

## Wab. Co. on Campus

Join us for a day of hands-on activities and project learning experiences on campus. We've organized a day for youth to tour a variety of facilities ranging from dairy to bakery science to the innovation lab. Due to tour space, we are able to take up to 16 youth members! The \$50 fee will cover treats, lunch and fun for the day! Youth are to be dropped at the Extension Office at 8:30 a.m. and will return by 4:30 p.m. **Please register [here](#) by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 31.**

## 2022-23 Enrollment

**May 1 is the deadline to add/drop any projects for the current 4-H year.** Any projects you are NOT enrolled in must be showcased in the Open Class Division at the County Fair. Over the next several weeks, individualized emails will be sent to each family from Stephanie. If you have additions to make or questions, please contact Stephanie ([snmaike@ksu.edu](mailto:snmaike@ksu.edu)) ASAP.

Starting this year, Wabaunsee County 4-H Council will pay the coupon for **all youth members NEW to Wabaunsee County 4-H OR completed a record book!** For eligible youth, please select one of the following payment types when prompted.

### **Select Payment Type**

- **Check** – *Do not mail a check if you are eligible for a coupon. If you are unsure, please contact the Extension Office.*
- **Add New Card** – *Your card will not be charged once the coupon code is applied. If you are not eligible for the coupon, your card will be charged upon approval.*

**Stephanie will apply the coupon at approval.**

Payment for this invoice will be collected by 4-H institution.	
<input type="button" value="Pay by Check"/>	

  

Add New Card		
Cardholder Name	<input type="text"/>	
Card Number	<input type="text"/>	
Expiration Month	Year	Validation (CVV)
01 - January	2020	<input type="text"/>
<input type="button" value="Add Credit Card"/>		

  

Invoice	
Kansas 4-H Youth Development - Youth Member Program Fee	\$15.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$18.00</b>
<input type="button" value="Request a Fee Waiver"/>	<input type="button" value="Request"/>
Coupon	<input type="text"/>
<input type="button" value="Apply"/>	

**DO NOT SELECT Request a Fee Waiver!** The fee waivers are paid by donations to the Kansas 4-H Foundation and can only be fixed at the state level. Please contact Stephanie ([snmaike@ksu.edu](mailto:snmaike@ksu.edu)) if you have questions!

**It has been brought to our attention that families with youth receiving a coupon are not receiving an approval notification. If you are concerned whether or not your child(ren)'s enrollment has been received, please email Stephanie ([snmaike@ksu.edu](mailto:snmaike@ksu.edu)).**

## \*NEW\* Horse Updates 2022-23

As participation numbers are declining in the Kansas 4-H Horse project, participation in Kansas 4-H District Horse shows are also declining. Due to the decrease in numbers, beginning in the 2023 4-H Program Year, Kansas 4-H project members who are currently enrolled in the horse project will be eligible to compete at the Kansas State Fair 4-H Show if all the requirements detailed in the attached letter are complete. District Horse Shows will **NO LONGER** be a part of the project. Other changes within the project are that Horse ID Certificates will be due to the Extension Office by **JUNE 1** of the current 4-H program year as opposed to May 1. Beginning in 2023, the Kansas 4-H Horse Achievement Levels will no longer be a requirement to participate at the State Fair.

If you have any questions regarding this change, please contact Shannon or Stephanie.

## Are you interested in Geology!?

We are excited to share that Bengie and Theresa Foster have graciously volunteered to offer a county-wide Geology project opportunity! The last Monday of every month, plan to join Bengie for an educational, project meeting at the fairgrounds. When weather permits, join Theresa on a fun, outdoor, educational excursion to build your collection! Parents are asked to stay with their youth attending.

### **Next Geology meeting:**

Monday, March 27, 2023; 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.;  
Marlow-Lietz Building

## Attention Rabbit Project Members!

A multi-county Rabbit group has formed and will be hosting monthly project meetings. Youth will enhance their Rabbit project skills while participating in leadership and citizenship opportunities. Please join Cherie at **2:00 p.m. on Sundays, March 26, and April 16** in the Marlow-Lietz Building. If you cannot attend this meeting but are interested in more information, please call Cherie Trieb (785) 844-0781.

## 2023 Livestock Tagging Information

All animals that may be shown at either County or State 4-H events must be tagged. **Tagging is by family, animals do NOT have to be designated to each member until FairEntry submission, June 2<sup>nd</sup> – July 7<sup>th</sup>!**

**BEEF** – Including Bucket Calves, Commercial Heifers and Market Heifers/Steers

**Weigh-In & Tagging: March 26, 2023**

1–3 p.m. @ Jones Family Angus

**Tagging Deadline: April 17, 2023, 5:00 p.m.**

**GOAT, SHEEP, SWINE** (All species together) – Includes Commercial and Market animals

**Weigh-In & Tagging: May 6, 2023**

8–10 a.m. @ Wab Co Fairgrounds

**Tagging Deadline: May 26, 2023, 5:00 p.m.**

**NEW FOR 2023** – If you are unable to attend the designated weigh-in & tagging, please contact the office to schedule a time for Shannon or Stephanie to come tag your animals. **No picture submission will be accepted this year.** Any animals not tagged by the specie specific deadline will not be eligible to show in the 4-H Division at the Wabaunsee County Fair. Please check the nomination deadlines to have your State Nominated animals tagged.

## 2023 State Livestock Nomination

Again for 2023, official DNA envelopes must be ordered in advance! Stay up-to-date with the State Nomination details [here](#).

**MARKET BEEF** –

**Envelope Order Deadline: April 20, 2023**

**Nomination Deadline: May 1, 2023**

**SMALL LIVESTOCK** –

**Envelope Order Deadline: June 5, 2023**

**Nomination Deadline: June 15, 2023**

Don't wait to get your envelopes ordered or animals tagged. Please contact the office early to schedule the EID tagging of your **STATE ONLY** animals. Nominations must be postmarked by their deadline.

## Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) Training

Shannon will be hosting two YQCA trainings. Any youth that plan to show at a State or National show must be YQCA certified. All members are strongly encouraged to attend a training and become certified.

To register, please go to <https://yqcaprogram.org>. A \$3.00 fee will be due at registration. If you were certified last year, please login to your account. New families/members will need to register a new account. This is NOT through 4HOnline anymore. If you have questions, please contact Shannon ([spspencer@ksu.edu](mailto:spspencer@ksu.edu)).

**Saturday, March 4, 3 – 4 p.m.**

**E-Building Conference Room**

## Month of Service Grant Opportunity!!

Community Service is one of the many ways we can give back to the communities in which we call home. Wabaunsee County is excited to announce a two-part opportunity for April 2023. Service projects that occur during the month of April are eligible to apply for a grant to offset tangible expenses. This program will match 80% of a service project's cost, up to \$250.00. Applications will close Friday, **March 17, 2023**, at 11:59 P.M.

Secondly, the County will recognize select volunteers at the County Commission meeting on Monday, April 17, 2023. Please nominate a volunteer that has impacted your life in and out of 4-H!

For more info visit: <https://bit.ly/WabCoCares23>

## 2023 Discovery Days

Teens interested in learning new ideas, techniques and skills to enhance their personal growth are encouraged to attend Kansas 4-H Discovery Days! Youth will develop college and career readiness skills to prepare them for a successful transition to life after high school. **Mark June 7<sup>th</sup> through 9<sup>th</sup>** in your calendars for a three-day experience on KSU Manhattan campus! Registration is coming soon!

## 2023 Scholarship Opportunities

Attention High School Seniors – Now is the time to be looking for scholarships and applying for financial aid. Haven't decided where you're going yet? No problem! You should apply for all the financial assistance opportunities available.

**\*NEW 2023\*** Wabaunsee County Fair Association is excited to announce the Clover Brand Scholarship! Graduating seniors that have completed 10+ years in 4-H, exhibiting the current year, are eligible to apply!

The **Kansas 4-H Scholarship** and **Vanier Scholarship** applications are now open on the [Kansas 4-H Scholarship Opportunities webpage!](#) **All applications and requested materials are due by March 1, 2023!**

Students involved with the Angus breed are encouraged to check out scholarship opportunities from the [American Angus Association and partners!](#) **Application must be submitted through the AAA login by May 1, 2023!**

Each year the [Hereford Youth Foundation of America](#) awards scholarships to deserving National Junior Hereford Association members. **Spring applications are due April 1, 2023**, to be awarded at the Junior National Hereford Expo.

Don't forget to ask your school counselors about the other local scholarship opportunities!

## 4-H at Your Fingertips!

The Glide App has come back to be an **ALL-INCLUSIVE RESOURCE AT YOUR FINGERTIPS!** Use the link provided in the email to download the Wabaunsee County 4-H App. When prompted select yes, to add to your screen. If no is selected a thumbnail will not be created for quick access. Resources and events will be kept up to date on the app.

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## Wabaunsee County Fair

Start working within your fair club committees to design your "4-H is Out of this World" fair competitions!

**2023 Wabaunsee County Fair: July 21-25, 2023**

## Fair Board Announcements

In conjunction with the Fair Board work day, clubs and members are asked to come at **4:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 5** to help clean out the barns for Spring activities.

**April 22**, youth are invited to learn more about the swine project at the 2023 Swine Clinic. Topics will include feeding and nutrition, grooming and more! This is a great opportunity for youth to practice showmanship with their animals before the Wabaunsee County Spring Show the following weekend. More details to come soon!



The poster features a silhouette of a cow, pig, and sheep against a background of a waving American flag. A red starburst graphic in the top right corner contains the text "\$14,000+ in cash and prizes awarded in 2022". The main text reads "Wabaunsee County Spring Livestock Show" and "Sponsored by the Wabaunsee County Fair Association". The dates "April 29-30, 2023" and location "Alma, KS" are prominently displayed. The schedule is split into two columns: "Beef & Swine" for Saturday, April 29, and "Goats & Sheep" for Sunday, April 30. Each column lists activities such as "Breeding Heifers", "Beef Showmanship", "Market Beef", "Swine Showmanship", "Breeding Gilts", and "Market Swine" for Saturday, and "Goat Showmanship", "Breeding Does", "Market Goats", "Sheep Showmanship", "Breeding Ewes", and "Market Lambs" for Sunday. Judges are listed as Tyler Bush, Britton, SD for Saturday and Skyler Scotten, Lubbock, TX for Sunday. A blue box at the bottom titled "Additional Information" lists details like the show location (KaniEquip Arena), entry fees, concessions, and prize structures.

Beef & Swine	Goats & Sheep
Saturday, April 29	Sunday, April 30
9 AM - Breeding Heifers	9 AM - Goat Showmanship
Beef Showmanship	Breeding Does
Market Beef	Market Goats
2 PM - Swine Showmanship	12 PM - Sheep Showmanship
Breeding Gilts	Breeding Ewes
Market Swine	Market Lambs

Judge: Tyler Bush, Britton, SD      Judge: Skyler Scotten, Lubbock, TX

**Additional Information**

- Show held in KaniEquip Arena - new enclosed arena with turf floor
- Conveniently located 4 miles off I-70 between Manhattan and Topeka
- Concessions available on-site
- Encouraged to show off trailers
- Species-specific rules posted onsite and Facebook page
- Register onsite at least 60 min. before each show or at showman.app
- Entry fee: \$25 beef and \$20 swine, goats, sheep. Double entry allowed.
- Showmanship prizes: Banners to Top 5 in each age division per species
- Top 5 Overall: Banners + cash jackpot (40, 30, 15, 10, 5% of pool)
- Class placing: Cash payback based on class size - 100% entry payback

## Fairground Usage for 4-H Events

The fairgrounds are being used by many different organizations and individuals. Just a reminder, 4-H events are scheduled through the Extension Office, so they can be added to the calendar. We want to make sure the buildings will be available to whomever needs them for club meetings, project learning experiences, etc.



## Record Books

The Project Report Forms are age specific. **All static** will use the **General Project Report Form** and **all heartbeat** projects will use the **Animal Project Report Form**. These new forms have made record keeping for your 4-H projects more concise. ZBooks is available for all youth interested in using the 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 in to the online Permanent Record.** Start with this year and attach it to your previous document.

**Youth may choose to continue to use the fillable PDF Project Report Forms!**

### Forms for Everyone to Complete

[Project Recognition Check Sheet](#) (fillable PDF)

[Personal Information Page](#) (fillable PDF)

[Permanent Record](#) (fillable Word)

[Project Report Form Evaluation Rubric](#) (PDF)

### Junior Forms

[General Project Report Form](#) (fillable PDF)

[Animal Project Report Form](#) (fillable PDF)

### Intermediate Forms

[General Project Report Form](#) (fillable PDF)

[Animal Project Report Form](#) (fillable PDF)

### Senior Forms

[General Project Report Form](#) (fillable PDF)

[Animal Project Report Form](#) (fillable PDF)

## New 4-H Family Notebooks

If your family is new to 4-H or if you know of a new family who would like to become involved in 4-H, please contact the Extension Office. We have resource notebooks that will help walk each new family through our 4-H year!

## Project Report Form Categories

The list below is the state recognized Project Report Form categories and the **ONLY** project areas Wab Co 4-H will accept starting the 2022-23 4-H year!

<b>Beef</b> (Market, Breeding, Bucket Calf)	<b>Leadership</b>
<b>Civic Engagement</b>	<b>Performing Arts</b>
<b>Clothing &amp; Textiles</b>	<b>Pets</b>
<b>Communications</b>	<b>Photography</b>
<b>Dog Care &amp; Training</b>	<b>Plant Science</b> (Field Crops, Forestry, Horticulture)
<b>Entomology</b>	<b>Reading</b>
<b>Environmental Science</b>	<b>Self-Determined</b>
<b>Family Studies</b>	<b>Sheep</b>
<b>Fiber Arts</b>	<b>Shooting Sports</b>
<b>Foods &amp; Nutrition</b>	<b>STEM</b> (Aerospace, Robotics, Astronomy, UAS, Architectural Block Construction)
<b>Geology</b>	<b>STEM: Energy Management</b> (Electricity, Ag Mechanics, Small Engines, Renewable Energy)
<b>Goat</b> (Market, Breeding)	<b>Swine</b>
<b>Health &amp; Wellness</b>	<b>Visual Arts</b>
<b>Home Environment</b>	<b>Wildlife</b>
<b>Horse</b>	<b>Wood Science</b>

## 2023 Rock Springs Camp

Registration for 2023 Camp sessions is OPEN now through May 1! They are excited to announce pricing will remain the same as 2022 and camperships will be available! Youth interested in the CIT or LIT programs should contact the Extension Office for the application details. RSR Staff shared with KSRE 4-H professionals the unique opportunities available for youth through the CIT and LIT programs. If you are looking for additional volunteer hours, what better place than Rock Springs Ranch!?

**2023 Open House is April 23 from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.** Family Camp options this year are May 19-21, 2023 and September 1-3, 2023. Contact RSR directly with questions or to register for any of the camp sessions!

Like Rock Springs Ranch on Facebook and stay tuned for future announcements!