

# Wabaunsee County 4-H News



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## Extension Office Update

As Thanksgiving approaches, please remember your experiences and who provides those for you throughout the year. We encourage you to write a thank you to the volunteers who have helped you. Be grateful, not just for this day but for every day!

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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## Achievement Night 2022

Achievement Night is to recognize our youth and volunteers for their hard work and dedication throughout the 4-H year, please wear business casual attire (i.e. jeans & nice shirt). **Achievement Night will be hosted by the Maple Hill Hustlers 4-H Club November 13, at 6:00 p.m. in the KanEquip Arena, Alma.**

## 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!

## November

- 11 **Extension Office Closed, Veteran's Day**
- 12 Cattleman's Ball, Kids Corral
- 13 Officer Training & Volunteer Workshop, KanEquip Arena, 3:30 p.m.
- 13 Achievement Night, KanEquip Arena, 6:00 p.m.
- 18 **YEC Registration Deadline**
- 19-20 KYLF, Rock Springs Ranch
- 23 CWF Pie Delivery
- 24-25 **Extension Office Closed, Thanksgiving**
- 27 Rabbit Project Meeting, Marlow-Lietz Building, 3:00 p.m.
- 28 Geology Project Meeting, Marlow-Lietz Building, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

## December

- 3 Fair Board Fundraiser Night, Kids Corral
- 7 YEC Public Tradeshow, 11:00 – 1:00, TBD
- 23 **Extension Office Closed, Christmas**
- 26 **Extension Office Closed, Christmas**
- 31 **Rock Springs Ranch 4-H Camp Early Bird Registration Deadline**

## Officer Training & Volunteer Workshop

**Officer Training & Volunteer Workshop will be held November 13, at 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.**

**Achievement Night** to follow at **6:00 p.m.** Are you an officer of your club or interested in being one in the future? Join us for a hands-on afternoon, exploring the leadership opportunities Wabaunsee County 4-H has to offer!

Attention leaders and parents interested in volunteering for the 2022-23 4-H year! A new, fun, interactive workshop geared to equipping you for success! Come join us for an afternoon of teambuilding and adult-youth partnerships!

## 2022-23 Enrollment

As you think about the projects you wish to enroll in, be setting some SMART goals for the new year. Yay! Step one done for your 2022-23 record books! Enroll before January 3, 2023 to continue receiving local 4HOnline communications.

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. [Pay by Check](#)

**Add New Card**

Cardholder Name

Card Number

Expiration Month: 01 - January Year: 2020 Validation (CVV)

[Add Credit Card](#)

**Invoice**

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|---|----------------|
| Kansas 4-H Youth Development - Youth Member Program Fee | \$15.00        |
| <b>Total:</b>   | <b>\$15.00</b> |

[Request a Fee Waiver.](#) [Request](#)

Coupon  [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!

## 2022-23 Shooting Sports BB Gun Class

The coaches are working hard to find a time to offer classes for the new year. If you are interested in participating in any shooting sports discipline, please contact James Eberwein (785) 765-3669 or Brenda Schlieff (785) 844-3086 to be added to the list. Once dates are set, you will be contacted.

**Youth must be 8 years old before January 1 and have successfully completed the class to compete!**

## 2022-23 Volunteers Update

Each year, volunteers help make the Wabaunsee County 4-H program a success. Oftentimes, we are asked who needs to be screened and what makes them a volunteer. An ‘easy’ rule of thumb, if you are transporting youth and/or working with them one on one, such as committee work; you should be a screened volunteer. Stephanie is happy to assist any volunteers in getting their profiles updated. To ensure adequate assistance, please call ahead to schedule a time!

### **Are you interested in being a 4-H Volunteer?**

Contact the Extension Office to find out how!

### **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, November 28, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Marlow-Lietz Building

### **Attention Rabbit Project Members!**

A multi-county Rabbit group is forming that will provide informative rabbit meetings to teach rabbit basics and Youth Contests skills. Youth will enhance their Rabbit project skills while participating in leadership and citizenship opportunities. Please join Cherie at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 27 in the Marlow-Lietz Building. If you cannot attend this meeting but are interested in more information, please call/text Cherie Trieb (785) 844-0781.

## 2023 Camping Opportunities!

**Spring Break Out!** with Riley and Wabaunsee County youth grades 2nd – 5th! Youth 16 and older will have the opportunity to apply to be counselors and have an evening of teambuilding and leadership the night before campers come! March 17-18, 2023 an overnight camp will be at Tallgrass Christian Camp north of Harveyville. A true gem here in our very own county! More details and registration information coming soon!

**4-H Camp at Rock Springs Ranch** – Registration for 2023 Camp sessions opens **November 15!** 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. **Early Bird pricing (10% off) will close December 31.** Like Rock Springs Ranch on Facebook and stay tuned for future announcements!

## You're Invited – Casino Night!

The Wabaunsee County Fair Association invites you to attend the upcoming fundraiser for the fairground renovation “Casino Night” on December 3. We are looking forward to a fun evening of entertainment, casino games, rodeo on the jumbotron, food trucks, chair massages, and live music! Mark your calendars and help us finish the fairground project in 2023!

~Wabaunsee County Fair Association

The 2025 CWF Delegates will have Kids Corral available for attendees to have child care from 7:00 – 10:00 p.m. Dinner and fun activities will be provided! Please RSVP by **December 1** to ensure sufficient kid/adult ratios and enough food & supplies!

**Kids Corral RSVP:** <https://bit.ly/CasinoKids22>

## CWF Pie Fundraiser

Citizenship Washington Focus 2025 Delegates are selling Golden Boy Pies just in time for Thanksgiving! Orders are due **November 13**, delivery on **November 23**. Contact a CWF Delegate or the Extension Office to order your pie today!

## Youth Entrepreneurship Challenge (YEC)

Attention youth, grades 7-12, interested in presenting a business idea and competing for cash prizes! Youth will identify problems or opportunities, create solutions, and persuade others. Community members are encouraged to attend the public tradeshow, December 7 from 11:00 – 1:00, location coming soon.

**Register today on Venture Dash:**

<https://goventuredash.com/competitions/313>

## Santa's Express

Santa's Express is a great way to give back to our communities! Adopting a family allows you to buy items the family has listed as needs or wants. You do NOT have to purchase all the items listed. Adopters must wrap and label their gifts and deliver to the family by **December 20** unless otherwise arranged with the family. If you or your club would like to adopt a family, please contact Shanee Askren (785-458-9805 or [santasexpresswb@gmail.com](mailto:santasexpresswb@gmail.com)).

Area schools and banks are collecting items to be distributed to the seniors in our communities. If you would like to donate any of the below items, please drop them by your local bank or area school by **December 12.**

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| TOILET PAPER | TOOTHPASTE        |
| BODY WASH    | KLEENEX           |
| BAR SOAP     | PAPER TOWELS      |
| HAND SOAP    | NON-PERISHABLES   |
| SHAMPOO      | STATIONARY        |
| CONDITIONER  | PUZZLE BOOKS      |
| DEODORANT    | SOCKS             |
| LOTION       | GLOVES            |
| CHAPSTICK    | DISHTOWELS        |
| COMBS        | TOWELS/WASHCLOTHS |
| TOOTHBRUSH   | BLANKETS          |

If you know a family or senior in Wabaunsee County that is need this holiday season, please contact Shanee by **November 15.**

## 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)

## Wabaunsee County Fair

We have received several requests for the 2022 Fair photos. Please find all the photos we have from this past fair [here](#). If you have additional photos to share, please contact the Extension Office.

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

## 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!

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| <b>Beef</b><br>(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><br>(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><br>(Aerospace, Robotics, Astronomy, UAS, Architectural Block Construction)         |
| <b>Geology</b>                                 | <b>STEM: Energy Management</b><br>(Electricity, Ag Mechanics, Small Engines, Renewable Energy) |
| <b>Goat</b><br>(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>  |

### \*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.

Please see the attached letter from Kansas 4-H describing the changes and new requirements for the Kansas 4-H Horse project for the 2023 4-H year. If you have any questions regarding this change, please contact Shannon or Stephanie.