Local Scholarships Available

State and local scholarships are now available at www.riley.ksu.edu —> 4-H Youth Development —> Forms and Resources —> Scholarships

All local scholarships need to be turned in to the Riley County Extension office by 5 pm on Friday, January 31. If you have questions about filling out the applications, please do not hesitate to call John or Brandy at the Riley County Extension Office for assistance 785-537-6350.

State Scholarship Opportunities

The Kansas 4-H Scholarship for the 2019-2020 academic year have posted at http://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-library/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html. Youth who should be applying for this scholarship should be in their Senior year in High School OR OLDER (we have many scholarships that are available to youth who are Freshman-Senior in Post-Secondary Education and some that are available to Vet Med Students). All state scholarships need to be mailed or hand delivered to the State 4-H office by 5 pm on Friday, January 31, 201 Umberger Hall, 1612 Claflin Road, Kansas State University Manhattan, KS 66506

Camp! Camp! Camp!

I’m extremely excited to announce our camp dates for 2020. ‘Purple Power Pack’ will camp from Wednesday, June 10 – Saturday, June 13, with counselor training Tuesday, June 9. Summer camp at Rock Springs offers youth 2nd through 7th grade (coming out of) a unique camping experience filled with endless fun and engaging activities. 4-Hers are encouraged to bring their friends and help spread the word about the 4-H Camp 2020. Further details, including camping fees will be provided to campers and parents when registration officially opens in March.

How to Reach Us:

| Riley County Extension | John: jajobe@ksu.edu |
| 110 Courthouse Plaza, RM B220 | Brandy: bmberg@ksu.edu |
| Manhattan, KS 66502 | 4-H Info: 4hinfo@rileycountyks.gov |
| 785-537-6350 | Office Hours: Monday-Friday; 8-5 pm |
4-H Council Dates for 2019-2020

Monday, January 6, 7:00 pm Pottorf Hall, Leaders meeting at 6:00 pm

Each club is allowed to have 5 voting representatives: 3 youth and 2 adults.


4-H Showcase Event 2020

We are happy to announce that we will be hosting the annual Riley County Showcase event on Saturday, February 22 at Riley County High School. It will include what was formerly Gavel Games and Club Day. Events will begin at 8:30 am and we should be done by 3:00 pm.

As part of the event we will have a STEM activity space, photography, horticulture, and poultry judging. All are a great learning experience! Volunteers will be on hand to answer questions and help you improve your judging skills. Participating in judging can count toward your Achievement pin.

Breakfast and lunch items will be served throughout the day. Registration will open to 4-Hers in January so check back in with us. Start the planning process now for the February event. See you there!

Citizenship in Action

What: Would you like to have more influence on laws and rules that affect your life? Then you’ll want to go to Kansas 4-H Citizenship in Action! This two day event is sponsored by the State 4-H Youth Leadership Council. The purpose of the event is for Kansas youth to learn how the state legislative process works and how their voice and participation in decision-making can make a difference in their local communities. The legislative visit will not only familiarize youth with the capitol building, but will also show them how they can affect the legislative process.

When: February 16-17, 2020

Where: Topeka, KS

Who: Youth 13-18 years old by January 1 of the current year

Registration: https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/citizenship-in-action/index.html

Registration is open now and closes January 15!

2020 Northeast 4-H Leadership Event

Kansas 4-H is Jammin' Out with Leadership! 4-H members 12 to 18 are invited to the NE Region 4-H Leadership Event (NELE) Saturday, January 18, 2020, 9:30 am to 4:30 pm. in Heritage Hall at Rock Springs 4-H Center!

NELE is led by the Northeast Region youth council representatives. Delegates can sign up for multiple classes. Registration includes lunch, snack, and a t-shirt.

Don't miss this opportunity to meet new people, learn new leadership skills, and enjoy fun classes!

Registration fee of $30 includes lunch, snack, and a t-shirt. Registration is located: http://www.event.com/events/2020-northeast-4-h-leadership-event/event-summary-bde888a0b36b43038a124b7b83a7bcda.aspx and closes Jan. 3, 2020.
Influence a Life

Do you have what it takes to become a camp counselor? Camp counselors are the backbone of the summer camping experience and must be willing to take on the challenge of working with a co-counselor to get 8 youth to and from different activity locations. If this sounds like you, please apply to become a Purple Power Pack camp counselor for 4-H summer camp 2020, **June 10–13**, with counselor training **Tuesday, June 9**. **Applications will post in March. To be considered counselors applicants must be 14 years old by the time we leave for camp.**

Campference 2020

4-H Campference is for youth ages 12-14 (before January 1, 2020), and will be held June 22-25 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. This is a great transitional opportunity, as these tweens go from being a camper to attending educational conferences. 4-H Campference will feature workshops about opportunities in the 4-H program and how to better interact with others. Participants will meet other youth from around the state of Kansas.

Registration and detailed information will be on State 4-H website in March. Register early as the space will fill on a first come basis, and Campference was full the last 6 years! Register online by May 15 (or earlier it will close when it is full) and payment must be in the local Extension Offices by May 15.

2020 Kansas 4-H Ambassador Training

**What:** There will be six exciting workshops and a keynote speaker. We'll have three new workshops for all county/district advisors and extension staff. The theme is "4-H Ambassadors - Under Construction."

**When:** February 21-23, 2020

**Where:** Rock Springs Ranch near Junction City, KS

**Who:** All county/district 4-H Ambassadors, Ambassador Advisors, Chaperones and KSRE Staff. Youth must be in the 8th - 12th grades to attend. Local Extension Offices may not be able to provide chaperones and/or transportation to this training. Check with your local Extension Office before registering.

**Registration:** (Registration will open January 1)

**Registration Deadline:** February 7, 2020, 11:59 p.m., using the CVent registration system. There will be a $25 cancellation fee from the time of registration through February 7, 2020. No refunds will be given beginning February 8, 2020.

Beef Weigh-In

Beef Weigh-in is **February 8 from 1-3 pm** Casement Barn, Riley County Fairgrounds. Questions, please contact Greg McClure gmcclure@ksu.edu

KAP Due Dates

KAPs attending the NE-AREA screening need to be turned in to the Riley County Extension office by **5 pm on Friday, January 10**
A Sweet Thank You
This past week Riley County 4-H Ambassadors decorated sugar cookies and surprised program supporters with a full plate of holiday treats. Thank you to EVERYONE who has supported our 4-Hers, families, and volunteers this past year.

Youth Quality Assurance Training

**Wednesday, March 11 -- 2:00-4:00 pm -- Clover Room of Pottorf Hall**

**Thursday, April 2 – 6:00-8:00 pm -- Clover Room of Pottorf Hall**

Who needs to attend? – **All Riley County 4-H members exhibiting market livestock** (beef, sheep, swine, goats) at the county fair are required to attend a quality assurance training. ALL beef exhibitors will be required to attend annually to meet quality assurance training guidelines set forth by the packer purchasing our steers and market heifers. Some swine exhibitors who tested out previously will be allowed to skip this year’s training, but most will need to attend. Requirements for sheep and goat exhibitors are less stringent (so far).

For this year, sheep and goat exhibitors need to have attended a quality assurance training at least once before age 12, then re-certify at age 12 and again at age 15. All State Fair and KJLS livestock exhibitors must re-certify annually.

Registration Process – All attendees will be required to register online. The training was a new program in 2018. It is called Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) and there is a fee to participate. The fee to attend one of the live trainings is $3. Online training is available, but the fee is $12 online. Here are the instructions to sign up for either option – online or in person.

Go to: [https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login](https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login) and sign in through 4-H online (don’t create a new account)

Choose a course from the Course List (click on your 4-H age).

After clicking on your age you will be instructed to choose either Web-Based Training ($12) or Instructor-Led Training ($3)

On the Instructor-Led menu, choose Kansas, then click on Select Training

Scroll down to either the March 11 date or the April 2 date and click on the Select button

Click on Purchase Course and enter credit card information to pay

Youth Entrepreneurship Challenge (YEC)

This March, K-State Research and Extension is partnering with the Manhattan Chamber of Commerce and Network Kansas to host the 3rd annual Youth Entrepreneurship Challenge (YEC) here in Manhattan. High school-age youth attending a high school located in Riley County will have the chance to show off their ingenuity and creativity, while showcasing a product, service, or future business concept. Cash prizes will be awarded to groups or individuals in 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place based on their delivery in three capacities; 1) Executive summary/business plan 2) Two-minute elevator speech or formal presentation 3) Five to six-minute tradeshow presentation. The top (3) placings at our Manhattan event will then compete in the statewide challenge in April.

Each participant or group must be present for the entire duration, **9:30 am-12:30 pm, on the March 5 YEC event date. You must register to attend. Registration will be on our website soon. [www.riley.ksu.edu](http://www.riley.ksu.edu)**

For more information on how to get started, contact John Jobe at the Riley County Extension Office [jajobe@ksu.edu](mailto:jajobe@ksu.edu) or call 785-537-6350.
Leaders and Parents

Consider in January

♦ Make sure families enroll/re-enroll via 4-H Online.
♦ Welcome new families and consider having a celebration to welcome to your club.
♦ Encourage members to attend Citizenship in Action (CIA) in Topeka, February 16, 2020.
♦ Start talking to families about attending the Annual 4-H Showcase on Saturday, February 22 @ RCHS.
♦ Encourage older 4-Hers to serve as Gavel Games coaches.
♦ Encourage seniors to apply for county and state 4-H scholarships.
♦ Check on progress/needs of committees & parent volunteers/leaders.
♦ Encourage project leaders to begin hosting project meetings and tours.
♦ Invite Mr. Jobe to a club meeting.
♦ Make sure 4-H Council Reps are attending meetings as voting representatives of your club.

Club Evaluation Participation

Please discuss with your club if you wish to participate in Club Evaluations. Let Brandy know if you wish to participate or not by January 31. We will let you know what club you are evaluating, etc. We ask that club evaluations be completed by May 1.

Club evaluations allow volunteers from another 4-H club to evaluate your club’s progress in membership, leadership, and program. We provide a rubric to use and clubs are given a written evaluation. Volunteers from your club are asked to evaluate another club. Club evaluations can be used when your club applies for their club seal.

Importance of attending 4-H Council

Our Riley County 4-H Council serves as a vital component to our month-to-month programming here in our area, but also allows club representative to take vital information back and report to their club. 4-H Council plans and implements county-wide events, oversees funding request, and votes to make necessary changes to our program as they see fit. Each club is allowed to have (5) voting representatives (3) youth and (2) adults. I would strongly encourage you to exercise that right throughout the year. You don’t have a be a Council Representative to attend. It is open to all 4-Her’s and parents.


Build Your News Years Resolution with the 4-H Pledge

I Pledge my Head to Clearer Thinking - Learn a new skill, take a challenging class, read a new book a month
My Heart to Greater Loyalty - Plan a family game night, visit family and friends once a month
My Hands to Larger Service - Plan a social event at a nursing home, volunteer at a pet shelter
And My Health to Better Living - Exercise daily, try a new fruit or vegetable each week
For My Club, My Community, My County, and My World.
(Source: Ohio 4-H)
Learn by Doing

Riley County 4-H Showcase Event
Saturday, February 22, Riley County High School 8:30-3:00 pm

Showcase Your Talent
• Project Talks
• Demonstrations/Public Speaking
• Illustrative Talks
• Reading
• Impromptu Speeches
• Instrumental Solos
• Piano
• Photo Judging
• Horticulture Judging
• Poultry Judging

Group Activities
• Par Challenge (Gavel Games)
• Club Skit
• Dances
• Chorus
• Vocal/Instrumental Ensemble
• Cloverbud Activities

Participants will receive a point for each event they participate in. In addition, parents or family volunteers will receive a point for acting as a room monitor or setup volunteer. Clubs who accumulate the highest percentage of participation from Cloverbuds, enrolled 4-Hers, and volunteers will be given a free pizza party at the club meeting of their choosing.

Registration for the Showcase Event will open online on the week of January 6. Please start getting the word out to 4-H members and families about the event. We hope to see all 4-Hers at the event in February.

Check Out the STEM activity room!!
Create your Future

-Youth Entrepreneurship Challenge 2020-

Are you a high schooler attending school in Riley County that has an idea for a new product or service? Do you have a concept that could lead to a future business?

Youth entrepreneurs are invited to participate as individuals or in teams to compete in the 2020 Riley County Youth Entrepreneur Fair

Wednesday, March 4, 9:30-12:30pm @ Pottorf Hall in Cico Park

Registration is DUE by 5:00 pm on Friday, February 28

Top products, concepts, and ideas will be awarded CASH PRIZES for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers based on:

1) Business Plan
2) 5-6 Minute Tradeshow Presentation
3) 4 Minute Formal Presentation

Sponsored by:

Contact John Jobe at the Riley County Extension Office for further details about this amazing opportunity. 110 Courthouse Plaza, Rm B220- (785) 537-6350

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## 2019-2020 Riley County 4-H Calendar

### January
- **1**  New Year’s Holiday, Ext. Office Closed
- **6**  4-H Council, 7 pm Pottorf Hall
- **16**  NE Area KAP Screening, Pottorf Hall
- **18**  NE Area Leadership Event, Rock Springs
- **20**  MLK Jr. Day, Extension Office Closed
- **24-26**  Horse Panorama, Rock Springs
- **31**  State and Local 4-H Scholarships DUE

### February
- **8**  Beef Weigh-in, 1-3 pm, Casement Hall
- **16-17**  Citizenship in Action, Topeka
- **17**  Presidents Day, Extension Office Closed
- **21-22**  4-H Ambassador Training, Rock Springs
- **22**  Riley County Showcase Event, RCHS
- **TBA**  State KAPs DUE

### March
- **2**  4-H Council, 7 pm Pottorf Hall
- **2**  Red Wheel Sales Begin
- **6**  4-H and Open Equifest Judging Contest
- **11**  YQCA 2-4 pm, Clover Room

### April
- **Early April**  Red Wheel DUE to Club Leaders
  - **1**  Fair Royalty Applications DUE
  - **2**  YQCA, Training; 6-8 pm, Clover Room
  - **11**  Dog Rally-O-Workshop & Competition
  - **25**  Red Wheel Product Pick-Up, Pottorf Hall
- **TBA**  CWF Garage Sale; RL Co. Fairgrounds
- **TBA**  State Shooting Sports Match
- **TBA**  Discovery Days Registration DUE

### May
- **1**  Project Add/ Drop Deadline
- **1**  Horse ID Papers DUE
- **4**  Sheep & Goat Weigh-In/ Tagging, Hulbert Arena, 5-7 pm
  - **4**  4-H Council, 7 pm Pottorf Hall
- **20**  Fair Royalty Interview; Pottorf
- **27-29**  Discovery Days, KSU Campus
  - **28**  Emerald Circle Banquet

### June
- **6**  Dog Agility Workshop and Competition
- **9**  Camp Counselor Training, Rock Springs
- **10-13**  4-H Camp, Rock Springs
- **20**  Dog Agility & Rally-O, Pottorf Hall
- **23-26**  Campference, Rock Springs
- **TBA**  State Geology Field Trip

### July
- **1**  Fair Pre-Entries DUE
- **4**  Independence Day, Ext Office Closed
- **6**  4-H Council Meeting, Pottorf Hall
- **11**  Dog Showmanship & Obedience, Pottorf Hall
- **15**  State Fair Livestock Entries DUE
- **16**  Fair Fashion Review
- **18**  4-H Horse Show
- **20**  Fair Work Night, Pottorf Hall
- **21**  4-H and Cloverbud Pet Show
- **22**  4-H and Cloverbud Foods Judging
- **23-27**  Riley County Fair, Cico Park
- **28**  Fairground Cleanup

### August
- **7**  State Fair Entry Forms DUE
- **15**  KJLS Entries DUE
- **17**  State Horticulture & Livestock Judging
- **31**  4-H Council, 7 pm Pottorf Hall

### September
- **7**  Labor Day, Extension Office Closed
- **11**  State Fair Project DUE to Extension Office
- **11-20**  Kansas State Fair
- **25**  KAP & Awards DUE

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Dates subject to change. Read the 4-H Newsletter or check [www.riley.ksu.edu](http://www.riley.ksu.edu) for additions/changes and details. **12/9/19**