2022-2023 4-H Enrollment and Re-Enrollment

Enrollment and re-enrollment will open on October 1 and will be done via 4-H Online. If you have forgotten your email login or password, PLEASE do not create a second account. Instead, contact Brandy brandymarie@ksu.edu or call 785-537-6350 and she can assist you. The deadline to enroll and change projects will be May 1.

4-H Council Officer Applications

If you wish to be a 4-H Council Officer, applications are due Friday, October 28. For details on 4-H Council Officer responsibilities and for an application, please visit https://www.riley.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/council/index.html You will have to download the application for it to be form fillable.

Trips and Awards Nominations

Nominations for new 2022-2023 Trips and Award Committee members are due on Friday, October 28. Qualifications: Any adult (leader, parents' advisory committee member, or parent) with three years exposure to the 4-H program.

Applications can be accessed online: https://www.riley.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/awards/index.html
**4-H Council Dates for 2021-2022**

Monday, November 7, 2022; Monday, January 9, 2023; Monday, March 6, 2023; Monday, May 1, 2023; Monday, June 26, 2023; Monday, August 28, 2023.

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

**4-H Showcase Event 2023**

Our 4-H Showcase event date will be announced in the coming weeks. Our hope is that once again we will be at Riley County High School one Saturday in February. 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 photography, horticulture, and FACs judging. Breakfast and lunch items will be served throughout the day. Registration will open to 4-Hers in December so check back in with us. Start the planning process now for the February event. See you there!

**Shining Star Volunteer Award**

I would encourage 4-H clubs, individual’s 4-H families, or 4-H volunteers to nominate an outstanding volunteer in your club as a “Shining Star”. Depending on the number of submissions, one or two individuals will be selected and acknowledged at the October 30 Achievement Celebration. Shining Star award nomination forms can be found online at [www.riley.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/awards/index.html](http://www.riley.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/awards/index.html) or picked up at the Extension office. All nominations are due on September 23.

**Club Seal, Pin, Key and Project Reports (formally KAPs)**

Project Report Forms, due on Friday, September 23, you can only have (1) portfolio per book and must feature; Personal Page, 4-H Story, and Project Report Form, including pictures. These items need to be placed in a folder or report cover. Junior 7-9, Intermediate 10-13, and Senior 14-18 (4-H Age as of January 1, 2022). Cover labels need to include the members name and state whether this is a Junior, Intermediate, or Senior project and the project name. Other awards due on Friday, September 23 include: Club Seal Applications, Pin Applications (DO NOT use state forms), I-Dare-You Applications, Key Awards (follow state guidelines), Family of the Year Applications, and 4-H Shining Star Award Applications. Visit [http://www.riley.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/awards/index.html](http://www.riley.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/awards/index.html). Additionally, forms may be picked up from the Extension office.

**Nominate a Family of the Year**

Do you know of a Riley County 4-H family that has gone above and beyond this past year? Nominate them for the 2021-2022 ‘Family of the Year Award. This family will be acknowledge at the 2022 Riley County Achievement Celebration on October 30. Applications can be found at [https://www.riley.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/awards/2019%20Family%20of%20the%20Year%20Award.pdf](https://www.riley.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/awards/2019%20Family%20of%20the%20Year%20Award.pdf) Applications are due at the Extension office on September 23.

**Nominate a 4-H Alumni of the Year**

Do you know of a former Riley County 4-Her that should be acknowledged for giving back to our local program? Consider nominating them for the annual ‘4-H Alumni of the Year’ award. The winner will be celebrated and acknowledged at this years achievement celebration. Applications can be found at [https://www.riley.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/awards/index.html](https://www.riley.k-state.edu/4-h/forms-resources/awards/index.html). Applications are due at the Extension office on September 23.
Register 48 Hours of 4-H Project Now

It's time to make plans for your club, group or family to participate. Information is on the [website](#), including a link to sign up! There is also a guide with ideas! **If your club wishes to purchase 4-H promotional items (pencils, stickers, tattoos, bookmarks, etc.) to be used in conjunction with National 4-H Week, please contact Brandy ASAP.**

Your project can be big or small, take one hour or several, but the ultimate goal is to make a difference in our communities.

When: October 2-9, 2022

Who: 4-H Members, 4-H Clubs, Friends, Adult Volunteers, Parents, 4-H Alumni

Youth Council and National 4-H Conference Applications

The [Youth Council Application](#) and [National 4-H Conference Application](#) will be combined again this year, with applicants indicating if they are applying for one or both opportunities.

Any Kansas 4-H member between the ages of 14 and 18 before January 1, 2023 may apply as a Council Rep and those 15-18 before January 1, 2023 may apply for National Conference.

This year's KYLF delegation will elect representatives from the four extension program areas (NE, NW, SE, SW) for one year terms on council. Up to 6 National Conference Delegates will be selected through an interview process and they serve a two year term on council. **The deadline will be October 1, 2022.**

Leadership Weekend

Leadership Weekend will be November 19-20 at Rock Springs 4-H Ranch and consists of the [Kansas Youth Leadership Forum](#) and the [Kansas Volunteer Leader Forum](#).

**KYLF** is for youth ages 14-18 before January 1, 2023 and **KVF** is for all Kansas 4-H Volunteers. KYLF will feature leadership workshops, Youth Council Elections, and opportunities to learn and have fun. The Kansas 4-H Volunteer Leader Forum will feature workshops and information to help volunteers be more effective and learn from each other. This Forum for adults is organized by the [Kansas Association of 4-H Volunteers](#).

Registration will be open sometime in September. Again, this year participants in both forums will register through the same system. Registration deadline is October 15, 2022 for both events. There will also be an option for coming in Friday evening and having breakfast Saturday morning for those coming from a distance.

Leadership Learning Opportunities

Please save the dates for these 4-H Leadership Learning Opportunities scheduled for this fall.

All Regional Leadership Forums are using the theme Unearthing Possibilities! Be watching for registration information soon. For Youth 12-18 years of age before January 1, 2023

- **Saturday, October 8** - Eastern Regional Leadership Forum - Rock Springs Ranch

Watch your email and the State 4-H Website for more information as it is available!
Leaders and Parents

September Checklist
- Check club mailbox at the Extension Office
- Highlight key points/deadlines from the 4-H newsletter & calendar at club meeting
- Elect Club Officers and 4-H Council Representatives
- Send list of new officers, club leaders, and project leaders to the Extension Office.
- Announce to club parents that you are recruiting project leaders and other volunteers (Parent Advisory Committee, New Family Coordinator, etc.).
- Promote Ambassadors program to members (freshmen and older). Applications are due October 1
- Report on August 4-H Council Meeting.
- National 4-H Week is October 2-9 - Promotion ideas/Implement plan within community/school
- Encourage members to fill out Achievement Pin applications, Project Report Forms (formerly KAP), Key Awards, I Dare You, etc. They are due to the Extension Office Sept 23. (Check with your club leader for your club deadline)
- Work with Club Officers/Parents to make club handbook with member/leader contact info, monthly meeting information (date/time/project talks/demonstrations). A copy should be given to each family.

Project Report Form Screening
Volunteers are needed to screen Project Report Form (formerly KAP) from Pottawatomie County this year. Screenings will take place at the Riley County Extension office, Thursday, October 6 and Friday, October 7, starting at 9:00 am both days. Each club is required to provide at least two screeners. No previous experience is necessary!

Screeners can come and go from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm on Thursday and 9:00 am to whenever we’re finished on Friday. Screeners should call Friday before coming to check status. Email John or Brandy with your screeners by September 23 jajboe@ksu.edu or brandymarie@ksu.edu. Please consider this opportunity!

Outbound Exchanges for 2023
By mid-September, we hope to have a link to the States’ 4-H International Exchange Programs Outbound Application posted to the Kansas State 4-H web page: www.kansas4-h.org. With lingering uncertainty related to COVID and staffing changes at States’ 4-H, promotional flyers may not be available until the end of September this year. As of this writing in August, outbound destinations are expected to be in Costa Rica, Japan, South Korea, and Taiwan. Norway is planning to send teens to the U.S. in 2023 rather than hosting inbounds. Additional countries may be added.

We are hoping there will strong interest in IFYE exchanges to countries throughout the world in 2023 for those over 4-H age. With Traci Ross, who spent two months in Norway, and Sanders Barbee, who was a two-month delegate to Morocco, returning to Kansas in August, word will likely get out that IFYE is a great experience. Traci and Sanders are available for presentations, especially in Northeast Kansas or by zoom. Application packets are due November 1 and interviews of applicants is scheduled for November
# 2022-2023 Riley County 4-H Calendar

## October
- **1** 4-H year Begins
- **1** Online 4-H Enrollment Opens
- **1** State Dog Conference Registration DUE
- **3** Ambassador Applications DUE
- **2-8** National 4-H Week
- **6-7** Project Report Form (PRF) Screening
- **8** 4-H Eastern Regional Leadership Forum
- **22** 4-H Central Regional Leadership Forum
- **22-23** State Dog Conference
- **TBA** NELE, Rock Springs
- **TBA** Ambassador Interviews, Pottorf Hall
- **28** 4-H Council, 7 pm Pottorf Hall
- **TBA** Officers Training/ Leadership Training
- **30** Achievement Celebration, Pottorf

## November
- **7** 4-H Council Meeting, 7 pm Pottorf Hall
- **11** Veteran’s Day, Extension Office Closed
- **23** Riley County 4-H Grant Proposals DUE
- **24-25** Thanksgiving Holiday, Ext Office Closed

## December
- **24-25** Christmas Holiday, Office Closed

## January
- **2** NYE Holiday, Ext. Office Closed
- **3** 4-H Council, 7 pm Pottorf Hall
- **16** MLK Jr. Day, Extension Office Closed
- **TBA** 4-H Showcase Pre-Entry DUE
- **TBA** NE Area PRF Screening, Pottorf Hall
- **TBA** Horse Panorama, Rock Springs
- **31** State and Local Scholarships DUE

## February
- **TBA** 4-H Ambassador Training, Rock Springs
- **TBA** Riley County Showcase, RCHS
- **18** Beef Weigh-in, 1-3 pm, Casement Hall
- **TBA** Citizenship in Action, Topeka
- **20** Presidents Day, Extension Office Closed
- **TBA** State Horse Judging

## March
- **1** State 4-H Scholarship and State PRFs DUE
- **1** Red Wheel Sales Begin
- **6** 4-H Council, 7 pm Pottorf Hall
- **TBA** YWCA 2-4 pm, Clover Room
- **TBA** YQCA, 6-8 pm, Clover Room

## April
- **Early April** Red Wheel DUE to Club Leaders
- **3** Fair Royalty Applications DUE
- **22** Red Wheel Pick-Up, Pottorf Hall 9-9:30 am
- **TBA** State Shooting Sports Match
- **TBA** Discovery Days Registration DUE

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

## June
- **3** Dog Show (Disciplines TBA)
- **TBA** Campference, Rock Springs
- **24** Dog Show (Disciplines TBA)
- **27** 4-H Council Meeting, Pottorf Hall
- **TBA** State Geology Field Trip

## July
- **1** Fair Pre-Entries DUE
- **4** Independence Day, Ext Off. Closed
- **15** State Fair Livestock Entries DUE
- **20** Fair Fashion Review
- **22** 4-H Horse Show
- **24** Fair Work Night, Pottorf Hall
- **24** 4-H and Cloverbud Pet Show
- **26** 4-H and Cloverbud Foods Judging
- **27-31** Riley County Fair, Cico Park

## August
- **1** Fairground Cleanup
- **4** State Fair Entry Forms DUE
- **15** KILS Entries DUE
- **TBA** State Horticulture & Livestock Judging
- **28** 4-H Council, 7 pm Pottorf Hall

## September
- **4** Labor Day, Extension Office Closed
- **6** State Fair Project DUE to Extension Office
- **8-17** Kansas State Fair
- **22** Project Report Forms & Awards DUE