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Fair Entry Opened June 1st

FairEntry System Information

FairEntry is the online entry program Leavenworth County 4-H uses to manage entries for 4-H exhibits for Leavenworth County Fair. It is important to remember that if you do not enter your projects into FairEntry, even though you entered projects in 4honline, you will not be able to bring those projects to county fair this year.

FairEntry opens June 1st and will close at 11:59pm on June 30th. You will access the FairEntry program through our website, leavenworth.ksu.edu, 4-H Youth Development, then 4-H Fairbook & Information or by going to fairentry.com. The system works with your 4-H Online Enrollment information. You will use your family account email and password to log into FairEntry. Please do not log in through [fairentry](http://fairentry.com) directly. You must use the 4honline log-in. *It is important to remember that only the projects that you enrolled in through 4honline will be available for fair entries.*

IMPORTANT: Complete entries for ALL 4-H members in your family BEFORE selecting the submit button. Entries may be adjusted in the account before the submit button is selected until June 30, but become final when the submit button is selected. There will be no changes made after June 30.

There is a \$2.00 fee per exhibitor, which can be paid online using a credit/debit card. Please check that your credit/debit card information is correct before submitting payment.

If you have any questions, please access the 4-H FairEntry Guide/Help Sheet located on our website. Within the guides are step-by-step written instructions and screenshots of examples of pages you will see.

If you need further assistance or access to a computer come into the Extension Office or give us a call at 913-364-5700.



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Building Watch

What is Building Watch? Every year we ask 4-Hers and volunteers to help us keep an eye on our building exhibits while the county fair is open to the public. We have two buildings that we keep an eye on, the 4-H Building and the Administration Building. Responsibilities of those who do building watch is to walk around and keep an eye on the 4-H exhibits within that building. It is important that exhibits and awards are not touched, broken or stolen. 4-Hers have worked hard to produce a great project and we don't want anything to happen to it while it is on display. The volunteer doing building watch may also be available for questions like "where is the closest restroom" or

"who do I talk to if I want to join 4-H?" This year we will be picking building watch shifts similar to how we picked food stand shifts. Each club will receive an allotted amount of shifts based on the number of members they have within their club. I will send that number out along with the shifts via email to all club leaders. At the next County Council meeting (June 27th), shifts will be drawn. Your leaders will then get with club members to fill shifts.

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I am here to help. Please reach out to me with any questions.

Building Exhibit Entry Card Pick Up

The below information applies to Building Exhibits only. This would include any project that is displayed in a building such as Photography, Foods, Visual Arts, Fiber Arts, Horticulture, Flowers, Woodworking, Posters and Displays, Home Environment, Entomology, Energy Management, Cloverbuds, and STEM. Each 4-Her will pick up only the cards for the projects they are bringing to fair. The 4-Her will receive all of their Building Exhibit entry cards at one time instead of at each judging area. You still need to bring your projects to the designated areas where entries are accepted during the times listed on the 4-H Pre-Fair & Fair Week Schedule. These pick up areas are not a place to drop off projects, only pick up entry cards. Please try to come to one of the

times below to get entry cards. Staff will be available to print cards outside these times but will not have as many resources as during the below times so it may take longer. It is highly encouraged to come to one of the below times. If you have questions, please contact the office at 913-364-5700.

- ◆ Tonganoxie Christian Church
204 Washington Street
Friday, July 22nd
9am - Judging ends
- ◆ 4-H Fair Office
Fairgrounds
Sunday, July 24th
8:30am - 12pm
- ◆ 4-H Fair Office
Fairgrounds
Monday, July 26th
7am - 3pm

Fair Set-up and Clean-up

All 4-H families are responsible for helping set up the fair grounds for fair week and for helping clean up after fair is over. For fair set-up, everyone will meet in the show arena on Sunday. You will then choose the area you will like to set-up. We ask that you meet in the arena so we can assure that there is adequate help at all areas of the grounds that need set up. Clean-up will be a bit different. An area of the fairgrounds will be assigned to each club to make sure that everything gets taken care of.

Please bring brooms, trash bags, or any other items you feel will help in the process. Each club will be required to assign two members (older teens or adults preferred) to the food stand to help with set-up. Please determine this prior to Sunday. 4-Hers will still need to meet in the show arena and then will be dismissed to the food stand. If you cannot make the scheduled time, please come when you can. There is plenty to do in order to get the fairgrounds "fair" ready!!



Fair Set up - Sunday, July 24th

Time: 9am - Complete

Location: Meet in Show Arena and then will be dispersed to different locations on the fairgrounds for set up.

Fair Clean-Up Schedule - Sunday, July 31st 8am - complete

Beef, Bucket Calf, Dairy and Show Arena

Swine and Show Arena

Sheep/Goat and Show Arena

Rabbit Barn

Poultry Barn

Brown 4-H Building

Administration Building west end

Happy Hollow, Bell, Glenwood

Happy Helpers, Reno Bobwhites

Livewires, Countywide Goat

Stranger Creek, Countywide Rabbit

Boling, Countywide Poultry Club

Basehor Rustlers, Happy Helpers

Bell, Happy Hollow

State Fair Entries

State Fair Entry Forms for all projects going to State Fair must be submitted to the *4-H Fair Office* by 10am on Sunday, July 31st. Forms will be available at the Fair Extension Office anytime during fair week.

As a reminder, 4-hers must be 9 years old in 4-H to exhibit at the Kansas State Fair. Project eligibility for State Fair varies from project to project. Please check project rules for more information.

4-H Livestock Sweepstakes

All Kansas 4-Hers are invited to participate in a livestock learning and competition experience. 4-Hers can test their knowledge in Livestock Judging, Meats Judging, Livestock Skillathon, and Livestock Quiz Bowl. Prizes will be given in each contest, with the addition of overall Sweepstakes buckles to the team and individual placing the highest in all four contests!

Date: Aug. 20th - 21st

Entries must be submitted to the Extension office by July 31st.

Prepare for Fair

The fair is quickly approaching. It is time to make sure everything is prepared. Everyone has been working hard all year in their 4-H clubs and on all of their projects. At the fair everyone will finally have the chance to show off everything they have been working so hard on this year. Making a checklist can help to make sure everything is prepared for the fair.

There are a lot of things that need to be done to make sure everything is prepared for the fair. 4-Hers need to pick which projects they want to participate in. They need to enter those projects into fair entry. They need to then decide what they are going to do for those projects. They then need to gather the supplies they need for their project. After this they need to start working on their project. This can look very different for different projects, but every project needs to be worked on and prepared. After the project is complete it is important to practice. Practicing being judged can be very helpful so that they are prepared to talk about their project.

For animal projects it is important to keep working with those animals. Make sure that all animals are prepared to be shown. They need to be ready to be handled, interact with people, and be used to the heat. To prepare, practice working with the animal as if it was a show. It is also important to prepare to talk to the judge about the animal. Make sure to be prepared to talk to not just the judge but people that are at the fair as well, so that 4-Hers can answer questions about their animal if asked.

The fair is almost here. Be prepared for all projects. Make sure that everything is done on time, so that nothing is missed. Keep up the hard work!

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Project Spotlight - Foods & Nutrition

4-H offers projects in food preparation, food preservation, and nutrition. It is designed to involve you in fun experiments, teach you to prepare nutritious recipes, and to go on fact-finding missions. You'll have fun learning about food ingredients, food characteristics, and food safety. You'll discover the health benefits of eating a variety of nutritious foods, using MyPlate as a

meal planning guide. You will develop and demonstrate skills in planning,

purchasing, preparing, and serving tasty and nutritious meals.

Starting Out Beginner	Learning More Intermediate	Expanding Horizons Advanced
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn the basics of food preparation, including measuring accurately. • Conduct fun food science experiments. • Practice food and kitchen safety. • Learn the basics of nutrition. • Explore MyPlate to eat a healthy diet. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn how to read and use nutrition labels. • Prepare recipes from each food group. • Learn to prepare a meal. • Learn what leavening agents are and how to use them. • Understand how to prevent foodborne illness. • Understand how to use MyPlate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn different methods for making yeast breads. • Explore making pastries and pies. • Practice baking foam cakes. • Learn to prepare meats using both dry and moist heat methods. • Explore herbs and spices. • Learn to prepare celebration meals.

Judging at the County Fair

4-H events and fairs are often used to provide youth with opportunities to have their work judged against a set of standards. The evaluation of an exhibit should be a positive and motivating part of the total 4-H experience. To plan, practice, and present a finished product is to “learn by doing.” The exhibit is not an end in itself, nor does it illustrate all of the learning that has taken place during the 4-H year. An important goal of 4-H is to teach skills to young people that they can use now, as a youth, and in later life.

Standards of excellence help 4-Hers to evaluate the skills they are learning. Standards of excellence can be useful for products (skirts, cookies, tomatoes, livestock, etc.) and skills (speaking, decision making, demonstrating, etc.).



DANISH SYSTEM

The Danish system of judging is a method of evaluation where an exhibit or process is evaluated against a set of standards, and recognition is awarded on the degree to which the standard has been met by each 4-H member. The standards of excellence are often printed on a judge's scorecard, and allows for the exhibit to be judged on one's own merit, and not in comparison with others in the class. The following ribbons apply:

WHITE: Fair, denotes much improvement needed. Fails to meet minimum standards.

RED: Good, some improvements needed. Meets minimum standards.

BLUE: Excellent, minor improvements needed. Exceeds minimum standards.

PURPLE: Superior, outstanding on all standards. (In some cases, this means an exhibit is selected for the state fair.)

Record Book Corner

Questions to ask yourself as you prepare for record books:

- What did you learn from your project(s)?
- Did you meet any of your goals? If so, what helped you attain those? If not, what were some obstacles that might have prevented you from reaching your goals?
- How did your project change or grow within the year or from previous years?
- Did you serve in any type of leadership capacity?
- What impact did your involvement have on you, your club, or community?
- Have your project experiences influenced your future career choice? If so, how?

Check out the Record Book Corner in each monthly newsletter for record book tips and tricks!

2022 Livestock Auction Sale Order:

1. Goats
2. Swine
3. Rabbits
4. Beef
5. Sheep



Parking Passes

Parking Passes will be available again this year for 4-H families. 4-H families are eligible to purchase one pass per family. They will be available at the Extension Office after July 1st.



Photo Boards

Photo boards are available at the Extension Office for \$1 per board. Please remember to use a permanent adhesive spray when mounting your photos. A great instructional video is located on our website to help you. You can find it at leavenworth.ksu.edu / 4-H Youth Development / 4-H Fair Book and Information.



Fair Book/Schedule

The Leavenworth County Fair Board will not be printing the Fair Book this year for open class and other fair events. You can access the fair book online on their website by going to leavenworthcountyfair.com.

I have included a copy of our 4-H fair schedule in this newsletter. It can also be found on our website at leavenworth.ksu.edu / 4-H Youth Development / 4-H Fair Book and Information.



Food Stand Shifts

Food stand shifts will be drawn at the June 27th County Council Meeting. Each club will need to decide how they will cover their shifts. Larger clubs may decide to break each of their 5 hour shifts down to 2.5 hour shifts in order to allow more kids to help. Please remember that the 4-H Food Stand is the only fundraiser that 4-H County Council does. The money raised from the food stand pays for ribbons for club day and county fair, pays for judges for club day, achievement night, camp expenses, event scholarships and much more. Working the 4-H Food Stand is a shared responsibility among all 4-Hers. It is also a requirement in order to receive any event scholarship money from County Council. Please get with your club leaders to find out how you can help!

Shifts Available:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

Morning: 7am - 12pm

Afternoon: 12pm - 5pm

Evening: 5pm - 10pm



“Preparedness is the key to success and victory.” - Douglas MacArthur

Food Safety Training

Each 4-Her and volunteer who works our 4-H County Food Stand is required to go through a quick 30 minute food safety training each year. This year Chelsi Myer, Family and Consumer Sciences Agent, created a training video verses doing it live for more consistency and more flexibility. Trainings will include what is expected of our 4-hers and volunteers who will be working in the food stand when it comes to food safety and safe handling practices.

An email was sent out to all leaders with the link to the training. Leaders are encouraged to set up a time where their club can view

the training together. Please contact your leader for instructions on how you can view the training.

Leaders, once the training has been viewed, please submit a role call list of those who attended or viewed the training to the Extension Office.





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County Fair Reminders

As you start to prepare for our 2022 Leavenworth County Fair, here are a few reminders. I understand that this time of year is pretty crazy for the majority of our 4-H families but I want you to know that you all play a very important role in the success of our county fair. You all work so very hard all year and I truly enjoy seeing all your hard work come to light. I also know that the Leavenworth County Fair is our opportunity to show our community what great, talented young men and women we have within our 4-H program. So best of luck this year and I look forward to seeing each of you at fair.

2022 County Fair Reminders:

- **Register Entries for Fair in FairEntry online system by June 30th.**
- **If exhibiting livestock, YQCA training complete by June 30th and certificate turned into the office if class taken outside of LV CO in-person.**
- **Read all rules for each project you will be bringing to fair. Rules can be found on our website: [leavenworth.ksu.edu/4-H Youth Development/4-H Fair Book & Information](http://leavenworth.ksu.edu/4-H>Youth-Development/4-H-Fair-Book-&Information).**
- **Talk to your club leader regarding what shift you will be working in the Leavenworth County Council 4-H Food Stand**
- **Watch the food safety training video so you are ready to work the Food Stand**
- **Talk to your community leader about signing up for Building Watch**