New Year’s Resolution: Always go to our county website first for information.  
http://www.leavenworth.k-state.edu/

Final Days to Complete 4Honline Enrollment

Your enrollment is not active until your payment has been received and processed by the State 4-H Office. Thanks to everyone who has completed their enrollment.

Returning members have until February 1, 2018 to complete their enrollment for this 4-H year to be eligible to enter the 2018 LV CO Fair in 4-H classes. This includes any additions, deletions, or other changes you wish to make to your enrollment. If returning members enroll after February 1 they may only exhibit in open classes and may not participate in the Livestock Auction or exhibit at Kansas State Fair for 4-H classes.

New members will be accepted for enrollment until May 1, 2018. They will be allowed to exhibit in 4-H classes except those livestock classes that may have had a previous deadline. New members wishing to enroll in the Beef Project MUST enroll before Beef Weigh-In on March 3.

The enrollment site can be reached by this link: http://www.leavenworth.k-state.edu/4-h/join.html. Scroll down the page and in the center section select either returning families or new families to access the guide to get started.

Reminder to all parents/leaders/volunteers — you need to be listed on your family account. If you do not have members in 4-H please create your own account. You must be enrolled in 4honline to be able to participate in Youth Quality Care of Animals classes, both face-to-face classes and the online class.

PLEASE REMEMBER to go into 4honline prior to the add/drop date to review the projects in which you have enrolled. Also remember to update any pertinent information (email address, phone numbers, etc.) as the year progresses.

Returning members who have not enrolled by Feb. 1 will be dropped from the email and mailing lists. This means you will not receive any further notifications, newsletters or important information.
Youth for the Quality Care of Animals “YQCA”

Class dates TBD.

More information coming soon!

National, State, & Local Youth Opportunities

Road trip across the USA stopping to see Philadelphia, Gettysburg, the Liberty Bell and more! Meet, learn, share and tour with youth from other states and respected resource people. Walk among places that have made history and places that are making news today. Visit Capitol Hill, government departments, historic sites, and memorials. Get a close-up view of the political process through visits to Capitol Hill. Meet with the Kansas Congressional and Senate delegations to discuss legislative issues. Participate in workshops and assembly groups to learn life skills and discuss possible solutions to domestic and international problems. Interact with 4-H members from other states, learning and sharing about 4-H and other interests and issues.

Delegates must be responsible and mature young people, 15-18 years of age by January 1, 2018. They also must commit to sharing what they learn with others.

Applications and cover letters must be submitted online and then will receive approval from Local Extension Units after your application has been submitted and received. Applications will be accepted until January 15 or until all 50 spaces are filled. Applicants will be notified of their selection and will be required to confirm their intent to participate.

A $250 nonrefundable deposit will complete your application (due by January 15, 2018) and to guarantee your spot. Checks should be made payable to the "Kansas 4-H Foundation". Full payment of the $1850 will be accepted at any time before April 15. Any cancellation made before January 15 will result in a $25 cancellation fee, otherwise cancellations made after January 15 will not receive their $250 deposit back.

For questions, please contact Karol Lohman in the Extension Office.

National 4-H Citizenship Washington Focus
June 14—25, 2018

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a national, multi-species livestock quality assurance program available for youth ages 8-18. LVCO 7 year old 4-H members must attend a class with a parent.

This annual program focuses on food safety, animal well-being, and character awareness for youth producing and/or showing livestock.

All 4-hers enrolled in swine, beef cattle, dairy cattle, sheep, all goats, rabbits, and poultry projects are required to take this training.

The program was designed to provide a national, standardized livestock quality assurance applicable to multiple species. The curriculum is designed to provide different modules annually, so youth cover new topics every year.

Members will register online using their 4honline account. There is a $3 fee/child for a face-to-face class and a $12 fee/child for online class.

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The 2018 4-H Horse Panorama will be held January 26-28 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Registration and contest rules for Horse Panorama are posted on the Kansas 4-H web site on the Horse Events page. http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/horse/index.html

Deadline to register is Jan. 15.

More events continued on next page.
Registration is open. Go to: http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html
Registration is DUE Jan. 15.

Citizenship in Action 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 communities. Delegates will tour the Capitol, get tips on how to meet and talk with their legislators, and discuss how youth can have a greater impact in their communities.

Sunday will feature time at the Capitol In Topeka, legislative sessions, and a dinner and dance at the Capitol Plaza Hotel also in Topeka. Monday is reserved for delegates to meet with their legislators.

This event is open to all youth 13-18 years old as of January 1, 2018.

The cost to attend CIA is $170 for both youth and adults—including a 1 night stay at the Capitol Plaza Hotel, a plated meal for dinner on Sunday night and a plated breakfast on Monday morning. If you prefer a single bed there is a $35 extra fee.

There is a $100 scholarship available through a generous donation from Capitol Federal. The scholarship form and online scholarship application can be found on the web at: http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/citizenship-in-action/index.html

Please make your payment to your local Extension Office upon receiving your registration confirmation. Check with your local Extension Office for any local deadlines and funding that may be available for this event.

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The 2018 Kansas 4-H Ambassador Training will be February 23-24 at Rock Springs 4-H Center near Junction City. It is open to all county/district 4-H ambassadors, interested teens, ambassador advisors and Extension staff. The theme is “4-H Ambassadors: Leadership on Target.” There will be six youth workshops, three adult workshops, two speakers, with lots of fun and fellowship.

Information and registration can be found here, and will close on Thursday, February 8, 11:59 p.m. The Kansas 4-H Ambassador Action Team accepts members (teens, volunteers and Extension staff) year-round. For more information, please call Deryl Waldren at 785-462-6281, or e-mail him at dwaldren@ksu.edu.

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Calling all those interested in the Dog Care and Training Project.
The year will begin with training classes early January 2018. These classes will not be repeated. Veterinarian signed vaccination cards are required at the beginning of class. Please enroll or reenroll as early as possible to receive all the pertinent information, so you don't miss out.

All New 4-H Families are invited to attend “4-H 101– All About 4-H” on Jan. 16, 6:00 p.m. at the Boling Grange, 25563 Tonganoxie Rd.

All Leaders are encouraged to attend the “4-H Leaders Reboot” meeting on Jan. 18, 6:30 p.m. at the Boling Grange Building, 25563 Tonganoxie Rd. Come get the latest updates on the 4-H Program and meet our new leaders.
The 2018 Kansas Junior Sheep Producer Day is scheduled for Saturday, March 17, 2018 in Weber Hall on the Kansas State University campus. This event will be a fun filled, educational day of activities in which youth, parents, sheep project leaders, and adults can increase their knowledge and experience of sheep production and management. This interactive, educational event will stimulate enthusiasm and provide a foundation for the management and care of youth sheep projects. Presentations and demonstrations will be provided by K-State faculty and graduate students, as well as guest speakers. Topics that will be covered include project selection, nutrition, equipment and facilities, meat science, the state livestock nomination process, sheep health, wellness, and diseases, wool, showmanship, grooming, and Youth for the Quality Care of Animals certification. A complimentary lunch and t-shirt will be provided for participants.

Registration is due by February 23, 2018 and is $15/person. Registrations received after February 23rd cannot be guaranteed a t-shirt and will be $20/person.

More information and registration can be found on the K-State Youth Livestock Program website: www.youthlivestock.ksu.edu under Kansas Junior Producer Days.

The K-State Sheep & Meat Goat Center will be having their annual sale on the same date, following the Junior Sheep Producer Day. The program schedule will allow participants who would like to participate in both events to do so.

The 2018 Kansas Junior Beef Producer Day is scheduled for Saturday, March 24, 2018 in Weber Hall on the Kansas State University campus. This event will be an interactive, educational day in which youth, parents, beef project leaders, and adults can increase their knowledge about youth beef production and management. K-State faculty, staff, and guest speakers will cover topics such as market and breeding project selection, nutrition, the state nomination processes and updates, meat science, grooming, leadership, health, reproduction, showmanship, grooming, and Youth for the Quality Care of Animals certification. All ages and skill levels are invited to attend. A complimentary lunch and t-shirt will be provided for all participants.

Registration is due by March 2, 2018 and is $15/person. Registrations received after March 2, 2018 cannot be guaranteed a t-shirt and will be $20/person.

More information and registration can be found on the K-State Youth Livestock Program website: www.youthlivestock.ksu.edu under Kansas Junior Producer Days.

Save the Date—The LVCO Beef Weigh-In will be held on Saturday, March 3, 2018 at the Fairgrounds. All youth weighing in an animal must be enrolled in the project. Details will be available in the future. Questions please contact Karol Lohman in the Extension Office, 913-364-5700.
4-H CLOVERBUD CLUB DAY ENTRY FORM

Cloverbuds will begin at 10:00 a.m.
Saturday, February 3, 2018
at Church of the Open Door
4800 S. 20th St. Trafficway, Leavenworth, KS

4-H Cloverbuds (age 5 and 6) are eligible to participate in the following area only. There are no time restrictions for the category. All Cloverbuds will be recognized for their participation.

Name _____________________________________________ Age on 1/1/2018 _____

4-H Club ____________________________________________

□ Sharing Time

Share about something you like to do or a favorite toy. Tell why you like doing the activity or the toy.

Saturday, February 3, 2018

Leavenworth County

Church of the Open Door, 8:30 a.m. – Noon
4800 S. 20th St. Trafficway
Leavenworth, KS

Open to ALL currently enrolled 4-H members.

Cloverbuds eligible only for Toy Talk/Sharing

♦ Come share your talents.
♦ Develop skills that will put you ahead in the game of life!
♦ Promote club spirit!
♦ Try to qualify for Regional 4-H Day!
♦ Looks great on your KAP!
♦ 4-Hers: Complete and turn this form into your club leader or the Extension Office before Feb. 1.
♦ 4-H Club Leaders: Please turn in any entry forms to the Extension Office by Thursday, Feb. 1.
2018 Leavenworth County Club Days Registration Form   Due in Extension Office Feb. 1

Event held February 3, 2018, Church of the Open Door

Name_________________________________  4-H Club_________________________________  Age on 1/1/2018 _____

☐ Show and Tell (age 7-8-no Cloverbuds) Up to 3 min.—NOT Regional event. Member chooses topic.

☐ Project Talk- (age 13 & under-no Cloverbuds) Up to 7 minutes.
   □ Individual
   □ Team
   **Name of team members______________________________

☐ Public Speaking –(ages 14 and up) Up to 15 minutes.
   (Written outline required)

☐ Jr. Demonstration/Illustrated Talk -(age 13 & under no Cloverbuds)
   Up to 10 minutes
   □ Individual
   □ Team
   **Name of team members______________________________

☐ Sr. Demonstration/Illustrated Talk- (ages 14 and up) Up to 15 min.
   □ Individual
   □ Team
   **Name of team members______________________________

☐ Vocal
   □ Solo (1 number) Title______________________________
   □ Ensemble (2 numbers) 2-15 Members

☐ Dance (Individual) 5 minutes
☐ Dance (Small Group, 2-4 members) 5 minutes
   *Names_______________________________________________

☐ Dance (Medium Group, 5-12 members) 5 minutes
   *Names_______________________________________________

☐ Dance (Large Group, 13 + members ) 5 minutes
   *Names_______________________________________________

☐ Jr. Reading (age 13 and under) -Up to 5 minutes
☐ Sr. Reading (age 14 and older) -Up to 5 minutes

☐ Creative Drama—5-15 minutes

☐ Skit—Up to 5 minutes

☐ Other Talent – Up to 5 minutes (novelty, stunts, puppets, pantomime, etc.) Describe______________________________

☐ Model Meeting—35 minutes excluding roll call, including rec. Begins at 8:30 a.m.

☐ Jr. Gavel Games (ages 8-12)
2018 Critical Dates

January
8—Deadline to turn in Sr. level winning KAPs for Area screening. Turn the books in to the Extension Office by 5 p.m. If you were the Sr. level county winner and do not want to send your KAP on please let the office know ASAP.
11—NE Area 4-H KAP Screening, Pottorf Hall, Manhattan. 9:30 a.m. in Manhattan. Adults interested in assisting with screening please contact Brenda. Transportation and lunch are provided.
13—4-H Day with the Lady Cats. Manhattan.
15—Registration for Citizenship Washington Focus DUE. Go to: http://www.cvent.com/events/4-h-citizenship-washington-focus
15—Deadline: Kansas 4-H Horse Panorama registration. Go to: http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/horse/index.html
16—New Family Orientation, 6:00 p.m., Boling Grange Building(RWD#8), 25563 Tonganoxie Rd.
18—4-H Leaders Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Boling Grange Building(RWD#8), 25563 Tonganoxie Rd.
20—Northeast 4-H Leadership Event, Clay Center. Transportation available.
26—KS 4-H Scholarships DUE in Extension Office—For more information, visit: http://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-library/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html
26 - 28 - Kansas 4-H Horse Panorama, Rock Springs.

February
1—Returning members deadline to enroll to be allowed to enter in 4-H classes at LVCO Fair
1—Deadline: Kansas 4-H Dog Scholarship application. For more information visit: http://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animals/dog.html
8—Ambassador Training registration deadline. For more information visit: http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/ambassador-training/index.html
10—Livestock Judging in Topeka
18-19 4-H Citizenship in Action (CIA) See article for details or go to: http://www.cvent.com/events/2018-kansas-4-h-citizenship-in-action/invitation-7d914c1e87d340dd98d6bb26e1266ed2.aspx
21—KAPs selected for state screening must be turned in to the Extension Office by 5 p.m.
23-24 Kansas 4-H Ambassador Training, Rock Springs. See newsletter article or site noted above.

March
3—LVCO Beef Weigh-In, Fairgrounds
17—Junior Sheep Producer Day –see article on page 5 or go to www.youthlivestock.ksu.edu
24—Junior Beef Producer Day—see article on page 5 or go to www.youthlivestock.ksu.edu

April
5-8—Kansas 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Certification Training

May
1—New 4-H member Enrollments Deadline
1—All Horse ID papers DUE in LV Extension Office. 2 year old Snaffle bit project DUE in State Office

June
13-16 Oz-Some Camp

July
20-28—LVCO Fair
ATTENTION ALL New 4-H Families—A new family orientation will be held on Jan. 16, 2018, 6:00 p.m. at the Boling Grange Building, 25563 Tonganoxie Rd. You will receive a new family guide and “what everyone should know about of 4-H” will be covered. Bring the whole family and any questions you have so far.

ATTENTION ALL LEADERS - New and Returning. A Leaders meeting will be held on Jan. 18, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at Boling Grange Building, 25563 Tonganoxie Rd. With all the changes recently in the 4-H Program it’s time for a “reboot” to get the 2018 year going. Explanations of terms and information about a typical year in 4-H will be covered. Please plan on at least one leader from your club attending. However, all leaders—community and project leaders are encouraged to attend. If you have questions please contact Brenda, 913-364-5700