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4-H Club Day is Right Around the Corner

What?

What is 4-H Club Day you ask? 4-H Club Day is an opportunity for youth to show off their talents and practice public speaking. Youth will present or perform in front of a judge and then receive a little feedback and a ribbon. If you like to sing, dance, play an instrument, do a demonstration or talk about a favorite subject or act out a skit then 4-H Club Day is the place for you.



Why?

Participating in Club Day helps youth work on public speaking skills, builds confidence and allows them to show off their amazing talents. Participating in events like this one will help youth develop communication skills, boost critical thinking and increase self-esteem.



When & Where?

Leavenworth County Club Day is always held in February. This year is no different.

Date: February 12, 2021

Where: Church of the Open Door in Leavenworth



How?

How do I register? You will receive a link via email in early January. Please fill out the registration form no later than January 25th. You will also be able to access the registration form on our website once it is emailed out. Please remember to fill out a separate registration form for each participant. If you have any questions, please contact the Extension Office at 913-364-5700.



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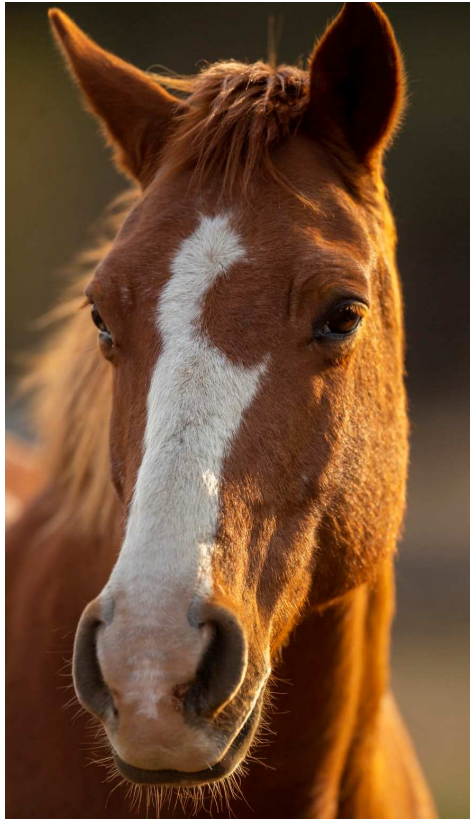
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4-H Horse Panorama

Horse Panorama is a compilation of various contests related to the Horse Project. Contests include: quiz bowl, hippology, public speaking presentations, photography and educational posters. There will also be educational activities for 4-Hers of all ages.

The 2022 4-H Horse Panorama event will be held January 28-30, 2022 at Rock Spring Ranch outside of Junction City, KS.

This event is open to 4-H youth ages 7-18. Leavenworth County's Panorama team has been busy practicing to get ready for this

great event. If you are interested in participating in the 4-H Horse Panorama in the future, please talk to our horse project leader, Katherine Shade for more details.

Good luck to those Leavenworth County youth who will be participating in this year's 4-H Horse Panorama.

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

Add/Drop Date for Projects—February 1st

This year's add/drop date for 4-H projects is fast approaching. February 1st is the deadline for all returning 4-hers to add or drop any 4-H projects. After February 1st, all projects are locked in for the 2021-2022 4-H year and can not be changed.

If this is your 1st year in 4-H, you have until May 1st to add or drop projects. After May 1st, your projects are locked in for the 2021-2022 4-H year.

I strongly encourage you to log in to your 4-Honline account before February 1st and double check that your kiddo's projects are correct. You can do this by login in, selecting view next to the 4-her you wish to check and then on the left hand side of the screen in the menu list you will see projects. Click on projects to view all that

the selected 4-Her is enrolled in. Projects can be changed or added by calling the Extension Office at 913-364-5700 or sending an email to Tina Packard at tpackard@ksu.edu.

Project Spotlight—Dairy Goats

In the dairy goat program, youth will acquire skills such as marketing, processing multiple products, consumption of productions, and distribution. Goats, milk, cheese, and soap are all examples of products that youth can learn to produce in the dairy goat project. Youth will discover possible career opportunities while raising their dairy goat. Youth will gain practical skills to further grow their herds such as animal husbandry, veterinary skills, animal handling, animal selection, market value, and more.

Expand Your Experiences!

Healthy Living

- Create a biosecurity plan for taking animals to shows.
- Study the quality and health benefits of goat's milk.
- Learn about the various products that can be made from goat's milk.

Science and Agriculture

- Design and build dairy goat housing, fencing, and holding facilities.
- Analyze soil samples on pasture to determine management needs for herd.
- Evaluate animal characteristics and breed for desired traits.

Community Vitality

- Volunteer your dairy goat for teaching purposes at a community event.
- Mentor younger youth interested in showing dairy goats.
- Participate in quiz bowl and other judging contests to further your knowledge.

Communication and the Arts

- Design a poster on dairy goat breeds.
- Teach others about showmanship techniques.
- Invite others to see your herd and answer questions.

4-H Scholarships

Along with local scholarships like the ones I names in my November newsletter, there are also 4-H state scholarships that are available.

The Kansas 4-H Foundation partners with Kansas 4-H to offer over 50 different scholarships to help fund higher education for 4-H youth who are high school seniors or older.

Visit the State 4-H website or use this link <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html> for more information and the scholarship application.

State 4-H Applications are due to the Extension Office by February 11th so we can make sure they are ready and 4-Hers can get them sent to the State 4-H office by the

March 1st deadline.

As a reminder, don't forget to check out our local scholarships as well such as the David Klamm Scholarship that is for past 4-hers who are in their second year of college or trade school. The deadline for this scholarship application is March 1st. The application can be found on our local website under 4-H Youth Development and then Awards and Scholarships.

