



Getting back on track.....

I know it has been a crazy 6 months for us all and I know there is great uncertainty around what our future will look like including school, activities and events. One thing I do know is that 4-H will remain a constant in these uncertain times. We are all together 4-H Strong.

With that being said, it is time to get back on track. The new 4-H year is right around the corner. Community clubs are starting to meet again, project meetings are starting to happen and 4-H newsletters will again start hitting your inboxes. I look forward to our next 4-H year together and working hard to continue supporting our Leavenworth County 4-H youth, volunteers and families.



You are **strong**.
You are **courageous**.
You are an **inspiration**
to us all.

New 4-H Year Starts October 1st

Why 4-H?

In 4-H, we believe in the power of young people. We see that every child has valuable strengths and real influence to improve the world around us. We are America's largest youth development organization—empowering nearly six million young people across the U.S. and over 74,000 youth in Kansas with the skills to lead for a lifetime.

KICK  OFF!

The new 4-H year!



When do I enroll in 4-H?

Enrollment for the new 4-H year begins October 1st. Please enroll as soon as possible once the new year begins. Delay in enrollment may result in ineligibility to participate in 4-H meetings and activities. Please do not wait!

How do I Enroll for the 2020-21 4-H Year?

- Visit <https://ks.4honline.com> (beginning October 1)
- 4honline functions best with the Chrome or Firefox web browser
- It is advised not to attempt to enroll or re-enroll using your cell phone.
- NEVER create a new individual or family profile if one already exists
- LOGIN to existing family profile for reenrollments
- If you have forgotten your password, it can easily be reset. Contact the Extension Office and we will reset it for you.
- Check out the enrollment guide located on our website or through the link on 4honline to help you through the process.
- We strongly encourage you to pay your enrollment fees by credit card or debit card. Paying by check may take up to 30 days to process through the State Office.
- Don't have a computer or internet, no problem. You can enroll at the Extension Office. Come by anytime Monday - Friday, 8am - 5pm.
- Call or come into the office for assistance



Record Book Corner is BLOWING up this month because.....



It's Record Book Time!!



One of the true 4-H learning experiences is record keeping. This does take time, but 4-H'ers learn important skills that will benefit them in the future. 4-H'ers will keep a continuous record of their 4-H experiences as long as they remain a 4-H'er. All 4-H members are asked to complete a 4-H Record Book each year as part of 4-H Membership. A record book will be composed of a Record Book Check-List, Completed Personal Page, a 4-H story and the Permanent Record. 4-H'ers are also encouraged to complete a KAP of at least one of their projects for the year. The KAP or Kansas Award Portfolio is a record of what the 4-Her did within a specific project. Record book forms including check-list, personal page, permanent record, and KAP forms by age are located on our web page: http://www.leavenworth.k-state.edu/4-h/forms_resources.html

Record Books and KAP forms should all be submitted to your club leader by the due date as specified by your club leader. Each club will have a different deadline. Your leaders will then submit these to the Extension Office by October 1, 2020.

I DARE YOU Award

The "I Dare You!" Leadership Award was first offered in 1941 by William H. Danforth. Mr. Danforth was a successful businessman who dared young people to achieve their highest potential and to influence others through lives of leadership and service. The "I Dare You!" Leadership Award recognizes those who, with a little encouragement, are ready to see themselves as leaders— young adults who are ready to take the dare.

American Youth Foundation sponsors the award. It is awarded to one 4-H member each year. Leaders complete the nomination forms. (May nominate more than one member from club). For complete rules and application go to the Leavenworth County 4-H website or pick up a copy at the Extension Office. Nominees should have completed Sophomore year in high school and be currently enrolled in the Leadership project. Nomination forms are due to the extension office by October 1, 2020.

Membership Pin Applications

Membership pins are designed to recognize youth for achieving that level of participation in the 4-H program. This is not a competitive process. All youth who complete an application and whose application is judged as complete will receive a recognition pin. Applications have been reviewed for 2020 to accommodate this crazy year we have had due to COVID. Application forms can be found on our web page: www.leavenworth.k-state.edu/4-h/awards_scholarships.html

All pin applications should all be submitted to your club leader by the due date as specified by your club leader. Each club will have a different deadline. Your leaders will then submit these to the Extension Office by October 1, 2020.



2020 Critical Dates

September

- 10** Record Book Workshop via Zoom @ 6pm
- 14** Record Book Office Hrs via Zoom - 2pm—4pm
- 16** Leaders Meeting @ 7pm (In Person) - Location TBA
- 17** Record Book Office Hrs via Zoom - 10am—11:30am
- 21** Youth Leadership Council Applications Due - if interested, see extension office for details
- 22** Record Book Office Hrs via Zoom - 2pm—4pm
- 28** LV CO 4-H Council Meeting, 7pm, Fairgrounds (In Person)

October

- 1** New 4-H Year Begins - Registration opens in 4-Honline
- 1** Record books, Pin Apps and Club Summaries are due to the Extension Office
- 2-4** Kansas Junior Livestock Show
- 4-10** National 4-H Week
- 7-18** Fall TSC Paper Clover Fundraiser
- 10-11** 48 Hours of 4-H
- 15** Financial Documents due to extension office
- 15** Early Deadline for Kansas Leadership Forum
- 26** LV CO 4-H Council Meeting, 7pm, Tonganoxie Fairgrounds (In Person)

November

- 1** Club Organizational Forms Due to the Extension Office
- 1** Kansas Leadership Forum registration due
- 7** LV CO Achievement Celebration
- 21-22** Virtual Kansas Leadership Forum
- 23** LV CO 4-H Council Meeting, 7pm, Tonganoxie Fairgrounds (In Person)

I love 4-H



UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

Record Book Workshop and Office Hours

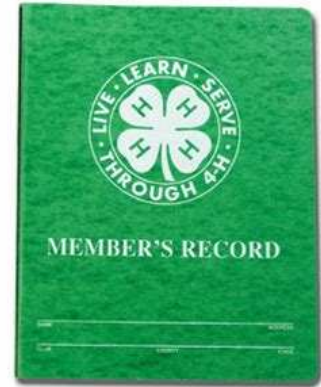
- I will be holding a Record Book Workshop through zoom on Thursday, September 10th @ 6pm. The workshop will cover why we do record books and how to get started. If you are interested, email sonyam@ksu.edu for a link to the meeting.
- In addition to the workshop, I will be holding record book office hours. This will be a zoom meeting where you can pop on and ask any questions you may have. Office Hours will be as follows:

Monday, Sept. 14th from 2pm—4pm

Thursday, Sept. 17th from 10am - 11:30am

Tuesday, Sept. 22nd from 2pm - 4pm

Zoom Meeting Code for Office Hrs: 952 1958 8432



Kansas Youth Leadership Forum (KYLf)

Dates: November 21-22, 2020

Virtual Event

KYLf is going virtual this year. Forum is an exciting event for youth 14-18 years olds. Highlights of the forum will be inspirational speakers, workshops, and interaction with other 4-Hers in a virtual format. Contact the Extension Office or visit <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html> and select Leadership Forum for more information.

Fall 2020 TSC Paper Clover

Dates: October 7-18, 2020

Location: Lansing TSC

Each spring and fall, Tractor Supply helps raise money for 4-H programs through the sale of Paper Clovers in their stores. In the most recent campaign we raised over \$981,000 nationwide. 90% of funds raised go back to state and local 4-H programs to support scholarships for camp and leadership activities. For more information please contact your community leaders or the Extension Office.



LEAVENWORTH COUNTY 4-H FOUNDATION

The Leavenworth County 4-H Foundation was created as a not for profit corporation exclusively for charitable and educational purposes to support and assist, make grants and fits in support and assistance of Leavenworth County 4-H youth and adult leaders' achievement in the areas of leadership, education, and citizenship.

Graduating Senior Scholarships

The Leavenworth County 4-H Foundation offers educational scholarships to graduating 4-Hers ranging from \$500 to \$900. Each 4-Her who is a Graduating Senior will be mailed an application. It is due to the foundation by March 1st.

Event Scholarships

The Leavenworth County 4-H Foundation offers event scholarships to current 4-Hrs. Below are the list of events and scholarship amounts available at this time.

Washington Focus	-----	\$800.00
IFYE (International 4-H Youth Exchange)	-----	\$800.00
National 4-H Congress	-----	\$800.00
Kansas Youth Leadership Forum	-----	\$150.00
Beef Training	-----	\$150.00

For more information or for an application, please call the foundation at 785-842-4936



COVID-19 MEETING GUIDELINES FOR CLUBS & 4-H EVENTS

As of July 5, 4-H clubs can go back to meeting face to face with proper guidelines put in place. These may include finding a location to meet that you can properly social distance between family groups (outside is recommended for the next month or two) and encouraging masks for all who attend. I also encourage leaders to provide a virtual option for those families who may not feel comfortable attending a face to face option. Please read the below information and use it as a guidance as you prepare for your next 4-H events. Remember, our number one goal is to keep families safe while still providing them the opportunity to engage in 4-H activities.

Before the Meeting/Event:

- ⇒ Set up a virtual option for those families who are not comfortable attending in person
- ⇒ Make sure the space you are using will accommodate the amount of families who will be attending while maintaining social distancing
- ⇒ Encourage those exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 to stay home.

During the Meeting/Event:

- ⇒ Have your COVID 19 meeting kit available. This kit includes masks and sanitizer for your meetings. Leaders, see the extension office, if you have not received one.
- ⇒ When planning the meeting make sure you choose a format that allows proper social distancing. You may need to be creative when planning role call and recreation.
- ⇒ Plan ahead for any equipment that may be used. Put a plan in place to properly disinfect the equipment between uses and when done.
- ⇒ At this time we do not recommend having snacks at meetings.

After the Meeting/Event:

- ⇒ Have a plan in place to disinfect the entire area including tables, chairs, bathrooms and any other equipment that may have been used. Follow the guidance of the facility where you are meeting for proper sanitizing and cleaning.



What is National 4-H Week about?

Promoting, sharing, inspiring others, and showing the world what 4-H is all about.

What can I do?

- Talk about 4-H and your experiences to your friends, your school, your church, your community.
- Bring a friend to a 4-H meeting
- Volunteer in your community
- Wear your green!