

THE 4-H NEWSLETTER



MARCH
2024

4-H'ERS LEARN LIFE SKILLS AT 4-H DAY

Butler County 4-H held their annual 4-H Day on February 25th, 2024 at Butler Community College. 4-H Day offers youth the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of events including vocal, instrumental, piano, skits, project talks, demonstrations, public speaking, impromptu presentations and an event called Crunch Time/Pickle Power. These events give youth the opportunity to learn and enhance life skills.

Project Talks are intended for youth up to 12 years of age and help them gain confidence in expressing themselves before an audience. Demonstrations are defined as a “show-how” process involving doing or making something while giving an explanation to a judge and audience. Illustrated talks are a “tell-how” process. Visuals such as equipment, supplies, posters, graphs, charts, etc. can all be used to help the youth present the information.

Public speaking and impromptu presentation are designed specifically for older and more experienced 4-H'ers. The purpose of these presentations are to assist the older 4-H'ers as they further develop confidence and skills in speaking before an audience. Youth participating in impromptu presentation selects a topic and then has 7 minutes to prepare a speech and then present it. The topic reflects upon current events and/or a 4-H topic. Youth learn the importance of the introduction, body and conclusion parts of a speech.

Crunch Time/Pickle Power is an event that youth really enjoy. This event is open to all 4-H'ers from 7 to 18 years of age. Youth are given two different age specific, ethical topics to review and then choose one to tell about to a judge. They analyze the problem and present alternatives and a solution.

The skits, vocal, dance, piano and instrumental events allow youth to learn these skills and exhibit their talents in front of a judge and audience. They learn poise, confidence, and how to perform in front of a group. Some of these also require the memorization of music.

Youth participants also have the opportunity to participate and show their knowledge in judging contests: Horticulture, Family and Consumer Science and Livestock Skill-a-thon. Youth have to work through scenarios and identify different items related to the three judging areas.

4-H Day is just one of the many educational strategies and opportunities for youth and adults to work in partnership as they develop life skills.

The top youth in the speaking and gavel games divisions earned the right to represent Butler County at Regional 4-H Day in April.

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FEELING LUCKY?

Happy
St. Patrick's
Day!

"Wishing you a pot o'gold and all the joy
your heart can hold." ~Unknown



LEADER'S LOUNGE

March Check-Up

- Encourage 4-H'ers to invite their friends to attend a meeting
- Encourage 4-H'ers to share what they are doing at school
- Ask your 4-H parents to encourage others to get involved

Review

- Read the 4-H Newsletter and mark important dates on the calendar
- Review highlights from the 4-H Newsletter at your club meeting

Promote/Recruit

- YQCA for all 4-H'ers enrolled in animal projects

To-Do

- Start speaking with your club members on how they can show appreciation to their club volunteers during April's National Volunteer Week.
- Check in with project leaders to ensure they are on task and holding meetings
- Check club mailbox at the Extension Office
- Remind 4-Her's to enroll and select projects in 4-H Online by the May 1st deadline
- Help 4-Her's plan and prepare projects for the fair
- Check out the Kansas 4-H Club Resources page [HERE](#)

Remember

- Make it a fun and rewarding year!
- Horse ID Papers are due June 1st
- Animal Care and Housing Form and Owner Certification of Market Animal Forms are due June 1st. These forms can now be submitted digitally and found on our website [HERE](#). Paper forms are also acceptable and found at the same link. Families can take their pick, just remember to turn them in!



IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

MARCH

- **March 1st:** Kansas 4-H Scholarship Application Deadline
- **March 2nd:** Junior Beef Producer Day - Manhattan
- **March 12th:** YQCA In-Person Training
- **March 14th:** Youth Lawn Mowing Clinic
- **March 14th:** State 4-H Horse Judging Contest
- **March 16th:** Horse Project Meeting - Wichita Riding Academy
- **March 16th:** Junior Sheep Producer Day - Manhattan
- **March 19th:** Clipping Clinic - Butler Community College Ag Facility
- **March 23rd:** 4-H Super Saturday Judging Contest

April

- **April 1st:** 4-H Council Meeting
- **April 12th:** Club Quarterly Report Deadline
- **April 13th:** Regional 4-H Day
- **April 16th:** Fitting Clinic - Butler Community College Ag Facility
- **April 18th:** YQCA In-Person Training
- **April 19th-24th:** National 4-H Conference
- **April 20th:** Spring State Shooting Sports Match
- **April 20th:** Last Day to Order Market Beef DNA Envelopes for State Nomination
- **April 21st:** Swine, Bucket Calf, Sheep & Meat Goat Tagging 3:00-6:00 p.m.
- **April 21st:** Market Dairy Wether ID Forms Deadline
- **April 21st-27th:** National Volunteer Week

May

- **May 1st:** Project Enrollment Deadline to Participate in the County Fair
- **May 1st:** 4-H Online Enrollment Deadline to Participate in the County Fair
- **May 1st:** Market Beef State Nominations Due
- **May 8th:** Bucket Calf Clinic
- **May 12th:** Black & Gold Spring Show
- **May 23rd:** 4-H Mini Fair
- **May 30th:** YQCA In-Person Training
- **May 30th:** Butler County YQCA Deadline
- **May 30th:** Animal Care and Housing and Market Animal Certification Forms Due
- **May 30th:** Horse ID Forms Deadline
- **May 31st:** Online YQCA Certificates Due 11:30 a.m.

See the full 2023-2024 Calander HERE

YQCA

YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a national, multi-species quality assurance program for youth ages 7 to 18. This program promotes food safety, animal well-being and character development. With YQCA, you'll discover what it takes to be an informed producer, consumer and employee of the agriculture and food industries.

YQCA is REQUIRED to be Eligible to Exhibit ALL ANIMAL EXHIBITS (Except Horses) at the Butler County 4-H Fair.



The YQCA Deadline for Participating in the 2024 Butler County 4-H Fair is May 30th, 2024 at 11:59 PM.

Youth are required to take YQCA in-person or online; if taken online, a certificate of completion must be submitted to the Extension Office by May 31st at 11:30 a.m..

You can find more information about YQCA [HERE](#).

- Tuesday, March 12th
- Thursday, April 18th
- Tuesday, May 30th

**All Classes will be held from 6:00 p.m.–7: 30 p.m. in the Community/4-H Building (200 N. Griffith, El Dorado).

Frequently Asked YQCA Questions:

• **Is YQCA mandatory for all 4-H'ers?**

YQCA is required to show animals at the Butler County 4-H Fair, the Kansas State Fair, and the Kansas Junior Livestock Show. 8-18 yr. olds must pass a web based or instructor led training. 7 year olds must attend an instructor led course.

• **How much does getting certified cost?**

The online module certification is \$12, and the instructor-led training method of certification is \$3.

• **Does the YQCA certification ID sync with 4-H online?**

Yes, you will sign in using your 4-H Online information.

• **I only show horses. Do I need to be YQCA certified?**

No. Right now, YQCA, is not required for 4-H Horse Project Members.

• **Do 4-H'ers need to update their YQCA certification number each year?**

Yes they do. Youth should re-certify around the same time they tested each year.

• **Do I need to register before class?**

Yes! You must register and pay online before attending an instructor-led class.

• **Does Butler County 4-H get the registration money?**

No, all registration money is online and goes to YQCA.



2024 BUTLER COUNTY 4-H DAY RESULTS

CloverBud Presentations:

Grant Hadley PH
Kaysen Wiseman HH
Reuben Jurgens EDB

TEAM DEMONSTRATION/ ILLUSTRATED TALK - INTERMEDIATE: KARLY PEAK & KENZIE SOMMERS PH - BLUE

Demonstrations/Illustrated Talks

Juniors:

Lucas Jurgens EDB - Blue
Nolan Peters PH - Blue
Susannah Carter EDB - Red

Intermediate:

Madelynn Ikner PH - Purple
Carson Brackenridge NB - Purple
Julia Amend NB - Purple
Evie Blackston LL - Blue
Karly Peak PH - Blue
Wylie Pierce BBB - Blue
Hannah Carter EDB - Red

Senior:

Cora Brackenridge NB - Purple
Kylee Barlett PH - Purple
Alaxis Jensen BBB - Purple
Jonathon Peak PH - Blue
Mikalyn Peak PH - Red

PROJECT TALKS

JUNIOR:

ALEXANDER NEUHAUS LL - BLUE

INTERMEDIATE:

**JACK MYERS BBB - PURPLE
EMMALYNN NELSON BBB - PURPLE
BRAXTON WISEMAN HH - RED
KOOPER WISEMAN HH - RED**

MULTI-MEDIA

PRESENTATION:

GRACE RICKE PH - PURPLE

Readings

Juniors:

Susannah Carter EDB - Red
Phinehas Jurgens EDB - Red
Jett Myers BBB - Red

Intermediate:

Brynlie Nichols BBB - Purple
Kennedy Strecker TR - Purple
Justice Milburn LL - Purple
Hope Milburn LL - Blue
Ella Amend NB - Blue
Evie Blackston LL - Blue
Hannah Carter EDB - Blue
Julia Amend NB - Red

Senior:

Molly Fitzgerald PH - Purple
Ellie Nelson BBB - Purple
Jackson Strecker TR - Purple

INSTRUMENTAL SOLOS

INTERMEDIATE:

JUSTICE MILBURN LL - PURPLE

ELLA AMEND NB - PURPLE

WILEY PIERCE BBB - PURPLE

HOPE MILBURN LL - BLUE

LUKE PARKER FH - RED

EVIE BLACKSTON LL - BLUE

EMILY FITZGERALD PH - BLUE

SENIOR:

KYLE PARKER FH - PURPLE

KIERA YARBROUGH NB - PURPLE

KALEB MASHKE LL (DIDGERIDOO) - BLUE

ALAXIS JENSEN BBB - BLUE

KALEB MASHKE LL (TUBA) - BLUE

2024 BUTLER COUNTY 4-H DAY RESULTS CONT.

PIANO SOLOS

JUNIOR:

SARAH MEANS EDB - BLUE

INTERMEDIATE:

VALERIE SOMMERS PH - PURPLE

KARLY PEAK PH - BLUE

KENZIE SOMMERS PH - BLUE

GABRIEL MEANS EDB - BLUE

SENIOR:

MIKALYN PEAK PH - BLUE

CORA BRACKENRIDGE NB - BLUE

HANNAH MEANS EDB - BLUE

Piano Duets

Intermediate:

Hannah & Susannah Carter EDB - Blue

Senior:

Gabriel & Hannah Means EDB - Purple

VOCAL SOLOS

JUNIOR:

ALEXANDER NEUHAUS LL - PURPLE

INTERMEDIATE:

JOHNATHAN NEUHAUS LL - BLUE

SENIOR:

GRACE RICKE PH - PURPLE

RILEY GARCIA CB - PURPLE

KALEB MASHKE LL - BLUE

Livestock Skill-a-Thon Judging

Junior:

First - Kayson Wiseman HH

Second - Jacob Gardner EDB

Third - Nolan Peters PH

Intermediate & Senior:

First - Ellie Nelson BBB

Second - Kyle Parker FH

Third/Tie - Kylee Nichols BBB &

Jackson Strecker TR

Individual Dance

Intermediate:

Valerie Sommers PH - Purple

Kenzie Sommers PH - Purple

Senior:

Brenna Sommers PH - Purple

Kaley Fitzgerald PH - Purple

Riley Garcia CB - Purple

GROUP DANCE:

PURPLE HEART - PURPLE

EL DORADO BOOSTERS - PURPLE

Gavel Games

Intermediate:

Benton Busy Bees - Blue

Purple Heart 2 - Blue

Purple Heart 1 - Red

Senior:

Purple Heart 3 - Blue

FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE

JUDGING

JUNIOR:

FIRST/TIE - ADDILEE SWARTZ PH &

NOLAN PETERS PH

SECOND - EZEKIEL GUERMONPREZ PH

THIRD - GIAN GUERMONPREZ PH

INTERMEDIATE:

FIRST - ELI CARRUTHERS EDB

SECOND/TIE - ALLISON HOLLIDAY BBB &

RIVER HORNER PH

THIRD - EVIE BLACKSTON LL

SENIOR:

FIRST - JADON GUERMONPREZ PH

SECOND - KYLEE BARLETT PH

THIRD - GRACE RICKE PH

REGIONAL 4-H DAY

April 13, 2024

Sedgwick County Extension Office

COUNTIES

- Butler County
- Cowley County
- Sedgwick County

Congratulations to our Butler County 4-H Qualifiers

Intermediate Reading

1. Brynlie Nichols - BBB
2. Kennedy Strecker - TR
3. Justice Milbourn - LL

Senior Reading

1. Molly Fitzgerald - PH
2. Ellie Nelson - BBB
3. Jackson Strecker - TR

Intermediate Project Talks

1. Jack Myers - BBB
2. Emmalyn Nelson - BBB

Jr. Demo/Illustrated Talks

1. Nolan Peters - PH
2. Lucas Jurgens - EDB

Intermediate Gavel Games

1. Benton Busy Bees (Brynlie Nichols, Allison Holliday, Wylie Pierce, Lorelai Sullenger)
2. Purple Heart 2 (Kenzie Sommers, Gian Guermonprez, River Horner, Madelyn Ikner)

Senior Gave Games

1. Purple Heart 3 (Brenna Sommers, Grace Ricke, Mikalyn Peak, Jadon Guermonprez)

Events

- Public Presentations
- Demonstration and Illustrated Talks
- Project Talks
- Public Speaking
- Readings

Int. Demo Illustrated Talks

1. Maddy Ikner - PH
2. Carson Brackenridge - NB
3. Julia Amend - NB

Sr. Demo/Illustrated Talks

1. Cora Brackenridge - NB
2. Kylee Barlett - PH
3. Alaxis Jensen - BBB

Jr. Project Talk

1. Alex Neuhaus - LL



2024 BUTLER COUNTY FAIR

Fair Dates

July 18th - 22nd, 2024
July 23rd Clean up and
release of exhibits

Pre-Entries

- Pre-Entries are required for all 4-H/FFA projects
- Cloverbuds will only need to pre-enter if participating in Fashion Revue
- Butler County will be using FairEntry once again this year for pre-entries
- Make sure you receive your confirmation e-mail!

Fair Rules

The 2024 4-H/FFA Rulebook has been posted on our website at <https://www.butler.k-state.edu/4hfair/2024%204-H%20FFA%20Fair%20Rules.pdf>

Important 2024 Deadlines

- **April 21st:** Small Animal Tagging*
- **April 21st:** Market Dairy Wether ID Form Deadline
- **April 21st:** Bucket Calf Tagging Deadline*
- **May 1st:** 4-H Project Enrollment Deadline
- **May 30th:** YQCA Deadline
- **May 30th:** Market Animal Certification and Animal Care and Housing Forms Deadline
- **May 30th:** Horse ID Deadline*
- **May 31st:** Online YQCA Certificates Due
- **June 1st:** Pre-Entries Open
- **June 13th:** Dairy Heifers/Cow ID Deadline*
- **June 13:** Breeding Animal Tagging Deadline*
- **June 15th:** Livestock Registration Paper Deadline*
- **June 24th:** Pre-Entries Close at 12 a.m.
- **July 15th:** 4-H Meeting Requirement Deadline

[See Animal Tagging Chart HERE](#)



2024 BUTLER COUNTY FAIR UPDATES

New for 2024

Educational Exhibits

- Veterinary Science Project
- Wildlife Project

Buymanship

- Is now “Shopping In Style”
- Included educational exhibits



Show Opportunity

Sign up and show this spring
To qualify for the Walnut River Rematch, the exhibitor must show at the *Walnut River Showdown* on April 27, 2024

Show again at the County Fair
Exhibitor will designate 1 Market Beef and/or 1 Heifer at the Spring Show to compete in the **Rematch** at the Butler County Fair

Exhibit in the Rematch Class
Prizes will be awarded for all qualified cattle entered in the Walnut River Showdown “Rematch” classes at the Butler County Fair

At the 2024 Butler County Fair
July 19-23
Questions: 316-734-6560
www.walnutrivershowdown.org

CLUB NEWS

Cassoday Boosters

The Cassoday Boosters 4-H Club met at 7pm at the Flinthills Primary School on February 19th. Vice President Emily S. conducted this meeting. Beef weigh in will be on Saturday, February 24th at the Flinthills High School agriculture buildings in Rosalia. 4-H days will be held on Sunday, February 25th at Butler Community College. The club approved to donate a hundred dollars to the Kansas 4-H Foundation. The club also approved to pay for 4 livestock tags for each of our members. The club will begin selling Blue & Gold sausage products for a fundraiser soon. Orders will be due on March 24th. We will be bringing ideas for a club booth at the 4-H Mini Fair to our next meeting. Next month's meeting will be on March 18th at 7pm in Rosalia. It will be Parent's Night so the parents will take over the offices of their kids.

Benton Busy Bees

The February monthly meeting was called to order by Parent President Stacie N. on Sunday February 5th at the Benton Community Building. February is our parent meeting, where the parents get to conduct the meeting and fill in for their kids' office. It is always a well-attended meeting, full of fun. Roll call was answered by your kids' birthday, some parents might have had some cliff notes; others nailed it with several kids and even had the year their child was born. During the committee reports; Benton Day Committee mentioned that they will be meeting on March 3rd to finish up on some planning ahead of Benton Days in early April. Leader reports discussed the newsletter and all the events coming up. Beef Weigh in and Club Days are quickly approaching, look for the schedules to be coming out soon. Make sure everyone is enrolled in the projects they want to take. Also, YQCA trainings are out there so make sure to sign up.

For the program, Justin W., Parent Vice President provided a cupcake decorating demonstration, using parent volunteers who were blindfolded and given special "utensils" to accomplish the task. It was a lot of laughing during that demonstration!!

Recreation parent leader Travis P. led the club in a parent / kid "Rock Paper Scissor" game; kids got the parents on that one, we couldn't seem to win those rounds we lost to the kids, maybe next year we can get our revenge.

Kyle "Fuzzy" N. - Parent Reporter BBB





CITIZENSHIP IN ACTION

9 of our Butler County 4-H'ers took the trip to Topeka, KS over President's Day Weekend to attend Citizenship in Action. This two day event is sponsored by the State 4-H Youth Leadership Council. The purpose of the event 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 local communities. The legislative visit not only familiarizes youth with the capitol building, but also shows them how they can affect the legislative process.



4-H AND BEYOND!



Janelle S.

Hickory Helpers

Janelle was her school's Spelling Bee Champion! Janelle went on to participate in the county wide spelling bee.

Brynlie N.

Benton Busy Bees

Brynlie recently competed at the Arizona National Livestock Show in the 4-H Creed speaking competition. Brynlie received 4th place out of 25 participants.



Riley G.

Cassoday Boosters

Riley was recently crowned Winter Homecoming Queen at her local high school!





YOUTH LAWN MOWING CLINIC

Thursday, March 14th, 2024
Butler Community Building
200 N. Griffith - El Dorado, KS
Registration Begins at 9:20 a.m. Clinic Will Be 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

You Will Learn:

- ✓ Lawn Mower Safety
- ✓ Lawn Mower Maintenance
- ✓ Proper Care for Various Types of Turfgrass
- ✓ Business Skills Necessary to Run Your Own Lawn Mowing Business

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

CLINIC COST IS \$10

This clinic is designed for youth in 5th through 9th grade

REGISTER NOW

📞 316-321-9660
✉ callae@ksu.edu



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COME & JOIN US FOR OUR

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THURSDAY, MAY 23RD
**BUTLER COMMUNITY/
4-H BUILDING
200 N. GRIFFITH
EL DORADO**

06:00PM - 08:00PM
SET UP BEGINS AT 5:30 P.M.

FREE ENTRY

Events

Horticulture Judging, Show and Tell, Club Booths,
Favorite Foods Contest, Clover Clink (Bring Your
Quarters!), Livestock Skill-a-Thon, Water Balloon Toss
(Cash Prizes!)

Please Fill Out This Form For Pre-Entries and Club Booths

<https://forms.gle/ZHsTfnG7Adr148jP7>

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Clipping Clinic

Butler County 4-H and the Butler Community College Livestock Judging Team are coming together to provide a Livestock Clipping Clinic. Hands on experience makes this a great learning opportunity. Breeding Does included this year!



Pizza will be provided. Cost is \$5 per person for non-Butler County 4-H Members



Tuesday, March 19, 2024
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Butler Community College
Agriculture Complex
2510 SW 20th, El Dorado, KS

RSVP Here: <https://forms.gle/U7DDiuDgavKzDKAR6>



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Butler County Youth Livestock Foundation's
• 10th ANNUAL •

WALNUT RIVER SHOWDOWN

SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024

El Dorado, KS • Butler County Fairgrounds

FEATURING

More than
\$4,500 in cash,
prizes, and
scholarships

Buckles awarded
for Invitational
Advanced
Showmanship

Prizes awarded in
Junior and Senior
Showmanship
Classes

BCCC
Scholarships
awarded for
Showmanship

Cash awards up to \$500 for the Top Five Overall Market Beef & Breeding Heifer Classes



BEYOND THE RING
JUNIOR LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION
Sanctioned Event



QUESTIONS
316.253.4590 or
316.734.6560



Walnut River
Showdown Spring
Beef Show

Scan the code for entry form and details
or visit walnutrivershowdown.org



Check in from 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Bucket Calves at 11:30 • Heifers at Noon



NW 4-H

Judging Event

Super Saturday

Saturday, March 23, 9:00am -Finish

Host Site: FHSU Albertson Hall on campus and Livestock Pavilion north of I-70. Hays, Kansas

Judging Contests include:

Crops, Entomology, Horticulture, Life Skills, Photography, Livestock Skill-a-thon and Livestock Judging

Project Opportunities: (These are for NON-LIVESTOCK Judging youth)

- 1) KS Shooting Sports Ambassadors will host a non shooting, educational, hands-on activity.
- 2) The Ins and Outs of the dog project - make a parachute cord leash and other dog project related learning activities - \$8.00
- 3) Hands-on STEM activities that coordinate with basic engineering and match up with several 4-H projects.
- 4) Club meeting ideas, activities and challenges, that are great for officer leadership teams.
- 5) Fiber Arts - Bohemian Macramé wall hanging - \$15

Volunteer Sessions for Parents and Volunteers - Free Sack Lunches provided with mandatory RSVP - \$8.00



Registration Link:

https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6n7ovscdg5SbzEO

If you have any questions concerning this event, you may contact Robyn Trussel at 785-798-5020 or rdeines@ksu.edu or Chandra Plate at 620-388-7157 or cplate@ksu.edu

Time Line:

March 15th - Registrations for lunch and Project opportunities due

March 23rd:

- 9:00am to 12:30pm - Indoor Judging (Crops, Entomology, Horticulture, Photography, Life Skills, and Livestock Skill-a-thon)
- 10:00am to noon - Volunteer/ Parent Session
- 11:30am to 12:30pm Pick up Sack Lunch
- 12:30pm Check in for livestock Judging at Livestock Pavilion , north of I-70
- 1:00pm Livestock Judging Orientation
- 1:00pm to 3:00pm Project Opportunities
- 1:30pm Livestock Judging Contest Begins

Results:

Livestock Judging Classes will be talked at the conclusion of reasons being given, all other contest results will be sent out 5-7 business days after the event.

Who: Any 4-H or FFA Youth 7-18 years of age, plus volunteers and parents

Where: FHSU Albertson Hall second floor for Indoor and Livestock Pavilion North of I-70 for Livestock Judging

Cost: \$7 per individual (1 contest or multiple)

\$8 Sack Lunch- Sandwich, chips, fruit, cookie and drink

Project Opportunities : Shooting Sports (Free), Dog Project (\$8.00)

STEM Activities (FREE), Club Activities (Free), Fiber Arts (\$15.00)



Contest Divisions:

Juniors - age 7-8 participation prizes only

Intermediates - age 9-13

Seniors - age 14 and over



Team Notice -- A younger member may move up an age croup to complete a team but will be required to complete the requirements of the age division through the entire contest.

Awards:

Certificates and medals will be awarded in the intermediate and senior divisions. The top three individual and the top team will receive medals. The top 10 individuals and top 3 teams will receive certificates. Medals and Certificates will be delivered to the home county at the earliest time possible. Junior division will participate as a "learning experience" and receive a 4-H incentive at each judging area. Results will be posted to <https://www.walnutcreek.k-state.edu/>

NW 4-H Super Saturday Judging Event Eligibility Requirements: Any current member of a 4-H Club and/or FFA chapter is eligible to participate.

Judging Teams: a county, district or chapter may enter one or more three/four member teams in all judging contest areas. Present team member names at registration. If team are not identified at registration they will not be scored as a team. Top 3 scores will be used to determine team score. Team members must be from the same local unit.

Livestock Judging: Laurel & Logan Despain, Eva Hinrichsen, Jenilee Godsey

This judging contest is designed to teach youth how to analyze market and breeding beef, goats, sheep and swine, measuring them against a standard that is commonly accepted as ideal. There will be six classes. Juniors and intermediates will have 2 classes of questions, with no reasons. Seniors will give two sets of reasons. Officials will give placings and talk the classes at the end of the contest and awards will be announced.

Crops: Justin Goodno and Stacey Campbell

The contest will consist of identification of plants and samples, classification of samples (crop, noxious weed or common weed) all youth will identify 100 samples (50 seeds and 50 plants) a tie breaker of 6 samples will be used.

Entomology: Jake Faulkender, Kelsi Luman, Ashley Conness, Kristy Packard

The contest is designed to help youth learn how to properly identify Kansas insects. Each division will identify insect specimens, Juniors will identify 15, Intermediates 20 and Seniors 25.

Horticulture: Ryan Engel, Jay Harris and Master Gardener Volunteers

The contest will consist of 3 or 4 judging classes of any horticulture section (vegetables, flowers, nuts, etc.)The identification contest will include 15 samples for juniors, 50 samples for intermediates and seniors. <https://www.k-state.edu/hort-judging/> for identification resources.

Life Skills: Karrie Van Winkle

Judging topics will be chosen from any 4-H project life skill, these could include, family consumer science, foods & nutrition, health & Safety, human development, housing, interior design and environmental issues. Junior division will judge 3 classes, intermediates 4 classes and seniors 6 classes.

Photography: Christy Befort and Photo Action team volunteers

The contest will consist of six classes of photos, a written test, and a problem class. Juniors will only judge the photos. Test questions will come from the 4-H CCS curriculum, the 4-H Guide to digital photography, the national Geographic Ultimate Field guide to Photography (2009) and other photography reference material.

Livestock Skill-a-thon: Tamara Robertson, Laurel Despain and Jenilee Godsey

The contest is designed to provide a framework for youth to learn a variety of topics related to the production and management of beef cattle, meat goats, sheep, and swine. The contest will consist of 6 areas, including: livestock breed identification, equipment identification, wholesale and/or retail meat cut identification, anatomical identification, livestock feedstuff identification, and a written test. Juniors, Intermediates, and Seniors will complete all 6 areas with increasing difficulty for each age division.

Volunteer and Parent Session will share the updated Kansas 4-H Policy, Club Parent Committees information and a Q&A time for Parents and Volunteers to walk away with resources to Make the Best Better