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KANSAS STATE FAIR HORSE SHOW REQUIREMENTS

August 1—entries are due via Kansas State Fair's ShoWorks entry system. Review all qualifications for the Kansas State Fair 4-H horse show here—[Kansas State Fair | K-State | Kansas State University](#)

COOL CAREERS VIDEO PRODUCTION CONTEST

Here's your chance to become director, cinematographer, editor, and/or producer of your own video. Youth select a profession within one of the 4-H projects in which they are enrolled. Participants film, edit, and publish an original video (4-10 minutes in length) about a professional working in this field and career. Videos should be geared towards youth 4-8 grade. Top five videos will be awarded. More information is available here—[Cool Careers Video Production Contest | K-State | Kansas State University](#)

4-H DOG CONFERENCE LOGO DESIGN CONTEST

"Stars, Stripes, & Wagging Tails" is the theme of the Kansas 4-H Dog Conference. All 4-H dog project members are invited to participate in the logo design contest by emailing a drawing of your idea in JPEG format to Jill Martinson at martinso@ksu.edu. Entries are due August 5.

PROJECT PARTNERSHIP TEAMS

Kansas 4-H is looking for youth, volunteers, and K-State Extension professionals that are looking to provide leadership in developing a project's subject matter, enhance learning through project pathways, review, recommend, and offer development on curriculum and resources, and lead the planning of one or more state educational experiences. Applications are due August 10. More information is available here—[Project Partnership Teams | K-State | Kansas State University](#)

KANSAS JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW ENTRIES

Due August 15—Livestock show entries for the Kansas Junior Livestock Show. Exhibitors must submit an official entry and pay the entry fees directly. This includes entries for state-nominated market animals and commercial breeding females, as well as registered breeding females. Show entry is also a young person's opportunity to enter showmanship. A complete nomination does NOT constitute a show entry. A nomination only makes animals eligible for the state show. The entry link is available here — [Kansas Junior Livestock Show - Home](#)

STATE HORTICULTURE JUDGING CONTEST

August 15 in Manhattan. The ID sheet for 2026 has been updated with some new items. The study list for the knowledge portion of the contest has also been updated and contains some of the videos from the past three years, along with a few new publications. The contest is for teams and/or individuals. Registration is due August 7. [Horticulture Judging | K-State | Kansas State University](#)

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STATE 4-H LIVESTOCK SWEEPSTAKES

August 22-23 in Manhattan—contests include livestock judging, meat judging, livestock skillathon and livestock quiz bowl. Entries are due August 1. More details are available here—[4-H Livestock Sweepstakes](#)

KANSAS STATE FAIR DOG SHOW

September 5 in Hutchinson. To qualify, members must be at least 9 years old as of January 1, 2026, earn a qualifying blue or purple ribbon score in a state fair eligible class, and quality with the same dog they plan to exhibit at the State Fair. Qualification must be earned separately for each event entered. State Fair dog show entry fees are \$10 per class.

COMMUNICATIONS OPPORTUNITIES AT KANSAS STATE FAIR

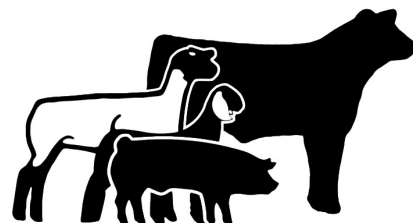
You may have qualified for 4-H Communications Classes at the Kansas State Fair during 4-H County Club Day. Any demonstration, illustrated talk, project talk, poetry or prose receiving a purple or superior blue rating in a county or district contest may be entered in the Kansas State Fair unless it has previously been entered in this contest or does not meet the guidelines. Sign up on your State Fair Entry Form.

YOUTH COUNCIL & NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE

Applications for the Kansas Youth Leadership Council and National 4-H Conference are open. All applications will be completed online and are due by October 1. Any Kansas 4-H member ages 14-18 before January 1, 2027 may apply as a Council Rep, and those ages 15-18 before January 1, 2027, may apply for National 4-H Conference. Complete application here—[Youth Leadership Council | K-State | Kansas State University](#)

TRI-STATE ROYAL LIVESTOCK SHOW

August 8 in Goodland. All animals shown in this show must be a selected overall Grand Champion winner in the specie class they enter at their county 4-H/FFA livestock show/fair. If the Grand Champion is unable to attend the Reserve Grand Champion may participate instead. Showmanship class in one only (all ages) per species. The County Fair selects one showmanship representative per species. More information can be found here—[Showring Master | Tri-State Royal Champion of Champions](#)



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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Phillips County 4-H Council — September 28 at 7:00 pm at the Phillips County Annex Meeting Room

Rooks County 4-H Junior Leaders—September 14 at 7:00 pm at the Rooks County Fairgrounds, 4-H Building

Rooks County 4-H Council—September 14 at 7:30 pm at the Rooks County Fairgrounds, 4-H Building



ENTRY DEADLINE FOR NON-LIVESTOCK EXHIBITS

Phillips County—August 7

Rooks County—August 8 by 1:00 p.m.

Exhibits must be in the Phillips-Rooks Extension District Offices by September 2 at 4:00 p.m.

PHILLIPS COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS CLEAN UP

August—Deer Creek 4-H Club and September—Logan FFA



ROOKS COUNTY FREE FAIR

August 3-9 at the Rooks County Fairgrounds.

ROOKS COUNTY FREE FAIR 4-H FOOD STAND SCHEDULE

Tuesday—Mt. Pleasant 4-H Club 7:00 am to 10:00 pm

Wednesday—Eager Beaver 4-H Club 7:00 am to 10:00 pm

Thursday—Helpful Hands 4-H Club 7:00 am to 10:00 pm

Friday—Palco 4-H Club 7:00 am to 10:00 pm

Saturday—Star 4-H Club 7:00 am to close



Don't forget to write thank you notes to those that supported you at the fair, assisting you with your projects, award sponsors, etc.

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**REGISTRATION
BEGINS AT
4:00 PM
AUGUST 8TH**

SUTOR-BLAUER ARENA



**GAMES BEGIN
4:30 PM
AUGUST 8TH**



**AGES & ORDER
AGES 1-6
COMPETE FIRST**

**FOLLOWED BY
AGES 7-18**



**TEAMS
OF 3**



**COMPETE AGAINST
EACH OTHER IN A
BRACKET STYLE
TOURNAMENT!**



**WATER GAMES WILL FOLLOW
THE EVENT!**

**YOU DO NOT NEED
TO BE IN 4-H TO
PARTICIPATE!**



★ **COME FOR THE FUN. STAY FOR THE MEMORIES.** ★

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August

1 Kansas State Fair 4-H Horse Show Entries Due
1 Rooks County Free Fair Booth Set Up
3-9 Rooks County Free Fair
4 4-H Wheat Expo
5 Dog Conference Logo Design Entry Due
7 Phillips County - Kansas State Fair Entries Due for Non-Livestock
8 Rooks County - Kansas State Fair Entries Due for Non-Livestock
10 Project Partnership Team Application Due
15 Kansas Junior Livestock Show Entry Deadline
15 State 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest
15 Kansas Junior Livestock Show Entries Due
22-23 State 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes

September

2 Kansas State Fair Non-Livestock Exhibits Due
5 State 4-H Dog Show
11-20 Kansas State Fair
14 Rooks County 4-H Junior Leaders
14 Rooks County 4-H Council
28 Phillips County 4-H Council

October

1 4-H Online Re-enrollment
1 4-H Pin Applications, County Scholarships and Project Report Forms Deadline
1 Kansas 4-H Youth Council Applications Due
1 National 4-H Conference Applications Due
2-4 Kansas Junior Livestock Show
4-10 National 4-H Week
10-11 48 Hours of 4-H
26 Phillips County 4-H Council

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