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STATE 4-H NEWS

48 HOURS OF 4-H

Let's see how much we can give back to our communities! The weekend of National 4-H Week, October 10 and 11, is the perfect opportunity to set up a service project. Invite your friends, clubs, adult volunteers, and 4-H Alums too! 4-H Members, 4-H Clubs, Friends, Adult Volunteers, Parents, and 4-H Alumni It's time to make plans for your club to participate, and registration is open on the [48 Hours of 4-H](#)

KANSAS 4-H LEADERSHIP WEEKEND

November 21-22 at Rock Springs 4-H Ranch and consists of the Kansas Youth Leadership Forum (KYLF) and the Kansas Volunteer Leader Forum (KFV). KYLF is for youth ages 14-18 before January 1, 2027, and KVF is for all Kansas 4-H Volunteers. KYLF will feature leadership workshops, Youth Council Elections, and opportunities to learn and have fun. The Kansas 4-H Volunteer Leader Forum will feature workshops and information to help volunteers be more effective and learn from each other. This Forum for adults is organized by the Kansas Association of 4-H Volunteers. Registration deadline is October 15, for both events. There will also be an option for coming in on Friday evening and having breakfast Saturday morning for those coming from a distance. For more information—[Kansas Youth Leadership Forum](#) and [Kansas Volunteer Leader Forum](#)

OUTBOUND 4-H EXCHANGES FOR SUMMER 2027

States' 4-H International Exchange Programs have announced six outbound exchanges for next summer.

Exchanges offered to U.S. teens 12-18 include:

Japan 4-Week Exchange with Labo or LEX, July 6-August 6, 2027

South Korea 4-H Exchange, July 6-August 6, 2027

Taiwan 4-H Exchange, June 29-July 30, 2027

Exchanges offered to U. S. teens ages 15-18 include:

Costa Rica 4-S Exchange, June 23-July 23, 2027

Japan 8-Week Exchange, Labo or Labo and LEX, June 8-August 6, 2027

Norway 4H Exchange, June 16-July 17, 2027

Applications opened online September 5, 2026, with Kansas applications due November 1, 2026. Interviews and First Orientation for Kansas applicants are on November 22, 2026, at Junction City. Information and a link to the online application are available here—[International 4-H Youth Programs \(IFYE\) | K-State | Kansas State University](#)

HORSE PANORAMA

February 21-22 at Kansas State University in Manhattan. Participants can look forward to a variety of educational contests and activities that challenge their horse knowledge and showcase the skills they have developed through their 4-H horse projects. The event also offers an opportunity for youth from across Kansas to connect with fellow horse project members, learn from industry professionals, and experience the K-State campus.

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Phillips County 4-H Council — October 26 at 7:00 pm at the Phillips County Annex Meeting Room, Financial Review at 6:00 pm

Rooks County 4-H Junior Leaders—November 9 at 6:30 pm at the Rooks County Fairgrounds, 4-H Building

Rooks County 4-H Council—November 9 at 7:00 pm at the Rooks County Fairgrounds, 4-H Building, pizza will be served at 7:30 pm with the Club Leader meeting to follow

KANSAS STATE FAIR

Congratulations to everyone that participated! You may pick up your entries at the Phillips-Rooks Extension District Offices.

4-H ENROLLMENT BEGINS—OCTOBER 1

All new and returning 4-H members, 4-H Cloverbuds and 4-H volunteers must enroll annually in 4-H. Enroll here: [Sign In \(4honline.com\)](https://4honline.com) Please make sure all contact information including email addresses are accurate as this will be the information used to get important 4-H information to all members including the monthly 4-H newsletter. When enrolling please select “Pay By Check” to have your \$15 enrollment fee covered by the Phillips County 4-H Council or Rooks County 4-H Council depending on which county you are enrolling in. You must be enrolled by October 31 to get your enrollment fee paid for. DO NOT SELECT WAIVER WHEN ENROLLING! Those members that are interested in participating in the Shooting Sports project (BB Gun, Air Rifles, and 22) must be enrolled by November 1. Don't forget to enroll in the Leadership project if you are a 4-H member and age 12 by January 1.

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK & 4-H SUNDAY

October 4-10. Make plans to invite new members to 4-H. 4-H Sunday will be held October 4 at 6:30 pm at the Phillipsburg United Methodist Church. Radio spots will be recorded and refreshments will be provided after the service. October 5 is Go Green. Wear anything green! October 8 is Thankful Thursday. Celebrate someone who is making a difference—another 4-Her or a volunteer that is impacting their community and beyond.

CLUB TREASURER AND LEADERS: FINANCIAL REVIEW

The yearly review of the club treasurer's books will take place on:

Phillips County—October 26 at 6:00 pm at the Phillips County Annex Meeting Room

Rooks County—October 12 at 5:30 pm at the 4-H Building

Each club should be represented by the club treasurer and one leader to complete the review of other club treasurer's books.

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4-H SHOOTING SPORTS

Safety certification for BB Gun, Air Rifles, 22 and practices will begin Sunday, November 1 from 2:00-4:00 pm at the Rooks County Fairgrounds, 4-H Building. Members wanting to participate must be enrolled in 4-H. Enroll here: [Sign In \(4honline.com\)](https://4honline.com)

April Brown is the coordinator, if you have any questions please contact her at 785-476-5587.

4-H ACHIEVEMENT BANQUET

Phillips County—November 7 at 5:30 p.m. at the Phillips County Fair Building. Club greeters and 4-H Council Officers need to be there by 5:00 pm. Sunnyside is responsible for set up and Deer Creek will be decorating.

Rooks County—November 14 at 5:00 pm at the Rooks County Fairgrounds, 4-H Building. Finger foods will be served and plan to play some board and card games.

4-H OFFICERS & CLUB LEADERS TRAINING

Phillips County—November 23 at 7:00 pm at the Phillips County Fair Building. Club leaders meeting to follow officers training.

Rooks County—Officers training date and time to be announced at a later date. Club leaders meeting will be November 9 at 7:30 pm at the Rooks County Fairgrounds, 4-H Building. Pizza will be served.

CLUB OFFICER ELECTIONS

As the new 4-H year approaches, so does your Club Officer Elections. Please follow the Guide to Parliamentary Procedure for your club: [meeting-will-come-to-order-simplified-guidelines-for-parliamentary-procedure 4H440.pdf](#)

Please make sure that all club members know that elections are taking place. Each club needs to have at least two club leaders selected from the club's parents committee. The club leaders can be set up on rotating terms at the club's discretion. Good luck with the upcoming 4-H year.

PHILLIPS COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL OFFICER APPLICATIONS

Due October 21 by noon. Officer positions are President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Reporter. Application can be found here—[Phillips County 4-H](#)

4-H PLEDGE

I pledge my **HEAD** to clearer thinking,
my **HEART** to greater loyalty,
my **HANDS** to larger service,
and my **HEALTH** to better living,
for my club, my community,
my country, and my world.



COOKIES - BAKE & DECORATE

December 20 at 2:00 pm
Rooks County Fairgrounds, 4-H Building

FREE to attend!

With the
Rooks County
4-H Junior
Leaders



All youth ages 7 to 18 are
welcome to attend!

Learn how to -
follow a recipe,
measure ingredients,
bake, and
decorate sugar
cookies.

REGISTER BY
DECEMBER 16

• CALL 785-425-6851 OR
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October

1 4-H Online Re-enrollment
1 4-H Pin Applications, Record Books, and Project Report Forms Deadline
1 Phillips County Club Seal, Outstanding 4-H Member, County 4-H Scholarship Application and Rex and Martha Kellogg Scholarship Application Due
1 Kansas 4-H Youth Council Applications Due
1 National 4-H Conference Applications Due
2-4 Kansas Junior Livestock Show
3 Pathfinders Program
4-10 National 4-H Week
4 4-H Sunday
5 Go Green
8 Thankful Thursday
10-11 48 Hours of 4-H
12 Rooks County 4-H Financial Review
17-18 Kansas 4-H Dog Conference
21 Phillips County 4-H Council Officer Application Due
26 Phillips County 4-H Financial Review
26 Phillips County 4-H Council

November

1 4-H Shooting Sports Safety Certification & Practice
7 Phillips County 4-H Achievement Banquet
9 Rooks County 4-H Junior Leaders
9 Rooks County 4-H Council
9 Rooks County 4-H Club Leader Meeting
14 Rooks County 4-H Achievement Banquet
21-22 Kansas 4-H Leadership Weekend
23 Phillips County Officer Training & Club Leader Meeting

December

20 Cookies - Bake & Decorate

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