It’s fair month! The Meade County Fair will be here before we know it. We hope you are excited for another awesome fair!!

Fair entry is now open at https://fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/20560 or by scanning the QR code below. Don’t wait to get your entries in! Enter anything that you might want to exhibit at the fair, even if you might decide later to scratch. All of the fair deadlines are listed on page 3.

Let us know if you have any questions or need help!!
Summer Adventures with Jatiece Vieux

Will it Sink or Float? Build a boat to test it out!
Choose from 3 dates and locations to attend this free program:
- Fowler Public Library: July 5th @ 1pm
- Plains Public Library: July 12th @ 1pm
- Meade Public Library: July 16th @ 10am
Register at https://bit.ly/4eh1Pmt

Reading Makes Cents: A Financial Literacy Program for Kids
Learn basic concepts relating to money and financial planning! This is geared toward kids going into 3rd-6th grades. Attend one or all sessions! Register at https://bit.ly/3yUclQm
- Where: Fowler Public Library from 1pm-2:30pm
- When: July 11, July 18, July 25, August 1
- Cost: Free!
**FAIR INFO**

**DUE JULY 15**
- Auction Eligibility Forms
- YQCA Certificate
- Livestock Insurance (optional)
- Stall reservations
- FAIR ENTRIES
- Final Deadline to pick up Sale packets if participating in the auction

**Visit our website**
All fair documents can be found on our website: [https://www.mead.e.k-state.edu/4-h/fair/fair.html](https://www.mead.e.k-state.edu/4-h/fair/fair.html)

**Fair Entry**
- [https://fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/20560](https://fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/20560)
- Fair Entry registration opens on Monday, **July 1st** and ends on Monday, **July 15th**!
- Families will use their 4-H Online Sign-In and password for this process. Make sure to enroll ALL kids before submitting.

**Fair Set up & Clean up**
- Set Up: Saturday, July 20, 5:30pm
- Clean Up: Saturday July 27, 10:00am

Just as last year, there is a scheduled time for setting up and cleaning up the fairgrounds. Both Fair Set Up and Clean Up are required for 4-Hers in order to get your premium money. If you are unable to attend either/bot both events, please make arrangements with the office beforehand. We understand people have other commitments before and after fair, but everyone plays a part! Please see the family assignments on the next page.

Don’t forget to pick up a fair book!
It is a requirement for all 4-H youth to participate in Fair Set-up and Clean-up. Please see below for your family’s duties. Make sure to check in with the Extension Agents so we know you helped. If you finish your area, please pitch in and help others! The faster we clean, the faster we get to eat supper!

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<td>Set up pens as described on provided map that night. Please bring hammer to pound posts &amp; pliers. Scrap wire can be found to wire pens to fence.</td>
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<td><strong>Building A</strong></td>
<td>Sweep floors, set up tables and chairs as necessary. Please bring cleaning supplies to clean tables.</td>
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<td><strong>Building B</strong></td>
<td>Sweep floors, set up exhibit areas (4-H and Open Class) Please bring cleaning supplies to dust, shine glass, and clean bathrooms.</td>
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<td><strong>Harris Arena Bathrooms</strong></td>
<td>Clean toilets, showers, and sink. Sweep floors and cement outside bathrooms. Please bring cleaning supplies.</td>
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<td><strong>Grounds (Clean up Trash)</strong></td>
<td>Pick up any trash from the south fence to north of the blacktop road. Bring trash bags to carry with you.</td>
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<td><strong>Outdoor Arena</strong></td>
<td>Clean bathrooms. Bring any cleaning supplies necessary. Pick up trash at outdoor arena.</td>
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<td><strong>Sheep &amp; Goat Barn</strong></td>
<td>Make sure all pens are working and are weed free. Bring brooms to sweep out pens. Make sure trash is picked up around the outside of the barn.</td>
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<td><strong>Swine Barn</strong></td>
<td>Make sure all pens have latches and are debris free. Clean drains out, also make sure drains at the south end of barns are cleaned out to prevent clogs. Hoses hung. Put up sun screens.</td>
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<td><strong>Indoor Arena</strong></td>
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**Fair Set-up:** Saturday, July 20th, at 5:30 pm

Amerin Building A
Bahr Grounds
Bussen Building B
Carpenter Building A
Conway Building B
Dizmang Grounds
Fieser Swine Barn
Fisher Building A
Haskell Building A
Hardaway Bucket Calf Pens, Indoor Arena
Harjo Indoor Arena
Harlow Swine Barn
Harris Bucket Calf Pens, Indoor Arena
Hawley Building B
Henson Building B
Ingram Harris Arena Bathrooms, Indoor Arena
Koons Sheep/Goat Barn
Langhofer Harris Arena Bathrooms, Building B
Law Building A
Leak Building B
Lynn Building B
Martin Outdoor Arena and Bathrooms
McDowell Building B
McNemer Sheep & Goat Barn
Mendoza Grounds
Miller Outdoor Arena & Bathrooms
Neel Building A
Rojas Outdoor Arena and Bathrooms
Roberts Building B
Spangelo Building B
Sparks Grounds
Sutterfield Building B
Thornton Building A
Turner Swine Barn
Urquidez Building B
Vieux Building A
Williams Building B
Woods Indoor Arena
Yohn Sheep & Goat Barn
Sale Packets are at the office ready to be picked up. Each 4-H family participating in the food or livestock auction will need to take 3 packets to local businesses. This year we are going to have a sign up sheet for families to select which businesses you would like to take the packets to when you pick them up from the office. **Please pick up your family’s sale packets by July 10th. After this deadline, any remaining packets will be assigned to families who have not come in to pick them up yet.**

An RSVP card for the Buyers BBQ will be paperclipped to each sale packet for you to have the business fill out. Once it is filled out, please bring it back to the office or text a picture of it to Hannah at 620-629-5972 by July 19th. This helps us get an idea of who will attend the BBQ and helps make sure we are covering our local businesses. The more businesses you reach and the more people that come to the auction, the better the outcome is for you! Please see the next page for some suggestions when visiting businesses.

(See more Sale Packet info below)
Delivering Sale Packets

Taking a Sale Packet to businesses in the area is a personal invitation to our Annual Fair BBQ and encourages potential buyers to come to our Cake & Pie and Livestock Sale. When visiting a business, this is an excellent time to practice your conversation skills and use what is called an “elevator pitch.” An elevator pitch is basically a really short summary about whatever it is you are involved with or supporting. In this case, your elevator pitch would be about your 4-H project(s) that you are bringing to the Meade County Fair.

When you are delivering your sale packet, here are some tips to help your conversation. Taking a moment to talk to the person you are delivering the packet to rather than just dropping it off will create a personal connection and might improve the chances of them coming to support!

- Introduce yourself if you don’t already know them! Start with telling the person your name, what 4-H club you are in, and what projects you participate in. You could also bring some pictures of your projects.
- Tell them what is in the packet. It includes a brochure about the auction, an invitation to the Fair BBQ, and 2 FREE tickets to the BBQ.
- Why should they come to the Fair BBQ? The BBQ is a meal for the community to gather at the end of the fair, right before our Cake & Pie and Livestock Sale. If they are interested, they can stay after the meal and support our local 4-Hers by participating in the auction.
- Ask them to fill out the RSVP card while you are there so you can bring it back to the office.
- Thank them for their time!

Consider taking a note with you in case the person you are trying to deliver the packet to is not in the office when you stop by. This way they know who left it and you can follow up with a phone call or another visit later to fill out the RSVP card.

As mentioned on the previous page, you will sign up for which businesses you are taking your packets to when you pick them up at the office. Please return the RSVP card to the office or send a picture of it to Hannah by July 19th.
SHOOTING SPORTS & STALL DECORATING CONTEST

Air Rifle and BB Practices
- July 2nd
- July 7th
- July 10th
- July 14th
- July 18th
- July 19th
All at 7:30pm in B Building
Make sure to watch for emails from Karen for any changes.

Archery Practice
- July 14th-19th at 6:00pm.
  Rockie will be available to adjust bows these days only. If youth need their bow adjusted, you must attend one or two of these practices. He will not be available to adjust bows on the day of the archery shoot. 4-Hers should attend at least two practices, especially those new to the project.

Stall Decorating Contest
We will be having a stall decorating contest on livestock stalls using the fair theme – Sew It, Grow It, Show It. The sponsor for this contest will be giving a cash prize to the winner!
Decorations must be kept on the 4-Her’s own stall, and must be respectful to other 4-Hers and livestock in the barn. Get creative and make your stall a fun sight to see!
All youth wishing to sell an item in the food or livestock auction must fill out the Auction Eligibility Form and turn it in to the office by July 15th at 4:00pm. Your club leader must sign the form, so don’t wait until the last minute! Download the form from our website: www.meade.k-state.edu/4-h/fair/fair.html or stop by the office.

All youth showing livestock (sheep, goats, hogs, cattle) must take a YQCA course every year. If you did not take it in person with Hannah, you must take it online at: https://yqcaprogram.org/. Certificates are due to the office or emailed to Hannah by July 15th.

Livestock insurance can be purchased for animals that are shown at the county fair for $7/head. If you have animals down but we do not receive payment by July 15th, those animals will not be covered. The insurance covers the animal at market value once it leaves your property until the end of the fair on Friday. Download the form from our website: www.meade.k-state.edu/4-h/fair/fair.html or come in to the office to grab one!

Stall reservations are completed on this same page.

Reminder: Meade County is not scheduled for P-T testing until 2025, per new rules.
Photography

Those planning to enter photography at the fair can stop by the Extension Office and pick up mounting boards ($1.00) and photo sleeves ($0.50). Please remember there are specific rules on how your photos are mounted. Rules can be found in the fair book.

4-H Foods and Nutrition Rules

Last year, the Kansas State Fair implemented a new food safety rule for frostings and fillings. This rule is now included in the Meade County Fair Book. For food safety purposes, any entries with frosting/filling must calculate the amount of sugar in the frosting/filling recipe only. Calculation must be attached to entry, or the placing will be lowered one ribbon when judged. Frostings/Fillings need to contain more than 65% sugar for safety. Examples on how to calculate this percentage are included in the publication located at: https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/food-safety-of-frostings-and-fillings_MF3544.pdf

New Project Names

ICYMI (In case you missed it) - Kansas 4-H updated some of the project names this 4-H year. The fair book reflects those name changes. For example, Clothing Buymanship is now Shopping in Style. All project names can be found on the Kansas 4-H website under projects.

Cake & Pie Auction

Reminder! Youth need to be enrolled in Foods and also have an item judged in foods to be able to participate in the pie and cake auction at the fair! Make sure to enter your food item AND “Foods Auction” as fair entries!
## GRAND DRIVE & KJLS
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*All market animals must be nominated to be eligible for either show, regardless of breed or gender.*

**All commercial breeding females must be nominated to be eligible for either show.**

***Registered breeding females must be in the exhibitor’s name by the appropriate date to be eligible for either show. Refer to show rules for details.*

****All meat goats, including market, commercial breeding does, and registered breeding does must be nominated to be eligible for either show.*

SUMMER FUN

Fishing Camp

Entomology Camp

Wildhorse Camp
SUMMER FUN

Photography

Chopped Cooking Challenge
MONTHLY CLUB MEETINGS

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July
1: Pre-entry opens for all fair exhibits (includes 4-H, Animals, & Open Class)
2: Day Camp!
15: Last day to enroll ALL exhibits, Stall Reservations due, Auction Eligibility forms due. YQCA forms due
16: Sewing & Textile Design/Shopping in Style (Style Revue) Judging
20: Archery, Air Rifle, BB, Fair Set Up (REQUIRED for premium money)
21: Public Style Revue and Talent Show
22-26: Meade County Fair!!
27: Fair Clean Up (REQUIRED for premium money)

August
1: Entry Deadline for Livestock Sweepstakes
10: State 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest
12: 4-H Wheat Expo in Manhattan
17-18: Livestock Sweepstakes, Manhattan

September
6-15: Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson
21: State Archery Match, Wakarusa

October
1: New 4-H Year Begins, 4-H Online Enrollment Opens
6-12: National 4-H Week!!
12-13: 48 Hours of 4-H
12-13: State Shotgun Matches, Sedgwick/Augusta

November
23-24: Kansas Youth Leadership Forum, Rock Springs 4-H Center