THANK YOU

Both the Meade County Extension Office & Council and Fair Board would like to send a GREAT BIG THANK YOU to 4-Her's, your families, and every volunteer that helped make the 2022 Meade County Fair a great event. No matter what ribbon color or placing you received, you should be proud of your hard work and what you learned along the way. Please remember to take the time to thank others that sponsored prizes, and don't forget to pick up your premium money here at the Extension Office.

Auction Eligibility - Starts This Month

Each year, 4-Her's that sell any item at the Fair's Cake & Pie or Livestock Auction are require to attend a minimum of 5 club meetings and three additional requirements. Club Meetings: August's club meetings start the first official month that you can count towards the five meetings that are required for the 2023 County Fair. Additional Requirements: Please watch the newsletter for save the dates and information on optional requirements.

4-H Youth and Families, Meade County Fair Board, and Meade County Extension, Thank you. Where does one begin to say thank you for the support, I have been given in my 20 plus years! Just know that this job cannot be done without the help of so many volunteers and helpful 4-H’ers. Thank you to the many friends I have made along the way, and that helped when I needed help. I will miss this job, but it’s time.

-Christine
**Fireman’s Fundraiser**

Special THANK YOU to the 4-H Families that participated in the Service Project for Meade County Fire Departments. We are humbled and grateful by the generosity of the community’s support of the 4-H Service Project and the money raised, which will be divided among the three communities. Great job 4-H’ers. Be proud of your accomplishments!!

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**State Fair Information**

Monday, August 8th

Just a reminder that any 4-H member (Age 9 by Jan 1, 2021), that received a purple ribbon in Building B at the County Fair is eligible to send their exhibit on to the Kansas State Fair. Not all purples have a class at State Fair, so please give the office a call to see if eligible. Please email huelskamp@ksu.edu or give the office a call by noon August 8th so we can get them entered!!

Each exhibitor will receive two free tickets. The office will order those and hand them out when you drop off your items. If you need extra tickets, please email the office!

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**State Fair Entries Due In**

September 7th is when the State Fair foods judging will take place. Just giving an early heads up that foods will be due at the Extension Office on September 6th for Christine to take up! Indoor projects can come in anytime, but will need in by September 6th as well. **If you want to do a demonstration at the state fair, please call the office ASAP!!**

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**KJLS Information**

- August 15 Entry Deadline
- August 25 Late Entry Deadline
- September 9-11 Kansas State Fair Grand Drive
- September 30- October 2 KJLS

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**BACK TO SCHOOL BASH!!**

Meade County Extension and 4-H are partnering with the Hospital to put on a Back to School Bash on August 10th from 5-7pm at the Meade City Park! Come out for free food, backpacks, prizes, games, bounce houses, and even a petting zoo! Check with your club leader to see what activities your club is bringing and what you can do to help.

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**Save the date!**

**4H Sunday October, 2nd**

**National 4H week October 2nd-8th**
2022 Fall Shooting Sports
State Qualifying Matches

The following link will provide dates for local matches to qualifying for State Archery and Shot Gun. If interested in a match, call the Extension Office or come in to sign up!
https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/shooting-sports/local-qualifiers.html

The Importance of Thank You Notes

Whoever said "It's better to give than to receive" knew the real meaning of the words "thank you." A thank you is the ultimate gift, no matter how it is expressed. It becomes a memory stored in one’s heart and mind forever. In 4-H we have many unique opportunities to express our thanks to 4-H'ers, donors, volunteers, parents, school administrators, livestock sale buyers and others. How you choose to thank these people can make a real difference in your 4-H program. A lot of respect can be earned or lost by our ability to say thanks. It may not be the way it should be, but some people really take offense if they don’t receive a thank you card. Thank you notes help our sponsors realize that the award sponsorship really means something to you. It helps make them more interested in sponsoring next year. So please take the time to write a thank you if you received a special award at the fair.

Ambassadors for 2022-2023 4-H Year!
Due Thursday, September 15th

Meade County 4-H Ambassadors are a group of committed 4-H members who work closely with County Agents and Advisor, Dixie Harlow to promote 4-H, organize, and narrate events, and become positive role models for other members of the community. Serving as an ambassador is an excellent way to improve your leadership skills and serve the community and looks great on a college application! To become a 4-H Ambassador, a 4-Her must apply by September 15th.

Meade County is still building our program, so expect more in this coming year. In the past, this group has provided meals during Thanksgiving to area families, Trunk-or-Treat in Meade, Gaga Ball at the fair, Corn Hole contest at CCC. We can't wait to see where the group will expand to in the 2022-2023 4-H Year.

Applications will be at the office, so come in and grab one or you can email Mattie for an application!

Stop by the office to pick up premium money!
**Emerald Circle**

We were excited to celebrate this year's Kansas Award Portfolio (KAP) winners during the Emerald Circle celebration! Kaylen Langhofer won the poultry division and was honored during Discovery Days 2022. Congratulations Kaylen on this award, and enjoy National 4-H Congress. This annual trip for Kansas Award winners is a recognition, educational, cultural, and community service experience held November 25-29, 2022 in Atlanta, GA.

**Kansas Youth Leadership Forum (KYLF)**

*November 19th-20th, 2022*

Build your leadership skills and potential through workshops, consulting groups, inspirational speakers and more. In addition, the 2022 State 4-H Youth Leadership Council will be elected and up to six National 4-H Conference delegates will be selected through an interview process at KYLF.

**4-H Record Book, Project Records, & Pin Applications**

*Due Date: September 23rd at 5:00 PM*

Now that county fair is over, it is time to get started on Record Books. Non-competitive Record Books will still look the same in 2022 for Meade County 4-Hers. These books will still require a personal information page, 4-H Story (general, two-page maximum), and the permanent record. Kansas 4-H will no longer use the Kansas Award Portfolio that so many of you are used to. For 2022, 4-Hers will need to fill out project record(s) for each project they would like to compete for an award in. These records are then taken to judges to select winners. In Meade County, out of the number of books submitted in an age division and project, the top half are awarded as winners. For example, if 4 youth submit a Food project record in the Intermediate Division, two will be selected as winners. If an odd number is submitted, we will round up for number of winners in that group.

https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/ProjectRecognition.html

Pin applications can be found online at https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/index.html

If you need help to determine what pin you are ready for this fall, please contact the office and we will let you know. All pins now have the requirement that you must submit a Record Book (non-competitive).
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### Monthly Club Meetings

- **3 C's -**
- **4 Leaf Clover -**
- **Plains Livewires -**
- **Town & Country** - 22nd 6:30pm Meade Lake