



NATIONAL 4-H WEEK
OCTOBER 4-10, 2020

National 4-H Week Proclamation

TO THE PEOPLE OF COFFEY COUNTY, GREETINGS: WHEREAS, 4-H is America's largest youth development organization, having supported almost six million youth across the country thus far; and

WHEREAS, 4-H has helped hundreds of youth in Coffey County Kansas to become confident, independent, resilient and compassionate leaders; and

WHEREAS, 4-H is delivered by Cooperative Extension – a community of more than 100 public universities across the nation that provides experiences where young people learn by doing in hands-on projects in areas including health, science, agriculture and citizenship; and

WHEREAS, National 4-H Week showcases the incredible experiences that 4-H offers young people, and highlights the remarkable 4-H youth in Coffey County, Kansas who work each day to make a positive impact on those around them; and

WHEREAS, 4-H's network of 600,000 volunteers and 3,500 professionals provides



caring and supportive mentoring to all 4-H'ers, helping them to grow into true leaders, entrepreneurs and visionaries;

NOW, THEREFORE, We the Board of County Commissioners, Coffey County, Kansas, do hereby proclaim October 4 –10 2020 as NATIONAL 4-H WEEK throughout Coffey County, Kansas, and encour-

age all of our citizens to recognize 4-H for the significant impact it has made and continues to make by empowering youth with the skills they need to lead for a lifetime. Dated this 21st Day of September 2020.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF COFFEY COUNTY, KANSAS

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4-H offers many projects

Opportunities are plentiful when it comes to having projects to choose from in 4-H, with more than 30 to choose from and many option within each project. If a member does not see a particular project that suites their interest, they can join the self-determined project and focus on that interest. Here's a look at the many projects available within 4-H.

For more information on each of these projects, go to <https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/>. Click on the project title. Contact the K-State Research and Extension Office for more details.

BEEF

Learn all aspects of the beef industry by raising a market steer or building your own herd by raising heifers and cows.

CITIZENSHIP

The Citizenship project is designed to help members find out more about themselves, family, friend, community and world. The project will lead to opportunities for meeting people and working with groups. Learn about other countries and cultures.

CLOTHING AND TEXTILES

This project will introduce you to a whole new world of options with outfits, clothing and accessories. The clothing construction phase will teach you the basics like sewing a shirt or putting a zipper in a pair of pants. The advanced units will teach you how to take the design of your choice and customize it for the perfect look, color and fit. Buymanship will give you that edge on planning a budget for an outfit, choosing between different shades of colors and analyzing clothing advertisements. Members may participate in the Fashion Review to model either their clothing construction or Buymanship items.

COMMUNICATIONS

Youth will learn to interpret verbal and nonverbal information, develop effective public speaking skills, enhance written and spoken communication, defend a point, or design a presentation.

DAIRY CATTLE

Got milk or ever wonder about the power of cheese? Spend a little time with the animal that creates all of this goodness. Members learn more about dairy animals and caring for and raising one. Members usually start with a heifer or a yearling heifer.

Older members may start with a producing cow.

DAIRY GOATS

Did you know goat milk is used for human consumption? In fact more people in the world drink goat milk than cow milk, although in the U.S. the opposite is true. Dairy goats are a great project for members to learn about agriculture around the world and in your own backyard. Members may start with a doe and then raise kids to create their own dairy goat herd.

DOG CARE AND TRAINING

This project is for youth who are interested in learning more about dogs, how to care for a dog and how to train a dog in basic or advanced commands. Any kind of dog may be used in this unique project that is not designed to conform to AKC or other professional standards. Members without dogs may wish to participate in quiz bowls, conferences and other activities that do not require dog ownership.

ENERGY MANAGEMENT

Learn important general electrical concepts as you experiment with making a light switch, testing voltages and even build motors. Study energy use, magnetism, electronics and transistors. Learn how small engines work and how to keep them working or discover the power of the wind! Learn about where the wind blows and how its power can be used for sailing, lifting, pumping water and creating electricity.

ENTOMOLOGY

Have you chased butterflies or caught a ladybug to get a closer look? Do you think collecting bugs is a great way to spend your time? Then the 4-H Entomology project is right up your alley. Youth will learn about the world of insects in soil, on plants, in homes, on pets and other secret places.

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

The Exploring Your Environment series provides opportunities for youth to engage in learning about environmental science through hands-on, experiential learning experiences in the natural sciences and technology. There's No New Water! is a water conservation and water quality curriculum grounded in the concept that water is a finite natural resource whose quantity and quality must be responsibly

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Three Emerald Circle winners recognized

National 4-H Week is a great time to showcase the achievements of the some of our very own 4-Hers. Coffey County had three - yes, three - State Kansas Award Portfolio (KAP) winners this year. These awards are for project records from 2018-2019. Due to COVID they were not able to celebrate this honor at the traditional Emerald Circle Banquet in Manhattan. Instead they celebrated in a virtual event honoring all the winners across the state on June 11 and June 18.

KAP, previously known as "record books," are portfolios 4-H'ers complete to record and express their accomplishments in each of their 4-H projects throughout the 4-H year. These are turned in at the end of the 4-H year (September). Their projects are judged at the club level, then at the county level, followed by area level, and finally within the entire state of Kansas. Only one member is selected as a winner in a project area on the Kansas 4-H KAP judging level.

Isaac Durst, Blue Ribbon 4-H Club, is the state winner in the project area of Shooting Sports: Western Heritage. Isaac is a ninth year member in 4-H and a seventh year member in the Shooting Sports project. The 4-H Western Heritage Project is a combination of 4-H Shooting Sports and a living history of the frontier west from 1860 to 1900. The 4-H Western Heritage Project combines a comprehensive study of the Old West with the fastest growing shooting sports discipline in the world – western action shooting. The purpose of this project is to provide an avenue for 4-H members experience the lifestyles and cultures of the Old West. Isaac enjoys this project because his entire family can participate.

Michael Lehmann, Tip Top 4-H Club in Waverly, is the state winner in the project area of Woodworking. Michael is a 12th year member in 4-H and the woodworking project. Michael has taken



Photo submitted Michael Lehmann, Tip Top 4-H Club; project area - Woodworking. According to the most recent Kansas 4-H statistics, there were 3,734 4-H members enrolled in the Kansas 4-H Woodworking project.



Photo submitted Isaac Durst, Blue Ribbon 4-H Club; project area - Shooting Sports - Western Heritage. According to the most recent Kansas 4-H statistics, there were 7,145 4-H members enrolled in the Kansas 4-H Shooting Sports Project.

"fit" her style and personality. Kaylynn also helped make masks for local business and neighbors with underlying health conditions.

KAP winners are recognized for their citizenship, leadership, learning and participation within a specific 4-H project area and also earn the opportunity to attend National 4-H Congress, which is in Atlanta, Ga., each fall. Unfortunately, this year it has been canceled.

"Being a KAP winner is one of the highest individual achievements within Kansas 4-H," Wade M. Weber, State 4-H Program Leader, said. The award illustrates the perseverance and dedication needed to be excellent in 4-H project-based learning that benefits the 4-H member but also impacts the community



Photo submitted Kaylynn Vogts, Tip Top 4-H Club; project area - Clothing. According to the most recent Kansas 4-H statistics, there were 6,918 4-H members enrolled in the Kansas 4-H Clothing project.

in positive ways. 4-H Youth Development provides the platform for youth to discover new areas and explore interests that can be of tremendous value to their future career and college aspirations."

The Kansas 4-H Foundation works with businesses, organizations, individuals and families who share a common desire to support a statewide effort of growing our future leaders. The Foundation is the 501(c) (3) fundraising arm for Kansas 4-H, the state's largest youth development program, as well as Rock Springs Ranch.

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– Anonymous

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want to say THANK YOU to all of the families, volunteers and communities for the support during the past 4-H year. We are looking forward to "Making the best better".

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If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more, you are a leader.

– John Quincy Adams

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