

THE BUTLER COUNTY

4-H NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2026



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A MINUTE WITH MADELINE

Prepare for the Fair: Pre-Entry Now Open!

Fair season is right around the corner, which means now is the time to get organized and ready for a successful experience. One of the most important steps in preparing for the fair is completing your pre-entries. **This is required for participation in the 4-H/FFA Divisions at the 2026 Butler County Fair.**

Pre-entry will be open June 1–22. Be sure to mark your calendar and don't wait until the last minute. Getting your entries submitted early gives you time to review everything carefully and make any needed corrections before the deadline.

When completing pre-entry, take time to:

- Double-check that all projects are entered in the correct classes
- Confirm exhibitor information is accurate
- Make sure all required fields are completed before submitting
- **Review confirmation emails to ensure your entries went through successfully**

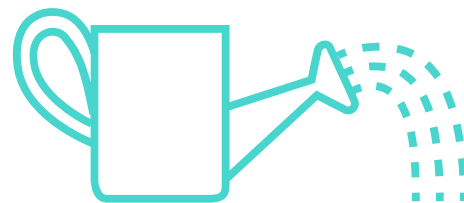
To make this process easier, I will be offering pre-entry office hours throughout June. During these times, families can hop on Zoom with me for assistance. Whether you want a second set of eyes to review your entries, need help navigating the system, or have questions about classes or requirements, I'm here to help! A full list of dates and times can be found later in the newsletter.

Taking a little extra time now to complete pre-entry carefully can save a lot of stress later. Let's set everyone up for a smooth and successful fair experience! Don't forget to submit your entries by 11:59 p.m. on June 22!

If you have any questions along the way, don't hesitate to reach out. I'm happy to help!

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JUNE CHECK-UP

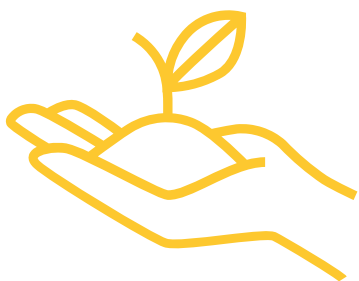
- Encourage 4-H'ers to invite their friends to attend a meeting & join 4-H!
- Encourage 4-H'ers to share what they are doing in 4-H at school!
- Ask your 4-H parents to encourage others to get involved.

REVIEW

- Read the 4-H Newsletter and mark important dates on the calendar
- Review highlights from the 4-H Newsletter at your club meeting
- 4-H/FFA Division Rules for the Butler County Fair

PROMOTE/RECRUIT

- 4-H Camp at Rock Springs Ranch
- Coggins test is required for the Horse Project



TO-DO

- Help 4-H'ers plan and prepare projects for the fair
- Check in with Project Leaders to ensure they are on task and holding meetings
- Check the club mailbox at the Extension Office
- Check the club's progress toward goals
- Remind 4-H'ers of the 2 Meeting Requirement for the Butler County Fair (by July 13)
- Remind families to "Subscribe" to the 4-H Online broadcast messages. This is where all newsletters and important information are sent out to families!
- Check out the Kansas 4-H Club Resources page [HERE](#)

REMEMBER

- Work with your co-leader!
- Make it a fun and rewarding year!
- Horse ID Certification DUE June 1
- Pre-entires from the Butler County Fair open June 1. ALL projects require pre-entry!
- If your Club is planning to have a bake sale, fundraiser, make t-shirts, etc., please contact our office prior to doing so!

IMPORTANT DATES

& DEADLINES



JUNE

- June 1: Horse ID paperwork DUE
- June 1: Pre-entries open for Butler County Fair
- June 3-5: Discovery Days - Manhattan
- June 9: 4-H Council Meeting
- June 11: Extension Office closed for staff development
- June 12-14: Geology Field Trip - Parsons
- June 15:
 - Dairy Cattle ID forms DUE
 - Breeding animal tagging DEADLINE
 - Small livestock & commercial heifer State Nominations DUE
 - YQCA deadline for Kansas State Fair
- June 16: Ambassador Day Camp
- June 18: SE Area Challenge Day - Emporia
- June 18-20: Kansas All Breeds Jr. Dairy Cattle Show - Salina
- June 19-20: Insect Spectacular - Iola
- June 21-26: National 4-H Shooting Sports Championship - Grand Island, NE
- June 22: Butler County Fair Pre-Entries DUE

JULY

- July 3: Extension Office Closed
- July 6: Superintendent Meeting
- July 10: Club Quarterly Reports DUE
- July 11: Butler County Fair Fashion Revue
- July 12: Butler County Fair Horse Show
- July 13: Auction Meeting Requirement Deadline
- July 13-22: Extension Office Hours 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- July 16-21: Butler County Fair
- July 21-August 5: Kansas State Fair entries accepted at the Extension Office
- July 23-24: Extension Office Closed

AUGUST

- August 4: 4-H Wheat Expo - El Dorado
- August 5: Kansas State Fair Entries DUE to the Extension Office
- August 15: State 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest
- August 22-23: State 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes

*See the full 2025-2026
Calendar [HERE](#)*



PRE-ENTRY LETTER

NEWS

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TO: Butler County 4-H & FFA Families

FROM: Madeline Wallace, CEA, 4-H & Youth Development, & Charlene Miller, Director/Ag Agent
Miranda Depenbusch & Luke Guynn, Bluestem FFA Advisors, Delayney Mahnken, Flinthills FFA Advisor

DATE: May 26th, 2026

RE: 2026 Butler County Fair Pre-Entry Procedures for ALL PROJECTS

Dear 4-H & FFA Families,

Let's get excited for the 2026 Butler County Fair ... **but FIRST ... PRE-ENTRIES! Pre-Entries open June 1st!**
Here is what you need to know – **please read carefully!**

- **ALL projects will require online pre-entry; pre-entries are due by 11:59 p.m. on June 22nd.** The pre-entry website will close at midnight. **NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED!**
 - Pre-entries will be done at <http://butlerks4h.fairentry.com>
 - 4-H Members – **SIGN IN** with your 4-H Online Account
 - FFA Members must create a new account separate from 4-H Online
 - If your 4-H'er is not enrolled in a project, you will not be able to enter it in the Fair
 - All forms, information, and help videos can be found at <https://www.butler.k-state.edu/4hfair/Fair%20Forms.html>
 - Make sure you make an entry for **EVERY** project!
- **It is your responsibility to check the 4-H/FFA Fair division rules for guidance, make sure your 4-H'er is enrolled in the right projects, and has completed any and all necessary forms and training by their respective due dates.**
 - To double-check your 4-H'ers enrollment, log into 4-H Online and look at their projects. Project enrollment to participate in the Butler County Fair was due by May 1st.
 - The 4-H fair division rules are online at: butler.k-state.edu/4hfair/
- **Livestock Exhibitors** – If you tagged an animal, you will be required to enter their tag number and upload registration papers if registered.
 - If you family nominated –Enter all animals between the 4-H'ers/FFA Members as necessary. **Each 4-H'er /FFA Member who plans to exhibit at the fair must have at least one animal entered under their name.** For example, if you nominated 4 head, you will only make 4 entries between your 4-H'ers. We can move the animal to your appropriate child at check-in if necessary. **DO NOT make double entries for each animal – you can only enter 2 breeding and 2 market animals per division, per exhibitor.**
 - If you have dual-nominated animals, you will be required to declare if they are breeding or market at this point.
- **Public Speaking and Fashion Revue/Clothing Construction-** You must pre-enter online, but following the pre-entry deadline, everyone who entered will receive an email with their scheduled times.
- **Fashion Revue** participants, you will receive an email following pre-entry to complete your script.
- **Entry Cards for Static Exhibits** – All entry cards will be printed off for 4-H/FFA divisions from the pre-entries. **Cards will be available for pick-up at our Extension Office beginning July 6th. Any cards not picked up prior to the Fair will be available in the Extension Office and must be picked up prior to your judging event!**
- **Cloverbuds** – Can participate in Fashion Revue and Show and Share. Refer to the Fairbook for additional info.

If you have any questions regarding pre-entry in the 4-H/FFA Divisions, please direct your questions to the Butler County Extension Office or your respective FFA Advisors. Our Extension Office phone number is 316-321-9660. If you need computer access to do the online entries, please call the office to schedule a time to come by (M-Th, 7:30 a.m.- 5 p.m. & Fri 7:30-11:30 a.m.). We are happy to help you!

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PRE-ENTRY

ZOOM HOURS

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COUNTY FAIR PRE-ENTRY OFFICE HOURS

Come-and-go Zoom office hours with Madeline to ask questions about your fair pre-entries!

Monday, June 1, from 2:30 PM - 5:00 PM

Tuesday, June 9, from 2:30 PM - 5:00 PM

Wednesday, June 17, from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Monday, June 22, from 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM &
6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

MEETING ID: 471 244 7768

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SHOOTING SPORTS

INFORMATION



SMALL BORE

Practices will begin on **Tuesday, June 2nd**.

Time and location TBD.

An email will go out to all members enrolled in the projects once all details are finalized.

SHOTGUN

Shotgun 4-H'ers and parents can stay up to date with 4-H Shotgun team communications by downloading the free "Team Reach" mobile app below.

iPhone:

<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/teamreach-team-management/id1101253705>

Android:

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.teamreach.app>

Enter code: BUCO4Hshotgun2026



All Shooting Sports Members must have the following completed in order to be eligible to participate:

1. Be enrolled in the Shooting Sports Project in 4-H Online
2. Have a signed copy of the Shooting Sports Waiver turned into the Extension Office
3. \$20 Shooting Sports Project Fee paid at the Extension Office

BUTLER COUNTY FAIR

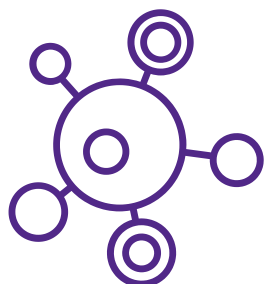
DATES AND DEADLINES

JULY 16-21, 2026



BUTLER COUNTY FAIR RULES

The 2026 4-H/FFA Division Rules are available on our website! They can be found at the following link: <https://www.butler.k-state.edu/4hfair/>



*See the 2026 Butler County Fair 4-H/FFA Tagging Guidelines and Forms Table [HERE](#)

PRE-ENTRIES

- Pre-Entries are required for all 4-H/FFA projects
- Cloverbuds will only need to pre-enter if participating in Fashion Revue
- Butler County will be using FairEntry once again this year for pre-entries
- Make sure you receive your confirmation e-mail!
- Have questions or need help? Join Madeline's Fair Pre-Entry Office Hours! Meeting ID 4712447768

IMPORTANT DATES

- February 21: Market Beef Tagging*
- April 15: Bucket Calves Must Be Born*
- April 20: Small Animal Tagging*
- May 1: 4-H Project Enrollment Deadline
- May 28: YQCA Deadline
- May 28: Market Animal Certification and Animal Care and Housing Forms Deadline
- June 1: Horse ID Deadline*
- June 1: Pre-Entries Open
- June 1: Pre-Entry Office Hours, 2:30-5:00 p.m.
- June 9: Pre-Entry Office Hours, 2:30 - 5:00 p.m.
- June 15: Dairy Heifers/Cow ID Deadline*
- June 15: Breeding Animal Tagging Deadline*
- June 15: Livestock Registration Paper Deadline*
- June 17: Pre-Entry Office Hours, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
- June 22: Pre-Entry Office Hours, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. & 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.
- June 22: Pre-Entries Close at 11:59 p.m.
- July 1: Dairy Doe Registration/Ownership Deadline*

SUMMER ENRICHMENT

PROGRAM INTERNS



This year, we have two new Summer Enrichment Program interns joining us here in the office!

They will partner with community organizations to offer safe, accessible, and high-quality learning opportunities for youth in Butler County. Interested in hosting a program? Email Karsyn (karsynf@ksu.edu) and Kara (kdsommers@ksu.edu) or call the office at 316-321-9660.



Karsyn Flores



Kara Sommers

4-H/FFA DIVISION

RULE UPDATES



2026 Butler County Fair Updates to 4-H/FFA Divisions

1.

Round Robin
qualification

2.

Small Engines division
added

3.

Vet Science dioramas

4.

Updated minimum
weights for Market
Dairy Wethers

5.

Updates to food gift
packages

6.

Updated KSE
publication links

7.

Recycled Garment
class added

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AMBASSADOR

DAY CAMP



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YOU ARE INVITED TO
**STARS,
STRIPES, AND
4-H PRIDE**

JUNE 16 | 1-5 P.M.

**WITH THE BUTLER COUNTY 4-H
AMBASSADORS**

**Free Day Camp for ages 5-9 years old
Limited to the first 20 registrations
Fun day of games and crafts
A light snack will be provided**

**Butler County Community/4-H
Building
200 N Griffith St
El Dorado, KS 67042**



Register here:

<https://forms.gle/WMFhFfLTETtTtB5A7>

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COOL ART

CAMP



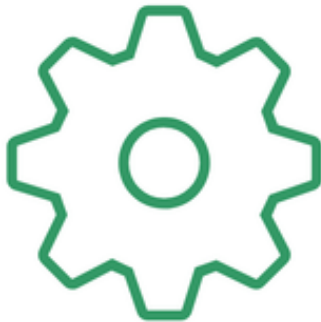
COOL ART WITH MATH & SCIENCE

ANDOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY - ART GALLERY

FOR TWEENS/TEENS

DATES

Wednesdays: June
24th, July 1st, July 8th,
July 15th, and July
22nd



WHAT IS IT?

A different type of art lesson
each week!

- Optical illusions
- Tessellations
- String art
- Origami
- Structures

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BLACK GOLD

SPRING SHOW



We want to make a huge shoutout to all those that participated in our Black Gold Show!

A poster titled "SHOW HIGHLIGHTS" with a purple background. At the top, there are blue stage curtains and two spotlights shining down on the title. The title "SHOW HIGHLIGHTS" is in large, white, outlined letters. Below the title, the text "Judge Ryan Rash" and "751 total Entries!!" is displayed. The poster is divided into three sections: "SWINE", "SHEEP", and "GOATS", each with a list of categories and entry counts. The bottom corners feature decorative star patterns and stylized arrow-like symbols.

**SHOW
HIGHLIGHTS**

**Judge Ryan Rash
751 total Entries!!**

SWINE
**81 SWINE SHOWMANSHIP
190 MARKET SWINE**

SHEEP
**71 BREEDING EWES
72 LAMB SHOWMANSHIP
78 MARKET LAMBS**

GOATS
**61 BREEDING DOES
100 SHOWMANSHIP
98 MARKET GOATS**

Congratulations to these 4-H members on their placings!

BLACK GOLD

SPRING SHOW



We had two Butler County kids place in the overalls for showmanship and market hogs!



Jack M. of Benton Busy Bees took Grand Champion in Intermediate Swine Showmanship. Jack also took 4th overall market hog.

Jordynn M. of Benton Busy Bees took Reserve Grand Champion in Junior Swine Showmanship.



Congratulations to these 4-H members on their placings!

BLACK GOLD

SPRING SHOW



Congratulations to our Butler County 4-H members who participated in the Butler County classes at the Black/Gold Spring Show.

Butler County Market Hog

Grand Champion- Jack Myers

Reserved Grand Champion - Jordynn Myers

Other market hog exhibitors - Luke Oltman, Gabe Oltman, Emmalyn Nelson, Ellie Nelson, Keeghan Roths, Jet Myers, Jackson Stuber, Levi Roush, Brynlie Nichols, Taylor Kasper, and Matthan Oltman

Butler County Goat

Grand Champion- Cami Miller

Reserved Grand Champion - Beau Motter

Other goat exhibitors - Hadleigh Eagleson, Kinsley Motter, Reghan Stuber, Jackson Stuber, Weston Johnson, Kylar Rose, Brylee Rose, Alex Neuhaus, Johnathan Neuhaus, Dylan Rose, Kynley Eagleson, and Barrett Coons

Butler County Sheep

Grand Champion- Morgan Harvey

Reserved Grand Champion - Gabe Oltman

Other sheep exhibitors - Luke Oltman, Brylee Rose, Madilynn Ikner, and Matthan Oltman

Congratulations to these 4-H members on their placings!

4-H MEMBER

SPOTLIGHT



Grant H. from Purple Heart won 2nd place in his age division for the 2026 Insect Art Contest.



INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT
2026 INSECT ART COMPETITION
**METAMORPHOSIS
MAGIC**



**KANSAS STATE
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Grant H.
KINDERGARTEN - 2ND

GRAND DRIVE & KJLS IMPORTANT DATES

April 20	Last Day to Order Beef DNA Envelopes
May 1	Market Beef Nominations Due Online & DNA Postmarked
	Last Day to Order Small Livestock DNA Envelopes
June 5	Small Livestock Nominations Due Online & DNA Postmarked
June 15	-Market Swine, Commercial Breeding Gilt -Market Lamb, Commercial Breeding Ewe -ALL Meat Goat (<i>Market & Breeding</i>)
	Commercial Heifer Nominations Due Online & DNA Postmarked
	Registered Breeding Heifer Papers in Exhibitor's Name
	Registered Steer Papers in Exhibitor's Name
	Registered Breeding Gilt Papers in Exhibitor's Name
July 1	Registered Breeding Ewe Papers in Exhibitor's Name
July 15	Kansas State Fair Grand Drive Entry Deadline
July 25	Kansas State Fair Grand Drive Late Entry Deadline
August 15	KJLS Entry Deadline
August 31	KJLS Late Entry Deadline
Sept. 11-13	Kansas State Fair Grand Drive
Oct. 2-4	KJLS

*Allmarket animals must be nominated to be eligible for either show, regardless of breed or gender.

**Allcommercial 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.

KANSAS STATE YOUTH LIVESTOCK NOMINATION PROCESS



2026 UPDATES



CREATE NEW ACCOUNT FOR ALL EXHIBITORS

All exhibitors will need to select “I am a new exhibitor” and create a new exhibitor account through ShoWorks this year. Even if the young person has nominated in previous years, a new account needs to be created at the beginning of 2026. The only exception is those who will be using the Passport App. Families will need their official KSU Family Name and Nomination #, as well as the new YQCA certification number to create an exhibitor’s account. This information is posted via the KSU Family Nomination Name and Number List posted on the [Nomination Information](#) page of the website.

Reminder – **all exhibitors** who plan to show **need their own ShoWorks exhibitor account**. Animals must be nominated under each child a family would like to be eligible to enter and exhibit that animal. It is highly encouraged to submit all animals under all kids. Families who have two (2) kids and three (3) animals should enter all three (3) animals under each child’s ShoWorks account during nomination. Then, either child may enter the animal for a state show.

ORDER OFFICIAL DNA ENVELOPES IN ADVANCE

Families will need to purchase official DNA envelopes online through ShoWorks, for each animal in which they plan to nominate. Envelopes that were purchased in 2022 – 2025 are still valid. Old DNA envelopes (2021 and before) will NOT be accepted. The new envelopes include all of the information necessary to enter each animal into the system, as well as provide a place for the barcode sticker, which families need to request from their local extension office. Everyone is encouraged to order DNA envelopes as early as possible. The deadline to order DNA envelopes is **10 days prior** to the nomination deadline for each specie:

Market Beef– April 20

Small Livestock & Commercial Heifers – June 5

EXPEDITED SHIPPING OPTIONS

There is a new option this year for families to pay an additional \$10 for Priority Shipping of DNA envelopes. Priority Shipping provides an estimated 3-5 day delivery through USPS and tracking. There is also a \$50 option for overnight shipping via FedEx. Orders will continue to be filled a few days after the DNA envelope order deadline, but families must pay the \$50 expedited shipping fee to have them overnighted. This is in addition to the cost of each DNA envelope.

DNA envelope orders will continue to be shipped using standard USPS mail at no additional cost. The above are optional for expedited shipping. DNA envelopes may also be picked up in-person from the KSU Youth Livestock Program Office the next business day after placing the order online.

4-H COUNTY AND FFA CHAPTERS AVAILABLE UNDER CLUB DROP-DOWN LIST

Each exhibitor must select the “CLUB” in which they participate and intend to show. For 4-H members, this is their local **county**. FFA Chapters are available in the system under the county is which they are located. It is vitally important families select the appropriate “Club” for each exhibitor.

USE CHECKBOX UNDER MARKET DIVISION FOR DUAL NOMINATED FEMALES

Exhibitors will continue to have the option to dual nominate gilts, ewes, and does by using a sliding checkbox, under the market division for each specie, rather than entering the information twice (once under both the market and commercial breeding division). Dual nomination means the animal is eligible to be entered by an exhibitor in either division for the Grand Drive and/or KJLS. The decision will be made during show entry. Livestock may only be shown in one division.

KANSAS STATE FAIR GRAND DRIVE CHANGES

Hair Sheep have been added to both the market and breeding divisions of the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive. Refer to the 2026 [Grand Drive](#) rules and schedule for more information.

KJLS CHANGES

Landrace and Chester White are new swine breeds in the market and breeding divisions of KJLS. Gelbvieh has also been added to the breeding heifer show. The minimum weight for market goats will be 50 pounds. The shows will be full fit beginning this year. Several scheduling changes will also be implemented. Refer to the 2026 [KJLS](#) rules and schedule for more information.

STATE EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES



SOUTHEAST AREA 4-H YOUTH CHALLENGE DAY

- Registration 9:30 AM
- NO FEE THIS YEAR
- Intermediate Division - ages 9 - 13 (before January 1st)
- Senior Division - ages 14 - 18 (before January 1st)
- Crops, FCS, Horticulture, and Photography Contests

EVENT SCHEDULE

9:30 AM

Registration begins for all contests.

10:00 AM

All contest instructions given.

10:15 AM

All contests begin. Horticulture is a timed contest and must be completed first.

- FCS and Photo will offer a non-competitive/mini experience for 7-8 years old (free).

12:00 PM

Contests Completed. Lunch on your own.

1:15 PM

Award Ceremony

2:00 PM

Contest Officials & Walkthrough

- Snacks will be provided

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For Questions, please contact:

Horticulture

Travis Carmichael: 620-341-3220, tcarmic@ksu.edu

Photography

Maddy Wallace: 316-321-9660, mgwallac@ksu.edu

Crops

Brian Rees: 620-341-3220, brees@ksu.edu

Jill Barnhardt: 620-364-5313, jbarnhardt@ksu.edu

FCS - Family and Consumer Science

Becky Reid: 620-221-5450, bkreid@ksu.edu

Cassidy Collins: 620-364-5313 ccollins@ksu.edu

9:30 AM
18
JUNE

**LYON COUNTY
FAIRGROUNDS**
2700 US-50,
EMPORIA, KS 66801



**YOU CAN FIND MORE KANSAS 4-H STATE EVENT
OPPORTUNITIES HERE:**

<https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/index.html>

4-H SCHOLARSHIP

OPPORTUNITIES



DID YOU KNOW THAT THE BUTLER COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL HAS EVENT SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE TO ALL BUTLER COUNTY 4-H MEMBERS?!

SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS:

- Any current 4-H member (includes Coverbuds) is eligible to apply for a scholarship.
- 4-H'ers are limited to 2 event scholarships per 4-H year.
- Completed forms are to be submitted to the Butler County Extension Office with event payment prior to event registration deadline.

SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS:

- If you did not submit a KAP and pin application or did not receive a pin within the past year for a \$100 scholarship
- Submitted a KAP and received a pin within the past year for a \$200 scholarship. Those that have already received their 10-year pin are exempt from pin requirement.

YOU CAN FIND THE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION HERE:
[HTTPS://WWW.BUTLER.K-STATE.EDU/4-H/SCHOLARSHIPS.HTML](https://www.butler.k-state.edu/4-h/scholarships.html)



Beyond Ready

BUILDING A READY GENERATION

3x MORE LIKELY TO PARTICIPATE IN COMMUNITY SERVICE

2x MORE LIKELY TO REPORT LIVING LIFE WITH PURPOSE

2x MORE LIKELY TO HAVE THE GOAL OF BEING A LEADER

LOCAL EVENTS

& PROGRAMS



TWO LOCATIONS. ONE PURPOSE. EMPOWERING WOMEN IN THE CATTLE INDUSTRY.

A no-pressure, practical skills camp for women ready to grow their knowledge—and their role—in beef cattle management.

WESTERN KANSAS, HAYS WKREC
SEPTEMBER 9-10, 2026
EASTERN KANSAS, PARSONS SEREC
MAY 5-6, 2026

Contact Us

Western: Dr. Emma Briggs
785-625-3425

Eastern: Dr. Jaymelynn Farney
620-820-6125

LEARN MORE AT:

https://www.wkrec.org/events/cow_camp/



SCAN HERE

Kansas State University is committed to making its services, activities and programs accessible to all participants. If you have special requirements due to a physical, vision, or hearing disability, contact Logan Simon SWREC. Kansas State University Agricultural Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service K-State Research and Extension is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Coffee Mugs Now Available!

Get yours today at the K-State Research and Extension - Butler County Office
206 North Griffith, Suite A
El Dorado, KS 67042



Wildflower Walk

June 4th at 6 PM at El Dorado State Park,
Veterans Point Camping Area #3
All are welcome!

Educational
Guided Tour!



FREE Hot Dog
Cookout!



\$5 Park
Entry Fee



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HPAI:

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza

Highly pathogenic avian influenza, or HPAI, is a rapidly spreading viral disease that can infect many types of birds. Avian influenza, often called avian flu or bird flu, can be common, but some strains are highly pathogenic, which means they are more deadly. Introduced by migrating wild birds, HPAI can spread through spring migration and affect all domestic poultry — small and backyard flocks as well as commercial industries.

Poultry with HPAI do not survive the illness. Vaccines for HPAI are not readily available.

Signs of Avian Influenza

- Coughing and sneezing
- Difficulty breathing
- Extreme depression
- Lack of energy
- Decrease in feed or water intake
- Swelling or purple discoloration of head, eyelids, comb, wattle and legs
- Decrease in egg production
- Sudden unexplained death

Biosecurity is your best option to prevent HPAI from entering your small or backyard poultry flock.

Here is what you can do:

Protect Your Small Flock from Avian Influenza

1

Avoid attracting wild birds and waterfowl to your home or farm. Song birds, sparrows, starlings, etc. are **low risk**.



2

Limit or halt travel with your birds to sales, shows and swaps.

Ensure you have clean hands, clothes, and footwear before handling your birds if you attend events. **Do not** allow others to handle your birds.



3

Limit your birds' visitors.

If someone must visit your birds: discuss where they have been. Have them wash their hands and wear clean clothes and footwear.



Call your veterinarian if your flock shows signs of influenza or you suspect exposure. No veterinarian? Call the Kansas Department of Agriculture's Division of Animal Health at 785-564-6601.