

KANSAS 4-H LEARNING PATHWAY

From hands-on exploration to project-based skill building, young people thrive through 4-H participation, finding their way to success in life and career. This pathway guides youth to reach key developmental outcomes and sparks learning-by-doing for growing a career-ready generation.

EXPLORE

LEARN

PRACTICE

EXPERIENCE

"I might like to do this."

Youth who explore their interests and passions, through experiences like 4-H camps and educational events, can spark early interest in a career path and improve their academic performance.

"I can do this."

4-H project-based learning, guided by caring adult volunteers, challenges youth to grow their understanding of skills and concepts, as well as their ability to problem-solve and collaborate.

"I'm interested in this."

Youth who have participated in sustained hands-on learning and engaged with professional mentors and volunteers before entering high school are more likely to explore studies and potential career paths.

"I will be this."

Real-world application is key. 91% of Kansas 4-H members have a plan for reaching their goals. Youth that have been active participants in hands-on learning, combined with strong decision-making skills are more able to effectively navigate life.

Possible Stops on the 4-H Learning Pathway

Hands-on Activities
Educational Events
Field Trips
Day Camps
Afterschool Programs
School Enrichment
Overnight Camps
Guest Speakers



Curriculum Workbooks
Self-guided Learning
Volunteer-led Learning
Collaborative Learning
Goal Setting
Educational Events
Problem Solving



Project Exhibits & Displays
Public Presentations
Peer-to-Peer Teaching & Learning
Local & State Project Leadership
Citizenship and Service
Record Keeping
Science of Agriculture Challenge
Judging Contests
Skill-a-thons/Quiz Bowls



Project Evaluation
Interviews
Resume Building
Job Shadowing
Social Networking
Industry Connections
Civic Engagement
State 4-H Conferences & Trainings
Recruitment & Scholarships
Higher Education Opportunities