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.

Possible Stops on the 4-H Learning Pathway

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

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

**PRACTICE**
- 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

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

“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.

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