COVID – 19 & Butler County 4-H FAQs

1) 4-H Club and Volunteer Activities
   a. All local regional, state, national and international K-State Research and Extension face-to-face events (for example: workshops, club meetings, shows, etc.) conducted by Extension employees or our volunteers and targeted for our constituents and stakeholders between March 15th and May 16th must be cancelled, postponed or held via zoom or other distance technology.
   b. No activities, fundraisers, gatherings, events, etc. are too take place unless done so through distance technology.

2) What do we do about YQCA training?
   a. YQCA will still be required to be completed by June 1st. Instructor led meetings will not take place prior to May 16th. IF the restrictions are lifted, instructor led sessions will be held between May 16 & June 1. IF they are NOT lifted – your option is to complete YQCA Online. If you are signed up for an instructor led class – you can log in, cancel your registration and you will be refunded. You can then sign-up for an online class
   b. What do I do about my 7 yr. old since they can’t take it online – stay tuned for further guidance that will come out the first full week of April

3) What are we going to do about tagging animals?
   a. County Tagging requirements have changed – please go to our website for the details - https://www.butler.k-state.edu/4-h/livestock.html
   b. Market Animals & Bucket calves will be required to fill out the Market Livestock identification form. Form and video will be due on May 1st
   c. Breeding animals (go to website for exact list) will need to fill out breeding animal form. Form and video will be due by June 15th at midnight.
   d. We will tag at a later date when it is safe to do so and only those animals nominated will be tagged.

4) I want to nominate animals for the Kansas State Fair and Kansas Jr. Livestock Show. What do we do about State Nominations?
   a. At this time, deadlines will remain in place. If anything changes, we will let you know!
   b. If you have market beef that need state nominated – you must schedule an appoint with Charlene to have the paperwork signed and get the sticker for your paperwork. You can schedule that appointment by calling the office at (316) 321-9660 or emailing Charlene at cmmiller1@ksu.edu.

5) Do I buy livestock projects or not?
   a. This is a discussion and decision to be made by individual families. We encourage you to discuss Risk Management and what that looks like for your family. For some, that may mean you are not going to buy an animal this year while for others, you may still decide to move forward. We are receiving the information on COVID-19 just as you all are. We wish there was an easy answer and we could look into that crystal ball – but we can’t!

6) Is Fair going to be cancelled?
   a. This is a great question that no one can answer at this point. I will tell you, we are having conversations in our office as to what 4-H projects at Fair may look like and developing a Plan B should it need to be implanted.
   b. 4-H is a year round project and teaches resilience, flexibility, preparedness and adaptability. As Extension Agents, we are committed to working to try and identify alternate solutions should these restrictions continue into the summer months.

7) Do I still have to complete the Animal Care & Housing, Market Animal Certification and Household Nomination Forms?
   a. Yes! All forms are still due and must be submitted by June 1st.