Preparing to fill out KAPs

KAPs are due to the Office by Oct. 1st. Enclosed is information about the KAP. There are resources available online on our local website and also here: http://www.kansas4-h.org/p.aspx?tabid=476

If anyone needs help with KAPs feel free to contact the office or contact Patsy Maddy. She will be available to make one on one appointments if you need help with KAPs.

Pin Applications

Pin Applications can be found here: http://www.twincreeks.k-state.edu/4-h/forms/index.html

Please remember to include your permanent record with your pin application.

Officer Elections & Training

Club Leaders—please send a list of your 2015-2016 officers to the office by Oct. 1st. Elections for 4-H Council officers will take place at the September 4-H Council meeting on Sept. 28th at 7pm at the Sheridan County Courthouse. Please make sure to send your new club representatives to this meeting. See the enclosed flyer for info on officer training.

4-H Online: Enroll by Oct. 16

4H Online Re-enrollment will be available between Oct. 1st and we are asking for reenrollment to be completed by Oct. 16th. Do not reenroll before Oct. 1st as the system will be resetting at the end of September.

2016 Sheridan County Fair

The 2016 Fair Dates have been set for July 18th—23rd so mark your calendars!

New Twin Creeks Website

The new Twin Creeks website is now live. Please take some time to look over the 4-H sections and send us any feedback you may have so we can make it as user friendly as possible!

Countywide Committee Sign Up

The Committee Sign Up sheet needs to be passed around at October Club Meetings. Each year we need Committee members for committees below:

Food Stand
Budget Committee
4-H Project Days/Activities
Fairgrounds Fundraising
Officer Training Info

Shooting Sports Info Meeting

We are still planning to offer Shooting Sports for BB and Rifle in Sheridan County. We hope to hold a planning meeting in October and begin practices shortly after. 4-H’ers interested in participating in other areas such as archery, shotgun, etc. are still welcome to participate in Oakley.

Ordering 4-H Project Books

If you are interested in purchasing 4-H Project Books please contact the office by Nov. 1st. We will put in a bulk order at the beginning of November. To see what is available go to http://www.4-hmall.org/Category/educationresources.aspx

4-H Online E-mails

4-H families will be receiving e-mails from the new 4-H Online system. Please make sure that these e-mails are not going to your junk mail! Starting Oct. 17 all e-mails will be coming through 4-H Online unless we are sending an attachment.

You will receive e-mails from Julianne Shoup, Connie Gassmann, Patsy Maddy, or Kendra Conrad. Many notices about area and state events will be coming from Patsy or Kendra so please be sure to open these e-mails.

Club Leader Meetings

4-H Club Leaders need to schedule a meeting time to review their 4-H year with Julianne sometime in September or early October. This will be to give and receive feedback on your club and a time to request any resources you may need from the office for the upcoming year. Thank you!

Sheridan County 4-H Calendar

9/29—4-H Council Meeting
10/4-10 4-H Week
10/16—4-H Online Enrollment Due
10/1—Sheridan County Senior Scholarship Applications Due
10/1—KAPs, Pin Applications, & Permanent Record Books Due
10/1—Club Treasurer Books Due for Audit
10/1—List of New Club Officers Due to Office
10/2—RSVP for Officer Training
10/5—Officer Training
11/2—4-H Curriculum Orders Due
12/13—Achievement Ceremony & Countywide Christmas Party
Best KAP Awards Policy (Revised February 2013)

**Best First Year Record Book**
- First year in 4-H
- Must have at least one completed quality KAP

**Best Junior Record Book**
- 7-13 years old as of January 1
- Must have at least one completed quality KAP

**Best Senior Record Book**
- 14-18 years old as of January 1
- Must have at least 2 KAP's and the Permanent Record up to date.

Top Project KAP Awards (Created May 2015) - (Replaced KAP Cash Drawing)
The top quality KAPs in each project (by age level) will receive a project related prize at the Achievement Ceremony in addition to their project pin. Ex. Top Clothing Construction KAP – Sewing Scissors. Prizes will vary and will be selected by 4-H Council each year.

Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Awards (Created May 2015)
- First year 4-H members will receive a first year membership plaque.
- Junior Members will receive a plaque with Grand and Reserve Champion placings from the Fair at the Achievement Ceremony.
- Senior Members will receive an item of 4-H Council’s choosing (Ex. Jacket, shirt, duffel bag) with their Grand and Reserve Champions listed from the Fair. 4-H Council will choose this item each year. If Senior members would rather receive a plaque, they will need to notify the Extension Office.
- If they would like to purchase a plaque in addition to the 4-H Council award, they will need to notify the Extension Office and make payment to the Sheridan County 4-H Council.
- All 4-H Fair Project Grand and Reserve Champions will be awarded

Sheridan County 4-H Senior Scholarship
The purpose of this scholarship is to recognize Sheridan County youth for their leadership and participation in 4-H work. Those 4-H members who remain active during their high school years are considered important role models for younger members. By their example and encouragement, younger members can become active 4-Hers. Active membership is what will keep 4-H alive in the county. The scholarship winner(s) will be announced at the Achievement Ceremony in the Fall. County members who have met the requirements below may apply multiple times but must be enrolled in post high school education to receive scholarship. A 4-H member may only receive the scholarship once. Three $300 scholarships may be awarded each year. Money will be awarded upon completion of senior year’s 4-H requirements and submission of official college transcript.

Requirements for receiving scholarship are as follows:
- Be a High School Senior or older planning to attend or attending post-secondary schooling.
- Be a member of 4-H all four years of high school.
- Be a member of a Sheridan County 4-H club for the last two years of high school.
- Have a GPA of 2.0 or above.
- Complete a 4-H Scholarship application.
- Turn in a one-page letter describing your 4-H experience, how it has benefited you and briefly outline your future educational plans.
- Turn in a letter of recommendation from your high school counselor, a high school teacher, or college professor.
- Proof of Participation in Food Stand which funds this Scholarship. (High School Participation only)
- Show evidence of leadership and participation in club, county, regional, and state 4-H events as shown in the individual’s 4-H KAPs and Permanent Record.
- To receive funding from Council members must fulfill or have fulfilled the Active Member Requirements during High School while in Sheridan County 4-H.
- County agents and 4-H Council reserve the right to make exceptions for special circumstances.

Sheridan County 4-H Council Activity Grant
Sheridan County 4-H Council has made grant money available to all of its active 4-H members. The purpose of the Sheridan County 4-H Activity Grant is to encourage participation in activities and camps that will help 4-H'ers grow in their projects and as leaders.

The 4-H Activity Grant will reimburse for 4-H events and project-related educational activities to encourage leadership development of 4-H members and development in 4-H projects. It will reimburse for registration and encampment only, no food or gas. More than one application may be submitted, but each member will receive a maximum amount of $100 per year. Members will be reimbursed for expenses incurred in that year, operating on a October 1st through September 30th 4-H year.

4-H Activity Grant Requirements:
- Meet active membership requirements (Active Member Policy)
- Complete the 4-H Activity Grant Application
- Basic Information
- Essay/Article including event attended, what you did, what you learned, and how you will apply what you learned. (Juniors – 200 word min. / Seniors – 400 word min.)
- Proof of registration and encampment fees
- Attach photo if possible
Don’t forget to make a plan with your club for National 4-H Week! Send newspaper articles, hang flyers, record a radio PSA, invite a friend to 4-H, and more!

48-Hours of 4-H is also a great opportunity to do community service. If your club plans to participate, please make sure to let the office know so we can get all that service reported!

4-H Online Re-Enrollment Brochure

Welcome Back to 4HOnline!
Kansas 4-H welcomes you to another year of convenient online enrollment!

When Can I Reenroll Online?
KS4Honline opens October 1st for online enrollment and reenrollment; families may enter the system on or after this date to enroll or reenroll for the new 4-H year.

Who Is Responsible for Reenrollment?
Both parent/guardian and their child are responsible for completing 4-H reenrollment online for youth members.

Questions?
Contact your local Extension office for assistance.

Step 1: Log in to 4HOnline

1. Visit https://ks.4honline.com
2. Login to your family’s existing profile.

Step 2: Complete Forms

1. Click [Edit] next to the existing member you wish to reenroll.
2. Edit family information any time by clicking [Edit Family]. This includes changing the login email or password.

Don’t create a new family account.

3. After login, click [Continue to Family].
4. Click [Continue].

Both youth and their parent or guardian must be present to complete a youth’s Additional Information page. Digital signatures are required and are the legal equivalent of manual signatures.

5. Click [Continue] when completed.

A parent or guardian is responsible for completing the youth’s Health Form page next.

6. Click [Continue] when finished.
**Step 3: Edit Club Information**

Last year's club information will exist, but is editable.

1. Remove or add club memberships as needed.

Volunteer types (club officer positions) can also be edited and updated.

2. Click [Continue].

**Step 4: Edit Project Information**

1. Remove or add projects as needed.

Volunteer types (project leader positions) can also be edited and updated.

2. Click [Continue].

**Step 5: Add Groups & Submit**

1. Add Groups that indicate the youth's commitment to 4-H this year if applicable.

When the youth's online enrollment has been completed, click [Submit Enrollment].

Repeat Steps 2 through 5 for each member in the family you wish to reenroll.

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**4-H Officer Training**

Monday, October 5, 2015

6:30 P.M.

Graham County 4-H Building

(all 4-H Members are welcome to attend)

RSVP by Friday, October 2nd

To Your Extension Office at 675-3268

Pizza and Drinks will be provided

(There will be a $5 charge per person to cover expenses which is due at time of RSVP)

Break-out Sessions Include:

1. Parent Committee: Volunteers/Adults
2. President/Vice President
3. Parliamentarian
4. Secretaries/Reporters
5. Treasurer
6. Recreation/Song

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Citizenship Washington Focus  
Kansas Delegation  
June 16 – June 27, 2016

**Highlights**  
Road trip across the USA stopping to see the Gettysburg, the Liberty Bell, Philadelphia, Yorktown, Jamestown and other amazing sites along the way!  
Meet, learn, share and tour with youth from other states and respected resource people.  
Walk among places that have made history and places that are making news today.  
Visit Capitol Hill, government departments, historic sites, and memorials.  
Get a close-up view of political process through visits to Capitol Hill.  
Meet with the Kansas Congressional and Senate delegations to discuss legislative issues.  
Participate in workshops and assembly groups to learn life skills and discuss possible solutions to domestic and international problems.  
Interact with 4-H members from other states, learning and sharing about 4-H and other interests and issues.

**Delegates**  
Delegates must be:  
- responsible and mature young people, 15-18 years of age by January 1, 2016.  
- able to demonstrate leadership and personal qualities of trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship.  
- interested in returning home to apply citizenship concepts to their own lives and the lives of those around them.  
- committed to sharing what they learn with others.

**Chaperones**  
Adults 21 years and older interested in serving as chaperones should complete the same application as the youth. Chaperones must be VIP registered. There will be at least one adult chaperone for every 15 youth participants.

**Application Procedure**  
There are 50 spaces available for this trip! There are no county quotas. Applications and cover letters must be submitted online. Applications will be accepted until January 15 or until 50 spaces are filled, whichever occurs first. Applications will be reviewed as they are received. Applicants will be notified of their selection and will be required to confirm their intent to participate. A $250 nonrefundable deposit is due by January 15 to hold your space. Applicants not selected may be put on a waiting list as alternates.  
A complete and current copy of each applicant’s Kansas 4-H Participation Form must be included with their application.  
A $250 nonrefundable deposit must be received by January 15. Checks should be made payable to the “Kansas 4-H Foundation.” Full payment of $1575 should be paid by April 15 in order to secure your spot for this trip. Please notify the State 4-H Office if you need to make other arrangements for payment as we do have the ability to work through a payment plan if needed.

**Cost**  
The cost per delegate of $1,675 includes transportation, lodging in motels, tours en route, lodging and meals at the National 4-H Center, and the CWF program fee. Delegates should plan on an additional $175 for meals on the road, and on any personal spending for souvenirs or other personal expenses.

**Travel**  
Delegates will travel by motor coach from Kansas on June 16 through their return to Kansas on June 27.  
Delegates will arrange their own for transportation to and from the departure point(s).

**More Information**  
For more information about the Kansas 4-H CWF trip or other Kansas 4-H events, visit go to: [http://www.Kansas4-H.org](http://www.Kansas4-H.org)

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**Tentative Schedule of the Kansas Delegation Citizenship Washington Focus Program**

A brief overview of the Kansas Delegation’s tentative CWF program follows:

June 16 (Thursday) - Depart Kansas, travel to Fairview Hights, IL  
June 17 (Friday) - Travel to Charleston, West Virginia  
June 18 (Saturday) - Arrive in Philly, explore the town and see the Lights of Liberty  
June 19 (Sunday) - Tour Liberty Bell, Independence Hall, Arrive at 4-H Center  
June 20-June 24 - Citizenship Washington Focus in Washhington D.C.  
June 25 - Depart 4-H Center, Arrive in Gettysburg (battle field, cemetery, lunch)  
June 26 - Travel to Effingham, IL  
June 27 - Arrive back in Kansas
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