

*July 2023*  
4-H Newsletter

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Pottawatomie  
County

# FAIR REGISTRATION IS LIVE!!! DEADLINE IS JULY 15

FAIR BOOKS ARE AT YOUR LOCAL BANK OR EXTENSION OFFICE

## LINK FOR FAIR INFORMATION & REGISTRATION

[HTTPS://WWW.POTTAWATOMIE.K-STATE.EDU/FAIR/INDEX.HTML](https://www.pottawatomie.k-state.edu/fair/index.html)

[HTTPS://POTTAWATOMIE-KS.FAIRENTRY.COM/FAIR/SIGNIN/18131](https://pottawatomie-ks.fairentry.com/fair/signin/18131)

## → TIPS AND HINTS



- Please log into Fair entry with your 4honline account
- Livestock youth:
  - be sure to sign up for the "showmanship" class in addition to your project class
  - The animal you add right now can be changed later (in case you're not sure which nominated animal you will show)
- Entry info is saved as you go
- Please enter all of your families entries before final submission
- If you are unable to compete online project entry, please let us know, we can help!
- Recommended browsers: google chrome or mozilla firefox



FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT WITH ANY QUESTIONS!

785-457-3319 OR SYDNEYPINE@KSU.EDU - SYDNEY, 4-H AGENT



# WANT TO TAKE QUALIFYING PROJECTS TO THE STATE FAIR?

Be sure to fill out an entry sheet in the east building before 4pm on Aug. 5th! (Does not include large livestock projects. To exhibit at State Fair, a 4-H member must be 9 years old by Jan 1, and receive a purple or blue ribbon on a demonstration at 4-H Days. Please check State Fair Book for specific rules in project area.

## YQCA CERTIFICATION

If you will (or might) ship market beef to Tyson for base bid after the fair, you **MUST** submit your YQCA certificate to the Extension Office or [sblocker@ksu.edu](mailto:sblocker@ksu.edu) PRIOR to the fair. The deadline is pre-fair entry by July 15. Online training costs \$12 and training must be done each year. <https://yqcaprogram.org/>

## PHOTOGRAPHY PHOTO BOARDS & OPEN CLASS CARDS

Photo boards and Open Class Cards are available at the KSRE office in Westmoreland. Cost is \$1 per board/sleeve combo for the photo boards, and open class cards are free.

## POULTRY UPDATES

Bringing poultry to the fair? Here are some updates you need to know!

- There is a new superintendent, Marcia Hermisch
- There will be NO Pullorum testing this year!! We will start a five year rotation NEXT year (2024)
- In the fair book, disregard points 3-5 as they are all in regards to the Pullorum testing which we won't do this year.
- Marcia Hermesch will be there from 6-8:30 pm on Wednesday, and then again from 8-9:00 am on Thursday to take check-ins.
- No vet check for poultry this year.

## FAIR AND FOOD STAND CLEAN-UP

Pre-fair clean up is Monday, July 31st at 6:00 pm! Check your fair books for specifics on what area your club will be in charge of!

Food stand clean-up will be Wednesday July 26th at 6:00 pm! If you have any questions or concerns with food stand, please reach out to Erin at [etynon@ksu.edu](mailto:etynon@ksu.edu)

## 4-H COUNCIL MEETING

A reminder to council members that 4-H Council will meet on 7/24 at 7pm in the Sunflower room. Remaining 4-H council meeting dates for the 2023 are: 9/25 and 11/27

## CAMP SCHOLARSHIP

REMINDER... 4-H council once again approved a \$25 scholarship for each 4-Her that attends a Rock Springs camp this summer. This will be given as a reimbursement after we receive a list of youth that attended at the end of camp season.

## STATE FAIR HORSE SHOW QUALIFICATIONS

There are new changes this year to 4-H Horse project that impact state and local levels. Anyone participating in or interested in the horse project should check them out! Find the 2023 changes here: [Horse Project Changes](#)

## CLOVERBUD CONNECTIONS

Do you work with Cloverbuds? A great blog with new articles and activities can be found at <https://u.osu.edu/cloverbudconnections/>. Articles are posted twice a month and also has a feature to search for topics using keywords. You can subscribe to receive email notifications when new articles are posted.

# RECORD BOOK WORKSHOP

I am looking to host a record book workshop this fall and wanted to check interest! If you are at all interested please fill out this [quick form](#) or shoot me an email at [sydneypine@ksu.edu](mailto:sydneypine@ksu.edu)

This is open to all ages, and will be going over basics all the way up to how to revise your records for regional and state judging!

## FAIR BOOK CHANGES

Foods and Nutrition:

- For food safety purposes, any entries with frosting and filling must calculate the amount of sugar in the frosting/filling recipe only. Calculation must be attached to entry, or the placing will be lowered one ribbon when judged. Frosting and fillings need to contain more than 65% sugar for safety. Examples on how to calculate this percentage are included in the publication located at:

<https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/MF3544.pdf>

## STATIC EVENTS - FAIR INFO

Lego project - Be aware of the TWO DIFFERENT places to enroll your project. If you only want to exhibit at the county fair, enroll in the visual arts section. If you want to go to the state fair, enroll under the 4-H STEM section.

All projects in buildings - if your project is going to be hanging, it needs to be brought with hangers on the back or it will be DOCKED ONE RIBBON PLACING. If you aren't sure if that applies to your project, contact the extension office or Nathan Zeit.

## FOOD JUDGING VOLUNTEERS

Foods judging at the fair will be on Wednesday, Aug. 2nd! If you are interested in volunteering to help that day, please reach out to Erin at [etynon@ksu.edu](mailto:etynon@ksu.edu)!

## CAT SHOW 2023

Like previous years, the Cat show will be done virtually prior to the fair week. The Flip link will be sent to all entries on Monday, July 17 and you have until Friday, July 21st at 5:00pm to complete your video. If you have any questions, please call the office at 785-457-3319 or reach out to Angie Bigham!

## DUCT TAPE PROJECT

There will be NO duct tape project this year. If you were planning on entering that in the fair, be aware that will not be available this year.

# UPCOMING EVENTS THANKS TO 4-H AMBASSADORS!

## Mock Judging

The 4-H Ambassadors are hosting an event to give young 4-H families/members the chance to experience judging before the fair. See the attached flyer for more information!

## 2023 Fair Kickoff!

- Let's start the County Fair off right with the 3rd Annual KICK OFF THE FAIR Event on August 2nd @ 5:30pm with the Pott Co 4-H Ambassadors! Things will begin with a free meal to 4-H families, followed by games and fun with the Ambassadors until 8:30pm. The food line will be located north of the Baseball Diamond on the Fairgrounds and games will take place inside the ball diamond. Please help us know how many people we will serve by using the link or the QR code to register your family for the event. We look forward to seeing you at the fair!
- Please RSVP here by July 27th:

[3rd Annual Kickoff](#)



## ADDITIONAL FAIR DOCUMENTS

Some project areas require additional forms. Do yours? Check below at the links to see the added forms!

[Fashion Review Script](#)

[Cost Per Wear Form](#)

[Robotics Entry Form](#)

[Rocketry Entry Form](#)

POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY FAIR THEME – "BARN IN THE USA"



## JULY

- 4 Fourth of July, Office closed
- 15 County Fair Entries due
- 17 State Fair Livestock (Grand Drive) Entries due
- 24 Fair grounds set up
- 28 Pre-Fair
- 29 Horse Show

## AUGUST

- 2-6 Pottawatomie County Fair
- 9 State Fair entries due to Ext. Office
- 12 State Horticulture Contest (tentative)
- 15 KJLS entries due
- 19-20 Livestock Sweepstakes (tentative)

## SEPTEMBER

- 4 Labor Day, Office closed
- 7 State Fair 4-H entry and judging day
- 8-17 Kansas State Fair
- 25 4-H Council
- TBD Project Report and Awards due

## OCTOBER

- 1 New 4-H Year
- 7,8 48 Hours of 4-H



THE COUNTY COUNCIL EVENTS COMMITTEE

# MOCK JUDGING NIGHT

*A night for new families, or those that are trying new projects to come and see what the judging my look like at Pre-fair or County Fair. The Events Commitee as put together a group of "judges" that will ask questions just as a judge would.*

**JUNE 19TH 2023**

**SUNFLOWER ROOM, WESTMORELAND**

**6-8 PM COME AND GO AS NEEDED**

Examples of static project judging

Extension Agents will be present to answer any questions regarding the fair book

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

*The events committee would like you to know what the ribbon colors mean*

**PURPLE**- EXCELLENT QUALITY

**BLUE**- SUPERIOR QUALITY

**RED**- AVERAGE TO ABOVE AVERAGE QUALITY

**WHITE**- BELOW AVERAGE QUALITY

**TURQUOISE**- PARTICIPATION

**GRAD CHAMPION & RESERVE CHAMPION ROSETTE-**

ARE GIVEN TO THE TOP 2 PROJECTS THAT HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED A PURPLE RIBBON