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# 4-H News

## River Valley District

**January & February  
2019**

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## District Club Day is Almost Here!

District 4-H Club Day is **Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup>**, 2019 at the Washington County High School in Washington. This is an opportunity for youth to showcase their abilities in Performing Arts, Public Presentations, Parliamentary Procedure, and more!

If you haven't already, make sure to get registered with your 4-H Club Leader for District 4-H Club Day! There are lots of great options to participate in as you expand your knowledge and skills as a 4-H member. Club Leaders must have the registration forms to their local RVD Extension Office by Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>!

Judging contests will be available for youth to participate in, which may qualify youth to compete at the State contests! We will have Photography, FCS, Crops, Horticulture, and Livestock Skill-a-thon Judging Contests available! These are also great opportunities to increase knowledge for our youth!

The District 4-H Club Day rule book and documents are available to assist you with planning your entry on our website at [www.rivervalley.k-state.edu/4-h/club-day.html](http://www.rivervalley.k-state.edu/4-h/club-day.html). You may also stop by any RVD Extension Office to receive a hard copy.

After we have completed scheduling District 4-H Club Day, we will mail and e-mail families the schedule and additional information as soon as possible, including sign-up for being a door monitor!

If you have any questions regarding District 4-H Club Day, please contact any of the 4-H Staff Members!

## Project Leader Training

Help youth develop skills through 4-H! Be a Project Leader!

Whether you are interested in starting as a volunteer or already a seasoned 4-H Project Leader, please join us to learn the role of a project leader and what resources are available to you in this rewarding experience working with youth!

- When: Wednesday, January 9, 2019
- Time: 7 p.m.
- Where: The Branch, 104 S. Chestnut, Clyde, KS 66938
- RSVP: Please RSVP to Monica at 785-527-5084 or [mthayer@ksu.edu](mailto:mthayer@ksu.edu) by Friday, January 4<sup>th</sup>.

In 4-H, youth learn by doing. They explore, learn, and develop skills in a variety of project areas. Project Leaders are volunteers who work directly with youth and guide this learning process throughout the year.

This training is open to everyone interested in working with youth, including Jr. Leaders! Consider inviting others you may know that would be interested in learning more about becoming a 4-H Project Leader!

There is no cost to attend this training but please RSVP so we have enough materials!



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## ***Fly High with Leadership at NELE***

See what leadership is like Sky High! The Northeast Area 4-H Leadership Event, (NELE), will be held on Saturday, January 19, 2019, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Rock Springs 4-H Center. All youth (4-H age 12 to 18) and adult volunteers are invited to attend. This is considered a State 4-H Event.

Delegates will enjoy meeting within focus groups and hear from a guest speaker. Youth will register for multiple sessions to attend during NELE. Adult volunteers will also have sessions available.

Don't miss this opportunity to learn something new about leadership and meet new people. Transportation will be provided and the cost to attend is \$30,

## ***Register Now for Citizenship In Action***

Citizenship in Action, CIA, is your opportunity to learn about the legislative process and for legislators to see the positive impacts of 4-H. Learn how your voice and participation in decision-making can influence change by attending CIA on February 17 and 18 in Topeka!

Sunday will feature creating bills, debating legislation, and attending a banquet with legislators. One change from previous years is that the debating will actually take place at the Capital Plaza Hotel instead of the Capitol. On Monday, delegates can tour the Capitol and meet with their legislators.

## ***Jr. Leader Opportunity - Salina Trip***

4-H members between the 4-H age 12-18 and enrolled in the Leadership project are considered Jr. Leaders, which is a great opportunity to practice and refine those leadership skills!

River Valley District 4-H would like to invite Jr. Leaders to spend a day in Salina to complete community service, learn, and have fun on Saturday, January 12<sup>th</sup>.

The day will begin by volunteering with the United Way in Salina by sorting books for libraries. Youth will have multiple choices available for a fast food lunch, which they will be responsible to purchase.

Youth will then participate in a "Stop The Bleed" training at the KU School of Medicine in Salina. This is a free training session to instruct on lifesaving techniques in the event of a bleeding injury.

Finally, the day will end by bowling in Salina! Bowling will cost \$10 for your shoe rental and 2 hours of bowling.

Transportation will be provided but youth will be responsible for all food/snacks and fun activities.

We are limited to the first 30 Jr. Leaders registered and already have 12 signed up!! Only 18 spots left!

which includes lunch, snacks, and a t-shirt (design shown below).

Registration is available online at [www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html](http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html) but will close soon on Thursday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

So far, Ariel, Logan, Chayla, Afton, Mackenzie, Katie, and Keath are registered! Join us for this fun and exciting leadership event!



Any youth, 13-18 years old before January 1, 2019, can register to attend. Invite your non-4-H friends to attend with you! Chaperones and transportation is provided. The cost is \$175. Contact your local 4-H Program Manager for information on scholarships offered in your county.

For more information and to register, visit: [www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/citizenship-in-action/index.html](http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/citizenship-in-action/index.html). Register by February 1<sup>st</sup> to join Keath and Carly at CIA in Topeka!

Join Braden, Sherice, Cajsa, Kiersten, Blake, Chayla, Sierra, Rachel, Carly and Carissa! Register online at <https://tinyurl.com/RVDSalina>.

If you have any questions regarding this opportunity, please contact Diane or Monica in the RVD-Belleville office at 785-527-5084.

## **Kansas 4-H Horse Panorama**

Youth, 4-H age 7-18, and adult volunteers are invited to participate in the Kansas 4-H Horse Panorama, January 25-27, 2019, at Rock Springs 4-H Center!

Horse Panorama consists of various contests related to the Horse project, including quiz bowl, hippology, public speaking presentations, photography, and educational posters. There will also be educational activities for 4-H'ers of all ages!

Registration and contest rules for Horse Panorama are posted online: [www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/horse/index.html](http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/horse/index.html).

If you have any questions regarding Horse Panorama, please contact Monica at 785-527-5084.

## ***More Info on the Jr. Leader Educational Trip to Milwaukee***

Will you be one of the 48 Jr. Leaders that attend the 2019 Jr. Leader Educational Trip to Milwaukee, Wisconsin?

The trip will be taking place Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> through Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 and is open to 4-H members who will complete the 8<sup>th</sup> grade in 2019 through youth 4-H age 18. Youth must also be enrolled in the Leadership Project to attend.

Tentative highlights include:

- *Cave of the Mounds*—a geologic wonder with spectacular crystallized rock formations
- *Harley-Davidson Museum*—history roars to life with all the H-D motorcycles
- *Discovery World*—unique, hands-on exhibits and programs focusing on technology and freshwater sciences
- *North Point Lighthouse*—a lighthouse standing over Lake Michigan for over 150 years
- *Bradford Beach*—swimming at a Lake Michigan beach
- *John Deere Museum*—explore interactive displays, marvel at classic machines, and get an up-close look at rare John Deere artifacts

Other tentative highlights of the trip include a tour of Root Beer Facility and a Cheese Factory with tastings,

touring a Wastewater Treatment plant and learning how wastewater is returned to Lake Michigan, and a sightseeing boat tour of Milwaukee.

More details, including exact cost and a full itinerary will be available soon and shared with the eligible Jr. Leaders in the River Valley District. The cost will be between \$400-\$500 per youth. Scholarships may be available through your local 4-H entities and fundraising opportunities will be offered to those who attend.

Registration will be completed online only for this trip. The following link will be open at 7 p.m. on Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019 through noon on Thursday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019 for registration—<https://tinyurl.com/RVD4HMilwaukee>. If you attempt to open the link now, it is currently unavailable.

The trip will be filled on a first come, first served basis by time of registration completed with 12 seats allotted for each office in the River Valley District. On Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, we will notify the first 48 youth that registered for the trip that their \$100 deposit will be required within one week to secure their spot.

We are really excited for this great educational and fun opportunity for our Jr. Leaders as we travel to Milwaukee. We hope that you will consider attending the 2019 River Valley District 4-H Jr. Leader Educational Trip.

## ***Citizenship Washington Focus Registration Closing Soon!***

Interested in taking your 4-H experience to the National level? Citizenship Washington Focus, or CWF, may be just for you!

Road trip from Kansas to Washington D.C. with other 4-H'ers from across the state of Kansas, while stopping to see Philadelphia, Gettysburg, the Liberty Bell and more on the way!

Meet, learn, share and tour with youth from other states. Walk among places where history has been made and places that are making news today. Visit Capitol Hill, government departments, historic sites, and memorials. Get a close-up view of the 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.

This trip has filled up quickly in the last few years, make sure that you do not delay in signing up to attend!

**When:** June 13-24, 2019

**Where:** Washington D.C.

**Who:** Youth 4-H age 15-18 (before January 1, 2019)

**Registration:** <http://www.kansas4-h.org/events/index.html>

**Registration Fee:** \$1,850

**Registration Deadline:** January 15 or Until 50 Spaces are Filled

Check with your local 4-H Program Manager about potential scholarships or fundraising opportunities to assist with the expense of CWF.

The River Valley District already has one attendee signed up—Keath Meyer! Who wants to join Keath on this once in a lifetime opportunity to visit our nation's capital?

## ***Junior Producer Days***

The 2019 Kansas Junior Producer Days will be hosted in March at Kansas State University in Weber Hall this spring. All youth, parents, and adult volunteers are invited to participate in these educational experiences!

### **Junior Swine Producer Day**

Saturday, March 9

### **Junior Meat Goat Producer Day**

Saturday, March 30

K-State faculty members, graduate students, vet school professionals, extension agents, guest speakers, and specialists will speak about youth livestock project management. Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) certification sessions will also be offered at both junior days.

Flyers and registration information can be found online at [www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/ks-jr-producer/index.html](http://www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/ks-jr-producer/index.html).

## ***RVD—Clay Center - No Power Punch Sales***

Following discussion with Lisa Seley, owner and administrator of the Power Punch Card, the decision was made that RVD-Clay Center will NOT be doing Power Punch. A steady decline in sales over the years was the main reason.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Lisa for all of her leadership, time, and effort that she put forth since 2004 to the Power Punch fundraiser. We are so appreciative of what Lisa has given our 4-H Program in Clay County.

Lisa also wanted to share her thanks to all of those who made the fundraiser such a huge and long-lasting success.

The February meetings for Ambassadors, Jr. Leaders, and 4-H Council for RVD-Clay Center will be held at the Extension Office at their normal times.

If you have any questions regarding Power Punch, please contact Monica in the RVD-Belleville office at 785-527-5084.

## ***Attend the Upcoming RVD Rabbit Club Winter Spectacular***

The River Valley Rabbit Club is hosting their annual Winter Spectacular 4-H Rabbit Show on Saturday, January 5, 2019 at the Cloud County Fairgrounds in Concordia. Everyone who is interested in the Rabbit project is invited and encouraged to attend!

Doors open at 7:30 a.m. with entries due by 8:30 a.m. the day of the show. Entries may be completed early by e-mailing entries to Steven at [steven-wjedi@gmail.com](mailto:steven-wjedi@gmail.com). \$3.50 regular entries and \$1.50 fur entries. Contests will include judging, Breed ID, and

Showmanship. The Rabbit Show is scheduled to be judged by Blaine Maier, ARBA judge. This is a state fair qualifying event.

If you would like more information on the show, check out the flyer and show catalog online at [www.rivervalley.k-state.edu/4-h/project\\_information.html](http://www.rivervalley.k-state.edu/4-h/project_information.html) under Rabbits or contact Steven Wright at 785-265-3019.

## ***Shooting Sports - Update***

We strive to provide a safe environment for our youth and volunteers so we cancelled our November and December Shooting Sports events. We are going forward with the dates that we currently have scheduled for 2019. The Safety Meetings will now be in January and February.

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| • Sunday, January 20 <sup>th</sup> , 2019  | Safety Meeting at 1 p.m.—Practice Shoot to Follow |
| • Sunday, February 24 <sup>th</sup> , 2019 | Safety Meeting at 1 p.m.—Practice Shoot to Follow |
| • Sunday, March 24 <sup>th</sup> , 2019    | Practice Shoot                                    |
| • Sunday, April 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2019     | Practice Shoot OR Fair Shoot                      |
| • Sunday, April 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2019    | Fair Shoot  |

Safety Meetings will begin promptly at 1:00 p.m. with shooting following immediately for all youth. For Practice Shoots and Fair Shoots, we will follow these times:

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| • RVD-Clay Center & RVD-Concordia | 2:00 p.m. |
| • RVD-Belleville & RVD-Washington | 3:00 p.m. |

All of the Shooting Sports information can be found online at [www.rivervalley.k-state.edu/4-h/project\\_information.html](http://www.rivervalley.k-state.edu/4-h/project_information.html) or a hard copy can be obtained at your local RVED Extension Office. If you have any questions regarding Shooting Sports, please contact Monica at 785-527-5084.

## ***Livestock Weigh-In/Tagging Dates***

It's almost time for livestock weigh-in and tagging in the River Valley District! You may choose to tag/weigh your livestock at any of the offered times for that specie in the River Valley District.

No tagging will be allowed to be completed at home for any species, for any reason. All tagging must be completed at one of the following dates and times with a district extension agent present!

**2019 Beef Weigh-In**—All Market Beef, state nominated Commercial Breeding Heifers, and Second Year Bucket Calves must be tagged at a RVD weigh-in/tagging. Commercial Breeding Heifers must have an EID tag for state livestock shows, including Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show. Registered Breeding Heifers for state shows do not need an EID. Breeding stock for your county fair do not need an EID.

- Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> 2-4:00 p.m. 81 Livestock Sale Barn Belleville
- Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> 5:30-6:30 p.m. Cloud County Fairgrounds Concordia
- Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup> 9-10:30 a.m. Animal Health Center Washington
- Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup> 9-10:00 a.m. Salava Vet Clinic Clay Center

**2019 Sheep, Goat and Swine Weigh-in/Tagging**— All Market Sheep, Goats, and Swine for the county fairs, as well as Commercial Breeding Sheep, Goats, and Swine for state shows, must be tagged at a RVD weigh-in/tagging. Registered Breeding Sheep and Swine do not need EID tags.

- Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> 5:30-6:30 p.m. Fairgrounds Washington
- Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> 5:30-6:30 p.m. Fairgrounds Concordia
- Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> 5:30-6:30 p.m. Fairgrounds Clay Center
- Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> 9-10:00 a.m. Fairgrounds Belleville

Beef EID tags will be \$4 per tag. Sheep, Goat, and Swine EID tags will be \$3 per tag. Payment is required at the time of tagging so please bring small bills or a check payable to the River Valley Extension District.

If you have any questions, please contact Brett, Livestock Agent, at 785-243-8185 or Monica, 4-H Agent, at 785-527-5084.

## ***Youth for the Quality Care of Animals—YQCA***

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals, YQCA, is the livestock quality assurance program that is required to sell livestock in the premium auction at your local county fair and to participate in the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive or Kansas Jr. Livestock Show. A current and valid Youth PQA certification will be accepted until they expire.

YQCA offers in-person and online training for youth age 8-18. Youth 4-H age 7 must attend an in-person training. Online and in-person training must be completed by June 15, 2019. The in-person training is \$3 per youth while the online course is \$12 per youth.

New for this year, YQCA is offering a test-out option only for youth 4-H age 12 and 15. The training must be completed online and pay for the multiple years in which they are testing out. More information will be shared with eligible youth at the beginning of the 2019 Year.

Mark these dates on your calendar for the in-person training in the River Valley District! In addition to these dates and times, youth can attend in-person training at events, like Junior Producer Days and Discovery Days.

- Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup> 5:30 p.m. Fairgrounds—Commercial Building Concordia
- Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> 7:00 p.m. Fairgrounds—South Exhibit Building Washington
- Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> 10:30 a.m. Fairgrounds—4-H Building Belleville
- Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup> 5:30 p.m. Fairgrounds—4-H Conference Center Clay Center

An e-mail will be sent out at the beginning of the 2019 Year regarding how to register for an in-person or online training, current PQA certifications, and more details on the test out options for the eligible youth. If you have any questions, please contact Brett, Livestock Agent, at 785-243-8185 or Monica, 4-H Agent, at 785-527-5084.

## 17 Youth Receive the 4-H Key Award

The 4-H Key Award is the highest honor awarded to deserving 4-H members across the State of Kansas. To be eligible for this award, the applicant highlights 4-H related events, activities, and achievements accomplished within their 4-H club, county/district, region, or state.

The River Valley District staff would like to congratulate the following recipients that were awarded their Key Award at the Achievement Celebrations held this fall.

RVD-Belleville	Faith Schintler – Discovery Ryan Shrader – Pathfinders Macy Rickard – Sherdahl Booster	Jessica Jensen – Eager Beavers Cheneal Benne – Sherdahl Booster
RVD-Clay Center	Keath Meyer – Lincoln Creek	Katherine Sleichter – Lincoln Creek
RVD-Concordia	Janessa Ade – Hollis Hustler William (Joe) Cool – Miltonvale Hustlers	Taryn Mosher – Hollis Hustler Lane Martin – Miltonvale Hustlers
RVD-Washington	Carly Crome – Busy Bee Taylor Bruna – Happy Spirit Tyler Simmons – Happy Spirit	Luke Gauby – Busy Bee Lauren Simmons – Happy Spirit Tray Zabokrtsky – Stick-to-It

Congratulations, again! We are proud of everything they accomplished to obtain the Key Award!

## State 4-H Scholarships

Each year, Kansas 4-H Foundation and its donors provide scholarships to excelling 4-H members. All current 4-H members who are seniors and will be attending college and those past 4-H members who are attending college are encouraged to complete the scholarship application.

The 2019 Scholarship Application can be found on our River Valley District 4-H website at [www.rivervalley.k-state.edu/4-h/scholarships.html](http://www.rivervalley.k-state.edu/4-h/scholarships.html) or it may be picked up at your local River Valley District Extension Office.

There are 8 steps to complete the Kansas 4-H Scholarship application. Please follow the steps carefully and assemble it in the correct order.

You will need the following:

1. Completed Kansas 4-H Scholarship application
2. Transcript—high school or college, whichever is most appropriate
3. Letter of Recommendation – high school or college personnel
4. Letter of Recommendation – 4-H leader or Extension staff
5. One page list of 4-H leadership, community service, participation, and recognition
6. One page essay on how “4-H has impacted me”
7. One page list of non-4-H leadership, community service, participation, and recognition in school and community

8. Short paragraph about educational and long-term career goals

Don’t wait until the last minute. Ask for letters of recommendation as early as possible to be considerate of others and their busy schedules!

A lot of the information will be on your permanent record **IF** you kept it up to date correctly, including your participation, leadership, citizenship and recognition.

Good luck to all River Valley District 4-H members! Completed applications and all supporting materials are due back to your local River Valley District Extension Office by Wednesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 so we are able to deliver scholarship applications to K-State by the deadline.

### Regional 4-H Club Day

Regional 4-H Club Day will be on Saturday, March 23, 2019 at the Clay Center Community High School in Clay Center.

If you receive a Top Purple in an eligible division at District 4-H Day, you may compete at Regional 4-H Club Day. If you are eligible to compete, you will be contacted by your local RVED office following District 4-H Club Day.

Regional Club Day entries will be due to our local offices by March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

## ***County Champion Project Award Winners***

Each year, 4-H members across the River Valley District complete hours of work in the multiple project areas offered in Kansas 4-H. Completing a Kansas 4-H Award Portfolio (KAP) is one way for these youth to be recognized for their accomplishments in those project areas! Senior Division winners are eligible to submit their KAP for Area Screening in Manhattan in January, which could qualify them for the State Competition. Good luck to those advancing to Area Screening!

Congratulations to the following 4-H members for completing KAPs and being selected as the County Champion in the noted project(s). These youth were recognized at the Achievement Celebrations held this fall. Thank you for taking the time and opportunity to complete KAPs!

### **RVD – Belleville**

#### *Junior Division (7-8 4-H Age)*

- Ellyn Feight – Citizenship, Clothing & Textiles, Exploring 4-H, Foods & Nutrition, Plant Science, Photography, Reading, Sheep, Wildlife

#### *Intermediate Division (9-13 4-H Age)*

- Chesnie Dickinson - Beef
- Matayah Martinez - Foods & Nutrition
- Carsyn Frasier - Plant Science

### **RVD – Clay Center**

#### *Junior Division (7-8 4-H Age)*

- Emily Avery - Bucket Calf, Foods & Nutrition, Rabbits
- Slade Griffiths - Dog Care, Entomology, Pets, Photography, Plant Science, Shooting Sports, Space Tech, Visual Arts

#### *Intermediate Division (9-13 4-H Age)*

- Kaley Chambers - Beef
- Zoey Kopfer - Clothing & Textiles, Horseless Horse, Visual Arts
- Chayla Maichel - Dog Care, Foods & Nutrition, Horse, Performing Arts, Rabbits, Self-Determined
- Annie Larson - Photography, Wood Science

#### *Senior Division (14-18 4-H Age)*

- Logan Fickes - Beef
- Keath Meyer - Citizenship, Foods & Nutrition, Leadership, Performing Arts
- Karrin Larson - Wood Science

### **RVD – Concordia**

#### *Junior Division (7-8 4-H Age)*

- Bailey Conner - Foods & Nutrition, Wood Science
- Verity Elstrom - Visual Arts

### **RVD – Concordia—continued**

#### *Intermediate Division (9-13 4-H Age)*

- Jacob Barr – Rabbits
- Megan Barr – Dog Care
- Bricen Benyshek - Swine
- Catelin Benyshek – Wood Science
- Trae Champlin - Beef
- Daegen DeGraff - Clothing & Textiles, Fiber Arts, Foods & Nutrition, Photography, Visual Arts
- Aubrey Stahlman - Clothing & Textiles, Poultry

#### *Senior Division (14-18 4-H Age)*

- Rachelle Anderson – Beef
- Cole Stahlman – Foods & Nutrition, Leadership, Poultry, Wildlife

### **RVD – Washington**

#### *Junior Division (7-8 4-H Age)*

- Anna Scheele - Clothing and Textiles, Visual Arts
- Dawson Strunk - Wood Science
- Ila Woermanbjork - Citizenship, Communications, Fiber Arts, Foods & Nutrition, Health & Wellness, Plant Science, Reading

#### *Intermediate Division (9-13 4-H Age)*

- Autumn L'Ecuyer - Communications, Space Tech
- Olivia L'Ecuyer - Leadership, Plant Science
- Cole Meyer - Dairy Cattle

#### *Senior Division (14-18 4-H Age)*

- Coy Stamm - Meat Goats
- Trent Tuma - Energy Management, Wood Science
- Wyatt Lange - Beef



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## Fair Dates Set

Fair dates for the four county fairs in the River Valley District have been set. Three of our four fairs changed from their “typical” dates. As we have more judging dates, locations, and fair information set, we will share with the families for their county fair.

- Cloud County Fair July 9—July 13
- Clay County Free Fair July 9—July 13
- Washington County Fair July 23—July 27
- NCK Free Fair (Republic County) July 29—August 3

If you have any questions regarding the upcoming fairs, please contact Monica at 785-527-5084.

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## River Valley District 4-H Calendar of Events

**Highlight** circle, underline, etc. the important dates for your family to remember!

Use this calendar as a reminder – place it on your fridge, with your calendar, on your bulletin board, etc.!

Date	Time	Event	Location
<b>January</b>			
1/1		RVD Offices Closed – New Year Day	RVD Extension Offices
1/3		NELE Registration Closes	<a href="http://www.kansas4-H.org">www.kansas4-H.org</a>
1/5	9:00 a.m.	Winter Spectacular Rabbit Show	Fairgrounds - Concordia
1/8		District 4-H Club Entries Due	RVD Extension Offices
1/9	7:00 p.m.	Project Leader Training	The Branch - Clyde
1/12	10:00 a.m.	Jr. Leader – Salina Trip	Salina
1/13	12:00 p.m.	4-H Day with K-State Women’s Basketball	Manhattan
1/15		CWF Registration Closes	<a href="http://www.kansas4-H.org">www.kansas4-H.org</a>
1/17		NE Area KAP Judging	Manhattan
1/19	9:30 a.m.	Northeast Area 4-H Leadership Event	Rock Springs 4-H Center
1/20	1:00 p.m.	Shooting Sports–Safety Meeting/Practice Shoot	Fairgrounds – Concordia
1/21		RVD Offices Closed – MLK Jr. Day	RVD Extension Offices
1/21	6:30 p.m.	RVD-Belleville 4-H Council	4-H Building – Belleville
1/23		State 4-H Scholarships Due	RVD Extension Offices
1/25-27		Horse Panorama	Rock Springs 4-H Center
1/28	7:30 p.m.	RVD-Concordia 4-H Council	Courthouse Meeting Room - Concordia
<b>February</b>			
2/1		CIA Registration Closes	<a href="http://www.kansas4-H.org">www.kansas4-H.org</a>
2/4	6:30 p.m.	RVD- Clay Center Ambassadors	Ext. Office Meeting Room – Clay Center
2/4	7:00 p.m.	RVD- Clay Center Jr. Leaders	Ext. Office Meeting Room – Clay Center
2/4	7:45 p.m.	RVD- Clay Center 4-H Council	Ext. Office Meeting Room – Clay Center
2/11	7:30 p.m.	RVD-Washington 4-H Council	FNB Basement – Washington
2/15		Jr. Swine Producer Day Registration Due	<a href="http://www.asi.k-state.edu/">www.asi.k-state.edu/</a>
2/16	8:00 a.m.	District 4-H Club Day	Washington Co. High School – Washington
2/17-2/18		Citizenship In Action	Topeka
2/24	1:00 p.m.	Shooting Sports–Safety Meeting/Practice Shoot	Fairgrounds – Concordia
2/25-2/28		Jr. Leader Trip Registration	Online – TBA
<b>March</b>			
3/3	2:00 p.m.	Beef Weigh-In	81 Livestock – Belleville
3/3	5:30 p.m.	Beef Weigh-In	Fairgrounds – Concordia
3/4		Regional 4-H Club Day Entries Due	RVD Extension Offices
3/9		Jr. Swine Producer Day	Kansas State University
3/9	9:00 a.m.	Beef Weigh-In	Animal Health Center – Washington
3/9	9:00 a.m.	Beef Weigh-In	Salava Vet Clinic – Clay Center
3/11-3/15	TBA	Spring Break Project Workshops	TBA
3/11	5:30 p.m.	YQCA	Fairgrounds Commercial Bldg – Concordia
3/11		Jr. Meat Goat Producer Day Registration Due	<a href="http://www.asi.k-state.edu/">www.asi.k-state.edu/</a>
3/21	6:30 p.m.	RVD-Belleville 4-H Council	4-H Building – Belleville
3/23	8:00 a.m.	Regional 4-H Club Day	Clay Center Community HS – Clay Center
3/24	2:00 p.m.	Shooting Sports – Practice Shoot	Fairgrounds – Concordia
3/25	7:30 p.m.	RVD-Concordia 4-H Council	Courthouse Meeting Room - Concordia
3/30		Jr. Meat Goat Producer Day	Kansas State University

## River Valley District 4-H Calendar of Events

**Highlight** circle, underline, etc. the important dates for your family to remember!

Use this calendar as a reminder – place it on your fridge, with your calendar, on your bulletin board, etc.!

Date	Time	Event	Location
<b>April</b>			
4/1	6:30 p.m.	RVD- Clay Center Ambassadors	Ext. Office Meeting Room – Clay Center
4/1	7:00 p.m.	RVD- Clay Center Jr. Leaders	Ext. Office Meeting Room – Clay Center
4/1	7:30 p.m.	RVD- Clay Center 4-H Council	Ext. Office Meeting Room – Clay Center
4/7	2:00 p.m.	Shooting Sports – Practice or Fair Shoot	Fairgrounds - Concordia
4/8	7:30 p.m.	RVD-Washington 4-H Council	FNB Basement – Washington
4/22	5:30 p.m.	Sheep, Goat, Swine Weigh-In/Tagging	Fairgrounds – Washington
4/22	7:00 p.m.	YQCA	Fairgrounds South Exh Bldg. – Washington
4/25	5:30 p.m.	Sheep, Goat, Swine Weigh-In/Tagging	Fairgrounds – Concordia
4/28	2:00 p.m.	Shooting Sports –Fair Shoot	Fairgrounds - Concordia
<b>May</b>			
5/1	5:30 p.m.	Sheep, Goat, Swine Weigh-In/Tagging	Fairgrounds – Clay Center
5/4	9:00 a.m.	Sheep, Goat, Swine Weigh-In/Tagging	Fairgrounds – Belleville
5/4	10:30 a.m.	YQCA	4-H Building – Belleville
5/6		Camp Registration Due	RVD Extension Offices
5/20	7:30 p.m.	RVD-Concordia 4-H Council	Courthouse Meeting Room - Concordia
5/27		RVD Offices Closed – Memorial Day	RVD Extension Offices
5/28-5/31		Discovery Days	Kansas State University
<b>June</b>			
6/1-6/2		Camp Counselor Training	Rock Springs 4-H Center
6/2-6/5		4-H Camp	Rock Springs 4-H Center
6/3	6:30 p.m.	RVD- Clay Center Ambassadors	Ext. Office Meeting Room – Clay Center
6/3	7:00 p.m.	RVD- Clay Center Jr. Leaders	Ext. Office Meeting Room – Clay Center
6/3	7:30 p.m.	RVD- Clay Center 4-H Council	Ext. Office Meeting Room – Clay Center
6/6	5:30 p.m.	YQCA	4-H Conference Center – Clay Center
6/10	7:30 p.m.	RVD-Washington 4-H Council	FNB Basement – Washington
6/23-6/26		Campference	Rock Springs 4-H Center
6/28	TBA	Geology/Entomology Fair Judging	Belleville
<b>July</b>			
7/4		RVD Offices Closed – Independence Day	RVD Extension Offices
7/9-7/13		Cloud County Fair	Fairgrounds – Concordia
7/9-7/13		Clay County Free Fair	Fairgrounds – Clay Center
7/23-7/27		Washington County Fair	Fairgrounds – Washington
7/29-8/3		NCK Free Fair	Fairgrounds – Belleville

Additional Fair Dates, including pre-fair judging, entry deadlines, etc., will be shared soon with families!