

Saturday, March 26, 2022 Hays, KS

Volunteers, load up the car with 4-H members and join us in Hays for a day filled with lots of great 4-H learning opportunities!

Helping Grow Tomorrow's Leaders, through 4-H

What's Happening?

- ✤ 9:30am 1:00pm Judging Contests @ Agricultural Research Center
- 10:00am 12:00pm Volunteer Gathering @ Agricultural Research Center
- 12:30pm Check-in for Livestock Judging Contest Begins @ Livestock Pavilion North of Hays
- 1:00pm 1:30pm Livestock Judging Orientation Livestock Pavilion
- 1:00pm 3:00pm Project Learning Opportunities Agricultural Research Center – Hays
- 1:30pm Livestock Judging Contest Begins Livestock Pavilion

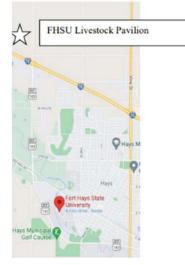
Getting Involved

Judging Contests require pre-registration for all contests. Please pre-register your individual and team entries by Friday, March 18th We will accept changes and walk-ins the day of the event.

Here's the link https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_dajjdd7SK7HICeW

There is a \$6 fee to participate in 1 or ALL 6 contests. Pay at the event for the judging contests. BRING YOUR OWN PENCIL!

Sack lunches are available for pre-order on the Registration Qualtrics. All Monies for lunch need to be sent to Walnut Creek Extension District, 503 S. Pennsylvania, Ness City, KS 67560 and make your check payable to Ness County 4-H Council by Friday, March 18. Lunches are \$5 and include – ham or turkey sandwich, chips, piece of fruit, cookie and drink. Pick up lunches in the basement of Ag Research Center Auditorium.



Ag Research Center 1232 240th Avenue Hays, Kansas 67601

From Exit 157, go south on 183 Bypass approx. 4 miles. Turn right on to 240th Ave, take the first left hand turn into the north driveway of the Research Center, the auditorium sets in the middle of the research center, enter through the doors on the west side proceed to upstairs for registration.

4-H Volunteer Gathering – upstairs Ag Research Center Auditorium – 10a.m. – Noon

We have a special time planned for adults who bring youth to the judging events. Come join us for time filled with sharing, learning, and laughter 4-H Style. Whether you're a club leader, a parent, or a teen volunteer you will get some great ideas to take back to share with your local 4-H club and county 4-H program. Please stop by and join the fun and learning! This is a Come & Go or Come & Stay session, topics will change approximately every 15minutes.



NW 4-H Judging Contest Saturday, March 26, 2022 KSRE Ag Research Center, Hays, Kansas

The Annual Northwest 4-H Judging Contest, which includes Crops, Entomology, Horticulture, Life Skills, Photography and Livestock will be held at the KSRE Ag research Center, Hays, Kansas on Saturday, March 26, 2022.

Please distribute this information to all county 4-H club leaders and FFA advisors as soon as possible.

Directions: From I-70 take Exit 157. To go to the Livestock Pavilion for the Livestock Judging Contest, go North ¾ mile. To go to the Research Center: from Exit 157, go south on 183 Bypass approx. 4 miles. Turn right on to 240th Ave, take the first left hand turn into the north driveway of the Research Center, the auditorium sets in the middle of the research center, enter through the doors on the west side proceed to upstairs for registration. (Look for the Green)

LIVESTOCK: Registration will start at 12:30pm with the contest beginning at 1:30pm in the Livestock Pavilin. There will be an orientation session held from 1:00 to 1:30pm for those getting started in judging.

ALL OTHER AREAS: Judging will start at 9:30am and run through Noon. Contests will be held at the auditorium at the KSRE Agricultural Research Center.

FOOD: Lunch will be available for pick up at the Ag Research Center for those ordering sack lunches. Please complete the Qualtrix registration link and send your monies to WCED Ness County by Friday, March 18th **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** We welcome the help of adults who might be able to help the day of the event. If you are able to assist, please contact the event chairperson.

CONTEST DIVISIONS: All contests will include a Junior, Intermediate, and Senior division. Junior Division -7 - 8 years as of January 1 of the current year, Intermediate Division -9 - 13 years as of January 1 of the current year, Senior Division -14 years and older as of January 1 of the current year.

AWARDS: Certificates and medals will be awarded in the intermediate and senior divisions. The top 3 individuals and the top place team members will receive medals. The top 10 individuals in each area will receive a certificate. The top 3 teams are identified and presented certificates. Medals and certificates will be sent to your home county at a later date. Junior Division - 7-8-year-olds will participate in each contest area as a "Learning Experience". No awards will be given. Instead, each Junior participant will receive a 4-H incentive at each area judged.

RESULTS: will be posted to <u>https://walnutcreek.ksu.edu/</u> as soon as they are received from the various committees.

NORTHWEST JUDGING CONTEST ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Any current member of a 4-H club and/or FFA Chapter is eligible to take part.

JUDGING TEAMS: A county, district or chapter may enter one or more three/four-member teams in all judging contest areas. Present team member names at registration. If teams are not identified at registration, no team scores will be calculated. The top three scores will be used to determine team score. Team members must be from the same county, unless on a district team.

LIVESTOCK: (Clinton Laflin, Chair) This judging contest is designed to teach youth how to analyze market and breeding beef, goats, sheep, and swine and measure them against a standard that is commonly accepted as ideal. There will be six classes, consisting of beef, sheep swine and goats. Juniors and Intermediates will not give reasons but will have two sets of questions. Seniors will give two sets of oral reasons. Each contestant should come equipped with pencils and a note pad for taking notes. Contest type demonstrations will be given starting at 1:00 p.m. Contest instructions begin at 1:30 p.m. Officials will give placings and talk the classes at the end of the contest.

HORTICULTURE: (Patsy Maddy & Ellis Co. Master Gardeners, Co-Chairs) The Horticulture Contest will consist of three or four judging classes selected from the following categories: vegetables, fruits or nuts, flowers or ornamentals. The identification portion of the contest will include 15 samples to identify for the junior division, and 50 samples for the Intermediate and Senior divisions. The identification scorecard is enclosed which shows the possible specimens that could be included in the contest. We will NOT have the test portion of the contest that is used at the KS State Fair.

LIFESKILLS: (Anna Muir - Chair) Judging classes will be chosen from the following topics: clothing & textiles, family and consumer issues, foods and nutrition, health & safety, human development, housing & equipment, interior design and environmental issues. Contestants in the junior division will judge three (3) classes, the Intermediate division will judge four (4) classes and the senior division will judge five (5) classes. Classes will be designed for the specific age groups.

PHOTOGRAPHY: (Christy Befort & KS 4-H Photo Action Team, Co-Chairs) The Photography Contest will consist of six (6) classes of photos, a written test, and a problem class. Juniors will only judge the photos. Test questions will come from the 4-H CCS Curriculum, the 4-H Guide to Digital Photography, the National Geographic Ultimate Field Guide to Photography (2009 edition) and other photography reference materials.

CROPS: (Stacy Campbell, Chair) The contest will consist of identification of plants and samples and the classification of the samples as crops, noxious weeds or common weeds. The Junior division will only identify 15 plants. Intermediate division will identify 15 plants/samples and analyze one seed sample, identifying and classifying the contaminants. In addition to the 20 identification, senior division will analyze two seed samples and identify and classify the contaminants.

ENTOMOLOGY: (Kristy Packard, Chair) The judging contest is designed to help youth learn how to properly identify Kansas insects. Each division will identify insect specimens. Juniors will identify 20, Intermediates 22 and Seniors 25 specimens.

QUESTIONS: If you have questions concerning this event, you may contact Robyn Trussel at (785) 798-5020 or <u>rdeines@ksu.edu</u> or Patsy Maddy <u>pmaddy@ksu.edu</u> or your local Extension Office. This information is also available on-line at <u>https://walnutcreek.ksu.edu/</u>

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Afternoon Project Opportunities – Ag Research Center, Auditorium Classes start at 1:00pm and run until 3:00pm

Button Art - \$10 Canvas Button Art Crafts are a great piece to add to your own home or to give as gifts. Make the background whatever you like. Pick any shape that you prefer. Make the buttons a color that works with your decor. Endless possibilities and very easy to make! Cost \$7 due at the time of event, but pre-registration is required. Offered by Robyn Trussel and Laycie Haas

_____ Fiber Arts Macramé - \$10 Macramé is the art of ornamental knotting. It originated as a decorative way to finish a woven fabric and became a technique for creating entire items or garments. There are many different macramé knots and techniques to learn about. Come learn to tie knots with us. Cost \$7 due at the time of event, but pre-registration is required. Offered by Patsy Maddy

Galactic Quest \$3 - Galactic Quest explores the history of humans in space, the technology and resources needed for missions, and the obstacles humans encounter in orbit. Hands-on activities explore topics ranging from physics and engineering to computer science and space agriculture. Cost \$3 due at time of event, but pre-registration is required. Offered by Nora Rhodes