THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

These two words mean so much, and yet they are often not said enough, especially during fair time. I would like to say thank you to each and every one of you. We have loved hearing the encouragement and kind words many have said through emails and conversations. You have been patient and understanding during this time.

It takes a lot of work from not only you, but also family members, friends, leaders, volunteers and supporters to make the fair possible. I would like to challenge you to extend the same thank you to everyone who helps you be the best you can be. You will be surprised on how it makes others feel and yourself when you are done.

We have Thank You’s in the office for our 4-H/FFA Foundation donors. Please stop by and write one soon!

4-H COUNCIL

7:00 PM Thursday, Oct. 22nd, via Zoom

Each 4-H Club MUST have representatives present at this meeting.

*Look for registration link to come*

4-H Development Fund- Senior Scholarship

Due by midnight on October 7th, 2020

This scholarship application is intended for students who have been active Harvey County 4-H members and will be enrolled as full-time post-secondary students for the first time this fall. (those who graduated May 2020)

Submitting this application does not equal selection to receive this scholarship. This scholarship application must be fully completed to be considered for an award. Scholarship recipients will be presented with their award at the 4-H Achievement Banquet, date is TBA.

To apply for this scholarship, you will find the link under the Record Keeping and Awards Section of the Harvey County Extension website.
Apply to be a Harvey County 4-H Ambassador

Applications to become a Harvey County 4-H Ambassador are due **Friday, October 30th, 2020.**

Any motivated 4-H’er who is a high school freshman to age 18 is encouraged to apply!

The purpose of the 4-H Ambassadors is to work together with a team of approximately 3-8 ambassadors and adult advisor to develop a public information program for the Harvey County 4-H Program. Through this experience, 4-H Ambassadors will have opportunities to learn, practice and improve communication, marketing, employability and job skills.

**Forms needed:**
- Completed Ambassador Application (pick up one in our office or on our website)
- Sealed reference form (part of application)

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**Kansas Youth Leadership Forum (KYLF)**

The Forums will be held November 21-22, 2020 virtually. KYLF is for youth ages 14-18 before January 1, 2021 and KVF is for all Kansas 4-H Volunteers. KYLF will feature leadership workshops, Youth Council Elections, and opportunities to learn and have fun. For more information, visit the website below. Registration Link will be available soon!

https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/kansas-youth-leadership-forum/index.html

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**Save the Date**

**Upcoming 4-H Dates**

- Volunteer Training: Sept 22
- Enrollment Opens: Oct 1
- Volunteer Training: Oct 3
- National 4-H Week: Oct 5-9
- County KAP’s Due: Oct 7
- Outstanding 4-H’er Due: Oct 7
- Development Fund Scholarship: Oct 7
- 4-H Council Meeting: Oct 22
- Ambassador Applications: Oct 30

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**Club Corner**

A NEW resource for County Club Leaders. Club Corner is where all Club Leader Resources are held. Use these resources to help great new members, make sure meetings are running smoothly and to make meetings fun and hands on. Check them out at this link

https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/ClubCorner.html
Starting October 1st
It's Time To Enroll
Re-enroll Online At: https://ks.4honline.com

Firm Deadlines:
Returning 4-H Member: January 1st, 2021
Project Enrollment (Changes/Additions): May 15th, 2021

Happy 4-H New Year!
The 4-H Year begins every October. It is time to re-enroll and is also time to select 4-H project to participate in.

As a reminder, in order to exhibit an item at the County Fair, 4-H’ers are required to be enrolled in the corresponding project in 4-H Online by May 15th.

Why not try something new? Choose from over 30 4-H Projects to enroll in.

Local support for projects may vary. Learn more about local projects at http://www.harvey.k-state.edu/4-h/events/county-wide-projects.html

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Volunteer Service
Renewal Forms
http://www.harvey.k-state.edu/4-h/volunteers.html.

Previously screened 4-H Volunteers are required to renew 4-H Online account each year. If you have any questions, please e-mail ajanzen@ksu.edu.

*The deadline to resubmit your online application through 4-H Online is December 31st, 2020**
Volunteer Training

Volunteers are the reason 4-H programs exist. They help youth find their spark and encourage them to pursue it. Great volunteers stay up to date on research, they evaluate how their program is doing and they have passion for our youth.

It is time for a Volunteer Update Training. Come learn about recent research on Positive Youth Development and new procedures Harvey County 4-H will be adopting.

Choose one session from the following to attend:

September 22nd 7-8 pm
(Zoom meeting)

October 3rd 9-10 am
(in person at 4-H Building)

Registration for Volunteer Training:

Topics:
4-H Thrive Research
Learning Pathways
Civil Rights
Updates to Website
Overall 4-H Program

*Training is for current volunteers and anyone interested in becoming one.
HARVEY COUNTY 4-H AWARDS

In preparation for our annual 4-H Achievement Banquet, all Kansas Award Portfolios, pin applications, and other award applications are due in the Extension Office no later than **October 7th, 2020**. Please respect the due dates that your community leaders have set up for your club.

These applications, forms, and instructions are available on our website: https://www.harvey.k-state.edu/4-h/record_keeping_and_awards/index.html

**Kansas Award Portfolios (KAP):** Harvey County uses the KAP to select County Champions in 4-H projects. The winners will be recognized at the 4-H Achievement Banquet.

1. Personal Page Assembly per KAP: (clear photocopy is acceptable on all records)
2. 4-H Story - Not to exceed 6 pages, double-spaced on one side of paper. Use the story to expand on your project knowledge, skills, accomplishments, personal growth, etc.
3. Kansas Award Portfolio (KAP)

**Achievement Pin Award Applications**

The 4-H Achievement Pin Awards are based on individual 4-H project work and participation. Pins include: Membership, Bronze, Clover, Emerald, Silver, Silver Guard, Jr. Leadership, Gold, and Gold Guard. A 4-H'er may receive only one of these a year. 4-H members should turn these applications into their Community Leader with their KAP’s.

**Forms needed:** Individual achievement pin applications

**4-H Club Awards**

We will recognize 4-H Clubs for **Club Seals** (purple, blue, red, etc.) and **Project Awards** such as: Safety, Health, Citizenship, Community Service, etc. These reports need to be completed and turned in by **October 7**.

**Completed forms needed:**
- For Club Seal - Club Planning & Goat Worksheet
- For Project Awards - Club Project Report Form

**Outstanding 4-H’er Award**

This award recognizes Harvey County 4-H members who have demonstrated leadership and dedication to the Harvey County 4-H program. Club leaders can nominate deserving members, or 4-H members can nominate themselves for consideration by completing the application.

There are four, $50 awards available each year. 4-H’ers who have already been given this award are not eligible to reapply.

**Forms needed:** Outstanding 4-H’er Award application

To apply or nominate somebody for this award, you will find the link under the Record Keeping and Awards Section of the Harvey County Extension website.

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**Awards Judging- Help Needed!**

We are in need of former 4-H parents or 4-H alumni to assist with our awards judging. Please consider helping with this process! Judging will take place Oct 13-16 in office or virtually. If you are willing to assist, or if you have an idea of a 4-H volunteer that might be interested in serving in this way, please contact me at aelpers@ksu.edu or by calling the Extension Office.
Join us this fall in seeing just how much we can give back to our community! The week during National 4-H Week Harvey County will be taking part in a week long service project. 4-H youth and families will take part if providing service to others October 5-9 and recording their time to plan and implement their projects. Clubs can join in on the fun too and complete projects together. If the club meeting does not line up with these dates, still complete the task and record it.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY FAMILY?
You can do anything that provides a service to others. For example:
- help your neighbor clean up their yard
- bake goods delivered to others
- cards or crafts for nursing homes
- collect for the food bank
- volunteer your time
- club service projects

CALL TO ACTION
Plan and implement service learning projects. That can be with your club or your family. These projects can be simple or more complex. The goal is to provide 100 hours of service in Harvey County the week of October 5-9. 100 hours can be easy to achieve if each family did 3 hours of service.

TRACK YOUR TIME HERE: HTTPS://BIT.LY/3JX4DZB

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As a reminder, we have gone to a bimonthly newsletter. This newsletter is September and October. Please follow us on Facebook and make sure you have a reliable email when re-enrolling in 4-H Online this year. We will be emailing updates and posting on our social media accounts.

4-H Online will be updated to 4-H Online 2.0. We do not know what changes will be happening, but if you tried to log in now you will not be allowed in. No worries you will be able to after Oct. 1 when enrollment opens open. Don’t forget to enroll before January 1st. Volunteers will need to also re-enroll in 4-H Online as well.

I love the start of the 4-H year, also busy with new ideas and lots of little things to do and have. Be looking for new and upcoming things this year. I have lots planned.

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