

Wild West District Office Locations

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Community

Upcoming Community Programs

District

Upcoming Dates

January

2: Wild West 4-H Shelter Challenge deadline

11: District Club Day

24-25: Horse Panorama

25: Haskell Co. 4-H & Open Rabbit Show

2020 4-H Horse Panorama

The 2020 4-H Horse Panorama has been scheduled for January 24-26 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Registration and contest rules for Horse Panorama will be posted to the Kansas 4-H web site soon on the Horse Events Page. The deadline for registration will be January 15th.

Citizenship in Action

This two-day event is sponsored by the State 4-H Youth Leadership Council. The purpose of the event is for Kansas youth to learn how the state legislative process works and how their voice and participation in decision-making can make a difference in their local communities. The legislative visit will not only familiarize youth with the capitol building, but will also show them how they can affect the legislative process.

When: February 16-17, 2020

Where: Topeka, KS

Who: Youth 13-18 years old by January 1 of the current year

District Club Days!

District Club Day will be held on Saturday, January 11th in Hugoton. This is your opportunity to give a project talk, demonstration, play an instrument, sing a song, model meetings for your club, skits, or perform any other talent. Earn a top blue and you are eligible to compete at Regional Club Days. Regional Club Days will be in Elkhart on February 22, 2020.

Make sure to register using this link by January 3rd:

<https://forms.gle/B3CDRDGNGGK68KcK6>

Haskell County 4-H and Open Rabbit Show

The Haskell County 4-H Rabbit Club will be hosting a show on January 25, 2020 at the Haskell County Fairgrounds. Registration is from 8:30-9:30am. Youth contests begin at 10:00am. Show begins after youth contests. For more information, contact Charity Horinek, (620) 272-6016, chorinek@gmail.com or Celeste Kunselman, (620) 428-2243, vestaceleste@gmail.com.

2020 Citizenship Washington Focus—postponed or cancelled!

District

2020 Kansas 4-H Scholarship Application

The applications are found on the Wild West District Website under 4-H Youth Development > General > 2020 4-H Scholarship Application. (See photo below.)

These are due to the State 4-H Office by February 1st!

Don't forget to get your county agent's signature before you send it in!!



Campference 2020

4-H Campference is for youth ages 12- 14 (before January 1, 2020), and will be held June 22-25 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Participants will experience the feel of a conference, while enjoying the 'camp' activities Rock Springs 4-H Center has to offer. This is a great transitional opportunity, as these tweens go from being a camper to attending educational conferences. 4-H Campference will feature workshops about opportunities in the 4-H program and how to better interact with others. Participants will meet other youth from around the state of Kansas.

Registration and detailed information will be the State 4-H Website in March Register early as the space will fill on a first come basis, and Campference was full the last 6 years! Register online by May 15 (or earlier it will close when it is full) and payment must be in the local Extension Offices by May 15.

Host Family Applications for Costa Rica Due March 1st!

States' 4-H International Exchange Programs is expected to host teens from Costa Rica June 21- July 19. Kansas families who would like to host a teen between June 23 and July 18 should apply for Costa Rica. Applications are available online and due March 1. They must be approved through Criminal Background Checks and In Home Interviews, plus submit references. Kansas will need at least two hosts to qualify, so it will be helpful to have applications submitted by mid-February. At this time, we do not anticipate Inbounds from Finland coming to the U.S. this year. Any family who would like to host a 4-H member from Taiwan or Korea July 23-August 17 should notify Mary Kay Munson at 785-238-3631 (leave a message) by February, so that we can request inbounds to Kansas. Japanese youth will be in Kansas July 23-August 17.



Who: All Clubs in the Wild West District are challenged by Stevens County 4-H Council

What: Gather items needed for your local animal shelter and drop them at your local Extension Office. **Every item earns your club 1 point!**

Ideas: Peanut butter, Leashes, Old towels, Homemade Dog Bones - Check your local shelter for their needs!
Stevens County CAN NOT accept dog food!

When: All items must be donated by January 2, 2019, 5p.m.



The club with the most points wins a pizza party sponsored by the Stevens County 4-H Council!

The individual winner with the best looking dog bone from each county will receive a \$10 Subway gift card!



Example of how to make the dog bone:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bm7ez7QJ_Fs



SOUTHWEST 4-H YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM

Saturday, January 18, 2020

Church of the Nazarene
1700 W. Ross Blvd
Dodge City, KS 67801

The Southwest 4-H Youth Leadership Forum (SWYLF) is put on by the Southwest Area Representatives from the Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council. SWYLF is designed to empower youth to become leaders. This event is open to all young people in grades 7 to 12.

If you're looking for a one day leadership experience to make new friends, strengthen your ability to work collaboratively, and learn new skills to communicate effectively, we hope that you will join us for this year's Southwest 4-H Youth Leadership Forum!

Cost per person is \$30 and includes program materials, t-shirt, snacks and lunch.

Registration opens December 1, 2019 and will close January 3, 2020. You must register online through [Cvent](#). Please take payment to your Local Extension Office by January 3, 2020, or your registration will be cancelled.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

This year's Communication Bootcamp will be a high energy, full day of training. We are excited to bring Dr. Lorenza Lockett, Assistant Professor of Social Work and Aliah Mestrovich-Seay, 4-H Youth Development Specialist, both with Kansas State University, to facilitate at this year's forum. See you there!

9:30 am	Registration/Energizers
10:00 am	Welcome & Overview of Day
10:15 am	Empathy
11:15 am	Communication Styles
12:00 pm	Leadership Initiative Breakout 1
12:30 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm	Leadership Initiative Breakout 2
1:30 pm	Conflict Styles
2:30 pm	Leadership Initiative Breakout 3
3:00 pm	Snack Break
3:15 pm	Intro to Community Conversations
3:45 pm	Reflection & Call to Action
4:00 pm	Homeward Bound

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Haskell Co. 4-H

Upcoming Dates

December



4-H Shooting Sports

In order to participate in Shooting Sports you must be enrolled and have a current participation form on file. Practices for BB will take place the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at 5:30pm and 7:00pm in the Basement of the Extension Office. Practices for Air Rifle will be the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays and the time will be determined. For more information feel free to contact our County Instructors:

Marlon Hoeffner: 620-353-4521

Dan Kunselman: 620-428-1393

Micah Wood: 620-952-1800

Seward Co. 4-H

Upcoming Dates

January

14: K-DOT Meeting



K-DOT Meeting: Mandatory for all 4-Her's and Parents!

We will meet on January 14th @ 6pm to sign a Letter of Intent for highway adoption. Please be sure to mark your calendars for this meeting!

Attention Seward Co 4-Her's!

Remember to check your membership pin applications so you know the correct projects to enroll in this year!

Steven's Co. 4-H

Upcoming Dates

December

19: Performing Arts Project Meeting

January

5: Foods Ages 9-11 Meeting

9: Communication Project Meeting

19: Foods Ages 9-11 Meeting

Foods Ages 9-11

Project meetings for Stevens County 4-H'ers age 9-11 who are enrolled in Foods will begin in January. Current meeting dates will be Sunday, January 5th and 19th at 2:00 p.m. at the 4-H building. Cost and more information will be sent to you closer to the meetings.

Communication Project Meeting

Grace Dillinger will be holding project meetings for those enrolled in communications. The meetings on the schedule include Tuesday December 10th, Monday December 16th, and Thursday January 9th all at 5:30 p.m. at the 4-H building. She will be working on some basic communication information and also helping prepare 4-H'ers for talks, demonstrations and public speaking for county club days in January.

Performing Arts Project Meetings

Holly Grubbs will be the project leader for performing arts and has scheduled three meetings for December. They are all on Thursday, the 5th, 12th and 19th. They will be held at the Extension Office beginning after school at 3:45 p.m. Holly will work with members on readings, skits and vocal performances as 4-H'ers prepare for County Club Days. If you need ideas, or help with somethings you've started plan to attend!