You must enroll via 4-H Online, version 2. The link is https://v2.4honline.com/. New enrollments and re-enrollments began October 1 and need to be completed by November 1. This includes 4-H members and all volunteers. An enrollment guide with step by step instructions if needed. https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/4-h-online/index.html

Please let us know if you have any questions as you complete the enrollment process. You can call our offices. Just a reminder that there is a $15 enrollment fee.

Families should review years in project as they make project selections. This is the one feature that did not carry over from version one. Please enroll in any projects that you plan to take this year. The enrollment list is what is given to project leaders so they can communicate about upcoming meetings. The final drop add deadline for project selection is May 1.

**Any Adult Who Wants to Volunteer**

Every community and project leader (Club and/or County) needs to have completed the volunteer screening process. You will need to update, or start a profile in 4-H Online if you haven’t already done so. Once you update your profile it will automatically renew your VIP status every year. There is no longer a need to fill out the renewal form.

- The State is still requiring you to re-screen every 3 years after your initial year. **You will complete the form online via 4-H Online**--no more paper copies. We will submit the National Criminal Background Check for you as long as you have completed the Validity check in the past. A second background check is not required.
- You will only be required to complete the Orientation Training and Agent Interview if you have not completed the volunteer screening in the past. You will also need to complete the CBC (Validity) background check if you have not completed it in the past. The link will be provided to you.
- One other major change is that ‘episodic’ volunteers have been changed to ‘Adult Helpers’ instead. Now it is more defined, so hopefully it won’t be as confusing as it was before.

The volunteer renewal process will began October 1 along with 4-H enrollment and re-enrollment. If you completed it last year, it should remain as your permanent record in 4-H Online. It will just need to be edited each year going forward. You will receive an e-mail or letter if you need to complete anything other than updating the profile. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer please reach out to the extension office for details.
Howdy Ya’ll!

I would like to kick the new horse project year off by planning a once-a-month meeting. I am hoping having this schedule will help you plan for the coming year and work for most of our kids. We will plan for all of our ride activities to be held at the MCYRA arena, but this could be adjusted based on weather. We will also consider adding some additional meetings to prepare for Panorama and the state horse judging contest. If you are a part of the Kansas 4-H Horse Project and would like to stay up to date on any last-minute changes, please message Lisa Wainwright on Facebook or 785-466-3132. If you would like to volunteer to help the horse project, please message Lisa as well. I have included other 4-H important horse dates in the list of meetings:

2022
November 6th Sunday 3-5 Ride? MCYRA Arena
December 4th Sunday 3-5 Ride? MCYRA Arena

2023
January 4th Wednesday 7-8 Courthouse meeting room
January 27-29th Horse Panorama at Rock Springs (tentative)
February 5th Sunday 3-5 Courthouse meeting room
March 5th Sunday 3-5 Courthouse meeting room
March 17-19th Equifest – Volunteer opportunity and Horse judging contest (tentative)
April 5th Wednesday 7-8 Ride MCYRA Arena
May 1st Horse ID papers Due (every year) (if you run out of signature lines, please renew paperwork)
May 3rd Wednesday 7-8 Ride MCYRA Arena
June 1st District Horse show entries due (Must have level 1 testing complete before this date) (tentative)
June 7th Wednesday 7-9 Ride MCYRA Arena
June 29th District Horse Show
July 1st Morris County Fair horse show entries due (tentative)
July 5th Wednesday 7-9 Ride MCYRA Arena
August 1st State Fair horse show entries are due (tentative)
August 6th Sunday 3-5 Ride MCYRA Arena
September 6th Wednesday 7-8 Ride MCYRA Arena
September 14-16 State Fair horse show (tentative)

Any 4-H member in the Flint Hills District enrolled in the horse project is welcome to attend these meetings.

Swine Day

Kansas State University’s annual Swine Day planned for Thursday, Nov. 17. The fee to register is $25 per person if paid by Nov. 10, and $50 after that date or at the door. Students may attend free of charge if they register by Nov. 10. Registration is available online at KSUSwine.org or by sending a check payable to the Department of Animal Sciences and Industry and addressed to KSU Swine Day, 218 Weber Hall, 1424 Claflin Road, Manhattan, KS 66506. This event will be held at the KSU Alumni Center, 1720 Anderson Ave, Manhattan, KS.

For more information, contact Lois Schreiner at 785-532-1267 or lschrein@ksu.edu

Shooting Sports

Safety Day for 1st year BB members - Nov 13
Practice for 1st Year Shooters only - Nov 20
BB/Air Rifle/Air Pistol practice begins - Dec 4

Online sign up will be used again this year. Be sure you are on the Morris County Sharp Shooters Facebook page for updates.

We will have Shooting Sports, Shotgun discipline available this year. Thank you to Terry Andres for completing the training to offer this program.

Those interested in participating in Shotgun, be sure to get enrolled. A tentative schedule is listed below.

Safety Day will be held late March/beginning of April
Practice May - July
State Qualifying Matches - July & Aug
State Match - October
**4-H Activities & Training**

**Kansas 4-H Presents: Equine Webinar Series**

The Kansas 4-H Equine Webinar series gives Kansas 4-H'ers, Horse volunteers and parents to gain skill and knowledge about horses and the horse industry in Kansas. Topics will include basic 4-H Horse project knowledge, horse health and college and career readiness. Industry experts and K-State faculty will share their experience and expertise during the webinars. Webinars will be hosted live the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Central Standard Time. Please register in advance to receive the link and details to join. Webinars will be recorded and made available for those wishing to view at a later date. Participants may submit questions relating to the webinar topic to khordyke@ksu.edu until 2:00 p.m. the day of the scheduled webinar. Please include "Equine Webinar Question" in the subject line of your email.

After attending the live webinar, or viewing the recording, please provide feedback through the survey link. This helps Kansas 4-H to plan and improve future webinars. Please click the link below to register: [https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/horse/equine-webinar-series.html](https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/horse/equine-webinar-series.html)

**2023 4-H Camp at Rock Springs Ranch**

Families should have a paper mailer from the State 4-H office with an update regarding camp next year. Sign up for 2023 camp will use the link: [https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/](https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/). Early bird registration for 4-H families will open November 15, and this website will be the hub for all 4-H camp information. They are offering a tiered pricing model for families to select from. A 10% early bird 4-H discount will be offered and run through December 31. At the time of registration, campers will be required to make a 10% deposit, with the rest paid in full by May 1. They have developed multiple options for payment of camp fees this year including a monthly payment option with credit card or E-Check or pay in full by May 1st.

Camp options will be available for all 4-H members who will be going into 3rd-12th grade for the school year following the camp season. The menu of sessions will include 8 options to be offered June 4-July 14. Flint Hills District has targeted Session #2: June 7-10 for attendance. Agent(s) will plan to attend camp during these dates and encourage any Flint Hills District 4-H members to attend during this session. If these dates won't work for your family, choose another session that works better for you, if you wish.

If you have any questions regarding the new process, please let us know.

**Shutterbug events**

Shutterbug events are photography workshops put on across the state by the Kansas State 4-H Photography Action Team. Workshops are typically scheduled as a morning session and concentrate on a variety of aspects of composition. The events typically end around Noon. Examples of sessions include: Portfolio, I have a camera-now what?, Panning, Close-ups, Aperture Settings & Kaleidoscopes/Reflections.

**2022 Events:**

**Shutterbugs at Old Jefferson Town**

1. Where: Oskaloosa, KS
2. When: Saturday, November 5th, 2022
3. Registration being at 8:30 AM

For updated information you can visit [https://ksre.k-state.edu/tuesday/announcement/?id=80972](https://ksre.k-state.edu/tuesday/announcement/?id=80972)

**2023 4-H Horse Project Changes**

There will be some changes to the Horse Project this year. A full update was sent to all members that were enrolled in the horse project. Below are the updates on Horse ID’s, Level Testing, and Equine Safety.

**Horse ownership:** Each horse should be properly identified with the local Extension Office by June 1 of the current 4-H program year. Horses may be identified by a) completed Horse ID Certificate with all required signatures, or b) breed registration papers with horse ownership listed in the 4-H member’s or a family member’s name. “Family member” includes: immediate family: parent, stepparent, sibling, stepsibling, grandparent, or legal guardian. A copy of the 4-H Horse ID Certificate or the horse’s registration papers must be submitted to the Extension Office by June 1. 4-H’ers exhibiting registered horses must present a copy of the registration papers or the 4-H Horse ID Certificate at check-in to the State Fair.

**Level Testing:** Beginning in 2023, the Kansas 4-H Horse Achievement Levels will no longer be required to participate at the State Fair 4-H Horse Show.

**Equine Webinar Series- Horse Safety:** All 4-H Horse Project Members are encouraged to participate in the live session or watch the recording of the “4-H Equine Webinar: Horse Safety” episode and quiz. Members who wish to exhibit at the Kansas State Fair 4-H Horse Show are required to watch the session and complete the quiz prior to entering the State Fair 4-H Horse Show.
Follow up from Record Books

A big thank you to all of the volunteers who came in to evaluate record books. It is helpful as we evaluate books from another county and learn about ideas of dos and don’ts when completing books.

We plan to have a Record Keeping Workshop hybrid style on January 16th at 6 PM. Look for details soon.

A few quick tips to help when completing your record books:

* It does help if you intend to leave a section blank to put NA.
* When completing livestock form, list raised instead of leaving it blank. This helps the evaluator to better understand your project.
* If your project record has any gaps on explanation, use the reflection section to help the reader fill in the knowledge about your project.
* If you have not looked over the evaluation rubric, please take the time to do so. This helps give guidance for the level of completion on the document.
* In the expense & income section, be sure to capture everything that is involved in your project. If the supplies cost $20.19 but Mom paid for that, be sure to include that information. Be sure to include ribbon premium, supplies, gifts, etc.
* If you have information that is relevant for the project, be sure to include it in some way.
* Rate of Gain is only relevant for Market Animals. If you have breeding animals or animals that do not need rate of gain information, then use the other section to capture those feed costs.

Please review your evaluation forms and feedback. Let us know if you have any specific questions that you would like reviewed during the Workshop in January. We will discuss some of the challenges this year from accessing and using the documents.

YQCA Training

Mark your calendars! The Flint Hills District will be hosting two training sessions for those needing to become YQCA certified. YQCA stands for Youth for the Quality Care of Animals. Any individual that plans to show market animals, commercial breeding females, and/or purebred breeding females at the 2023 Kansas State Fair or Kansas Junior Livestock Show must be YQCA certified to participate. However, anyone is welcome to attend a training session to become certified. The sessions will be held in the Morris Co. Courthouse Meeting Room. The dates are: February 11th at 9 AM, and April 2nd at 4:30 PM. Y ou only need to attend one training session. Use the following link to register online https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login. The cost of the training is $3 which you will pay online when you register. Please use your 4-H Online login information for the sign-up.

Ambassadors

Thank you to the 2021-2022 Ambassadors for all your hard work over this year.

Welcome to our new District Ambassadors team of 2022-2023!
Kinslea Glanville and Josepha Inlow (Chase County) Castyn Andres & Alison Bachura (Morris County)

KJLS

The Kansas Junior Livestock Show took place on September 30 - October 2 in Hutchinson at the Kansas State Fairgrounds. The Flint Hills District was represented well with two 4-Hers from Chase county, and Five from Morris county participating. Representing Chase County were Barrett & Paisley Voboril. Morris County Representatives were Cooper & Castyn Andres, Carissa & Cassidy Dalquest, and Mariette Thibodeaux (Front).
PLACE YOUR ORDERS BY NOVEMBER 23RD.
ORDERS WILL BE SHIPPED BEFORE CHRISTMAS.

www.companycasuals.com/4HSparkTees

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Don’t Miss it! The Elite Livestock Judging

Clinic and Contest 2022

Hosted by The Leavenworth County Livestock Committee with the National Award Winning Butler County CC Livestock Judging Team!

- Date: Saturday December 3rd, 2022
- Time: Start @ 8 am - Awards & Dinner @ 5 pm (approx. depending on contest)
- Place: Tonganoxie Kansas - Leavenworth County Fairgrounds
- Registration Fee: $50 *Due by Nov. 14th to guarantee tee shirt*
- Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Education breakout sessions, Live Animal evaluation, Contest and Awards, Souvenir Tee Shirt all included
- Extra Meal Tickets available for lunch or dinner $12 each.
- Extra Tee Shirts available to order $15 each / adult sizes only
- Questions? (785) 331-7686 or blackandgoldfarms@gmail.com Brian Habjan

Registration Due by Nov. 14th to guarantee a Tee Shirt! ______$50

Name: _______________________ Age: ______
Address: _____________________ Tee Shirt Size: (circle) Sm-Md-Lg-XL-2XL

Phone # _______________________
Parent Name ___________________
Email Address: ___________________

Extra Meals? ______ X $12 = Total ______

Extra Tee Shirt? (circle) Sm/Md/Lg/XLg/ 2XL X $15 = Total ______

Check # __________ Total = __________
Credit Card # ___________________ 3 digit code# _____ Exp Date? ______

Mail to: LV Livestock Committee Treasurer, S. Eberth
16721 Donahoo Road
Basehor, Kansas 66007

Total enclosed = $ ___________
**November**

November 1 - 4-H and VIP Enrollment Deadline  
November 2 - Morris County Leader Training  
November 5 - Morris County Achievement Banquet  
November 8 - Morris County Officer’s Training  
November 11 - Extension Offices Closed  
November 13 - Chase County Achievement Banquet  
November 15 - Chase County Officer’s Training  
November 17 - Swine Day @ KSU  
November 19-20 - Kansas Youth Leadership Forum (KYLFF)  
November 24-25 - Extension Offices Closed  
November 28 - Chase County 4-H Council

**Looking Ahead 2023**

January 16 - Record Keeping Workshop  
February 25 - District Club Days @ Chase County High School  
Feb 26 - Morris County Project Day  
February 11 - YQCA training 9 AM  
March 11 - K-State Jr Swine Producer Day  
March 18 - K-State Jr Meat Goat Producer Day  
April 2 - YQCA training 4:30 PM  
June 28-29 - District Horse Show  
July 20-28 - Chase County Fair  
July 22-31 - Morris County Fair

**December**

December 23-26 - Extension Office Closed

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Pin Application and Yearly Planning

Please take the time now to print the pin application that you are ready for next year. Think about what activities you will need to participate in to qualify for your pin. We have many events that are available for you to take advantage of and add to your county check sheets and pin applications for the year. Think about the county events, district events, state events, and multi-county events that are available to participate in. In the December newsletter, you will find the Yearly 4-H calendar for planning purposes. We try to include as many dates and activities as possible on that calendar for you to look at the year ahead. This also includes looking for project opportunities to participate in.

What better time to plan than the start of the new 4-H Year!!

Reflect & Look Forward

When you get your record books back this year, please review the grading rubric and comment sheet. Volunteers and Extension Staff have taken their time to give suggestions on how to improve your record keeping skills, to get more out of your projects and have given encouraging feedback. As you look to this coming 4-H year try to look ahead at your record sheets and see what achievements you need to accomplish in order to get your 4-H pin or excel in your projects. Throughout the year remember to re-visit your pin application to see what you are missing and if you have questions please always reach out to your Community Leaders or the Extension Office.

And Congratulations to those of you who completed your 4-H year by turning in your record books! Record keeping skills are an important life lesson to have. Every successful business has astounding records of their operations/finances.

What’s Your Plan?

It really is true that life is short and time is limited, so it matters what we do with our time! With our new 4-H year just beginning on October 1st, I encourage you to take some time to plan out the new year and how to make the most of your experience in the various projects. What do you want to get out of each of your projects? Have you stopped to ask yourself, what is my purpose or goal with these 4-H projects? When I am working with a purpose, I find that I spend my time more meaningfully and intentionally in comparison to when I have not thought about what I want to accomplish.

One way that you could get ideas for what you could accomplish in the next year is to take a look at the project record rubric. For example, what might be ways that you could already start planning to incorporate a leadership component into your project? Are there people in your community that you could give back to? Who might be able to help you learn and advance in your project, and what if you got those dates down on the calendar right now? After recently participating in record book judging, my mind is fresh with ideas for how to make the most of your 4-H experience this year. If you begin planning now, it is also easier to remember to record expenses in your project record as you go or to take pictures of what you are doing and learning throughout the year.

If you are unsure how to set some goals, how to incorporate leadership or citizenship into your project, or if you are needing help with coming up with learning experiences, you can also always reach out! I would be happy to sit down and talk with you and help you brainstorm and plan.

Part of the goal of 4-H is to help you build those life-skills that you need as a person. I encourage you to take the time to intentionally plan out your new 4-H year so that you make the most of the opportunity you have to build life-skills and grow as a person.
The next Council Meeting is scheduled for **November 28th** at 6:15 p.m. at the Community Building in Cottonwood Falls.

**Officers Training**

Officer training will be held at the Community Building in Cottonwood Falls on Tuesday, **November 15th** at 6:30 p.m.

The Achievement Banquet date has been set for **November 13th** at 5:30 p.m. at the Flint Hills Community Church Gym in Cottonwood Falls. The theme this year is “Get S’more Out of Life with 4-H”. The meat, drinks and table service will be provided. Families are asked to bring a covered dish. As a reminder the banquet is for 4-Her’s who completed the 2021 - 2022 4-H year.
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**1997 Achievement Banquet**
Officer Training
Officer training will be held in person at the Morris Co. Courthouse on Tuesday, November 8 from 6:30-8 PM. Please RSVP to the office by November 7 so we have a count for copies.

Club Leadership Roster
As Club elections are completed, Community Leaders will need to be sure the Club Leadership Roster and the club program book are turned in to the Extension Office. The roster form will be e-mailed to the Club Community Leaders.

4-H Enrollment
Time is almost up to enroll in 4-H again! It is the same process as last year. You must enroll via 4-H Online, version 2. The link is https://v2.4honline.com/. New enrollments and re-enrollments begin October 1 and need to be completed by November 1. For the new 4-H families, brochures will be available from the Club Leaders, the Extension Office, and you can also find them on our website at http://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/. Please let us know if you have any questions. You can call our offices. Just a reminder that there is a $15 enrollment fee. The Morris County 4-H Foundation will pay the fee for new members and any member who turned in a record book. Choose payment by check at check out and payment will be submitted from our office.

Achievement Banquet
The date for the Achievement Banquet has been set for Saturday, November 5th from 6-8 pm. We will plan to begin with the meal, followed by the program. Tickets will be $7 and can be picked up or reserved at the Extension Office.

Cat and Hand Pet Project
Welcome to the new 4-H year. We will have our first Pet meeting on December 10th at 10 AM. It will be held in the Courthouse meeting room. Please bring a donation of pet food for Care and Share and a list of what you would like to like to learn /talk about through the year. The new Leader Aleece Priest and Jr. Leader Alex Priest are looking forward to a great year.

Important Dates
Fair Board Meeting
Tuesday November 1, 7 PM
4-H Council Meeting
Tuesday, January 16, 7PM

Club & Project Leader Training
All club leaders and project leaders are strongly encouraged to attend leader training. Training will be held in person on Wednesday, November 2 from 6-8 PM at the Morris Co. Courthouse.
6-7 pm Club Community Leaders
7-8 pm Any Project Leaders (County or Club)

Morris County Conservation District Scholarship Application
The Morris County Conservation District is offering a Senior High School Scholarship for $500 again this year. Applicants must be pursuing a degree in a natural resource field. They need to include a 500 word essay, a copy of their school transcript and provide two letters of recommendation that are not relatives. The deadline is December 19, 2022. The recipient will be presented the scholarship at the January 28, 2023 annual meeting. The application is attached and is on our website at http://www.flinthills.k-state.edu/4-h/morris-county/scholarships/index.html

Cloverbuds
We will be having our next Meeting November 12th, at the Courthouse.
December 10th

Fair Lost and Found
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- **November 2022**
- **Morris County**
- **Give Thanks**