



### Welcome to the World



Asher Wade Pine made his arrival on October 27th! Both mom and baby are doing great! Congratulations to Sydney and Hayden!

### 4-H Council Meeting

The first 4-H council meeting of the 24-25 4-H Year is coming up on November 4th at 7pm in the Sunflower room at our offices in Westmoreland. This will be the meeting we elect officers and select committees.

### 2024-2025 4-H Enrollment

**Who?** 4-H Members and **volunteers** both need to enroll in 4-Honline

**When?** Now! Before January 1st for returning members (see below)

**Cost?** Nothing! There are donations to cover the cost of enrollment

**How?** 1. Visit <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>

2. Existing login and member information has been transferred from the previous system. So only new families/volunteers need to create an account profile.

3. When Selecting payment method, choose "**Payment for this invoice will be collected by 4-H Institution**". **Click confirm, but do not send a check for payment.** The fee is covered! Any other option or putting in credit card information will delay the process!

4. The State 4-H office has provided a PDF enrollment guide, it can be found at [this link](#).

**Re-enrollment deadline:** Re-enrolling 4-H'ers must be enrolled by **January 1st** to have their \$15 membership fee covered. The final date to add/drop projects will remain May 1st for everyone

### 4-H Ambassador Interviews

4-H Ambassador interviews will be held on November 13th at 6pm in the Extension Offices in Westmoreland.

### Introduction to Entomology Project Meeting

Taylor and Maggie Bryant will be hosting a project meeting about Entomology on November 16th from 9am-11am in the Sunflower Room in Westmoreland. Both girls have had a great deal of success at the local and state levels with their projects! They will discuss everything from what an insect is, how to properly display it, and all the opportunities this project can offer!

## **4-H Officer Training**

Pottawatomie County Officer training will be held in the Sunflower room in Westmoreland on Sunday, November 17th from 5pm-7pm. Pizza and drinks will be provided.

## **ZBook: Electronic Record Book Training**

December 1, 2024: 5pm in the Sunflower Room in Westmoreland! ZBooks are an electronic record book that saves information from year to year! This can alleviate the “OMG its October: Record Books and Award Apps are due” panic attack! This program keeps your information from year to year, fills in the Kansas Applications and will save a ton of time! Bring your computer/ipad and record book information! This will be a working meeting! We have a couple computers in the office you are able to use if needed. The link for the zBook is <https://4h.zsuite.org/>.

## **4-H Financial Audit**

4-H Treasurers, Club Leaders, and Financial Review Committee members: start looking at the annual 4-H Club Financial Audit! This audit includes funds raised/collected by 4-H clubs, project clubs, affiliated groups, etc. The Annual Financial Report document can be found here: [https://www.kansas4-h.org/4-h-programs/clubs/club-finance/docs/KSU\\_4.3\\_CLUB\\_Financial\\_Report\\_Form.pdf](https://www.kansas4-h.org/4-h-programs/clubs/club-finance/docs/KSU_4.3_CLUB_Financial_Report_Form.pdf) **We ask that it be turned in by December 2, 2024.**

## **4-H Day**

4-H Day will be February 8th. Final details/registration for 4-H day is still being ironed out and will be available soon. So! Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more information! Until then, you can check out [last year's regulations](#) for an idea of what all there is to do!

## **Citizen Washington Focus (CWF)**

There is no CWF Meeting in November! The date for the December Meeting has not been decided yet, but you will be notified through Group Me when we know! You will also be notified ASAP when we know the dates for the trip and have set a deadline for the deposit money! We are still waiting on National 4-H for the announcement!

## **4-H Camp 2025**

All 4-H camp sessions are now available for registration online at <https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/sessions-rates/>.

For all camp sessions, we offer a voluntary three-tiered pricing model based on the needs of our families. This program is completely confidential and in no way affects the quality of the camp experience. Price selection is done strictly on an honor system. If you can afford to pay the full fee (Tier 1), please do so. If you cannot, simply select the price which is right for your family's circumstances. You'll be given the option to choose your rate during the registration process.\*

Thanks to a generous donation to the Kansas 4-H Foundation the LIT & CIT program can be attended at no cost. Please complete this [Letter of Interest](#) to receive instructions on how to register!

For additional questions about registration or financial assistance please contact us at (785) 257-3221.

### November Dates To Remember:

- 4: County Council Meeting: 7pm Sunflower Room
- 13: Ambassador Interviews: 6pm Extension Office
- 14: CWF Pie Forms Entered
- 16: Intro to Entomology: 9am Sunflower Room
- 17: Officer Training: 5pm Sunflower Room
- 23-24: Kansas Youth Leadership Forum
- 27: Pie Pick Up in Sunflower Room for CWF fundraising
- 27-28: Thanksgiving: Office Closed
- 29-Dec 3: National 4-H Congress: Atlanta, Georgia

### December Dates To Remember:

- 1: ZBook Training Meeting: 5pm Sunflower Room
- 2: Club Financials Due to the Office
- 18: Regional Record Book Help Night
- TBD: CWF Meeting
- 24-Jan2: Christmas Break: Office Closed

### Parents: Main thoughts for November

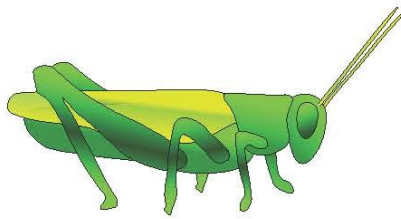
**#1** - Did you get this newsletter via e-mail? If not, you may not be enrolled! Do so ASAP!

**#2** - Begin thinking about personal and club entries for 4-H Day in February. The 2025 4-H Day regulations are in progress, but you can check out [last years rules](#) for an idea of things to do on this day!

**#3** - Call me crazy, but now is the **PERFECT** time to set individual project goals for this year's project reports. This can even be a great club activity.

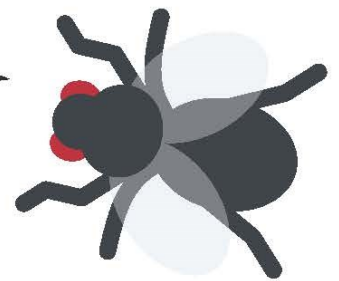
[Use this document as a helpful guide.](#)

# Introduction to Entomology



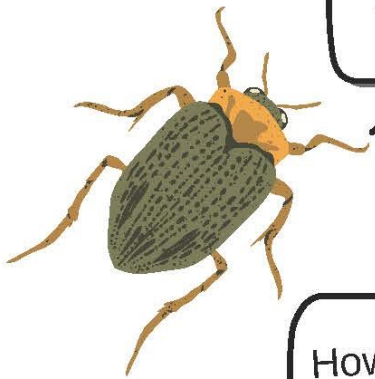
What is entomology?

Entomology is the study of insects.



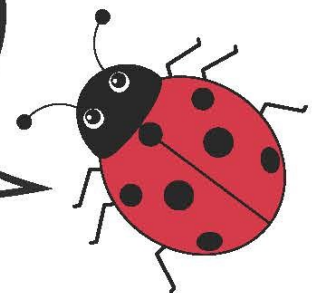
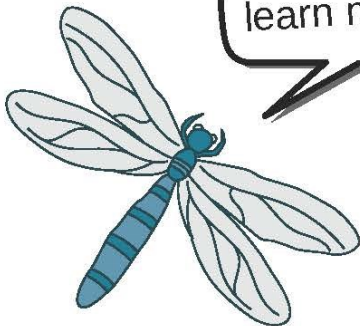
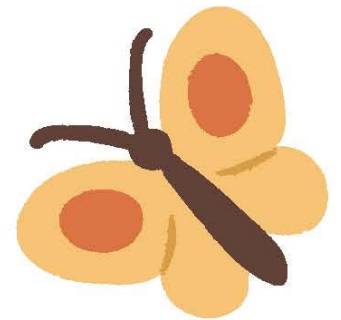
What are insects?

Insects have 6 legs, 2 antennae, and 3 body parts: head, thorax, and abdomen.



How do I learn more?

Come join us Saturday, November 16th from 9:00-11:00 a.m. at Sunflower Room at the Extension Office



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# *The Elite Livestock Judging Clinic and Contest*

*Saturday December 7th 2024*

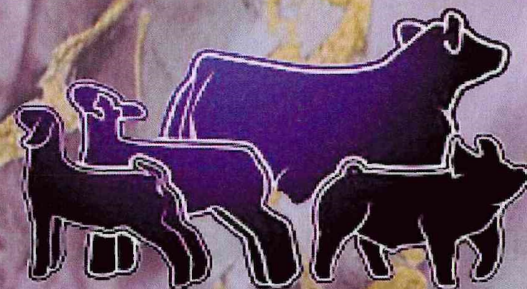
*Leavenworth County Fairgrounds  
Tonganoxie, KS*

*Come learn livestock evaluation from Butler County  
Community College Livestock Judging Team*

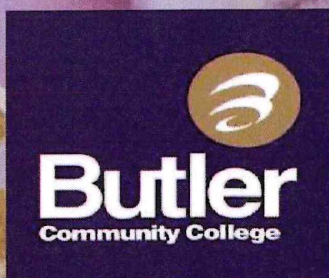
*New this year will be meats identification training  
hosted by KSU Meats Science Department*

*Follow us on Facebook for more info  
Leavenworth County Livestock Committee*

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**Livestock Committee**

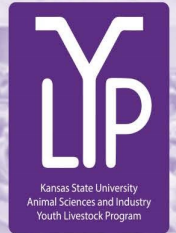
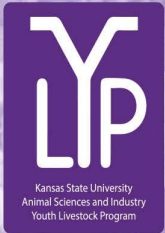




# KSU Youth Livestock Program Update

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KSU YLP Website:  
<https://www.asi.k-state.edu/extension/youth-programs/>

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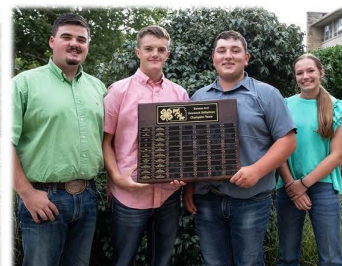


## What's Been Happening in the YLP?

It was fantastic to interact with so many Kansas livestock families throughout the spring, summer, and early fall! Kicking it off with livestock nominations, to Discovery Days, to K-State Animal Sciences Leadership Academy, Swine Classic, Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes, and wrapping it up with the Kansas State Fair and KJLS, it was an exciting time! Thank you to the youth and parents who enthusiastically participated in Youth Livestock and KSU ASI events over the last year. It is always wonderful to see so many smiling faces, of all ages, sharing their passion for youth projects and the livestock industry. We look forward to another great year and seeing everyone in 2025!

## Program Recaps

- 🐾 K-State Animal Sciences Leadership Academy
- 🐾 Dr. Bob Hines Kansas Youth Swine Classic
- 🐾 Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes
- 🐾 Kansas State Fair
- 🐾 Kansas Junior Livestock Show





# KSU Youth Livestock Program Update

## Helpful Handouts

Handouts and project show guides from Junior Producer Days can be found on the Youth Livestock Program website:

[www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu](http://www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu)

These handouts provide knowledge of how to care for and maintain your youth livestock project. Please refer to these resources for the beginner showman who needs guidance with their project as well as experienced showman looking to learn new things.

## We're Social!



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## K-State Animal Sciences Leadership Academy

Twenty students gathered on the Kansas State University campus June 5-8 to gain livestock industry knowledge and develop leadership skills at the 15th annual K-State Animal Science Leadership Academy (KASLA) in Manhattan, KS.

During their time at KASLA, students participated in interactive leadership development and educational lab sessions led by faculty members from across the K-State campus. Participants completed the college experience by staying in the dorms, touring the animal science facilities, and engaging in several livestock industry tours. For their final project, the students were divided into groups during the week to focus on current issues affecting the livestock industry. ASI faculty mentors assisted each group in developing a presentation given as part of the closing reception.

Hosted by the K-State Department of Animal Sciences and Industry and sponsored by the Livestock and Meat Industry Council Inc., the academy's goal is to develop young leaders within the livestock industry and prepare them for a future in this field.

Plans are being made for the 2025 program! KASLA will tentatively be hosted in June, with applications being due in the spring. This program is open to students in grades 9-12. Please watch the [KASLA](#) webpage or Facebook page for additional details.



## Dr. Bob Hines Kansas Swine Classic

The 2024 Dr. Bob Hines Kansas Swine Classic was hosted July 12-13 at the Riley County Fairgrounds in CiCo Park. There were 101 youth exhibitors from 32 counties who brought 250 swine projects to the event this year. Youth exhibited pigs in the prospect show, market show, and showmanship. There were also 69 kids who showcased their knowledge in the swine skillathon and 27 photos entered in the "People's Choice" photography contest. The 2025 event is scheduled for July 11-12 in Manhattan, KS! Watch the [website](#) and Facebook page for entry details next spring.







# KSU Youth Livestock Program Update



## The YLP Offers:

- Jr. Swine Producer Day
- Jr. Meat Goat Producer Day
- KASLA
- 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes
- State Livestock Nominations
- Dr. Bob Hines Swine Classic
- ASI @ Discovery Days
- Local Show & Clinic Links
- Educational Materials

Check out the [educational materials](#) posted on the [KSU Youth Livestock Program website](#).

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## Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes

The annual Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes was hosted August 17-18 in Manhattan, KS, where youth displayed their livestock knowledge and talent in livestock judging, meat judging, skillathon and quiz bowl. Almost 300 4-H members from 66 Kansas counties competed in the state contests. Complete results are available on the youth livestock website, under [4-H Livestock Sweepstakes](#). Plan to join us in late August next year to participate!

Top performing 4-H'ers earned the right to represent Kansas at the national contests this fall. Shout out to the Kansas All-Star 4-H Meats Judging Team for receiving Reserve Champion honors at the national contest! The team from Southwind District was also Reserve Champion Team at the American Royal 4-H Livestock Judging Contest. The all-star livestock judging team and skillathon and quiz bowl teams will compete later this fall in Louisville.



## Kansas State Fair & Kansas Junior Livestock Show

The 2024 Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS) were hosted during September in Hutchinson. Congratulations to the Kansas 4-H and FFA members who exhibited projects this year! The Grand Drive had almost 800 exhibitors, with KJLS having almost 700 showing a combined total of over 3,350 entries! Information about each show, as well as results, may be found on their respective websites and social media accounts — [The Grand Drive](#) and [Kansas Junior Livestock Show](#). Best of luck as you select livestock projects for this year!







# KSU Youth Livestock Program Update



## Save the Date!

**November 15**

KSU YLP Internship Applications Due

**February 5**

Jr. Swine Producer Day Reg. Due

**February 26**

Jr. Meat Goat Producer Day Reg. Due

**March 1**

Jr. Swine Producer Day

**March 22**

Jr. Meat Goat Producer Day

**April 15 (tentative)**

KASLA Applications Due

**April 20**

Market Beef

DNA Envelope Order Deadline

**May 1**

Market Beef

State Nominations Due

**June 5**

Small Livestock & Commercial Heifer

DNA Envelope Order Deadline

**June 15**

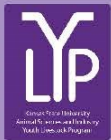
Swine, Sheep, Meat Goat, &

Commercial Heifer

State Nominations Due

**July 11-12**

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## Important Announcements — Nominations & YQCA

State livestock nominations have transitioned to an online process. Families will need to plan ahead and prepare prior to the deadline to get everything completed on time. Please watch your email, the website, and the Facebook page for updates as we approach spring. Spread the word to any new families who will be nominating for the first time this year! Anyone who ordered extra DNA envelopes last year (or in 2022 or 2023) will be able to use them in 2025.

YQCA will continue to be required for all Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and KJLS exhibitors. [Youth for the Quality Care of Animals](#) (YQCA) is a national, multi-specie, youth livestock quality assurance program. Youth may complete the training online or through an instructor-led course with an approved instructor. Exhibitors will submit a copy of their certificate at the time of nomination, or when they order DNA envelopes, so make sure to download it to a device when kids complete the course. It is an annual training. Certificates must be valid through October 1, 2025 to be accepted.



## Upcoming Events - K-State Junior Producer Days

We are excited to announce the dates for the 2025 [K-State Junior Producer Days](#)! The **Junior Swine Producer Day** will be Saturday, March 1. Tentative topics range from selection to health, and showmanship. The deadline to register is February 5. The cost is \$20/person by the deadline, or \$25 after. Only those registered by February 5 will receive a t-shirt. Attendance will also be limited to the first 400 participants to register. **Junior Meat Goat Producer Day** will be hosted Saturday, March 22. Tentative topics include selection to nutrition, and showmanship. Registration is due February 26 and will be capped at 400 participants. The cost is \$20/person and t-shirts are only guaranteed for those who sign up by the deadline. Late registrations will be \$25/person.

All youth, parents, leaders and extension agents are invited to participate in these one-day, family educational experiences. K-State faculty members, graduate students, veterinarians, extension agents, guest speakers and former exhibitors will provide the sessions. There will also be an optional instructor-led YQCA training at the conclusion of the program for both events, as well as a session over the state nomination process.

Participants may register online here: <http://bit.ly/ksuasiregister>



*If you are a parent, extension agent or project leader and would like to be added to the KSU YLP listserv, please contact [Lexie Hayes](#).*