

2025-2026

Shawnee County 4-H Important Dates

October 1: New 4-H Year begins

October 5-11: National 4-H Week

October 11-12: 48 Hours of 4-H

October 18-19: Kansas 4-H Dog Conference, Rock Springs

Officer Training

November 15: Achievement Night

November 22-23: Kansas Youth Leadership Forum (KYLF), Rock Springs

January 10: January Jamboree

Sport Fishing meetings start, monthly through May

Shooting Sports meetings start

February 1: Beef Weigh-in → tagging deadline Friday after

February 22: County Club Day

Geology meetings start, monthly through July

February 15-16: Citizenship in Action (CIA), Topeka

February 21-22: 4-H Horse Panorama, Rock Springs

March-May: 3 in person YQCA training sessions, TBD

March: Regional Club Days, TBD

Archery meetings start, monthly through June

March 7: K-State Junior Beef Producer Day

April 11: K-State Junior Sheep Producer Day

April: From Farm to You

April 26: Small Animal Weigh-in

→ tagging deadline Friday after

May 1: Last day to enroll in 4-H/change projects/etc.

May: Shawnee County Spring Livestock Show

~June 1: County Fair entries open

Horse ID Papers due to Extension Office

June: 4-H Open Horse Show



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June 12-14: State 4-H Geology Field Trip, TBD

June 15: Livestock Nominations due

July 1: County Fair entries close

Buyer forms/withdrawal forms due to Extension Office

July 15: Livestock Entries due for State Fair Grand Drive

July 19- Shawnee County Fair Horse Show

July 23-28: Shawnee County Fair

July 27: Shawnee County Fair Livestock Sale

August: 4-H Open Horse Show

August 7: State Fair entry forms due to Office

August 15: Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS) entries due

State Horticulture Judging Contest, Manhattan

August 22-23: 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes, Manhattan

September 8-9: Kansas State Fair exhibits accepted at Extension Office, 8 am- 5 pm

September 10: Kansas State Fair FOODS accepted at Extension Office, 7:40 am- 8 am

September 11-20: Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson

September 25: Record Books due to Office

September 30: End of 4-H Year

Dates in orange are firm statewide deadlines

Dates in green are firm local deadlines

Dates in blue are major county wide events

All dates subject to change