



NEWSLETTER

4-H'ers to learn first-hand about legislative process

Members of Oklahoma 4-H and Oklahoma FFA will be joining forces this summer to learn more about the state's legislative process.

The Oklahoma Youth Legislative Experience, slated July 12-13, will provide 4-H and FFA members with an in-person experience at the Oklahoma State Capitol to learn more about how government works, said Cathleen Taylor, state leadership and civic engagement specialist with the State 4-H office at Oklahoma State University.

"Selected delegates will debate selected proposals similar to what Oklahoma lawmakers do every day," Taylor said. "They'll also have a chance to interact with current and former elected state officials who were 4-H and FFA members."

Former state representative Joe Dorman is excited to see this exceptional learning opportunity made available to Oklahoma youth.

"This event will be similar to State 4-H Congress, which they did years ago, and we're happy to be able to make this type of opportunity available again," Dorman said. "As a former lawmaker, I remember how important it was to me when high school students came to the capitol and talked with us. Those in-person interactions are so important."

Dorman said the 4-H'ers and FFA members will be divided equally to represent both political parties and preside over both the House and Senate floors. They'll also write bills, as well as go through the debate, amendment and voting processes.

"We'll prepare a bill-drafting guide to assist the students in writing their own mock bills," he said.

State officers from each group will serve as facilitators for the 75 4-H'ers and 75 FFA members selected to participate. Delegates must be high school sophomores or juniors at the time of application and applications are due Feb. 28. Applicants must demonstrate civic engagement work and submit a short essay with the application. The cost is \$50 and includes food, lodging and transportation while in Oklahoma City. Applications are available through all county OSU Extension offices.

As a 4-H'er, I was in the last group that participated in State 4-H Congress and I remember what a huge impact it made on me," Taylor said. "It helped me realize all of the things that I could do. We want this opportunity to help delegates discover they can use their voice and be an active part of the legislative process."

Taylor said she hopes the participants will become more engaged in civic activities and even spark an interest in becoming lawmakers themselves.

"Outside of the livestock arena, this is the first time 4-H and FFA will be working together," Taylor said. "These two organizations have a long history of enhancing the lives of Oklahoma's youth, and this opportunity will be no different. Working together can only make Oklahoma youth and our state stronger."

The Oklahoma Youth Legislative Experience is sponsored by Oklahoma Farm Bureau in partnership with the Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy, Oklahoma 4-H Youth Development and Oklahoma FFA.

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Oklahoma Youth Legislative Experience

The Oklahoma Youth Legislative Experience will provide 4-H and FFA members an opportunity to learn about the state legislative process. During the two-day conference, selected delegates will have the opportunity to research and write a proposal for a change to Oklahoma law. Delegates will debate selected proposals similar to the Oklahoma lawmakers. Delegates will also have the opportunity to interact with current and former state elected officials who were 4-H and FFA members. We would like to extend our thanks to Oklahoma Farm Bureau for sponsoring this conference and to the Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy for providing program support.

The applications are open to current sophomores and juniors in high school. Delegates must have an ACTIVE status in online 4-H enrollment system at time of application. Applications are due on February 18th, 2022. Selected delegates will be notified about selection and payment information after applications are judged.

Contact the county extension office for additional information.

2022 Citizenship Washington Focus

Information is now available for the 2022 edition of Citizenship Washington Focus. The trip will be June 16-25, 2022. The host hotel will be the Hyatt Regency Bethesda near Washington DC. Registration fee for CWF will be \$2,200. Registration fee and transmittal form will be due to the State 4-H Office by February 21, 2022. This is due in the office not postmarked by February 21. Information about the conference, county transmittal forms, chaperone information and information about the Oklahoma 4-H Foundation Rule of Law Travel Scholarship is located on the State 4-H website at:

<https://4h.okstate.edu/events/citizenship-washington-focus/index.html>

Or contact your county extension office for information.

4-H Night at the Science Museum Science Museum of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City

February 11th-12th, 7:00PM - 7:00AM
Cost: \$45.00 for youth; \$25.00 for adults

Ready to dodge frostbite with a non-Newtonian fluid and discover the Leiden frost effect? Can YOU survive 300,000 volts of electricity? Get ready to have a night of physics fun at the Oklahoma Science Museum! 4-H'ers can sleep under a giant dinosaur, by a rocket engine or in an oversized mouth. Attendees can experience explosions, mad scientists, ride a Segway, explore the stars, or try their hand at the physics of bridge-building. A special feature of Science Overnights is a selection of hands-on activities and experiments that fit with the theme of the evening.

Everyone can attend this fun night at the science museum! The science museum program is perfect for 9–12-year-old youth, but every age seems to enjoy the event. Since this is a non-competitive event, feel free to bring younger or older youth, brothers, sisters, cousins, even those big kids (parents and chaperones) to enjoy an evening filled with science and fun. Families are always welcome to participate.

Each county group is responsible for the youth that attend from their county. Chaperones are not provided. Registration must be complete through the families ZSuite account. Registration fees are due to the county extension office by February 1st.



4-H Has Talent

All 4-H members are invited to participate in the 4-H Has Talent Contests. Acts include individual, small group, (2-4) or large group (5 or more).

Each act will have 2 minutes to set up, 6 minutes performing, and 2 minutes to remove props from stage. Contact the county extension office for additional information.

Dewey County Contest – January 18th afterschool at the Seiling School auditorium. Registration forms are due January 14th. The county contest is open to all 4-H members, including cloverbuds.

West District Contest – January 29th at Fairview School Auditorium beginning at 9:30 a.m. Registration form (and \$15/per act fee) is due in county office by noon on January 19th.

- The district contest is open to all 4-H members enrolled in the West District – North Region. (No cloverbud entries at the district contest.)
- Each county can send as many acts as they register. There is no longer a requirement to qualify for the district contest.
- Contact the county extension office for the district registration form.

County Red Wheel Fund Raiser

The annual county 4-H Red Wheel fund raiser will be held February 17 – March 20 this year . 4-H club leaders can pick up packets at the extension office during the livestock show.

We need each member to participate in selling items to make the fund raiser successful. There will be prizes for the top salespersons and local clubs will receive a percentage of the sales from their club members.

Red Wheel items will be delivered March 30th.

County Officers/Teen Leader Meeting February 7, 2022

There will be a 4-H leadership meeting afterschool at the fairgrounds on February 7th. We will plan to start as soon as everyone can get to Taloga afterschool – about 4:00 p.m. Agenda items include discussion on spring and summer events and activities, record book updates, citizenship project, service project, and a leadership activity.

All Dewey County 4-H members age 12 and above are welcome.

Contact the extension office to sign up.

Babysitter basics rescheduled for Saturday, January 22, 2022 10:00 – 2:30 p.m.



Contact the extension office to register by January 14th, 2022. \$7.00 registration fee covers all supplies, lunch, and materials needed. This workshop is designed to help youth learn what it takes to be a responsible, caring, trustworthy, competent, capable, and safe babysitter. You will also receive tips for starting and running your own babysitting business.

Lamb Lead

The Dewey County lamb lead will be held on Sunday, February 13th following the sheep show. 4-H members will model and outfit or accessory made from wool or cotton fabric.

Registration forms are due by February 7th.



The Dewey County 4-H newsletter is published bi-monthly by the Dewey County Extension Office. It is intended to provide educational materials as well as information about 4-H and youth programs. Office is located at 107 N. Sexton St at the fairgrounds in Taloga.

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Closed for lunch from 12:00 noon – 12:30 PM

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Enroll in 4-H for the 2021-2022 year:

- Sign up at 4h.zsuite.org
- Using your email and password (you create)
- Make a household account
- Enroll your 4-H member(s)

Contact your local 4-H leader or the county extension office 328-5351

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Dewey County 4-H Has Talent

_____ I will be participating in Dewey County 4-H Has Talent on
Tuesday, January 18, 2022, Afterschool at Seiling School
Auditorium.

_____ Jr. Division (School grades 3 through 7)
_____ Sr. Division (School grades 8 through 12)

_____ Individual Act (one person only)
_____ Small Group (2 to 4 members)
_____ Large Group (5 or more members)

Brief Description of act:

SPECIAL PROPS NEEDED: (Please check)

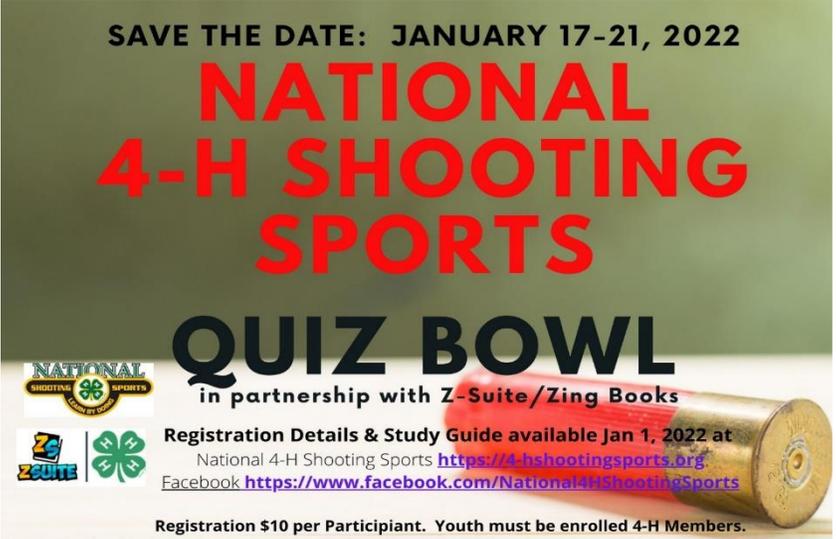
_____ Microphone (hand held)
_____ Microphone (with stand)
_____ Special Lighting explain _____
_____ Will be using a tape
_____ Will be using a piano
_____ Other special props or equipment needed _____

Person in charge of group act: _____

Attention shooting sports instructors and interested youth. Please note this is a National activity that was organized by National 4-H Shooting Sports. We are awaiting ZSuite to get the Registration link open, which should happen soon. **Meanwhile, all of the Study Resources are available at the following link:** <https://4-hshootingsports.org/events/>

Youth participants should be looking over these resources now to prepare for the Quiz Bowl.

Once the Registration link opens, youth may register. Once registered, they will receive a link to begin the Quiz.

A promotional poster for the National 4-H Shooting Sports Quiz Bowl. The background is a blurred image of a rifle. The text is centered and reads: "SAVE THE DATE: JANUARY 17-21, 2022" in black, "NATIONAL 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS" in large red letters, and "QUIZ BOWL" in large black letters. Below this, it says "in partnership with Z-Suite/Zing Books". At the bottom, there are logos for National 4-H Shooting Sports, Z-Suite, and 4-H. Text at the bottom provides registration details: "Registration Details & Study Guide available Jan 1, 2022 at National 4-H Shooting Sports <https://4-hshootingsports.org> Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/National4HShootingSports> Registration \$10 per Participant. Youth must be enrolled 4-H Members."

Spring 2022 will feature equine events and contests

Oklahoma 4-H'ers who participate in the horse project have some fun and exciting events coming up this spring. The Horse Communication Contest is slated Feb. 5, 2022, in Animal Sciences Building on the Oklahoma State University campus. The Horse Judging Contest will take place April 30, 2022, at the Totusek Arena west of campus.

Kris Hiney, Oklahoma State University Extension horse specialist, said the communications contest encompasses a variety of events within the whole contest, including a speech contest, team problem solving, individual illustrations, digital photography, and a quiz bowl.

"This type of contest allows participants to showcase their individual talents and share their knowledge, as well as work together in a team effort in the quiz bowl and problem-solving competitions," Hiney said. "The club members are able to hone their public speaking skills while gaining information on the subject they love best – horses."

An over-arching goal of 4-H is to help club members develop long-lasting life skills, including public speaking, citizenship and engagement, goal setting and more. Project work is designed around a 4-H'ers interests but incorporates aspects that help youth develop these life skills.

Club members interested in participating in the Horse Communication Contest should contact their county 4-H educator to register by Jan. 25, 2022.

Like other 4-H activities, judging programs are an instrumental part of the educational process of youth involved in the horse industry.

"Judging contests are great motivators for youth. Contests encourage them to be part of a team, provide hands-on experiences, and are great ways to socialize with friends and peers interested in the same things," Hiney said. "In addition, contests are learning opportunities and a chance to gain knowledge about your specific interests and helps kids better express their points of view. Participation also allows youth to travel to new places for contests."

4-H'ers interested in participating in the Horse Judging Contest should contact their county OSU Extension educator by April 20, 2022.

DEWEY COUNTY

LAMB LEAD

February 13, 2022

Registration Due Date: February 7, 2022

Return to: Dewey Co. OSU Extension Center
P.O. Box 188
Taloga, OK 73667 580) 328-5351

Junior: (Grades 3-5) _____
Intermediate: (Grades 6-8) _____
Senior: (Grades 9-12) _____

NAME _____ Age _____

ADDRESS _____ ZIP _____ PHONE _____

4-H CLUB OR FFA CHAPTER _____

PARENTS _____

Description of garment(s) design and details: Start with wool item. End with details of other parts of outfit.)

Personal comments New techniques learned, problems, etc.)

Hobbies and Activities:

Fabric or yarn Name and Percent Wool:

DEWEY COUNTY STOCKSHOW
2022 PROGRAM

Saturday, February 12

5:00-8:00 PM

Goat & Sheep weigh in

Sunday, February 13

7:00-8:00 AM

Finish goat & sheep weigh in

9:00-10:00 AM

Classify sheep

11:00 AM

Church service - Ray Perryman

1:00 PM

Doe fitting contest

2:30 PM

Goat show

Sheep show - followed by lamb lead

GOATS AND SHEEP RELEASED AFTER SHEEP SHOW

5:00-8:00 PM

Swine weigh in

Monday, February 14

7:00-8:00 AM

Complete swine weigh in

9:00 AM

4-H food show

10:00 AM

Swine show

SWINE RELEASED FOLLOWING SWINE SHOW

5:00-8:00 PM

Check in heifer papers

Cattle weigh in

6:30 PM

Cattle fitting contest

TUESDAY, February 15

7:00-8:00 AM

Complete cattle weigh in

9:00 AM

Heifer show

Prospect steer show

Market steer show

5:00 PM

Exhibitors, parents, and supporters' banquet

6:30 PM

Presentation of awards

Premium auction

Dewey County 4-H Food Show Monday, February 14, 2022

Guidelines

- Entries must be checked in by 8:30 a.m. on Feb. 14th. Judging will begin at 9:00 a.m.
- All entries should be labeled on the bottom with name and class number.
- Individuals may enter one entry in each class.
- Each class will be awarded a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, place
- An overall champion and reserve champion will be selected in each age division.
- All items should be prepared by the 4-H member.
- Exhibits will be released at the conclusion of the food show.



Clover bud Division (ages 5-8)

- Class CB1- Fancy, frosted cookies (3)
cookies may be purchased or baked by an adult and frosted / decorated by the cloverbud
- Class CB2 - simple fruit or vegetable snack / sculpture
- Class CB3 - tortilla roll up (3 slices)
- Class CB3 - 14" X 22" Poster based on one food group

Junior (grades 3-5)

- Class 1 - Muffins (3)
- Class 2 - Drop Cookies (3)
- Class 3 - Shaped cookies (3)
- Class 4—Decorated cookies - 3 individual cookies, 1 large cookie, or an arrangement (may use bought or baked cookies)
- Class 5—14" X 22" poster based kitchen or food safety

Intermediate (grades 6-8)

- Class 6 - Yeast Bread (1/2 loaf)
- Class 7 - cinnamon rolls - no icing (3)
- Class 8 - Decorated Cupcakes (3)
- Class 9— Bar Cookies (3)
- Class 10—14" X 22" poster based on protein food safety



Senior (grades 9-12)

- Class 11- Cake (white or butter type, no icing)
- Class 12- cookie jar or tray with two each of three cookies from different recipes. (include recipes)
- Class 13 - Bread from another culture (include a paragraph on how the bread fits in that culture.)
- Class 14 - Decorated cake
- Class 15—14" X 2" poster based on outdoor cookery or grilling.

Classifications of Cookies

Class of Cookie	Description	Examples
Drop	Made from a soft dough and dropped by spoonfuls onto baking sheets	Chocolate chip, oatmeal, macarons
Rolled	Made from a stiff dough that is rolled out using a rolling pin and cut into shapes with a cookie cutter	Gingerbread men, some sugar cookies
Shaped / hand molded	A stiff dough is rolled between the hands to form a ball and/or shaped using a mold or other shape or tool (fork, cookie stamp, bottom of a glass)	Peanut butter, snickerdoodles, almond crescents, some biscotti cookies
Pressed	A stiff dough is forced through a cookie press into decorative shapes	Spritz, spritzgeback
Refrigerator or icebox	Made from stiff dough that is rolled into a log, chilled, sliced, and baked	Pinwheels, shortbread, some sugar and biscotti cookies
No bake	Mixture may or may not be cooked on a range but these cookies are not baked in an oven	Chocolate no bake cookies, rice crispy treats
Bar	Dough or batter is baked in a cake or sheet pan and cut into bar shapes after cooling.	Brownies, chocolate chip bar

Oklahoma State 4-H Ambassadors Applications for State Ambassador are due March 15th

For over 25 years, outstanding 4-H members have been serving as State 4-H Ambassadors. Once again, the Oklahoma State 4-H Ambassador program is looking for self-motivated, enthusiastic youth leaders to promote 4-H using the skills, knowledge and leadership abilities acquired in 4-H.

Being chosen as a State 4-H Ambassador entails the acceptance of great responsibility and a total commitment to the Oklahoma State 4-H Ambassador program. We need individuals who are not afraid of people or work.

AMBASSADOR PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- Make 4-H more visible in your county and across the state of Oklahoma
- Maintain relations with 4-H alumni and supporters
- Help 4-H members tell the state and national 4-H story

ELIGIBILITY Any youth currently involved in Oklahoma 4-H who is 13 years of age or older by March 15th, 2022 and still has at least one year of high school remaining is eligible to apply. Once selected a State 4-H Ambassador, one may remain an Ambassador through the end of their 4-H career.

KEY DATES FOR APPLICANTS

March 15, 2022	Hard-copy application must be postmarked
March 15, 2022	Electronic Application due by 11:59 p.m.
May 14, 2022	Selection Day; Oklahoma State University Campus
June 7-9, 2022	Ambassador Retreat and Leadership Team Retreat; Stillwater



APPLICATION PROCESS Interested applicants will need to complete the following steps no later than **March 15th, 2022** at 11:59 p.m. central time.

1. Review all details in the Applicant Information Packet.
2. Complete the State 4-H Ambassador Program Application
3. Applicants will receive an email notifying them if they will advance on to Selection Day Saturday, May 14, 2022.
4. Those advancing on to Selection Day will be chosen based on their application and reference letters.

Advancing applicants should be prepared to answer questions about the Oklahoma 4-H program and State 4-H Ambassador program.

- Interviewees will present a 2–3 minute extemporaneous speech on 4-H related topics.
- Interviewees should be prepared for a written correspondence assignment (thank you note, letter or invitation to a 4-H alum or donor).

Oklahoma 4-H Pickens Legacy Scholarship Application

Due in State 4-H Office by February 1, 2022

Graduating seniors can apply for the Oklahoma 4-H Pickens Legacy Scholarships by submitting one simple application by February 1st. (*Awards may change slightly due to fund availability this year.*)

You will scan the application, transcript, letter of recommendation, essay, headshot and news information sheet as one (1) PDF document and email to ok4h@okstate.edu. Please include the words Pickens Scholarship and your name in the subject line of the email.

Scholarship winners Must attend Oklahoma State University-Stillwater the Fall of 2022 and be a full-time undergraduate. These scholarships are only good for the Stillwater campus of Oklahoma State University (with exception to the 4-H Ambassador Alumni Scholarship).

Application form and information are available on the state 4-H website at <https://4h.okstate.edu/members/record-book-and-scholarship-information/record-book-and-scholarship-info.html>

Contact the county extension office for additional information or assistance.