



OKLAHOMA COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

MUSKOGEE COUNTY 2nd QUARTER 2025 STAKEHOLDER'S REPORT



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4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

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- NED Contest Days
- Tea Party Day Camp

AGRICULTURE & RURAL DEVELOPMENT

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- Master Gardener's
- Soil / Water / Forage Testing
- Cattlemen's Association

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES

- Stay Strong Stay Healthy
- Oklahoma Home & Community Education



Muskogee Farmers' Market
opened April 5th and on June 7th, Ag Educator Ariel Campbell was available to answer questions as Assistant Plant Doctor at the Master Gardener's booth.

Stay Strong Stay Healthy
class helps build strength to enjoy good health as one ages. The eight-week program helps to develop fitness, flexibility and balance to enable longer independent living. Janet Richardson instructs the class which began on May 12th at the Muskogee Church of the Nazarene on Peak Blvd.



4-H Day at the Capitol was held on April 23rd, youth from across Oklahoma gathered at the State Capitol to advocate and highlight the impact 4-H has on individuals, communities and the state as a whole. 4-H members Terry Spears and Kyler Stern, representing Muskogee County, discussed the role 4-H plays in shaping leadership skills and civic engagement among youth. This annual event strengthens relationships between 4-H youth and Oklahoma lawmakers empowering young leaders and ensuring the continued success of programs that benefit Oklahoma communities. Pictured is Terry Spears is with Rep Tim Turner.





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NED Contest Days were held **June 11th - 13th** and featured a variety of competitions within 4-H, including archery, speech, tractor and ATV safety, cupcake wars, food showdown, skill-a-thons and many more. Our Muskogee County 4-H members competed against other groups from across the northeastern portion of

Oklahoma, all aiming for a chance to qualify for the statewide 4-H Roundup contests in July. We're proud to share that our county had many top placements, and we look forward to building on that success next year!



NEW Muskogee County Master Gardener class begins in August! A new class to "grow" the group to meet the demand for horticulture knowledge and community beautification. Volunteers undergo extensive training by OSU Extension. The group meets on the 4th Thursday of the month.

The OSU **Soil, Water and Forage Analytical Laboratory (SWFAL)** provides soil, plant, animal waste and water analyses for anyone who needs agricultural testing services. In the past 3 months Muskogee County residents and producers received results from the following: **42 soil, 8 chicken litter, and 6 forage tests**. These results help users protect and utilize their soil, water, animal manure and forage resources efficiently and effectively.



Meets the first Tuesday of the month to discuss and support the beef industry in our community.

4-H Tea Party Day Camp

On **June 16** The OHCE ladies and Janet Richardson hosted an educational Tea Party featuring butter making, etiquette lesson and more.



Oklahoma Home and Community Education

(OHCE) groups promote good nutrition, exercise, emotional well-being, anti-bullying, military support, financial well-being, literacy, and leadership development for the Muskogee County community. This group is instrumental in the 4-H Youth Development program. Meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of the month at various venues.



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