



4-H Clover Connection

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State 4-H Ambassadors Continue to Make The Best Better

February 2023

County Stock Show	Feb 7-10
Woodward Stock Show	
	Feb 17-28
OYE	Mar 6-17
County Safety Day	April
Food Show/Show Down	April
Pioneer Day Parade	May
County camp	May/Jun
State 4-H Round Up	July

Oklahoma 4-H'ers looking to further develop the life skills they have learned in 4-H should consider applying to become a State 4-H Ambassador. For more than a quarter of a century, club members have been serving as ambassadors to the [Oklahoma 4-H Youth Development](#) program, and continuing to make the best better.

Cathy Allen, 4-H curriculum coordinator at the State 4-H Office at Oklahoma State University said [applications](#) to be part of this select group are due March 15. Applicants must be 13 years of age or older by the application deadline and have at least one year of high school remaining.

"Ambassadors have a unique role within 4-H as they serve dual roles in working with club members, as well as adult partners. They make 4-H more visible in their counties and across the state, maintain relationships with 4-H alumni and supporters and help club members tell the 4-H story," Allen said. "Our ambassadors this last year were involved in a variety of activities that not only enhanced the 4-H program overall, but also helped them build upon the life skills they had already started developing."

Clarissa Smith, a State 4-H Ambassador from Okfuskee County, said her ambassador experiences have truly enriched her overall 4-H experience.

"The State 4-H Ambassador program has allowed me to network, learn valuable life skills and create memories that will last a lifetime," Smith said. "Since becoming an ambassador, I've been able to participate in and learn more about 4-H than I ever had."

Smith was instrumental in helping with the Ambassador Alumni Tailgate event that took place last fall at an OSU football game and said she used many of the life skills she had developed during her years in 4-H.

"My favorite part of working on this event was seeing the ideas come to life, from talking about buying football game tickets to working with the ticket office to secure them," she said. "I also enjoyed working with local donors while planning the tailgate. I was able to use skills such as time management, responsibility, communication and organization."

Smith said she would eagerly encourage other club members to become ambassadors because of the amazing opportunities the program provides.

Quote of the Month



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Ambassador Cont.

"This is a great way to make new friends. As ambassadors we're taught important skills such as writing thank-you cards, speaking at banquets and donor relations, all of which will be useful in the future," she said. "I feel that the State 4-H Ambassador program is an amazing opportunity to create personal growth and to become part of an amazing community."

Seminole County 4-H'er Ella Allen also said deciding to apply and being selected to serve as a State 4-H Ambassador has had a positive impact on her 4-H experiences.

"This has introduced me to so many amazing people and opened doors to countless opportunities," Ella Allen said.

The skills Ella Allen has learned as an ambassador helped her when she was part of the planning team for the Clover Classic Golf Tournament. She used her public speaking skills as she addressed the group to express her appreciation to the 4-H donors. She was also part of the awards presentation following the tournament.

"Becoming an ambassador has been one of the greatest decisions I've made in terms of bettering my 4-H career," she said. "Just submitting your application and going through the interview process allows club members to grow and better themselves."

Cathy Allen said the three-part interview process includes an extemporaneous speech, a face-to-face interview and a writing assignment.

"We're looking for 4-H'ers who are self-motivated, enthusiastic about the program and youth who are looking to enhance their leadership skills and accept responsibility," Cathy Allen said. "As an ambassador, youth will also develop their public speaking skills to promote the 4-H organization across the state."

For more information about the State 4-H Ambassador program or the application process, contact Cathy Allen at 405-744-8892 or cathy.allen@okstate.edu.

Stock Show Need to Know Dates

OYE Entries to OfficeFebruary 17

OYE Dates.....March 6-17



PVA Meeting

P-Parent

V-Volunteer

A-Association



What is it? A group of committed indi-

viduals (Like a booster club), who would like to be involved in helping with country 4-H, to make our program the best that it can be (4-H Motto "To Make the Best Better"). ALL parents and volunteers are welcome!

Why help? An Extension Educator cannot do it all—your help is desired!! We need your ideas!!

When is it? Meeting are quarterly to make plans to include contests and fun activities for our members.

Next meeting will be: February 13, 2023 at 6pm.

Where do we meet? OSU Extension or via Zoom <https://okstate-edu.zoom.us/j/99754476123>

Butter Braid Fund Raiser



We are excited to announce our third annual butter braids sales. The sales start February 27th to March 21st. and deliver around March 27th.

The butter braids are 14. There is apple, Bavarian crème, blueberry and cream cheese, caramel roll, cherry, cinnamon, cherry, cream cheese, four cheese and herb, strawberry and cream cheese., and 2 new flavors. We will also be selling chocolate chip, confetti, oatmeal cranberry, peanut butter, snickerdoodle, triple chocolate chuck cookie dough. All for \$15. And sweet macadamia nut for \$16. New this year, Cheese Kolaches, and Jalapeno Cheese Kolaches, both for \$16. The fund from the fundraiser will help with trips, contest and awards and prizes. I challenge each 4-H member to sell at least 6 braids or cookie dough. The club that sells the most will receive a special party. And the top 3 sellers will receive a prize. Flyers and order forms available at the office. Order forms and money is due to the county office by noon on March 21s. We will again have the online store available that members could sell to distant family and friends. The online address will be available later.



Save the Date!!



102nd State 4-H Round UP

Mark your calendars
and spread the word
about State 4-H Round-
up.

July 26 – 28, 2023

July 25 County Night
Out

More info to COME!!

Commercial Cattle Grading Scholarship Contest

DATE: Friday, April 14, 2023

TIME: 8:00 a.m. On –Site Registration. No Pre-
Qualification Required

9:00 a.m. Orientation & Instructional
Seminar

9:30 – 9:45 a.m. Break

9:45 am. Contest

Lunch will be served after the contest followed by
award presentations

Both Contests are Free!!!

LOCATION: OKC West Market Inc., El Reno, OK
The top scoring individual overall will receive the
Rick Jones Memorial Scholarship in the amount of
\$2,000.00

Midwest Shows Scholarship Programs Inc. in con-
junction with several sponsors present the competi-
tion. This contest is open to all FFA and 4H mem-

bers.

Those participating will first attend a 30-minute
seminar on grading presented by Jason Harvey,
Oklahoma Department of Agriculture Market Devel-
opment Coordinator. Following the presentation
teams will grade up to 16 head using the criteria cov-
ered in the seminar. Scoring will be supervised by
Oklahoma Careertech Ag Education department dis-
trict program specialists Tanner Miller and Rose
Bonjour, OSU Extension/4H Leaders. A total of 30
scholarships totaling \$6,300.00 will be awarded to
the top three FFA teams, the top three 4H teams and
the top three individuals from FFA and the top three
individuals from 4H. There will also be an open class
for individuals not participating in the scholarship
competition. First place team members and First
place individuals also receive a \$50.00 Gift card from
Tener's Western Outfitter, 4320 West Reno, Oklaho-
ma City, OK

4-H Ambassador Applications

The 2023 State 4-H Ambassador application is post-
ed on the State 4-H website under the Leadership
link. <https://4h.okstate.edu/members/4h-ambassadors/index.html>

There are two important documents to review: Am-
bassador Application Informational Packet and
2023 Ambassador Application.

Please share this opportunity with members who
meet the below requirements: 4-H members who
are 13 years of age or older by March 15th, 2023
and have at least one year of high school remaining.



2023 Schedule

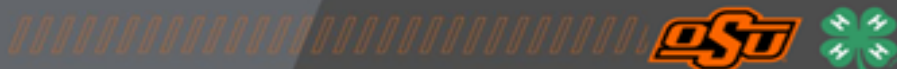
April 11 - Jr. Master Gardener Resources

June 13 - Engaging Volunteers Meaningfully

Nov. 14- Social and Emotional Learning: From
4-H at Home to Clubs and Schools



**REGISTER and
Recordings**



OSU EXTENSION
4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT



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HUMAN SCIENCES**

PRESENTS

Say Yes to FCS Education Day

WHEN IS IT?

March 2nd, 2023

- **Registration Deadline: Feb 1st, 2023**

- **Registration: 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.**

- **Say Yes to FCS Program: 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**

- **Campus Tours: 10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

WHAT IS IT?

Open to current sophomores, juniors, and seniors in high school interested in pursuing a career in Family and Consumer Sciences Education in public schools or as an FCS county Extension educator. Come tour the facilities, learn about the application process, funding for college and so much more!

[Click here to register](#)

WHERE IS IT?

Oklahoma State University

College of Education and Human Sciences

Jorns Hall, Nancy Randolph Davis

Stillwater, OK, 74078



**OKLAHOMA
CareerTech**
FCS Family & Consumer
Sciences





2025						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
					Hooker Local Show	Guymon Local Show
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		Hooker Cloverbud Meeting-3:30 Loyal Doers 4-H Meeting @ 6	Yarbrough 4-H Meeting 3:45			
County Stock Show						
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	OYE Entries due to county office.		Guymon Clover-buds @530	Guymon JR @4:30		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Goodwell 4-H Meeting @ 12						
Woodward Stock Show						
26	27	28	March 1	March 2	March 3	March 4
March 5	March 6	March 7	March	Feb 9	Feb 1-0	Feb 11
OYE						



- **Texas County 4-H has a Facebook page!**
- **Texas County Website at <http://oces.okstate.edu/texas>**
- **Oklahoma State 4-H website: <http://oklahoma4h.okstate.edu/>**



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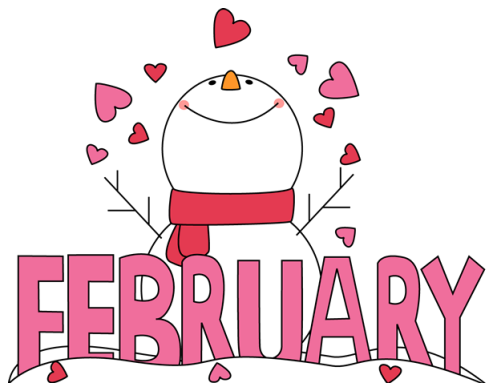
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