



RENO COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

September 2026



4-H COUNCIL DATE

October 26, 2026 @ 7pm
Executive Team will meet at 6:30
pm before council starts
Reno County Extension Office
west meeting room

**October 2nd is the
deadline for the following
items:**

- *RECORD BOOKS
- *PIN APPLICATIONS
- *CLUB FINANCIAL
INFORMATION
- *FINANCIAL REVIEW
- *CLUB SEAL
APPLICATIONS
- *FAMILY OF THE YEAR
- *LEADER OF THE YEAR
- *CLUB OF THE YEAR
- *PROJECT LEADER LIST
- *CLUB OFFICER LIST

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**If you want to be a 4-H
council officer this
upcoming year, you need
to submit your
application by October
2nd to the Extension
Office. The application
can be found under the
Forms tab at
[https://www.reno.k-
state.edu/4-h/](https://www.reno.k-state.edu/4-h/)**

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Save the date
Reno County Fair 2027
Dog Show July 17th
Fair July 21 – July 26, 2027

ACHIEVEMENT PIN APPLICATIONS

Achievement pins are awarded to 4-Hers who have been active in 4-H projects, leadership and other 4-H related activities. Pin applications should contain 4-H activities from October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026. If you have activities that take place between the date you have to turn them into the club leader and Sept. 30th, go ahead and list them. Achievement pins (in order of increasing requirements) are:

- 1-Membership*
- 2-Bronze*
- 3-Clover*
- 4-Emerald*
- 5-Silver*
- 6-Silver Guard*
- 7-Leadership*
- 8-Gold*
- 9-Gold Guard*

If you need Achievement pin applications, check our website, click on 4-H forms, and achievement pin applications. The link will be in the bottom right-hand corner.

All applications must be turned in to your **CLUB LEADER**. Check with your club leader to see what date you have to turn them into the club leader. **Club Leaders: Pin Applications are due on Friday, October 2, 2026, by 5 pm.** Achievement pins will be awarded at Achievement Night: the date & location to be announced at a later date.

County-wide Project Leaders



If you have any questions about the dog project please contact Melaney Dick at (620) 728-9743 or renoco4hdogclub@gmail.com



If you have any questions about shooting sports, please call Ray Bartholomew at (620) 200-8253



If you have any questions about photography, contact Carolyn Kellogg Howey at (620) 664-0008



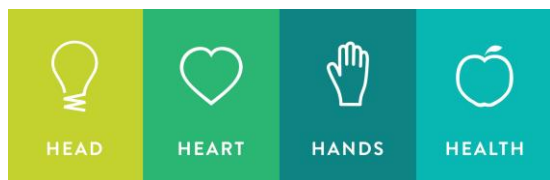
If you have any questions about the clothing project, contact Kathy Zongker

If you have questions about Ambassadors contact
Carolyn Howey at 620-664-0008 or Meghan Miller at 620-200-2544.



If you have an questions about rabbits, contact Vicki Myers at (620) 727-3980.

If you have any questions about Leathercraft, contact Clint Lanning 620-276-9824.



Record Book Workshop

Katherine will be hosting a record book workshop on September 3 at 6:30 PM in the Extension Office. Open to anyone who wants to learn more about putting the record book together and the regional and state awards process.

The Buhler 4-H Club met for their monthly meeting on August 9th at 3:30 p.m. at the Buhler Pool. At the meeting, they heard a project talk from Andrew Busenbark. He talked about the archery project and what it is like at a competition. Then after the meeting everyone enjoyed a dip in pool! The next meeting will be held on September 14th at 6:30 p.m. at the Buhler Mennonite Church. We can't wait to see you there



These are taken at the Sedgwick County archery competition on August 8th. Andrew got Second in both open class and bow Hunter. Grayson got third place in both open class and bow Hunter



48 Hours of 4-H

Join us this fall in seeing just how much we can give back to our communities! The weekend after National 4-H Week, is the perfect opportunity to setup a service project. Invite your friends, clubs, adult volunteers and 4-H Alums too! Find all the information here and start planning your projects. Please register your projects and then follow up with a report so we know about all the great things that happened across the state. Learn more at [the Kansas 4-H webpage](http://the.kansas.4-h.org).

When: October 10-11, 2026

Who: 4-H Members, 4-H Clubs, Friends, Adult Volunteers, Parents, 4-H Alumni, Partnerships, Community Organizations, Potential 4-H Families

RECORD BOOKS

Every 4-H'er is encouraged to complete a record book and turn it in to their club leader (please do not bring them to the office – your club leader will do that). Forms for record-keeping can be found on the Reno County website

https://www.reno.k-state.edu/4-h/record_books/index.html

Club Leaders: Record books are due to the Extension Office no later than 5 pm on Friday, October , 2026.

CLOVERBUD RECORD BOOKS

All Cloverbuds must turn in a Cloverbud Record Book. Those turning 7 will get to go through graduation if they have turned in their record books and will get their trophy at Achievement Night. Forms will be available on the website. Please turn them in to your club leader – do not bring them to the office. **Club Leaders: Cloverbud Record Books are due in the office by 5 pm Friday October 2, 2026.**

Applying for National Conference and Youth 4-H Youth Leadership Council

The application for and information about the State 4-H Youth Leadership Council and National Conference is open and available now! The Youth Council Application and National 4-H Conference Application will be combined again this year, with applicants indicating if they are applying for one or both opportunities.

Any Kansas 4-H member between the ages of 14 and 18 before January 1, 2027, may apply as a Council Rep, and those 15-18 before January 1, 2027, may apply for the National 4-H Conference.

This year's KYLF delegation will elect representatives from the [four extension program areas](#) (NE, NW, SE, SW) for one-year terms on the council. Up to 6 National Conference Delegates will be selected through an interview prior to KYLF, and they serve a two-year term on the council.

The deadline will be Wednesday, October 1, 2026, 11:59 PM, CST.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	LABOR DAY OFFICE CLOSED		FAIRBOARD	ENTRIES DUE TO FAIRGROUNDS FOR STATE FAIR	STATE FAIR	STATE FAIR
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
NINNESCAH THOMADORA UNION VALLEY WRC STATE FAIR	BUHLER STATE FAIR	STATE FAIR	STATE FAIR	STATE FAIR	STATE FAIR	STATE FAIR
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Haven Mitchell Nickerson STATE FAIR	ALL ENTRIES TO BE PICKED UP AT STATE FAIR BY 10AM					STATE ARCHERY
27	28	29	30	OCT 1	OCT 2	
					RECORD BOOKS & ALL PAPERWORK DUE TO THE OFFICE	

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All articles/pictures for the newsletter are due to the Extension office at least one business day before the end of the month.

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