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CSU Scholarships

To apply for most of the scholarships offered through Colorado State University for the 2017-2018 academic year, applicants should complete the CSU Scholarship Application available online at: www.sfs.colostate.edu.

By submitting this one application form, students will be considered for all appropriate scholarships at the University level.

DUE DATE: March 1, 2018

State 4-H Scholarships

Available at:
http://www.co4hfoundation.colostate.edu/scholarships.shtml

4-H Projects

Add/Drop Deadline – April 1

To add or drop projects, would like hard copy.

If you have questions, call Lee Ann or Brian

522-3200

Website for Record Books –
www.colorado4h.org

Logan County Scholarships

Jacob Schell Scholarship - $350 Scholarship for any graduating 4-H/FFA senior; **DUE April 1, 2018**

Extension Office Hours!
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Colorado State University Extension

4-H Information

4-H Council Upcoming Meetings: March 26, 6:30 pm – Extension Office
- 4-H Carnival

April 23, 6:30 pm – Extension Office

Logan County 4-H Carnival

The Logan County 4-H Carnival will be here before you know it. This year's carnival will be on **April 27,** from 6:00-9:00 pm @ the Fairgrounds. As always, we are looking forward to seeing everyone having fun at the 4-H Carnival.

Demonstration Contest August 3, 11:15 and Creative Cooks Contest August 3, 11:00 at the Sterling High School.

Clover Bud Camp! June 7 & 8 9:00-12:00 Extension Office.

Family & Consumer

Project Materials

We have a variety of project materials available here at the Logan County Extension Office for you to borrow and/or use as you begin your projects for this year. Stop by at your convenience to see our selection.

1. McCalls Patterns for beginning construction projects
2. Leather Crafting Tools
3. Cake pans and decorating tips
4. Knitting needles & other craft supplies

Judging 4-H Project e-records

The judge is looking for your total experience as a 4-H member. Your e-record should tell your story of personal growth in your own words. Your project e-record should answer the following questions:

- Is your record complete?
- Are your goals clearly stated?
- Have you recorded all activities on your Activity Log page?
- Have you listed any demonstrations or project talks?
- Have you listed all community service activities you have been involved in?
- Does your expense record show clearly the costs of your project?
- Did you complete the self-evaluation and explain your rating scores?
- Do you need to complete a project supplement?
- Does your 4-H story have a minimum of 4 photos with captions?
- Is your e-record neat and legible?

General & Consumer Science Projects

4-H project requirements and the E-record are online. Members and parents should look up their project(s) online each year to see what is required – as some requirements may have changed from the previous year.

4-H Club Reporter Award

Your club reporter should email a copy of all 4-H club minutes to Sara Waite at the Journal-Advocate each month to be eligible for the Club Reporter Award given at the 4-H Achievement Banquet. Sara's email is swaite@journal-advocate.com.

Livestock

2018 Livestock Weigh-in Dates/Ownership Dates

Beef — Saturday, February 3 (66 cattle were weighed in) **THANKS** to all of those who helped –Brad Stromberger, Rich Pomeroy, Becky Santomaso, Mark Lambert, Lee Ann Lambert, Trae Stull, Jay Groom and Linda Meisner.

Poultry — Ownership Deadline (non Meat): July 2 **must be nominated in 4-H Online, including pictures & proof of ownership.**

Ownership Deadline (Meat Birds): July 2 **must be nominated in 4-H Online, including pictures & proof of ownership.**

Goat — Weigh-in: Saturday, **May 5, 8:00-9:00am**, Logan County Fair Grounds

Sheep — Weigh-in: Saturday, **May 5, 9:00-10:00am,** Logan County Fair Grounds

Swine — **No swine weigh-in** see page 8.

ID Sheets due **April 27th**

Horse — ID Sheets due May 1 **in 4-H Online, pictures required**

Rabbit — Ownership Deadline (non Meat): July 2 **must have a tattoo, nominated in 4-H Online including pictures & proof of ownership.**

Ownership Deadline (Meat): July 2 **purchased, possessed by July 5. Nominated in 4-H Online with picture & proof of ownership. Must have a tattoo by July 13, 2018.**

Breeding Beef — Ownership Deadline: May 1 **nominated in 4-H Online**. Must include picture & must have some type of permanent ID. RFID tags are available if you need one to permanently ID them. BANGS vaccinations are recommended for disease prevention on females over 6 months of age and tag serves as a form of permanent ID. Supreme Merit Heifer deadline May 1.

Lost Ear Tags

In the instance that your animal loses its ear tag: Notify JD **immediately** so we have documentation and bring the tag in to the Extension Office. If we do not have documentation of the lost tag you will not be able to show that animal at the fair.

Sale Information

We have lots of information on upcoming pig, lamb and goat sales in the area – stop in to get information on these sales! Also "Like" Logan County 4-H on Facebook for updates!

Horse Identification Sheet

Horse identification will be done through 4-H Online. If you have questions please contact JD at 522-3200 ext.5. This is due by **May 1ˢᵗ** to be eligible to show at the 2018 Logan County Fair and Colorado State Fair.

Meat Quality & Pork Quality Assurance Certification and Re-certification Workshops

There will be MQA training on April 5th at the DeSoto Building, 4-7pm. (Members come and go at this time – plan to take an hour)

MQA Requirements:

1) Anyone with a market livestock or breeding project who has not attended training must do so. This includes all 6 livestock species.

2) Members must attend their first two years of showing livestock, and again at 4-H age 12 & 15. Swine members have separate requirements.

2) National Pork Board (NPB) requires **yearly re-certification**. All swine members will be required to attend a PQA workshop to receive a PQA card. Once you are 12 you can test for a 3 year certificate. If you pass, you will return at 4-H age 15. If you do not, you will need to continue attending yearly. The process can be repeated at 15 to receive another 3 year certification if passed. Contact Kacy to determine if you have a current PQA card if you are over 12.

If you do not attend MQA/PQA training by June 1 you will not be eligible to show at the 2018 Logan County Fair.

2018 Logan County Fair Show Dates

Horse	Monday & Tuesday, August 6 & 7
Sheep	Wednesday, August 8
Goat	Wednesday, August 8 (following Sheep Show)
Swine	Thursday, August 9
Poultry	Thursday, August 9
Beef	Friday, August 10
Rabbit	Friday, August 10
Dog	Friday, August 10

 Livestock Record Books

Again this year, the Horse & Livestock Record Books are in Excel workbooks or pdf documents. To print in Excel select **"print entire workbook."**

Members will access their record books at the state 4-H website www.colorado4h.org. If you do not have access to a computer or internet, hard copies will be available at our office for $2.00 or you may come in and use our computers. The record books include all livestock species in ONE BOOK so for members enrolled in more than one livestock project, they will only have to complete one book. Horse projects have a separate book.

A record book workshop will be held on May 14 at 6:30pm to go page by page through the book to answer questions on what is expected.

If you have any questions please call JD at 522-3200 ext. 5.

Project Visits

If you would like JD to conduct a livestock project visit during the spring and summer please contact him. These will not be mandatory but JD is happy to help any youth member or family that wants some guidance or recommendations. He can bring the scale with him during his visit.

Lamb, Goat and Swine members the Extension Office portable scale will be available at the Fair Grounds for members to weigh on **June 15th, July 13th and July 27th.**

State Fair Information

Deadlines for Ownership/Nomination of Market Animals for State Fair:

Beef   JD needs by March 13 at Extension Office

Swine   JD needs by May 25   at Extension Office

Sheep   JD needs by May 25 at Extension Office

Goats   JD needs by May 25 at Extension Office

Please turn your cards into the Extension Office or your Ag instructor well before these deadlines.

State Fair requires Opti Brand Retinal Imaging which means if you are planning to take an animal to State Fair, we will be taking a retinal image of that animal at weigh-in. You must **still** fill out a nomination card. These scans are not free to our office, so please only scan animals you are serious about showing at State Fair!

New for this year JD will hold a Retinal Scanning Day at the Fair Grounds on May 24th from 4:00 to 6:00pm for Lambs and Goats that are only going to the Colorado State Fair. These animals will not be eligible for the Logan County Fair. Swine members will have until May 25th to get Colorado State Fair nominations to the Extension Office. Any hog that is nominated after April 27th will not be eligible for the Logan County Fair. Swine members must attach pictures clearly showing ear notches and identifying marks of the hog with the nomination form.

Sheep and Goat members: Nomination cards will be available for you at weigh-in on May 5th.

Swine members: Nomination cards are available with tags on April 1st.

⚠️ **ATTENTION SWINE EXHIBITORS** ⚠️

Again this year, we will not be weighing in swine.

Tagging & Identification: Each member will need to tag and ear notch their own animal prior to Friday, April 27. Tags will be available in the Extension Office April 1st. A hog ID sheet also needs to be filled out for each animal and turned in with 2 pictures of animal. Pictures must clearly show ear notches in each ear and identifying marks prior to April 27. Tag goes in left ear.

Also Note: Swine members will need to have a current PQA certification to be able to participate in the Logan County Fair. See dates and places for PQA/MQA workshops. Logan County's workshop is Thursday, April 5.

State Fair Nomination cards will be available at the Extension Office starting April 1st for swine.

<h3 style="text-align:center"><u>Scrapie Tagging Requirements</u></h3>

The USDA's Scrapie Eradication Program will be enforced at the Logan County Fair. This regulation requires sheep and goats to have scrapie identification ear tags that list their flock of origin. Animals required to have scrapie tags are:

<u>Sheep:</u> All breeding sheep regardless of age and all ewes shown as market lambs.

<u>Goats:</u> All breeding goats, wethers 18 months of age and older, and all does shown as market goats. *<u>Exception:</u>* Registered goats may use tattoos or microchips (EIDs) with Breed Registration Numbers in place of scrapie tags. Registration papers must be provided for verification. Illegible tattoos and non-readable EIDs must be replaced with a "USDA scrapie ID tag."

A purchased animal should have the seller's scrapie tag. An animal you raised should have your scrapie tag.

<u>Livestock Quizbowl Team Interest Meeting</u>-Seniors Only. Interested in participating on team at State Contest in June. Contact JD.

Ak-Sar-Ben All entries need to be online and DNA envelopes can be picked up at the Extension Office. Market Beef entries and DNA envelopes are due April 15th. Sheep, Swine and Goat entries and DNA envelopes are due June 15th. If you have any questions, please call JD.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tara Friend- 522-3200
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March

1	-	Deadline for Affirmative Action (Required for Gold Seal)
1	-	Raffle Tickets ready for Clubs to pick up
4	-	Talent Festival
15	-	4-H Large Animal Workshop 6:30pm, Extension Office
22	-	4-H 101 6:00pm, Extension Office
24	-	Cloverbuds 9:00 Extension Office
26	-	4-H Council Meeting

April

1	-	Project Add/Drop Deadline
1	-	4-H Scholarship Applications Due
5	-	MQA/PQA Training 4-7 pm -
21	-	Cloverbuds 9:00 Extension Office
23	-	4-H Council Meeting
27	-	Market Swine ID sheets due Extension Office
27	-	4-H Carnival
28	-	Sterling Judging Invitational

May

1	-	Breeding Beef & Supreme Merit Due in 4-H Online
1	-	Horse ID Due in 4-H Online
5	-	Goat & Sheep Weigh-in
19	-	Cloverbuds 9:00 Extension Office
21	-	4-H Council Meeting
28	-	Memorial Day – Extension Office Closed

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