

Crook County CLOVER CONNECTION 4-H Families & Friends

Summer is in full swing, and that can only mean one thing—4-H members are busy learning, creating, and making the most of every opportunity the season brings. From early morning livestock chores to late-night project work, the dedication and enthusiasm of our youth are on full display. Across the county, members are building skills, trying new things, and forming friendships that make 4-H such a special experience. It's a time filled with growth, laughter, and plenty of hard work that will soon be showcased for all to see.

With the county fair just around the corner, excitement is building as members put the finishing touches on their static projects and prepare their exhibits. Now is the time to fine-tune details, double-check entries, and take pride in all the effort put in over the past months. While the fair is a chance to shine, it's also about having fun, celebrating accomplishments, and enjoying the rewards of a job well done. We look forward to seeing everything our 4-H youth have accomplished and sharing in the energy and excitement that the fair brings!



Have lots of Summer Fun! ~ Erica

Crook County Extension Office
309 Cleveland St (Basement)

(307)-283-1192

M-F 7:30 am - 4 pm

THINGS TO NOTE:

Don't Forget!

 Fair Entry Opens June 8

 Fair Entry Closes July 7th



Upcoming Events

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|  307 Clinics | June 3-5 |
|  Hoof Trimming | June 5th |
|  Leathercraft - Hulett | June 10 th |
|  Map & Compass | June 11th |
|  Modeling Clinic | June 23 rd |
|  .22 Rifle County Shoot | June 25th |
|  Horseless Horse | June 29 th |
|  Horse - Practice | See Flyer |
|  Cake Decorating | July 13 th |
|  Cake Decorating | July 24 th |

**HELLO
SUMMER**

Local Events



EVENTS

CALENDAR

Check out the Events
calendar on the website!

Save THE Date

Crook County Fair

2026

July 26-August 1st

4-H Dog Show July 19th

Fashion Revue July 18th

**IF YOU FIND THE 4-H GNOME ... BE THE FIRST PERSON TO EMAIL ERICA
WITH THE PAGE # AT EREASONE@UWYOEDU TO CLAIM YOUR PRIZE.**

FAIR ENTRIES & CAMPING ARE OPEN JUNE 8th!

Go to the crookcofair.com website

- Find the 2026 Crook County Fair Header and hover it
- Drop down menu will show
- Find “Online Fair Entries & Campground Contract”

**FAIR ENTRIES AND CAMPGROUND CONTRACTS ARE
DUE BY JULY 7TH WITH PAYMENT!**



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2026 changes coming to Crook County Fair:

2026 Dress Code:

Youth Exhibiting animals at the Crook County Fair are expected to showcase their animals with pride and professionalism. All youth must dress for success, proper attire is required as the following nice dress shirts, nice pants (without holes), and boots or leather shoes. No tennis shoes or sandals. For FFA Showmanship you must follow FFA Official dress, which includes Official FFA Blue Jacket, White collared shirt or blouse, Official FFA tie or scarf, Black slacks or pants, black closed toes shoes or as stated by their FFA Advisor.

Livestock Sale Policy Addition:

The Seller /Exhibitor understands that the sale committee and Buyer are not responsible for the well-being of livestock held and reserved by the Seller/Exhibitor for State Fair. Sellers that choose to participate in State Fair do so with the understanding that if the livestock is not delivered live to the Buyer or their designated processor, that the sale will be considered null and void. The sale committee recommends, but does not require livestock held and reserved for State Fair to be insured to protect the Seller/Exhibitor's investment.

Mini-Cattle

Mini cattle will be allowed into the 2027 Crook County Fair with the following stipulations mini cattle entering the Market beef must be under the minimum of 48", under 1100 lbs. to qualify as a mini subject to classification at weigh-ins but must be over a year old, under 2 years of age to be allowed to sell

101 PROJECT FLYERS



101 Project Flyers

Check out the shared files available on your ZSuite account, Crook County 4-H website, or at the extension office!



STATIC PROJECTS



LEATHERCRAFT

Part 2



**Wednesday,
June 10, 2026**

11:30am

Greater Hulett
Community Center

Start a wallet or handbag and finish it just in time for fair entry!

Questions? 307-283-1192 - Erica Reasoner

Questions? ereasone@uwyo.edu

STATIC PROJECTS



Cake Decorating

JULY
13TH



JULY
24TH

1 P M - 3 P M

**Community Room -
Courthouse Basement Sundance**

STATIC PROJECTS



4-H Modeling Clinic

Step Into Style: 4-H Modeling Made Easy!

Fashion Design

Sewing Technique

Fashion Management

Clothing Construction

Buymanship

June 23rd 5:30-7pm
Crook County Courthouse Basement

STATIC PROJECTS



CROOK COUNTY 4-H FASHION REVUE CONTEST

Showcase Your Style . Celebrate Creativity · Support 4-H Talent

JULY 18TH

AFTERNOON JUDGING

- ⌚ Begins at 1:00 PM @ the Crook County Museum - Sundance, WY
 - Construction
 - Buymanship
 - Modeling

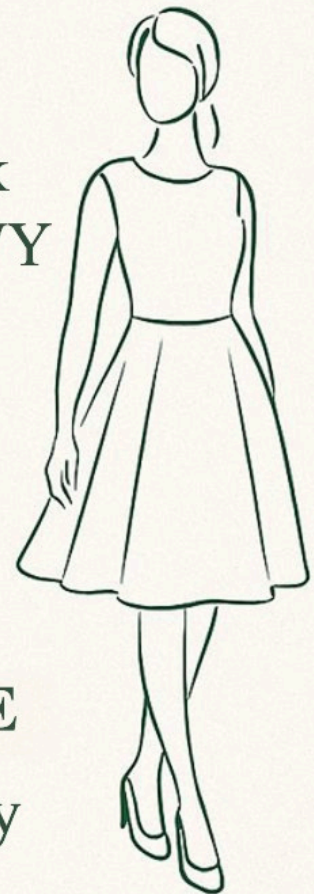

Participants must bring ALL garments for judging (even if not modeling)

EVENING PUBLIC REVUE

- ⌚ 6:00 PM @ the Crook County Museum - Sundance, WY

Open to the Public!

Support our youth · Celebrate their accomplishments





Crook County Fair

LIVESTOCK COSTUME CONTEST

7/29/26

30 min after the conclusion of
Goat Over the Hill Showmanship



Come vote for
your favorite
duo!



Prizes

**Glitz, Glam & Hooves!
Youth Dress Up Your
Livestock and Yourself!**

LIVESTOCK



Crook County Fair

Over the Hill Showmanship

Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goat, Horse, Rabbit, and Poultry

\$5 entry Fee

**Proceeds will go to benefit the Crook
County 4-H Livestock Program**

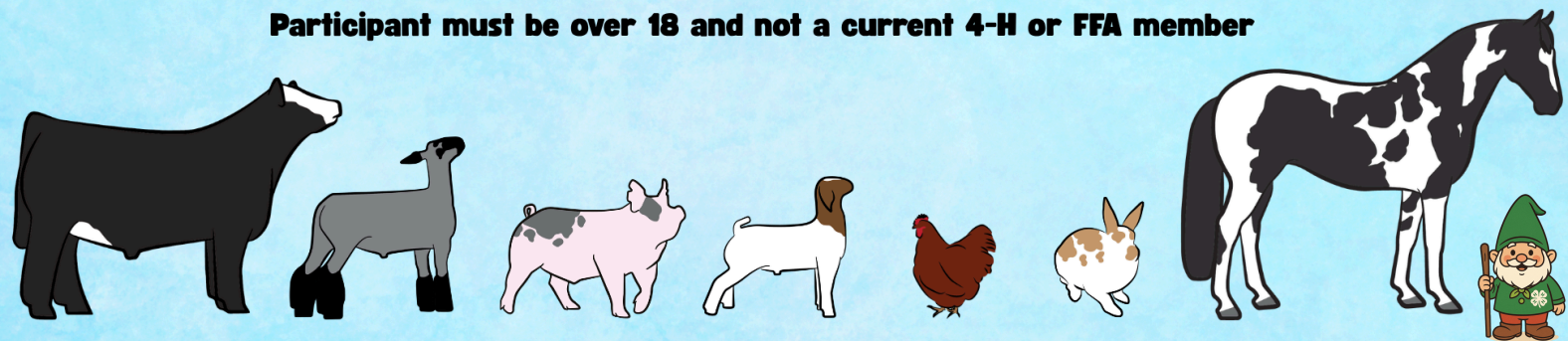
\$10 Buyout Fee

(Max buyout 3X)

Youth exhibitors will be responsible for entering participants, with the expectation that the participant will show using that exhibitor's livestock entry.

Over the Hill Shows will occur immediately following large livestock shows, horse showmanship, and rabbit/poultry shows.

Participant must be over 18 and not a current 4-H or FFA member



HORSE



HORSE PRACTICES

- **JUNE 11TH 5-8PM TRAIL**
 - **JUNE 20TH 8-11AM POSSIBLY COW WORK. REINING/RANCH RIDING**
 - **JUNE 30TH 5-8 PM PATTERNS, ENGLISH**
 - **JULY 11TH 5-8PM HALTER/SHOWMANSHIP**
 - **JULY 16TH 8AM-11AM POSSIBLY COW WORK, REINING/RANCH RIDING, HORSE SHOW PREP**
 - **JULY 21ST 5-8PM PATTERNS, ENGLISH, HORSE SHOW PREP**
- 4-H/FFA Safety Certifications can be completed at any practice



Outdoor Arena - Sundance Fair Grounds

HORSE

HORSELESS *Horse*

Join the Horseless Horse program and explore the exciting world of horses—no horse required! Youth will learn horse care, safety, equipment, and riding basics through fun, hands-on activities. Build confidence, knowledge, and horsemanship skills while getting ready for future equine opportunities.



**JUNE 29TH
6PM**

**34 3 Bar S Road
Moorcroft, WY**

RSVP

**Amanda Critel 307-941-2076
or Sharon Slebiss 559-365-1882**



Crook County 4-H

BEEF

Beef Hoof Trimming

June 5th, 2026

9am

Crook County Fairgrounds Sundance

Hoof Trimmer: Garrett Barton

\$75/Head

Max 30 head RSVP Required



RSVP



SCAN HERE



**Open to Crook
County 4-H & FFA
members**



Shooting Sports



.22 Rifle Crook Co. 4-H Starting May 14th



**Safety Meeting
May 14th @ 5:30pm
Rifle Range South on HWY 585**

- Members must be enrolled, paid, picked shooting sports as a project & have active status to participate.
- Youth and 1 parent/guardian must attend safety meeting to participate in rifle practices - May 14th at 5:30pm.
- No Equipment needed on May 14th
- .22 Rifle will be every Thursday @ 5:30pm at the rifle range on South HWY 585. If anyone needs a ride please reach out.
- Shooting Sports has an additional \$10 per youth/per 4-H year or participate in 1 community service project in the spring.

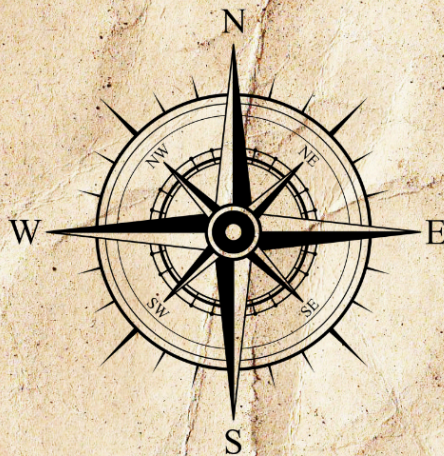
COUNTY SHOOT JUNE 25TH

Shooting Sports



MAP & COMPASS

Learn map and compass with Crook County 4-H!



JUNE 11, 2026
5PM

Sundance Rod & Gun Rifle Range
South Hwy 585

ALL YOUTH ARE WELCOME!
THERE WILL BE 2 SEPERATE GROUPS

During .22 Rifle practice for shooting sports members

Shooting Sports



YOUTH HUNTER EDUCATION CHALLENGE

Young hunters display their shotgun, .22 rifle, muzzleloader and archery marksmanship. Participants will also demonstrate plus their hunting ethics and wildlife identification.

Upton Gun Club Shooting Range

Near the Cedar Pines Golf Club
2579 WY-116, Upton, WY 82730

June 13, 2026

Starting at 7:00 am, awards at 4:00 pm

Registration is limited.

Ages 9-18, must have a hunter education certificate to register



REGISTER NOW!

Scan the QR code to register for YHEC.



Wyoming Youth Hunter Education Challenge YHEC

Wyoming Youth Hunter Education Challenge YHEC. 373 likes · 68 talking about this. WY Youth Hunter Education...

 facebookapp

STATE OPPORTUNITIES

WYOMING FOOD FUN 4-H



GET COOKING WITH 4-H

Learn, cook, taste, and share with your family while building lifelong skills in the kitchen.

WHAT IT'S ABOUT:

- Monthly recipes and cooking challenges
- Hands-on learning: baking, grilling, holiday treats & more
- Fun for the whole family — kids and parents cook together
- Opportunities to try new foods and explore creative twists

YOUTH SAID IT BEST:

“I liked learning how to make eggs a new way.”

“The banana bread became our new family favorite.”

“I made my own grilled chicken sauce and everyone loved it!”

WHY JOIN?

- Try new recipes
- Build kitchen confidence
- Create family memories



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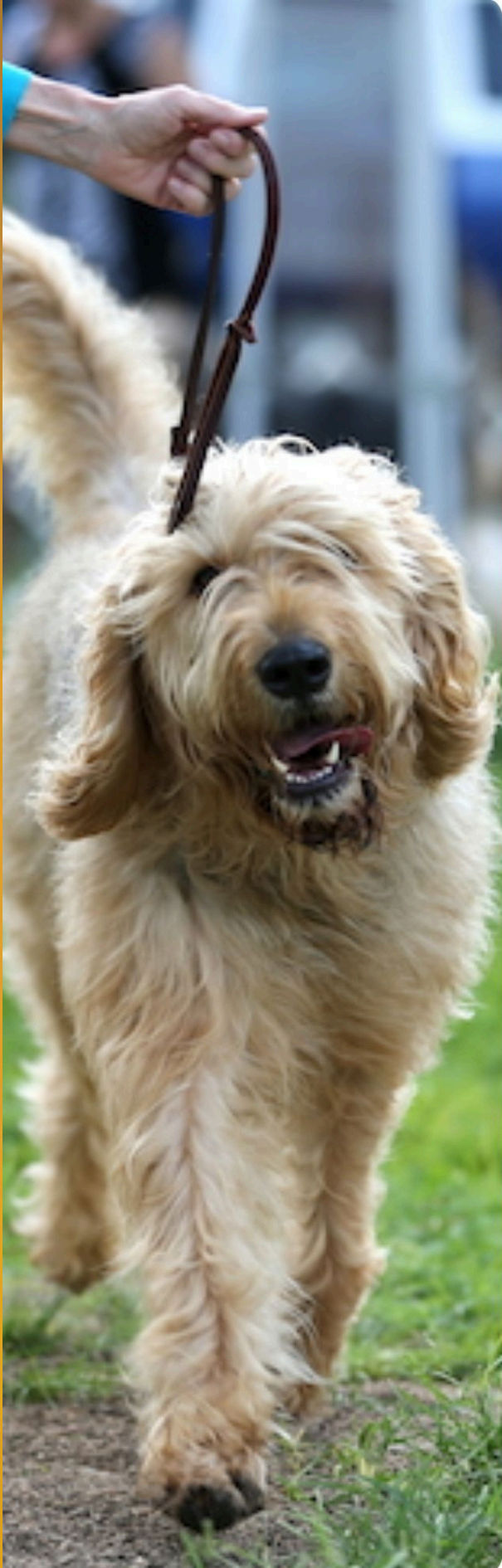
JOIN US FOR YEAR 4!

SIGN UP AT
[HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/
CDUBZF9UVCTRYJ26](https://forms.gle/CDUBZF9UVCTRYJ26)



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STATE OPPORTUNITIES



Statewide 4-H

Dog Leader Training

Mark your calendars for the Wyoming State 4-H Dog Leadership Training during Showcase Showdown!



June 16, 2026

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Laramie, WY

Register by June 10th:

<https://forms.gle/Qd3JsIs3jVA2iRmt7>

Training will cover:

Wyoming State 4-H Rules

Showmanship

Obedience

Agility

Dog Resources

Practice Ideas

Please Do Not bring dogs they will not be allowed in the training.



Volunteers, Project leaders, Parents, and Extension Educators are all welcome to come and learn tips & tricks from talented volunteers across the state.

REGISTRATION DUE JUNE 15TH

Wyoming 4-H State Shoot

July 9-12, 2026

Registrations due: June 15, 2026

On-line Registration Link:

https://wyoming4h.formstack.com/forms/state_shoot



CHANGING THE FUTURE OF
YOUTH SHOOTING SPORTS

Meredith
We inspire. She makes it happen.™



The Wyoming 4-H State Shoot is held in Douglas, Wyoming on the State Fairgrounds and at shooting ranges four miles south of Douglas.

What you need to know to register:

- Which disciplines will you be competing in? What class in each discipline?
- Are you interested in qualifying for the award trip to Raton, NM? (Senior age only)
- Commemorative apparel will be available during the event for purchase.
- Payment is due to your local 4-H county extension office.
- You can find more information about state shoot on the state 4-H website:

<https://wyoming4h.org/opportunities/events-activities-state-shoot/>

Steve Mack

State 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator

University of Wyoming Extension

1000 East University Ave.

Dept. 3354

Laramie, WY 82071

(307) 766-5170

smack@uwyo.edu

All range officers and those helping at each range are Wyoming 4-H volunteers. This event would not be possible without their time and dedication!



BEEF & BRIDLE 4-H CLUB



Members met for community service projects. After taking an afternoon to pick up lots of flowers, the club helped Katy Gray plant flowers for her business and filled various flowerpots around the town of Moorcroft. Some members also assisted in the highway clean-up outside of Sundance near the Gun Club. Everyone is working hard to get their animals and other projects ready for County Fair. Keep up the good work!

Written by: Oliver Brengl

RANGE RIDERS



The Range Riders met May 15th. Trash can challenge chairman Amberlynn Dixon reported that the fairboard accepted the proposal to host a trash can challenge at fair. We also had leaders reports and updates on fun events. Then, members gave project talks. Josie Manning talked about dairy and market goat project. Markie Manning talked about dairy goats and nigerian dwarfs. Max Dixon and Tony Manning have a team project talk on poultry ducks vs. chickens, and Amerlynn Dixon did a talk on rabbits with her assistant, Bambi. We will meet again June 19th.

BLACKTAIL HUSTLERS



**Blacktail Hustlers made give away bags
for youth day on May 25th.**

**Next Meeting June 10th at 3pm at the
WY information center in Beulah**

A festive banner at the top reads "HAPPY BIRTHDAY" in colorful letters. Below it, another banner says "JUNE" in blue. The background is a warm yellow with a sunburst effect. Balloons in green, red, and blue are scattered around the banners.

HAPPY
JUNE
BIRTHDAY

Taylor D.

Quinn C.

Ellie B.

Amberlyn D.

Maura H.

Caleb L.

Tobin G.

Oliver B.

Quintin S.

Hadlee A.

Lydia C.

Natalie H.

Shaye W.



CROOK COUNTY 4-H CLUBS

Prairie Harvesters

Leaders: Ami Hanson - 307-680-8918
Meetings: 1st Friday even months
4PM
Location: Moorcroft Library

Beef & Bridle

Leaders: Lynsey Gray-307-670-2316
Sharon Slebiss - 559-365-1882
Meetings: Sundays - 3pm- Moorcroft
Location: TBD
Follow Facebook Group

Bearlodge Wranglers

Leaders: Meg Franzen - 307-290-
2279 Sarah Ellsbury - 307-281-2956
Meetings: 3rd Wednesday-4:30pm
Shooting Sports Bldg- County
Fairgrounds
Limit of 25 members

Range Riders

Leaders: Courtney Dixon-307-752-
8263
Cassedy Marshall
Meetings: 3rd Friday-5:30pm
Shooting Sports Bldg-Crook
County Fairgrounds

County 18 Homesteaders

Contact Stevie Phillips

Carlile Wranglers

Leaders: Kristy Dennis-307-756-9401
Amber Burch - 307-467-5678
Meetings: 2nd Thursdays-5 pm-
Location: Oshoto Firehall

Silver Spurs

Leaders: Jenn Jay 307-467-5595
Meetings: TBD - Hulett

Blacktail Hustlers

Leaders: Jenn Sirbaugh - 304-820-2557
Melissa Williams - 307-680-5066
Meetings: Contact Jenn or Melissa
Location: Hulett Library/Community
Center

CLOVER CHALLENGE



CLOVER CHALLENGE!



Participate in Club activities,
earn points!

★ PRIZE ★

1st PLACE
Club T-Shirts +
Pizza Party & Bowling
or Pizza Party & Movie

EVENT RULES

Each year there is a "Champion Club" awarded through our "Clover Challenge" winner at Achievement Night. The champion club will be awarded club t-shirts and a pizza/movie or pizza/bowling party paid for at the following meeting. (This can always be changed to fit your club!)

Here is how clubs earn their points for the Clover Challenge:

- Publish meeting minutes/report in the monthly Clover Connection
- Educational Activities by the Club (presentations or demonstrations)
- Community Service Events by the Club
- Record Books - 30% minimum Club completion
- Club Enrollment - 100% by January 15th (Excluding new 1st year members)
- 4-H Camp - Youth and chaperone attendance
- Attend 4-H Sanctioned events such as State shoot, Showcase Showdown, Make it w/wool, Meats & Wool, Project Palooza, National Trips, 4-H Livestock Camps & Clinics
- Chartering done by September 20th
- Club Floats in either the County Fair or Christmas Parades
- County Fair Static Exhibits
- Participate in a leadership role such as fair ambassador, club officer, or camp counselor



Talk to your 4-H club Leaders for more info!

If a member or volunteer changes clubs at any point in the year, previously recorded points do not transfer to the new club.

**WE WANT
YOU!**

*Together,
we make a
Difference*

HEY ATTENTION!!

CROOK COUNTY FAIR
IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE
FOLLOWING VOLUNTEER POSITIONS FOR
THE FAIR:

LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE

SALE COMMITTEE

AWARDS COMMITTEE

*For more information and to request an
application, contact the Fair Office at
283-2644 or crookcofair@rangeweb.net.*

*Applications can also be found on the fair
website www.crookcofair.com.*

Deadline is January 2nd, 2025



If you are interested in helping out on a fair committee please fill out an application and submit it to Jasmyne at the fair office.

REQUEST FOR FUNDS

Crook County 4-H has a form to request funds to help with those 4-H trips and events you want to participate in!

Need a little financial assistance to pay for registration at a 4-H event; local, state, or national?

Fill out the Request for Funds form before the date of the event and turn it into Erica @ the Crook County Extension Office.

<https://www.wyoming4h.org/crook4h/request-for-funds/>



PROJECTS

PICK YOUR PROJECT

There's a project for everyone!

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|-------------------|---|--|--------------------|
| Aerospace | | | Muzzleloading |
| Archery | |  | Nature & Ecology |
| Beef |  |  | Photography |
| Cake Decorating | |  | Pistol |
| Cats | |  | Pocket Pets |
| Citizenship |  |  | Poultry |
| Computers | | | Quilting |
| Crocheting | |  | Rabbits |
| Dogs |  |  | Range Management |
| Electricity | | | Recreation |
| Entomology | |  | Rifle |
| Fabric & Fashion | |  | Robotics |
| Foods & Nutrition | | | Ropecraft |
| Gardening |  |  | Self-Determined |
| Geology |  |  | Sheep |
| Dairy Goats | | | Shotgun |
| Meat Goats | |  | Sportfishing |
| Health | |  | Swine |
| Horses |  | | Veterinary Science |
| Interior Design | |  | Visual Arts |
| Knitting |  | | Wildlife & Hunting |
| Llamas & Alpacas | |  | Woodworking |
| Leathercraft | | | Youth Leadership |



S.M.A.R.T GOALS

S

SPECIFIC

Goals should be clear and easy to understand. A specific goal usually answers five questions: What do we want to do? Why is it important? Who is involved? Where will it happen? Which steps or choices are needed?

M

MEASURABLE

This idea means we need clear ways to measure how close we are to reaching a goal. If we can't measure it, we won't know if we're making progress or not.

A

ACHIEVABLE

This idea is about setting goals that are possible to reach. A goal can still be challenging, but it shouldn't be too extreme. When working toward a realistic goal, people might discover new chances or ideas that help them get closer to success.

R

RELEVANT

A relevant goal is one that matters to you and that you're ready and able to work toward. It should make you ask: 'Is this worth doing?'

T

TIME-BASED

Setting a deadline helps you stay focused and finish your goal on time. It keeps your goal from getting pushed aside by everyday tasks. A timely goal should help you plan what to do today, in 6 weeks, and in 6 months.

BAND APP

BAND is an all-in-one-app for messaging, calendars, files, photos, and videos!

Join our Crook County 4-H group to stay up on events and changes!

SCAN
ME



Join the BAND group by visiting
<https://band.us/n/a6a2Afh246W3b>

ENROLLMENT HELP ...

4-H ZSuite Enrollment

New Family Profile

If you've never signed into ZSuite before follow these steps:

1. Go to <https://4h.zsuite.org>
2. As a family creating a new profile, select **SIGN UP**. Fill in all fields, select **LET'S GO**.

SCAN ME



Adding 4-H Member

You are now on the Dashboard tab

1. Select **+Household Member**
2. Fill out 4-H members info, select **CONTINUE**
3. Fill out **PERSONAL INFO**, select **NEXT**
4. Fill out all six drop down WAIVERS, then select **NEXT**
5. Dropdown to your CLUB, select **ADD CLUB**. (Cloverbuds is not a club, select club placement)
6. Select **ADD PROJECT**. When selecting an animal project, Animal project information is not required at this time
7. Select **ADD TO CART** and then you can either **+Add ENROLLMENT** (another child or volunteer) or **SUBMIT**. You must click **SUBMIT** to be complete.

4-H Year starts October 1st

Cloverbuds (5-7 yrs) = \$5

4-H (8yrs & up) = \$10

Volunteers = Free

Online Payment on ZSuite

Cash or check payable to

Crook County 4-H

Puzzled?

Call Erica @ 307-283-

1192 or stop by Crook

County Extension

office during business

hours

Once submitted, your enrollment will change from pending payment or pending approval to ACTIVE once the Extension office receives payment!

AGE CLASSIFICATION

4-H programs are offered on an age-appropriate basis to youth, ages 5-18. This is the general age requirement for 4-H participation. On occasion, multi-state and national 4-H programs and events may use different age criteria and will be adhered to as necessary to qualify for participation.

Age classification for 4-H club members are:

Cloverbud: Ages 5-7

Junior: Ages 8-10 (3rd-5th grade)

Intermediate: Ages 11-13 (6th-8th grade)

Senior Member: Ages 14-18 (9th-12th grade)

Ages are as of January 1 of the current 4-H year, which spans from October through September. Here are some examples for clarification:

- If a child is age 5 on January 1, they can join 4-H for the entire 4-H year as a Cloverbud member.
- If a child turns age 5 on January 2 or later, they must wait until the next 4-H year to join.
- If a member is 7 years or under as of January 1, they are a Cloverbud member.
- If a teen will be age 18 on December 31, they can join for the entire 4-H year.
- If a teen is age 19 on January 1, they cannot join 4-H but are encouraged to serve as a 4-H volunteer.
- Collegiate 4-H clubs are available at many colleges and universities for those wishing to continue 4-H activities into their early twenties.