

# Muskogee County 4-H



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## YIA October 16-18th.

**Registration Due Sept 10th \$80**  
**Orientation Oct 14th at 5:30 pm**

Youth in Action is Northeast District 4-H's fall leadership conference, held each year at Fin and Feather Resort near Gore. It is open to 4-H members who are in the 7th-12th grades.

Ten \$50 First Timer Scholarships are available. Spaces are limited First Come, First Served.

- The conference begins at 7:00pm on Wednesday the 16th and concludes at 10:30am on Friday the 18th. Come join us to learn leadership skills to use in each of your clubs. We will also elect the district officer team for the new year.
- On the registration form you can sign up for the 4-H Voice contest, Thought for the Day, Words of Wisdom, Flag Salute, 4-H Pledge or Patriotic Song during assemblies.
- This year, delegates will have the opportunity to sign up for several different tournaments (Volleyball, (6 man teams), Basketball (3 on 3), Clover Bowl, Horseshoes, Livestock Quiz Bowl and Skill-a-thons (livestock, rabbit/poultry, companion animal, dairy and FCS). Teams will be formed once all delegates have had the opportunity to sign up. Tournaments will be held on Thursday afternoon.
- **This year the officer team is challenging each of your counties to provide school supplies, blankets and/or canned food drive to help the less fortunate. Bags will be provided and the delegates will assembly those bags on Wednesday evening after the first assembly. The bags will be donated to the Muskogee County Sheriff's Department and others.**
- We have quite a few kids interested in Running for District Office. We need a big delegation at YIA to support them in their efforts.

Indoor Fair Book <http://oces.okstate.edu/muskogee/4-h> Look for "2019 Indoor Fair Book"

The fair will be here before you know it and now is the time to get your exhibits ready. Take a few minutes and gather the items you made at all your summer camps and compare them to the guidelines for each of the categories available in the fair book.

Sometimes your item will only fit in 303 Miscellaneous but you can only have one of those. Many times if you made a simple change, attach a before picture, or complete a description card your project may work. Either way you have until August 30th to get your fair entries finished up and entered.

## Muskogee County Fall Fair

The county fair is your first step in getting your record book Journey for 2020 books. For Silver you need 6 fair entries, for Gold you need 8 entries. Half can be animal entries.

Livestock show and Indoor Exhibit guidelines are available online at [oces.okstate.edu/Muskogee](http://oces.okstate.edu/Muskogee)

### Schedule of Events

- Friday August 30th.** Indoor Fair Items Due by 4:00pm
- Tuesday Sept 3rd** **Checotah Sale Barn**—Cattlegrading, Register at 4:45pm School 5:30 pm & Contest 6:00 pm  
Supt: Tony Nichols Asst. Supt: Randy Coulter
- Wednesday Sept 4th** Perishable Indoor Fair Due by 8:30 a.m.  
Indoor Fair Judging at 10am
- Thursday, September 5th** **Midway Schools—Council Hill 5:30pm**  
4-H Food/Cooking Id and 4-H Livestock Skills Contests—
- Saturday, September 7th—Haskell Show Barn—No Pre-Entry \$15 for All**
- Hog Show:** Supt: Joe Osborn Asst. Supt: Justin Stacy  
Check in 8:00-8:30AM/Show 8:30 AM
- Heifer Show:** Supt: Morris Fowler Asst. Supt: Knotchie McCrary  
Check in 8:00 -9:00 AM  
Show immediately following Hog Show
- Prospect Steer Show:** Supt: Tony Nichols Asst. Supt: Knotchie McCrary  
Check in 8:00-9:00 AM  
Show immediately following Heifer Show
- Market Steer Show** Supt: Tony Nichols Asst. Supt: Knotchie McCrary  
Check in 8:00-9:00 AM  
Show immediately following Prospect Steer Show
- Sheep Show:** Supt: Ira Jackson Asst. Supt: Brandon Womack  
Check in 9:00 am – 10:00 am  
Show immediately following Market Steer Show
- Goat Show:** Supt: Bryan Craig Asst. Supt: James Greathouse  
Check in 9:00 am – 10:00 am  
Show immediately following Sheep Show



## Archery Workshop Sept 12th-Oct 10th. 5:30pm

Judy, Paige, and Jason are planning an intro/refresher archery workshop series for students. Successful completion of this course and Oklahoma Hunters Safety course are required before you can compete in 4-H Archery Contests.

**Location:** To Be Determined. We are flexible at this point on the location. Our coaches are from throughout the county and depending on where the members are from will decide where the workshops are held. Most likely the Muskogee Fairgrounds or Connors Warner Campus.

If you are interested in attending the course please let me know which location you prefer.

**Equipment:** 4-H has targets, arrows, and bows to get you started. You don't need to purchase anything to enroll in this course. If you decide to compete in archery contests you can still use some of the 4-H equipment but that is when most families buy their own.

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## Muskogee County 4-H Dog Club. Sept 26th 6:30pm

Do you have a dog, do you want a dog, do you have access to a dog? Dog club may be for you.

The 4-H Canine project is all about how well you can handle your dog and serve in the community. 4-H shows are not about the structure, color, or markings on your dog. Our shows are about how well your dog can sit, stay, heal, down or run through an agility course.

Club meetings are about 50-50 whether you bring your dog or not. Training your dogs around other dogs and smells gets them ready for the distractions during the shows.

Other months you will be making items for the shelter, going on field trips, construction or painting projects for the show equipment.



Contact Kym Davis at [kkdavis299@gmail.com](mailto:kkdavis299@gmail.com) to let her know you plan to attend or if you have other questions.

## **2019 4-H Enrollment for Members and Volunteers.**

### *4-H Members*

Each 4-H Member will pay a \$20 per member enrollment fee. There are some scholarships available based upon need and there is a Maximum of \$60 for a family sharing a residence.

We will operate mainly from last years enrollment until Oct 1st. But will add new members to the mailing list as we get the forms before that date. All Current 4-H members have had a profile established within the 4H online system. **Access at: [ok.4honline.com](http://ok.4honline.com).**

Your family profile is saved under your email address. If you never had your password or you have forgotten your password you will need to use the forgot password feature. If you have forgotten which Email address you used or filed out a paper copy and didn't include an email address you can call the Extension office and we can look up the email address or add one for you.

Paper forms remain available through your club leader for enrollment or re enrollment. However if you log in to [ok.4honline.com](http://ok.4honline.com) you will simply be updating your info from last year not completing a blank form, so that system may be quicker than paper.

### *4-H Volunteers*

Volunteers must complete their annual 4-H Enrollment through their online profile. There is not an enrollment fee for adults.

I'd like to outline the system for Volunteer Enrollment here to give 4-H Parents an understanding of the safeguards in place and what is expected of the Adults we have working with your kids.

As a new volunteer aged 21 and over the first step is completing an online volunteer application, from there they then complete a background check with a third party company specializing in volunteer management. With a completed application and successful background check the applications are reviewed by the Volunteer Advisory Committee for approval. At that point the Volunteer is pending certification based on completing Federal Title 7/9 and Harassment training. At that point they are a "certified" volunteer and with completion of 4 hours of continuing education training on 4-H topics per year they maintain their volunteer status.

We are very thankful for our core group of Certified Volunteers as well as the army of other volunteers who lend their help and expertise at club meetings, contests, livestock shows, and educational opportunities.

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## **AR-OK State Fair Judging Contests Sept 25th Fort Smith 8am-3:30pm.**

Events include: Dairy Judging, Poultry Judging, Consumer Judging, Livestock Skills, Horticulture Judging, Horticulture Contest, Poultry Skill-a-thon, Rabbit Skill-a-thon, Food/Cooking ID Contest. Come spend the day at Fort Smith showing off how smart you are in your project area. We will leave the Extension office in Muskogee just a little after 8 am, make a stop at Webbers Falls Loves to for anyone that wants to meet there and make our way to Kay Rodgers Park for the Contests that Begin at 10 am. Participants are asked to only compete in one event.

<b>Sept 3-7th</b>	<b>Muskogee County Fair</b>
<b>Sept 9th</b>	<b>Volunteer and Teen Leader Meetings</b>
<b>Sept 10th</b>	<b>Youth in Action Registration Due</b>
<b>Sept 12</b>	<b>Connors State College Cattle Grading</b>
<b>Sept 12-22nd</b>	<b>Oklahoma City State Fair</b>
<b>Sept 24th</b>	<b>Tulsa State Fair Indoor Judging Day</b>
<b>Sept 25th</b>	<b>Fort Smith 4-H Contest Day</b>
<b>Sept 26th</b>	<b>Dog Club</b>
<b>Sept 26th-Oct 6th</b>	<b>Tulsa State Fair</b>
<b>Oct 6th-12th</b>	<b>National 4-H Week</b>
<b>Oct 14th</b>	<b>YIA Orientation 5:30pm</b>
	<b>Volunteer and Teen Leader Meetings</b>
<b>Oct 16-18th</b>	<b>Youth In Action</b>
<b>Nov 2nd</b>	<b>Pie Auction and Royalty Coronation</b>
<b>Nov 7th</b>	<b>Chamber of Commerce Ag Appreciation Dinner</b>
<b>Nov 14th</b>	<b>Cattleman's Banquet</b>




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## County Bred Steer Contest—Weigh-in Saturday Sept 7th.

Cattle will need to be broke to lead at Weigh in in September!

This is a new opportunity that the Muskogee County Cattleman's Association is hosting in collaboration with the County Livestock Show.

The basics of the program: Steers must be born within Muskogee County or within the District of a school headquartered in Muskogee County. Winner will be determined by rate of gain, carcass quality, and show ring placing.

Processing will be required at a facility chosen by the Cattleman's with the family responsible for processing cost, Harvest date will be set in the contest rules on a date after OYE.

Truthfully at this point there are more questions than answers. But if you've been looking for a way to show a more production oriented steer, this is the contest you've been looking for.

Like: Muskogee County Cattlemen's Association on Facebook or contact the Extension Office for more details.

Check out Ag Youth Website for dates and information on livestock shows!! WWW.AGYOUTH.COM

Facebook: Muskogee County 4-H  
Oces.okstate.edu/muskogee



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