The Marion County Extension Office would like to say thank you to the many supporters and dedicated volunteers that make our programs successful. We hope you have a great holiday season!

-Rickey, Tristen, Myrta, Jana

4-H Achievement Banquet Honorees

Gold Pin and Gold Guard Award
Landon, Elyse, Brooke, Cassie

Kansas 4-H Key Award
Addie, Larry (Not Pictured)
Dicamba Registrations Renewed For Xtendimax, Engenia, and FeXapan

The long-awaited announcement regarding re-registration of the dicamba products labelled for use on Xtend soybeans and cotton finally happened a couple weeks ago. The EPA approved the registration for two more years, extending them through December 20, 2020. The new labels will include some additional restrictions from the previous versions to try and further minimize the issues of non-target dicamba injury to susceptible crops and plants.

In addition to the previous label guidelines and restrictions, below is a list of the primary changes to the Xtendimax, Engenia, and FeXapan labels.

- Only certified applicators may purchase and apply (no application under direct supervision).
- Mandatory dicamba or auxin applicator training is required annually for anyone applying the products. Training requirements to be determined by each state.
- Only apply between 1 hour after sunrise and 2 hours before sunset.
- Postemergence treatments must be applied prior to 45 days after soybean planting or R1 stage and 60 days of cotton planting or mid-bloom stage, whichever comes first.
- Recommended to test spray solution for pH and add buffering agent if the pH is less than 5.
- Enhanced tank clean-out instructions for the entire spray system.
- Records must be generated within 72 hours of application instead of 14 days.
- Planting date and documentation of surrounding crops and areas must also be recorded.
- In counties where endangered terrestrial dicot species may exist, in addition to the 110 ft. downwind buffer, a 57 ft. buffer is required around all other perimeters of the field.
- Consult [http://www.epa.gov/endangered-species](http://www.epa.gov/endangered-species) for the list of counties requiring additional protection measures along with guidance for specific areas that can be included in the buffer distance calculation for fields in affected counties.

Dallas Peterson, Kansas State University Weed Management Specialist

Video of the Month: Choosing the Best Poinsettia

KSRE Calving School

Thursday, December 13, 2018

McPherson Co 4-H Building
710 West Woodside
McPherson, KS 67460

Steak Dinner by reservation
Call 620-241-1523 by noon Friday, December 7
or email Terra at tregehr@ksu.edu
(Also, please call if you need to cancel a reservation)

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Program:

6:00  KC Strip Steak Dinner- $10.00
      (by reservation only)

7:00  Outline the normal calving process as
      well as tips to handle difficult calving
      situations. There will be a Life-Size
      demonstration on calving techniques.
      A.J. Tarpoff, DVM, MS
      Beef Extension Veterinarian

      Baby Calf Health Tips
      Dr. Twig Marston
      Beef Nutritionist, Hubbard Feeds

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Healthful Donations This Holiday

Let’s give the gift of health this holiday season by providing nutrient-rich non-perishable food items to the Marion County Food Bank and Resource Center!

From now until December 20th, our Office will be collecting your healthful donations for the Marion County Resource Center Food Bank.

Our Office is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and is located at 202 S. 3rd Street in Marion.

Join us in celebrating Family and Consumer Sciences Day by “Dining In” for Healthy Families! #FCSDAY #healthyfamselfie

New Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans

The second edition of the Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans has been released by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Since 2008, new knowledge has been gained on the proven benefits of physical activity for all ages and populations. New information on physical activity benefits include:

- Health benefits in relation to brain health, fall-related injuries, and cancer.
- Benefits for sleep, how people feel, and how people function.
- How sedentary behaviors affect overall health.
- Guidelines for children ages 3-5 years.
- Tested strategies to get people more active.

Learn more about the updated guidelines: https://health.gov/paguidelines/second-edition/

Tuesday, December 4, 2018
6:30 - 8:30 PM

Hillsboro City Building
(118 E Grand Ave in Hillsboro)

Sign up by November 30 @ https://tinyurl.com/MarionCoServSafe
It’s as easy as opening a package, and putting the test kit in the right place. After sending the test kit back to the address in the package, the company will send your Radon Test results in about 2 weeks.

Need a Radon Test Kit? Swing by the Extension Office and pick up a Radon Test Kit!

Information Derived From: The US-EPA
4-H Focus

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills.

4-H Council Meeting
Monday, January 14th at 7:00 PM
Hillsboro United Methodist Church

Club Leaders
A Club Leader Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 20th at 6:30 PM.
Location: Hillsboro Co-Op Grain & Supply

Club Leaders & Project Leaders
New and Returning Project and Club Leaders need to complete the Volunteer Screening Process ASAP.

The step by step process and forms can be found on our website: http://www.marion.k-state.edu/4-h/volunteer-screening/index.html

Kansas 4-H Day with Wildcat Women’s Basketball
Saturday, January 13th at 1:00 PM
KSU vs KU
Group Ticket Rate of $22/person. Includes game ticket, t-shirt, & meal voucher.

Register by Dec. 20th: http://tinyurl.com/2019KAE4HA

CITIZENSHIP IN ACTION
WHAT: Participants will get an up-close look at the legislative process, including a tour of the Capitol building, tips on how to meet and talk with their legislators, and a discussion on how youth can have a greater impact in their communities. Youth are also encouraged to schedule individual meetings with their local legislators.

WHEN: Feb. 17-18. It is open to youth who will be 13-18 years old prior to Jan. 1, 2019.
WHERE: Kansas Capitol building in Topeka

Registration and scholarship information available online at www.Kansas4-H.org.

Registration deadline is Feb. 1st.
Citizenship Washington Focus

June 13—June 24, 2019

This is an exciting opportunity for youth, ages 15-18 by January 1, 2019, to travel with Kansas 4-H Members to Washington, D.C.! There are 50 spaces available for this trip. Applications will be accepted until January 15 or until the spaces are filled; whichever comes first.

For more information, go to: www.kansas4-H.org

Get ready! It’s all coming up!

January 19:

SELF: Southeast Youth and Volunteer Leadership Forum. (Emporia) More info to come!

January 25-27:

Horse Panorama at Rock Springs. Rules and registration info will be posted shortly.

Registration is due January 15th

Marion County 4-H Achievement Banquet

Congratulations to all of our Marion County 4-Hers!

Check out our website for more information!

http://www.marion.k-state.edu/4-h/4HUpdate.html
Upcoming Events

December 3—FCS Day
December 4—ServSafe Class
December 20—4-H Club Leader Meeting
December 24 & 25—Office Closed
January 1—Office Closed
January 13—Kansas 4-H Day
January 14—4-H Council Meeting
January 19— SELF: 4-H Leadership Forum
January 21—Office Closed
January 25-27— 4-H Horse Panorama