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### **River Valley District Club Day**

The new 4-H year is well underway in the River Valley Extension District. One of the first large events to take place will be District Club Day. It occurs once a year and the hosting responsibilities rotate between each of the four counties in the River Valley Extension District. Republic County is hosting this year's District Club Day on Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, at Republic County High School.

There are a few requirements in order for youth to participate. First, youth must be enrolled as a 4-H member in the River Valley Extension District. Second, they must register their District Club Day entry or entries with their 4-H Club Leader. This year, 4-H Club Leaders turned in registration forms to their local Extension Office on Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>.

District Club Day has five categories of events for 4-H youth to participate in throughout the Day. These are Public Presentation, Music, Dance, Dramatics, and Parliamentary Procedure. Each of these categories has events in which 4-H youth may participate as an individual, a group, or a Club – depending on the event. For instance, Clubs often participate in the events of Model Meeting and Gavel Games under the Parliamentary Procedure category. The Music category has events for individuals to participate in instrumental or vocal solos. It also has events for groups to participate in a choir, and even smaller vocal or instrumental ensembles. These are just a few of the events offered at District Club Day.

4-H youth are split into two different age divisions for participation, Juniors who are 4-H age 7 – 12 and Seniors who are 4-H age 13 – 18. The categories have some similar and different events for 4-Hers – depending on their age division. For example, in the Public Presentations category, Juniors can participate in Show and Share, Project Talks, and Demonstrations/Illustrated Talks. Seniors can create a Demonstration/Illustrated Talk, but their other options are Public Speaking and Spontaneous Speaking. Other events at District Club Day include judging contests, which are organized by River Valley Extension District Agents. The different judging contests include Photography, Horticulture, Crops, Family and Consumer Sciences, and Livestock.

District Club Day is a wonderful opportunity for 4-H youth to learn and showcase their 4-H projects and talents. Good luck to those participating in District Club Day this year! For questions about 4-H in the River Valley District or to learn more about District Club Day contact 4-H Agent Jordan Schuette at 785-527-5084 or [jschuette@ksu.edu](mailto:jschuette@ksu.edu).