

2026 Kansas 4-H Horticulture Judging

Written Exam Information



The study material is from *the Kansas Healthy Yards and Communities Educational Videos*, K-State Research and Extension publications, and some horticulture news releases.

- How to Stake a Tree (<https://youtu.be/8fFNftCOG28>) 2:12
- Mow Lawn at Proper Height (<https://www.kansashealthyyards.org/all-videos/video/mow-lawn-at-recommended-height>) 2:07
- How Often Should You Water Your Lawn? (<https://www.kansashealthyyards.org/all-videos/video/how-often-to-water-lawns>) 2:40
- Tips on Applying Mulch (<https://www.kansashealthyyards.org/all-videos/video/tips-on-applying-mulch>) 2:03
- How to Test Your Soil for Nutrients (<https://www.kansashealthyyards.org/all-videos/video/how-to-test-your-soil-for-nutrients>) 2:00
- Adding Organic Matter Improves Soil (<https://www.kansashealthyyards.org/all-videos/video/organic-matter-improves-soil>) 2:07
- Safety Tips & More for Mowing Lawns (<https://www.kansashealthyyards.org/all-videos/video/safety-tips-and-more-for-mowing-lawns>) 2:08
- Attracting Birds to Your Backyard (<https://www.kansashealthyyards.org/component/allvideoshare/video/attracting-birds-to-your-backyard?>) 2:01
- Planting a Garden – (<https://www.kansashealthyyards.org/all-videos/video/planting-a-garden>) 2:01
- Knock Out Roses – (<https://kansashealthyyards.org/all-videos/video/knockout-roses>) 2:01
- Kansas Garden Guide – <https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/s51.pdf> Chapter 1 Starting and Planning a Garden –Pages 7-12 and Chapter 2 Raised Bed Gardening – Pages 13-17.
- Grasshoppers <https://hnr.k-state.edu/extension/horticulture-resource-center/common-pest-problems/documents/Grasshopper.pdf> Entire publication.
- Gardening has wellness benefits for all ages, KSRE News Release, March 4, 2025 <https://extension.k-state.edu/news-and-publications/news/stories/2025/03/horticulture-gardening-wellness-benefits.html>
- Tips to extend the life of Valentine’s Day roses, KSRE News Release, January 30, 2025 <https://extension.k-state.edu/news-and-publications/news/stories/2025/01/horticulture-extending-valentine-roses.html>
- Amaryllis, KSRE Publication <https://hnr.k-state.edu/extension/horticulture-resource-center/publications/publications/turf-ornamentals/flower-publications/Amaryllis08.pdf>

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