

# **Risk Management Skills for Kansas Women in Agriculture Series**

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## **Program Description**

K-State Research and Extension, recognizes the uncertainty that farmers and ranchers are experiencing due to fluctuating grain and input prices. More than ever, risk management of the operation is critical to long-term sustainability.

This workshop series will teach principles of determining cost of production, developing a marketing plan, purchasing crop insurance, and participating in farm programs (ARC/PLC). Participants will work with a case farm to apply these topics to a real-world farming operation. The goal is for participants to acquire risk management skills they can apply directly to their own farming operations. Other special topics will include managing stress and being resilient in tough times, and communicating effectively with family members.

The program will be a combination of broadcasted keynote speakers, local speakers, and facilitators to assist in completing the hands-on activities.

An optional 5th session will cover similar risk management principles for beef cow/calf operations.

This program is just one example of K-State Extension's commitment to diversity and inclusion. While the program is designed to highlight women's issues in agriculture, it is open to any participant without regard to sex.

## **Program Schedule**

### **January 12th, 2022:**

5:30 pm Dinner  
6:00 pm Local Networking Activity  
6:30 pm Enterprise Budget Presentation & Activity  
8:30 pm Session ends

### **January 19th, 2022:**

5:30 pm Dinner  
6:00 pm Crop Insurance Presentation & Activity  
8:00 pm Stress and Resiliency  
8:30 pm Session ends

**January 26th, 2022:**

5:30 pm Dinner  
6:00 pm Crop Marketing Presentation & Activity  
8:00 pm Family Communication  
8:30 pm Session ends

**February 2nd, 2022:**

5:30 pm Dinner  
6:00 pm Farm Bill Programs Presentation & Activity  
8:00 pm Special Speaker and Awards  
8:30 pm Session ends

**Optional Session #5-Beef Cow/Calf Risk Management**

**February 23rd, 2022:**

5:30 pm Dinner  
6:00 pm Cow/Calf Enterprise Budgeting & Activity  
7:00 pm Cattle Marketing  
7:45 pm Insurance Options  
8:30 pm Session ends

**Registration Information**

This program will run as a series, so each night will build upon the material from the previous sessions. As such, participants will register for the entire 4-session series (session #5 optional).

\$50.00 registration fee will cover all meals and all program materials if registered by Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>.

\$75.00 registration fee after Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>.

Add \$10.00 if registering for 5th session with series or \$15.00 for that session alone.

**Register for the series at: [https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_bHtbfGu2WLJBuui](https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bHtbfGu2WLJBuui) (link is external) or contact the MdC District - Paola Extension Office at 913-294-4306**

The Marais des Cygnes District will be a host site for this series. Meetings will be held at the MdC District - Paola Extension Office – 913 N. Pearl St. Suite 1, Paola, Ks 66071.

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