



# SPIN CLUB

KANSAS 4-H SPECIAL INTEREST CLUB



## Inspire the Next Generation

**Whether your passion is robotics, community theater or ... whatever! ...**

**SPIN** (SPecial INterest) Clubs offer a new way for you to share your skills and knowledge with youth in your community.



SPIN Clubs focus on a single topic. They're a great way to introduce kids ages 7–18 to a specific hobby or interest they might not otherwise have a chance to develop.

All it takes to start a SPIN Club is two or more caring and knowledgeable adults ... at least five young people with an interest in the topic ... and a willingness to meet as a club at least six times. Beyond those six meetings, SPIN Clubs require no long-term commitment. SPIN Clubs are affiliated with the 4-H Youth Development program, but no prior experience with 4-H is needed.

Adults and young people often have a limited amount of “free time” for hobbies and other interests. So SPIN Clubs meet whenever and wherever they want. For example, a SPIN Club that focuses on international cuisine may meet at a nearby restaurant, a caterer’s kitchen, a specialty shop, or someone’s home.

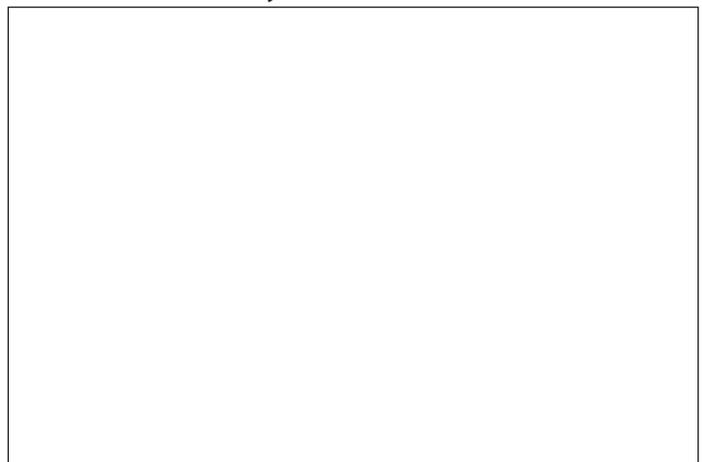
While the SPIN Club’s adult leaders provide expertise and guidance, the club members take an active role in planning and running their own activities.

Through their SPIN Club experiences, kids develop a sense of belonging, independence, generosity, and mastery, and most of all, they have fun learning new skills!

K-State Research and Extension agents serve as resource people for youth or volunteers who are interested in starting a SPIN Club. Extension agents work with new club leaders to ensure that everyone has a positive and successful SPIN Club experience. Agents may also be able to help recruit new members or volunteers and make the clubs more visible in the community.

### Want to know more?

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