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Kassie Junghanns started as our new Agriculture/ 4-H Youth Development Extension Educator, on June 16, 2014. Kassie and her family have many ties to Grant County and have been back in the area for the past four years. Kassie's involvement in agriculture and 4-H began the day she was born to Doug and Kaye Dean of Cortez, Colorado. Her parents were dedicated 4-H leaders that raised her in an agricultural environment and made every effort to cultivate a life of leadership, responsibility, morals and hard work into their family's everyday life style. Being raised by 4-H leaders Kassie quickly enrolled in several 4-H projects as soon as she was of 4-H age and continued that for 11 years alongside her two siblings. She was an active member in their 4-H club as well as at the County, District and State levels. She attended Citizenship Washington Focus and became aware of the endless opportunities that the 4-H program had to offer. During her high school career Kassie joined FFA and was again as dedicated and involved as physically possible, doing as many events, activities and offices as she could, too many to list. Kassie showed market and breeding lambs, registered Simmental cattle, market hogs and market rabbits and enjoyed EVERY minute of it.

After graduating high school, Kassie went to Northeastern Junior College in Sterling, CO where she became a member of the livestock judging team. Kassie graduated from NJC in 2002 with her Associates Degree and enrolled in Oklahoma State University. At OSU Kassie was involved on the meats judging team and several other campus clubs and activities, including the first class of Oklahoma Agriculture Leadership Encounter where she developed a deep love for Oklahoma and the respect our state held for Agriculture. After helping with the Oklahoma Youth Expo, Kassie knew this beautiful state would forever be her home. Kassie graduated with her Bachelor Degree in Animal Science with a minor in Ag Econ in 2004.

Kassie also met her husband Logan at OSU and they were married in 2005. They have added three beautiful children to their family, Kaylee is 7 and loves to show livestock and sing all day. Carter is 3 and would rather be outside in the dirt, or with the animals than anywhere else and Kason is 6 months. They are in the process of moving onto land that has been in the family since the Oklahoma Land Run.

Kassie has a diversified work history including daycares, Enterprise Rent-A-Car, Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association, Trinidad Benham Corp., Hiland Dairy, and most recently Bank 7. Kassie believes that every moment leading up to this point has been a precise plan in preparing her to become the Grant County Ag/4-H Extension Educator and could not be more excited for this opportunity! Please do not hesitate to call or stop by the extension office for any questions or assistance that she may be able to help with, she is looking forward to the opportunity to better Grant County.

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