

McPherson County 4-H Fair  
July 25-28 2025



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### **Thursday, July 17th**

Space Reservations/Registrations due for the Following Projects:

- Project Displays
- Reading Adventures
- Shooting Sports Displays
- Self-Determined
- PEN RESERVATIONS DUE
- Talks and Demonstrations
- Performing Arts
- Fashion Revue Scripts
- Place Settings
- Vet Science Displays

### **Monday, July 21st**

1:00pm - Fashion Revue Judging (McPherson Community Building)

1:00pm - Sewing and Textiles Conference Judging (McPherson Community Building)

4:30pm - Public Fashion Revue, Performing Arts, Talks and Demonstrations (McPherson Community Building)

5:00pm - Horse Show Check - In (Saddle Club Arena)

6:00pm - Horse Show (Saddle Club Arena)

### **Tuesday, July 22nd**

5:30pm - Fair Ground Set-Up \*REQUIRED FOR Premium Sale  
Participants, see Livestock Sale section on **Page 81**. Grab and Go Supper provided after.

6:30pm - MANDATORY PREMIUM SALE MEETING - immediately following set-up, time may vary

7:00pm - Superintendent's Meeting (Extension Office)

### **Wednesday, July 23rd**

Before 5:00 pm - YQCA CERTIFICATES DUE TO OFFICE

### **Thursday, July 24th**

5:00-7:00pm - Optional drop-off of all non-perishable static exhibits  
EXCEPT the following:

- Cloverbuds
- Exploring
- Fiber Arts
- Foods and Nutrition
- Foods Preservation
- Plant Science
- STEM
- Visual Arts and Crafts
- Place Settings

To be checked in during their conference judging times.

\*\*\*\*\*Sewing and Textiles should return at this time OR FRIDAY MORNING

\*\*\*\*\*Buymanship entries will have the option to display a photo instead of returning.

### **Friday, July 25th**

- 7:30am - 10:00am - Beef, Bucket Calf, Sheep, Meat Goat, Dairy Cattle, Swine MUST BE ON GROUNDS (except Dairy Cattle in milk)
- 8:30am - 11:00am - Static exhibit check-in; Sign up for conference judging time. (4-H Building)
- 9:00am - 11:00pm - Rabbits and Poultry check-in (Chief Building)
- 9:30am - Place Settings (4-H Building)
- 10:00am - Conference Judging: Foods and Nutrition, Foods Preservation, Cookies for College (**scheduled by club**) (Extension Office Meeting Room)
- 1:00pm - Conference Judging: Woodworking (4-H Building)
- 1:30pm - Conference Judging: Visual Arts & Crafts (4-H Building)
- 2:30pm - Conference Judging: Fiber Arts (4-H Building)
- 3:00pm - Conference Judging: Electricity and Electronics, Small Engines, Renewable Energy (4-H Building)
- 3:30pm - Conference Judging: STEM, Reading (4-H Building)
- 4:00pm - Conference Judging: Self-Determined
- 4:30pm - Conference Judging: Entomology (4-H Building)
- 5:30pm - 7:30pm - McPherson County Farm Bureau Rural Appreciation Picnic
- 6:00pm - Live Food Auction (Tent)
- 7:00pm - First Bank Kansas Kickoff Concert: Sam Shilts

### **Saturday, July 26th**

- 8:00am - Steer/Beef Market weight in; Beef show entry cards
- 9:00am - Swine Show
- 10:00am - Bicycle Rodeo
- 10:00am - Photography Judging (4-H Building)
- 10:30am - Conference Judging: Cloverbuds, Exploring 4-H
- 11:00am - Conference Judging: Forestry, Shooting Sports, Wildlife
- 11:30am - Conference Judging: Project Displays
- 12:00pm - Conference Judging: Veterinary Science
- 1:00pm - Poultry Show (Chief Building)
- 3:00pm - Barnyard Olympics
- 5:00pm - Sheep Show
- 6:00pm - Meat Goat Show

### **Sunday, July 27th**

8:00am - Dairy Goat and Dairy Cattle Show

9:00am - Beef Show

Bucket Calves to interview 15 minutes after conclusion of beef show, bucket calf show following interviews

10:00am - Free Breakfast (Tent)

10:30am - Church Service (Tent)

11:30am - Rabbit Show (Chief Building)

12:00pm - Conference Judging: Plant Science

1:00pm - Hand pet Show (4-H Building)

2:00pm - Conference Judging: Banners

2:00pm- Bounce House

2:30pm - Conference Judging: Notebooks, Interior Design, Architecture

3:00pm - Conference Judging: Geology

6:00pm - Ice Cream Social

6:30pm- Round Robin Practice

7:00pm - Round Robin

### **Monday, July 28th**

9:00am - Dog Show

9:00am - Optional livestock check-out for animals not in premium auction

9:00am - 12:00pm - Walk through judging contests

1:00pm - Poultry Judging Contest

6:00pm - Livestock Buyers Appreciation Dinner

6:30pm - Parade of Champions

7:00pm - Livestock Premium Auction

8:00pm - Exhibits released. Livestock released following conclusion of Premium Auction

### **Tuesday, July 29th**

10:30am - Fairgrounds clean up with pizza for participants\_at 12pm. Swim party to follow with free tickets for those participating in clean-up. Participants MUST arrive to the pool by 2pm in order to redeem tickets.

4-H Building Closing Time Each Evening at 9:00 PM

\*Purple text indicates new information or changes from previous years.

# GENERAL RULES

## Entry:

1. Pre-entries are required for those exhibits listed on the fair schedule to be due Thursday, July 17th.
2. Pen reservations due July 17th and YQCA certifications due July 23rd.
3. **CHECK SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR CHECK-IN TIMES.**
4. Each club member should make at least one exhibit of his/her project work.
5. All exhibits must be the result of the current year project work and must be the work of the 4-H member who is exhibiting the project.
6. An exhibit can only be entered in one division.
7. Classes are only open to McPherson County 4-H members.

## Pre-Entry Links:

**Performing Arts:** <https://tinyurl.com/2025PerformingArtsEnteries>

**Display Space Requests:** <https://tinyurl.com/2025DisplaySpaceRequests>

## Age Divisions

Exhibitors will be categorized by “4-H age” for classes at the 4-H fair. This is determined by their age as of January 1st. If you are unsure of your 4-H age, check the “Program Age” on the exhibitors 4-H Online profile. The following are the age categories for 4-H Fair:

- Junior - 7-9
- Intermediate - 10-13
- Senior - 14-18

## Entry Cards

Entry cards are available from the Extension office and **MUST BE FILLED OUT ONE PER EXHIBIT by the 4-H member PRIOR to check-in.** They can be picked-up and completed before arriving at the fair.

In addition to entry cards, the following labels are required for the following project areas and are available at the Extension Office:

- **Crops:** a label should be placed on the top or side of the jar. One per entry.
- **Foods:** a label should be placed on the bottom of the plate.
- **Horticulture:** a label should be placed on the bottom of the plate.
- **Entomology:** A label should be placed on the back of the box.

### **Conference Judging:**

1. Almost all departments use conference judging. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time, starting Thursday during check in. Because all judges work at different speeds, this time is an estimate. Please be prepared to go earlier or later.
2. During conference judging, the judge will ask the exhibitor questions, such as: “Why did you choose this project/exhibit?” “What process did you use to create this exhibit?” “What would you do differently next time?”
3. Parents/guardians/mentors are welcome to observe from a distance that allows them to hear the conversation between the exhibitor and judge. They are NOT welcome to join the conversation, those who do will be removed by the judge or superintendent.
4. If the exhibitor is not present for the judging of their exhibit, the exhibit cannot and will not be considered for champion. The exhibit will, however, be given a purple, blue, red, or white ribbon and comments from the judge will be recorded as best as possible.

### **Awards and Fees**

1. The Grand Champion awards will be presented during the Parade of Champions (**Monday, July 28th 6:45pm**). All other awards will be presented at the time of judging. All exhibitors who have received a Grand Champion Rosette are invited to come show off their projects and receive their award.
2. A purple, blue, red, or white ribbon will be awarded to each meritorious exhibit. Green ribbons will be awarded to those exhibits not meeting standards.
3. Premiums will be paid as follows: Purple \$2.50, Blue \$2.00, Red \$1.50, White \$1.00.
4. Only purple ribbons can be named as class or age division Champion or Reserve Champion (exception: Livestock classes where only Blue, Red, White, Green ribbons are awarded). The judge’s decisions are final. Judges may at their discretion not award champions, if they feel the entry or entries are not worthy.
5. Exhibits brought to the fair for check-in after the assigned entry time will be automatically docked one ribbon color.

### **Special Selection**

For 2025, the following areas will be available for special selection:

1. County courthouse 4-H week - ALL STATIC EXHIBITS that will fit in the case are eligible for selection and must have a signed waiver to be selected. Selected exhibits should be returned to the extension office Sept. 29th-30th, and picked up November 4th-5th.
2. McPherson Public Library 4-H Week Display - Exhibits which can be “wall hung” such as paintings, photography, quilts, etc. Exhibits should be returned to the extension office Sept. 29th-30th, and picked up Nov. 4th-5th.
3. McPherson Extension Calendar - Photography only. Selected photos should submit a digital file to the Calendar Committee by October 1st.



## **Danish Ribbon System**

- Judging is based on comparison to a standard, not on comparison to others in the class.
- Judges may consider skill level based on age and circumstance, and expect a higher performance from older exhibitors, so there is some variance within the standard. Award groups are as follows:

**Purple:** Superior quality. Usually reserved for the top two or three of the group, but not limited in number given.

\*\*\*Exhibits MUST receive a purple to advance to the Kansas State Fair.

**Blue:** Excellent quality. The standards have been met. Above average work.

**Red:** Average quality. Shows signs of quality but does not completely meet the standards. Some areas need further improvement.

**White:** Below average quality. Does not meet the standards. Improvements needed.

“Exhibiting is a part of the 4-H educational experiences”

## **Kansas State Fair Eligibility and Entry**

1. Purple ribbon exhibits in qualifying classes are eligible to represent McPherson County at the Kansas State Fair. (Check state fair book to see if your county class is a state fair class - Classes with \* are NOT eligible.
2. **Static, Dog, Poultry, and Rabbit exhibit entries for the Kansas State Fair are due to the extension office by the Monday, a week after the conclusion of the fair.**
3. State fair exhibitors must be at least 9 years old before January 1st, 2025
4. Static exhibits, rabbit, and poultry from any other fair or show other than the McPherson County 4-H Fair are NOT eligible to be exhibited at the Kansas State Fair.
5. **State fair exhibitors are responsible for reading the Kansas State Fair Book to ensure they include all required pieces and follow all rules of entry for their project area.**
6. Dog show exhibitors, horse show exhibitors, and livestock exhibitors must qualify through the designated systems outlined through Kansas 4-H/The Grand Drive.
7. Horse and Livestock Entries are due July 15th to the Kansas State Fair Office. View further requirements in the “General Livestock” Section.
8. In order to participate in the judging contests at the Kansas State Fair, 4-H members must first participate in the same judging contest at the 4-H Fair. Top exhibitors will be asked to compete on the State Fair teams.

### **Overnight Policy**

If 4-H members wish to spend the night at the fairgrounds, at least one adult over the age of 25 must accompany them. All youth staying overnight must be McPherson County 4-H members - no exceptions. Drugs and/or alcohol use will not be tolerated by either the youth or adults. A release form must be completed for each youth staying, no later than 5pm the night you plan to stay on the grounds.

### **Release of Exhibits**

Any exhibitor removing exhibits before the release time will forfeit their premium. Check each departments rules **and the fair schedule** for project release times. If it is not listed, ask the department superintendent.

### **Management**

- 1.The McPherson County 4-H Fair Board, under the supervision and approval of the McPherson County Extension Council Executive Board and the 4-H Program Development Committee, makes all rules and regulations and reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations. The Board will arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of any connection with, or incident pertaining to the Fair.
- 2.The rules of all Breed Associations, Department rules, and all applicable Kansas State statutes are in force at the McPherson County 4-H Fair. Violation of these rules will result in penalties. When no rule appears to cover the situation, or breed associations differ, the Fair Board will make a rule and define its application to the situation.
- 3.The McPherson County 4-H Fair Management and Sponsors are in no way to be held responsible for any loss, damage, accident, injury or death from any cause, to persons, animals, or exhibits.
- 4.The 4-H Fairgrounds are a drug-free, safe environment. NO ALCOHOL, DRUGS, or TOBACCO will be allowed on the 4-H Fairgrounds.

## **Grievance**

- 1.If a problem occurs and cannot be satisfactorily resolved with the department superintendent(s), then the complainant needs to complete a grievance form (available at the Extension Office).
- 2.This completed form and a \$25 processing fee must be submitted to the superintendent. The superintendent will be required to immediately take the complaint to the Fair Board. The Fair Board is responsible for an immediate grievance hearing with at least three individuals from the Fair Board. The Grievance Committee's decision is final and not protestable.
- 3.Complaints from superintendents may also be filed with the Grievance Committee.
- 4.If the Grievance Committee finds in favor of the complainant, the \$25 will be refunded. If the Grievance Committee does not find in favor of the complainant, the \$25 fee will be donated to the Fair Fund through 4-H Council. If the grievance is not resolved to the complainant's satisfaction, then the decision can be appealed to the 4-H Fair Board as a whole at the next regularly scheduled meeting. This decision may be appealed to the 4-H Program Development Committee who will make a recommendation to the Extension Council Committee at their next regularly scheduled meeting.
5. **All grievances must be made in writing.**

## **Liability**

- 1.Under Kansas Law there is no liability for an injury to or the death of a participant in domestic animal activities resulting from inherent risks of domestic animal activities, pursuant to K.S.A. 60-4001 through 60-4004. Exhibitors and their associates assume all risk of participating in this domestic animal activity. Exhibitors are responsible to maintain insurance to cover any loss to persons or property which may occur as a result of competition. At no time will the McPherson County 4-H Fair Board Committee or Extension Council Executive Board assume care, custody, or control of any animals, livestock, and/or personal property of the exhibitor. At all times the exhibitor will have full control and custody and will care for, feed and keep safe their animals, livestock, and personal property, all in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Fair Board Committee. The exhibitors will be responsible for and pay for any damages to the premises, facilities, or equipment caused by the exhibitor and/or their livestock while on the premises.
- 2.All exhibits are entered at your own risk. The Extension Council, Fair Board, superintendents or any other fair staff are not responsible for loss or damage to your exhibits.

# **Cloverbuds**

*Superintendents: Shelby & Quentin Shaw*

Judging Time: 10:30 AM, Saturday, July 26

1. Must be enrolled as a Cloverbud by May 1 to exhibit. Cloverbuds must be age 5 or 6 before January 1 of the current year to participate.
2. Cloverbuds may exhibit age appropriate activity related items from their Cloverbud experiences.
3. Cloverbuds may showcase a product, poster, or notebook for the display.
4. A Cloverbud may showcase a maximum of four items.
5. Each Cloverbud who exhibits at the 4-H Fair will receive a rosette participation ribbon, no premiums, and will not be competitively judged.
6. ALL Cloverbud entries must be entered in the Cloverbud department, NOT other project departments.
7. Cloverbuds may sign up beginning Thursday evening for a time to “show and share” their item(s). Show and share will take place on Saturday, July 26th at 11:30am in the 4-H building. Bring all items with you to your show and sharetime.

\*Class 0001: Cloverbuds

Bicycle Rodeo Class - SEE BICYCLE RODEO for location and times

# OPEN TO ALL 4-H MEMBERS

## BARNYARD OLYMPICS

*Superintendents:  
McPherson County 4-H Ambassadors*

Entry Due: Watch for mor entry information soon  
Date: 3:00 PM, Saturday, July 26, 2025  
Location: Show Ring

1. Each team will consist of 4 members. Each team must meet the following criteria:

- One member between 12 and 18 years of age
- One member under 12 years of age
- Two other members
  - OPTIONAL - ONE member over 20 years of age

2. Stations will vary at the superintendents' discretion. Some past stations have included: hay stacking, bucket brigade, bucket toss, show stick toss, brush toss, water balloon toss and shovel race.

3. This will be a timed event and the time will end when the last station is completed and the runner reaches the finish line. The team with the fastest time will be declared the winner.

## Department AA Cookies For College

*Superintendents: Jenny Smith*

Entry Time: 10:00 AM Friday, July 25

Location: Extension Office Meeting Room

Judging Time: By Club

Exhibit Location: Extension Office Meeting Room

Sold at Food Auction: 6:00 PM, Friday, July 25

1. Read "General Rules"
2. The following awards may be presented in this department: prizes will be awarded to the top 2 jars.
3. Decorated Cookie Jars can be done as a team or as an individual. Every club is encouraged to participate. Each club can submit one cookie jar as a team
4. Use a gallon jar. These may be obtained from restaurants, school cafeterias, etc. See through jars are preferred. The Extension Office may have some available for this project.
5. The jars must be filled with no less than 6 different varieties of cookies. For example: sugar, chocolate chip, peanut butter, etc. Additionally, one cookie of each kind should be brought on a covered plate for judging. (Hint: think of the theme for your jar - correspond your cookie flavors with the jar theme - all sugar-free, all fruit cookies, etc.)
6. The jars may be decorated with paints or materials. Cookies must be visible through at least 50% of the jar. Each cookie should be wrapped separately in clear plastic wrap.
7. Include a total of no less than 25 cookies for all recipes.
8. Bring 1 of each kind of cookie on a covered plate or box with each cookie individually identified and wrapped in plastic wrap so the judge will not need to open the jar.
9. Recipes for each cookie must accompany the exhibit.
10. The jar will count for 50% and the cookies will count for 50% during the judging.
11. One jar will be chosen as an Endowment Jar to be sold for the purpose of building the 4-H Scholarship Program at the Food Auction on Friday at 6:00pm
12. ALL jars will be sold at the Food Auction on Friday at 6:00pm. All proceeds from the other jars will go to McPherson County 4-H Council Fund.

## Department AB JUDGING CONTESTS

*Superintendents:*

*Life Skills: \_\_\_\_\_*

*Livestock Skill-a-Thon: Shelia Corn*

*Photography: Robin Johnson*

*Poultry: Sheila Corn*

*Small Engines: \_\_\_\_\_*

*Crops: Shelia Corn*

*Horticulture: Shelia Corn*

Monday, July 28 Crops, Horticulture, Life Skills, Livestock Skill-a-Thon  
9:00-12:00 pm Photography (Extension Office Meeting Room), Small Engines Judging (Chief Building)

1:00 pm Poultry (Extension Office Meeting Room)

1. Competitors must sign up in the Extension Office Meeting Room prior to beginning any of the contests.
2. The following awards may be presented in this department: medals to the top 2 high individual scores in each judging contest for each age division: Junior (7-9), Intermediate (10-13) and Senior (14-18); jacket and a medal to the Overall Judger in each age division: Junior (7-9), Intermediate (10-13), and Senior (14-18). All awards will be given at the end of the year 4-H Achievement Night.
3. To be considered for the Overall Judger Award the competitor must participate in all 7 contests.
4. The Overall Judger Awards will be determined from a composite score of all contests added together.
5. In case of a tie, reasons scores will be used to break the tie.
6. Contests are an individual experience. No adults will be allowed to walk through stations with competitors. There will be contest assistants available should a child have questions or need information read to them.
7. The Poultry Contest will be done in a controlled format, meaning the competitor must be present at the start time to judge.
8. All other contests will be walk-through and self-paced, with contestants ensuring they start at an appropriate time to finish by 12:00pm.
9. In order to participate on a state fair judging team, the competitor must participate in the respective 4-H fair judging contest. Team membership will be offered to intermediate and senior participants based on judging scores. 4-H juniors who are 9 years old may be asked to participate at the superintendent's discretion.
10. The individual (16-18 years old) with the highest overall score in the Crops, Horticulture, Livestock Skill-a-Thon and Poultry Judging Contests will be given the opportunity to compete in the Ag Challenge of Champions at the Kansas State Fair.

# Department AC TALKS & DEMONSTRATIONS

*Superintendent: Erin & Tanner Riley*

Pre-Entry: 5:00 PM, July 17

Location: McPherson Community Building

Judging Time: 4:30 PM, Monday, July 21

**<https://tinyurl.com/2025PerformingArtsEnteries>**

1. Read "General Rules"
2. 4-H members will sign up for a time during pre-registration.
3. The following awards may be presented in this division: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected for the Junior (7-9), Intermediate (10-13) and Senior (14-18) age divisions.
4. An exhibitor may have one entry per class.
5. A demonstration shows a step by step procedure and explains why each step is essential to develop a particular skill or task. An illustrated talk incorporates the use of visual aids (posters, technology supplies, equipment, etc.) that describes the process of the topic being discussed. A project talk should tell about a specific project and the experience in that project, visuals may be used.
6. Length: Minimum time is 3 minutes and the maximum is 15 minutes. The demonstration or illustrated talk should be of sufficient length to cover the topic adequately.
7. An exhibitor must receive a purple ribbon and be at least 9 years 4-H age to compete at the Kansas State Fair. **\*See General Rules**
8. Exhibitors should avoid using copyrighted materials whenever possible by originating his/her work. Copyrighted and/or trademarked materials utilized in banners, displays, demonstrations, posters, or other activities for endorsement or promotion instead of educational purposes will be disqualified and will not be displayed or receive ribbons or premium. This includes the use of the K-State Research and Extension logo and 4-H Clover, use of these items must follow the brand codes for use.

Class 0004 - Demonstration, Illustrated or Project Talk-Talk by an individual  
Class 0005 - Demonstration, Illustrated or Project Talk - Team Talk (limited to two people)



# PROJECT DEPARTMENTS

## Department 1 BICYCLE RODEO

*Superintendent: Dave & Rhonda Moore*

Entry Time: 9:30 AM, Saturday, July 26

Location: Extension Office Parking Lot

Judging Time: 10:00 AM, Saturday, July 26

Release Time: Immediately Following Award Ceremony

1. Read "General Rules"
2. The following awards may be presented in this department: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion in the Junior (7-9), Intermediate (10-13) and Senior (14-18) age divisions. Exploring members will compete for ribbons only, not Champion.
3. Open to 4-H members enrolled in Bicycle, Exploring or Health & Wellness projects.
4. 4-H members must provide their own bicycle and helmet.
5. The Bicycle Rodeo will consist of riding events plus a written test. Competitors can do some or all of the classes. The written test is required to be eligible to compete for the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion awards.

### **\*Cloverbuds - does not receive premiums**

\*Class 0121 - All components

### **Exploring**

\*Class 0101 - Written Test

\*Class 0102 - Maneuvering & Weaving

\*Class 0103 - Balance at Slow Speed

\*Class 0104 - Signaling

\*Class 0105 - Steering & Balance

### **Junior**

\*Class 0106 - Written Test

\*Class 0107 - Maneuvering & Weaving

\*Class 0108 - Balance at Slow Speed

\*Class 0109 - Signaling

\*Class 0110 - Steering and Balance

### **Intermediate (age 10-13)**

\*Class 0111 - Written Test

\*Class 0112 - Maneuvering & Weaving

\*Class 0113 - Balance at Slow Speed

\*Class 0114 - Signaling

\*Class 0115 - Steering & Balance

### **Senior (Ages 14-18)**

\*Class 0116 - Written Test

\*Class 0117 - Maneuvering & Weaving

\*Class 0118 - Balance at Slow Speed

\*Class 0119 - Signaling

\*Class 0120 - Steering & Balance

## Department 2 BANNERS

*Superintendent: Holly Toll*

Entry Time: 8:30-11:00 am, Friday, July 25

Location: 4-H Building

Conference: 2:00 PM, Sunday, July 27

**EACH 4-H CLUB IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO ENTER A CLUB BANNER.**

1. Read "General Rules"
2. Space reservations for Banners are due July 17th.
3. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time when they enter their exhibit. If it is a club entry then the members who put the exhibit together should be present for the conference judging.
4. Care should be taken to avoid violating copyright laws. Please refer to the brand guidelines for use of the 4-H Clover and K-State Research and Extension logos.
5. Entries should illustrate some phase of work that is being practiced by the club or individual or is being promoted by the county.
6. The work on Club Banners must be done by the club members. Adult leaders can assist the youth, but the members must do the majority of the work themselves.
7. Each entry may request \$15 incentive money. You must call the Extension Office to ask to receive the incentive money.
8. The following awards may be presented in this department:
  - o Club Banner Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected.

**\*All banners will be displayed in the 4-H building for 1 year.**

## **Banners**

Banners are to be a two-dimensional display depicting one idea. Banners should be made of materials that permit the banner to be folded or rolled without damaging the display. Three-dimensional objects cannot be attached to the banner. It is encouraged that banners be made from flame resistant material. Dimensions are to be no less than 12 square feet and no more than 16 square feet, with no side less than 3 feet. Banners must be on a rod strong enough to support the banner. Your club name should be visible on the front of the banner or on a label hanging from the banner. Be careful as you put your banner together that you are not in violation of copyright laws, including the use of the 4-H Clover and K-State Research and Extension Logos. If you feel it is in question, please contact the Extension Office for clarification.

Banners are not a State Fair class, but may be used for other county events and 4-H promotions throughout the year.

## **Basis for Awards**

***Educational Value*** - Is the main idea of the display specific? Was the title or theme emphasized? Is the idea presented so clearly, so simply, so forcefully that it will stop the casual observer? If the passerby stopped, did the display give the observer additional facts in a clear, concise way?

***Quality of Display Material*** - Size, style, and neatness of lettering; proportion of models and lettering balanced; workmanship, including handouts, if used; charts, models, and lettering used effectively to teach ideas; colorful, artistic, neat and well-balanced.

## **Club Banner**

70% - Educational Value

30% - Quality of Display Materials

## **Classes**

Class 0202 - Individual Project

Class 0203 - 4-H Club Banner

## Department 3

### DOG

*Superintendent: Rebecca Dean*

Entry Time: 8:30 AM, Monday, July 28

Location: Bucket Calf Barn / West Side of Arena

Judging Time: 9:00 AM, Monday July 28

Release Time: After Show

1. Read "General Rules"
2. Exhibitors must be currently enrolled in the 4-H Dog Project and are required to have trained their own dog(s).
3. All dogs must be six months of age or older by show date to be entered.
4. All classes are open to mixed breed or purebred dogs.
5. A dog may be entered in only one obedience class. Rules are in the "Kansas 4-H Dog Show Rule Book."
6. Exhibitors will be required to present proof of immunization of bordetella, distemper, hepatitis, parvovirus, parainfluenza, and rabies, at the time the entry is turned in. The rabies vaccination must be administered by a graduate, licensed veterinarian. All vaccinations must be current. Female dogs in season will not be allowed to show, nor allowed on the premises.
7. The exhibitor is responsible for handling, grooming, and exercising their own dog(s) on the show grounds, otherwise disqualification will result.
8. Dogs must be on a leash at all times, except during "off leash" exercises.
9. No one is allowed in the show ring until the time of the show.
10. Dogs need to be at the show only during the time of the showing unless selected for higher competition.
11. The Dog Show will begin with Showmanship classes (seniors first) followed by classes 0305-0312.
12. Excessive aggressiveness or fouling in the ring will result in an automatic white ribbon.
13. No baiting of dogs and no squeak toys may be used. If baiting is done it will be an automatic disqualification.
14. Dogs 12 inches and under can be shown on a table.
15. The Dog Show will follow the rules as stated in the "Kansas 4-H Dog Show Rule Book." Please refer to this reference for further information.
16. Once an exhibitor gets a qualifying score under two different judges the exhibitor must advance to the next obedience level at the start of the next 4-H year.

17. The following awards may be presented in this department:
- Junior Obedience - Grand Champion (top score from Pre-Novice A&B classes).
  - Senior Obedience - Grand Champion (top score from Novice, Graduate Novice, Open and Utility Classes)
  - Agility - Grand Champion
  - Rally Obedience - Grand Champion
  - Beginner, Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Showmanship - Grand Champion
  - Each class - Champion may be presented

### Kansas State Fair Eligibility

1. Entries are due to the Extension Office by Monday, August 4, 2025.
2. Dogs must qualify through an approved show as outlined in the Kansas State Fair Dog Show Rules.
3. See General Rules for other State Fair Entry Guidelines.

### **Showmanship**

- Class 0301 - Senior Showmanship (15-18)
- Class 0302 - Intermediate Showmanship (12-14)
- Class 0303 - Junior Showmanship (9-11)
- \*Class 0304 - Beginner Showmanship (7-8)

### **Obedience**

- \*Class 0305 - Pre-Novice A
- Class 0306 - Pre-Novice B
- Class 0307 - Novice
- Class 0308 - Graduate Novice
- Class 0309 - Open A
- Class 0310 - Open B
- Class 0311 - Utility A
- Class 0312 - Utility B

### **Agility**

- Class 0313 - Level I
- Class 0314 - Level II
- Class 0315 - Level III

### **Obedience**

- \*Class 0316 - Level I (On Leash)
- Class 0317 - Level II (Off Leash)
- Class 0318 - Level III

# Department 4 ENERGY MANAGEMENT

## Division 4A ELECTRICITY & ELECTRONICS

*Superintendent: Dave Moore*

Entry Time: 8:30-11:00 AM, Friday, July 25

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 3:00 PM, Friday, July 25

**LIMITS:** Exhibitors may enter a total of 4 exhibits in this division.

1. Read "General Rules".
2. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time at check-in.
3. The following awards may be presented in this division: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected for the Junior (7-9), Intermediate (10-13), and Senior (14-18) age divisions.
4. If the article has been used, it should be cleaned before exhibiting.
5. Projects entered in Classes 0401, 0402, and 0403 must be operable using only 110 or 120V AC or battery power. If battery power is required, batteries should be furnished by the exhibitor.
6. Any project with a complexity of size or electronics must have:
  - o instructions for assembly and use
  - o equipment available at the time of judging for actual testing of the exhibit.

**Class 0401 - AC Electric Projects :** Electric projects with a 110 or 120 V alternating current (AC) power source; no 240 V exhibits are allowed. Examples include household wiring demonstration, small appliance extension cords, trouble lights, indoor or outdoor wiring boards or shop lights. Projects may be a restoration or an original construction. Projects must be operational and meet minimum safety standards. Projects must be constructed so that the judges have access to examine the quality of workmanship.

**Class 0402 - DC Electric Projects :** Electric projects with a battery or direct current (DC) power source. This class includes electric kits or original projects and demonstration DC powered projects. Examples include wiring two or three way switches, displaying the difference between series/parallel lighting circuits or wiring doorbell switches. All DC electric projects must work with batteries supplied by the exhibitor. Projects must be constructed so that the judges have access to examine the quality of wiring workmanship.

**Class 0403 - Electronics Projects :** Electronics projects with a battery or direct (DC) power source. This class includes electronic kits or original projects. Examples include radios, telephones, toy robots, light meters, security systems, etc. The project may be constructed using printed circuit board, wire wrap, or from a kit. Include the plans if it's an original project. Projects must be constructed so that the judges have access to examine the quality of wiring workmanship.

**Class 0404 - Educational Displays and Exhibits :** The purpose of the educational display and exhibit is to educate the viewer on a specific area of the 4-H Electrical or Electronics projects. The display or exhibit should illustrate one basic idea. This class includes any educational displays and exhibits or science fair type displays of wire types, conduit types, electrical safety, tool or motor parts identification, or electrical terminology. Educational displays and exhibits must be legible from a distance of four feet, using a maximum tri-fold size of 3'x4'.

## Division 4B

### SMALL ENGINES

*Superintendent: Dave Moore*

Entry Time: 8:30-11:00 AM, Friday, July 25

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 3:00 PM, Friday, July 25

**LIMITS:** Exhibitors may enter 1 exhibit in each class.

1. Read "General Rules"
2. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time at check-in.
3. The following awards may be presented in this division: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected for the Junior (7-9), Intermediate (10-13), and Senior (14-18) age divisions.
4. Displays may be upright or on the floor and are limited to 4' wide by 4' deep. The maximum tri-fold size is 3'x4'.

#### **Beginner, 1-2 years in Small Engines**

Class 0405 - Display

Select one of the following options: 1) a display identifying different engine or lawn and garden equipment parts or a display showing the functions of the various engine or lawn and garden equipment parts; OR 2) a display identifying and explaining the function(s) or different special tools needed for small engine work, OR 3) a display illustrating and providing the results of any one of the experiments that are included in the project books. No complete engines, lawn tractors, tillers, chainsaws, etc. are permitted for display.

Class 0406 - Maintenance Display

The display can illustrate either 1) routine maintenance procedures OR 2) diagnosing and troubleshooting specific problems in an engine. No complete engines, lawn tractors, tillers, chainsaws, etc. are permitted for display.

\*Class 0407 - Safety Poster

These posters are to pertain to lawn mowers and all other types of small engine equipment.

\*Class 0408 - Operation Poster

List operation procedures for winter storage, spark plug maintenance and other things listed in the First Year Manual.

#### **Advanced, 3 or more years in Small Engines**

\*Class 0409 - Rebuild or Repair a Small Engine

Must have engine type, model, and serial number and whether 2 or 4 cycle engine. Exhibit must include a "4-H Small Engine Exhibit Information Form" which should be attached to the outside of a 10"x13" envelope. Exhibitors must also include plans of maintenance to the small engine. Before and after pictures are recommended. Engine must be displayed.

#### Class 0410 - Display

Select one of the following options: 1) a display identifying different engine or lawn and garden equipment parts or a display showing the functions of the various engine or lawn and garden equipment parts; OR 2) a display identifying and explaining the function(s) or different special tools needed for small engine work, OR 3) a display illustrating and providing the results of any one of the experiments that are included in the project books. No complete engines, lawn tractors, tillers, chainsaws, etc. are permitted for display.

#### Class 0411 - Maintenance Display

The display can illustrate either 1) routine maintenance procedures OR 2) diagnosing and troubleshooting specific problems in an engine. No complete engines, lawn tractors, tillers, chainsaws, etc. are permitted for display.

#### Class 0412 - Operation

Exhibit an operable small engine (no more than 20hp) overhauled or rebuilt by the exhibitor. Include a maintenance schedule for the engine and a brief description of the steps taken by the member in overhauling or rebuilding the engine.

### Division 4C RENEWABLE ENERGY

*Superintendent: Dave Moore*

Entry Time: 8:30-11:00 AM, Friday, July 25

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 3:00 PM, Friday, July 25

1. Read "General Rules"
2. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time when they check-in.
3. The following awards may be presented in this division: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected for the Junior (7-9), Intermediate (10-13), and Senior (14-18) age divisions.
4. Renewable Energy is a form of energy derived from a natural source, such as the sun, geothermal, wind, tides, or waves.
5. All exhibits in this division will be a display with the maximum size being commercial 3'x4' tri-fold display board. Items may not extend beyond 12" from the back board. All displays must be self-standing.

#### Class 0413 - Educational Display

Create a display that addresses a topic related to power generated from a renewable energy source. The purpose of the exhibit is to inform and create awareness.

#### Class 0414 - Experiment Display

Create a display of an experiment that addresses a problem or question related to power generated from a renewable energy source. Include hypothesis, background research, variables, a control, data, findings, conclusions and recommendations for future study.



## Department 5 ENTOMOLOGY

*Superintendent: Glory Benacka*

Entry Time: 8:30-11:00 AM, Friday, July 25

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 4:30 PM, Friday, July 25

1. Read "General Rules"
2. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time when they enter their exhibits.
3. The following awards may be presented in this division: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected in each class.
4. All entries should be submitted in 18x24x3.5 in wooden display box with a clear plastic top (such as plexiglass). Boxes can be handmade or purchased as long as they are of the correct size.
5. Exhibitors may choose to use of two taxonomies: a) As printed in "Insects in Kansas Book" or b) as printed in "Insects in Kansas Book 2016 Revised Taxonomy", which follows [www.bugguide.net](http://www.bugguide.net)
6. Each exhibitor is required to identify each box with two identification labels bearing Exhibitor's name, county or district, the collection class exhibitor is enrolled in and statement of taxonomy used:
  - a. One label goes in the upper left corner of the box (inside) and the other on the lower right corner of the box (outside). Arrange specimens in the box so the box can be displayed lengthwise.
7. The number of orders, specimens (and families where required) must be included on both of the exhibitor's box identification labels. Only one adult insect per species can be used in the Collection Boxed and Notebook Classes, unless labeled as male or female and correctly identified.
8. Arrangement of specimens: The preferred method is to arrange the insects in groups or rows parallel to the short sides of the box. Specimens are to be arranged by Order in the box, then Family where required.
9. Two labels should be centered on the pen beneath each specimen. First (closest to the specimen) is the common name label and the second label should include date/locality. Full county name and state abbreviation should be on the second label. Collector's name (or host) on the date/locality label is optional.
10. The specimens should be collected by the exhibitor and should focus on Kansas insects. Insects may be collected from one county into bordering states and labeled accordingly. Please refer to "Entomology Collection Exhibit Resource" for full details on out of state insects and collections.
11. Only specimens of the class Insecta should be included.
12. Purchased insects are not to be exhibited in collections, but they may be used in educational displays.
13. Specimens of soft bodied insects such as aphids, lice, termites, etc. should be exhibited in alcohol filled vials; however, the use of alcohol filled vials should be limited to only those specimens that lose their shape when pinned, since the vials pose a significant hazard to the rest of the collection if they become loose in transit.

#### 14. Educational Exhibits (classes 0504, 0506 and 0508)

- o All entries should be submitted in an 18x24x3.5 inch wooden display box with a clear plastic top (such as plexiglass). Boxes can be handmade or purchase as long as they are of the correct size. Arrange display in the box so the box can be displayed lengthwise.
- o Each exhibitor is required to identify each box by placing two identification labels bearing exhibitor's name, county or district, and the class in the box. One label goes in the upper left corner of the box (inside) and the other on the lower right corner of the box (outside). Information on numbers and kinds of insects is not needed for educational exhibits.
- o Displays may consist of specialized groups of insects or their close relatives, or relate to any aspect of their behavior, biology, or ecology.
- o Displays should be presented in a clear, concise, and interesting manner.
- o Displays should include only work performed during the current year.
- o Title of the exhibit should be located inside the box.
- o The purpose of the project is to learn more about the importance, life cycles, biology, ecology, diversity, etc. of insects and related arthropods. Subject matter can be as varied as the animals themselves.
- o Creativity is encouraged!

#### **Introductory Entomology**

##### **\*Class 0501 - Insect Collection**

Display at least six orders including 15 to 30 insects to be shown in two cigar boxes or a standard box and grouped according to order. Insect names are not necessary on individual specimens but date/locality labels are required. Order labels should be pinned to the base of the box.

#### **Beginning Entomology 1**

##### **Class 0502 - One box**

Display a minimum of 50 specimens and a maximum of 125 specimens representing at least seven orders. Limitations: exhibitors may exhibit in this class for us to three years or until a purple ribbon is received at the State Fair, whichever comes first.

#### **Beginning Entomology 2**

##### **Class 0503 - One box**

Display a minimum of 75 specimens and a maximum of 150 specimens representing at least nine orders. Family identification is not required. Limitations: exhibitors may exhibit in this class for up to three years or until a purple ribbon is received at the State Fair, whichever comes first.

##### **Class 0504 - Educational Exhibit**

## **Intermediate Entomology**

### **Class 0505 - Collection**

Display a minimum of 100 specimens and a maximum of 300 specimens representing at least ten orders. Two standard boxes can be used. Specimens should be grouped according to order. Family identification is required for all insects in any two of the following six orders (only two will be counted for judging)

- a. "Insects in Kansas" book - Orthoptera, Hemiptera, Homoptera, Coleoptera, Hymenoptera, and/or Diptera
- b. "Insects in Kansas Book: 2016 Revised Taxonomy," which follows [www.bugguide.net](http://www.bugguide.net) - Odonata, Orthoptera, Hemiptera, Coleoptera, Hymenoptera, and/or Diptera

On a piece of paper list what you did to improve your collection during the current year. Examples: what insects did you add or replace; what orders and/or families you added; what Leadership you provided to this project; and/or what insects you have studied. Attach paper to the front of one of the display boxes.

Limitations: exhibitors may exhibit in this class a maximum of three years.

### **Class 0506 - Educational exhibit**

## **Advanced Entomology**

### **Class 0507 - Collection**

Display a minimum of 150 species and a maximum of 450 specimens representing at least twelve orders. Three standard boxes can be used. Family identification is required for insects belonging to the six basic orders as outlined in Class 2805. Only families in the above six orders will be counted for judging. Family identification of insects in the remaining orders is optional, but desirable as long as accuracy is maintained.

On a piece of paper list what you did to improve your collection during the current year. Examples: what insects did you add or replace; what orders and/or families you added; what Leadership you provided in this project and/or what insects you have studied. Attach paper to the back of one of the display boxes.

### **Class 0508 - Educational Exhibit**

## **Entomology Collection Notebooks**

1. Individual entries are to be placed for display in a three-ring notebook for competition.
2. Exhibitors may choose one of two taxonomies, as printed in "Insects in Kansas" book or "Insects in Kansas Book: 2016 Revised Taxonomy" which follows [www.bugguide.net](http://www.bugguide.net)
3. Exhibitors who have been previously enrolled in or are currently enrolled in the other phases of the Entomology project need to start with the Beginning Phase of Entomology Notebooks, not the Introductory phase.
4. Each exhibitor is required to identify the notebook by placing a Title page in the front of the notebook bearing the exhibitors name, county or district, and class the exhibitor is enrolled in and statement of taxonomy used: "Insects in Kansas" book or "Insects in Kansas Book: 2016 Revised taxonomy" which follows [www.bugguide.net](http://www.bugguide.net). The number of orders, specimens, and families (required in Intermediate and Advanced classes) must also be included on the Title Page.
5. Specimen pages should be grouped according to order and should include one page per species. If more than one insect is in the photo, an arrow to indicate identified insects should be used.

6. Date, common name, full county name and state abbreviation should be included for each species. Collector's name on the specimen page is optional.
7. Specimen pages should have two different views of the insect if possible. If pictures are taken on different dates/localities, include information for both.
8. A statement describing the habitat where found/host plant may be included and is encouraged and will be worth a bonus 10 points total, not per page. For Intermediate and Advanced notebooks, this is strongly encouraged.
9. A divider page is to be placed in front of each order of insects with the order name printed on the tab for the page as well on the front of the divider page.
10. For the Intermediate and Advanced classes, insects are also to be grouped by family behind each order divider.
11. If the exhibitor has been in the same class for more than one year, a separate sheet of paper needs to be added stating how many years the exhibitor has been in this class of the project and what the exhibitor did this year to improve their notebook. Place the paper just behind the Title Page in the front of the notebook.
12. A special project must be completed each year and included in the notebook. See project guideline materials for specifications.
13. Refer to the publication "Entomology Collection Notebook Guidelines" on the Kansas 4-H Entomology web page for more detailed rules for exhibiting.

**\*Class 0509 - Introductory Entomology Collection Notebook**

Display a minimum of 10 and a maximum of 30 insect species representing at least 6 different orders. Follow the general guidelines listed for Notebooks, including the Special project. A 4-H member must be of minimum age to compete at the Kansas State Fair. A 4-H member may exhibit in this class for a maximum of two years.

**Class 0510 - Beginning Entomology Collection Notebook**

Display a minimum of 20 and maximum of 60 insect species representing at least 7 different orders. Follow the general guidelines listed for Notebooks, including the Special Project. Members can exhibit in this class a maximum of 3 years or until they receive a purple ribbon at the Kansas State Fair, whichever comes first.

**Class 0511 - Intermediate Entomology Collection Notebook**

Display a minimum of 60 and a maximum of 100 species representing at least 9 orders. Follow the general guidelines listed for Notebooks, including the Special Project. In addition, family identification is required for all insects in any two of the following six orders (only two will be counted for judging): "Insects of Kansas" book or "Insects of Kansas 2016 Revised"

**Class 0512 - Advanced Entomology Collection Notebook**

Display a minimum of 100 and a maximum of 200 species representing at least 12 orders. Follow the general rules listed for Notebooks, including the Special project. Follow the general guidelines listed for Notebooks. Family identification is required for all insects belonging to the six basic orders as outlined in the intermediate section. Only families in the above six orders will be counted for judging. Family identification of insects in the remaining orders is optional, but desirable as long as accuracy is maintained. Members may continue to exhibit in this class for an unrestricted number of years.

## Department 6 EXPLORING

*Superintendent: Shelby & Quentin Shaw*

Entry Time: 10:30 AM, Saturday, July 26

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 10:30 AM, Saturday, July 26

**LIMITS:** Exhibitors may enter a total of 6 exhibitors with no more than 2 entries per class. This department is reserved for 1st and 2nd year project members.

1. Read "General Rules"
2. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time at check-in.
3. All Exploring Food exhibits will be judged by the Exploring Judge.
4. Exhibits must be similar to those suggested.
5. The exhibits from each exhibitor will be displayed as a unit.

**\*Class 0601 - Foods**

- A baked food item such as a nutrition snack (1 cup), cookies (4), etc. Recipes should be included with the food items.
- A menu poster which would include meals for one day, showing how to meet four food groups. The poster should not be longer than 16"x20"

**\*Class 0602 - Sewing**

- Any item that is made using hand-stitching or straight stitching on a sewing machine. Examples include an oven mitt, T.V. slippers, dresser scarf, tote bag, sewing tool caddy, pin cushion, etc.

**\*Class 0603 - Scrapbook, Photo Story or Photo**

- Standard size prints (4x6) with three prints mounted on a photo board. See Photography Dept rules for mounting procedures. Photo boards are available at the Extension Office.

**\*Class 0604 - Outdoor**

- Examples include nature rubbings, display of insects, rocks, etc.

**\*Class 0605 - Constructed**

- Examples include woodworking, bird house, models, rocketry, food scraper, metal items, etc.

**\*Class 0606 - Terrarium or Horticulture**

**\*Class 0607 - Cut flower, flower arrangement, or house plant**

**\*Class 0608 - Arts and Crafts**

**\*Class 0610 - Small Animal**

**\*Class 0611 - Place Settings (see Place Setting section for rules)**

**To be judged during Fashion Revue (see section for details):**

**\*Class 0701 - Girls Buymanship**

**\*Class 0715 - Boys Buymanship**

**To be judged during Bicycle Rodeo (see section for details):**

**\*Class 0101 - Written Test**

**\*Class 0102 - Maneuvering & Weaving**

**\*Class 0103 - Balance at Slow Speed**

**\*Class 0104 - Signaling**

**\*Class 0105 - Steering & Balance**

## Department 7 FASHION REVUE

*Superintendents: Brittany Mann*

### Fashion Revue Judging

Entry Time: 12:30 PM, Monday, July 21

Location: McPherson Community Building

Judging Time: 1:00 PM, Monday, July 21

### Public Fashion

Time: 4:30 PM

Location: McPherson Community Building

**<https://tinyurl.com/2025PerformingArtsEnteries>**

**LIMITS:** Construction: exhibitors may enter 2 construction items and 1 Fiber Arts item for a maximum of 3 entries. Buymanship: exhibitors may enter 1 time in each class for a maximum of 3 entries.

1. Read "General Rules"
2. This department is open to exhibitors enrolled in Clothing Construction or Shopping in Style.
3. Exhibitors will model only what can be worn; garments cannot be carried. They should use good sense in choosing items that are appropriate to be modeled publicly.
4. Garments must be modeled by the exhibitor with the exception of Clothing Construction classes where one entry may be sewn for and modeled by another individual.
5. Getting the most for your money: For juniors and intermediates the complete outfit must be purchased for under \$50. For seniors it must be under \$75. This is to include shoes and accessories. Gift items are not to be worn as part of the outfit. Receipts are required for this class.
6. Forms required include: Fashion Revue Script Form (all ages), Cost per Wear Form (intermediate and Senior), and the Evaluation Score Card Form (all ages). **The scripts should be submitted to <https://tinyurl.com/2025PerformingArtsEnteries>**, all other forms can be brought with you at the time of judging.
7. Items must be on display at the fair following the public revue. Garment bags are available for \$1.00 from the extension office if needed.
8. The following awards may be presented in this department:
  - o Clothing Construction - Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion
  - o Girls Buymanship - Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion
  - o Boys Buymanship - Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion
  - o Champion and Reserve Grand Champion may be selected for each age division. Champion will not be selected for Exploring.

### **Kansas State Fair Eligibility:**

Each exhibitor may compete in only one state fair class. Each County Extension Council may enter two contestants per state fair class:

- 2211 for 4-H members age 14-18 enrolled in Sewing and Textiles Design
- 2106 for 4-H members age 10-13 enrolled in Sewing and Textiles Design
- 4022 for 4-H members age 14-18 enrolled in Shopping in Style
- 4021 for 4-H members age 10-13 enrolled in Shopping in Style

## **Clothing Construction**

Class 0701 - Junior (ages 7-9)

Class 0702 - Intermediate (ages 10-13)

Class 0703 - Senior (ages 14 & older)

Class 0704 - Clothing Articles Made in Fiber Arts

## **Girls Buymanship:**

### **Exploring:**

\*Class 0705 - Exploring

### **Junior (Ages 7-9)**

\*Class 0706 - School or Casual Wear

\*Class 0707 - Dress-Up

\*Class 0708 - Getting the Most For Your Money

### **Intermediate (Ages 10-13)**

\*Class 0709 - School or Casual Wear

\*Class 0710 - Dress-Up

\*Class 0711 - Getting the Most For Your Money

### **Senior (Ages 14 & Older)**

Class 0712 - School or Casual Wear

Class 0713 - Dress Up

Class 0714 - Getting the Most for Your Money

## **Boys Buymanship**

### **Exploring**

\*Class 0715 - Exploring

### **Junior (Ages 7-9)**

\*Class 0716 - School or Casual Wear

\*Class 0717 - Dress-Up

\*Class 0718 - Getting the Most For Your Money

### **Intermediate (Ages 10-13)**

\*Class 0719 - School or Casual Wear

\*Class 0720 - Dress-Up

\*Class 0721 - Getting the Most For Your Money

### **Senior (Ages 14 & Older)**

Class 0722 - School or Casual Wear

Class 0723 - Dress Up

Class 0724 - Getting the Most for Your Money

## Department 8 FIBER ARTS

*Superintendents: Jill & Brynn Kruse*

Entry Time: 2:30 PM, Friday, July 25

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 2:30 PM, Friday, July 25

**LIMITS: Exhibitors may enter 3 exhibits in each class. Other articles may be critiqued but will not receive ribbons or premiums**

1. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time during check-in beginning Thursday evening.
2. The following awards may be presented in this department: Grand and Reserve grand champion, Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected for each age division.
3. Read "General Rules"
4. Exhibitors must be enrolled in Fiber Arts
5. When the exhibit is a sewn garment that also includes one or more heritage art techniques (i.e. knitting, crocheting, needle art, patchwork or quilting,
6. Patchwork and quilting entries must use the fiber art forms throughout the entire piece. Patchwork or quilting that is included as a component of a constructed garment should be entered in the clothing department.
7. Articles normally worn as a pair or set must be shown together. Fasten articles securely together with yarn.
8. Special consideration will be given to articles which are the exhibitors original design. Such articles should have a note attached explaining the original design.
9. All articles/garments must be finished for use.
10. Any articles that have been used should be cleaned before exhibiting.
11. All exhibits which are meant to be hung MUST have the appropriate saw-toothed hanger, rod, wire, or other mechanism attached for display.
12. See "Special Selection" in General Rules.

Class 0801 - Crochet - an article including felted items

Class 0802 - Knitting - an article made either by hand or by a knitting machine

Class 0803 - Needle Art - an article created by hand using any of the following: embroidery and cross-stitch, needlepoint, candlewicking, crewel, lacework, and/or applique.

Class 0804 - Patchwork and Quilting - an article

Class 0805 - Rug making - a rug

Class 0806 - Spinning - a skein

Class 0808 - Ethnic art - an article

Class 0809 - Macrame - an article

Class 0810 - Fiber Arts Educational Notebook: share with others what you have learned in this project about a particular fiber art. Exhibits should be in the form of a notebook or binder. The notebook should include a narrative section describing the fiber art. It should include a clear description of the project, technique, budget, supplies, goals, accomplishments, successes, failures, and future plans. It may include samples of techniques, how-to's, photographs of completed projects, or other ways of educating others about fiber arts. NOTE: a collection of brochures, web pages, patterns, record book forms, etc. does NOT constitute and educational notebook.



# Department 9 FOODS & NUTRITION

## Division 9A

### FOODS

*Superintendent: Jenny Smith*

Entry Time: Friday, July 25

**10:00-10:30 AM- Santa Fe Sunflowers & Smokey Valley**

**10:30-11:30 AM-K-State Wild Kids & Live-wire Empires Best**

**11:30 AM- 12:30 PM-Friendly Fremont, Country Cousins,**

**Golden Opportunity**

Location: Extension Office

Judging Time: 10:00 AM, Friday, July 25

**Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to arrive during their assigned time.**

**If you have other fair commitments, we will work with your schedule.**

Release Time: Perishable Foods-Friday, July 25 at conclusion of judging, but no later than Saturday, July 26 at 4:00 pm *foods left at this time will be ate by the extension agents.*

Foods selected for auction: Sold at Foods Auction Friday night at 6pm. Exhibitors are encouraged to attend and show off their exhibits.

**LIMITS:** exhibitors may enter a total of 6 items in Classes 0901-0912 with no more than 2 entries per class. They may also enter 1 exhibit in each of Classes 0913-0914.

***The room will be closed during selection of the champions.***

1. Read "General Rules"
2. The following awards may be presented in the division: Grand and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected for each age division.
3. NO ALCOHOL should be included as an ingredient in the Food Entries. Entries with alcohol in the recipe will be disqualified and not judged.
4. There will be no exhibitors allowed in the kitchen. All cooking and exhibit prep should be finished prior to arriving at the extension office for their judging time.
5. Exhibits brought to the fair must be ready for display. Exhibits brought to the fair inappropriately will be docked one ribbon.
  - o All loaves must be whole and uncut. Cookies and rolls must be the same shape and from the same recipe.
  - o FULL AND ENTIRE PRODUCT MUST BE ENTERED UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED. Mini loaves are not acceptable.
6. Perishable foods must be kept hot or cold as necessary. These items will not be put in the foods auction with some exceptions such as cakes with perishable frosting kept at a safe temperature.
7. Food exhibits must be labeled. Labels are available at the Extension Office.
8. Exhibitors are required to bring a recipe for all foods being judged. Recipes will not be returned to the exhibitor. Please include your name, years in the project, 4-H age and name of entry.

9. After judging, **all non-perishable food entries** and other entries selected at the discretion of the superintendent (NOT the 4-H exhibitor, the superintendent), will be sold at the Food Auction - Friday, July 25 at 6:00pm. Each exhibitor is strongly encouraged to be there to carry food.
10. Perishable foods can be stored in the office refrigerator but must be picked up by Saturday at 4:00pm. All food left at this point will be ate by the extension agents or thrown away.
11. Pictures of each exhibitor and their food exhibits will be displayed in 4-H building. **Please be prepared to have your picture taken with all of your exhibits at the conclusion of your conference.**

Class 0901- Breads/Cereals Food Group - examples: popcorn (1 cup), muffins (4), pasta, yeast bread, multi-grain product, yeast rolls (4), quick bread, granola mix (1 cup) *\*Kansas State Fair eligible*

Class 0902 - Fruit Food Group - examples: salad, fruit drink, fruit pizza, fruit leather *\*NOT eligible for Kansas State Fair*

Class 0903 - Vegetable Food Group - examples: veggie pizza, dried veggies *\*NOT eligible for Kansas State Fair*

Class 0904 - Dairy Food Group - examples: pudding, dip, shake *\*NOT eligible for Kansas State Fair*

Class 0905 - Meat/Protein - pita pocket, English muffin pizza, casserole *\*NOT eligible for Kansas State Fair*

Class 0906 - Sugar/Fat Food Group - cake, cookies (4), pie *\*NOT eligible for Kansas State Fair*

Class 0907 - Modify a recipe - to make it healthier. Bring the original AND modified recipe, and the new product. *\*Only Kansas State Fair eligible if non-perishable*

Class 0908 - White Bread (loaf) *\*Kansas State Fair eligible*

Class 0909 - Whole Wheat or Multi-Grain Loaf *\*Kansas State Fair eligible*

Class 0910 - Yeast Rolls (3) *\*Kansas State Fair eligible*

Class 0911 - Specialty Bread - pretzels, bread sticks, fruit bread, tea ring *\*Kansas State Fair eligible*

Class 0912 - Bread Machine Bread

Class 0913 - Educational Exhibit - Exhibitor should share with others what they have learned in this project, a project activity they have done, a food-nutrition community service program they were involved in, etc. Exhibits may be in the form of a poster, notebook, or display. No card table displays are allowed; they can be entered in the Project Displays department. If the exhibit is a poster, is must not be larger than 22" x 30". If the exhibit is a display, the maximum size is a commercial 3'x4' tri-fold display board. Follow copyright laws as explained in the General Rules as you are preparing your exhibit. Care should be taken to use durable materials that will withstand fair conditions. The exhibitors name and county must be clearly marked on the Educational Exhibit. NOTE: A collection of your favorite recipes does not constitute an Educational Exhibit.

Class 0914 - Food Gift Package The exhibit must contain at least three different food items prepared by the exhibitor for human consumption and placed in a suitable container no larger than 18"x18"x18". No alcoholic beverages will be accepted. Prepared food items must have recipes attached with the entry. Additional homemade food items beyond the three minimum or purchased items may also be included in the gift basket. On the back of the entry card answer these questions:

A.) what is the intended use?

B.) what food safety precautions were taken during and after preparation?

### Class 0915 - STATE FAIR ELIGIBLE CAKES/COOKIES/PIE

\*\*\*Entries with frostings or fillings must have a sugar content form attached proving at least a 65% sugar content to be judged at the 4-H fair and be eligible for advancement to the Kansas State Fair. \**Kansas State Fair eligible*

## Division 9B FOODS PRESERVATION

*Superintendent: Jenny Smith*

Entry Time: Friday, July 25

**10:00-10:30 AM- Santa Fe Sunflowers & Smokey Valley**

**10:30-11:30 AM-K-State Wild Kids & Live-wire Empires Best**

**11:30 AM- 12:30 PM-Friendly Fremont, Country Cousins,  
Golden Opportunity**

Location: Extension Office

Judging Time: 10:00 AM, Friday, July 25

**Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to arrive during their assigned time.**

**If you have other fair commitments, we will work with your schedule.**

Release Time: Perishable Foods-Friday, July 25 at conclusion of judging, but no later than Saturday, July 26 at 4:00 pm *foods left at this time will be ate by the extension agents.*

Foods selected for auction: Sold at Foods Auction Friday night at 6pm. Exhibitors are encouraged to attend and show off their exhibits.

**LIMITS:** Exhibitors may enter a total of 8 exhibits with no more than 2 entries per class.

1. Read "General Rules"
2. The following awards may be presented in this division: Grand and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be presented for each age group.
3. Judging will follow the same schedule as Foods.
4. NO ALCOHOL should be included in the recipe. Recipes including alcohol will be disqualified and not judged.
5. **All exhibits must be preserved after the previous years fair, July 29th, 2024.**
6. Recipes and processing methods from the sources below are recommended. Recipes must be from current, tested resources and must be adjusted for altitude based on your processing location or it will be disqualified. Processing methods that will be disqualified include: open kettle-canning, oven canning, sun canning and using electric multi-cookers.

For more information on electric multi-cookers, see [http://nchfp.uga.edu/publications/nchfp/factsheets/electric\\_cookers.html](http://nchfp.uga.edu/publications/nchfp/factsheets/electric_cookers.html)  
Untested recipes will be disqualified for food safety reasons. Tested recipe resources include K-State Research and other University Extension Food Preservation publications or USDA's Complete Guide to Home Canning (2015); So Easy to Preserve, 6th edition, The University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service, Ball Blue Book Guide to Preserving (Edition 37), Ball Complete Book of Home Preserving (2015 and 2020), Canning mixes (i.e. Mrs. Wage's, Ball), Pectin manufacturers (i.e. SureJell, Ball), <http://www.rrc.k-state.edu/preservation/recipes.html>

7. Exhibits must be sealed in clean, standard canning jars with matching brands (use Ball lids on Ball jars, or Kerr lids on Kerr jars, etc.) with two piece lids. Ball and Kerr plaid or fruit decorated or brushed silver lids are permissible, but fancy padded lids, fabric overwraps or cozies interfere with the judging process and should not be used. No fancy packs unless recipe states to do so (ex. pickled asparagus). Jars must be sealed when entered. Jelly must be in 1/2 pint or pint jars. All other products must be in pint or quart jars. No paraffin is allowed to seal jams/jellies. Note: There are now 12-ounce and 24-ounce canning jars available. If there is not a USDA recommended process time available for the 12-ounce jar, these jars may use the pint jar canning process recommendations. Use the quart jar process recommendations for 24 ounce jars.
8. Each jar or item exhibited must be labeled with a uniform label placed one inch from the base of the jar. The label must not cover the brand name of the jar. These labels are available at the Extension Office. The label must give the Class Number, Division, Product, Canning Method, (water bath, weighted gauge, or dial gauge pressure method), Process time, pressure (psi), Date Processed including month and year, Name and county.
9. Exhibitors are required to bring a recipe for all food preservations being judged. Recipes will not be returned to the exhibitor. Please include your name, years in project, exhibitor age and name of entry. The recipe must include the recipe source, date of publication, and altitude of residence.
10. No canned food containers will be opened and examined for quality by the judge.

Class 0916 - Sweet Spreads (Fruit and/or Vegetables or Syrups) 1 jar

Class 0917 - Fruits, Juices, or Fruit Mixtures (Salsa, pie filling, etc.) 1 jar

Class 0918 - Low Acid Vegetables (green beans, corn, etc.) 1 jar

Class 0919 - Pickles (Fruit or vegetable), fermented foods or relishes 1 jar

Class 0920 - Tomatoes/Tomato Products (tomato juice, tomato salsa) 1 jar

Class 0921 - Dried meats 1 jar

Class 0922 - Dried foods

One kind of dried food product is to be in a small canning jar. If it is not in a canning jar, it will be docked one ribbon. The suggested amount is 1/3 to 1/2 cup, or three to four pieces per exhibit. All meat jerky must be cooked to 160 degrees Fahrenheit before or after drying. Jerky not heated to 160 degrees F will not be judged. Dried foods must include a recipe and preparation steps.

## Division 9C PLACE SETTINGS

*Superintendent: Jenny Smith*

Entry Time: Friday, July 25

Judging Time: 9:30 AM, Friday, July 25

Judging Location: 4-H Building

**<https://tinyurl.com/2025DisplaySpaceRequests>**

**LIMITS:** Exhibitors may enter one exhibit and must be enrolled in Foods and Nutrition.

1. Read "General Rules"
2. The following awards may be presented in this division: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected for each age division.
3. A "Table Setting Handbook" is available from the Extension Office.
4. The Place Setting (including the menu) should represent the phase the member is enrolled in.
5. The exhibit should consist of table linens, dinnerware, glassware, and flatware for MAIN COURSE ONLY. No serving dishes, sugar, creamer, or salt and pepper pieces should be included.
6. The centerpiece may include flowers, home raised or commercially produced, however, the exhibitor must make the arrangement.
7. The items in the display can be bought, borrowed, or something you already have. An itemized expense list must be given to the judge during conference judging.
8. The menu to be served should be correctly written or typed on a minimum of a 3"x5" card. The name of the exhibitor should be placed on the back of the card.
9. The space per exhibit will be approximately 15"x24". Tables will be provided. All exhibits must be placed on the table provided.
10. The exhibitor will set out their Place Setting in front of the judge as part of their presentation at the scheduled conference judging time.
11. The judge's emphasis will be on the presentation of the menu and place setting rather than on the preparation of the menu. The exhibitor should be able to answer basic questions about the menu.

Class 0923 - Junior (ages 7-9)

Class 0924 - Intermediate (ages 10-13)

Class 0925 - Senior (ages 14-18)

# Department 10 FORESTRY

*Superintendents: Zeke Durr, Matthew Seeger*

Entry Time: 8:30-11:00 AM, Friday, July 25

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 11:00 AM, Saturday, July 26

**LIMITS:** Exhibitors may enter 1 exhibit per class

1. Read "General Rules"
2. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time beginning during check-in.
3. The following awards may be presented in this department: Grand and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected for each age division.
4. All leaves must be mounted on 8.5"x11" heavy stock paper and placed in loose-leaf binder. Magnetic or adhesive filler sheets for photographic prints or page protectors are recommended.
5. Leaves should be identified with an appropriate label located near the leaf on the same page. These labels should include:
  - a. the proper common name as listed in the 4-H Bulletin 334 "List of Native Kansas Forest Trees"
  - b. Location (city and/or county) where collected
  - c. Date collected
6. Divide specimens into the following two sections: Native Kansas Trees and Non-native Trees.
7. Variations of varieties do not count as different species or specimens.
8. New specimens are those which were collected during the current 4-H year and cannot be a duplicate tree species of previously displayed specimens.
9. Group samples according to the year collected, such as "Old/Previous" and "New."
10. When replacing previously displayed samples, due to degradation, improper mounting or incorrect identification, the specimen label must also be updated. Replacements do not count as new specimens. Replacements should be displayed in the "Old/Previous" sections of the exhibit.
11. In all leaf collections, display one complete leaf where possible. If the leaf is too large, exhibit as much of the terminal portions as possible. Sketch in reduced scale the entire leaf and illustrate where the exhibited portion is from. Note: a "leaflet" is incorrect when displayed as the complete leaf for a tree.
12. The exhibitors name, club, age, and year in project should be on the front cover in a prominent location.
13. If the exhibitor retrieves information for their forestry exhibit, they must include a reference citation to the source.
14. All work must show originality. Leaf collections and displays should not closely resemble work done by others in the same club.

#### Class 1001 - Beginner (choose A or B)

A. Display a minimum of 10 different leaves from native Kansas trees collected within the year. The exhibit can include non-native leaves in addition to the required number of leaf specimens collected from native Kansas trees.

B. Display a minimum of 5 native Kansas trees showing a leaf, twig, and fruit from each species collected. This exhibit must include 5 new leaf, twig, and fruit specimens.

#### Class 1002 - Intermediate (choose A or B)

A. Display a minimum of 20 different leaves (including 10 new specimens from native Kansas trees. The exhibit can include non-native leaves in addition to the required number of leaf specimens collected from native Kansas trees.

B. Display a minimum of 10 native Kansas trees showing a leaf, twig, and fruit from each species collected. This exhibit must include 5 new leaf, twig, and fruit specimens.

#### Class 1003 - Senior (choose A or B)

A. Display a minimum of 30 different leaves (including 10 new specimens) from native Kansas trees. The exhibit can include non-native leaves in addition to the required number of leaf specimens collected from native Kansas trees.

B. Display a minimum of 15 native Kansas trees showing a leaf, twig, and fruit from each species collected. This exhibit must include 5 new leaf, twig, and fruit specimens.

#### Class 1004 - Advanced (choose A or B)

A. Display a minimum of 40 different leaves (including 20 new specimens) from native Kansas trees. The exhibit can include non-native leaves in addition to the required number of leaf specimens collected from native Kansas trees.

B. Display a minimum of 20 native Kansas trees showing a leaf, twig, and fruit from each species collected. This exhibit must include 10 new leaf, twig, and fruit specimens.

#### Class 1005 - How a tree grows

The exhibit may include:

- a project notebook that has ten or more seeds collected with pictures showing a germination study
- a mounting of a thin section of wood cut from the end of a log or the top of a stump labeled with information such as the kind of wood and the age of the tree when it was cut
- an illustration of how a tree grows

#### Class 1006 - Tree Appreciation

The exhibit may include a research or reporting project notebook based on the exhibitors selected tree with no more than ten pages. The notebook may include sketches, drawings, pictures, a story or anything else which will help tell about the tree they have selected.

# Department 11

## GEOLOGY & LAPIDARY

*Superintendents: Paul and Robin Johnson, Joshua Seeger*

Entry Time: 8:30-11:00 AM, Friday, July 25

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 3:00 PM, Sunday, July 27

**LIMITS:** Exhibitors may enter in both geology and lapidary classes. Exhibitor may show in only one of the first six classes (1101-1106). Exhibitor may also show one exhibit in Minerology class 1106, one exhibit in Fossils 1107, one exhibit in Rocks 1108, only one in the five classes of Lapidary classes (1110-14), one exhibit in Special Exhibit 1115, and two entries in Craft Project 1116 for a maximum of 8 exhibits.

1. Read "General Rules"
2. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time when they enter their exhibits.
3. The following awards may be presented in this department: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion overall. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected in each class (not by age group).
4. The exhibit boxes should be 18"x24"x3½". All of the specimens are to be arranged across the narrow (18") dimension of the exhibit box, making the exhibit 18" across the top and 24" down. The box must have a plexi-glass cover that is removable from the top. Boxes with glass will not be accepted. Screws, locks or other devices that would prevent the judge from removing the plexi-glass cover should not be used.
5. The exhibitor is required to identify each exhibit box by placing an identification label bearing their name, county and the number of specimens in the upper left-hand corner of the PLEXI- GLASS COVER on the inside using clear double-sided tape to adhere the gummed label. They should also attach a label with the same information on the lower right-hand corner of the box on the outside.
6. The specimens must be labeled with the identification number of the specimen, the date collected, the specimen name or description and the locality where it was collected.
7. For classes 1103-1106 (which are state fair eligible), the specimens should be mounted in the box and categorized into the proper groups of "Rocks," "Minerals," and "Fossils." Fossils must be identified to the Phylum, Class, and Genus level. The Genus name is to begin with a capital letter and the Species name is all lowercase. Genus and species names must either be



italicized or underlined, but not both. The words “Phylum,” “Class,” and “Genus” on the labels are to be spelled out, not abbreviated. More than one specimen of the same kind of rock, mineral, or species of a fossil may be exhibited if this exhibited if this duplication represents different geological formation. The specimen label must show this distinction (for example Fort Hays Limestone, not just limestone; exact species must have different formation names listed on the ID card; Phylum, Brachiopoda, Class: Articulata, Genus: Composita from Morrill Limestone not just Brachiopoda or Composita Brachiopod).

8. For classes 1103-1106, all specimens must be collected from locations in Kansas, with the exception of the Tri-State Mining Area specimens collected from these three adjacent counties: Ottawa County, OK, and Newton and Jasper Counties, MO. Out-of-state specimens from locations other than those three counties will not count in the minimum number for the class, nor will they be considered for judging.

## CLASSES

\*Class 1101 - Geology display 9 specimens (7 year olds encouraged to enter)

- Display rocks, minerals, and fossils collected from Kansas during the current 4-H year.

\*Class 1102 - Geology display 12 specimens (8 year olds encourage to enter)

- At least 5 new specimens must be collected during the current 4-H year.
- Specimens can be displayed on a foam display board or in a plastic container with compartments. The specimens should be categorized and displayed into the proper groups of “Rocks,” “Minerals” and “Fossils”.
- Each specimen should be accompanied by an identification label which includes the following information: the name of specimen (fossils should be identified by their Genus name), the date found, the location (county) where it was collected and the specimen’s identification number; OR use the general information labels provided by the county Geology leaders. These classes are not eligible for the Kansas State Fair.

Class 1103 - Geology display **at least 15 different rocks, minerals and fossils collected during the current 4-H year.** Limited to one exhibit box. Label rocks as igneous, metamorphic or sedimentary. This class can only be entered one year before moving on to the next.

Class 1104 - Geology display at least **30 different** rocks, minerals, or fossils, with at least five of each. **15 must be collected during the current 4-H year.** Limited to one exhibit box. Label rocks as igneous, metamorphic, or sedimentary. This class can only be entered one year before moving on to the next class.

Class 1105 - Geology display at least **45 different** rocks, minerals, or fossils, with at least 5 of each. **15 must be collected during the current 4-H year.** Limited to two exhibit boxed. Label rocks as igneous, metamorphic, or sedimentary. This class can only be entered for 2 years before moving on to the next class.

Class 1106 - Geology Display at least **60 different** rocks, minerals or fossils, with at least 5 of each. **15 must be collected during the current 4-H year.** Limited to two exhibit boxes. Label rocks as igneous, metamorphic or sedimentary. This class is open to those who are exhibiting and have completed 1105.

Class 1107\_ Mineralogy The exhibitor must use one standard display box (see #4). Display a minimum of 15 mineral specimens collected by participant in Kansas, **with at least 5 of which have been collected during the current 4-H year.** The minerals are to be grouped by mineral class (i.e., Carbonates, Oxides, Silicates) and at least 3 classes must be represented. The specimens must be labeled with the identification number of the specimen, the date collected, the specimen name, the county where it was collected and the chemical composition, if known (i.e. CaCO<sub>3</sub> for calcite)

Class 1108 – Fossils The exhibitor must use one standard display box (see #4) Display a minimum of 15 fossil specimens collected by participant in Kansas, with **at least 5 of which have been collected during the current 4-H year.** The fossils are to be grouped by Phylum and Class, at least 3 phyla must be represented (Brachiopoda, Chordata, Mollusca, etc.). The specimens must be labeled with the number of the specimen; date collected; county where collected; formation, member, or source; phylum, class, and genus or part; and geologic age (Cretaceous, Permian, Pennsylvanian, etc.) See #7 for additional fossil labeling expectations.

Class 1109– Rocks The exhibitor must use one standard display box (see #4). Display a minimum of 15 rock specimens collected by participant in Kansas, **with at least 5 of which have been collected during the current 4-H year.** Rocks are to be grouped by the three rock classes (Sedimentary, Igneous, and Metamorphic). You must display at least one specimen from each of the three classes. Specimen labels must include a specimen number, the date collected, name of specimen, and the county were collected. All rocks must be identified by the formation and member name (Examples: Fort Hays Limestone, Member of the Niobrara Chalk Formation) or source (Examples: Rocky Mountain Outwash, glacial till).

### Lapidity

An exhibit box smaller than the standard size, but not larger, may be used for the lapidity exhibits if appropriate.

Lapidity will be judged on the following criteria:

60 points - Workmanship and Content

30 points - Presentation and Showmanship

10 points - Accuracy of Information

All lapidity specimens should be labeled with the following information:

- Specimen name

- Place of origin (country, state, or county; county required for Kansas specimens)

- Purchased or self-collected

- Date lapidity treatment began

- Date lapidity treatment completed (treatment completed after the state fair is considered a new year specimen)

Class 1110 - Lapidary Display at least 5 varieties of polished (tumbled) specimens and 5 varieties of unpolished specimens that have not yet received lapidary treatment. These do not have to be an example of "before and after," nor do they have to be self- collected. Locales must be identified. Only those exhibiting lapidary at the fair for the first time may exhibit in this class.

Class 1111 - Lapidary Display before-and-after examples of at least 3 varieties of specimens, at least 2 tumble-polished and 2 unpolished of each. There is no requirement that the exhibitor collect any of these. Locales must be identified. Lapidary work should be done during the current 4-H year.

Class 1112 - Lapidary Display before-and-after examples of at least 6 varieties of specimens, at least 2 tumble-polished and 2 unpolished of each. At least 2 varieties should be collected from the native site by the exhibitor, at least one of which come from Kansas. Locales must be identified. Lapidary work on at least 3 varieties should be done during the current 4-H year.

Class 1113 - Lapidary Display before-and-after examples of at least 9 varieties of specimens, at least 2 tumble-polished and 2 unpolished of each. At least 3 varieties should be collected from the native site by the exhibitor, at least two of which come from Kansas. Locales must be identified. Lapidary work on at least 3 varieties should be done during the current 4-H year.

Class 1114 - Lapidary Display at least 6 specimens that have not previously been exhibited, which have received lapidary treatment. Lapidary treatment may consist of polishing, and end, face, or flat lapping. Specimens must represent at least 3 different varieties and include at least 3 cabochons of any size or shape, only 1 of which may be free-formed. A cabochon is a style of cutting in which the top of the stone forms a domed or curved convex surface. 3 of the specimens must be mounted into jewelry findings. Open to all Geology Exhibitors

Class 1115 - Educational Exhibit An exhibit relating to everyday living; or to a mineral test, a rock formation, geological history, species of a fossil, forms of one mineral, a variation of one kind of rock, archaeological artifacts or Indian artifacts. Digital formats are accepted. Please make arrangements for the judge to view your exhibit and have a hard copy for display. Exhibit is limited to 4' of table space. Care should be taken to use durable materials that will withstand fair conditions.

Class 1116 - Craft Project An exhibit using rocks, fossils and/or minerals. Kits are acceptable. Exhibitors are limited to 2 entries in this class. This class is not state fair eligible.

# Department 12 INTERIOR DESIGN AND ARCHITECTURE

*Superintendent: Holly Toll*

Entry Time: 8:30-11:00 PM, Friday, July 25

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 2:30 PM, Sunday, July 27

*LIMITS: Exhibitors may enter 1 exhibit in Class 1201 and 2 exhibits in each of Classes 1202-1204.*

1. Read "General Rules"
2. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time when they enter their exhibits.
3. The following awards may be presented in this department: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected for the Junior (7-9), Intermediate (10-13), and Senior (14-18) age divisions.
4. A summary including plans, explanation of how items were made or refinished and how it fits into the color and design of the room must be included. Summary could also include project inspiration, challenges, who helped you, and any other information that could be helpful to the judge.
5. Projects with missing or insufficient summary will be lowered one ribbon placing.
6. Exhibits should be of high quality (as compared to quick simple crafts) suitable for use in the home several months throughout the year. Holiday-specific items are discouraged.

## Class 1201 - Room Display

4-H Members are to make a complete card table display. Posters may be used. Tables will be provided. Exhibit should fit in a 3'x3' square against the wall. Displays are not to exceed a standard commercial 3'x4' tri-fold display board. Emphasis of the display will be on telling the story of what was done in their 4-H project (by using pictures, models, actual objects, etc.) Display may show a process, finished product, before-after, something learned, etc. **A WRITTEN STORY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED.**

## Class 1202 - Single Exhibit

An article (furniture, fixtures, interior or exterior, etc.) made or refinished by the 4-H member for the home. Must include attached summary.

## Class 1203 - Design Board

Boards must be on foam core or standard tri-fold display. Include: color scheme, wall treatment, floor treatment samples, etc. and/or floor plan for the room. Must include attached summary.

## Class 1204 - Notebook

May include floor plan, swatches, colors, stories, or photographs, and project records which detail what was accomplished this year with a given indication of long-term plans. Notebooks should also include project inspiration, challenges, who helped the exhibitor, and any other additional information that would be helpful to the judge. Additional attached summary is not required.

## Department 13

### NOTEBOOKS

*Superintendent: Holly Toll*

Entry Time: 8:30-11:00 AM, Friday, July 25

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 2:30 PM, Sunday, July 27

1. Read "General Rules"
2. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time when they enter their exhibits.
3. The following awards may be presented in this department: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected in each class.
4. All 4-H Clubs are encouraged to exhibit their Secretary's Notebook. Any 4-H club may exhibit a notebook on their project (health, safety, etc.)
5. Guidelines for the Secretary's, Reporter's, and Historian's Notebooks are available from the Extension Office.
6. All Notebooks must be of the current year's work. If adding to the Historians notebook, the entire book can be entered, however, judging will only occur on the portion completed by the exhibitor this year.
7. Exhibitors may enter any 4-H notebook made for a specific project, but the notebook cannot be used in two exhibits.

- \*Class 1301 - Secretary's Notebook
- \*Class 1302 - Treasurer's Notebook
- \*Class 1303 - Reporter's Notebook
- \*Class 1304 - Historian's Notebook
- \*Class 1305 - Club Project Notebook
- \*Class 1306 - Individual Project Notebook

## Department 14 PERFORMING ARTS

*Superintendent: Thea Marston*

Pre-Entries: Thursday, July 17

Location: McPherson Community Building

Judging Time: 4:30 PM, Monday, July 21

**<https://tinyurl.com/2025PerformingArtsEnteries>**

*Limits: Exhibitors may enter a maximum of 4 entries.*

1. Read "General Rules"
2. Exhibitors will sign up during pre-registration.
3. The following awards may be presented in this department: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected for each age division.
4. An exhibitor may have up to 4 entries.
5. Exhibitors must be enrolled in Performing Arts.
6. This department will use the same guidelines as the 4-H Club Day contest of the current year. These guidelines can be found at: <https://www.harvey.k-state.edu/4-h/events/clubdays/index.html> (Harvey County Extension ---- 4-H Youth Development ----- Events and Programs ---- Multi-County Club Days)

\*Class 1401 - Performing Arts

## Department 15 PETS/CATS

*Superintendent: Cary Weimer*

Entry Time: 1:00 PM, Sunday, July 27

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 1:00 PM, Sunday, July 27

Release Time: Immediately Following Judging

*LIMITS: Pets - 4-H Members may enter 2 pets per class.*

*Cats - 4-H Members may enter 2 pets per class.*

1. Read "General Rules"
2. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time.
3. The following awards may be presented in this department: -Pets-Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion, -Cats-Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion, -Class Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected in each class.
4. For pets, the 4-H member must be enrolled in the Pets Project.
5. Pregnant cats will not be allowed.
6. Cats must have a complete veterinarian's slip to be entered.
7. Pets and cats must be in cage or carrier provided **by the exhibitor.**
8. Cages may be decorated but will not be judged. Decorations must be on the inside of the cage. Decorations between cages that prevent your cat from seeing the cat next to it may help your cat stay quieter.
9. For cats, bring an old towel or blanket for the cat to lay on. Also bring an extra towel or blanket in case the first one gets soiled.

### **Cats:**

Class 1501 - Longhair kittens, under one year old

Class 1502 - Longhair adults, over one year old

Class 1503 - Shorthair kittens, under one year old

Class 1504 - Shorthair adults, over one year old

Class 1505 - Registered kittens, under one year old

Class 1506 - Registered adults, over one year old

### **Pets**

Class 1507 - Hand Pets

Class 1508 - Aquarium Pets

Class 1509 - Other - This exhibit could be a card table display, poster, etc.

- It is primarily to allow those with fish that should not be subjected to moving, etc. to exhibit.

## Department 16

### PHOTOGRAPHY

*Superintendents: Robin Johnson, Betsy & Conway Patrick*

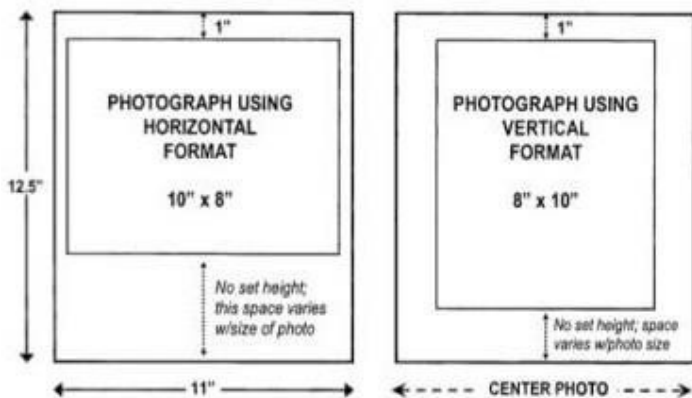
Entry Time: 8:30-11:00 AM, Friday, July 25

Judging Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 10:00 AM, Saturday, July 26

**LIMITS:** A maximum of 1 (one) exhibit in Class 1601. A maximum of 1 (one) exhibit in Class 1602. A maximum of 5 (five) exhibits in classes 1603-1606. A maximum of 3 (three) exhibits in 1607 -1608. No more than 8 total exhibits can be entered. **FOR ALL PHOTO CLASSES PLEASE ENTER THE CLASS NUMBER AND LEVEL NUMBER.**

1. Read "General Rules"
2. 4-H members will sign up for a conference judging time when they enter their exhibits.
3. The following awards may be awarded in this division - Grand Champion Photography, Champion, and Reserve Champion may be selected for the Junior (7-9), Intermediate (10-13), and Senior (14-18) age divisions.
4. Black&White and/or color photographs are allowed in all levels. Monochromatic prints, such as sepia tone, are considered color photos.
5. Prints are to be no larger than 8"x10" and no smaller than 7"x9", after trimming. Remove white border on enlargement before mounting.
6. No lettering or dates are permitted on the front of the photo or on the front of the mount.
7. Mount prints across the narrow (11") dimension of an 11" x 12.5" sheet of white or cream studio mount board (available from the Extension office \$1.50 each). Foam core boards are not allowed. Photos mounted on poster board will not be displayed. No underlays or mattes are allowed.
8. A full coverage permanent mount (spray adhesive recommended or heatmount) must be made. The print should be mounted 1" below the top of the mount board and equal distance between the edges of the board.





9. Photos mounted incorrectly (including prints with the white boarder not removed) will be lowered one ribbon placing from that awarded by the judge.
10. Exhibits must be places in plastic sleeves (available at the Extension Office \$0.25 each).
11. Photographs exhibited must be the result of the current year's project work and taken by the exhibitor.
12. Photographs taken with a digital camera and having no more adjustments than exposure, color intensity or correction, red eye removal, cropping, dodging, and/or burning should be entered in the standard color or black and white classes. HDR photos are to be entered in the standard photo class.
13. Digital composite image: Finished photos must be created from two or more original sources created by exhibitor. HDR photos do not qualify for this class. Photos will be judged on photographic merit as well as manipulation technique and process.
14. Photographic subject matter is expected to follow standards set forth Kansas 4-H Member Code of Conduct found on the Kansas 4-H Participation Form.
15. Photos with live subject(s) on a railroad right-of-way or taken from a railroad right-of-way property ***will be disqualified and not displayed.***
16. Copyright protections must be observed.
17. Display and/or penalty decisions will be made by the photography superintendent or the 4-H Fair Board.
18. No lettering or dates are allowed on the front of the photo.

**2025 Special Awards:**

All photos must have release signed in order to be selected for the following:

1. County Courthouse 4-H Week Display: Photos selected for this display must be returned to the extension office Sept. 29th/30th to be put on display for the month of October. They will need to be picked up November 4th/5th.
2. McPherson Public Library 4-H Week Display: Photos selected for this display must be returned to the extension office Sept. 29th/30th to be put on display for the month of October. They will need to be picked up November 4th/5th.
3. McPherson Extension Calendar: Digital copies of the selected photos must be sent to the Calendar Committee by October 1st.

**\*\*SEE GENERAL RULES FOR MORE SPECIAL AWARDS INFORMATION**

## **PHOTOGRAPHY CLASSES:**

1601 - A display of 1-3 photos of different subjects. Photos are to be small standard size prints (no larger than 4"x6"). Photos are to be mounted on a vertical 11"x12.5" mounting board.

1602 - Photo Story: a series of three photos that tell a story. Photos are to be small standard size prints (no larger than 4"x6"). Mount on a vertical 11"x12.5" mounting board. No titles.

*Possible subject matter for photos includes but is not limited to: people, landscape, nature, flowers, animals, photojournalism, action, still life, buildings, automobiles, special effects, and miscellaneous enlargement.*

1603 - Color

1604 - Black and White

1605 - Advanced Manipulation and/or Enhancement. Images that go beyond what is allowed in rule 12.

1606 - Digital Composite Image. Photo must be created from two or more original images taken by the exhibitor. Exhibitor must include a second 11x12.5 matte board (explanation board) mounted with standard size prints of the original photos, 3x5 card(s) explaining what manipulation was done and a standard size final print of the final photo. Optional, may include prints of editing steps. Photos showing editing steps may be layered. Please put name on the front of the second board. Place both matte boards in the same protective bag. Note: see rule #13 above for definition.

1607 - Traditional darkroom: Image must be created on film. Film development and enlargement process must be performed in a darkroom by the exhibitor.

1608 - Film: image created on film but not processed by exhibitor.

### **1609: GROWTH PORTFOLIO**

1. Member must have been enrolled in Photography for five or more years
2. Exhibit will consist of 5 photos - one from each of the past 5 years of enrollment. Each photo must have been created in a different year and must be labeled with year taken and year of enrollment it represents.
3. Photos must be 8"x10" and may be color or black and white.
4. An information sheet must accompany each photo giving brand and model of camera used to create the photo. The settings for focal length, aperture, mode, and shutter speed must also be listed.
5. Skill set used to create the photo must be given and explained. Main goal for each year should be listed.
6. Beginning with photo 2, member description of GROWTH in project skill must be included on information sheet.
7. Exhibit will consist of photos arranged in chronological order of enrollment, information sheet on each photo, and all information listed on #4-6. A portfolio book will be required.

### **1610: CAREER PORTFOLIO**

1. Member must have been enrolled in Photography for 5 or more years OR member must be 4-H age 15-18 and have been enrolled in Photography for at least 2 years.
2. Exhibit will contest of ten 8x10 photos showing skill development in one of the following photography areas: portraiture, special effects (not done with computer), landscape, photo journalism, black and white, nature/wildlife, or graphic design (computer skills with photos). Photos may have been created over multiple project years.
3. An information sheet must accompany each photo giving brand and model of camera used to create the photo. The settings for focal length, aperture, mode, and shutter speed must also be listed.
4. A one-page summary should accompany the portfolio listing the goal for pursuing this area of photography and what skills were learned while doing so. Mentors should be acknowledged. Career exploration can also be described.
5. Exhibit will be presented in a notebook designed for portfolio review with pages for required information from #4 and #5.

# Department 17 PLANT SCIENCE

*Superintendent: Regehr Family*

Entry Time: 12:00 PM, Sunday, July 27

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 12:00 PM, Sunday, July 27

## **LIMITS:**

1. *Horticulture: Exhibitors may enter 12 exhibits with only 1 entry per variety.*
2. *Floriculture: Exhibitors may enter 8 exhibits with only 1 entry per variety (for example: 1 double petunia and 1 single petunia, but not a pink single petunia and a purple single petunia.)*
3. *Crops: Exhibitors are not limited*

1. Read "General Rules"
2. 4-H members will sign up for conference judging time when they enter their exhibits.
3. The following awards may be presented in this department:
  - a. Horticulture: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion
  - b. Floriculture: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion
  - c. Crops: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion
4. Read "General Rules"
5. If the exhibitor (age 9 and older) receives a purple on a vegetable that will be out of season at State Fair time, they may substitute another vegetable in its place at the Kansas State Fair.
6. Exhibit vegetables on disposable plates or in box flats. The exhibitors name must be on the bottom of any container or plate. Labels are available at the Extension Office.
7. The common name of the flower should be written on the entry tag. When exhibiting the flower, keep appropriate foliage with the flower, but remove foliage below the water line.
8. The flowers, foliage, and filler must be home-raised by the exhibitor. Containers may be purchased and disposable containers are recommended. The fair personnel are not responsible for the loss or damage of any vases or containers.
9. For further information, consult "Exhibiting and Judging Fruits and Vegetables" KSU Extension Publication XC-405.
10. Quality and condition of the exhibit will be considered. Choose vegetables for exhibit that will hold up well during the fair. Avoid over-ripe or over-mature specimens. Those that are slightly under-ripe or slightly immature when picked may last longer.

## **Horticulture -**

Class 1701 - Garden Display - limited to 4 square feet of space. The Garden Display should be exhibited in a tray, basket or container that can be easily moved by the fair staff. The exhibit should consist of 5 different types of fresh vegetables or fruits. Canned products and shelled vegetables are not acceptable. Only 1 variety of each type of vegetable or fruit may be exhibited. The numbers of the 5 different types of vegetables or fruits to be exhibited are as follows:

Large Vegetables: 1 each (cabbage, cantaloupe, eggplant, large pumpkin, squash, watermelon)

Medium Vegetables: 5 each (beets, carrots, cucumbers, decorative gourds, potatoes, miniature pumpkins, okra, onions, peppers, radishes, sweet potatoes, tomatoes, other similar sized vegetables)

Small Vegetables: one dozen (green snap beans, wax beans, English peas, or other similar sized vegetables)

Small Fruits: one half pint box (strawberries, blackberries, raspberries, or other similar sized fruits)

Tree fruits: 5 each (apples, pears, peaches, or other similar sized fruits.

Grapes: 2 bunches

Class 1702 - Small Vegetable Specimen Plate (12). Examples: green snap beans, yellow wax beans, other small vegetables.

Class 1703 - Medium Vegetable Specimen Plate (5) Examples: cherry tomatoes, tomatoes, beets, white onions, yellow onions, red onions, bell peppers, other peppers, okra, parsnips, radishes, turnips, sweet potatoes, red potatoes, white or Russet potatoes, carrots, decorative gourds, miniature pumpkins, other medium vegetables.

Class 1704 - Large Vegetable Specimen Plate (1) Examples: watermelon, summer squash, winter squash, large pumpkin, pumpkin, eggplant, cabbage, cantaloupe, other large vegetable.

Class 1705 - Fresh Culinary Herbs (6) Examples: parsley, basil, dill, etc. 6 stems (or comparable quantity) of ONE VARIETY of fresh herbs exhibited in a disposable container of water. Dried herbs are not accepted.

Class 1706 - Small Fruits (one half pint box) Examples: strawberries, blackberries, raspberries, other similar sized fruits.

Class 1707 - Tree Fruits (5) Examples: apples, pears, peaches, or other similar sized fruits.

Class 1708 - Grapes (2 bunches)

Class 1709 - Horticulture Notebook: Entry shall consist of a notebook or three ring binder of written narrative describing a horticulture project such as a landscape design, landscape installation, lawn renovation, water garden, flower garden, vegetable garden, lawn mowing service, landscape maintenance business, farmer's market business, or other horticulture project. Exhibitors are encouraged to include photographs, illustrations, and/or landscape drawings that help explain work done by the member. Photos taken from the same location before, during and after the completion of the project are particularly helpful. May enter up to 2 notebooks.

## **Floriculture**

Class 1710 - Annual Garden Flower (cut specimen, single stem)

Class 1711 - Perennial Garden Flower (cut specimen, single stem)

Class 1712 - Fresh Flower Arrangement (flower materials must be grown and/or collected by exhibitor, not purchased)

Class 1713 - Dried Flower Arrangement (no fabric or plastic material allowed)

## **Crops**

-All exhibits must be identified by the hybrid or variety name.

-All classes calling for a gallon sample may have a 2½" to 3" diameter cylinder placed in the glass gallon container to reduce the amount of grain to about 3 quarts.

-Exhibits should be as mature as possible.

Class 1714 - Hybrid Grain Sorghum (10 heads)

Class 1715 - Hybrid Forage Sorghum (10 heads, to consist of the entire plant, with no roots.

Class 1716 - Other Forage Sorghum (10 heads, to consist of the entire plant, with no roots)

Class 1717 - White Corn (10 ears)

Class 1718 - Yellow Corn (10 ears)

Class 1719 - Soft Red Winter Wheat (1 gallon)

Class 1720 - Hard Red Winter Wheat (1 gallon)

Class 1721 - Hard White Wheat (1 gallon)

Class 1722 - Confectionery Sunflower Heads (3 heads)

Class 1723 - Confectionery Sunflower Seeds (1 gallon)

Class 1724 - Sunflower Oil Seed Heads (3 heads)

Class 1725 - Sunflower Oil Seeds (1 gallon)

Class 1726 - Oats (1 gallon)

Class 1727 - Barley (1 gallon)

Class 1728 - Alfalfa (1 gallon)

Class 1729 - Alfalfa Hay (1 flake or slice from a rectangular bale or a 10" section cut from a round bale. Should be approximately 6" in thickness and tied in 2 directions.

Class 1730 - Grass hay (10" flake or slice, 6" thick and tied in 2 directions)

Class 1731 - Brome Grass (1 gallon)

Class 1732 - Other Tame Grasses (1 gallon)

Class 1733 - Soybeans (1 gallon)

Class 1734 - Soybeans (bundle of 5 plants)

Class 1735 - Edible Field Beans (1 gallon)

Class 1736 - Edible Field Beans (bundle of 5 plants, with roots intact)

Class 1737 - Miscellaneous Crops (1 gallon or 10 heads)

Class 1738 - Wheat Variety Plot Displays

The free standing displays must not exceed the overall dimensions of 36" wide x 36" high x 18" deep. Care should be taken to use durable materials that will withstand fair conditions. Displays must not require the use of electricity. For more information, see the Kansas State Fair book or contact the Extension Office.

# Department 18 PROJECT DISPLAYS

*Superintendent: Lori Bower*

Pre-Entries: Thursday, July 17

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 11:30 AM, Saturday, July 26

**<https://tinyurl.com/2025DisplaySpaceRequests>**

*LIMITS: Exhibitors may enter 1 exhibit per project area with a maximum of 3 exhibits.*

1. Read "General Rules"
2. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time when they enter their exhibits.
3. The following awards may be presented in this department: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected for the Junior (7-9), Intermediate (10-13), and Senior (14-18) age divisions.
4. Exhibitors are to make a complete card table display. Posters may be used. Tables will be provided. Exhibits should fit in a 30"x36" area against the wall.
5. Emphases of the display will be on telling the story of what was done in their 4-H project by using pictures, models, actual objects, etc. The display may show a process, finished product, before-after, something learned, etc. A WRITTEN STORY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED.
6. Please remember that neither the 4-H Fair, nor K-State Research and Extension, or McPherson County are liable for the loss or damage of any personal property included as part of your display.
7. All items used in the display must stay in the display for the duration of the 4-H Fair. Items used in the display cannot be taken and judged in another department.
8. Posters should not exceed 22"x30" and tri-fold displays should be a standard 3'x4'.
9. Be careful to not violate copyright laws, including but not limited to those regarding the 4-H Clover and K-State Research and Extension Logos. If you are in question of usage, contact the Extension Office for clarification.
10. This department is open to 4-H members in any project.
11. Displays will not be broken out by project area.
12. Scoring will be based on the following:
  - o 50% educational content
  - o 40% exhibitor's knowledge
  - o 10% Quality and Appearance of Display materials

\*Class 1802 - Junior Project Displays (Ages 7-9)

\*Class 1803 - Intermediate Project Displays - (Ages 10-13)

\*Class 1804 - Senior Project Displays (Ages 14 & Older)

## Department 19

# READING ADVENTURES

*Superintendent: Lori Bower*

Pre-Entries: Thursday, July 17

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 3:30 PM, Friday, July 25

**<https://tinyurl.com/2025DisplaySpaceRequests>**

*LIMITS: Exhibitors may enter 1 exhibit per class.*

1. Read "General Rules"
2. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time when they enter their exhibits.
3. The following awards may be presented in this department: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected for the Junior (7-9), Intermediate (10-13), and Senior (14-18) age divisions.
4. Exhibitors are to make a complete table display. Posters may be used. Tables will be provided. Exhibits should fit in a 30"x36" area against the wall on the table top.
5. Emphasis of the display will be on telling what you have learned in the reading project by using pictures, models, actual objects, etc. The focus can be on a specific book, book series, author, etc.
6. Please remember that neither the 4-H Fair nor K-State Research and Extension are liable for the loss or damage of any personal property included as part of your display.
7. All items used in the display must stay in the display for the duration of the 4-H Fair. Items used in the display cannot be taken out and judged in another department.
8. Posters should not exceed 22" x 30" and tri-fold displays should be a standard 3'x4'.
9. Be careful as you put your display together that you are not in violation of copyright laws, including those regarding the 4-H Clover and K-State Research and Extension Logo. If you feel it is in question, please contact the Extension Office for clarification.
10. Scoring will be based on the following:
  - o 50% Educational content
  - o 40% Exhibitor's knowledge
  - o 10% Quality and Appearance of Display Materials

Class 1901 - Reading for pleasure

Class 1902 - Reading for project enhancement

## Department 20

### SELF-DETERMINED

*Superintendent: Dave Moore*

Pre-Entries: Thursday, July 17

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 4:00 PM, Friday, July 25

**<https://tinyurl.com/2025DisplaySpaceRequests>**

1. Read "General Rules"
2. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time when they enter their exhibits.
3. The following awards may be presented in this department: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be awarded for each age category.
4. All items used in the display must stay in the display for the duration of the 4-H fair. Items used in the display may not be taken out and judged in another department.
5. Posters may be used. Tables will be provided. Table top exhibits should fit in a 30" x 36" area against the wall.

\*Class 2001 - Self-determined project



# Department 21

## SEWING AND TEXTILE DESIGN

*Superintendents: Brittany Mann*

Entry Time: 1:00 PM, Monday, July 21  
Location: McPherson Community Building  
Judging Time: 1:00 PM, Monday, July 21

**Limits:** Exhibitors may enter 2 exhibitors in each class. No garments may be entered in more than 1 class.

1. Read "General Rules"
2. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time at check-in.
3. The following awards will be presented in this department: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected in each age division.
4. An "Article" is an item constructed in this project such as a pillow, quillow, backpack, laundry bag, garment bag, or other items. They can be hand or machine sewn and could include applique or machine embroidery.
5. A "Garment" can be a skirt, vest, blouse, shirt, slacks, dress, coat, jumper, etc.
6. A "Two-Piece Outfit" is two pieces that can be worn together at the same time but not necessarily a complete outfit.
7. A "Three-Piece Outfit" means that at least two of the pieces can be worn together at the same time. The third piece could be worn with one or both, but not necessarily at the same time. This does not have to be a complete outfit. For example, three pieces not worn at the same time could be a skirt, blouse, and pants, or one skirt and two blouses.
8. A "Recycled Clothing Project" is an item made of at least 50% recycled material (recycled means reusing an existing item in a new way). This could be remaking/redesigning a garment, re-purposing a clothing item for a new use, etc. It must include sewing of some kind. A 3"x5" index card MUST accompany the entry describing the recycled materials and how they were used in the item.
9. In the "Educational Exhibit Class" the exhibitor should share with others what they have learned in this project. Exhibits may be in the form of a poster, notebook, or display. No card table displays are allowed. If the exhibit is a poster, it must not be larger than 22"x30". If the exhibit is a display, the maximum size is a commercial 3'x4' tri-fold display board. Follow copyright laws as explained in the General Rules as you are preparing your exhibit. Care should be taken to use durable materials that will withstand fair conditions. The exhibitors name and county must be clearly marked on the Educational Exhibit. See suggestions in the "Going Further section of the notebook lesson plan for ideas.
10. Items must be of the same difficulty and skill level as the level you are enrolled. Ribbon placing may be reduced if skill level does not meet the level you are enrolled in.

11. Pre-cut kits are acceptable for all clothing classes. All items must be finished for use.
12. Garments may have been worn previously but must be carefully laundered before exhibiting.
13. Place the entry form on the front left shoulder seam or on the left side of the waistband of the garment.
14. Items should be hung on swivel or wire hangers. The hanger opening should be facing to the left so that the hanger opening faces the attached entry form.
15. Care labels are not required, however, exhibitors should know the care of their garment.
16. Exhibitors are to bring the pattern for each entry to the conference judging.
17. Constructed clothing items used in the Fashion Revue must return to be displayed at the 4-H Fair.

### **Junior (age 7-9)**

Class 2101 - Article

Class 2102 - Garment

Class 2103 - Two-piece coordinated outfit

Class 2104 - Recycled Clothing Project

Class 2105 - Educational Exhibit

### **Intermediate (ages 10-13)**

Class 2106 - Article

Class 2107 - Garment

Class 2108 - Two/Three Piece Coordinated Outfit

Class 2109 - Recycled Clothing Project

Class 2110 - Educational Exhibit

### **Senior (ages 14-18)**

Class 2111 - Article

Class 2112 - Garment

Class 2113 - Two/Three Piece Coordinated Outfit

Class 2114 - Recycled Clothing Project

Class 2115 - Educational Exhibit

# Department 22 SHOOTING SPORTS

*Superintendent: Shelby & Quentin Shaw*

Pre-Entries: Thursday, July 17

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 11:00 AM, Saturday, July 26

**<https://tinyurl.com/2025DisplaySpaceRequests>**

**LIMITS: Exhibitors may enter 1 exhibit per class.**

1. Read "General Rules:
2. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference time when they enter their exhibits.
3. The following awards may be presented in this department: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected for each age division.
4. Tables will be provided. Exhibits should fit in a 3'x4' area against the wall.
5. Exhibits in this department are open to educational or creative displays.
6. Please remember that neither the 4-H Fair nor K-State Research and Extension are liable for the loss or damage of any personal property included as part of your display.
7. All items used in the display must stay in the display for the duration of the 4-H Fair. Items used in the display cannot be taken out and judged in another department.
8. Promotional Posters must be flat and should not exceed 22"x30" and the Educational displays must be a standard 3'x4' tri-fold. Notebooks must be displayed in an 8.5"x11" 3-ring binder. Exhibits exceeding the size guidelines will be docked one ribbon color from the judges selection.
9. Care should be taken to use durable materials that will withstand fair conditions.
10. No "live" ammunition containing propellant or explosive powders may be used in any display. Artistic substitutes must be used in lieu of powder and "live" ammunition.
11. Be careful as you put your display together that you are not in violation of copyright laws, including those regarding the 4-H Clover and K-State Research and Extension Logo. If you feel it is in question, please contact the Extension Office for clarification.
12. Only one entry per exhibitor is allowed at the Kansas State Fair. If two purples are received the exhibitor must choose by the State Fair Entry deadline - see "General Rules"
13. Name, county or district, age and year in project should be on the front of the poster, display or notebook.
14. Displays will be judged on the following:
  - o 15 pts - stopping power
  - o 15 pts - interest/holding power
  - o 15 pts - 4-H Project application
  - o 05 pts - Mechanical power
  - o 25 pts - Personal Growth
  - o 25 pts - Educational Value
  - Poster scoring:
    - o 30 - Stopping power
    - o 30 - interest/holding power
    - o 25 - 4-H project application
    - o 15 - Mechanical power

**CLASSES:**

- 2201 - Educational Display: must be directly related to Shooting Sports project
- 2202 - Promotional Poster: must promote 4-H Shooting Sports
- 2203 - Notebook: pertains to a phase, results, story, or information about Shooting Sports

## Department 23 STEM

*Superintendent: Kruse Family*

Entry Time: 3:30 PM, Friday, July 25

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 3:30 PM, Friday, July 25

*LIMITS: Exhibitors may enter 2 exhibits in each class.*

1. Read "General Rules"
2. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time.
3. Grand and Reserve Grand Champion may be presented for each of the following sections. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected for each age division.

### **ASTRONOMY**

1. Open to all members enrolled in astronomy.
2. Telescopes entered in this division may be built from a kit or by original design. Pre-finished telescopes which require no construction or painting are not acceptable exhibits.
3. Telescopes are limited to no more than three feet in length. They must be placed on a stationary stand that doesn't allow the telescope to roll and/or fall over. The stand can't extend past 2' in length or width.
4. Each telescope exhibit must include a "4-H Astronomy Exhibit Information Form" which should be attached to the outside of a 10"x13" manilla envelope. You must also include construction plans (or a photocopy) of the telescope and place it inside the manilla envelope).
5. Two photographs showing telescope construction and operation are required. Photographs should be mounted on one side of an 8.5x11 page. A brief caption should accompany each photo. Place photos in the manilla envelope.
6. The telescope must be properly assembled and painted with a smooth and uniform finish. Decals, if used, should be attached smooth and tight.
7. Telescopes designed by the exhibitor must be original, not a modification of an existing kit.
8. Educational Displays should be creative and showcase something specific you have learned in the Astronomy Project during the current 4-H year. Be sure to follow copyright laws as you are preparing your exhibit. Site your sources of scientific information on your exhibit, when appropriate.
9. Educational Displays are limited to a 3x4' tri-fold display board. No cardboard table exhibits will be allowed. Care should be taken to use durable materials that will withstand fair conditions.
10. Exhibitor's name, county, club, and year in the project must be tagged or prominently displayed on the Telescope.
11. Astronomy educational posters must be no larger than a 22"x30" poster board.
12. Astronomy Project Notebooks must be in a 3-ring binder.

Class 2301 - Telescope made from kit

Class 2302 - Telescope made from Original Design

Class 2303 - Astronomy Educational Display

Class 2304 - Astronomy Educational Notebook

Class 2305 - Astronomy Educational Poster

## **ROBOTICS**

1. Open to members enrolled in the Robotics Project.
2. Each robot must be free-standing, without the need for additional supports in order to be moved or exhibited. Each exhibit must include a robot, information packets are not a sufficient exhibit.
3. Robots must have automated articulated structures (arms, wheels, grippers, etc.). Game consoles that display on a screen are not considered robots and should either be entered in computer systems division or energy management project. Robots requiring no assembly, just programming, such as Ozobots, are considered computer systems as the skill is focused on the programming, not the construction of the project.
4. Robot dimensions should not exceed 2 feet high by 2 feet wide by 2 feet deep, and may not exceed 15 pounds.
5. All electrical components of the robot must be adequately covered or concealed with a protective enclosure. Paper is NOT considered an adequate enclosure or covering for electrical components.
6. Robots must be powered by an electrical, battery, water, or solar source only. Junk drawer robots may be powered by a non-traditional power source. Robots powered by fossil fuels/flammable liquids will be disqualified. Robots that include weaponry of any kind will be disqualified.
7. Remote controlled robots are allowed under certain conditions provided the robot is not drivable. Robotic arms (hydraulic or electric), are allowed. A remote is allowed provided more than a single action happens when a single button is pushed on the remote. Remote controlled cars, boats, planes, or action figures are not allowed.
8. Each robot must be in working condition. The judges will operate each robot to evaluate it's workmanship and it's ability to complete it's intended task.
9. Each exhibitor is required to complete the "4-H Space Tech Robotics Exhibit Information Form." This form must be attached to the outside of a 10"x13" manila envelope.
10. The exhibit must include written instructions for operation (the instructions should be written as if they were to tell a grandparent or elderly person how to operate the robot), construction plans, and one to three pages of project photographs. In addition, a 5-minute video presentation placed on a CD, DVD, USB Drive, or similar storage device, if applicable (requirements waived for 4-H Fair). For robots that can be programmed, programming information must be included, this information should be placed in manila envelope. The exhibitor may enter their electronic project listed under the electric program as under the SpaceTech robotics project if the exhibitor so chooses. No exhibitor will be allowed to set up their robot in person.
11. Creativity, workmanship, and functionality will be strong criteria in judging the "robot designed by exhibitor" class. All robots should have a purpose or intended function, examples include but are not limited to: following a line, sweeping the floor, solving a rubix cube, sorting colors, climbing stairs, etc.
12. Exhibitor's name, club, and county must be tagged or labeled prominently on the exhibit.
13. Educational displays are limited to one 2'x3' tri-fold display board and no more than 3x3' of table space. No cardboard table exhibits will be allowed. Care should be taken to use durable materials to withstand fair conditions. No electricity will be provided.
  - a. Team project notebooks must be in a 3-ring binder and should highlight information about roles of each team member, drawings, charts, photographs, goals, and objectives of your project, and all robotic competitions your team has competed in during the current 4-H year.

NOTE - no videos required at county level.

## **ROBOTICS**

Class 2306 - Robot made from a commercial (purchased) kit

Class 2307 - Robot designed and constructed by exhibitor - the robot must not be a mere modification of an existing robot kit or plan.

Class 2308 - Programmable robot made from a commercial (purchased) kit

Class 2309 - Junk drawer robotics

Class 2310 - Educational Poster, Display or Notebook

Class 2311 - Team robotics project : Robot designed and constructed by 2 or more 4-H STEM project members. The robot must not be a mere modification of an existing robot kit or plan. The robot may be a programmable type that is made from a commercial (purchased) kit. This division is designed to encourage teamwork and cooperation among 4-H STEM members. As with many high-tech projects today, no one person designs and builds a robot alone. It takes the brainstorming, planning, problem solving, and cooperation of an entire team to complete a given robotics project. Exhibitors in this division will be assigned a task for their robots to perform. The tasks are changed annually. Please visit the STEM website for the current years task. Click on the KSF packet link.

Class 2312 - Team Educational Robotics Poster, Display, or Notebook.

## **ROCKETRY**

1. Each exhibitor may enter two rockets constructed during the current year. The rocket must have been flown. Each rocket exhibited must be able to stand freely by itself or be supported on a wooden base.
2. Each exhibitor is required to complete the "4-H Space Tech Rocketry Exhibit Information Form" which is available at the Extension Office. The report that accompanies the rocket must be limited to this form which is glued to a 10"x13" envelope. Plans (or a photocopy) must be placed inside the envelope. This includes original design rockets. If a rocket kit has been modified structurally, notations need to be given indicating the changes made. One or more photographs of the rocket at the launch site are required. Photographs showing the rocket at the moment of ignition are preferred. Photographs should be mounted on one side of 8.5"x11" page.
3. In judging entries, the display method will NOT be considered. Judging WILL be based on the quality of workmanship and quality of finish.
4. Engines and ignitor are not permitted with the exhibit.
5. Angles of the fins must fall within a plus or minus 2 degrees variation.
6. Exhibit must be uniformly painted, smoothly finished, have decals applied smoothly, and be properly assembled according to accompanying plans.
7. Beginner kits with prefabricated fin assemblies and pre-finished rockets requiring no painting are NOT acceptable.
8. Exhibitors who exhibit a rocket using a size E engine or larger will be required to provide National Association of Rocketry (NAR) membership number on the exhibit information sheet.
9. Rocket is a high-power rocket if it uses an "H" engine or larger to launch, the total impulse of all engines used in the rocket is 160.01 Newton-seconds of thrust, or includes any airframes, parts of ductile metal, though the use of ductile metal is strongly discouraged.
10. If a burn ban is in place for McPherson County, exhibitors are not required to launch their rockets. All requirements for the launching of rockets for the 4-H fair and the documenting of the launching are suspended for the duration of the ban.
11. Exhibits that meet the above guidelines MAY NOT meet the qualifications for the Kansas State Fair. Exhibitors may get a copy of the State Fair guidelines from the McPherson County Extension Office.

12. For the purposes of Kansas 4-H SpaceTech a mid-powered rocket is defined as a rocket that uses an "E" "F" "G" or equivalent engine for launch. In addition, rockets also qualify for mid-power if they meet any of the following criteria:

- Is 2 inches or greater in diameter (not including fins) and taller than 3 feet (36 inches including fins) and do not use an engine(s) exceeding 160.01 Newton seconds of total impulse (an H engine equivalent or above).
- The total impulse of all engines used in the rocket is greater than 20.01 Newton-seconds and less than 160.01 Newton-seconds.

## **ROCKETRY CLASSES**

Class 2313 - Rocket made from kit. Include plans.

Class 2314 - Rocket designed by exhibitor, not merely a modification of an existing kit. Include original plans.

Class 2315 - Rocket designed by one or more exhibitors, not merely a modification of an existing kit. Include original plans. (This class is designed to encourage teamwork among individuals and clubs to work on a rocket from the initial design to the finished product.

Class 2316 - Rocket designed by exhibitor that uses alternative skins; not merely a modification of an existing kit, include original plans. For exhibitors 14-18.

Class 2317 - High power rocket made from kit or original design

Class 2318 - Rocketry Educational Display

Class 2319 - Rocketry Notebook

Class 2320 - Rocketry Poster Board

## **COMPUTERS**

1. The 4-H computer project teaches concepts related to computers; hardware knowledge; software programming and applications; internet safety; the building, maintenance, and repair of computers; and future career opportunities. Please note that the actual construction of computer hardware will remain in the Energy Management division.
2. The 4-H members must be currently enrolled in the 4-H STEM project to exhibit in this division.
3. Each exhibitor may enter one exhibit per class. The exhibit must have been completed during the current 4-H year.
4. Educational display boards, poster, and notebooks should be creative and showcase details about the knowledge learned in the computer project. Value is placed on youth who can demonstrate how their skills have increased while completing the project.
5. Each exhibit will be judged on uniqueness, creativity, neatness, accuracy of material, knowledge gained, and content.
6. Follow copyright laws, as explained in the General Rules, as you are preparing your exhibits. Sources of scientific information must be cited on the front of your exhibit, including all posters and educational display boards.
7. For notebooks, display boards, posters, no additional exhibit information is required. No manila envelope is needed for this exhibits, as in some phases of Space Tech.
8. Educational displays and posters are not to exceed a standard size 3'x4' tri-fold display board, or 22"x30" poster. Any three-dimensional display exhibits may not be thicker than 1".
9. Project notebooks must be organized in a 3-ring binder.
10. Exhibitor's name, county, 4-H age, and years(s) in project must be tagged or displayed in a prominent location on the project.

Classes:

2321 Computer Educational Poster

2322 Computer Display Board

2323 Computer Notebook

## **Computer Systems**

The Kansas 4-H STEM Computer Systems portion of the computer project is designed to allow 4-H members to explore how information is moved from one part of the computer to the other; how information is moved between two or more computer systems (networking); how information is stored; or how information is acted on (programming). Any item which is not a notebook, display board, or poster displayed in this class is considered a "computer system" exhibit and MUST follow the rules set forth below.

1. All exhibits must be:
  - a. Self-contained on a USB Drive (thumb drive, flash drive, jump drive, or any other name for a small USB storage device; the rules will use "USB Drive"). This means that a judge can plug the USB drive into a computer and be able to run the exhibit as described below. OR system-on-a-chip (SOC) such as Raspberry Pi, OR a micro-controller (such as an Arduino or Ozobot) AND is a compact (less than 4-8"x4-8"x4-8") system, which can be programmed AND requires minimal assembly to operate (e.g. connecting power, display, and keyboard/mouse cables). Referred to as a "chip system" through the rest of the rules.
2. Physical computers such as tablets, smart phones, laptops, or personal computers (PCs) will not be accepted as an exhibit.
3. "Chip systems" may use/include GPIO bread boards or HATs (Hardware Attached on Top) the size of which is not included in the size of the chip system, however the total size of the chip system and GPIO devices may not exceed 24"x24"x24" including any protective enclosures.
4. Any attached GPIO devices are not judges for electrical construction or quality as automated articulated structures (arms, wheels, grippers, etc.) which the exhibitor constructed, can also be classified as a robot, and the exhibitor must decide which division to exhibit in as the exhibit may not be entered in both divisions.
5. For chip systems, all electronic components of the system must be adequately covered or concealed with a protective enclosure. Paper is NOT considered an adequate enclosure or covering for the electrical components.
6. All revisions of all forms previously released for the SpaceTech division either undated or dated prior to current year are void for use and new forms must be obtained and used that are dated by the Kansas State 4-H Office for the current year. Use of old forms will result in the loss of one ribbon placing for exhibits.
7. For all computer system entries, the following items are required as part of an exhibit packet:
  - a. A manila envelope with the Computer Exhibit Form attached to the front, this form can be downloaded at [www.STEM4KS.com](http://www.STEM4KS.com)
  - b. A USB drive labeled with the 4-H members name, county/district, and club, in a way that does not prevent it from being plugged into a computer.
  - c. For exhibits that are entered on USB drives, at least (1) graphic (picture/screen shot/capture, slide, etc.) of the project must be printed out on an 8.5" x 11" sheet of standard computer paper and **and placed in a plastic sheet protector** to allow for proper display and recognition at the Kansas State Fair. This is what will be displayed during the fair. All other materials will be sent back to the county/district office/ On the back side of the graphic, the 4-H members name, county/district, and club should be listed.
  - d. Instructions to run any part of the exhibit on the USB Drive (there should be at least three items in your manila envelope: USB Drive, graphic, and instruction.



8. Each exhibit must be accompanied by a “4-H Engineer’s Journal.” The engineer’s journal should be typed. It can either be included electronically on the USB Drive (preferred) or printed and placed in the manila envelope.
  - a. The 4-H Engineer’s Journal should start with a dated entry describing what the 4-H member is trying to accomplish/build.
  - b. The 4-H Engineer’s journal should conclude with a dated entry describing what the 4-H member achieved in creating. The start and end many times will be different, the judges are interested in the journey.
  - c. Additional entries in the 4-H Engineer’s Journal should be made as progress occurs, describing successes and failures, as well as the steps done and any sources of information including links used.
  - d. Pictures can also be used in the Engineer’s Journal, but should not be more than 50% of the entries.
  - e. The 4-H engineer’s journal should contain at least one graphic.
  - f. The 4-H engineer’s journal should be at least 3 pages in length.
  - g. An example of a 4-H engineers journal can be found at [www.STEM4KS.com](http://www.STEM4KS.com)
  - h. The 4-H engineer’s journal will comprise 50% of the overall exhibit score. Failure to include a 4-H engineer’s journal will results in the exhibit being disqualified.
9. If the exhibit is a program, application, app, web site, or requires any coding, the source code must be included on the USB drive. Failure to include a copy of the course code may result in up to one ribbon place deduction.
10. Diagrams or decision trees showing the logical flow of the system must be included on the USD drive for all exhibits.
11. Since there is no conference judging at the Kansas State Fair, a set of instructions must be provided to run the computer system/application. These instructions should be printed off and included in the exhibit package, and a copy should be included on the USB Drive.
  - a. FOR COUNTY FAIRS it is recommended that 4-H members bring a computer that will run their project to the fair for judging as judges typically do not bring computers with them. Operating instructions are still required.
  - b. Instructions should be written as though you were helping a less techy person (like a grandparent) use the USB drive with a computer similar to what is described in rule 9. An example of instructions can be found at [www.STEM4KS.com](http://www.STEM4KS.com)
12. Each exhibit must accomplish a specific automated task using a computer, a chip system, or virtual machine (VM).
13. Kansas State Fair Judge(s) in the computer systems division will have a physical computer with the following minimum configuration to test exhibits with and view files:
  - a. Microsoft Windows® 10
  - b. Microsoft Office® Home 2010 (Excel, Power Point, & Word)
  - c. Microsoft Internet Explorer®
  - d. Mozilla Firefox® Browser
  - e. Google Chrome® Browser
  - f. Adobe Acrobat Reader®
  - g. Apache OpenOffice® VMware Player
  - h. Windows 64bit Scratch Desktop editor (offline version)

14. Exhibitors should not assume that computers in rule 9 have internet connectivity and any parts of the exhibit that require Internet access will not work. It is strongly recommended that exhibitors test exhibits without Internet use. State fair judges WILL have internet connectivity.
15. Kansas 4-H STEM has made available Linux Virtual Machines (VMs) that can be downloaded and used to create projects on such as web servers, networking, and many other projects. For more information on how these VMs can be leveraged or how to download them visit [www.STEM4ks.com](http://www.STEM4ks.com) . Exhibitors are not required to use the VMs, they are optional.
16. All licensing should be adhered to for all software used in the exhibit. Failure to do so will result in reduction of one ribbon placing and may not be considered for champions.
17. The creation of viruses, malware, malicious applications or code, defamatory language or graphics, bullying, or any material that is “mean,” “dangerous,” or harmful according to the judge’s opinion will result in the exhibit being disqualified.
18. Pictures or graphics created are not eligible for entry as a project in this division, and should be entered in the appropriate Photography division.
19. Judging will be based on a scoresheet will can be found at [www.STEM4KS.com](http://www.STEM4KS.com) . There are 4 areas each exhibit will be judged on:
  - a. 4-H Engineers Journal (what I learned to make it work) 50%
  - b. Instructions (how I help others make it work) 25%
  - c. Functionality (does it work?) 12%
  - d. Diagrams and code if applicable (how I think it works) 13%

#### **COMPUTER SYSTEM CLASSES:**

- 2324 - Computers program application, app, script, or coded system that is new and unique (not merely a file run in a program, such as a “word doc” or a picture drawn in “Microsoft paint”
- 2325 - Computer Presentation (Powerpoint, web page/site, animated graphics, etc.
- 2326 - Single computer system (web server, database server, etc.)
- 2327 - Networked system consisting of two or more computers
- 2328 - Chip system - a small (4-8" x 4-8" x 4-8") programmed physical device that accomplishes a specific task.

## **AG MECHANICS AND WELDING**

1. Exhibitors must be currently enrolled in the Kansas 4-H Engineering and Technology - Ag Mechanics and Welding project.
2. Each exhibitor may enter one exhibit per class.
3. Wheeled exhibits must utilize a braking mechanism which prevents the exhibit from freely rolling while on display.
4. Each exhibit must be free-standing or sufficiently supported by an exhibitor supplied support system that is moveable and is part of the total dimensions and weight of the exhibit as described previously. Exhibit boards should have a portable and moveable base. No exhibits may be staked to the ground for display.
5. Top heavy items should be braced or placed in a stand sufficient to prevent it from toppling over while on display.
6. Exhibits may not be bound, affixed, attached to the buildings, except by the superintendent or Extension Staff.
7. Painting or spot painting on projects is not allowed after arrival on fairgrounds. If wet paint is detected by judges or superintendents, one ribbon placing will be deducted.
8. Repair projects having adequate original finish need not be repainted.
9. Cutting surfaces, such as blades or knives, are to have a protective covering over them to prevent injury. The covering should be easily removed and reinstalled for judging. Foam "pool noodles" and multiple layers of cardboard are acceptable.
10. Exhibits that include weaponry of any kind will be disqualified. Weaponry is defined as any instrument, possession, or creation, physical and/or electrical, that is intended to be used to inflict damage and/or harm to individuals, animal life, and/or property.
11. If the exhibit is powered by flammable liquids (gasoline, propane, kerosene, etc.), the fuel tank and lines should be drained and allowed to dry, to avoid potential spills and fires.
12. Electric powered (battery, corded, solar, or alternative energy) should have a primary shutoff or disconnect switch.
13. If a safety violation is noted by the judges, superintendent, or other staff, the exhibit will at judge's discretion receive a ribbon deduction or participation ribbon.
14. The exhibitor's name and county must be tagged or labeled in a prominent location on the display.
15. Each exhibit must include an Ag Mechanics information packet. Entry of just a packet without an accompanying exhibit is not a sufficient exhibit.
16. Each exhibitor is required to complete the "4-H Stem Ag Mechanics Exhibit Information Form" which is available through your local K-State Research and Extension Office or at [www.STEM4KS.com](http://www.STEM4KS.com) . This form must be attached to the outside of a 10"x13" manilla envelope. Do not tie the envelope to the exhibit.
17. Each exhibit information packet should include the following items:
  - o Bill of materials for the project with associated costs, scrap items may be listed as having a \$0 cost.
  - o One to five pages of photos showing work on the exhibit, preferably from a beginning state to final or completed state.
  - o If appropriate, schematics or working drawings related to the creation or repair
  - o If appropriate, operating instructions.

\*\*\*NOTE - No videos will be required at the 4-H Fair, but are required for state fair (see general rules for entry deadlines)

## **Classes:**

### **Introductory - Level 1 classes (1 - 3 years of experience)**

- 2329 - Welding Display Board – a 3 foot by 3 foot display board with different pieces of metal attached illustrating different types of welds, each weld being labeled
- 2330 - Level 1 Welding Ag Repair – repair of ag equipment with welding
- 2331 - Level 1 Welding Ag Fabrication – creation of new ag equipment with welding
- 2332 - Level 1 Welding General Repair – repair of non-ag equipment with welding
- 2333- Level 1 Welding General Fabrication – creation of non-ag equipment with welding
- 2334 - Level 1 Welding Artistic Fabrication – creation of artistic or interpretive pieces with welding
- 2335 - Level 1 Brazing repair
- 2336 - Level 1 Brazing fabrication
- 2337 - Smithing display board – a 3 foot by 3 foot display board with different pieces of forged metal attached illustrating different forms, each form being labeled
- 2338 - Level 1 Smithing – A design forged with at least one formed element (twists or spirals for example)

### **Experienced – Level 2 classes (4 - 6 years of experience)**

- 2339 - Level 2 Welding ag repair – repair of ag equipment with welding
- 2340 - Level 2 Welding ag fabrication – creation of new ag equipment with welding
- 2341 - Level 2 Welding general repair – repair of non-ag equipment with welding
- 2342 - STEM – Ag Mechanics Level 2 Welding general fabrication – creation of non-ag equipment with welding
- 2343 - STEM – Ag Mechanics Level 2 Welding artistic fabrication – creation of artistic or interpretive pieces with welding
- 2344 - Level 2 Brazing repair
- 2345 - Level 2 Brazing fabrication
- 2346 - Level 2 Smithing – A design forged with at least two different formed elements (twists and spirals for example)

### **Advanced - Level 3 classes (7-9 years of experience)**

- 2347 - Level 3 Welding Ag Repair - repair of ag equipment with welding
- 2348 - 3 Welding General Repair - repair of non-ag equipment with welding
- 2349 - Level 3 Welding General Fabrication - Creation of non-ag equipment with welding
- 2350 - Level 3 Welding Artistic Fabrication - Creation of artistic or interpretive pieces with welding
- 2351 - Level 3 Brazing repair
- 2352 - Level 3 Brazing Fabrication
- 2353 - Level 3 Smithing - A design forged with at least three different formed elements (twists, spirals and bulbs for example)

### **Master - Level 4 Classes (10+ years of experience)**

- 2354 - Level 4 Welding Ag Repair - repair of ag equipment with welding
- 2355 - Level 4 Welding Ag Fabrication - creation of new ag equipment with welding
- 2356 - Level 4 Welding General Repair - Repair of non-ag equipment with welding
- 2357 - Level 4 Welding General Fabrication - creation of non-ag equipment with welding
- 2358 - Level 4 Welding Artistic Fabrication - creation of artistic or interpretive pieces with welding
- 2359 - Level 4 Brazing repair
- 2360 - Level 4 Brazing Fabrication
- 2361 - Level 4 Smithing - a design forged with at least four different elements (twists, spirals, and bulbs for example)

## **Building Block Construction**

1. Exhibitors must be currently enrolled in the Kansas 4-H Engineering and Technology - Building Block Engineering.
2. Each exhibitor may enter one exhibit. Exhibits must have been constructed during the current 4-H year.
3. Total exhibit dimensions may not exceed 2'x2'x2'.
4. It is recommended that all exhibits should be placed in a sturdy see through enclosure with a top, bottom, and 4 sides. A fish tank or plastic tub turned upside down with the contents on the lid would be an acceptable enclosure. This is to keep exhibit parts from being "scattered to parts unknown" at the fair. The outer dimensions of the enclosure are part of the total exhibit dimensions. (This is REQUIRED at the Kansas State Fair, but recommended for McPherson 4-H Fair.)
5. All components used in construction should be dust free, clean, free of chips, scuffs, or cracks.
6. The primary building component should be interlocking blocks, commonly known as the brand name Lego®.
7. Other components can be integrated into dioramas to illustrate architectural aspects that may be difficult to convey with traditional interlocking blocks, for example marbles or small round objects.
8. The use of existing "store-bought sets" for major architectural elements of the display is not allowed. Use of figurines from sets is allowed as is using individual bricks to create something different than the architectural component of the set it came from
9. The design should have a central theme, for example: a garage, a house, a shop. These can link back to architectural elements in the display, for example: toilets, chairs, sofas, plants, pianos, cars, garage doors, spaceships, animals, food, etc.
10. Displays must have significant architectural components (walls, windows, doors, roofs, canopies, flying buttresses, etc.) landscapes are encouraged.
11. Architectural components should have a consistent look, walls with no pattern or consistency will be deducted one ribbon placing.
12. Gaps or cracks should not be visible between assembled blocks.
13. Doors should open and close (large doors can be stationary), windows can be either fixed or open-and-close.
14. Vehicles that are intended to stay in a single place should be affixed to base plates with sticky tack, hot glue, or other method.
15. You can use a partial wall or no wall, called a reveal, to show what is happening inside of a structure (for example, having only three walls to allow an unobstructed view into the room).
16. Mechanical enhancements or motion elements that add motion to the diorama are acceptable and encouraged. For example, merry-go-rounds, doors, elevators, gears, animatronics, etc. If included, judges should be able to use them and instructions should be provided for operation.
17. Artistic designs with no architectural design/components are not permitted and two ribbon places will be deducted. (they are welcome in visual arts)
18. The exhibitors name and county must be tagged or labeled prominently.
19. Each exhibit must include a Building Block Construction information packet. Entry of just a packet without an accompanying exhibit is not a sufficient exhibit. These are available from the Extension Office or [www.STEM4KS.com](http://www.STEM4KS.com) and must be attached to a 10x13" manilla envelope. DO NOT TIE the form to the exhibit.
20. Each exhibit information packet should include the following:
  - At least one drawing of the desired architecture on graph paper with multiple views (top, front, side) are preferred. They do not need to be to scale.
  - One to five pages of photos showing work on the exhibit, preferably from a beginning to final or completed state.
  - If appropriate, operating instructions for mechanical portions of the diorama.

\*\*\*NOTE - No videos are required at the MP 4-H Fair, but are required for state fair. See general rules for entry deadlines.

## **Building Block Classes**

### **Introductory -**

#### **Level 1 (1-3 Years of Experience)**

- 2363 - Diorama illustrating at least 2 architectural features beyond floors, ceilings, and walls, and includes at least 1 or more motion elements.

### **Experienced -**

#### **Level 2 (4-6 Years of Experience)**

- 2364 - Diorama illustrating at least 4 architectural features beyond floors, ceilings, and walls, and includes at least 1 motion element

#### **Level 3 (7-9 Years of Experience)**

- 2365 - Diorama illustrating at least 6 architectural features beyond floors, ceilings, and walls, and includes at least 2 motion elements

#### **Level 4 (10+ years of experience)**

- 2366 - Diorama illustrating at least 8 architectural features beyond floors, ceilings, and walls, and includes at least 3 motion elements

## Department 24: VETERINARY SCIENCE

*Superintendent: Tiffany & Karly Durr*

*Brynn Kruse*

Entry Time: 8:30-11:00 AM, Friday, July 25

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 12:00 PM, Saturday, July 26

**<https://tinyurl.com/2025DisplaySpaceRequests>**

### *LIMITS: Exhibitors may enter 1 exhibit per class.*

1. Read "General Rules" Exhibitors will sign up for a conference time when they enter their exhibits.
2. The following awards may be presented in this department: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected for each age division.
3. A Veterinary Science Exhibit may consist of a poster, notebook, or project display. The exhibit may represent material from any of the Veterinary Science projects including entry level exhibits from Unit 1.
4. If photographs are to be part of the exhibit, remember that they will be viewed by the public. Graphic photographs of excessive bleeding, trauma, or painful procedures are not appropriate. For exhibits related to veterinary surgical practices, aseptic techniques need to be shown, for example: use of drapes, sterile procedures, wearing of gloves, and other appropriate veterinary medical practices.
5. Because of public safety concerns and risk of display theft, exhibits should not contain drugs, medications, or needles. Photographs, drawings, computer-generated print-outs, empty pharmaceutical packaging, or other such *safe* substitutions may be used.
6. Posters should be simple and direct, unlike a display which contains more information. Posters should not exceed 22"x30" and may be horizontal or vertical.
7. Displays may include but are not limited to: 3-dimensional exhibits, scale models, tools (no sharps), actual products (such as cleaned and disinfected skeletons, teeth, preserved samples of leather, fur, or dried skin damaged by disease or parasites, etc.), etc. Fresh samples of tissue, skin, manure, etc. (anything that could be categorized as a biohazard), will be disqualified, not displayed, and the exhibitor will not receive a ribbon or premium. Displays may also include tri-folds or poster board not to exceed 22"x28" or on 1/4" plywood or equivalent that does not exceed 24"x32". They may also include a three-ring binder or other bound book format not to exceed 8.5"x11".
8. Notebooks should be .5-1" three-ring binders.
9. Name, county, age, and year in project should be prominently displayed.
10. All references and information must be properly cited. Proper sources include (but are not limited to: professional journals and publications, professional AVMA accredited websites, interviews with veterinarians, excerpts from Veterinary Educational Literature, etc.
11. Plagiarism will result in disqualification, and the exhibitor will not receive a ribbon or premium.
12. Appropriate topics could include:
  - o Maintaining health
  - o Specific disease information
  - o Photographs of normal vs. abnormal characteristics
  - o Animal health or safety
  - o Public health or safety
  - o Proper animal management to ensure food safety and quality
  - o Efficient and safe livestock working facilities
  - o Other topics related to veterinary medicine or science

### Class:

2401 - Junior poster, display, notebook

2402 - Intermediate poster, display, notebook

2403 - Senior poster, display, notebook

## Department 25 VISUAL ARTS & CRAFTS

*Superintendents: Rhonda Toews Moore*

Entry Time: 1:30 PM, Friday, July 25

Judging Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 1:30 PM, Friday, July 25

Conference Judged

**LIMITS:** Exhibitors may enter a total of 6 entries with no more than 2 exhibits per medium or craft area. For example: 2 exhibits in ceramics, 1 3D item, 1 duct tape, 2 leather craft, etc. for a total of 6.

1. Read "General Rules."
2. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time beginning during check-in.
3. Each exhibitor needs to define for themselves if their exhibit is an Art or a Craft. The judge will accept your decision, however, each exhibitor may be asked to explain why the exhibit is an Art or a Craft.
4. All exhibits which need to be hung MUST have a wire or saw tooth hanger attached (no string or tape) in order to be properly displayed. If necessary hardware is not attached, it may not be displayed.
5. **FOR 2025**, an award option will be added for selection to display at the McPherson Public Library during McPherson 4-H's Highlight for the month of October. Entries that can be "wall-hung," such as paintings, window decorations, etc. can be considered for this selection. In addition, exhibits may be selected for display at the McPherson County Courthouse. For both contests, waivers must be signed, and exhibits must be returned to the office between Sept. 29th-30th, and picked up between November 4th-5th.
6. Exhibits for the Kansas State Fair will be selected by the judges (one per class 2501-2505). If a class is not represented, the judge *may choose* to substitute an extra entry in another class to fill the quota of five entries per county. Again, this is the judge's discretion.
7. The following awards may be presented in this department:
  - a. Arts - Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion (classes 2501-2503)
  - b. Crafts - Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion (classes 2504-2505)
  - c. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected for the Junior (7-9), Intermediate (10-13), and Senior (14-18) age divisions.

- \*Class 2501 - Fine Arts
- \*Class 2502 - Clay and Ceramics
- \*Class 2503 - Leather and Jewelry
- \*Class 2504 - Three-dimensional
- \*Class 2505 - General Crafts
- \*Class 2506 - Duct Tape Item
- \*Class 2507 - Lego Display



## Department 26

### WILDLIFE

*Superintendent: Zeke Durr, Matthew Seeger*

Entry Time: 8:30-11:00 AM, Friday, July 25

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 11:00 AM, Saturday, July 26

*LIMITS: exhibitors may enter one exhibit per class*

1. Read "General Rules" Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time when they enter their exhibits.
2. The following awards may be presented in this department: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected for each age division.
3. Types of exhibits in this division are open to educational or creative displays, educational posters, or notebooks. Follow copyright laws as explained in General rules as you are preparing your exhibit. Care should be taken to use durable materials that will withstand fair conditions.
4. If the exhibit is a poster, it must not be larger than 22"x28." If the exhibit is a display the maximum size is a 3x4' tri-fold display board. Tables will be provided for displays - do not bring a card table. Card table displays are not eligible for state fair.
5. Exhibitors must comply with state and federal laws. It is illegal to possess threatened or endangered wildlife, or the feathers, nests, or eggs of non-game birds. Game birds and game animals taken legally during an open season may be used. The use of live wild animals in educational exhibits is prohibited.
6. Notebooks and displays will be judged on the following points:
  - o 15 pts - Stopping Power - is the main idea specific? is the idea presented clearly, simply, forcefully?
  - o 15 pts - interest/holding power - does the exhibit give the observer additional facts in a clear, concise, informative way?
  - o 15 pts - Project Application - is the subject matter an effective showcase?
  - o 5 pts - Mechanical Power - Correct letter size, pleasing color combos, etc.
  - o 25 pts - Personal Growth - how much knowledge was gained by the exhibitor?
  - o 25 pts - Educational value - Knowledge shared? Note: Credit all citations, websites, books, etc. used in creating your exhibit.

Classes:

- 2601 - Notebook : Contents pertain to some phase, results, story, or information about the wildlife.
- 2602 - Educational Poster : Must relate to something learned in Wildlife Project (hangs flat on wall with no additional pieces)
- 2603 - Educational Display : Must relate to something learned in wildlife project (tri-folds, tabletop models, etc.)
- 2604 - Taxidermy/Tanning Exhibit : Should include an attachment that shows the work in progress through photos and captions, or a detailed journaling process.

## Department 27 WOODWORKING

*Superintendent: Paul & Robin Johnson, Jonathan Reazin*

Entry Time: 8:30-11:00APM, Friday, July 25

Location: 4-H Building

Judging Time: 1:00 PM, Friday, July 25

*LIMITS: Exhibitors may enter one exhibit per class.*

1. Exhibitors will sign up for a conference judging time when they enter their exhibits.
2. The following awards may be presented in this department: Grand and Reserve Grand Champion. Champion and Reserve Champion may be awarded to each age division.
3. Read "General Rules"
4. All exhibits must have been the work of the current 4-H year.
5. The plan from which is was constructed must be with the item exhibited. The plan may be a photocopy, the actual pattern, or a scale drawing (copies are recommended, the general public is within arms reach of your stuff). It must be complete and accurate to the extent that a duplicate article could be built using the plan as a guide, not just step-by-step instructions.
6. Projects with missing or insufficient plans will be lowered one ribbon placing.
7. The use of materials other than wood should be kept to a minimum.
8. The entry card, plans, and all other paperwork should be secured to the project in some manner. Tape is not usually adequate to accomplish this. It is recommended to use a zip top plastic bag with a hole punched through it to tie with string to the exhibit.
9. In judging woodworking items, consideration will be given to: workmanship, including accuracy of the plan; design; choice of wood; suitability and quality of finish; and usefulness.
10. Refinished/repainted furniture should be exhibited in Interior Design and Architecture.
11. Projects made from pre-cut kits are not allowed.

Classes:

2701 - Item for farm or shop use

2702 - Furniture for household or lawn use

2703 - Other woodwork: bird houses, bird feeders, knife racks, bread boards, etc.

# GENERAL LIVESTOCK RULES

## STATE FAIR ELIGIBILITY

- Read the state fair book and Grand Drive Rules
- All livestock members meeting age requirements are eligible to exhibit appropriately nominated animals at the Kansas State Fair.
- Rabbit & Poultry exhibits receiving a purple ribbon are eligible to exhibit at the State Fair - Entries are due to the extension office the Friday after the fair. \*\*SEE GENERAL RULES - KSF ELIGIBILITY
- Beef, Sheep, Swine, and Meat Goat, Dairy Goat, and Dairy Cattle exhibitors 9 years or older wanting to show at the state fair must follow the nomination and entry guidelines as outlined by the million emails sent from the state office, this process typically starts in March-April.

## Kansas State 4-H Horse Show Eligibility:

- Read the Kansas State 4-H Horse Show Rules
  - If a member chooses to show at county, district or state shows they may own or lease a horse, but must manage the horse 75% of the time, whether owned or leased. Youth are encouraged to participate in learning opportunities throughout the 4-H year even if they don't own or have access to a leased horse.
  - Kansas 4-H Horse Project Members, who are currently enrolled in the 4-H Horse Project are eligible to compete at the Kansas State fair 4-H Horse Show if the following are met between October 1st and August 1st of the current 4-H year:
1. The horse is properly identified for the Kansas 4-H Horse Project. A properly identified horse is identified with a Kansas 4-H Horse ID Form \*updated version 2024 available on Kansas 4-H website\* by June 1 of the current 4-H program year. The exhibitor should have a copy of the form signed by the local agent on file in the extension office, and bring the original copy to the state fair. Please see "Horse Ownership" for more information.
  2. Exhibit a properly identified horse at a horse show in a class group and be qualified to exhibit in any class included in that group. The horse show need not be a "4-H" show. Shows may include: open shows, circuits, local associations (SCSHA, etc.), breed/discipline associations (AQHA, APHA, NRHA, etc.), Qualifications for each group is based on one horse/rider combination. Exception: If an exhibitor qualifies more than one mare/gelding in the same halter class. In this case, another exhibitor can show the second horse in the appropriate halter class at the State Fair.
  3. The exhibitor must have a "Horse Show Qualifying Affidavit" filled out by a representative of the show they qualified at, for each grouping. For example, if an exhibitor qualifies for Hunt Seat at a separate show than where they qualify for Western Performance, both shows must fill out an affidavit.

\*\*\*\*PLEASE VIEW THE KANSAS 4-H HORSE SHOW GUIDELINES TO ENSURE QUALIFICATION UNDER THE CORRECT CLASS GROUPING.

## ENTRY

1. Pen reservations must be made for all animals being brought to the 4-H fair. Reservations are sent via mail and are due to the Extension Office by July 17th.
2. [YQCA Certification numbers are required on the Pen Reservations.](#)
3. CHECK SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR EXACT TIME EXHIBITS ARE TO BE IN PLACE.
- 4.

## STALLS

1. Exhibitors must furnish their own feed, bedding, and equipment. All alleyways are to be kept free of feed and equipment.
2. Livestock exhibitors will be required to clean their own stall before they receive their premium. Stalls must be cleaned after vacating the stall/pen or before Tuesday clean-up (which is at 10:30am). A \$5/pen fee will be assessed for each pen left uncleaned. Each member is responsible for finding a fair board member or superintendent to check them out and approve their cleaned pens.

## LIVESTOCK HERDSMANSHIP

1. Judging will be done on a club basis by a committee. Displays will be judged multiple times during the fair. All clubs are automatically entered in this area of competition. Herdsmanship inspection will be unannounced and unscheduled. No inspection will be made while showing livestock. Herdsmanship awards will be given as follows:
  - o Overall Educational Aspect
  - o Overall Cleanliness
  - o Overall Stall Decor and Identification
- Other awards may be announced at judges discretion. Cash prizes will be given to clubs for these awards.

## LIVESTOCK SALE

\*See livestock sale section

## FITTING AND SHOWING

1. The purpose of grooming rules for junior exhibitors is to promote the youth program as a learning experience for the youth. All exhibitors are expected to care and groom their animals throughout the show. Grooming at the McPherson County 4-H Fair for livestock shows may include the use of adhesives, paints, or powders and shall not include the use of hair not from the animal being groomed, twine, or artificial material.
2. Immediate family members (to include parents, legal guardians, siblings, and grandparents) and current McPherson County 4-H members that are exhibitors at the show may provide grooming and care to assist the exhibitor, regardless of if the exhibitor is present while such grooming and/or care is being provided. \*\*\*Legal guardians in the state of Kansas must be appointed by the court. Please be prepared to present court order of legal guardianship upon request.
3. All other individuals who do not meet the definition of "immediate family member" or are not exhibitors at the show but who wish to provide consulting assistance to exhibitors shall be deemed "livestock helpers." A Livestock Helper may only provide verbal guidance, consultation, and educational assistance.
4. Livestock Helpers found to be grooming or caring for animals will be warned once. Upon the second violation, an entry deemed by the McPherson 4-H Fair Board or species superintendent to have been groomed or cared for by a Livestock Helper may be disqualified.

5. Livestock exhibitors must show their own animals. In case an exhibitor has more than one entry in the same class, they may have another McPherson County 4-H member assist them.

6. The same animal cannot be shown in two showmanship classes. For example: a lamb cannot be shown in the Senior division, then brought back by brother or sister in the Junior division.

7. Senior showmanship will be conducted first in all livestock divisions.

8. One attendant of 4-H age may help an exhibitor. The helper should stay to the side of the animal while it is being worked. Parents are not allowed in the show ring unless given special permission by the species superintendent. If the exhibitor cannot show his/her own animal due to disposition, the animal should stay home.

9. Showmanship animals must also be shown in regular market or breeding classes.

10. If an exhibitor has a conflict and will not be able to show his/her animal, permission must be requested from the 4-H Fair Board before the show.

### ROUND ROBIN SHOWMANSHIP

1. Champion intermediate and senior showman in the showmanship classes of beef, sheep, swine, horse, dairy, dairy goat, and meat goat will advance to the Round Robin Showmanship Contest. Please read Round Robin rules on Page 96.

2. If a member participates and wins showmanship in a species, the member must advance to the Round Robin.

3. An exhibitor who has received the Grand Champion award in a previous year may excuse themselves from participating in the Round Robin. The member must indicate to the superintendent prior to leaving the ring for showmanship class if they intend to decline the round robin opportunity.

4. Exhibitors are encouraged to learn from and practice with other exhibitors throughout the fair as they prepare to show each species of livestock.

### IDENTIFICATION

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2. All market animals must have a 4-H ear tag in place. In case of a lost tag, arrangements must be made for a replacement tag within one business day with the Extension Office. The original tag should be turned in to the County Extension Office at the time the replacement tag is secured.
3. An exhibitor can only show the animal(s) listed on their ID Form or animals weighed in under their name. Animals are not transferable to another exhibitor. Animals that were ID'd or weighed in as a "family" must be designated to a specific exhibitor at entry time (pen reservations).
4. Any baby animal born after May 1 of current year to a properly identified animal is eligible to be exhibited.

## **MANAGEMENT/LIVESTOCK WELFARE**

1. The McPherson County 4-H Fair Management and Sponsors are in no way to be held responsible for any loss, damage, accident, injury, or death from any cause, to persons, animals, or exhibits.
2. The 4-H Fair Grounds are a drug-free, safe environment. NO alcohol, drugs, or tobacco will be allowed on the fairgrounds.
3. Each division superintendent reserves the right to split classes at their discretion.
4. The McPherson County 4-H Fair Board reserves the right to test any animal for illegal substances. If illegal substances are found, the 4-H member will be barred from exhibition in McPherson County for life and will forfeit any and all premiums and prizes. Test results will be shared with the appropriate authorities and Kansas State 4-H. The decision of the McPherson County Extension Executive Board, or its designated agents, to disqualify and/or bar an exhibitor from future competition and to determine that the exhibitor will forfeit prizes and premiums, will be binding and subject to the jurisdiction of any court.
5. Use of tranquilizers will not be allowed.
6. ***Cruelty to Animals Policy:*** The 4-H Fair Board defines cruelty to animals to be striking an animal with an object with such force that may cause damage or bleeding, inclusive of improper care. Cruelty will not be tolerated at any time for any reason on the 4-H Fairgrounds. Any youth or adult being cruel to an animal will result in immediate disqualification to the youth.

## **HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR LIVESTOCK**

1. All animals are subject to examination by the exhibition staff or their representatives, and shall be free of clinical signs of infectious or contagious disease. Any animals having visible signs of infectious or contagious disease will not be cleared to show until inspected and cleared by a veterinarian. Any animal found by the veterinarian to have lesions of ringworm, warts, or to be infested with mange will not be permitted to exhibit and must return home immediately.
- Cattle determined to have lesions of ringworm, warts, or to be infested with mange will not be permitted to exhibit.
- Sheep and goats must be free of sore mouth, ringworm lesions, warts, club lamb fungus, mange, warts, or other fungal infections will not be exhibited.
- Horses are required to have a negative Coggins test within twelve months for the State Fair, but not the 4-H fair. It is strongly recommended that horses be vaccinated for West Nile Virus.
- Poultry - except waterfowl - must show proof that they are pullorum-typhoid clean by one of the following methods:
  - Originate from a Pullorum-Typhoid clean flock as evidenced by an official VS Form 9-3, certifying all birds in the flock over 4 months of age have had a negative test for pullorum-typhoid within the past year.
  - Present evidence that the entries were purchased from a U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid clean source and have been the only poultry on the premises.
  - Present an official VS 9-2 Form, signed by an official testing agent showing the entries have had a negative pullorum-typhoid test within the proceeding 90 days.

## **UNETHICALLY FITTED LIVESTOCK**

The showing of: unethically fitted livestock, livestock of ineligible age for exhibition in the class entered, or the misrepresentation of breeding or milking status is prohibited. Unethical fitting will be deemed to consist of changing the normal conformation of any part of the animal's body or using drugs, including over-the-counter and/or extra-label, or mechanical devices to alter the physical makeup and/or performance of the animal. This includes but is not limited to the following:

1. Animals in milk due to an unnaturally induced lactation.
2. Balancing the udder by any means other than leaving naturally produced milk in any or all of the quarters.
3. Treating or massaging any part of the animal's body, internally or externally, with an irritant, counterirritant, or other substance to alter conformation.
4. Minimizing the effects of cramping by feeding or injecting drugs and depressants or applying packs or using any artificial substance to alter conformation.
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6. Blocking the nerves to prevent limping or switching of the tail.
7. Striking the animal to cause swelling in a depressed area.
8. Surgery or other practices to change the natural contour or appearance of the animal's body, hide, or hair, except the removal of warts, horns, or the permitted clipping and dressing of hair and trimming of hooves.
9. Insertion of foreign material under the skin.
10. Changing the color of hair on any area on the animal's body. Any grooming material that allows color to move off from any animal will not be allowed to show.
11. The act of artificially filling animals internally.
12. The use of alcoholic or carbonated beverages in the feed or administered as a drench.
13. Use of diuretics.

Ethical use of wholesome and reasonable animal husbandry practices such as electrolyte drench in hot weather, may be exercised provided permission is granted in advance by show management and the application is observed by show management.

## DIVISION LIVESTOCK SALE

### Livestock Sale Committee Members:

Lee Burgess	Dale & Cherri Knoll
Tiffany Durr	Jeff Kruse
Marcie Fox	Derek Sawyer
Craig Galle	Shelby Shaw
Reed Gleason	Matt Toll
Janell Harman	

Sale Time: 7:00 PM, Monday, July 28  
(following the Parade of Champions)

1. If you have questions about the 4-H Fair Livestock Sale, please ask a Livestock Sale Committee Member.
2. 4-H members must declare to a Livestock Sale Committee member 30 minutes after the completion of each species show their intention to participate in the 4-H Fair Livestock Sale. A Livestock Sale Committee member will be at the announcers stand for 30 minutes after the conclusion of each show.
  - a.) It is each 4-H members' responsibility to report to a Livestock Sale Committee member. If this deadline is not met, the 4-H member will not participate in the sale with that species.
  - b.) A biography form will be given out at fair set up for each exhibitor. That form will be required to be turned in at the time they declare their animal by 30 minutes after show time.
3. A 4-H member will be allowed to sell only one animal through the 4-H Fair Livestock Sale. Other animals exhibited may sell at the established floor price, if there is one, or taken home.
4. A member showing more than one species must declare for each species. A member will be allowed to remove an animal from the sale list, but will not be allowed to add an animal after the species deadline. This deadline is 30 minutes after the completion of each species show. For example, if a member has a beef, sheep and swine animal, the member must declare to a Livestock Sale Committee member no later than 30 minutes after the completion of each specie show.

Q:) What if the member wants to wait to see how their pig does?  
A:) If the member decides to sell the pig and not the beef, the member would need to declare to a Livestock Sale Committee member his/her intention to sell the pig and also tell them to remove the beef animal declared earlier.
5. All animals to be sold at premium or floor must be weighed in at designated species time of entry. Scales close at the end of each species check-in time.
6. The species sale order will be on a rotational basis with the lead species rotating to the 4th position the following year. The rotation for 2025 will be Meat Goats, Beef, Sheep and Swine.



7. A handling charge (not to exceed 7%) may be deducted from the member's check only to cover Livestock Buyer's recognition items and other sale costs.

8. In order to receive your premium check in full you will be required to:

- Attend the Fair Set Up mandatory livestock sale meeting (Tuesday prior to the Fair),
- Attend the Buyer's Appreciation Meal Set Up and Clean Up (during the fair),
- Be a member of McPherson County 4-H,
- Enrolled and show in the market class (breeding animals are not eligible for the sale, so declare them as market at tag ins: Feb 28-29 for beef and May 1 for sheep, goats & pigs.

**If you are unable to meet these requirements you will see a 5% deduction per requirement not fulfilled from your premium check.**

9. The Livestock Sale Committee is not guaranteeing the sale of any livestock. If a floor price is available for an individual species it will be offered to all exhibitors of that species.

10. Livestock members wanting to participate in the 4-H Fair Livestock Sale must be present for the sale. Exceptions can be made by the Livestock Sale Committee. A written request must be presented to the sale committee a minimum of one (1) week prior to the sale.

11. All 4-H'ers must sell/lead their own animal in the sale ring. If an exception is sought, it must be presented to the Livestock Sale committee no later than noon on Sunday of fair week.

12. YQCA training/certification will be required to sell any market animal.

13. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to have scheduled butcher dates following the fair, if that is the desire of the exhibitor.

14. Animals must meet the following weight minimums to be sold in the livestock auction:

- o Beef – Steers 950 lb & market heifers 900 lbs
- o Goats – 40 lbs
- o Market Lambs – 90 lbs
- o Market Hogs – 210 lbs

## Department L0 BEEF

*Superintendent: Kruse Family*

On Grounds: 7:30-10:00 AM, Friday, July 25

Weigh In, Beef Show Entry Cards: 8:00 AM, Saturday, July 26

Judging Time: 9:00 AM, Sunday, July 27

Release Time: 8:00 PM, Monday, July 28

*LIMITS: No club member will be allowed to exhibit more than 3 breeding, 3 market steers and 3 market heifers. If showing 3 market steers, only 2 may be crossbred and the 3rd steer must be a purebred.*

1. Read "General Rules" and "General Livestock Rules"
2. The following awards may be presented in this department: Grand Champion Market Steer, Grand Champion Breeding Heifer, Grand Champion Market Heifer, and Grand Champion Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Beef Showman. Champion and Reserve Champion Market Steers may be selected in each breed. Champion and Reserve Champion Breeding Heifers may be selected in each breed. Champion and Reserve Champion Rate of Gain will be awarded.
3. Current YQCA certification is required for all exhibitors.
4. See "General Rules - Fitting and Showing"
5. All cattle, including breeding heifers, must be checked in at proper weigh-in time \*see schedule.
6. Exhibitors may only show the animals listed on their ID form or animals weighed in under their name at spring nominations. Animals are not transferrable between exhibitors.
7. All market steers and market heifers must have been dropped after January 1, 2024.
8. Both registered and purebred females are eligible for the breeding classes. Females not representative of a breed will show in a commercial class. All commercial breeding heifers must have a state 4-H ear tag. All purebred breeding heifers must be identified with a tattoo or 4-H ear tag.
9. Superintendent will make final determination of breed classification.
10. Steers under 950lbs and heifers under 900lbs will show in a lightweight class, and will not sell at the 4-H Livestock Sale or be eligible for a rate of gain.
11. Market Heifers are a market animal and cannot be bred.
12. The beef show will begin with showmanship classes, followed by breeding classes and then market classes.
13. Straw will be allowed in the beef barn. The beef barn will be cleaned out following the Livestock Auction or Tuesday from 10:30am-noon. Beef exhibitors need to check out with the superintendent.

### **Section-List Breed**

Class 5001 - Market Steers

Class 5002 - Market Heifers

Class 5003 - Heifer Calves dropped after September 1, of prior year

Class 5004 - Heifer summer yearlings dropped between May 1 and August 31 of prior year

Class 5005 - Heifer junior yearlings dropped between January 1 and April 30 of prior year

Class 5006 - Heifer senior yearlings dropped between September 1 and December 31 of two years prior

Class 5007 - Heifers or cows dropped before September 1 of two years prior

Class 5008 - Cow and calf

### **Showmanship**

Class 5009 - Junior (7-9)

Class 5010 - Intermediate (10-13)

Class 5011 - Senior (14-18)

## **Department L1 BUCKET CALF**

*Superintendent: Jeff Kruse*

Entry Time: 7:30-10:00 AM, Friday, July 25

Judging Time: Sunday, July 27, Interviews begin 15 minutes after conclusion of Beef Show

Release Time: 8:00 PM, Monday, July 28

*LIMITS: Members will not exhibit more than 1 calf per division.*

1. Read "General Rules" and "General Livestock Rules"
2. An overall Grand Champion may be chosen from Bucket Calf Exhibitors as well as Second Year Bucket Calves.
3. Bucket Calf judging will begin with conference judging in the barn. Exhibitors are encouraged to create signs/posters about their calf, promoting the project or showcasing what they have learned. Showmanship will follow.
4. First year animals shall be born after January 1st, 2025. Animals must be owned and in sole care of exhibitor on May 1st, 2025, receiving no further care from the cow.
5. Bucket Calves must be identified with the Extension Office by May 1st
6. Second Year Bucket Calves must be identified as May 1st as bucket calves. They may also weigh-in and ID with the beef project in February if enrolled. If properly tagged, nominated, and shown in the appropriate market beef class, second year bucket calves are eligible for 4-H Livestock Sale.
7. Only brushing and washing is allowed for 1st year bucket calves. No clipping is allowed. (2nd year animals may follow Market Beef rules)

### **1st Year Bucket Calf Juniors (7-9)**

Class 5101 - Showmanship: No show sticks, combs or brushes allowed in the ring during the show

Class 5102 - Conference Judging

### **1st Year Bucket Calf Seniors (10-12)**

Class 5103 - Showmanship: Show sticks, combs, brushes required

Class 5104 - Conference Judging

### **2nd Year Bucket Calf (all calves that were shown prior year)**

Class 5105 - Showmanship: Show sticks, combs, brushes required

Class 5106 - Conference Judging

## Department L2 DAIRY

*Superintendents: Lee Burgess*

Entry Time: 7:30-10:00 AM, Friday, July 25 (with the exception of Milk Cows which must be in place by Sunday at 8:00 am)

Judging Time: 8:00 AM, Sunday, July 27

Release Time: Optional check-out at 9:00am for non-sale animals, all animals are released at conclusion of premium auction

*LIMITS: No member will be allowed to exhibit more than two animals in any one class of a project with a limit of 6 animals total.*

1. Read "General Rules" and "General Livestock Rules"
2. The following awards may be awarded in this divisions: Grand Champion Dairy and Grand Champion Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Dairy Showman. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected from each breed.
3. Superintendent will make final determination of breed classification.
4. All heifers must be owned by the 4-H member as of May 1 this year (unless leased, then a lease form must be turned into the the Extension Office by May 1).
5. Livestock Exhibitors must show their own animals. In the case of an exhibitor having more than one entry in the same class, another currently enrolled member or members may assist.
6. Only those animals listed on the ID form turned into the extension office May 1 are eligible to show. Animals are not transferrable to another member.
7. The dairy show will begin with showmanship and then the following classes:

### **Section: List Breed, Classes determined by date of birth**

Class 5201 - Spring Calf: March 1 - June 30, 2025

Class 5202 - Winter Heifer Calf: December 1, 2024 - February 28, 2025

Class 5203 - Fall Heifer Calf: September 1 - November 30, 2024

Class 5204 - Summer Yearling: June 1 - August 31, 2024

Class 5205 - Spring Yearling: March 1 - May 31, 2024

Class 5206 - Winter Yearling: December 1, 2023 - February 28, 2024

Class 5207 - Fall Yearling: September 1 - November 30, 2023

Class 5208 - Jr. Cow: March 1 - August 31, 2023

Class 5209 - Sr. Cow: September 1, 2022 - February 28, 2023

Class 5210 - Three yr old: September 1, 2021 - August 31, 2022

Class 5211 - Four yr old: September 1, 2020 - August 31, 2021

Class 5212 - Five yr old: September 1, 2019 - August 31, 2020

Class 5213 - Aged cow: prior to September 1, 2019

Class 5214 - Dry cow

### **Showmanship**

Class 5215 - Junior (7-9)

Class 5216 - Intermediate (10-13)

Class 5217 - Senior (14-18)

## Department L3 DAIRY GOAT

*Superintendents: Lee Burgess*

Entry Time: 7:30-10:00 AM, Friday, July 25

Location: Dairy Barn

Judging Time: 8:00 AM, Sunday, July 27

Release Time: Optional check-out at 9:00am for non-sale animals,  
all animals are released at conclusion of premium auction

*LIMITS: A limit of 4 does with no more than 2 per class*

1. Read "General Rules" and "Livestock General Rules"
2. The following awards will be awarded in this division - Grand Champion Dairy Goat, and Grand Champion Showman for each age division. Champion and Reserve Champion Senior Doe, Champion and Reserve Champion Junior Doe.
3. Animals must be owned by exhibitor by May 1. Only those animals listed on the ID form turned into the Extension Office by May 1 may be shown.
4. Papers are not required for 4-H Fair, but are for the Kansas State Fair.
5. Dairy goats must be dehorned or disbudded to show at the 4-H Fair.
6. Superintendent will make final determination of breed classification.
7. Dairy Goats in milk can arrive the day of the show and leave after the show.

### **Section - List Breed**

Class 5301 - Junior kid (under 4 months)  
Class 5302 - Intermediate kid (4-8 months)  
Class 5303 - Senior Kid (8 to under 12 months)  
Class 5304 - Junior Yearling (12-24 months)  
Class 5305 - Senior Doe (Under 2 years)  
Class 5306 - Senior Doe (2-4 years)  
Class 5307 - Senior Doe (over 4 years)

### **Showmanship**

Class 5308 - Junior (7-9)  
Class 5309 - Intermediate (10-13)  
Class 5310 - Senior (14-18)

## Department L4 HORSE

*Superintendents: Becky Dillon*

Entry Time: 5:00 PM, Monday, July 21

Location: Saddle Club Arena

Judging Time: 6:00 PM, Monday, July 21

**Participation Rule:** Exhibitors will receive participation points in the high point drive unless disqualified for cruelty to animal. Then, member will lose participation points and premium money.

1. Read "General Rules" and "General Livestock Rules"
2. The following awards may be awarded in this division - High Point Walk-Trot, High Point Junior, High Point Senior, Grand Champion Junior, Intermediate & Senior Horse Showman, Grand Champion Gelding and Grand Champion Mare.
  - a. Showmanship points will count in participants respective divisions (walk -trot, junior, senior)
  - b. In case of a tie for high point, it will be broken by adding the scores of the horsemanship and equitation classes. If still a tie, judge will break the tie.
  - c. Halter, two-year-old, and Pleasure Pairs Classes will not count toward high point.
3. Horses are shown at the owner's risk.
4. The age of a horse is determined as of January 1, in the year a horse is born. A weanling colt is a foal of 2025 irrespective of which month it is born; a colt born in 2024 is a yearling colt, and a colt born in 2023 is a two-year old.
5. Stallions may be shown as weanlings only in Class 5405.
6. Rules listed in the [Kansas State 4-H Horse Show Rule Book](https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/kansas-4-h-horse-show-rulebook_S133.pdf) apply to this show: [https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/kansas-4-h-horse-show-rulebook\\_S133.pdf](https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/kansas-4-h-horse-show-rulebook_S133.pdf)
7. I.D. certificates must be copied and on file in the Extension Office by June 1, with the exhibitor retaining the original after it is copied by the office staff. ORIGINALS ARE REQUIRED AT STATE FAIR CHECK-IN.
8. A colt or filly foaled after May 1st is eligible for show only if it is the foal of a properly ID'd project mare.
9. Horses will be allowed to show with a Hackamore bridle, all age horses.
10. The horse show will begin with showmanship classes followed by Classes 5405-5408.

### **Showmanship**

Class 5401 Senior (14 & Older)

Class 5402 Intermediate- (10-13)

Class 5403 Junior- (7-9)

Class 5404 Horseless Horse

### **Halter**

Class 5405 3 & Under Colts, all breeds

Class 5406 4 & Older Gelding, all breeds

Class 5407 3 & Under Mare, all breeds

Class 5408 4 & Older Mare, all breeds

**For classes 1811-1847:**

Junior - 12 and younger before January 1

Senior - 13 and older before January 1

**Bareback Equitation**

Class 5409 Senior

Class 5410 Junior

**Hunt Seat Equitation**

Class 5411 Senior

Class 5412 Junior

Class 5413 Walk-Trot

**Hunt Seat Pleasure**

Class 5414 Senior

Class 5415 Junior

Class 5416 Walk-Trot

**Western Horsemanship**

Class 5417 Senior

Class 5418 Junior

Class 5419 Walk -Trot

**Western Pleasure**

Class 5420 Senior

Class 5421 Junior

Class 5422 Pony

Class 5423 Walk-Trot

**Trail**

Class 5424 Senior

Class 5425 Junior

Class 5426 Walk-Trot

**Reining**

Class 5427 Senior

Class 5428 Junior

**Barrels**

Class 5429 Senior

Class 5430 Junior

Class 5431 Walk-trot

**Poles**

Class 5432 Senior

Class 5433 Junior

Class 5434 Walk-trot

**Pleasure Pairs Team**

Class 5435

**Working Ranch Horse**

Class 5436 Senior

Class 5437 Junior

**Flag Race**

Class 5438 Senior

Class 5439 Junior

Class 5440 Walk-trot

**Two-Year Old Snaffle Bit**

Class 5441

## Department L5 MEAT GOAT

*Superintendent: Sarah Krehbiel & Karly Durr*

Entry Time: 7:30-10:00 AM, Friday, July 25

Location: Goat Barn

Judging Time: 6:00 PM, Saturday, July 26

### LIMITS: A limit of 3 breeding and 3 market goats per exhibitor.

1. Read "General Rules" and "General Livestock Rules"
2. The following awards will be awarded in this division - Grand Champion Breeding Meat Goat, Grand Champion Meat Goat, Grand Champion Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Showman. Champion and Reserve Champion Rate of Gain will be presented with an award.
3. Current YQCA Certification is required for all exhibitors.
4. Only those market animals that attended county-wide weigh-in and breeding animals listed on the I.D. form turned in to the Extension Office by May 1 are eligible to show. An exhibitor can only show the animals listed on their ID form or animals weighed in under their name. Animals are not transferrable to another exhibitor.
5. Livestock exhibitors must show their own animals. In case an exhibitor has more than one entry in the same class, they may have another exhibitor assist them.
6. Goats must be free of any signs of "sore mouth" and must be free of signs of active fungal infection (including ringworm). Any other unhealthy condition or disease will make the animal ineligible for entry and showing.
7. See "General Rules - Fitting and Showing"
8. All goats are required to have a scrapies ear tag or a registered tattoo.
9. Wethers and does will be allowed to show in the market classes. Goats can be of any breed or combination of goat breeds.
10. Market goats will be divided into classes by weight.
11. Temporary incisors must be in place and there should be no evidence of breaking of the skin or eruption of permanent incisors.
12. Dehorning is preferred. If not dehorned, the horns must be tipped or rounded prior to arrival on the fairgrounds.
13. Market goats should be "slick shorn" with an equal amount of hair above the knee and hock (head and belly excluded) prior to check-in time. A maximum of 3/8" hair length is permitted.
14. Goats must be shown with all four feet on the ground. Exhibitors may use a collar, a collar with a short lead, or a halter when showing. Medium/3mm or smaller pinch collars will be allowed.
15. Goats under 40 pounds will not be eligible for the 4-H Livestock Sale.

### **Market:**

Class 5501 - Market Goat (wether or doe)

### **Section - List Breed:**

Class 5502 - Spring Doe current year

Class 5503 - Fall doe prior year

Class 5504 - Yearling doe prior year

Class 5505 - Doe, 2-4 years of age

Class 5506 - Doe, 5 years of age or older

### **Showmanship**

Class 5507 - Junior (7-9)

Class 5508 - Intermediate (10-13)

Class 5509 - Senior (14-18)



## Department L6 POULTRY

*Superintendent: Macy Reiff & Audrey Weimer*

Entry Time: 9:00 AM-12:00 PM, Friday, July 25

Location: Chief Building

Judging Time: 1:00 PM, Saturday, July 26

Release Time: 9:00 AM, Monday, July 28

*LIMITS: Exhibitors are limited to no more than 5 entries in any one class (5601-5609) and no more than 5 birds of either sex in Classes 5610-5613.*

1. Read "General Rules" and "General Livestock Rules"
2. The following awards may be awards in this division - Grand Champion Poultry, Grand Champion, Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Showmanship.
3. The following ages will be used to determine chicken classes: Cockerel - male hatched after January 1; Cock - male hatched before Jan. 1; Pullet - female hatched after Jan. 1; Hen - female hatched before Jan. 1; Old - hatched before Jan. 1; Young - hatched after Jan. 1
4. All poultry cages will be set-up in class order. No class changes after 11:00am on Friday, July 25. Tables will be provided for club herdsmanhip.
5. Members must furnish their own feed and non-tipping feed and water cups. Pens will be provided.
6. Birds must be identified with a numbered leg band when brought to the fair (available at the Extension office).
7. All chickens and turkeys must be blood tested within 90 days of the show. Must provide written proof of Pullorum testing. See additional requirements under "General Livestock Rules"
8. Poultry should be representative of breed as described in the APA "American Standard of Perfection."
9. Upon release, pens and area are to be cleaned of trash and exhibitor must check out with superintendent when removing birds.
10. The show will start with showmanship.

## **POULTRY CLASSES**

Class 5601 Production Pullets - Pen of 3

- Standardbred, crossbred, or Staincross pullets to be judged on egg production qualities.

Class 5602 Production Hens - Pen of 3

- Standardbred, crossbred, or Staincross pullets to be judged on egg production qualities.

Class 5603 - Dual Purpose Pullets - Pen of 3

- Such as Rhode Island Reds, New Hampshire, Plymouth Rocks, etc.

Class 5604 - Dual Purpose Hens - Pen of 3

- Such as Rhode Island Reds, New Hampshire, Plymouth Rocks, etc.

Class 5605 - Standard Breeds, Large Fowl (one young bird of either sex)

Class 5606 - Standard Breeds, Large Fowl (one old bird of either sex)

Class 5607 - Standard Breeds, Bantams (one young bird of either sex)

Class 5608 - Standard breeds, Bantams (one old bird of either sex)

Class 5609 - Meat-type chickens - 3 standard bred, crossbred, or staincross birds of the same sex to be judged on meat production qualities only.

Class 5610 - Turkeys (all breeds; one bird of either sex)

Class 5611 - Ducks (all or bantam, all breeds, one bird of either sex)

Class 5612 - Geese (all breeds; one bird of either sex)

Class 5613 - Other fowl (all ages, all breeds)

## **Poultry Showmanship**

Class 5614 - Junior (7-9)

Class 5615 - Intermediate (10-13)

Class 5616 - Senior (14-18)

## Department L7 RABBITS

*Superintendent: Brooke Arroyo*

Entry Time: 9:00 AM-11:00 PM, Friday, July 25

Location: Chief Building

Judging Time: 11:30 AM, Sunday, July 27

Release Time: 9:00 AM, Monday, July 28

*LIMITS: Rabbit entries must be shown one per pen as a single entry. Exhibitors are limited to 12 rabbits, including showmanship, in classes 5701-5708. Rabbits entered in classes 5701-5708 may also be entered in fur classes 5710-5717.*

1. Read "General Rules" and "General Livestock Rules"
2. The following awards may be awarded in this division - Grand Champion Rabbit, Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Showman. Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected in each breed.
3. All rabbits will be divided into classes by ages and judged according to their breed standard as listed in the ARBA "Standard of Perfection." Only breeds recognized by ARBA may be shown.
4. Rabbits will be shown by breeds and should be representative of the breed. Classes will be divided by breeds for placing. No mixed breed rabbits may be shown.
5. If a rabbit is disqualified due to a non-conforming trait, the entry will receive a white ribbon.
6. Member must furnish their own feed, feed cups, water, water cups, and litter. Pens will be furnished.
7. Entries in classes 5710-5717 must be made from rabbits that are entered in the regular breed classes 5701-5709.
8. Each rabbit is to be legibly and permanently tattooed in its left ear for identification. Only those rabbits which were listed on the ID form turned into the extension office on June 1 are eligible to show.
9. Exhibitors must show the rabbit in the correct class according to its age and weight.
10. The show will start with showmanship, followed by classes 5701-5717.

## RABBIT CLASSES

**Pre-Junior** - (under 3 months) classes only the following breeds:

- Beveran, Blanc de Hotot, Californian, Champagne D'Argent, Checkered Giant, American Chinchilla, Giant Chinchilla, Cinnamon, Creme D'Argent, New Zealand, and Palomino.

**Junior** - (Under 6 months)

**Intermediate** - (6-8 months) classes only in the following breeds:

- American Giant Angora, Beveren, Blanc de Hotot, Californian, Champagne D'Argent, Checkered Giant, American Chinchilla, Giant Chinchilla, Cinnamon, Creme D'Argent, Flemish Giant, English Lop, French Lop, New Zealand, Palomino, Satin and Silver Fox.

**Senior** - (6 months of age or over for breeds other than those listed as having Intermediate classes, 8 months of age or over for breeds having intermediate classes)

Class 5701 - Pre-junior doe, only breeds listed above

Class 5702 - Junior doe, under six months of age

Class 5703 - Intermediate doe, only breeds listed above

Class 5704 - Senior doe, eight months of age and over for breeds in intermediate/six months and over for all other breeds.

Class 5705 - Pre-junior buck, only breeds listed above

Class 5706 - Junior buck, under six months of age

Class 5707 - Intermediate buck, only breeds listed above

Class 5708 - Senior buck, eight months of age and over for breeds in intermediate/six months and over for all other breeds.

Class 5709 - Meat pen - Three rabbits, all one recognized breed and variety, maximum weight 5 pounds each. Judged on meat qualities, condition, and uniformity.

### **Fur Classes**

Class 5710 - Normal White Fur

Class 5711 - White Satin Fur

Class 5712 - White Rex Fur

Class 5713 - White Wool

Class 5714 - Normal Colored Fur

Class 5715 - Colored Satin Fur

Class 5716 - Colored Rex Fur

Class 5717 - Colored Wool

### **Showmanship**

Class 5719 - Junior (7-9)

Class 5720 - Intermediate (10-13)

Class 5721 - Senior (14-18)

## Department L8 SHEEP

*Superintendents: Matt and Holly Toll*

Entry Time: 7:30-10:00 AM, Friday, July 25

Location: Sheep Barn

Judging Time: 5:00 PM, Saturday, July 26

*LIMITS: A limit of three ewes, and three market lambs per exhibitor*

1. Read "General Rules" and "General Livestock Rules".
2. The following awards may be awarded in this division: Grand Champion Market Lamb, Grand Champion Breed Ewe and Grand Champion Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Showman. Champion and Reserve Champion Female may be selected from each breed. Champion and Reserve Champion Rate of Gain will be awarded.
3. Current YQCA certification is required for all exhibitors.
4. Only those market animals which attended the county-wide nomination to be weighed and breeding animals listed on the I.D. form turned into the Extension Office by May 1 are eligible to show.
5. Both registered and purebred females are eligible for the breeding classes. Females not representative of a breed will show in a crossbred class.
6. Superintendent will make final determination of breed classification.
7. Lambs under 90 pounds will not be eligible for the 4-H Livestock Sale or rate of gain.
8. Market lambs must be slick shorn PRIOR to arriving at the 4-H Fair. Breeding ewes do not need to be sheared.
9. **See "General Livestock Rules - Fitting and Showing"**
10. All animals to be sold at premium or floor must be weighed in at time of entry.
11. Breeding sheep are not eligible to be sold at floor price or to be auctioned.
12. The sheep show will begin with showmanship classes, followed by breeding classes, market classes.

### **SECTION - LIST BREED**

Class 5801 - Market Lamb

Class 5802 - Breeding Ewe Lamb born after January 1, 2025

Class 5803 - Breeding Ewe Lamb born between Sept. 1 and Dec. 31, 2024

Class 5804 - Yearling Ewe born between Jan. 1 and Sept. 1, 2024

### **Showmanship**

Class 5807 - Junior (7-9)

Class 5808 - Intermediate (10-13)

Class 5809 - Senior (14-18)

## Department L9 SWINE

*Superintendents: Reed Gleason, Kurtis Niehage, Quentin Shaw*

Entry Time: 7:30-10:00 AM, Friday, July 25

Location: Swine Barn

Judging Time: 9:00 AM, Saturday, July 26

*LIMITS: A limit of two breeding gilts and four market animals per exhibitor, a maximum of two entries per class.*

1. Read "General Rules" and "General Livestock Rules"
2. The following awards may be awarded in this division: Grand Champion Market Hog, Grand Champion Breeding Gilt and Grand Champion Junior, Intermediate & Senior Swine Showman. Champion and Reserve Champion Breeding Gilt may be selected from each breed. Champion and Reserve Champion Market Hog may be selected in each breed.
3. Current YQCA certification is required for all exhibitors.
4. Superintendent will make final determination of breed classification.
5. Market hogs under 210 lbs will be shown in lightweight class and will not be eligible to sell at the 4-H Livestock Sale, will not be floor priced, and are members' responsibility to take home.
6. All swine must be tagged and breed ID papers submitted by May 1. Only those animals listed on the I.D. form turned into the Extension Office on May 1 are eligible to show. Animals are not transferable to another member.
7. Both registered and purebred females are eligible for the breeding classes. Females not representative of a breed will show in a crossbred class.
8. NO CLIPPED PIGS that the hair is shorter than 1/2 inch. Swine will be checked by a superintendent. If hair is shorter than 1/2 inch that swine entry will be docked one ribbon color.
9. Breeding gilts may be sold at floor price if proper arrangements are made.
10. The swine show will begin with showmanship classes, followed by classes 5901 - 5902.

### **SECTION - LIST BREED**

Class 5901 - Market Hogs (barrows or gilts)

Class 5902 - Breeding Gilts

### **Showmanship**

Class 5903 - Junior (7-9)

Class 5904 - Intermediate (10-13)

Class 5905 - Senior (14-18)

# ROUND ROBIN SHOWMANSHIP

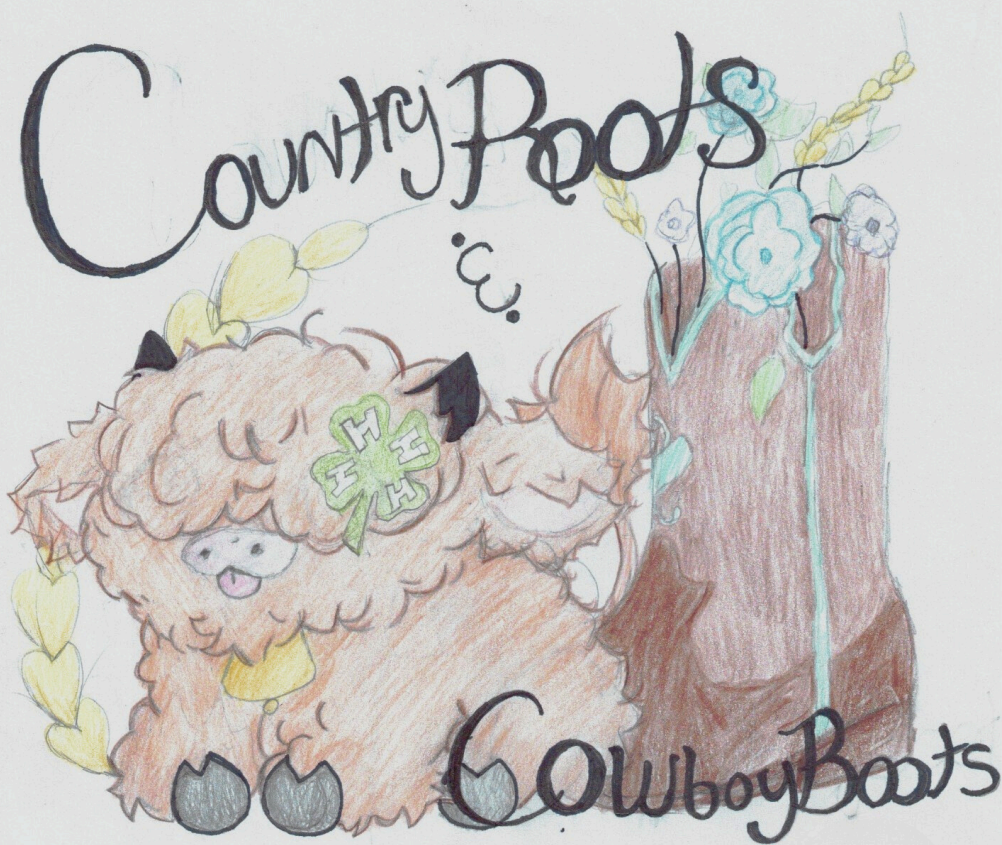
*Superintendent: Derek Sawyer*

Practice Time: 6:30 PM, Sunday, July 27

Judging Time: 7:00 PM, Sunday, July 27

Release Time: Completion of Round Robin

1. Read "General Rules" and "General Livestock Rules"
2. The following species are eligible for Round Robin: Beef, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goat, Horse, Meat Goat, Sheep, and Swine.
3. Senior and Intermediate exhibitors who are named Grand Champion in their respective species/age division will advance to the Round Robin. If selected as Grand Champion in multiple species, they will advance in the first species they are named a champion. To ensure all species are represented, superintendents will work together to fill all spots. If an exhibitor wins more than one showmanship contest the order of advancement to the Round Robin will be based on the ascending order of judge's rankings.
4. The following awards may be awarded in this division - Grand Champion Intermediate and Senior Round Robin Showman. Reserve Grand Champion Intermediate and Senior Round Robin Showman.
5. The winner will be announced at the Parade of Champions prior to the livestock sale.
6. Each exhibitor will be judged using a 20pt system on all species.
7. Ties will be broken by throwing out the highest and lowest scores and then averaging the middle scores. If there is still a tie, the exhibitor with the lowest single score will lose the tie.
8. An exhibitor who has received Grand Champion Round Robin exhibitor in a previous year may excuse themselves from participating in the Round Robin.
9. Participants are encouraged to learn from and practice with other exhibitors throughout the weekend to prepare to show each species during the Round Robin.
10. Practice Time is 6:30 PM, Sunday, July 27.
11. The Intermediate and Senior Round Robin showmanship contests will be held simultaneously. Each participant will have 3-5 minutes to show each species involved.
12. It is an honor to participate in the Round Robin. Please have your animals show worthy - clean and prepared for the show.



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