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Thank you Sponsors!

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The following organizations, businesses and individuals have provided sponsorship to our York County 4-H program. We appreciate your support and continued interest in York Co. 4-H.

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Service Press	Suzie Ellis

THANK YOU, 4-H SPONSORS!

2024 SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 28

1:00 p.m. 4-H Communication Event with
Clover Kid Show & Tell, 4-H Building

Sunday, June 2

9:00 a.m. BB Gun & Air Rifle Contest,
Cornerstone Event Center

Sunday, June 9

2:00 p.m. Trap Shoot Contest, Ikes Shooting
Range

Friday, July 19

9:00 a.m. Culinary Challenge, 4-H Building
9:00 a.m. Identification Contests, Home Ec.
Building

Friday, July 26

8:30 a.m. 4-H Clothing Day & Quilt Judging,
Cornerstone Event Center
7:00 p.m. Public Style Revue,
Cornerstone Event Center

Sunday, July 28

1:00 p.m. Archery Contest, Cornerstone Event
Center

Monday, July 29

6:00-8 p.m. Entry Time for 4-H Static Exhibits,
Home Ec. Building (No interviews)

Tuesday, July 30

- 8:00-10 a.m. Entry Time for 4-H Static Exhibits, Home Ec. Building
- 8:30-2 p.m. 4-H Static Exhibit Judging, Home Ec. Building
- 9:00 a.m. Bicycle Rodeo, Fairgrounds
- 9:00 a.m. Casting Contest, Fairgrounds
- 4:00 p.m. Dog Show, Cornerstone Event Center
- 6:00-8 p.m. Clover Kid Entry Time & Exhibit Judging, Home Ec.
- 6:00-8 p.m. Entry Time for 4-H Food Exhibits, Home Ec. Building (No interviews)
- 6:00-8 p.m. Entry Time for Open Class, FFA, 4-H in Ag Hall Building

Wednesday, July 31

- 8:00-11 a.m. Entry Open Class Ag. Hall
- 8:00-12 p.m. Entry & Judging of 4-H Ag. Engineering, Natural Resources, Horticulture, FFA, Ag Hall Building
- 8:00-12 p.m. Entry Time for 4-H Foods Exhibits, Home Ec. Building
- 8:30-1 p.m. Judging of 4-H Foods Exhibits, Home Ec. Building
- 1:00 p.m. Coffee Can Ice Cream Contest, Open Air Kitchen
- 2:00 p.m. Companion Animal Show, Cornerstone Event Center
- 4:00-6 p.m. Check in of Sheep & Meat Goat
- 6:00-8 p.m. Check in of Poultry & Rabbit
- 9:00 p.m. All Animals in place

Thursday, August 1

- 8:00-9 a.m. Check in of Bucket Calf, Market & Breeding Beef
- 9:00-10 a.m. Check in of Dairy & Dairy Goat & Ram Lambs
- 10:00 a.m. Sheep Show & Meat Goat Show to follow, Cornerstone Event Center
- 1:00 p.m. Poultry Show, Small Animal Barn
- 12:00-9 p.m. Exhibit Buildings Open
- 2:00 p.m. Dairy Show, Cornerstone Event Center
- 5:30 p.m. Activities under the tent begin.
- 5:30-7:30 p.m. Pork BBQ
- 6:00-11 p.m. D.C. Lynch Midway Opens
- 6:00 p.m. Go-Cart Races
- 8:00 p.m. Taps, Taste & Tunes

Friday, August 2

- 8:00-8:30 a.m. Feeder Calf & First Year Bull Calf Arrival
- 8:00-9:00 a.m. Check in of Swine
- 10:00 a.m. Bucket Calf & Beef Show, Cornerstone Event Center
- 1:00 p.m. Rabbit Show, Small Animal Barn
- 12:00-9 p.m. Exhibit Buildings Open
- 5:00-11 p.m. D.C. Lynch Midway Opens
- 5:30 p.m. Activities under the tent begin
- 5:30-7:30 p.m. Cattlemen's Steak Fry, Tent
- 7:00 p.m. Pioneer Farm Family Presentation
- 7:00 p.m. Cowboy Ranch Rodeo
- 7:30 p.m. 4-H / FFA Awards, Tent all champion pictures will be taken at this time. Open Class Champion pictures following in Ag Hall Building
- 9:00 p.m. Blinker Fluid Band & Beer Garden

Saturday, August 3

- 9:00–12 p.m. Waffleman (4-H Fundraiser)
- 10:00 a.m. Swine Show, Cornerstone Event Center
- 10:00 - 9 p.m. Exhibit Buildings Open
- 9:00-12 p.m. Kids activities under the tent
- 12:00 - 11 p.m. D.C. Lynch Midway Opens
- 1:30 p.m. Kids Pedal Tractor Pull, Grandstand
- 1:30 p.m. Small Animal Round Robin, Cornerstone Event Center
- 4:00 p.m. Livestock Judging Contest, Cornerstone Event Center
- 6:00 p.m. Cornhole Tournament
- 6:30 p.m. Figure 8 Races
- 9:00 p.m. Iron Zephyr Band Dance & Beer Garden

Sunday, August 4

- 9:30 a.m. Inspirational Services, Tent
- 11:00 a.m. Large Animal Round Robin. Cornerstone Event Center
- 11:00 a.m. Antique Tractor Pull
- 12:00-2 p.m. Exhibit Buildings Open
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- 2:30 p.m. Farm Olympics
- 4:00-6 p.m. Release all exhibits.

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All 4-H entries and Open Class Animal entries must be pre-entered at the York County Extension Office no later than the first Friday of July

Open Class entries (except for Animals) are not pre-entered but you may pick up entry tags at the York County Extension Office prior to the fair so that the entry tags can be filled out prior to bringing entries.

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Superintendents & Volunteers

Thank you to all our superintendents and volunteers for helping at the York County Fair. Without you our fair wouldn't be the same.

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Clothing

Lori Mittman
Bryn Hirschfeld
Pat Hirschfeld
Riley Ziegler
Kailey Ziegler
Kendyl Hirschfeld

Public Style Revue

Pat Hirschfeld

Home Environment

Melah Stodieck
Addison Cotton
Mattie Pohl
Amy Pohl
Brynlee Langley
Lisa Cogswell
Carrie Epp
Ava Epp
Pieper Epp
Addison Cotton

Photography

Lori Mittman
Ashley Verhage

Child Development & Heritage

Leslie Regier
Grace Regier

Foods

Misty Hirschfeld
Betty Fredericks
Michele Schwartz

Ice Cream Contest

Roxie Reetz

Display

Pam Friesen
Pat Hirschfeld
Brynn Hirschfeld
Reese Hirschfeld
Kendyl Hirschfeld

Round Robin

Alysia Clark

Beef & Bucket Calf

Kim Siebert

Swine

Greg Bolte

Dairy

Kevin Postier

Sheep/Meat Goat

Mike Parrish

Poultry/Rabbit

Rachelle Staehr

Cat/Small Animal

Andrea Dey

Dog

Mary Bristol
Megan Outhet
Diane Crowder

Livestock Judging

Jeff Meradith

Archery

Jared Reorda
Tammy Reorda

**BB Gun, Air Rifle
& Air Pistol**

Bob Pavel
Russ Linhart
Xann Linhart

Trap Shooting

Ray Boston
Tammy Boston
John Mayberry
Eric Bergmark
Rod Molesworth
Kristin Molesworth
Darcy Reinke

Clover Kids

Atleigh Hirschfeld
Addison Cotton
Josephine Turnbull
Olivia Linhart
Melah Stodieck
Brynn Hirschfeld
Reese Hirschfeld
Kendyl Hirschfeld
Mattie Pohl

**4-H Environmental &
Earth Science**

Audrey Schwartz
Laverna Schwartz

4-H Science/Eng/Tech**Woodworking**

Craig Heskett
Mitchell Heine
Justin Heine

FFA

Dana Hall
Jason Hirschfeld
Stephanie Miller
Joel Miller
Rachelle Staehr

Open Class**Domestic Products**

Denise Blum
Emily Perry
Deb Heskett
Bob Sautter

Needlework

Carolyn Hoffman
Jo Richert
Nancy Neihart
Mary Jane Meradith
Sandy Brumbaugh
Karen Michels
Kareen Light

Plants/Other Science

Bill Hardy
Jack Garner
Gerry George
Gary Zoubek
Neal Koch
Ron Dedlow
Jerry Stahr
Aftan Schlecte

**Engineering &
Technology**

Craig Heskett

Flowers

Pat Carpenter
Joan Strong
Virginia Fay
Pam Zoubek
Sally Ruben

Fine Arts

Lynne Wagner
Anne Wagner
Kathy Highstreet
Orville Davidson
Ilene Tesmer
Stephanie Bronzynski
Jessica Wagner
Tristyn Pinney
Hillary Mundt

Thank You!!

York County Ag Society Policies

York County Fair Policy Regarding Pets

No pets of any kind are allowed on the premises during the York County Fair. The only exceptions are as follows:

1. As a part of an approved entertainment program (such as Circus, etc.) or part of an exhibition or competition (such as Livestock and 4-H events) remaining only in the designated areas and meeting applicable health and legal requirements. All animals must remain under the control of the exhibitor at all times.
2. As service animals or service animals in training, properly restrained and identified and current with rabies vaccination.

Pets may be allowed on the Fairgrounds when the York County Fair is not in progress or when the Fairgrounds are not rented. Events may set their own policies on pets. All pets must be under control and are the responsibility of their owner or handler. Owners are responsible for cleaning up after their pets.

York County Fair Smoking Policy

A smoke-free and vape-free policy has been adopted to protect all employees and visitors from secondhand smoke, to enhance indoor air quality and contribute to the general health and well-being of all employees and visitors to the York County Fairgrounds.

Smoking refers to the use of traditional tobacco products. Vaping refers to the use of

electronic nicotine delivery systems or electronic smoking devices. These are commonly called e-cigarettes, e-pipes, e-hookahs and e-cigars.

Smoking and vaping are not permitted in York County Fairgrounds buildings, or under the “Big Top Tent”, during the York County Fair, and are only allowed outdoors.

The Grandstand is also smoke-free. Smoking and vaping are also not permitted anywhere in the Grandstand during events, however, it may be permitted at least 25 feet from the Grandstand entrance.

Compliance with this Policy may be monitored during events held on the Fairgrounds.

York County Ag Society Remote Controlled Devices Policy (Summary)

York County Ag Society/York County Fair bans the use of all remotely controlled devices such as aircraft, cars, etc.

No remotely controlled aircraft or ground vehicle devices are authorized to operate on, above or below York County Ag Society property at any time without the express written consent of the York County Ag Society Board of Directors or the proper law enforcement authority.

This procedure includes, but is not limited to unmanned aircraft systems, radio-controlled model aircraft, other devices that can be operated in airspace and remote-controlled cars/ground vehicles.

The complete York County Ag Society Remote Controlled Devices Policy will be posted in the York County Fair Office and is available from the York County Ag Society Board Secretary.

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York County Ag Society Free Speech Policy (Summary)

During the annual York County Fair, free speech activities may be allowed within the Fairgrounds, if the individual or group wishing to engage in such activity obtains a booth space pursuant to lease or rental agreement subject to the same reasonable terms and conditions as are applied to any other person leasing such space. Assignments of booth space will be made by representatives of the York County Ag Society in accordance with use and purpose of such booth. Booths determined to be obtained for the purpose of free speech activities, such as those dealing with Animal Rights Issues, may be assigned booth space in the Free Expression Zone, as defined within the Policy.

Booth Lessees shall not post signs, bills, cards, stickers, or other advertising materials on any vehicles in the Fairgrounds area, or any of the buildings, light posts, or other structures of any nature owned by the Lessor. Further, Lessee shall post no signs except those approved by the Lessor. Signs denoting ownership, proprietorship, or the name given to the place of business shall be permitted. Lessee may advertise at and distribute only from within the leased space. Lessee shall not solicit or personally promote to the public in any manner outside a 10-foot radius of the leased space.

The booth must be occupied by the Lessee, in person, during all open hours. Unmanned, display only booths are not allowed, except with written permission from the Lessor. Lessee will not share the booth with another party or allow another party to take

over the booth space without the specific permission of the Lessor.

The complete York County Ag Society Free Speech Policy will be posted in the York County Fair Office and is available from the York County Ag Society Board Secretary.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. While the greatest possible care will be executed by the management to protect patrons of the York County Fair, each individual will be held personally responsible for his/her actions and the management will not be accountable or responsible for any injury.
2. York County Agricultural Society assumes no liability for loss or damage to any property to the concessionaire, exhibitor, or patron, due to theft, fire, tornado, weather conditions or other causes.
3. When an entry is made, the exhibitors name will be used to identify each exhibit at the fair in 4-H, FFA and Open Class. Once an entry is made in the books, no change of that entry will be permitted, nor will anyone be allowed to see the entries as made until after the awards have been placed. The management reserves the right and privilege to refuse entries if there is no space available. 4-H and FFA exhibitors must be members in good standing of the program (4-H or FFA) under which they are competing, meeting age and membership eligibility requirements. For Round Robin Showmanship competition 4-H age rules for eligibility (not 19 years of age by Jan 1 of current year)
4. All entries must be owned and / or cared for by the exhibitors, all agricultural and horticultural products must be the products of the present year, except crops not yet harvested, in which last year's crops may be exhibited.
5. In case of a protest, a written statement setting forth the reasons for protesting must be filed with the secretary before the close of the fair.
6. In case of general conflict with department rules the department rules govern.

7. Premium monies will be paid to all exhibitors on the last day of the fair beginning at 4 pm or at the Extension Office within 90 working days after the final day of the fair. PREMIUM MONEY WILL NOT BE MAILED. In case there are insufficient funds to pay premiums in full, they will be prorated and paid accordingly. Unclaimed premiums will be forfeited. If items are removed from grounds prior to Sunday all Premium money will be forfeited.
8. Open class exhibits from the counties surrounding York County will be accepted, except where department rules restrict such entries. (Polk, Seward, Saline, Fillmore, Clay, Hamilton, Butler)
9. All articles and animals must remain within the enclosure during the fair and cannot be removed until the last day of the fair without the written permission of the secretary unless otherwise stated. Release of exhibits is from 4 to 6 pm on Sunday.
10. Feed must be furnished by exhibitors. Bedding will be ordered by show management and charged to exhibitors.
11. All livestock exhibitors must clean out their stalls/pens and move the bedding to the proper dumpster. Herdsmanship premiums will not be paid until this requirement has been met.
12. All classes of livestock must be shown in the arena to receive premiums.
13. All livestock must be owned and / or cared for by the exhibitor making the entry, noting that other shows may have different requirements. In addition, livestock must be shown by that exhibitor except in case of injury, sickness, or other acceptable reason.
14. In the case that a 4-H/FFA member exhibitor is injured or seriously ill at the time of the show or shall have been called to active duty in the Armed

Forces after having started a project, the project may be continued, and the animal (s) may be exhibited in the name of the original Club Member. The substitute showman must be a 4-H/FFA member currently enrolled in one of the organizations serving York County and be eligible to exhibit 4-H/FFA livestock at that years' show and approved in advance of the show by the Extension Staff. An exhibitor who has more than one animal in a class need not secure advance approval for another eligible exhibitor to exhibit one of his/her animals.

15. Open class animal exhibitors must turn in entries and pen or stall requests by the first Friday of July at the York County Extension Office.
16. No animal or exhibit may be entered in open class and youth classes.
17. Each exhibitor may be asked to submit a signed affidavit certifying correct withdrawal from legal drugs, vaccines, or other substances. They will also certify that their entries have not received any non-approved drugs.
18. All livestock fans must be attached to the tie rails or walls. No fans in rear of animal regardless of equipment.
19. 4-H and Open Class feeder calves may arrive on show day and are dismissed after the show. They may be stalled in the beef barn (provided there is room) for the duration of the fair but cannot return once they are removed.
20. All livestock must be exhibited in a show in order to be stalled on the grounds. Otherwise, you will be charged for advertising space.
21. All animals brought to the fairgrounds are subject to the State of Nebraska Department of Agriculture

Bureau of Animal Industry and Veterinary Services regulations. Animals include beef cattle and dairy, sheep, goats, swine, and poultry. Complete Nebraska County Fair Animal Health Requirements are available at the Extension Office or from the York County Fair Board.

22. 4-H and FFA exhibitors showing all animals are required to wear county fair appropriate dress for the area in which they are competing. The dress would include the official 4-H shirt with the youth program logo as provided by the 4-H Council and blue jeans. Dairy and dairy goat exhibitors only may wear dark blue jeans or white pants. No hats, caps or other types of headgear are to be worn in the show ring. Exhibitors shall not display local, commercial, or other identification while showing their animals-except official 4-H or FFA identification the required.
23. Animal Exhibits for Children (ages 5-7 as of Jan 1) must adhere to the following: Age, size and temperament of animal projects must be appropriate for the exhibitor's age and size. Horse 18. projects are not allowed or appropriate. Beef animals weighing more than 350 pounds at the time of show are not allowed or appropriate for this age group either. Animals that are appropriate for this age group include bucket calf, sheep, swine, goat, dog, poultry, rabbit, and companion animals. This applies to all animal projects. Allowable large animals should be no more than 6 months of age and no more than 350 pounds at time of show.
24. The 'Home Raised' classes will be considered as 'Bred and Owned Classes' where animals to be

eligible for this class must be the offspring of females owned at the time of breeding for the animal that is to be shown. The owners of the dam must be the youth entering the animal, immediate family members or in the name of the family farm operation. The member entering and exhibiting the animal must have care and management access to the animal throughout the lifetime of the animal to be shown, birth to show. Care and management to be consistent with accepted Nebraska 4-H Policy.

25. Preparation and grooming of an animal should be the primary responsibility of the Fair exhibitor; however, assistance may be provided by other Fair 4-H or FFA exhibitors, immediate family members or another person acting in a mentoring and teaching capacity. The intent of this policy is to promote and foster positive youth development and a high-quality learning experience which are core values of 4-H and FFA.
26. All livestock shows will be Blow and Go; animals may be clipped, blown, and brushed or combed to enhance their appearance. Guidelines for the Blow and Go show:
 - a. All animals will be shown free of any adhesive, glue, paint, or powder products.
 - b. Any compounds that have adhesive qualities that when applied cannot be combed or brushed through or alter the color of the animal are forbidden. These products include but are not limited to commonly used adhesives and colorants such as Prime Time, EZ Comb, Tail Adhesive, Natural Hold, Ultra a. White Touch-Up, Black Touch Up, Black Finisher, black show foam, and baby powder.

- c.. Alcohol, water, oil, foam or any water or alcohol-based products with no adhesives or glue qualities, or artificial colorings are permitted. These products include conditioners and commonly used sprays such as Kleen Sheen, Revive, Final Bloom, Pink Oil, white show foam, Freshen Up, Silk, and Sudden Impact. Paint will be allowed on the hooves and dewclaws only.
- d. Any animal found to have prohibited products applied (adhesive, glue, paint, or powder products) will be disqualified from competition. Any premiums (physical or monetary) will be forfeited, and no refunds will be made.
- e. All animals will be subject to visual inspection and/or toweling (before and/or after entering the show ring) using a disposable blue shop towel for the presence of adhesive, glue, paint, or powder products. Toweling of the animal may include, but is not limited to, the topline, legs, chest, belly, flank, and cod/udder areas. If, after inspection, the animal is found to have adhesive, glue, paint, or powder products applied it will be disqualified from competition. Any premiums (physical or monetary) will be forfeited, and no refunds will be made.
- f. Unethical Fitting and Grooming Practices: It is a **violation** if an animal evidence air pumping or the presence of inappropriate substances to alter conformation. Similarly, it is a violation to use artificial colors or dyes meant to misrepresent breed characteristics or enhance animal conformation. Methods such as stomach pumping to induce artificial fill, performing surgical and/or non-surgical procedures to alter the animal's configuration or the natural conformation of any part of the animal's body, or

unethical fitting are grounds for disqualification. The following generally accepted management practices are allowed: hoof trimming, dehorning, removal of hair, a. castration, branding, tattooing, ear notching, drenching, and docking of tails.

- 27 In the event an exhibitor has multiple market animals in the same class, the exhibitor has the option to move an animal up a weight class to be able to show their own animal.
- 28 No personal motorized vehicles will be allowed on the York County Fairgrounds during the Fair or Fair related activities without the prior written approval of the York County Ag Society Board of Directors.

NATIONAL CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to junior as well as open class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show. In addition to the "IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics," fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations which they impose on the local, county, state, provincial and national levels.

All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, and absolutely responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada.

The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and all livestock in competitive events:

1. All exhibitors must present, upon request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age, or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.
2. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.
3. Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fair or livestock shows.
4. Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of volatile drug residues. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event which culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state, and provincial statutes, regulations, and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state, and provincial statutes, regulations and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event. If the laboratory report on the analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other sample taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie

evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample of urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the laboratory to which it is sent is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise. At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.

5. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, conformation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.

6. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.
7. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, fair and livestock show management, or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.
8. No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individual to disciplinary action.
9. The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.
10. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to have

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disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including Fairs and Expositions and any special notices to members.

11. The act of entering of an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

Any person (s) who feel that a violation of the rules or regulations of the York County fair have occurred, must go through the normal protest/appeals process.

All protests shall be brought to the Ag Society or Extension staff who has the authority to make appropriate decisions based on the York County Fair Premium Book.

If a satisfactory resolution is not reached, then the following rules are to be met:

1. All protests must be submitted in writing and signed.
2. A deposit of \$10, as a guarantee of good faith, shall be attached.
3. The written protest must be submitted to the Secretary of the York County Ag Society and must include:
 - a) Names of person (s) involved.
 - b) Nature of the concern.
 - c) Situation and documentation
 - d) Recommendations for correction.
 - e) Specific action, rule, etc. in question
 - f) Additional person (s) that the committee may contact for further clarification.
 - g) Procedures and/or steps carried out by person (s) involved prior to submission to the Secretary of the York County Ag Society.
4. The committee will review the written protest. They may discuss the situation with the affected persons, show officials, superintendent of affected area and the Secretary of the York County Ag Society. Recommendations will be

developed, followed and communicated both verbally and in writing to the group or individual affected.

5. In case of protest, the exhibitor may be allowed to show, but results of showing will be subject to change based on the outcome of the protest process. This allows for smooth operation of the show and facilities appropriate processing.
6. The Management reserves the right to withhold premiums and/or awards. The exhibitor may also be excluded from the show if action warrants.
7. Protest will not be accepted after general release time. Protests related to judges' integrity, decisions, placing, or other evaluations will not be accepted. When needed, the Grievance Committee will meet to act upon concerns at a special meeting, which time will be set and all parties will be notified prior to its convening.

Special Awards For Fair

4-H Photo Contest

All 8x10 exhibit prints exhibited in the 4-H Photography Area at County Fair will be considered for the 4-H Photo Contest. On judging day, the Extension Office Staff will choose the top 6 photos to be displayed at the Extension Office throughout the year.

County Fair Pay Categories

4-H PAY CATEGORIES				
	Purple	Blue	Red	White
100	\$12.00	\$9.00	\$6.00	\$4.50
105	\$9.00	\$8.25	\$8.00	\$6.75
110	\$9.00	\$8.00	\$6.00	\$4.50
115	\$8.00	\$6.75	\$6.00	\$5.25
120	\$8.00	\$6.00	\$4.50	\$1.50
130	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$6.00	\$6.00
140	\$6.00	\$5.25	\$4.50	\$3.75
150	\$6.00	\$4.50	\$3.00	\$1.50
160	\$4.50	\$4.50	\$4.50	\$4.50
170	\$4.50	\$3.75	\$3.00	\$2.25
180	\$4.50	\$3.00	\$2.25	\$1.50
190	\$4.25	\$3.50	\$2.75	\$2.00
200	\$3.75	\$3.00	\$2.25	\$1.50
210	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$3.00
220	\$3.00	\$2.75	\$2.25	\$1.50
230	\$2.75	\$2.25	\$2.00	\$1.50
240	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50
300	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10

FFA PAY CATEGORIES				
	Purple	Blue	Red	White
105	\$12.00	\$11.25	\$11.00	\$9.75
115	\$8.00	\$6.75	\$6.00	\$5.25
140	\$6.00	\$5.25	\$4.50	\$3.75
170	\$4.50	\$3.75	\$3.00	\$2.25
200	\$3.75	\$3.00	\$2.25	\$1.50

OPEN CLASS PAY CATEGORIES			
	Blue	Red	White
500	\$9.00	\$6.00	\$4.50
510	\$8.00	\$6.00	\$4.50
520	\$8.00	\$4.50	\$1.50
540	\$6.00	\$4.50	\$3.00
550	\$6.00	\$3.75	\$1.50
560	\$4.50	\$3.75	\$3.00
570	\$3.75	\$3.00	\$2.25
580	\$3.50	\$2.75	\$2.00
590	\$3.00	\$2.25	\$1.50
600	\$2.25	\$1.50	\$1.00
	1st	2nd	3rd
530	\$8.00		
650	\$15.00	\$10.50	\$8.00

4-H DEPARTMENT

Tanya Crawford, Ext Educator

Jenny Rees Ext. Educator

Amanda Hackenkamp, Ext Assistant

Macee' Parrish, 4-H Office Assistant

4-H is “LEARNING BY DOING”. With this in mind, The York County 4-H Council urges all 4-H members to learn by doing their own project work throughout the year. The 4-H Council also recognizes that 4-H is a family affair and that at times 4-H'ers need adult assistance. The Council hopes that each family will recognize the times that assistance is needed and times that the member needs to learn on his or her own.

4-H General Rules

1. **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Only youth registered in the York County 4-H program may exhibit their projects in the 4-H division of the county fair. To comply with Federal 4-H Guidelines, only youth between the ages of 8 and 18 (as of January 1st of the current year) are eligible to participate. Youth between the age of 5 and 7 (as of January 1st of the current year) are eligible to participate in Clover Kids.

2. **AGE DIVISIONS:** Ages are as of January 1st of the current year.

Junior – Ages 8–10

Intermediate – Ages 11-13

Senior – Ages 14-18

OR

Junior – Ages 8-12

Senior – Ages 13-18

3. **PRE-ENTRY:** All exhibit areas must be pre-entered, including all animals, Fashion Show, Clothing & Construction, Public Speaking, and Presentation entries. Please see calendar for exact deadlines. If a deadline 3. is missed, the superintendent / staff reserves the right to lower the exhibit one ribbon placing.
4. **NUMBER OF ENTRIES:** Only one entry per class per exhibitor except where otherwise noted.
5. **EXHIBIT CHECK IN:** All static exhibits must be checked in for judging by 10:00 a.m. on the appropriate judging day
6. **ENTRY TAGS:** Exhibits other than livestock must have an entry tag attached to the exhibit at the time of entry. Tags are printed by the Extension Office.
7. **RELEASE OF EXHIBITS:** All fair exhibits are expected to be displayed at the fair for the duration. Premium and support/booster payments may be forfeited for early removal of any exhibit. In case of conflict, contact the office staff. Extension staff is not responsible for items left at the fairgrounds after scheduled release times.

8. **DISCLAIMER OF RESPONSIBILITY:** All persons participating in the York County Fair, either as exhibitors or as spectators, agree to make no claim against said Association, its officers, employees, volunteers, or any other exhibitors for any loss or damage to persons or property in connection with the activities of the York County Fair Associations and said participants agree to hold said Association and persons harmless from any such claims. Individuals will be held personally responsible for his/her actions and the fair management will not be accountable or responsible for any injury. Exhibitors are responsible for the health of their animals.
9. **STATE FAIR ELIGIBILITY:** An exhibitor must be a 4-H member enrolled in the county in which she/he represents. All static exhibits must receive a purple ribbon at County Fair in order to be considered for state fair entry.
10. **STATE FAIR EXHIBITS:** The Extension staff delivers exhibits to and from the state fair as a courtesy to exhibitors. However, exhibitors will be asked to arrange transportation of articles that are unusually large or heavy.
11. **FAIR RULES:** When County Fair rules are not adequate, state fair rules will apply. If general rules conflict with department rules, the department rules govern.
12. **INTERVIEW JUDGING:** Interview judging for static exhibits is **optional**, but 4-H members are encouraged to interview judge. This is a short meeting with an experienced judge who will visit with the 4-Her about their project. Youth are not

judged on interview abilities. Sign up for interviews at the Extension Office or during exhibit check-in. If a 4-H'er chooses to interview judge, there will be a limit of 2 interview items per division. Interview times will only be available from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day.

13. **RIBBON COLOR MEANINGS:** Purple awards denote superior; blue, excellent; red, good; and white, fair. Equal prizes will be given the same color awards under the same class. If the judge feels that an entry is not deserving of a purple ribbon placing. Rosettes and large ribbons will not be awarded. To be eligible for Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, Champion, or Reserve Champion an entry must have received a purple in its respective class. The decisions of the judges will be final.

