

FILLMORE COUNTY 4-H



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PRE-ENTRY DEADLINE

Pre-entry deadline to exhibit at the Fillmore County Fair is June 14th. New this year: If an exhibitor turns their pre-entry paperwork in by June 7th they will be entered to win a \$50 food stand gift card to use during the fair!

4-H SUMMER WORKSHOPS

You aren't going to want to miss out on the FUN this summer! 4-H programming will be happening at all county libraries and various locations throughout the county! Check out the June calendar for more details.

Registration for summer workshops must be completed by June 3rd! Sign up at <https://forms.office.com/r/GZ7Kcm7EhW>

POP-UP OFFICE

Do you live outside of Geneva and have questions about 4-H, enrollment, entry paperwork, or want to drop off your paperwork? Stop by to say hi, ask your questions, drop off paperwork, or pick up paperwork at these locations!

Exeter Library- June 4th- 11:00-12:30

Milligan Library- June 4th- 2:00-3:00

Shickley Library- June 7th- 3:30-5:30



CONGRATS FILLMORE COUNTY COMMUNICATION EVENT PARTICIPANTS!

Good luck to all competing at the Premier Communications Event on June 17th and 18th in Lincoln!



CONGRATS FILLMORE COUNTY TRAP TEAM ON A SUCCESSFUL SEASON!

If you want to learn more about the trap team or about summer league, please contact the office and we will get you in contact with the coaches!

WELCOME ALEXA!



Hello! My name is Alexa Orf. I am from Wilber, Nebraska. I am currently a sophomore at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln majoring in Agriculture Education with a minor in Animal Science. In past years I did baking and sewing through the 4-H program in Saline County and participated in Livestock judging in FFA. I also participated in the Horse Judging Team and the Little Arksarban Showing contest through UNL. I am excited to be a part of the Fillmore County Fair in July this year!

Alexa is the summer intern for the 2024 summer! Please stop by to say hi and welcome her into this position!

Talent Show

The Fillmore County Talent Show will be on **Sunday July 7th at 2:30 p.m. at the Fairgrounds**

Have a talent you are eager to share with others? Sign up for the talent show on your pre-registration form to show off your talent! Talent entries can be individual, group, or inter-generational performances.



Fashion Show

The Fillmore County Fashion Show Contest will be held on Wednesday, July 3rd at 2:30. The Public Fashion Review will be held Sunday, July 7th at 2:30.

The fashion show is an opportunity for youth to showcase their construction and consumer management skills. Check out the fairbook for more information on classes and requirements.



Culinary Challenge



The 4-H Culinary Challenge Contest demonstrate healthy decision making through nutrition, food preparation, menu planning, and food safety. To showcase these skills, youth will create a menu, prepare a food item, and choose an appropriate theme for their occasion while expressing their food, nutrition, and food safety knowledge during a live interview with a judge at the contest. A challenge ingredient will be selected each year, highlighting a Nebraska commodity food product.

The 2024 challenge ingredient is soy.

You may compete as an individual or a team for this event

Find more information at <https://4hfairbook.unl.edu/fairbookview.php/contests/22>
The Fillmore County Culinary Challenge will take place on Wednesday, July 3 at 1:00.



ENROLL IN 4-H TODAY!

4-H members and volunteers must enroll in 4HOnline for the 2024 programming year. It is strongly encouraged for members to be enrolled before participating in club activities to ensure coverage is available if an accident occurs.

4-H enrollment is due June 14th, 2024.

To Enroll:

- Log in to 4HOnline with your username and password. If you do not have this, create a new profile.
- Enroll in the 2024 4-H year
- Update youth personal information and complete authorization page.
- For help visit fillmore.unl.edu. Under the Fillmore County 4-H drop down menu click on 4-H Enrollment.



4-H members ages 8-18 as of Jan. 1, 2024 and FFA exhibitors who exhibit beef, goats, sheep, swine, rabbits, and poultry MUST complete YQCA training each year to exhibit at the county fair and state fair. FFA members ages 19-21 can only complete YQCA certification using the web-based training and cannot become certified at an instructor-led training.

Face to face training that are available:

June 7th @ 10:30-Fillmore County Extension Office

How to Register for face to face trainings:

1. 4-H members need to be enrolled in 4-H for 2024 before you can register for YQCA: <https://v2.4honline.com/>
2. Register AND pay online at: <https://yqcaprogram.org>
3. Registration instructions are found at: <https://go.unl.edu/yqcainstructorledinstructions>
4. New 4-H & FFA members will need to create an account with username/email and password. Users who have an account will login with your credentials. We do not have access to your username or passwords.
5. You will first choose your age group (your age as of Jan, 1, 2024) and the instructor led training you plan to attend. You will find a list of trainings once inside the registration site.
6. Cost is \$3 - paid online.

Steps to complete your web-based training registration:

1. Register AND pay online at: <https://yqcaprogram.org>
2. Registration instructions are found at: <https://go.unl.edu/yqcawebbasedinstructions>
3. New 4-H and FFA members will need to create an account with username/email and password. Users who have an account will just login with your credentials. We do not have access to your username or password.
4. You will first choose your age group (your age as of Jan, 1, 2024) for a web-based training, pay, and complete the course online.

YQCA COMPLETION DEADLINE IS JUNE 15; HOWEVER, EARLIER COMPLETIONS IS RECOMMENDED.

Complete certificates must be printed and brought, mailed or emailed to the Extension Office. No phone screenshots please.

Outstanding Service Award

4-H families are encouraged to nominate someone who goes the extra mile for Fillmore County 4-H for the Outstanding Service Award. To nominate individuals send a letter of recommendation, including years of service and contributions made to the 4-H program. Submit nominations to the Fillmore County Extension Office by June 14th.

County Fair Reminders

Pre-Fair Entry Forms

4-H'ers bringing exhibits (including animals) to the fair must fill out and return PRE-FAIR ENTRY FORMS and LIVESTOCK ID sheets to the Extension Office by June 14th!

Same as last year, pre-Fair entry forms and livestock ID sheets are available at www.fillmore.unl.edu or if you are enrolled member enclosed in this newsletter. Families can pick them up at the office or print off online. Use the 2024 fair book to complete entry forms. An example is included on the form. If you have questions about filling them out, stop by the office or give us a call.

Livestock:

Swine Ear-Tags

Fillmore 4-H will continue the identification process as a visual tag for county fair. An E-ID is also acceptable, as that is required for State Fair.

To identify your hogs, stop in the office to pick up your tags. They must be in hogs by June 14th.

All ear tags not matching ID sheets will NOT be allowed to participate in the 4-H show; they will be allowed to participate in the open class show.

Breeding Gilt

Breeding gilts' birth date should be on ID form turned into Extension Office by June 14th.

Breeding Sheep

Remember that to show in a specific breed class, registration papers are required and must be owned by the exhibitor or immediate family.

Home Born and Raised Animals

Remember to declare all animals that are Home Born and Raised on the livestock ID sheets. This must be done with all beef, sheep and swine exhibits if you want your animals recognized as such.

Breeding Beef Tattoos

Remember to have all REGISTERED breeding beef animals properly tattooed by June 14th; commercial heifers can have a 4-H tag or EID tag. Tattoos will be checked at fair check-in. To show in a specific breed class, registration papers are required and must be owned by the exhibitor or immediate family. Please make sure livestock pre-entry forms are properly filled out to ensure breeding animals are in correct class.

Bucket Calf Record Books.

Youth exhibiting bucket calves at the county fair need to complete a record book and turn it into the Extension Office by July 1st. The books will be judged prior to the fair based on skills and knowledge gained by the 4-H'er. Record books are available at the Extension Office.

Generators

Generators will be allowed in 2024 because of the lack of electrical output in the west Quonset that is needed for beef blowers and fans. The generator must be an inverter type to reduce the noise competition with arena speakers. Those who want to bring a generator will need to claim a permit from the extension office by July 1. There will be 5 permits that are available first come, first serve, limit 1 permit per 4-H family. Generators must be placed outside the Quonset on the north side, between the Quonset and bucket calf / small animal barn.

Miscellaneous

Clean up day: It is expected for members to be present July 2nd for pre-fair clean up and July 8th for post fair clean up. 4-Hers will go to the barns or Ag Hall for further instructions from superintendents or 4-H Staff.

Food Stand: It is expected for members to work one food stand shift. This is a huge fundraiser for the 4-H Council to be able to provide scholarships, put on programming, and other 4-H related events throughout the year. You can find the sign up at: <https://go.unl.edu/zcj6>

Picnic: POET will be sponsoring a 4-H picnic once again to celebrate the successes of the Fillmore County Fair. All members and families are welcome to join us at 11:00 in Ag Hall for this picnic.

Cake Auction: There are new guidelines this year for the cake auction. Make sure to check the fair book for this information!

Jr. Livestock Superintendent Role: Sign up at <https://go.unl.edu/juniorsupt> to help hand out ribbons and help with livestock shows.

June 14th Deadline Checklist

New this year! Turn in all paperwork by June 7th for each exhibitor to be entered into a drawing for a \$50 food stand gift card!

- Enrolled and Paid 4-H Member on 4HOnline**

- PRE-Fair Entry Form (Static and Livestock) *Stop by the office to pick up forms or print off***
 - 4-H Static Form
 - 4-H Livestock Pre-Entry Form
 - FFA Livestock Pre-Entry Form

- Livestock ID Sheets *Stop by the office to pick up forms***
 - ID Sheets are required for all species showing at the County Fair

- YQCA Certificate (Livestock). <https://yqcaprogram.org/>**
 - Course complete (face to face or online) and copy of certificate on file at the Extension Office
 - Register online at <https://yqcaprogram.org/>

- State Fair**
Livestock Nomination on Show Stock Manager <https://showstockmgr.com/>
 - All livestock in contention to exhibit at the Nebraska State Fair will be required to submit a DNA nomination. This includes all 4-H and FFA breeding livestock, market livestock, and feeder calves. Any DNA nomination submitted through Show Stock Manager will also be eligible for exhibition at the Aksarben Stock Show. DNA nominations will be \$7.00 per animal. All animals will automatically be eligible for both breeding and market—no additional fees or double payments will be required. DNA nominations for the Nebraska State Fair are due on June 15, 2024.
More Information: <https://4h.unl.edu/livestock-id>



State 4H Competition Age Change

- New this year! All members who are at least 8 years of age on January 1st will be eligible to participate in 4-H in-person events (live animal shows, fashion shows, and contests) at the Nebraska State Fair. This does NOT apply to horse events.

After June 24th Checklist

Stop by the office to pick up:

- Exhibitor Packets which includes:
 - Entry tags for static exhibits
 - Required labels for static exhibits
 - Fair Schedule
 - Livestock Affidavits
 - Livestock Back Tags for livestock shows
 - Safety Pins for livestock shows
 - General Fair information
- T-shirts
 - These are required for livestock shows and recommended for static interviews, contests, and awards night.
- Sign up for a food stand shift and/or Jr. Livestock Superintendent role

Help with Fairground clean up July 2nd at 5:30 p.m.

Information for New Members or Reminders for Seasoned Members Explained

We are here to help and one way we want to do that is to provide a section for new members to think about throughout the current month.

For June:

- **Enrollment in 4-H- 4-Hers (8-18 by Jan 1) and Clover Kids (5-7 by Jan 1) must be enrolled in 4-H to participate in club activities, county fair, and state fair (4-H only).** There is a \$10 enrollment fee or \$20 for 4-H families. You can pay by credit card, cash, or check. Clover Kids do not have this fee. Scholarships available upon request.
 - To enroll visit <https://4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>
 - If you are having troubles visit <https://4h.unl.edu/enroll> or by calling the office.
- **Stop by the office to pick up a copy of the 2024 fair book or visit** <https://extension.unl.edu/2022/workshops/Fairbook%2024.pdf>
 - This includes all things fair! All rules, classes, contests, and schedules are within this book!
- **Using your fair book, you need to fill out the entry forms by June 14th!**
 - For static exhibits (examples: baking, photography, gardening, etc.) you must fill out this form: <https://extension.unl.edu/2022/teamwork/Static%20Pre%20entry%20Form%2022.pdf>. You can print one off the website or pick one up in the office.
 - To fill out this form go through the fair book and find projects/learning experiences that sound interesting and age appropriate. Once you narrow down projects fill out the form by putting the class description number on the left hand column (ex. G773223) and the description on the right hand column (ex. Red Tomatoes). It is okay to over register for even if you don't get the project complete.
 - For Livestock Exhibits by June 14th:
 - You must complete the livestock entry sheet: <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/fillmore/Programs/4-H%20Livestock%20Pre-Entry%20Form%2022.pdf>
 - All livestock exhibitors must complete YQCA training. See more information on page 2 for this training.
 - Complete a livestock ID form. Find your specie specific ID form at <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/fillmore/pre-fair-checklist/>
- **Quick Glimpse to Fair:**
 - After June 24th you can come pick up your entry packet. This will include all entry tags, required labeling information, livestock back numbers, schedules, and affidavits. You will also pick up a t-shirt that is required for livestock shows, recommended for static interviews, and recommended for awards night/cake auction/and other contests.
- **June 29th: Horse Show- 8:00**
 - Exhibitors must complete required paperwork and pass levels in order to show.
 - Breakfast and Lunch will be on sight for exhibitors and families
- **July 1st: Bucket Calf Record Book due.**
 - Find the book at <https://extension.unl.edu/2022/teamwork/Bucket%20Calf%20record%20book.pdf>
- **July 2nd: Fairground Clean Up- 5:30**
 - It is expected of 4-Hers to be present during this time to help clean up barns, Ag Hall, and the fair grounds. Find a superintendent or Extension Staff for specific roles.
- **July 3rd: Static and Contest Day**
 - Static exhibits (ex. baking, photography, etc.) are entered between 7:00-10:00 am. All entries must have supporting information, entry tags, and proper labels attached to the project.
 - Static Interviews from 8:45-12:00- this is where the 4-Her can talk to the judge about their project. It is not required but recommended that a 4-Her talks about one project with the judge.
 - Culinary Challenge- Find more information about this contest on page 2 of this newsletter or in the fairbook. If a 4-Her is interested in competing and wants to compete on a team, let us know and we can create a team.
 - Fashion Show Judging- Find more information about this on page 2 and in the fair book. This is when judging happens. Fashion show models are also required to be present during the Fashion review on July 7.
- **July 4th: Livestock Prep**
 - Bringing livestock and show supplies is permitted. The extension office or fair board is not responsible for any damages or stolen property

Fair Reminders and Information

July 5th: Livestock Weigh-ins and Swine Show

- Swine must be in place by 8:00 a.m. with weigh-in starting at 8:00
- Market Beef must be in place by 9:00 with weigh-in starting at 8:00 followed by Breeding Beef
- Goat and Sheep must be in place by 9:00 a.m. with weigh-in/check-in at 9:00
- Poultry and Rabbit must be in place by 10:00 a.m. with check-in starting at 10:00
- An ethics affidavit for market beef, lamb, and swine exhibitors must be filled out and turned in at check-in. You can find this at <https://extension.unl.edu/2022/workshops/Ethics%20Affidavit24.pdf> or in your exhibitor entry packet
- Swine Show: 2:00

July 6th

- Rabbit and Poultry Show- 8:00
- Sheep/Goat Show- 1:00
- Companion Animal Show- 4:00- in Ag Hall. Must register for this show on static entry form

July 7th

- 8:00 Beef Show
- 2:30- Talent Show and Fashion Review
 - Sign up for the talent show on the pre entry form. Find more information on page 2 of the newsletter or the fair book. Fashion review is required for all fashion show participants. This is just a public review of your project. No judging will take place, just showing off your project to the public.
- 3:45 Cake Auction Check-in
 - Cake Auction participants signed up on their entry form must bring their cake during this time to get them placed for the cake auction. Please see the fair book for further guidelines on this process.
- 4:00 Awards Night
 - 4-Hers who received a 4-H Council Scholarship, Awards for trap team, Champion or Reserve Champion on static exhibits, Livestock Judging Champions/Reserve Champions, Communication Event Champ/Res Champ are requested to be present to receive their plaques and awards during this time.
- Cake Auction
 - This is a fundraiser where 4-H members are able to sell a cake or baked good during a live auction. The 4-Her will receive half of what the baked good brings and the other half will go to the 4-H Council. **There are new rules for the 2024 fair and can be found on page 30 of the fair book.**

July 8th

- Pick up static exhibits any time after 7:00 a.m.
- Livestock can be released before 7:30 a.m.
- Round Robin Showmanship is for Senior Champion Showmans who qualified in their respective species. If you are not a participant, stop by and cheer them on! At the conclusion of this the champion and reserve champion showman of all species and age divisions will be recognized with an award.
- 11:00- 4-H Picnic- all 4-Hers and families are invited to join in the 4-H picnic sponsored by POET to celebrate another successful fair!
- 12:30- Livestock Auction- This is for 4-Hers exhibiting livestock animals who signed up for the auction. Visit the fair book for guidelines on how to sign up and what is eligible.
- Post Fair Clean-up- It is expected for 4-H members and families to help clean-up the fairgrounds after the sale concludes. Visit with superintendents or Extension Staff for tasks that need to be complete.

Throughout the Fair:

-Food Stand: It is expected for members to work one food stand shift. This is a huge fundraiser for the 4-H Council to be able to provide scholarships, put on programming, and other 4-H related events throughout the year. You can find the sign up at: <https://go.unl.edu/zcj6>

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JUNE 4-H PROGRAMMING

2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2	3 Summer Workshop Registration Due! Horse Practice: 6:30- Fairgrounds	4 Exeter Summer Reading- 10:00-11:00 Milligan Summer Reading- 1:00-2:00	5 Geneva Summer Reading - 10:30-11:30 Shickley Summer Reading- 2:30-3:30 Green Team Club Mtg. 9-12 Ext office	6 4-H Project Palooza Fairgrounds 9:00-4:00	7 LAST CHANCE YQCA 10:30-12:00 Extension Office Fairmont Summer Reading- 10:00-11:00 Hot Mess Canvas Shickley 4-H 1:00-3:00	8
9	10 Horse Practice: 6:30- Fairgrounds	11 Exeter Summer Reading/ 4-H - 10:00-11:00 4-H Camp - Camp Jefferson	12 Geneva Summer Reading - 10:30-11:30 Shickley Summer Reading- 2:30-3:30 Green Team Club Mtg. 9-12 Ext office	13 Food Science Clover Kid Workshop 10:00-12:00 Woodworking 4-H Workshop Geneva- 1:00-3:00	14 Fairmont Summer Reading- 10:00-11:00 Food Science Shickley Clover Kids 1:00-3:00	15
16	17 Horse Practice: 6:30- Fairgrounds 4-H Premier Communications Event	18 Exeter Summer Reading/ 4-H - 10:00-11:00 Milligan Summer Reading- 1:00-2:00	19 Green Team Club Mtg. 9-12 Ext office Shickley Summer Reading- 2:30-3:30	20 Sugar Beets 4-H Workshop Geneva 9:00-12:00 Nature Exploration Clover Kid Workshop 1:00-3:00 4-H Premier Animal Science Event	21 Fairmont Summer Reading- 10:00-11:00 Cupcakes! Shickley 4-H 1:00-3:00	22
23	24 Horse Practice: 6:30- Fairgrounds	25 Exeter Summer Reading 4-H - 10:00-11:00	26 Geneva Summer Reading - 10:30-11:30 Shickley Summer Reading- 2:30-3:30 Green Team Club Mtg. 9-12 Ext office	27 Decorated Bag Clover Kid Workshop 10:00-12:00 Magic of Electricity 4-H Workshop Geneva 1:00-3:00	28 Fairmont Summer Reading- 10:00-11:00 Tie Dye Shickley Clover Kids 1:00-3:00	29
30	1 4-H Baking Workshop Jill's Sweet Shop 2:00-4:00	2	3 Static Check- in/Judging Contest Day	4	5	30



Filmore County
Horse Show