

Antelope County 4-H Newsletter

JULY 2020



WE NEED VOLUNTEERS INDEPENDENTS AND CLUBS TO HELP WATCH EXHIBIT BUILDING

Please call the office if you can help watch the exhibit building.

(see hours in the newsletters)

Dear 4-H Families,

The countdown is on! There are changes this year so please read this newsletter **carefully** so you are ready for fair!

Entry tags will be printed July 20th, so please come and pick up your entry tags before the fair starts so you can have them attached to your exhibits when you get to fair.

We are having two clean up/work nights again this year. The first will be **Monday, July 20th at 6:30pm** and the second will be, **Monday, July 27th, at 6:30pm**. This will be the last chance we will have to get our fairground in grand shape for the fair. Please bring buckets, rags, cleaners, hoses, garden rakes, dirt shovels, grain scoops, leaf rakes, work gloves, etc.. The more people we have to help, the faster we will be done!

Exhibitors will pick up their back tag numbers in the Livestock Show Office.

We have limited staff in our office at the courthouse on Monday July 27th. After July 27th, we will be spending our days out at the fairgrounds. Please get all of your questions asked before then!

We hope everyone has a safe and very enjoyable fair experience!

Good Luck to all exhibitors!

See you at the Fair!



Welcome to Antelope County 4-H!!



Sincerely Antelope County Extension Staff

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The 4-H Youth Development program abides with the nondiscrimination policies of the University of Nebraska–Lincoln and the United States Department of Agriculture.

Tips For Entry Day:

Antelope County Webpage:
antelope.unl.edu

Entry Day for Static Wednesday, July 29- 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Things to think about, since we are doing a Curb Style Drop Off you must have the project entry cards and all information about that project securely attached. We will not know who this project belongs to if it does not have the information on it. You may use tape, a staple, rubber band, string, or twist tie to securely fasten the entry card to the exhibit. If you need to make a one hole punch on the card you certainly may, as long as you don't punch through any of the words or the QRL code on the card.

Be thinking about what one project you want to take your picture with, make sure to wear your 4-H shirt and nice shorts or jean.

We will follow the Health Department Guidelines for the COVID 19.
If you are sick please stay home.

Agronomy – Department G – Field Crops

The Rules/Guidelines have changed there is now a "Crop Production Worksheet" found on our webpage that needs to be completed.

Photography

Has been moved to the fairgrounds Exhibit Building, Friday July 24th

Photography has new Level 1 Classes for you to check out. Also class changes to Level 2 & 3. (make sure to look over your Fairbook) Remember the Data Tags can be found on our county webpage.

Food Preservation

Make sure to include the "Recipe/Supporting Information" and "4-H Food Preservation Card" (can be found on county webpage). Read the rules of preservation so you don't get marked down a ribbon.

If Food Preservation class requires 3 jars please place in a container or box together.

Aerospace – Rockets/Drones

If taking this project read the fairbook to see updates.

Division 940 – Models

4-H Members may exhibit ONLY 1 item per class. Label Model with 4-Her's name if Entry Tag cannot be secured to project. Also if you have multiple pieces to a model exhibit, please place in a shallow box to keep them together.

Division 911 - Woodworking

Read over the Guidelines and follow the Rules. All articles exhibited must include a plan. You have to have all the required elements for the projects.

Division 870 - Electricity

Follow the Guidelines under the Department H - Science, Engineering & Technology page 49 and also under each Class number project.

Department C – Home Environment

Required to have a "Supporting Information Tag" (found on county webpage) on all Home Environment exhibits. Exhibits without will be dropped a ribbon placing. SECURELY attach entry cards to your projects.

Department - Clothing

Has been moved to the fairgrounds Exhibit Building, Friday July 24th - NO Interviews

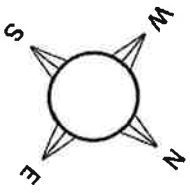
Please go over the fairbook starting on page 10. Where to place your Entry Tag on your item, what must be on your Identification Label, and the Preparation of Exhibit.

Fashion Show

Has been moved to the fairgrounds Exhibit Building, Friday July 24th. We will be doing interview time slots for modeling. Public Fashion Revue will still happen on Sunday August 2nd, but there will be a few changes. If the 4-Her modeled multiple outfits for the judge on Friday, they will only model one for the public fashion show on Sunday. We will follow the Health Department Guidelines.

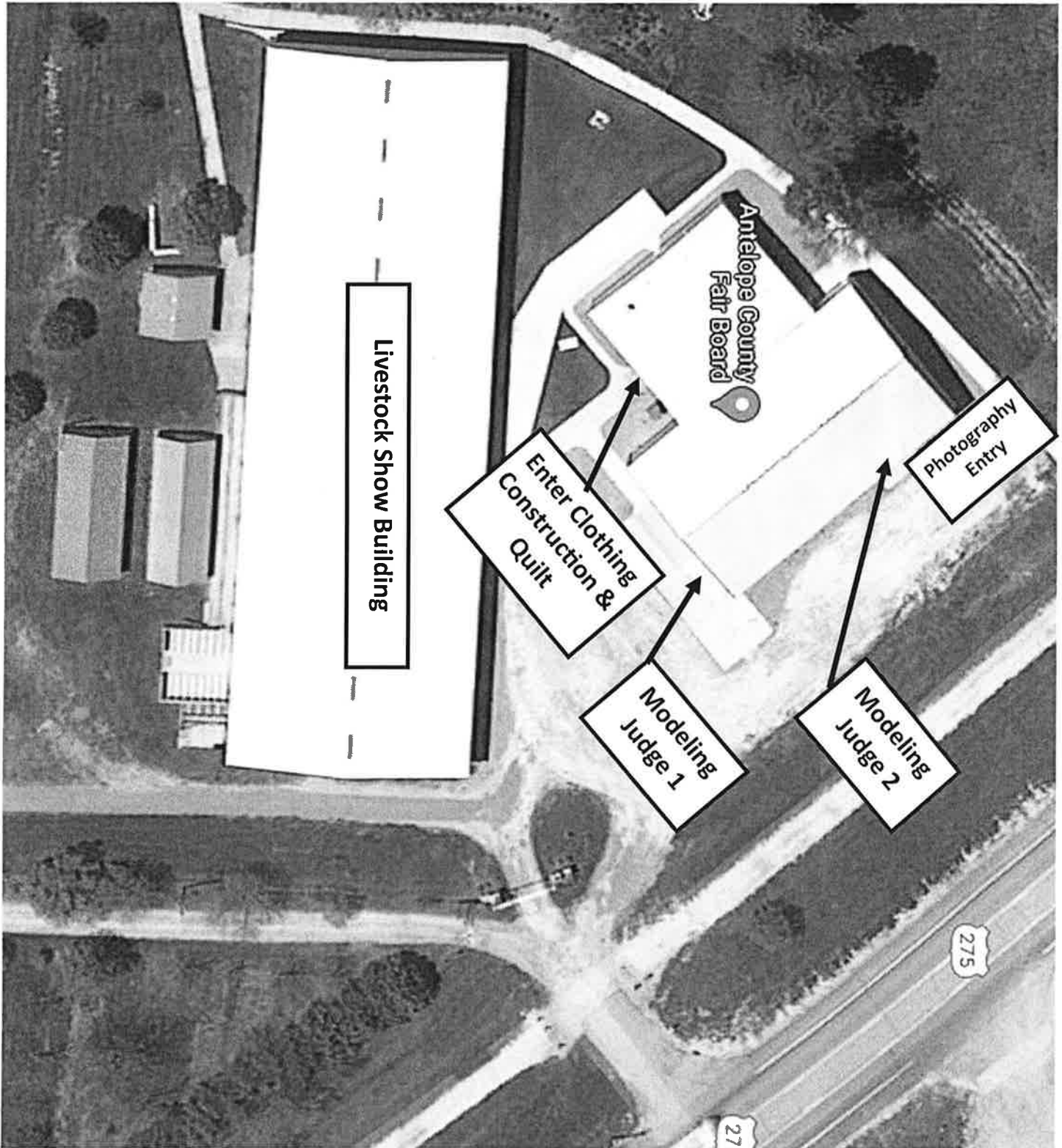
Department E – Foods

In years past, we usually donated the extra food items or held a free will donation but this year because of COVID we cannot do that. To help eliminate food waste and financial cost to families, we will be reducing the amount of the exhibit that the 4-H'er is required to bring. Please read Entry Day for Static under FOOD in this newsletter.



Friday, July 24th

Check in for clothing, quilts, and photography. Modeling Takes place.

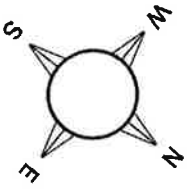


Clothing Construction and Quilt: Enter front doors on the East side of the small building.

Modeling Judge 1: Enter East front door of the big building.

Modeling Judge 2: Enter side door of the big building on the North side.

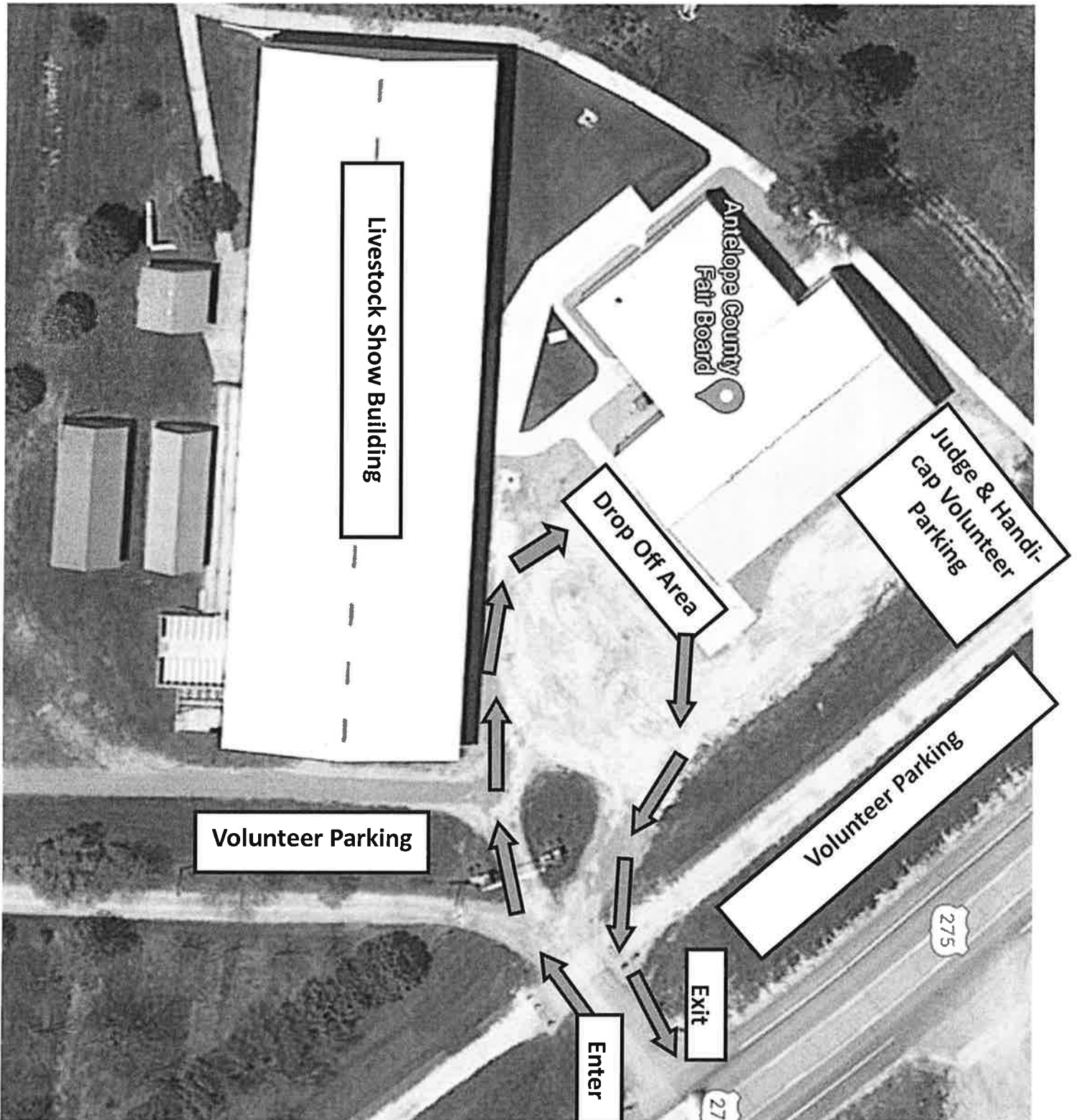
Photography: Check in outside the big building by the door on the North side.



Wednesday, July 29th

Check in all Static except Favorite Foods, Photography, and Clothing

Please remain in your vehicle until you arrive at the Drop Off area.



Entry Day For Static

Entry Day for Static & Clover Kid projects-Wednesday, July 29- 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

All Exhibit Entries will be Curb Style Drop Off. You will wait in line in your car until you get to the Exhibit Building. Once it is your turn to enter your projects, you may help unload your projects and we will have volunteers take them into the building. Only volunteers, judges, and staff will be allowed to enter the building during this time. When unloading projects, youth will select one project they would like to take a picture with. This picture will be used to recognize youth in case they receive an award.

With this new entry process, **PLEASE SECURELY attached entry cards to your projects!** This is critical step in ensuring we get all the 4-H'ers exhibits entered correctly! You can may use tape, a staple, rubber band, string, or twist tie to securely fasten the entry card to the exhibit. If you need to make a one hole punch on the card you certainly may, as long as you don't punch through any of the words or the QRL code on the card. Again, please securely fasten your entry cards!

Beyond the Needle/ Sewing/ Quilt Quest – Check-In Day & Modeling - July 24th

The style revue and clothing construction entry day will be **Friday, July 24th starting at 9:00 am** at the Fairground Exhibit Building, note this is a location change. No interviews for Clothing Construction this year, but we will be doing interview time slots for modeling.

Anyone who has pre-entered in these areas will receive a letter and a form for modeling. If you would like to model and don't receive a form, just let us know and we can get one to you.

All projects listed under Department "C" clothing as well as **Beyond the Needle and Quilt Quest (this includes barn quilts)** in the fair book will be judged that day.

If you are a Clover Kid and would like to model something you have sewn or decorated, please contact the office and we will send you a form and schedule an interview time for you.

Photography

Photography exhibits will be entered on **Friday, July 24th 9:00 am-Noon** at the Fairgrounds' Exhibit Building. We will have a drop off location by the north door of the Exhibit Building. Don't forget your entry & data tags on your photography!! You can find a template for data tags at our Extension website:

<https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/antelope/4h/>. Filling out a data tag for each of your photography exhibits is required. NO INTERVIEWS this year.

Favorite Foods

If you are bringing **Favorite Foods**, they will be entered and interviewed **Tuesday, July 28th from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm**. If showing Poultry you can set up your table in the morning. Please use the north door of the Exhibit Building for Favorite Foods. Favorite Food Interviews will be face to face and we will be sending out a schedule.

Static Entries & Cake Decorating- All other items (i.e. gardening, woodworking, home environment, foods, legos, cake decorating, etc.) with the exception of clothing are entered on **Wednesday, July 28th from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm** at the fairgrounds and are not interviewed!!

All food and cake decorating entries (except Favorite Foods) will be judged on Wednesday, July 28th. NO INTERVIEWS for foods and cake decorating this year.

Foods

In years past, we usually donated the extra food items or held a free will donation but this year because of COVID we cannot do that. To help eliminate food waste and financial cost to families, we will be reducing the amount of the exhibit that the 4-H'er is required to bring.

If exhibiting cookies, muffins, biscuits, or anything that would be displayed with 4, please only bring 2.

Pies, Coffee Cakes, Specialty Rolls, Cake, Breads, etc where you are typically would bring the entire product or 3/4th of it, please only bring a slice of it or a small portion of the product. (This does not include cake decorating).

Food Preservation - the quantity of the exhibit item will stay the same.

Please include the recipe and supporting information (refer to fairbook to see if an exhibit requires supporting information).

Home Environment

If you are exhibiting projects in any division in the Home Environment Department, youth are required to include supporting information. This includes: Celebrate Arts, Sketchbook Crossroads, Portfolio Pathways, Design My Space, Heirloom Treasures, & Design Decisions. You may use the template like the one found on the next page or our Extension website: <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/antelope/4h/>
PLEASE SECURELY attached entry cards to your projects.

Horticulture

Please, make sure all vegetables for a class stay together. You can use a flat box or plastic bags to keep them together. Once they get entered, volunteers will place them on styrofoam plate to be judged and displayed on. To prepare and exhibit flowers download: 4-H Preparing Cut Flowers for Exhibits 4H227 -

<https://unl.app.box.com/s/2f3a785c67p7qhqasevp6gu6adf3ugon>.

To prepare and exhibit vegetables download: Selecting and Preparing Vegetables, Herbs, & Fruits for Exhibit 4H226 -

<https://4h.unl.edu/4hcurriculum/preparingvegetabeshersandfruit>.

You can also find them on our Extension page: <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/antelope/4h/>

Poultry & Rabbit Exhibitors

Shows will be Tuesday July 28th.

Rabbits check in at 7:30-8:30 am, Show time at 9:00 am in the Exhibit Building. Note location change.

Poultry check in at 10:30 – 11:30 am Poultry Barn, Show time at 1:00 Livestock Show Ring.

Small Animal Exhibitors (Dog, Cat, Pocket Pets)

You need to fill out a 4-H Small Animal Record Book to give to the county fair judge. Stop by our office and pick up one or find one on our website at: <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/antelope/4h/> . Each species will require you to fill out a separate record book. If you are showing a cat, dog, or pocket pet, the record book will be due at the time of show check-in.

Dog Show: Check In Tuesday July 28th at 8am, Show at 8:30 am

Cat Show: Check In Monday July 27th at 9:00-9:30 am, Show at 10:00 am

Pocket Show: Check In Monday July 27th 11:30 am, Show immediately following the Cat Show

Bucket Calf Project

The Bucket Calf record books are available in our office or online at: <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/antelope/4h/> . There's a separate record book for 1st & 2nd Year Bucket Calves. 7 year old clover kids may complete a record book for their 1st year calf if they are planning to bring the calf next year for a 2nd year bucket calf 4-H project!

1st year bucket calf record books due Monday, July 27th by noon to the Extension Office. 2nd years are due at time of weigh in. Reminder bucket calf show is Friday July 31st at 11:30 am, this includes Clover Kids.

Interviews for 1st year bucket calf will be Wednesday, July 29 in the afternoon and Thursday, July 30 in the morning. We will be sending out a google doc for families to sign up for a time.

REMINDER: Absolutely no clipping, fitting or adhesives allowed!!

Clover Kids

All Clover Kids exhibits will be entered Wednesday July 29th 9:00am – 1:00 pm. Curb Style Drop Off. See above for Entry Process regarding Curb Style Drop Off. Clover Kids will get their medal for their project, when they take their picture at drop off. NO INTERVIEWS this year - Clover kids will also have entry tags for their projects, we will notify you when they are ready! PLEASE SECURELY attached entry cards to your projects.

What Animals Can Clover Kids Show At Fair?

4-H rules state that as a 4-H Clover Kid, any livestock you show should be no more than six months of age (except small animals (rabbits, poultry, cats, and dogs)) and no more than 350 pounds at the time of the show. This means you CANNOT show a horse or large beef animal as a Clover Kid.

Grow-A-Row; Grow A Community

The Grow-A-Row initiative encourages gardeners to plant an extra row of produce in their gardens and donate that harvest to the Antelope County Food Pantry in an effort to support our neighbors in need. To learn more about the Grow-A-Row initiative, please join the Grow-A-Row Antelope County Facebook page by either searching for the title or entering the tag @GrowARowAntCo into the Facebook search bar.

Interested in donating produce to the Antelope County Food Pantry? Please contact Brittany Spieker to schedule a drop-off time by calling (402) 887-5414 or emailing brittany.spieker@unl.edu.

Home Environment Supporting Information

Name _____ County _____

Check elements and principles used in your exhibit

Elements of Design-The building blocks of design

_____ Color _____ Texture

_____ Shape/Form _____ Line _____ Space

Principles of Design- How you used the elements to make your project.

_____ Rhythm/Repetition _____ Balance

_____ Emphasis _____ Unity _____ Proportion

Steps taken to complete this exhibit

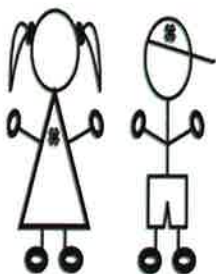
(you can use back to answer question)



If you are needing Supporting Information, Data Tags and Crop Production worksheet, or Preservation Card for your 4-H Project go to the county webpage.

Antelope County Webpage:

antelope.unl.edu



4-H T-Shirts!

An official 4-H shirt is required to show any animal at the county fair, as well as participate in shooting sports. You may also wear a white shirt with a 4-H chevron. Check the fairbook for the requirements in your area.

The following outlet in Neligh will be printing the 4-H shirts for your purchase.

319 Graphics & T's – Rachele Lyall
319 Main St, Suite 1, Neligh
402-887-4503

They will not have quantities made up ahead of time, but will be printing them as ordered.

Antelope County Webpage:
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Special Garden Project

Classic Magic Bachelor Buttons

The Bachelor Button flower seeds are here!
 Call the Extension office and enroll in this project.



County Wide Project Challenge:

Plastic Bags

Have fun using your imagination to create any type of project out of any kind of Plastic Bags.
 Great way to recycle!!

Give the Extension office a call if you want to do this project for fair.



This year the Special County Veggie Pepper

3 Classes you can enter

- Most Unusual Shaped
- Largest (by weight)
- Best Dressed/Decorated



Exhibit Building Schedule & Watch Help

We need more volunteers to watch the exhibit building during the fair, since there is no open class volunteers to help. If a Club or Independent would like to help, please let us know prior to fair. If a club can watch a couple of times, it would be greatly appreciated!

Thursday July 30th

10:00 am – 1:00 pm

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Merry Maids & Muscle

Friday July 31st

10:00 am – 1:00 pm

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Saturday August 1st

10:00 am – 1:00 pm

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Amber Wilcox

Sunday August 2nd

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Job Description Guidelines:

No more than 25 people in the exhibit building at one time

Once per shift sanitize water fountain, door handles and any other high traffic areas.

NO touching the 4-H Projects

Keep an eye on 4-H Projects, do not let them leave the exhibit building.

We will have cleaning supplies available.

Important 4-H Dates & Deadlines

July

Showworks - Fair Help Night - help enter Fair Projects	July 08 – 5pm – 6:30pm	Courthouse Basement use South Door
ALL 4-H Projects Entries for fair on Showworks are Due	July 15	All Fair Entries Due Showworks online
Antelope County 4-H Shoot - All Disciplines	July 12	Neligh, Shooting Sites
Horticulture Entries Deadline Noon	July 23	Deadline Noon: Extension Office
Photography/Clothing/Style Revue	July 24	Antelope County Fairgrounds
Antelope County Fair	July 27-August 02	Antelope County Fairgrounds

August

State Fair	August 28-September 07	Grand Island
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September

Extension Office Closed	September 07	Labor Day
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Antelope County COVID-19 Protocols:

- Courthouse is open to the public
- We are following CDC Guidelines: Maintaining 6-feet of distance
- If you are sick please stay home



Antelope County 4-H/Extension Webpage

antelope.unl.edu

All the Home Environment, Photography, Preservation Tags, Crop Production and Calf Record Books can be found online. Click on the 4-H Member Resources under Antelope County 4-H to find these resources. Check it out so you are ready to go for the fair and make sure you can open the links. If you have any trouble with the site let me know and I can help you. Thanks Lisa



Antelope County Fair 10th Annual Livestock Premium Auction



Location: Livestock Show Ring

Date: August 1, 2020

Time: 4:00 PM

The premium auction provides an opportunity for exhibitors of market livestock in the areas of beef, goats, sheep, swine, rabbits, and poultry to offset expenses occurred through duration of the project.

ALL YOUTH PARTICIPATING MUST BE PRESENT!

Social Distancing practices will be followed

Livestock will not be present for the sale

For more information, please contact:

Alice Morrison: (402) 843-8321 Greg Todd: (402) 360-1028
 John Beckman: (402) 843-6044 Stuart Vaughn: (402) 368-7782
 Travis Rudloff: (402) 640-7321 Rhonda Meyer: (402) 750-6006

5% of all overall bids will be retained for operating expenses.

KEEP THIS PAGE IN YOUR CAMPER

The Antelope County Ag Society has implemented some rules and regulations for the campground. These rules do not apply to the city camping area. Sites are assigned based on the **length** of your camper. Priority is given to children in 4H with livestock projects. Tents are allowed toward the NW corner of the camping area. Please read the campground policy and **keep it in your camper** for reference during the fair.

1. Campers may be brought in only after they have registered and paid the fee. They must be in assigned spots or will be asked to move if not registered or in the wrong spot.
2. You may bring your camper no earlier than the Monday before the fair. This is pre-fair clean up night. This gives the city time to mow one last time before the fair begins.
3. Quiet time is from 11:00 pm to 7:00 am
4. Pets must be leashed when outside of camper or tent. Pets are NOT allowed in the buildings or the livestock areas of the fairgrounds. Service dogs are the exception. Owners must clean up after their pets
5. Campfires must be above ground in portable fire pits with a top screen. Fire must be put out before retiring for the night.
6. Maximum speed limit on the grounds is 10 mph. The driveway is one way only.
7. You are allowed **one** vehicle at your camper. All other vehicles must park up in the parking lot or down by the creek.
8. Bag all garbage and place in the available trash cans or dumpsters. Please keep your campsite neat and clean.
9. Respect the privacy of other campers.
10. Remember to turn off all outside lights before retiring for the night.
11. Visitors should leave by 11:00 pm, quiet time.
12. The campground and the grounds of ACAS has **No** severe weather shelters. Campers are responsible to seek their own shelter during severe weather.
13. No fireworks allowed.
14. Restrooms and shower facilities are in the Exhibit Building. The door on the west side of the building is open 24 hours during the fair for use of the restrooms only. Showers are available when the concession stand is open. There are showers available on the city side of the park also.
15. For questions or concerns please contact a Fair Board Officer or Director.

2020 ANTELOPE COUNTY FAIR

The Antelope County Ag Society is now taking reservations for your camping spot for the 2020 Antelope County Fair. Due to the uniqueness of our campground, spots are assigned **based on the length of your camper**. All blanks must be filled in to be considered for a spot. Your form will be returned for incomplete info and you may lose a spot if this happens. There is a total of 22 camper spots.

If you would like to reserve a spot the cost is \$10.

Please fill out the form below and mail it back with your payment. No spots will be reserved until form is completely filled out and payment is received. Families with children actively involved in 4-H with livestock projects have priority. After all reservations have been received you will receive your assigned spot. By signing the form below, you agree to the attached rules and regulations of the campground. If you have any questions please call the fair board office at 402-887-5252 or Char at 402-841-4689. **DO NOT** call the extension office as this is a fair board issue **NOT** a 4H issue.

Thank you for your cooperation and interest in camping during the fair.

Antelope Co. Ag Society

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Name: _____ email address _____

Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact Phone #: _____

Do you have kids with livestock projects: yes no

Camper license # _____

Length of camper with hitch _____ feet

Signature of camper _____

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Please return to:

Antelope County Ag Society, POB 127, Neligh NE 68756