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Calendar of Events

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June

01 4-H ENROLLMENT DEADLINE
01 All Livestock and Horse ID's Due (except Market Beef) (includes rabbit and Poultry) this includes State Fair envelopes
02 FCS PAT Meeting, **Via ZOOM,** 7 p.m.
02-03 Entrepreneurship Camp
8-12 Junior Tempt, Taste, and Try (ages 8-12) **Online**
8-12 Senior Tempt, Taste, and Try (ages 13-18) **Online**
15 State Horse Show Entries Due
15 Advancement Levels for Horse testing due
15 Horse Stampede Entries Due
15 Quality Assurance Deadline
15-16 Life Challenge Contest, **Via ZOOM**
15-19 Clover Kid Adventure Day, (ages 5-7), **Online**
23 4-H Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
23 Culinary Challenge (Food Fare) Registration Deadline
23 Fashion Show Entries Due
26 Clover Kid Cooking Workshop, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m., **Online**
30 Culinary Challenge (Food Fare) Contest, **Via Zoom,** 10 a.m. start
TBD BRAG Tours
TBD Beginning Party Planning Workshop
TBD Chick Days, UNL
TBD 4-H Presentation Contest, 7 p.m., Buffalo County Extension Bldg.
TBD Horse, Small Animal, Shooting Sports, and Livestock PAT, 7 p.m.
TBD Advanced Meal/Party Planning Workshop
TBD Young Leaders Meeting
TBD State Horse Judging and Hippology registration is due
TBD Hippology Contest Registration Deadline
TBD Buffalo County Hippology Contest, Buffalo County Extension Office

July

01 State Fair Entries Open
01 Fair entries open
01 All Livestock nominations for State Fair Due Online – Moved From June 15th
01 STEAM Workshop, Kearney
03 Extension Office Closed/Independence Day
06-10 Nebraska Agricultural Youth Institute (NAYI), Lincoln
07 Pre-Fashion Show Workshop, 10 a.m., **Via ZOOM**
08 Fashion Show, 2 p.m., **Via ZOOM**
08 Junk Draw Robotics Workshop, Extension Office
12 Horse Stampede, Fonner Park
12-16 State Horse Show – Fonner Park
21-28 Buffalo County Virtual Fair

-Event details listed in newsletter-

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Buffalo County Events - Postponed

Nebraska 4-H along with Nebraska Extension will be following the University of Nebraska's response to the COVID-19 situation. Therefore, Nebraska 4-H will not be having **any** in-person events from May 1st- June 15th. This includes all workshops, club meetings, competitive events and all similar activities. We are asking for your patience as these are uncharted waters for all of us. We will do everything we can to offer as many of the postponed events at a later time as possible. At this point, plan for summer events as you normally would. We will keep you updated as information changes. All currently postponed events are listed below:

May 29th – Senior Tempt, Taste, and Try – Postponed to June 8-12th
June 02nd – FCS PAT Meeting – **Via ZOOM**
June 04th – BRAG Tours - Postponed
June 04th – Beginning Party Planning Workshop – Postponed
June 06th – Chick Days – Postponed
June 07-12th – Big Red Academic Camp – CANCELED
June 08-12th – Junior Tempt, Taste, and Try – Online
June 08-12th – Senior Tempt, Taste, and Try – Online
June 09th – 4-H Presentation Contest – Postponed
June 09th – All other PAT Meetings- Postponed
June 11th-12th – Advanced Meal/Party Planning Workshop – Postponed
June 14th – Young Leaders Meeting – Postponed
June 27th – District Dairy Show – CANCELED
July 8th – Junk Draw Robotics Workshop - CANCELED

Volunteers Enroll

ALL club leaders need to enroll online every year. Please go to https://ne.4honline.com to enroll. The 4-H enrollment and a volunteer background check needs to be **COMPLETED** before you start volunteering. The Volunteer Background check only needs to be done every 4 years. An email from Amber Gapp will instruct you on how to fill out the background check.

Animal Identification Forms

All livestock, horse, and small animal ID sheets are due to the office by **5 p.m. on Monday June 1st**. No late ID sheets will be excepted.
All county fair animal identification sheets can be found online at extension.unl.edu/statewide/buffalo/livestock-resources/, or can be picked up at the Extension Office.

Premise ID Needed

Any **new** members, or anyone that has moved, showing a Market animal will need to have a premise ID. To obtain one, please call 402-471-2351 and you will be asked the address where the livestock are being housed. Please call 308-236-1235 or email elizabeth.cast@unl.edu and give us your premise ID number.

State Fair Nominations

Again, this year, exhibitors interested in showing at state fair will need to do online nominations.

All market animals (beef, swine, sheep, and goats) have until **July 1st at 5 p.m. (with the recent events this was extended from the June 15th deadline)** to turn in their DNA envelopes to the extension office and nominate their animals online at https://showstockmgr.com. Payment must be submitted to be eligible to show at state fair.

Anyone interested in showing breeding animals (beef, sheep, goats) will need to turn in breeding nomination cards as well as nominate their animals online at showstockmgr.com. by **July 1st at 5 p.m. (with the recent events this was extended from the June 15th deadline)** Payment must be submitted to be eligible to show at state fair.

If you have any questions please contact the extension office at 308-236-1235.

Quality Assurance Training

ATTENTION ALL ANIMAL EXHIBITORS!
In order for the 4-Hers to access YQCA online training their enrollment in 4-H Online must be active. You can find the online YQCA course at yqca.learngrow.io.
When the 4-Her completes the online training they will need to print off the completion certificate and bring it to the Extension Office or email the certificate to Elizabeth at elizabeth.cast@unl.edu. All certificates must be turned in by Monday, June 15th.

Horse Updates

Horse Advancement Level Update
Due to the COVID-19 situation and social distancing, there will be changes in 4-H horse Advancement Level Testing. In order to abide by social distancing recommendations, skills and demonstration testing are on hold.

Youth are encouraged to complete the written test, which will be offered online, and the reports/feed chart/healthcare charts as these pieces can be completed by youth at home. **The skills testing and demonstrations should be completed virtually. Please email kerry.elsen@unl.edu with the demonstration link and any questions about completing a skills test.**

For 2020, The District Horse Shows have been **canceled**. All youth will be allowed to enter the Fonner Park State 4-H Expo

without qualifying. Entries to the State 4-H Expo are due June 15 and the deadline for passing the advancement levels will be extended to June 15.

Dates to Note:
Written Advancement Tests Available On-Line
Skills and Demonstration Testing Available (depending upon social distancing recommendations): **June 15, 2020**
Fonner Park State 4-H Horse Show Entry Date - June 15, 2020 to the county office
Advancement Levels Completed Due Date for State Entries: June 15, 2020
Stampede Entries Due: June 15, 2020

ADVANCEMENT LEVEL TESTING PROCEDURES
LEVEL 1-3 REQUIREMENTS

- **Written exam:** the youth can take the written exams online. Extension staff can email you a link. Please take the exam without using any resources.
- **Skills test:** currently on hold. The hope is to make these tests available after TBD. We will continue to monitor social distancing practices.
- **Demonstration: Skills test:** virtual testing.

LEVEL 2 & 3 ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **Written report** and **feed chart** emailed to county office at time of completion. Youth are encouraged to complete these while we are all practicing social distancing.

LEVEL 3 – ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT

- **Health care paper** emailed to county office at time of completion. Youth are encouraged to complete these while we are all practicing social distancing.

LEVEL 4 – REQUIREMENTS
Demonstration, **written report**, and **skills test** – follow same protocols as above

4-H Horse Stampede
The 4-H Stampede is now moved to July 12, 2020 (the Sunday prior to the start of the State Expo). The contests will be held at Fonner Park in the Bosselman Conference Center starting in the morning. We will have the updated schedule posted on the website in the coming weeks. All youth will need to re-enter if they were previously entered for the March contest. Entries will be due with the entries for State on June 15th.

Pre-Fair Contests

Culinary Challenge Contest (Food Fare)
VIA ZOOM
June 30th
Registration Deadline June 23rd
10 a.m. Start time

Show off your party planning skills with this unique pre-fair contest open to all ages! Plan a menu suitable for an indoor or outdoor meal.

This year we will be doing the Culinary Challenge via ZOOM. We will be setting up times for individuals and teams to interview with the judge online. To register please call the extension office at 308-236-1235 or email elizabeth.cast@unl.edu. All participants MUST email or mail in their menu and recipe card by June 23rd to be eligible to participate.

Individual County Division:
Members prepare one food item from the menu and serve it with selected table service, two display cards and your own card table/eating area. The food may be an individual serving or for family service. Recipes may be from any source. The table service will include dishes, flatware and table linens for two place settings plus centerpiece. Paper plates are acceptable. The display cards should be approximately 4 inches by 6 inches. Print or type the situation and complete menu on one card, and the recipe on another.
Set up your independently of adults. Members will be asked two or three questions concerning the preparation, menu or choice of table service. Dress should be appropriate for category.

Culinary Challenge Team Division:
Teams of two and ages 10-18 must use the challenge ingredient: POPCORN and table presentation interview must incorporate technology. All other guidelines follow the individual division of the Culinary Challenge contest. Culinary Challenge Team winners advance to state, if they meet eligibility requirements.

More information about the contest can be found at extension.unl.edu/statewide/buffalo/fair-premium-book/.

Fashion Show
VIA ZOOM
July 8th
Registration Deadline June 24th
10 a.m. Start time

Show us your style! 4-H member may have up to three outfits entered in the Fashion Show. Participation in the Fashion Show includes modeling for a judge during the day live via Zoom. If you have internet connection concerns, please contact Kameran. Clover Kids may participate in the Fashion Show with their Decorate Your Duds Project–Limited to one entry per Clover Kid.

Advanced registration should be submitted via entry form to the Extension Office two weeks before the contest. One entry form should be submitted for each outfit. During judging a panel of judges will select outstanding models from each category and overall champion models. Models selected for State Fair will be recognized during the public fashion show. Garments should be the complete work of the 4-H member. Garments modeled must be entered for construction judging.

Upcoming Workshops

Junior Tempt, Taste, and Try
June 08-12th 10 a.m. – 11 a.m. Via Zoom
June 1st Registration Deadline

Come join us for Junior Tempt, Taste, and Try. This year is going to be a new experience. We will be offering four different projects on five different days all happening from 10 a.m. – 11 a.m. To register go to https://form.jotform.com/51264093391151.

$5 Monday (June 8th) - Sunprinting, also called cyanotype or "blueprinting
FREE Tuesday (June 9th) - COVID19 Time Capsule
FREE Wednesday (June 10th) - Cooking with Carol
$5 Thursday (June 11th) - Bird feeder
FREE Friday (June 12th) - Show and Share day

Senior Tempt, Taste, and Try
June 08-12th 1 p.m. – 2 p.m. Via Zoom
June 1st Registration Deadline

Come join us for Senior Tempt, Taste, and Try. This year is going to be a new experience. We will be offering four different projects on five different days all happening from 1 p.m. – 2 p.m. To register go to https://form.jotform.com/51264093391151.

FREE Monday (June 8th) – 3D Printing
FREE Tuesday (June 9th) – Cooking with Carol
$5 Wednesday (June 10th) – Human Development Game
$5 Thursday (June 11th) – Collograph Printing
FREE Friday (June 12th) - Show and Share day

Clover Kid Adventure Day
June 15-19th Via Videos that will be sent out at 10 a.m. each day
June 8th Registration Deadline

Clover Kid Adventure Days are our effort to bring multiple different 4-H disciplines together in one experience for Clover Kids to explore! This experience is recommended for youth ages 5-7. **Youth older than 7 may participate if interested. This self-paced learning experience will be sent out in a pre-made video format (via email) daily taught by asst. educator Kameran. We will provide pre-bagged materials in bags that you can pick up at our office the week before the workshops start!

The videos will be sent out each day at 10am from June 15th-19th.

On the last day, June 19th, at 10am there will be a live ZOOM connection link sent out so that the Clover Kids who participated can get online to share with Kameran and with others what they created (with the assistance of an adult or older family member).

Registration link: https://form.jotform.com/61524848335157

Clover Kid Cooking Workshop
June 26th Via Video, 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.
June 19th Registration Deadline

Clover Kids come join us for our cooking workshop. You will be making mini quiche cups and a fruit smoothie. You will be expected to get your own groceries. We will be sending out a list of ingredients and on June 26th we will offer a live video of how to make each entre. The live video will take place from 10 a.m. – 11 a.m. Registration is due June 19th. To register go to https://form.jotform.com/71165380018148.

Young Leader Meetings

All young leaders meetings have been postponed. We will update everyone once we have updated dates.

Life Challenge

Life Challenge
June 15-16 Via Zoom

This event is open to 4-H youth ages 10-18. Youth interested in Family and Consumer Sciences will have the opportunity to compete in challenges and contests ***virtually***! The contest is traditionally held at the state level and in teams of youth. This year, we will hold a county contest where youth will compete *individually* from 9am-11am (breaks provided). Not familiar with ZOOM? No problem, we will help you out! For additional information or if interested in participating in Life Challenge, please call the Extension Office, 308-236-1235. To register please go to https://form.jotform.com/61534671546156.

Tractor Safety Training

Tractor Safety Training
$40 Registration Fee

Teens 14 or 15 years of age who work on farms, or others who are interested in learning about safe farming practices, are encouraged to register for the course. Anyone under age 14 is not eligible to take the class. Federal law prohibits children under 16 years of age from using certain equipment on a farm unless their parents or legal guardians own the farm. However, certification received through the course grants an exemption to the law allowing 14 and 15 year-olds to drive a tractor and to do field work with certain mechanized equipment. The online course will cover the required elements of the National Safe Tractor and Machinery operation program, including quizzes which students must pass to attend the driving portion of training. Once a student registered, they will be sent a training manual, course paperwork and a link to the online course. The onsite driving training and exam will include a driving test and equipment operation and ATV safety lessons. Students must demonstrate competence in hitching and unhitching equipment and driving a tractor and trailer through standardized course. Instructors will also offer education about

safe behaviors and laws for ATVs, utility-task vehicles (UTVs), and other off-road vehicles (ORVs).

Cost of the modified course is $40 and includes educational materials, online learning link, and supplies. More information on the 2020 Tractor Safety course including driving dates and locations can be found at kearney.unl.edu.

Save The Date

2020 Enrollment Deadline
Monday, June 1, 2020

2020 Buffalo County Fair - Virtual
Tuesday, July 21, 2020 - Tuesday, July 28, 2020

2020 Nebraska State Fair
Friday, August 28, 2020 – Monday, September 7, 2020

2020 PASE
Monday, September 21 – Tuesday, September 22, 2020

Upcoming Shows & Clinics

- **Dog Days in McCook – 4-H Dog Show**
  June 20th
  Red Willow County Fairgrounds, McCook
- **Dawes County Progress Shows**
  June 20th, 7 a.m. Registration
  Dawes County Fairgrounds, Chadron
- **Platte County Swine Progress Show**
  June 21st, 9 a.m. Registration
  Ag Park, Columbus
- **Red Willow County Beef Progress Show**
  June 21st, Weigh-in at 7 a.m.
  Red Will Co. Fairgrounds, McCook
- **4-H Plant and Insect Identification Contest**
  June 25th, 12:15 p.m. Welcome
  Ag. Park Exhibit Hall Club Room, Fairgrounds, Columbus
- **Chase County Classic 4-H Horse Show**
  June 27th, Registration 7:30 a.m. MDT
  Chase County Fairgrounds, Imperial
- **Cheyenne County Invitational 4-H Horse Show**
  July 11th, 8:30 a.m. Registration
  Cheyenne County Fairgrounds, Sidney
- **State Horse Show**
  July 12-16th
  Fonner Park, Grand Island
- **2020 State Dog Show**
  October 3rd, Entries Due August 10th
  UNL Animal Science Complex, Lincoln

All upcoming shows and clinic information, including registration, are listed on our website: buffalo.unl.edu. Flyers are also available in the Extension Office.

Sincerely,

Kerry Elsen

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