

2020 Cass County 4-H Modified Fair



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CASS 4-H FAMILIES,

Thank you for patience and understanding as we have worked to develop a plan for the 2020 Cass County 4-H Fair. We are determined to give your youth the opportunity to showcase their 4-H projects in the safest and most meaningful way possible given these circumstances.

The following plan is in line with the Directed Health Measures provided by the Governor and the Nebraska Department of Ag. In partnership with the Sarpy/Cass Health Department, Cass County Commissioners, Cass County Ag Society, Cass County Fair 4-H Superintendents, and Cass County 4-H Council we have put together the following plan for this year's fair.

As you have seen over the last several months, guidance and rules change rapidly. That being said, please be aware this plan is subject to change based on further Directed Health Measures that are announced in weeks leading up to the fair.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call our office at 402-267-2205. We will continue to keep you up-to-date with additional information in the weeks to come.

We will see you all very soon!

Be well,

Cass County Extension Team
Lauren, Tracy, Tammy, Sandy, Harlee, and Katie

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MONDAY, JULY 27TH

5:15 p.m. - Dog check-in @ open air building

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

9 a.m. - Fair clean-up - online volunteer sign-up

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

1 p.m. - 6 p.m. - Static exhibit check-in; scheduled time slots TBA

MONDAY, AUGUST 3

8 a.m. - Static judging in exhibit hall

6 p.m. - Cat and small animal check-in, show will be shortly after

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4

9 a.m. Horse show

2 p.m. - Rabbit check-in; scheduled time slots TBA

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5

9 a.m. - Meat goat weigh-in, show will be shortly after

1 p.m. - Market sheep weigh-in @ 1, Breeding sheep weigh-in @ 1:30; show will be shortly after

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 6

8:30 a.m.- Dairy cow show

10:00 a.m. - Dairy goat show

11:30 a.m. - Other goat show

2:00 p.m. - Poultry check-in; scheduled time slots TBA

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

7 a.m. - 8 a.m. Beef weigh-in

10:30 a.m. - Beef Show

Show program as follows: Clover kid, beef showmanship (this will be one show for all classes this year - combining market, breeding, and feeder calf), 4-H bucket calf, feeder calf, cow/calf, breeding, market (there will be a lunch break in-between shows during the noon hour)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Static exhibit pick-up and pictures - scheduled time slots TBA

10 a.m. Swine weigh-in cards must be turned in

11:30 a.m. Swine Show

All times are estimated based on anticipated size of show



4-H GROWS HERE

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STATIC EXHIBITS

All entries must be pre-entered (new this year) on cass.fairwire.com by 11:59 p.m. on Wed. July 22nd

Check-in Sunday, August 2nd 1 p.m. - 6 p.m. Link will be sent to families following pre-registration on July 22nd to sign-up for a scheduled time slot

If feasible please send one person from your family to drop off exhibits

Check-in and check-out will be located at the Expo Building on the south side of the fairgrounds (AKA the air conditioned building)

A registration table will be set-up outside the entrance of the Expo building for families to get their entry tags to attach to their exhibits

4-H static exhibits will be closed to the public - a virtual tour will be shown on social media

Families will enter building at south side to drop off exhibits at a designated table, and will be asked to exit doors on the west side of the building

Clover kids can enter 3 static exhibits max

To reduce food waste - food entry quantity is reduced to half

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Food exhibits will be judged on appearance and uniformity per DHM guidelines

4-Hers (who choose to) will take pictures with their projects upon pick-up on Saturday, August 8th. These pictures will be showcased to the public at a later date - with parent/legal guardian permission

Ribbons and scoresheets will be attached to entries for pick-up on Saturday, August 8th

There will be no interview judging this year

Clothing entries will be included in static drop-off on Sunday -

Modeling will be completed virtually - Info will be sent to families who pre-register on cass.fairwire.com

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All shows will be "Show and Go" - check-in day of show and release at conclusion of show

Vehicles/trailers will be able to park around/near the barn (instructions TBA) and will be asked to maintain a 6' distance to avoid unnecessary contact

Animals will enter and exit at one point in the barn (location TBD)

There will be no paper programs available - program order will be show on projector screen. QR codes will be posted throughout barn so families can view program online with their smartphones

Show attendance is limited to immediate family (parents/legal guardians and siblings) and 4-H leaders of exhibitors only

All shows will be livestreamed on FaceBook Live - @UNLCassCounty

We strongly encourage our exhibitors, judges, and volunteers to wear masks when 6' distancing can not be maintained

All high-traffic areas will be sanitized after each show. This will include by not limited to: bleachers, show ring, gates, tables, railings, etc.

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ALL 4-H SHOWS

Judges and 4-Hers are to not shake hands at completion of class when leaving ring

All shows will begin with clover kids, followed by showmanship, and then other classes

Microphones will be sanitized after each show; Judge and announcer/record keeper will use separate microphones

Exhibitors and families will be asked to exit the barn no later than 30 minutes after completion of the show to allow space and time to sanitize the barn

Exhibitors who pre-register market animals on cass.fairwire.com will have the option to select "yes" or "no" if they want to participate in the livestock auction this year. More details about the auction to come.

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LARGE ANIMAL SHOWS

All animals will be shown off trailers. There will be no stalling

Minimal holding pens will be available for swine, but families are encouraged to show off trailers if able. Pens must be cleaned and sanitized by exhibitor after use.

Generators will be permitted on the grounds this year

Wash racks will be open, but will require proper distancing and may be limited - plan accordingly

Exhibitors who use wash racks must bring their own hoses, and will be asked to sanitize the spicket after use

One superintendent and one assistant in the ring during the show

One announcer and one record keeper will sit 6 feet apart at the table on the platform in the livestock barn and in the crows nest at the horse arena

One or two at-large volunteers for each show

One or two gatekeepers for each show

One ribbon distributor for each show

Only 1 parent/adult will bring up market animals to scale for weigh-in - no youth at the scale please

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LARGE ANIMAL SHOWS

Limit one person operating the scale and one person recording during weigh-in. Scale will be sanitized between families.

Champion and Reserve winners will be awarded rosettes, thank you cards, and (new this year to limit contact) a certificate that will include a personalized link to order their award of choice post-fair. The awards will then be available for pick-up at the office; date TBD.

All livestock shows will be blow and go (We will permit alcohol, water, oil, foam or any water-based or alcohol-based products with no adhesive or glue qualities, or artificial colorings i.e. anything that can be combed or brushed out is prohibited)

All livestock classes will be broken down by superintendents before the show, and kept small to accommodate social distancing in the ring

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SMALL ANIMAL SHOWS

Poultry, rabbit, cat, small animal shows will be held in the large animal barn to allow for proper social distancing

Classes will be broken down into smaller classes to accommodate for social distancing at the exhibition table

Families will select a time slot to check-in their rabbits and poultry. Families who register for poultry judging will also need to sign-up for a pick-up time. Link will be sent following pre-registration deadline on July 22nd

There will be no cage set-up this year. All will be shown from their transport cages, spread out in the barn

Exhibitors and judges will have separate microphones to use during showmanship