



## Nebraska Extension in Colfax County

### 4-H Newsletter June & July 2022

#### Announcements:

##### T-Shirt Design Contest

We have a Winner! Congratulations to Bela Jedlicka for having the winning design. Be on the look out for an email saying t-shirts are ready for pick up. Thank you to everyone who submitted designs!



##### Beef Show is a Blow and Show

It was decided by the Beef Livestock Superintendents that the 4-H Beef Show at the Colfax County Fair will be **BLOW AND SHOW** for the entirety of the show.

The use of any sprays will not be allowed. This means no adhesives, paint, foam, or glue can be used on animals. Animals should only be washed and blown dry before entering the ring. Animals will be checked before entering the ring and violators will not be allowed to show.

If you have any questions, please contact Kit Held at 402-270-7516.

#### 4-H Updates:

##### 4-H Building Entry Time:

New 2022: Judging days have changed! See below:

**Tuesday, July 12 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** is check in for Clothing, Home Environment, and Photography exhibits.

**Tuesday, July 12 from 5:00-7:30 p.m.** check in for all 4-H exhibits except Clothing, Home Environment, and Photography.

**Wednesday, July 13th 8:00-10:00 a.m.** check in for all 4-H exhibits except Clothing, Home Environment, and Photography.

##### Pre-Entry Process for 2022

Pre-Entry worksheets are due into the **Extension Office by 4:30 p.m. on June 17th.** Please include showmanship on your livestock form.

##### Hints for Completing the Pre-Entry Sheets

\*Each 4-H'er exhibiting items in the 4-H building and livestock needs to complete a pre-entry sheet. **Only one exhibitor per entry sheet.**

\*The pre-entry sheets have been sent to each 4-H member in a separate mailing.

\*The sheets are due June 17th (Static, livestock and horses). Please allow several days if mailing. The pre-entry forms are due **in** the Extension Office by 4:30 pm. If sending by FAX, please call after you have sent the fax to make sure we have received it.

\*List all items that you plan to exhibit. If you list an item, but end up not bringing the item, that is okay. However, if you bring an exhibit that is not listed on the pre-entry sheet, it will not be accepted and you will be encouraged to enter in open class for that exhibit item. **SO** - if there is a chance that you might exhibit an item, list it on the pre-entry form.

\*Only one exhibit per class number.

\*For horticulture. Please list everything you might possibly bring (example—slicing cucumber, red potatoes, roma tomatoes).

\*Pre-entry sheets can also be found at the end of the newsletter as well as on the webpage.

##### Hints for Successful Exhibiting

\*All exhibits (including Clover Kid exhibits) should be marked with exhibitor name separate from the entry tag. This way if the entry tag becomes separated from the exhibit, the exhibit can still be identified.

\*Check the fair book to see if any supporting information is needed. Supporting information may include: recipes, woodworking plans, information cards, etc.

\*All clothing/sewing items need a clothing label. If there is more than one piece to a clothing exhibit, put a clothing label on all pieces. This clothing label needs to be attached **SEPARATELY** from the entry tag.

\*Put all garments on a wire hanger.

\*Put a clear plastic bag on all clothing exhibits. This is to protect **YOUR** garment.

\*You must be enrolled in the project in order to exhibit in the project.

\*The cultivar name needs to be on the entry tag for floriculture and horticulture exhibits. **THIS IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE 4-H MEMBER.**

Find out this information **BEFORE** you bring your exhibit to the fair. **DO NOT** wait until entry day to do this.

### **Entry Tags for 4-H Building**

Entry tags will be printed by the Extension office. Tags will be printed based off of pre-entry sheets. This will be for all Exhibits-static **AND** live-stock. We will send out an email when tags are ready to be picked up.

### **Fair Books Available**

Fair Books are available to pick up in the Extension Office. Please also check with your club leader as some leaders have picked fairbooks up for their clubs.

The fairbook can also be viewed online at [https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/colfax/2022\\_Colfax\\_Co%20from%20West%20Point%20News.pdf](https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/colfax/2022_Colfax_Co%20from%20West%20Point%20News.pdf)

### **Fairbook Clarification**

When reading your fairbook you will notice some classes have SF written at the end. This designates the class as a State Fair Class. Projects entered in those classes will be eligible for State Fair.

### **Help Needed at County Fair**

We will be needing adult and teen volunteers to help at the county fair and judging days this year. A meal and refreshments will be provided. If you are interested, please contact the Extension Office.

### **Attention Independent Members**

For Colfax County 4-H to be successful we need all members, both in clubs and independent members to help out throughout the year, and especially at fair time! Both club and independent members will be asked to help clean the fairgrounds on the Monday of fair week and work at the food stand this year. Don't be surprised if you are an independent member and you get contacted to help!

### **County Fair Clean-Up**

Fairground clean-up will be on July 11<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-8:00 pm. Your 4-H club leader will receive a schedule and cleaning assignment in a separate letter. Independent members will also receive a letter.

Homestead Bank will be sponsoring a meal again for volunteers.

### **Exhibit Hall Hours**

Please note that the 4-H exhibit hall will be

**closed** to the public during judging on Wednesday, July 13th.

### **Superintendent's Meeting**

Superintendents for the Exhibit Building are requested to attend a meeting at the fairgrounds on Monday, July 11th, at 6:00 p.m.. This is the same night as the fairground clean up.

A letter will be sent to each superintendent regarding this meeting. At the meeting, we will discuss the duties and answer questions you may have.

### **4-H Project Tips and Notes:**

#### **Copyright Materials**

Remember that the use of copyrighted materials such as cartoon characters or commercial product names is **PROHIBITED** unless it is on purchased fabric. Avoid using decals or stickers and try using your art skills and paint or draw your logos for your fair projects.

#### **Photography Exhibits**

Be sure to attach a personal data tag to your photography exhibit. See the fair book for details. Let us know if you would like us to email you a copy of the Data Tag or stop by the office to pick up a copy. They are also on our website <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/colfax/photography-tags/>

#### **County Sewing Project Requirements**

Reminder! All entries must include pictures of assembly and/or 4-H member wearing clothing item (s) or holding non-clothing item(s). Items made from new bolt material need pictures of 4-H member wearing or holding the finished product. If items is an up-cycled garment, the 4-H member must include pictures of the item before deconstruction, during construction, and of the final product worn or held by the 4-H member.

#### **REMINDER**

As fair is getting closer we want to remind you of the Exhibit Building Policy.

As stated in the fair book on pages 7 and 8: "No article or animals entered for the exhibition will be allowed to be removed from the location assigned until 8:00 p.m. of the closing day of the fair...**Any article or any animal in any division (4-H, FFA, or open class) that is removed from the items or animals exhibit prior to the announced check out time without the consent, in writing, of the Colfax County Agricultural Society Board will forfeit ribbons, trophies, premium money and recognition.**"

If you are caught removing your animals or exhibits before 8:00 p.m. on Sunday evening of the

fair, you will be asked to return any ribbons and trophies you have earned during fair and premiums will be fortified.

## **Learning Opportunities:**

### **Contests:**

#### **Favorite Foods Revue**

The Favorite Foods Revue will be July 7th at 1:00 pm in the Heun Church Basement. This Contest will be before the Fashion Revue Judging. Check the fair book for more details. Please pre-register by calling the Extension Office.

#### **Tri-County 4-H Plant and Insect Identification Contest**

If you like plants and/or insects, here's an opportunity to build skills and have fun too! Attend to participate in one, two, three or all four contests! Your interest - your choice! Bring a friend too!

4-H'ers may earn a trip to a state and/or national contest! The contest will be held on **Thursday, June 23, 2022** at the Agricultural Park Exhibit Hall Club Room, Fairgrounds - 822 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Columbus NE. (Entrance to Ag Park is at intersection of 10<sup>th</sup> Av. and 15<sup>th</sup> St.)

#### **Times are approximate**

12:15 – Welcome and Instructions  
12:30 PM - Horticulture Judging and I.D.  
1:45 PM - Tree Identification  
2:35 PM – BREAK with Refreshments  
2:45 PM - Entomology (Insect) Identification  
3:45 PM - Grass and Weed Identification  
PLEASE BRING A CLIP BOARD TO USE DURING THE CONTEST

Identify plant/insect samples for each contest. For horticulture, there is also 2 judging classes (vegetables, fruits, flowers, or nursery stock). Informational materials available at <https://4h.unl.edu/fairbook/contests>. For questions, contact your local Extension office or Kelly Feehan at [kfee-han2@unl.edu](mailto:kfee-han2@unl.edu) or 402-563-4901. Registration is due by Tuesday June 21st, 2022 to the **Colfax County Extension Office.**

#### **Online Horticulture ID Contest**

Do you know what it takes to pick the best fruit and vegetables out at the grocery store? Or do you know what judges are looking for when they judge your plants at the county fair? Have you ever wondered, what plant is that!?! We are excited to offer the opportunity to learn these and other important horticulture skills through the Online Horticulture Con-

test. The contest will be available June 3-20, 2022 at: <https://go.unl.edu/online4hhortcontest>

The horticulture judging contest consists of three parts. The first is identification of plant material. Participants identify the plants by common name from a plant list. Specimens may be alive or preserved plant parts like stems, twigs, leaves, flowers, seeds, fruits, roots, bulbs, tubers, or plant products.

The second is a knowledge portion, usually in the form of a true/false or multiple choice quiz. Questions will test the contestant's knowledge of cultural practices for horticultural crops, plant science, pesticides, horticultural careers and other topics related to the production, processing and consumption of horticultural crops.

The last portion is judging or placings. This is where four different plants, plates of vegetables, or containers flowers are ranked from best to worst based on a set of criteria. Classes are judged on the basis of condition, quality, uniformity, true-to-type, and size.

More details at: <https://4h.unl.edu/online-horticulture-judging-contest>

More information about the Nebraska State contest can be found in the Fairbook <https://4hfairbook.unl.edu/fairbookview.php/contests/45>

#### **2022 Online Insect Identification Contest**

The Nebraska 4-H Online Insect Identification Contest provides an opportunity for participants to put their entomological knowledge to the test. The contest consists of insect identification and multiple-choice questions. Participants will gain knowledge about insects and entomology through this competition.

The contest is open to all youth, as well as adults. Youth do not need to be enrolled 4-H members to participate. The contest will be available from **Friday, June 24 through Monday, July 11, 2022** at <https://4h.unl.edu/online-insect-id-contest>.

#### **Youth Crop Scouting Competition**

Youth interested in learning more about scouting crops should contact the Extension office to learn more about the Youth Crop Scouting Competition. The 2022 Youth Crop Scouting Competition will be held on August 3rd, 2022 at the ENREC near Mead. The Competition consists of both a written test and hands on questions about corn, soybean, or alfalfa plots. Teams consist of 3, 4 or possibly 5 youth member (7th - 12th grade), so once we know who is interested we can set up teams.

## **Livestock:**

### **Livestock Showmanship Update**

Animals shown for showmanship, must be shown in another class. Exhibitors cannot bring an animal just for showmanship.

### **Ethics Affidavit & Statement of Disclosure**

There is a form included with this newsletter. This form is required for everyone showing **MARKET** and **DAIRY** animals at the fair. It is not required for breeding livestock.

1) Use the form included here, and use only the **one** form for **all** family members. Turn it in to the Extension Office along with your fair pre-entries on June 17th.

2) Circle all species of Market livestock that your family will be exhibiting at the fair.

3) **Have all family members/exhibitors:** 1) print their name at the top and 2) sign their name at the bottom. Be sure the parent/guardian also signs.

### **IAFE (International Association of Fairs and Expositions) Code of Show Ring Ethics**

The IAFE form is included in the Newsletter for families exhibiting livestock to read and review. This includes guidelines for livestock exhibitors to follow.

### **Shipping of Livestock at County Fair**

Once again swine, sheep, and goat exhibitors will have the opportunity to ship their livestock after County Fair. Exhibitors will need to inform their show superintendents if they want to ship their animals.

Swine exhibitors will need to inform the swine superintendents if their animals have been fed PayLean. It is **VERY IMPORTANT** to be honest if you have fed your animal Pay Lean, as it could jeopardize our new partnership with the shipper.

### **Be Sure to Follow the Dress Code at Fair for all Animal Exhibitors!**

Exhibitors showing beef, dairy, poultry, small animals, goats, cats, sheep, swine and rabbits are required to wear a Colfax County 4-H t-shirt, plain white shirt (including t-shirt) or blouse with the official 4-H chevron attached, or a national 4-H t-shirt. Club t-shirts are not allowed. Dark blue jeans are required for beef, cat, sheep, swine, goats, small animals, poultry and rabbit exhibitors. Dairy and dairy goat exhibitors may wear dark blue jeans or white pants. All animal exhibitors must wear

closed toe shoes. No sandals allowed. No hats, cap or other type of headgear are to be worn in the show ring. Exhibitors shall not display commercial or other identification while showing their animals except official 4-H and such identification the show ring may require. Horse exhibitors must have armbands while exhibiting to enter the arena.



## Upcoming Events

June 13: Rockets @ Heun Church 9-4:30 p.m.

June 14: Welding (9-11 a.m.), and Woodworking (12:30-2:30 p.m.) @ Schuyler Central High School Ag Classroom and Shop

June 14: 4-H Council @ Extension Office 7:30 p.m.

June 16: Welding (9-11 a.m.), and Woodworking (12:30-2:30 p.m.) @ Schuyler Central High School Ag Classroom and Shop

June 17: Pre-entry deadline for Livestock and Static Exhibits, **Due to the Extension Office by 4:30 p.m.**

June 20: Extension Office Closed in observance of Juneteenth Day

June 21: Welding (9-11 a.m.), and Woodworking (12:30-2:30 p.m.) @ Schuyler Central High School Ag Classroom and Shop

June 22 & 23: PASE (Premier Animal Science Events)

June 23: Welding (9-11 a.m.), and Woodworking (12:30-2:30 p.m.) @ Schuyler Central High School Ag Classroom and Shop

June 23: TriCounty 4-H Plant and Insect Identification Contest @ Ag Park in Columbus, Begins @ Noon

June 30: Table Runners @ Heun Church 9:30-2 p.m.

July 4: Office Closed in observance of Independence Day

July 7: Favorite Foods Revue and Fashion Revue @ Heun Church 1:00 p.m.

July 9-13 State 4-H Horse Show

July 11: Fair Clean Up 4:00-8:00 p.m.

July 13-17: Colfax County Fair

Aug 3: Youth Crop Scouting Competition

**Nebraska Extension In Colfax County Office Hours:  
Monday - Friday 8:30a.m. - 12:00 and 1:00p.m. - 4:30p.m.**

**Find us Online!**



Date: \_\_\_\_\_ (Circle all species exhibited) **Beef Sheep Swine Dairy Goat**

**(All family members may sign on same sheet)**

**(Please Print) First Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Last name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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COLFAX COUNTY FAIR 4-H MARKET LIVESTOCK SHOW  
ETHICS AFFIDAVIT AND STATEMENT OF DISCLOSURE

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Youth livestock producers understand they have an obligation to be a responsible food producer. All market animals will enter the food chain and become edible products for the consuming public. Dairy animals may be producing milk that will enter the food chain.

We, the undersigned, certify that we have read and in consideration for being permitted to exhibit at the Colfax County Fair, agree and consent to abide by the rules of competition. We agree to the condition that our entries may be screened for violative residues.

We certify that these animals have not received any non-approved drug(s). We certify that our entries are not within any withdrawal time for slaughter. In exhibiting beef or sheep, we attest, that the best of our knowledge, the finishing ration fed to the animals under our ownership does not contain "prohibited" mammalian protein (i.e. ruminant meat & bone meal).

We certify that we have followed standard operation procedures to deal with the broken needles. If exhibiting swine we attest, to the best of our knowledge, that animals with broken needles have been properly identified.

If exhibiting market swine, market beef, market lambs, meat goats, dairy or dairy goats we certify that we have been trained and certified in Quality Assurance. We further certify the information provided is correct and accurate.

If violations are detected, we will not challenge the validity of testing or sampling procedures, and we will be subjected to penalties determined by show management.

We, the exhibitor/family will accept expenses of maintaining animal drug withdrawal period until slaughter, plus transportation and slaughter fees, if any

By signing we are agreeing to the Colfax County Fair Livestock Show Ethics Affidavit and Statement of Disclosure and the IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics. The IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics is found on the back side of this form.

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Owner's/Exhibitor's Signature  
(Additional family members sign below)

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Parent's or Guardians Signature

## IAFE (INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS) 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 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 fairs or livestock shows.
- 4) Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of violative 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, confirmation, 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 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 Expos 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 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.











# Colfax County Fair Camping Contract

PAD # _____
Date rec'd _____
FOR OFFICE USE

JULY 13-17, 2022

This contract is for one camper pad at the Colfax County Fairgrounds, Leigh NE. One camper pad per exhibitor family.

The fee for the camper pad will be \$50 for the duration of the fair. Submission of this application means you agree to abide by the rules and guidelines of conduct as outlined in the fair book, violations will be reviewed by the Colfax County Ag Society and can result in immediate termination of this contract.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

EXHIBITOR NAME(S) AND RELATIONSHIP(S) (ONE CAMPER PAD PER FAMILY)

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CAMPER LICENSE NUMBER AND DESCRIPTION

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Applications must be submitted no sooner than May 1<sup>st</sup> until June 15<sup>th</sup>. This application and a check for \$50 must be sent to Colfax County Ag Society, 1773 Road 6, Clarkson, NE 68629. Applications received prior to May 1<sup>st</sup> will be returned. Confirmation will be emailed before July 5<sup>th</sup>. Campers cannot be in place prior to 8 p.m. Monday night of fair clean up without prior approval via vote of the Colfax County Ag Society. By submitting this application, you agree to abide by the conditions and regulations as written in the Colfax County Fair book.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Colfax County Ag Society representative

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Date