







# Dawson County Fair July 12-21, 2024

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# **2024 Dawson County Fair Schedule** Tuesday, July 9 - Sunday, July 21

These 4-H Shooting Sports will be conducted prior to county fair. June 29 - 9:00 am BB Gun, Air Rifle, Air Pistol Competition - Open Class Building

9:00 am - 1:00 pm	TUESDAY, JULY 9 4-H Clothing Contest - Lexington Middle School
7:30 pm	WEDNESDAY, JULY 10 4-H Public Fashion Show - Lexington Middle School
9:30 am	FRIDAY, JULY 12 4-H Superintendents meeting for 4-H Family & Consumer Science related and other misc. static exhibits - 4-H Building
9:30 am	4-H Livestock Superintendents meeting - 4-H Building
8:00 am - 3:00 pm 9:00 am	SATURDAY, JULY 13 4-H Cafe Open Dawson County 4-H Archery Competition - Stevens Arena
9:00 am	MONDAY, JULY 15 Livestock Area set up by Horseshoe Bend 4-H Club
4:00 pm - 8:00 pm	TUESDAY, JULY 16 Enter Open Class Exhibits - Open Class Building
8:00 am - 1:00 pm	WEDNESDAY, JULY 17 Enter Open Class Exhibits - Open Class Building
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Food Court Vendors Setup
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Setup Commercial Displays - Commercial Building
8:00 am - 7:30 pm	4-H Café Open
9:00 am - 1:00 pm	Enter School Artwork Exhibits - Commercial Building
9:00 am - 1:00 pm	Enter all 4-H Food, Misc. Ag. & Home Environment Static Exhibits
1:00 pm	Judging of Open Class Exhibits
1:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Judge all 4-H Static Exhibits and display 4-H Static Exhibits
1:15 pm	4-H Culinary Challenge Contest and Favorite Food Show Contest - 4-H Exhibit Building
4:00 pm	Setup for 4-H Dog Show
5:00 pm	Food Court Open
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Orthman Community YMCA - Linke Lane
5:00 pm	Enter 4-H Dogs
5:30 pm	4-H Dog Show - Tear down Dog Show equipment following event
6:00 pm	"In Motion" Dance Showcase - Linke Lane Stage
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Open Class Building Open
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Commercial Building Opens
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Photo Booth - Commercial Building
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Carnival on the Midway - Opening Night – FAMILY NIGHT – Bring 2 CANS OF FOOD and Receive \$5.00 OFF an Armband, \$30
7:00 pm	Mid-Nebraska Pedal Pullers - Linke Lane
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Musical Bingo - Commercial Building
8:00 pm - 9:00 pm	4-H Static Exhibits Open to Public after Completion of Judging
	THURSDAY, JULY 18
8:00 am - 7:30 pm	4-H Café Open
8:00 am - 10:00 am	Check in Bucket Calves, Dairy Cattle & Feeder Calves
8:00 am - 11:00 am	Enter 4-H/FFA Beef, Dairy Goats, Meat Goats, Sheep, Swine
8:00 am - 11:00 am	Enter Poultry and Rabbits in Small Animal Barn Southwest Corner of Stevens Arena
9:00 am - 9:00 pm	All 4-H Buildings Open
10:00 am	Sensory-Friendly Morning at the Fair

12:30 pm	4-H Bucket Calf Show - Stevens Arena
1:00 pm	4-H Dairy Cattle Show - Stevens Arena
1:30 pm	4-H Feeder Calf Show - Stevens Arena
3:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Root Beer Floats Courtesy Homestead Bank
	Use Northeast Gate ONLY to bring in Livestock – Park Trailers
	in North Parking Lot. ABSOLUTELY NO pickups and trailers parked
	east of the Beef Barn
4:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Axe Kickers, Adult & Child Lanes, Linke Lane
4:00 pm - 9:00 pm	School Artwork - Commercial Building
4:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Commercial Buildings Open
4:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Open Class Buildings Open
4:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Photo Booth - Commercial Building
4:00 pm - 12:00 am	North Beer Garden Open
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	"Wine & Wisdom" Trivia by "NotSisters Trivia" - North Beer Garden
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm	RockIT Events - Linke Lane
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Orthman Community YMCA - Linke Lane
6:00 pm	Calcutta - North Beer Garden
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Carnival on the Midway, Armbands \$30
7:00 pm	Steer Roping - Dawson County Arena
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Musical Bingo - Commercial Building
9:00 pm - 12:00 am	Entertainment - North Beer Garden
	FRIDAY, JULY 19
7:30 am - 8:00 am	Exhibitor Breakfast - Courtesy of Eastside Animal Center
8:00 am - 7:30 pm	4-H Café Open
9:00 am - 9:00 pm	All 4-H Buildings Open
9:00 am	4-H Sheep Show
10:00 am	4-H Meat/Dairy Goat Show or 30 minutes following the Sheep Show
1:30 pm	4-H Sheep Lead Show (Wool Garment & Lamb) - Stevens Arena
4:00 pm	4-H Beef Show - Stevens Arena
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	FREE 4-H Watermelon Feed - Courtesy of Plum Creek Market Place
F F	ABSOLUTELY NO pickups and trailers parked east of the Beef Barn
4:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Axe Kickers, Adult & Child Lanes, Linke Lane
4:00 pm - 9:00 pm	School Artwork - Commercial Building
4:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Commercial Building Open
4:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Open Class Building Open
4:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Photo Booth - Commercial Building
4:00 pm - 1:00 am	North Beer Garden Open
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm	RockIT Events - Linke Lane
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Orthman Community YMCA - Linke Lane
6:00 pm - 11:00 pm	Carnival on the Midway - Armbands \$35.00
6:00 pm	FREE Beef BBQ with Rodeo Ticket purchase - Dawson County Arena
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Musical Bingo - Commercial Building
8:00 pm	Platte Valley Auto Rodeo - Dawson County Arena
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10:00 pm - 1:00 am	Full Denim Jacket - North Beer Garden
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	SATURDAY, JULY 20
8:00 am - 7:30 pm	4-H Café Open
9:00 am	4-H Swine Show - Stevens Arena
9:00 am	Rodeo Slack - Dawson County Arena
9:00 am - 8:00 pm	All 4-H Buildings Open
9:00 am - 1:00 am	North Beer Garden Open
10:00 am - 9:00 pm	School Artwork - Commercial Building
10:00 am - 9:00 pm	Commercial Building Open
10:00 am - 9:00 pm	Open Class Building Open
10:00 am - 9:00 pm	Photo Booth - Commercial Building
10:30 am - 11:30 am	Enter 4-H Small Animals, Pets & Cats
	(pets and cats released after show)
1:00 pm	Interview & Judge 4-H Small Animals & Pets -
	Southwest Corner Stevens Arena
Following Small Animals	4-H Cat Show - Southwest Corner Stevens Arena
Following Cat Show	4-H Rabbit Show & 4-H Poultry Show - Southwest Corner Stevens Arena
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### SATURDAY, JULY 20 (CONTINUED)

9:00 pm - 1:00 am 10:00 pm 10:00 pm - 1:00 am	Entertainment - South Beer Garden Release Livestock Nate Keim - North Beer Garden
	Adults \$10 / 6-12 Years \$5 / 5 & Under FREE
8:00 pm	Platte Valley Auto Rodeo - Dawson County Arena
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm 8:00 pm	Musical Bingo - Commercial Building South Beer Garden Open
7:00 pm	Nate Keim - Linke Lane Stage
6:00 pm	FREE Pork BBQ with Rodeo Ticket purchase - Dawson County Arena
6:00 pm - 11:00 pm	Carnival on the Midway - Armbands \$35.00
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Orthman Community YMCA - Linke Lane
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Take down and put away equipment following shows RockIT Events - Linke Lane
5:00 pm	4-H Elite Showmanship Contest - Stevens Arena
4:00 pm	4-H Elite Showmanship Test - Extension Office
4:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Axe Kickers, Adult & Child Lanes, Linke Lane

7:00 am - 11:00 am	Release livestock, 4-H Static Exhibits, and FFA. All livestock must be off the grounds by 11:00 am. 4-H'ers will forfeit premium money if exhibits leave early. No exceptions unless approved by the Dawson County Ag
	Society.
8:00 am - 3:00 pm	4-H Café Open
9:00 am	Enter 4-H Horses
9:30 am	4-H Horse Show - Stevens Arena
10:30 am	4-H Horse Trail
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Show 'N' Shine Car Show - West Fairgrounds
12:00 pm - 5:00 pm	School Artwork - Commercial Building
12:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Commercial Building Open
12:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Open Class Building Open
12:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Photo Booth - Commercial Building
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Musical Bingo - Commercial Building
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Entertainment - Linke Lane Stage
4:00 pm	South Beer Garden Open
4:30 pm	Quilt of Valor Presentations - Grandstands
5:00 pm	Outlaw Tractor Pull - Grandstands
5:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Carnival LAST BLAST - Armbands \$35.00

#### SATURDAY, JULY 27

10:00 am

Small Bore Rifle, Small Bore Pistol, Shotgun, Muzzleloader - 1000 Yard Range

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 31

9:00 am

Hunting & Outdoor Skills, Small Bore, Sihouette - 1000 Yard Range

There may be a few changes to this 2024 Fair Schedule after the publication of this 4-H Premium Book. Please check www.dawsoncountyfair.com for a complete schedule.

### The Dawson County Agricultural Society

Scott Russman, President – Mike Johnson, Vice President Beth Rogers, Secretary – Corey Bender, Treasurer

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Doug Rohde, Jason Schneider, Logan Vonderschmidt, Michaela Kopf, Blaine Biehl

The Dawson County Ag Society consists of four officers and five directors representing all areas of Dawson County. The Ag Society is the governing body for all happenings at the Dawson County Fairgrounds. The buildings and barns at the fairgrounds are rented out throughout the year for various events to assist in paying the expense of repairs and upgrades to the buildings and grounds. They also receive a tax levy from county funds to help support the fairgrounds. The Ag Society is required by state law to have a County Fair each year.

### **Fair Committees**

Fair Manager/Office Manager: Barb Rohde
Grounds/Maintenance Manager:Justin Keller
Personnel:
Buildings & Grounds: Mike Johnson (Chairman), Jason Schneider, Doug Rohde
4-H & Extension: Jason Schneider (Chairman), Logan Vonderschmidt, Beth Rogers
Rodeo: Doug Rohde (Chairman), Corey Bender, Logan Vonderschmidt, Blaine Biehl
Race Track:
Safety:
Alcohol: Blaine Biehl (Chairman), Michaela Kopf, Mike Johnson
Landscaping/Aesthetics: Beth Rogers (Chairman), Michaela Kopf
Marketing/Social Media: Michaela Kopf (Chairman), Beth Rogers
Ex-Officio-All Committees: Scott Russman

### **Superintendents**

Open Class Superintendent:	Corky Anderson
FFA Superintendents: Haley	Rogers, Doug Rohde

# Campsites for 2024 County Fair Available \$10.00 per day

# Call the fair office today to reserve!

### 308-324-3600

ATTENTION: Restrooms/Showers available at the Campground



# **4-H Division** 2024 4-H Superintendents



	General Superintendent of Agriculture Assistant
	General Superintendent of Family & Consumer Sciences
	Superintendent, Beef
	Assistant
	Assistant
Jason Schneider	Assistant
	Superintendent, Dairy Cattle and Bucket Calf
	Assistant
	Superintendent, Hog Muscle Evaluation
Drew Franzen	Assistant
Tim Negley	
	Assistant
Sydni Ringenberg	Assistant for Sheep Lead
Jake Wolfinger	Superintendent, Sheep & Goat Muscle Evaluation
Tim Negley	Assistant
Tim Gibbens	Superintendent, Horses
Becky Gibbens	Assistant
Lisa Kennicutt	Superintendent, Rabbits & Poultry
Sara Nichols	Assistant
Malloree Barnes	Superintendent, 4-H Dogs
Susan Nichols	Assistant
	Superintendent, Herdsmanship
	Assistants
	Announcers
	Ring Stewards
•	Superintendent, Shooting Sports
	Assistant
	Superintendent, Clothing
Sharon Pearson	Assistant
	Superintendent, Foods
	Assistant
	Superintendent, Home Environment
	Assistant
	Superintendent, Rocketry, Miscellaneous Ag & Home Ec.
	Assistant
	Superintendent, Horticulture
	Assistant
	Superintendent, Photography
	Assistant
Vickie Unterseher	4-H Café Manager

General Superintendents will arrange for 4-H Division Superintendents. If you wish to serve as a 4-H Division Superintendent, please contact the Extension Office.

4-H

There is no place like the Dawson County Fair! It's the premier showcase for 4-H'ers to share what they have learned and worked on in 4-H throughout the year. At the Fair, we celebrate the successes of thousands of youth who've learned and grown through 4-H.

The Dawson County Fair is also a prime opportunity for 4-H'ers to:

- cultivate skills they've learned in 4-H projects
- put their life skills and good character to work
- · discover areas they would like to learn more about
- · meet other youth and adults

This premium book contains the information needed to participate in 4-H events and exhibits at the Dawson County Fair. We look forward to seeing you at the fair!

4-H is the youth education program of the University of Nebraska Extension and the United States Department of Agriculture. 4-H empowers youth to reach their full potential, working and learning in partnership with caring adults.

4-H Youth Development, your first class from the University of Nebraska - Lincoln.

### **GENERAL 4-H RULES**

There will be no discrimination at the show because of race, color or national origin.

Dawson County 4-H'ers wishing to show at the County Fair, need to enroll in 4-H by the enrollment deadline of June 15. Enrolling earlier will allow them to receive mailings in regard to deadlines, county fair information and Quality Assurance requirements.

All 4-H club members' Nebraska 4-H Annual Achievement Application (4 pages maximum) must be turned into the Extension Office by awards deadline. To be considered by the Dawson County 4-H Council for county and state awards, all 4-H members must turn in their Award Application Forms by September 23, before 5:00 p.m.

All 4-H members are urged to write thank-you notes to sponsors of awards, trips, trophies, etc.

All 4-H clubs are encouraged to hold an Achievement event in their own club and to invite parents and friends of 4-H. The 4-H Council suggests the program be put on by the 4-H members to include such items as reports on their experiences in a project, tour, presentation, camp, award trip, etc.

4-H clubs wishing to schedule the 4-H Building for the next year for several meetings must notify the Dawson County Agricultural Society office (324-3600) by October 1 of this year.

Use of Dawson County Ag Society facilities requires proper care and clean-up afterwards. 4-H'ers need to leave the buildings and area at least as clean as they are found. Floors should be swept, trash picked up (inside and out) and put in dumpsters. Any stalls, ties or pens used must also be cleaned immediately after the release of your animals.

#### **ROLES & RESPONSIBILITY OF THE 4-H COUNCIL**

- 1. Determine and make recommendations on County 4-H policy.
- Assist the Dawson County Extension staff on long and short-range program planning to establish a balanced program for 4-H youth to include needs analysis, setting priorities and evaluation.
- 3. Review 4-H Awards applications and select representatives for the various award areas and assist in presenting awards at 4-H Achievement Barbecue.
- 4. Serve as a link between 4-H members, leaders, the Dawson County Extension Board and the public.
- May plan, conduct and manage (if necessary) a fund-raising program (EG: 4-H Café) in conjunction with leaders and youth.
- May serve as the Expansion and Review Committee as defined in the Nebraska Extension Affirmative Action program. The Expansion and Review is required by law and must be assigned to a specific group charged with the responsibility.

2021-2023 Jennifer Hunke (Lexington Area)

2021-2023 Carol Keiser (Cozad Area)

2021-2023 Stephanie Ringenberg (Sumner Eddyville Area)

2022-2024 Malloree Barnes (Gothenburg Area)

2022-2024 Suzie Wahlgren (Eustis-Farnum Area)

2022-2024 Amanda Spradlin (Cozad Area)

2023-2025 Shannon Peterson (Gothenburg area) (2nd term), President

2023-2025 Paige McConville (Lexington area)

2023-2025 Jake Wolfinger (Overton area), Vice President

2024-2026 Jennifer Hunke (Lexington Area) (2nd Term), Secretary 2024-2026 Robert Thompson (Eddyville – Sumner area) 2024-2026 Taryn Vonderschmidt (Cozad Area)

Youth Council Member selected to a 1-year term: 2023-2024 - Jaden Hunke, Jaelin Wolfinger, and Preston Beattie

Dawson County Ag Society 4-H Representatives – Jason Schneider, Chairman; Logan Vonderschmidt & Beth Rogers

#### FFA

To exhibit at the Dawson Co. Fair youth must be 8-18 years of age on Jan. 1 of the current year Beginning in 2016, FFA and 4-H will have the same livestock identification requirements.

In the livestock area, FFA will be interchangeable with 4-H in the following county fair policies. The 4-H and FFA identification processes will be one in the same.

Currently, potential Dawson County FFA exhibitors are virtually all 4-H members. FFA members wishing to show and not currently in 4-H will need to enroll in 4-H by the enrollment deadline of June 15. Enrolling earlier will allow them to receive mailings in regard to deadlines, county fair information, and Quality Assurance requirements. This will also allow everyone exhibiting at the county fair to be eligible for 4-H Livestock Booster premiums and 4-H trophies. All exhibitors will be expected to assist with the fair.

An animal or exhibit cannot be shown or exhibited in more than one county fair. Dawson County Fair livestock exhibitors are limited to participation in only one 4-H County Fair special premium program or County Fair Auction per year.

An area of the 4-H Exhibit Building will be reserved for FFA Exhibits. These will be at the advisor's choice and exhibited, but not awarded ribbons unless done so by the advisors. FFA advisors will coordinate with the Dawson County Ag Society and Andrea Nisley on space requirements. Advisors will be responsible for entering and displaying FFA exhibits and for finding volunteers to assist as building watchers.

### COUNTY FAIR – GENERAL 4-H POLICIES NEW IN 2024 – PRE ENTRIES ARE DUE JUNE 13!

Starting in 2024 Dawson County 4-H Fair will be going to an online pre-entered fair. All livestock and static exhibits will be included in the system. The deadline for <u>ALL pre-entered</u> <u>4-H exhibits is June 13, 2024, by Midnight</u>. The how-to instructions will be emailed out once they have been received from the State 4-H Office.

4-H'ers must be enrolled in the 4-H project to be eligible to exhibit in the class listed in the fair premium book.

Exhibitors are limited to **ONE** exhibit per exhibit number unless otherwise specified. Exhibits must conform to the classes provided for in the premium list to be eligible for premium money. It is the 4-H'ers responsibility to make sure that any additional information required in the fair premium book is attached to the exhibit item.

Unless otherwise stated or excused by the Superintendent, entries start at 9:00 a.m. and close at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, for all non-livestock static 4-H exhibits. Exhibits not received at 1:00 p.m. will be lowered one ribbon placing. All 4-H exhibits are to remain on the fairgrounds until 7:00 a.m. on Sunday.

4-H T-shirts are available for all 4-H'ers courtesy of Dawson County Farm Bureau. We encourage all 4-H'ers to wear County T-shirts when showing livestock, but it is not required.

All County Fair Checks **SHOULD BE CASHED IN 90 DAYS** and no changes or corrections will be made on premium amounts after thirty (30) days. Premium checks will no longer be mailed out and must be picked up within the 90 days. Uncashed and checks left for pick up will be voided out after the 90 days.

The Dawson County 4-H Fair Committee or Dawson County Agricultural Society will not, under any circumstances, be liable for personal injury or damage of any kind, or for damage of any property whatever, no matter how caused.

DISCLAIMER OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR EXHIBITS AT DAWSON COUNTY FAIR – "4-H exhibits at the Dawson County Fair are entered and displayed at the risk of the exhibitor. The Dawson County Extension, in cooperation with the Board of Directors, Dawson County Agricultural Society, accepts exhibits and will exercise due care to protect them. However, the Extension Service and Agricultural Society cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage due to the conditions imposed by