



EXTENSION

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Dixon County General 4-H Rules

ALL ENTRIES WILL BE PRE-ENTERED AND DUE IN EXTENSION OFFICE JUNE 15, 2022.

THIS INCLUDES LIVESTOCK AND EXHIBITS IN THE 4-H BUILDING. SEE ALSO "LATE ENTRY FEE POLICY".

GENERAL 4-H INSTRUCTIONS ELIGIBILITY

- 4-H is open to all youth between the ages 5 and 18 (4-H Age), regardless of race, color, national origin, gender, religion, age, disability, political beliefs, and marital or family status as determined by the following age criteria: 4-H members 5-7 years of age on January 1 of current year may exhibit in the Clover Kid area, regular 4-H age by January 1 of current year 8-year-old. To exhibit at county fair, 4-H members had to be enrolled in the project area by June 15 of this year.
- **ASTERISKED (*) CLASSES ARE FOR COUNTY FAIR EXHIBITS THEY ARE NOT STATE FAIR ELIGIBLE.**
- Exhibits must be owned by the exhibitor working under Extension 4-H club rules or be part of a Vo-Ag department program.
- Any boy or girl living outside of Dixon County but is a member of a Dixon County 4-H club is eligible to show at the fair. Youth that belong to a Dixon County School District-FFA chapter and/or a 4-H member of the Dixon County program are eligible to exhibit at the Dixon County Fair.
- **Multiple County:** A 4-H'er can only exhibit a project in the county of enrollment of said project. A 4-H'er is allowed to be enrolled in the 4-H program in more than one county, however, must be in different and specific project areas in each county, i.e. beef in only one county not in two counties.
- The exhibit entry must be the result of a 4-H or FFA project started after last year's fair.
- FFA exhibits must be part of the exhibitor's supervised farming program or have been completed as part of the shop program during the past year. Records are required by the Vo-Ag and FFA State Association and must be complete, accurate and up to date.
- Only articles mentioned in the premium list will be judged. 4-H members must be enrolled in the project to be eligible for exhibiting. Except where indicated otherwise, a member may exhibit only one animal or article under each premium number.
- Livestock exhibits must be owned or in the possession of the exhibitor on or before June 1 of the current year.
- Purebred animal entries must be confirmed with an animal registration certificate or number of Dam or Sire.
- 4-H and FFA exhibitors may enter the fairgrounds by presenting their current year 4-H identification cards.
- 4-H eligibility rules for State Fair: 4-H exhibits which are not starred and do not require the accompaniment of the 4-H members at State Fair are eligible for selection for State Fair. Exhibits and activities such as livestock, judging, presentations, etc. which require the 4-H member to attend State Fair are eligible for State Fair selection if: the 4-H member must become 11 years of age during current year. A 4-H'er becomes ineligible when he/she at the 4-H age of 18.

PRE-FAIR FAMILY PACKETS, containing project entry tags, back tag numbers, purchased T-shirts, and miscellaneous paperwork, will be available at the fairgrounds during Fair Cleanup on June 30, during Static judging on July 6, or at the extension office. Horticulture entry tags will be available before the beginning of Static judging on July 6.

ENTRIES (Unless otherwise stated in the fair schedule.)

CHECK IN ENTRY TIMES FOR FCS AND AG STATIC EXHIBITS are on Wednesday, July 6, at 8 AM for exhibits not to be interview judged. Interview judging will begin at 8:30 AM all exhibits need to be checked in by 10:30 AM.

CHECK IN FOR LIVESTOCK: Market beef will be weigh-in on Wednesday, July 6, from 4:00-5:00 PM.

Livestock, including poultry and rabbits, check in is on Wednesday, July 6, from 5:00-6:00 PM, with your respective superintendents.

Check-in entry means confirmation by the show superintendent, not just being on the fairgrounds.

If you do not check in with your livestock superintendent, you will not be able to show your livestock.

LATE ENTRIES

See the “*LATE ENTRY FEE POLICY*” new for 2022.

FFA exhibitor numbers will be assigned when the entries are made.

All perishable foods should be entered in a self-sealing re-closeable bag.

Home Environment, Engineering, etc., exhibits should have a label securely fastened on the back bottom of the exhibit. Label should include 4-H'ers name, age and county. Suggested ways to label exhibits are twist ties, string, strong tape and safety pins. **DO NOT LAY ENTRY TAGS IN THE BAGS OR BOX OR BY THE EXHIBIT.**

Label all Ag and Static exhibits, with the exhibitors name, age and county on the back or bottom.

All livestock and judging contest regulations will apply to 4-H and FFA members.

ONLY ONE YOUTH AND ONE ANIMAL PER ENTRY/CLASS

No open class cats or dogs.

Livestock ear tags should be healed by fair, or be ineligible to exhibit.

4-H CONSUMER & FAMILY SCIENCE

Only articles mentioned in the premium list will be judged. Members must be enrolled in the project to be eligible for exhibiting. A member may exhibit one article only under each premium number, unless otherwise noted.

Entry day for all consumer and family science exhibits (except Clothing, Knitting & Crocheting, and Photography) will be Wednesday, July 6, judging will begin at 8:30 AM.

Fashion Revue, Clothing, Knitting & Crocheting, and Photography entries will be judged on Saturday, June 25, at the Haskell Ag Lab, Concord. All exhibits need to be checked in by 10:30 AM to be judged.

4-H INTERVIEW JUDGING

- 4-H'ers have the option to visit with the judge about their exhibits in the Exhibit Hall.
- Parents are welcome to be present but they are **NOT** to provide input or answer the questions.
- Official 4-H t-shirts are encouraged to be worn for interview judging 8:00 - 10:30 A.M.
- Please state to the Superintendent whether the exhibit will or will not be interview judged. Interview judged exhibits will be labeled to be saved for interview judging.

JUDGING OF EXHIBITS

All exhibits, except where noted, will be placed by the judge on a ***Danish System of Recognition*** and will be judged on individual merit. 4-H and FFA livestock exhibits will be judged together.

PUBLIC FASHION REVUE, MUSIC SHOW, AND AWARDS PRESENTATIONS

The 4-H Public Fashion Revue, Music Show, and Awards Presentations will be held on Sunday, July 10, at 2:30 PM, at Pavilion, not the Grand Stand.

TROPHIES/AWARDS

- All awards for contests will be awarded at the respective contest. All awards in livestock will be presented at the respective shows except Herdsmanship, which will be awarded during the fall achievement program. All exhibit hall trophies and awards will be presented on Sunday during the Awards Presentations.
- Trophies are awarded based on results of show -whether 4-H or FFA winner. Trophies will only be awarded to Purple or Blue ribbon winners in all classes. Only Purple ribbon winners are eligible to go to State Fair.

RELEASE OF EXHIBITS

Release time will be Sunday, July 10, at 5:00 PM for Livestock entries and for all other entries. Superintendents and the Fair Board are not responsible for exhibits left after 6:00 P.M.

No perishable products (food, garden, produce, etc.) will be saved after 6:00 PM, Sunday, August 1, 2021.