



Dodge County 4-H Newsletter

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4-H COUNCIL REQUESTS DONATIONS

It is the season for requesting assistance in providing awards and scholarship dollars primarily for the 2015 Dodge County Fair. The fair is scheduled for July 29 – August 2 at the Dodge County Fairgrounds in Scribner. Without asking you for assistance we would not be able to reward the efforts of our youth. The Dodge County 4-H Council is asking for your donation to help cover the costs of the awards and scholarships to be given. They have designated different levels of financial commitment as follows:

Contributions of \$175 and more:

Designated as SUPREME CHAMPION donors

Contributions of \$100 - \$174:

Designated as GRAND CHAMPION donors

Contributions of \$25 - \$99:

Designated as PURPLE RIBBON donors

Based on RESEARCH, 4-Hers are ...

3x more likely to **CONTRIBUTE**

2x more likely to pursue **SCIENCE**

2x more likely to go to **COLLEGE**

LESS LIKELY to be involved in risky behavior



2015 Fremont 4-H Fair

July 8-11

Christensen Field, Fremont

2015 Dodge County Fair

July 29-August 2

Dodge Co Fairgrounds, Scribner

2015 Nebraska State Fair

August 28-September 7

Fonner Park, Grand Island

2015 AK-SAR-BEN Horse

September 19-20

Lancaster Event Ctr, Lincoln

2015 AK-SAR-BEN Livestock

September 24-27

CenturyLink Ctr, Omaha



The names of the donors will be posted in various locations throughout the fairgrounds. In addition, announcements of contributors will be included in the programs at the various 4-H/FFA events. Please keep in mind these awards become a lasting reminder of an important learning experience for 4-H and FFA members and their families. If you would like to contribute, please make your contributions payable to Dodge County 4-H Council and mail to: **Dodge County 4-H Council Awards Committee, P.O. Box 1933, Fremont, NE 68026.**



2015 DODGE COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

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2015 DODGE COUNTY 4-H SPEECH / PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT (PSA) CONTEST RESULTS

Senior Speech

Mariah Swanson
Hailey Trimble
Fernando Andrade

Senior PSA

Alicen Cote

Intermediate Speech Intermediate PSA

Emily Brodd
Abigail Hasemann
Dalton Blaha

Abigail Hasemann

Junior Speech

Evan Hartman

Junior PSA

Elizabeth Hasemann

Novice Speech

Hunter Weise
Paige Bunn
Elizabeth Hasemann
Joseph Blaha

Clover Kid Speech

Kelsey Bunn

2015 DISTRICT 4-H SPEECH / PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT (PSA) CONTEST RESULTS

Senior Speech

Hailey Trimble – Blue
Fernando Andrade – Red
Mariah Swanson - Red

Senior PSA

Alicen Cote - Medal

Intermediate Speech

Dalton Blaha – Purple
Emily Brodd - Purple

Intermediate PSA

Abigail Hasemann - Blue

Junior PSA

Elizabeth Hasemann - Blue

Learn More about

Dodge County 4-H

Dodge County 4-H Website

<http://dodge.unl.edu/county4h>

Dodge County 4-H Email Listserv

To be added or removed from the listserv, email your request to mary.spath@unl.edu

UNL Dodge County Facebook

www.facebook.com/unldodgecounty

Nebraska State 4-H Website

<http://4h.unl.edu/>

CONNECT:

Club Resources:

<http://dodge.unl.edu/resources>

Leader Resources:

<http://4h.unl.edu/educationalresources>

4-H COMMUNITY SERVICE

4-H Clubs and 4-H'ers are encouraged to take about 5 minutes to register their service learning projects on the 4-H community service app at <http://4h.unl.edu/4hcommunityserviceprojectmap>. They request the group/individual name, a few sentences describing the project, number of volunteers involved, number of hours contributed—multiply the number of volunteers by the number of hours each person contributed, and the value of the items donated. This is a chance for the 4-H'ers and clubs to get some statewide recognition for their efforts.



For my Club, my community, my country, and my world.

4-H PROJECTS

HORTICULTURE/FLORACULTURE RESOURCES

Two important resources for our horticulture and floriculture 4-H exhibitors.

- *Selecting & Preparing Vegetables, Herbs and Fruits for Exhibit at County Fairs and the Nebraska State Fair*
- *Preparing Cut Flowers for County Fair and the Nebraska State Fair*

The guides will help 4-H members, project leaders and parents know how to properly select, prepare, store, and ship these exhibits to be judged at county fairs and the Nebraska State Fair.

Pickup in our office or download from:

<http://dodge.unl.edu/web/dodge/projects>.

2015 PHOTOGRAPHY THEMES

- Nebraska Theme Unit 2: Editorial Photography
- Nebraska Theme Unit 3: Commercial Photography

THE 4-H EMBLEM

The official 4-H Emblem is a clover with four leaves and an "H" on each leaf. The clover's stem must point to the right as you look at the image. The 4-H Emblem is not a plain four-leaf clover. If you are a 4-H member or volunteer, you are permitted to use the 4-H Name & Emblem once your program is chartered with the official 4-H charter from National 4-H Headquarters at the Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension service (CSREES) within the United States Department of Ag (USDA). If you need more information or clarification contact the Nebraska Extension Office in Dodge County.

CLOVERBUD IDEAS on PINTEREST!

<http://www.pinterest.com/unlestensiontlc>

Developed by the UNL Extension's Learning Child team for Cloverbud members.

OPTIONAL 4-H RESOURCES

Buy instructional project materials (books, posters, DVDs)...

State <http://marketplace.unl.edu/ne4h/curriculum>

National <http://www.4-h.org/resource-library/curriculum/>

How to order 4-H materials:

- **Dodge County 4-H support staff** will order materials upon request. 4-H volunteers/members pay the item costs plus tax; the Dodge County Extension Office pays the shipping costs.
- **4-H volunteers/members** may order directly from either State or National website.



STEAM 1 / BEGINNING SEWING

EXHIBIT GUIDELINES:

Exhibits must be made from medium weight woven fabrics that will sew and press smoothly, flannel/ fleece is acceptable. Solid color fabrics or those having an overall print are acceptable. NO PLAIDS, STRIPES, NAPPED or JERSEY KNIT. Patterns should be simple without darts, set-in sleeves, and collars. Raglan and kimono sleeves are acceptable

The Nebraska Extension has an extensive list of patterns that 4-Her's can use for STEAM 1 projects this year. They are by no means the ONLY ones they can use, but need to stay within the guidelines:



DIAMOND CLOVER

Deadline: November 2, 2015 by 4:30 pm

At Nebraska Extension - Dodge County

4-H members of all ages are encouraged to get involved in the optional statewide form of recognition entitled "The Diamond Clover Program". Member's participation will enhance their efforts with their Career Portfolio. 4-H members will gain self-esteem from successfully completing the requirements of each of the levels. Other opportunities the program offers includes: satisfaction gained through progress made towards self-set goals, provide opportunity for developing youth and adult partnerships and projects completed will be valuable additions to resumes. If you did not participate in this program last year, now is the time to choose what level you want to start with. If you did participate last year then you need to move up to the next level and set your goals for this year. After filling out the front side of the form, give it to your leader for safe keeping throughout the year. In October, your leader will return the form and you can fill out the back page with your accomplishments. Learn more at <http://dodge.unl.edu/diamondclover>.



Fairs

Fremont 4-H Fair

FREMONT 4-H FAIR INFORMATION

FREMONT 4-H FAIR EXHIBITOR GUIDE

The Fremont 4-H Fair Exhibitor guide is ONLY available online at:

<http://dodge.unl.edu/web/dodge/frfourhexhguide>

DOG & CAT VACCINATION FORMS

4-H youth exhibiting dogs and/or cats at the Fremont 4-H Fair are required to have the State 4-H Dog and Cat Vaccination forms filled out at the time of check-in. The forms must be signed by a veterinarian. These forms can be found at:

<http://dodge.unl.edu/frfourhexhguide>

FREMONT 4-H FAIR COMMUNITY LUNCHEON

The 2015 Fremont 4-H Fair Community Luncheon will be held Friday, July 10th with Windsor Loin Dinners being served at 11:30 a.m. at Christensen Field's Main Arena (during the Fremont 4-H Fair). Doors will open at 11:00 a.m.

There will be special recognition of all the 4-H participants from the nine participating counties, Fremont 4-H Fair board, Grand Marshall, 4-H Royalty and Community Service Clubs.

Tickets are available now and can be purchased from any Fremont 4-H Fair Board member or at the UNL Dodge County Extension Office in Fremont. Tickets are \$10. Come join in the celebration.

POULTRY SHOWS CANCELLED

The Nebraska Department of Agriculture has cancelled poultry shows statewide here is a link to their release: http://www.nda.nebraska.gov/press/june2015/poultry_cancel.pdf. Nebraska State 4-H Office has also released a statement at: <http://dodge.unl.edu/documents/134936/430486/NE+Ext+Poultry+Events+Cancelled+2015.pdf/e32ab7be-f251-4e31-b60e-67ca302d7fbb>. The Nebraska State 4-H Office has a team in place that is coming up with alternatives for county fairs and for the State Fair; you will be able to find more information and those ideas on the 4-H website as they come available. While a difficult decision, this is a teachable moment around bio-security.

FREMONT 4-H FAIR

July 8-11, 2015

Christensen Field, 16 & Ridgeroad Drive, Fremont

Sponsored by the Fremont 4-H Fair and Nebraska Extension, 4-H & FFA youth exhibit from the following counties: Burt, Butler, Colfax, Cuming, Dodge, Douglas, Sarpy, Saunders and Washington.

The objectives of the Fremont 4-H Fair are to:

- Stimulate interest in 4-H club & FFA Chapter work and activities.
- Develop leadership, initiate and cooperative attitude amount youth, their parents, their 4-H leaders and their chapter advisors.
- Encourage 4-H and FFA members to appreciate and complete quality work.
- Make the 4-H Pledge a reality in life of each 4-H member.

The Fremont 4-H Fair gives youth opportunity to exhibit the results of their current year's project and an opportunity to compete in other contests. In addition, youth gain experiences that help them in competition at their county fairs, the State Fair and other major shows.

Pick up Fremont Fair entry forms from our office or online at: <http://dodge.unl.edu/frfourhexhguide> (bottom of the screen)

These forms are due BEFORE Fremont Fair, in our office by 4:30 pm on Wednesday, July 1, 2015:

- 2015 Fashion Revue Entry Form
- 2015 Favorite Foods Day Form
- 2015 Shooting Sports Entry Form

These forms are due at the Fremont Fair check-in:

- Dairy Cattle Entry Tag
- Dairy Cattle Junior Herd Tag
- Vaccination form - Dog
- Vaccination form - Cat and Ferret
- Recipe Card
- Shopping in Style Fashion Show Form

2015 JOHN C FREMONT DAYS PARADE

Sunday, July 12, 2015 at 1:30 pm
in downtown Fremont.

2015 FREMONT 4-H FAIR

Wednesday, July 8—Saturday, July 11
Christensen Field, 16th & Ridgeroad Drive, Fremont, NE

Fremont 4-H Fair Exhibitor Guide ONLY available online
<http://dodge.unl.edu/web/dodge/frfourhexhguide>

DATE	CHECKIN/ENTRY	EXHIBIT/SHOW	EVENT	LOCATION
Friday June 5	4:30 pm.....		Applications DUE..... King and Queen Contest	NE Extension – Dodge
Wednesday July 1 Postmarked by...	4:30 pm.....		Entry Forms DUE Fashion Revue Table Setting Contest Shooting Sports	NE Extension – Dodge
Late entries will drop one ribbon placement				
Wednesday July 8	7:30-8:30 am..... 11-11:30 am..... 6:30-8:30 pm.....	9 am	4-H Horse Show 4-H Horse Show..... 4-H Static Exhibit.....	Livestock Arena Livestock Arena Multi-purpose Building
Thursday July 9	7:30-8:30 am	9 am	4-H Static Exhibit Private Judging....	Multi-purpose Building
	8:30-9 am.....	10 am	4-H Dog.....	Multi-purpose Building
	1:30 pm.....	2 pm	4-H ATV Operators	Livestock Arena
	5 pm.....	5:30 pm.....	4-H Tractor Operators.....	Livestock Arena
	5:30 pm.....		4-H Favorite Foods by appointment	Multi-purpose Building
	5:30-7:30 pm		4-H Sheep.....	Sheep Barn
	6 pm.....	7 pm	4-H Companion Animal	Multi-purpose Building
	6 pm.....		4-H Beef	Livestock Buildings
Friday July 10	8:30-9:30 am.....	10 am	4-H Dairy Cattle	Livestock Arena
		9 am.....	4-H Sheep Show	Livestock Arena
	10:30-12:30 pm.....		4-H Beef.....	Livestock Buildings
	11 am	11:30 pm	Community Luncheon	Christensen Field Main Arena
		12 pm	Luncheon Program/Coronation	Christensen Field Main Arena
	12-12:30 pm.....	1 pm	4-H Bucket Calf Interview.....	
		1:30 pm	Don Peterson & Associates Watermelon Feed	Livestock Arena
		30 min after last Interview	4-H Bucket Calf Show.....	
	3-4 pm	30 min after sheep ...	4-H Meat Goat	Livestock Arena
	4-11:59 pm.....		Pick up sheep.....	
	4:30 pm.....	5 pm.....	4-H Shooting Sports Competition...	Multipurpose Building
	5-6 pm	7 pm.....	4-H Dairy/Pygmy Goat	Livestock Arena
		7:30 pm	John C Fremont Days Rodeo	Christensen Field
Saturday July 11		7-10 am	CF Industries FREE Pancake Feed	Multi-purpose Building
	7-9 am.....		4-H Feeder Calf.....	
		9 am	4-H Beef Show	Livestock Arena
	8-8:30 am.....	9 am	4-H Rabbit Show	Multi-purpose Building
	8-10 am	6 pm	4-H Swine	Swine Barn
		9 am	4-H Beef	Livestock Arena
	10:45 am.....	11 am	Weed & Grass/Tree ID	Multi-purpose Building
	1:45 pm.....	2 pm	Insect & Horticulture ID	Multi-purpose Building
	2 pm	After Rabbits	4 H Poultry	Multi-purpose Building
		7 pm	Public 4-H Fashion Show	Senior Ctr Multi-purpose Building
		7:30 pm	John C Fremont Days Rodeo	Christensen Field
	8 pm.....		Pick up static exhibits	Multi-purpose Building
Sunday, July 13		1:30 pm	JCF Days Parade	Downtown Fremont



Dodge County Fair

2015 DODGE COUNTY FAIR BOOK

The 2015 Dodge County Fair book themed "Time Marches On" is available, one copy per 4-H family. Books have been mailed as families enrolled. To review online at: <http://dodge.unl.edu/dcehbitorguide>.

STATIC JUDGING DAY

County Fair is just right around the corner. It takes over a hundred 4-H volunteers to make the fair run smoothly whether it is in a Livestock show or on Static judging day. We have assigned 4-H families to time slots on static judging day for a few years now and things are not as smooth as we would like. We realize that you have busy schedules as well and this year we would like to try something new. Each club is going to be assigned a project area on judging day. You as a 4-H family are asked to volunteer at the time it works for you in your project area. Please contact your 4-H leader or the Dodge County Extension office to reserve your time slot by **July 17th**. You can always volunteer to stay for two shifts as well. Remember, we can also use the help of older 4-H members to move projects back to the booths. It does take all of you and your commitment to the 4-H program. Each enrolled 4-H family is asked to take a shift!

- Project Areas:**
- Clover Kids - 4-H Ambassadors
 - Foods – T.E.A.M. 4-H Club & Platte River Kids
 - Clothing - City Slickers & DC Clovers Club
 - Home Environment - Logan Creek Leaders, 4-H All Stars
 - Photography/Posters - Clover Clan Club & Clover Kids Club
 - Plant Science - Hooper Hoppers & Fur-n-Feathers
 - Science & Technology - Lucky Clovers Club & Independent Families

- Dates / Times:**
- Tuesday, July 28 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
 - Wednesday, July 29 7:00 am – 10:00 am
 - 10:00 am – 12:30 pm
 - 12:30 pm – 3:00 pm
 - 3:00 pm – end of judging

FASHION REVUE JUDGING

Preregistration: Friday July 17 by 4:30 pm in Nebraska Extension office
Judging: Monday July 27 by appointment at Mohr Auditorium, Scribner
Fashion Show: Thursday July 30 at 6:30 pm at Dodge County Fairgrounds, Scribner

To pre-register you must have an entry form filled out with a narration. If you are exhibiting in "Shopping in Style", remember there is a separate form to fill out.

SILENT AUCTION

The Dodge County 4-H Council will be holding a Silent Auction during the fair to raise funds for the Dodge County 4-H Program. They are seeking items to be put on the auction from 4-H Clubs, individual members and leaders/volunteers. The goal is to raise \$2000 during this fundraiser. Fair goers will be able to bid on items throughout the fair starting on Thursday and bidding ends on Sunday after the parade.

Possible items to donate may include: themed baskets, bucket filled with animal grooming supplies, homemade preserves, quilts, husker items and flags, just to name a few. Gift certificates should only be used in themed baskets and not individually.

If every club would donate an item, it would be greatly appreciated. Items can be brought to the Dodge County Extension office or to the fairgrounds on Tuesday or Wednesday of fair week. Please let the Dodge County Extension office know your plans by calling 402-727-2775. THANK YOU for your support in this fundraiser.

PANCAKE FEED

Sunday, August 2nd from 8-10:30 am
Mohr Auditorium, Scribner

The Dodge County 4-H Council will hold a pancake feed. The cost is a free will donation.

CARNIVAL

Begins Thursday, Jul 30th at 5 pm

Once again all 4-H'ers have the opportunity to earn free carnival passes for this year's Dodge County Fair. The carnival will arrive on Wednesday and will be open for business beginning at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday.

One day wristbands will be sold for \$20 and they will be good for unlimited rides for one day. The Mega Pass will be sold for \$50 and will be good for unlimited rides ALL FOUR days of the fair.

4-H'ers will be able to purchase tickets from the Dodge County Extension Office before July 29. If a 4-H'er sells a total of 10 one day wristbands, they will receive one Mega Pass FREE. Contact Lisa if your club members would like to take part in this promotion.

2015 DODGE COUNTY 4-H FAIR

Wednesday, July 28—Sunday, August 2
Dodge County Fairgrounds, Scribner, NE

Dodge County Fair Exhibitor Guide available online
<http://dodge.unl.edu/dcexhibitorguide>

DATE	CHECKIN/ENTRY	EXHIBIT/SHOW	EVENT	LOCATION
Friday July 10	4:30 pm.....		Shooting Sports Contest Entry DUE.....	NE Extension – Dodge
Friday July 17	4:30 pm.....		Entry Forms DUE..... 4-H Clover Kids Animal Entries 4-H Club Booths (for static exhibits) Requests Animal Stall/Pen Requests Fashion Revue Entries Favorite Foods Contest Entry	NE Extension – Dodge
Tuesday July 21		7 pm.....	Livestock Superintendents' Meeting.....	DC Fairgrounds, Scribner
Sunday July 26	1 pm.....	2 pm.....	Shooting Sports Contest.....	Exhibit Hall, Scribner
Monday July 27		1 pm.....	Fashion Revue Judging..... By appointment / Closed to the Public	Mohr Auditorium
Tuesday July 28	9 am.....		Livestock Barns available.....	Livestock Barns
	5-9 pm.....		Club Booth Set-up.....	Exhibit Hall
	6-8 pm.....		4-H Static Exhibits Entry/Check-in..... INCLUDES: Clover Kid Communications & Expressive Arts; Consumer & Family Sciences; Entrepreneurship; Environmental Education & Earth Science; Healthy Lifestyles; Leadership & Citizenship; Plant Science; and Science, Engineering & Technology.	Exhibit Hall
Wednesday July 29	7:30-9 am.....		4-H Static Exhibits Entry/Check-in..... INCLUDES: Clover Kid Communications & Expressive Arts; Consumer & Family Sciences; Entrepreneurship; Environmental Education & Earth Science; Healthy Lifestyles; Leadership & Citizenship; Plant Science; and Science, Engineering & Technology.	Exhibit Hall
	7:30-9 am.....		Club Booth Set-up.....	Exhibit Hall
	8:30-9:30 am... 10 am.....		Horse Show..... In case of Rain? Christensen Field, Fremont.	Horse Arena
		9:30 am.....	4-H Static Exhibits Judging.....	Exhibit Hall
	9:30 am – noon.....		Favorite Foods Day Contest..... By appointment / Closed to the Public	Exhibit Hall
		9:30am -5 pm.....	OPTIONAL Interview Judging..... By appointment – schedule with superintendent at check-in One interview per entry per division (project area) INCLUDES: Aerospace; Clothing; Foods & Nutrition Home Environment; Photography; Wood-working.	Exhibit Hall
	10 am – noon.....		Sheep & Meat Goat check-in/weigh-in..	Livestock Show Arena
	Noon-1 pm.....		Bucket Calf Check-in.....	Bucket Calf Stalls
	Noon-1 pm.....		Beef Check-in.....	Beef Barn
1-2 pm			Dairy Cattle Check-in	Dairy Stalls
	1-2 pm.....		Dairy & Pygmy Goat Check-in.....	Goat Pens
	2:30 3:30 pm... 5 pm.....		Poultry Check in/Contest.....	Poultry & Rabbit Barn
5-6 pm.....			Market Hog Check-in/Weigh-in.....	Livestock Show Arena
		6 pm.....	Rocket Launch Competition.....	Baseball Field

2015 DODGE COUNTY 4-H FAIR

DATE	CHECKIN/ENTRY	EXHIBIT/SHOW	EVENT	LOCATION
Thursday July 30	8 am-noon.....		Club Booth Set-up.....	Exhibit Hall
		9 am-2 pm.....	Bucket Calf Interviews by appointment....	Exhibit Hall
		9:30 am.....	Sheep Show	Livestock Show Arena
		1 pm.....	Club Booths Judged.....	Exhibit Hall
		1:30 pm.....	Dairy, Pygmy & Meat Goat Show.....	Livestock Show Arena
		3 pm	Dairy Cattle Show.....	Livestock Show Arena
		4 pm.....	Bucket Calf Show.....	Livestock Show Arena
	6:30 pm.....	Public Fashion Revue.....	Exhibit Hall	
Friday July 31	8:30-9 am.....	9:30 am.....	Companion Animal Check-in/Show....	Exhibit Hall
		9:30 am.....	Market Hog Show.....	Livestock Show Arena
	12-12:30 pm.....	1 pm	Dog Check-in/Show.....	Mohr Auditorium
	12-1:30 pm.....	2 pm.....	Livestock Judging Contest Check-in....	4-H Office checkin Livestock Show Arena
Saturday August 1	8-9 am.....		Feeder Calf Check-in.....	Beef Barn
	8-9 am.....	10 am.....	Rabbit Check-in/Showmanship..... Immediately followed by Rabbit Show	Rabbit & Poultry Barn
		9:30 am.....	Beef Show.....	Livestock Show Arena
Sunday August 2		8-10:30 am.....	Dodge County 4-H Pancake Feed.....	Mohr Auditorium
		4 pm.....	PARADE "Time Marches On".....	Scribner
	8-9 pm.....		Release of all exhibits / <i>All exhibits must be removed from grounds</i>	
	8-9 pm.....		Club Booth Take Down.....	Exhibit Hall

Make an informed decision. Learn more at

- PEDV: <http://4h.unl.edu/resourceanimalcare>
- CANINE INFLUENZA: <https://www.avma.org/KB/Resources/Reference/Pages/Canine-Influenza-Backgrounder.aspx>
- AVIAN INFLUENZA: <http://www.nda.nebraska.gov/animal/avian/index.html>.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS for ANIMALS

Per the Nebraska State Department of Agriculture, there are NO major changes from 2014 in health requirements for animals exhibited in the Nebraska State and Dodge County Fairs. However, status may change at any time. **REMINDER:** Bovine Virus Diarrhea (BVD) testing will be required for Dairy and Beef Cattle. Learn more at: <http://4h.unl.edu/nebraskastatefairbook> ->Animal Science.

2015 DODGE CO FAIR ANIMAL JUDGES

Beef - Scott McGee
 Bucket Calf & Dairy Cattle - Ashley Benes
 Companion Animal - Karen Heftie
 Dog - Jackie Knobbe
 Hog & Livestock Judging Contest - Kyle Baade
 Horse - Joel Condreay
 Poultry - Ken Splett
 Rabbit - Jeff Hochstein
 Sheep & Goats - Jim Mueller

NEBRASKA STATE FAIR 4-H ANIMAL ENTRY PROCESS

4-H exhibitors will enter their animal exhibits online on their own and NOT through the Extension Office.



2015 DODGE COUNTY 4-H HORSE PROGRAM DATES & DEADLINES

*Hard copies to be submitted to Nebraska Extension – Dodge County Office by 4:30 pm

4-H Horse Project Members ENTERING STATE & DISTRICT HORSE SHOWS deadlines

- May 15 4-H Member Enrollments & Fees (\$10)
ONLINE ONLY - <https://ne.4honline.com/>
- May 15 4-H Horse Identification (Hard Copy) Sheets*
FOUND AT: <http://goo.gl/gsquKu>
- May 15 4-H Horse Advancement Levels *
Tests I & II FOR District 4-H Horse Show
Tests III & IV FOR State 4-H Horse Expo
- May 15 **District/State 4-H Horse Show Entries/Fees***
District Event/Dodge County Assigned: June 17, Wayne
State 4-H Horse Expo: July 13 - 16, 2015 - Fonner Park, Grand Island

4-H Horse Project Members NOT ENTERING STATE & DISTRICT HORSE SHOWS

- June 1 4-H Member Enrollments & Fees (\$10)
ONLINE ONLY - <https://ne.4honline.com/>
- June 1 4-H Horse Identification (Hard Copy) Sheets*
FOUND AT: <http://goo.gl/gsquKu>
TO Nebraska Extension Office, Fremont, NE
- June 1 4-H Horse Advancement Levels *
Tests I, II & III FOR Fremont 4-H Fair
Tests I, II & III FOR Dodge County Fair (Level I is required to ride at the Dodge County Fair.)
Tests III FOR Ak-Sar-Ben Livestock 4-H Expo

4-H Horse Project Members - GENERAL INFORMATION

- May 15/ June 1 4-H Member Enrollments & Fees (\$10) DEADLINE
- June 2 **State 4-H Horse Exposition Horse Judging and Hippology Contest Entries DUE***
- June 15 **4-H Volunteer** (Hard Copies of Enrollment, Volunteer Screening, Code of Conduct, and NEW Activity Workers) required for ALL Dodge County 4-H Leaders and adults working with 4-H youth (other than your own children) *
- June 17 **District 4-H Horse Show** AT Wayne, NE
COUNTY ENTRIES DUE: MAY 15*
- July 8 **Fremont 4-H Fair Horse Show** AT Christensen Field, Fremont
- July 13-18 **State 4-H Horse Exposition** AT Fonner Park, Grand Island
COUNTY ENTRIES DUE: MAY 15*
- July 29 **Dodge County 4-H Horse Show** AT Dodge County Fairgrounds, Scribner, NE
- Aug 10 **Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Stock Show Horse Show Entries & Fees ***
- Sept 19 & 20 **Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Livestock Exposition Horse Show** AT Lancaster County Event Center, Lincoln

FOR UP TO DATE INFORMATION, GO TO THE DODGE COUNTY EXTENSION WEB PAGE:



Fairs

Nebraska State Fair

NEBRASKA STATE FAIR VOLUNTEERS

Do you want to spend a few hours at the state fair as an important part of the 4-H programming going on during the fair? We need your help! Nebraska 4-H is looking for volunteers to help with exhibit entry day, judging, and serving as 4-H exhibit building hosts. Volunteers will also be needed to serve as the Lil' Green Mascot and assist with all 4-H contests and events throughout the fair. State Fair 4-H volunteers will receive a fair pass for the day(s) they volunteer. Volunteers can sign-up by completing the 4-H Volunteer Interest Form available online at http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/4-HStateFair_Volunteer or by submitting the completed form attached to this newsletter or picking up a form in our office. If you have questions about being a 4-H volunteer at the Nebraska State Fair, please contact: Cathy Johnston, Extension Educator, cjohnston1@unl.edu or (402) 472-1762.



AKSARBEN
STOCK SHOW & RODEO

NEBRASKA STATE FAIR PREMIER 4-H SCIENCE AWARD

The award is to recognize 4-H youth static exhibits incorporating or demonstrating concepts from the areas of 4-H Science (science, technology, engineering, or applied math) at the Nebraska State Fair. Curriculum areas targeted include:

- ANIMAL SCIENCE - Veterinary Science;
- CONSUMER & FAMILY SCIENCES – Consumer Management, Fiber Arts (Quilt Quest), Heritage, Human Development;
- ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION & EARTH SCIENCE – Conservation/Wildlife, Entomology, Forestry, Range, Weed Science;
- HEALTHY LIFESTYLES – Food & Nutrition, Physical Fitness, Safety;
- LEADERSHIP & CITIZENSHIP – Citizenship;
- PLANT SCIENCE – Crop Production, Horticulture, Weed Science; and
- SCIENCE, ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY – Aerospace, Computers, Electricity, Robotics, Welding, Wind Energy, Woodworking.

Dodge County Fair 4-H exhibits must be "Selected for State Fair" to be eligible for this additional entry opportunity. Youth will identify ONE exhibit to be considered for the Premier 4-H Science Award. The Premier 4-H Science Award Application must be submitted along with a photograph of the exhibit to the Nebraska Extension Office in Dodge County by the state fair entry deadline. The photograph will not be used for judging, only to locate it at the State Fair should we need additional information. The Nebraska Extension Office will enter exhibit into its original State Fair class and the Premier 4-H Science Award class (H101001). Only ONE exhibit per youth will be eligible for the Premier 4-H Science Award. Members of the 4-H Science work-group will serve as judges for the award. Scoring is based on (1) Exhibit demonstrates science/ engineering/ technology/ applied math concept or design; (2) Application of Scientific Process; (3) Youth adopted and/or used new methods or improved technology to create exhibit or as part of the exhibit; and (4) Career Connection. Exhibits which do not have a completed application or photograph can be disqualified at the discretion of the judge. All projects entered in this class will be recognized with a certificate attached to the original exhibit. Exhibits will be displayed within their original class. Up to 20 top 4-H Science exhibits will be chosen from all curriculum areas and will receive a \$100 cash award sponsored by the Nebraska 4-H Foundation.

AK-SAR-BEN UPDATES

- AKSARBEN entry information will be available the week of July 6th on the Ak-Sar-Ben web site (<http://www.aksarbenrodeo.com/p/events/stock-show/285>). Entries are due to the Nebraska Extension Office in Fremont by MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2015.
- A complete Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Stock Show Schedule for 2015 can be found <http://www.aksarbenrodeo.com/p/events/stock-show/290> **There are some time and date changes on the schedule this year so be sure to take a look at it now.** The Premium Book will be available by June 15 and can be downloaded from the website for your use.
- A Ranch Horse Pleasure class has been added to the AKSARBEN Horse Show and will be offered for Juniors and Seniors.
- Applications for Calf Challenge and Lamb Challenge should also be included with the entry forms. Also, Premier Exhibitor competition for Beef, Swine, Sheep, Meat Goats, Dairy and Horses is available. The Livestock Judging Contest and Quiz Bowl Contest are also available this year. All forms are located at: <http://www.aksarbenrodeo.com/p/events/stock-show/285>

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The University of Nebraska-Lincoln is a leader in academic excellence, offering world-class opportunities to extend your interests with 150 majors and 285 programs of study. Learn more at:
<http://admissions.unl.edu/discover/academics.aspx>

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You'd be hard-pressed to find a major university with a stronger sense of community, a more feverish school spirit, or deeper commitment to involvement than Nebraska, where you can choose from 400 student organizations. Learn more at:
<http://admissions.unl.edu/discover/campus-life.aspx>

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Consumers Digest and Kiplinger.com rated NEBRASKA as a "Best Value in Public Colleges" for our academic excellence and residential experience at a low cost. Learn more at:
<http://admissions.unl.edu/cost-and-aid.aspx>

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With 250,000 people, Lincoln has the same movies, stores, shows, restaurants, and coffee shops that you'd find in other major cities. Learn more at:
<http://admissions.unl.edu/discover/lincoln-life.aspx>

UNL AS A CHOICE FOR COLLEGE

If you or someone you know have plans to continue your formal education at a college or university, then put the University of Nebraska-Lincoln at the top of the list. Just go to the website
www.admissions.unl.edu.

Explore options that meet your demands and get to know costs, scholarships, careers and student life on both East and City Campus. Remember that 4-H is your first class at the University of Nebraska. Really 4-

UNL: ON-CAMPUS VISITS

Visiting campus is the best way to experience Nebraska. When you see it firsthand you begin to understand the rich tradition and contagious school spirit on campus. Each event offers the opportunity to learn about academics, scholarships and financial aid, living and dining options, how to get involved, Greek Life and career connections for your future. You will also have the chance to visit with current students and have your questions answered. The University of Nebraska-Lincoln offers a variety of unique campus visit options all year.

CALENDAR

Husker Weekdays - <http://admissions.unl.edu/visit-ne/huskerweekdays.aspx>

College Access Days - <http://admissions.unl.edu/visit-ne/campus-visits/college-access-days.aspx>

Big Red Road Trip - <http://admissions.unl.edu/visit-ne/campus-visits/big-red-road-trip.aspx>

Big Red Stars - <http://admissions.unl.edu/visit-ne/campus-visits/big-red-stars.aspx>

Greek Preview - <http://admissions.unl.edu/visit-ne/campus-visits/greek-preview.aspx>

The Nebraska Extension Office - Dodge County staff would love to help set-up a visit and/or accompany students and their parents to visit UNL. For more information about the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (CASNR), contact our office at **402-727-2775** or go to:
<http://casnr.unl.edu/home>.

For a partial listing of career or recent graduated academic majors, go to:

<http://casnr.unl.edu/majors>

UNL CASNR Scholarship

If you are a high school student that will be attending the University of Nebraska-Lincoln College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources and have scored a 26 or higher on the ACT, you automatically qualify for a \$1,000 UNL CASNR Scholarship. As a student, you will need to be enrolled in CASNR to receive the scholarship. To view programs available, visit <http://casnr.unl.edu>.



4-H Calendar



- JULY 4** **Dodge County Extension Office Closed – Independence Day**
- July 8-11 Fremont 4-H Fair, Christensen Field, Fremont, NE
- July 13 – 16 Nebraska State 4-H Horse Exposition, Fonner Park, Grand Island, NE
- July 17 Pre-Entry for Dodge County Fair
- July 27 Judging for Fashion Revue
- July 29 – August 2 Dodge County Fair, Scribner, NE
- AUGUST 28 - SEPTEMBER 7** Nebraska State Fair, Grand Island, NE
- September 7 **Dodge County Extension Office Closed – Labor Day**
- September 19-20 Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Horse Show, Lancaster Events Center
- September 24-27 Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Stock Show, Century Link Center
- OCTOBER 12** **Dodge County Extension Office Closed – Columbus Day**
- NOVEMBER 2** Career Portfolio DEADLINE
- November 8..... 4-H Achievement Celebration
- November 11** **Dodge County Extension Office Closed – Veterans’ Day**
- November 26-27** **Dodge County Extension Office Closed – Thanksgiving Day**
- DECEMBER 24** **Dodge County Extension Office Closed at Noon - Christmas Eve**
- December 25** **Dodge County Extension Office Closed – Christmas Day**