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Special Thanks to the Aurora News-Register for publishing the information. We are grateful for your support!

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Archery Contest.....	Darren Graves
BB Contest.....	Darren Graves
22 Rifle Contest.....	Darren Graves
Pistol Smallbore Contest.....	Darren Graves

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2021 4-H Schedule of Events

**(Due to unforeseen circumstances, all dates/times are subject to change,
Check Hamilton.unl.edu for most up-to-date schedule)**

Monday, April 5	Public Speaking Contest
Tuesday, June 15	Livestock and Horse ID's due
Thursday, June 17	County FCS Day (Presentations, Favorite Foods, County Life Challenge)
Friday, July 9, 2021	Pre-Fair-Entry Deadline YQCA certifications due by 12 noon Horse Show (TBA)
TBA	8:00 am Hunting Skills Contest (located in Merrick County)
TBA	8:30 am check in starts at 9:00 am 3-D Outdoor Archery (located in Merrick County)
Saturday, June 19, 2021	Muzzleloading Contest (location TBA)
TBA	Small Bore Rifle & Pistol Contest (location TBA)
TBA	BB Gun Contest at the Fairgrounds
TBA	Target Archery Contest at the Fairgrounds
July 11, 2021	
Thursday, July 22, 2021	
3:00-8:00 pm	4-H Static Exhibit Entry - Ag Auditorium
Friday, July 23, 2021	
12:00-8:00 pm	4-H Static Exhibit Entry - Ag Auditorium (all static exhibits except Food & Horticulture need to be in by 8 p.m.)
Monday, July 26, 2021	
7:00-9:00 am	Final exhibit entry for foods and horticulture exhibits - Ag Auditorium
7:00-9:00 am	Decorated Cake exhibits entered - Farr Building
9:00 am	Fashion Show Judging - Farr Building
9:00-11:00 am	Interview Judging on static exhibits - Ag Auditorium
5:00-9:00 pm	4-H Exhibits Open - Ag Auditorium
5:00-9:00 pm	4-H Bake Sale Begins - Ag Auditorium
6:00 pm	Opening Ceremonies - Farr Building <i>4-H Fashion Show, 4-H Awards, 4-H Cake Auction Flag Ceremony and Quilts of Valor are a part of Opening Ceremonies too</i>
Tuesday July 27, 2021	
8:00 am	4-H Dog Show - agility classes - outdoors ; Showmanship & Obedience classes following- Farr Building
1:00 pm	4-H Cat Show - Ag Auditorium
To follow Cat Show	4-H Companion Animals Show - Ag Auditorium
5:00 pm	Culinary Challenge - Ag Auditorium
5:00-9:00 pm	4-H Exhibits Open - Ag Auditorium
5:00-7:00 pm	Optional Rabbits & Poultry Check-in - Barn
Wednesday, July 28, 2021	
8:00 am-8:00 pm	4-H Junior Leaders Livestock Concessions Open
8:00-8:30 am	4-H & FFA Rabbits and Poultry Check-In - Barn
9:00 am	4-H & FFA Rabbit followed by Poultry Show - Arena Open Class Rabbits & Poultry following 4-H/FFA Show
5:00-9:00 pm	4-H Exhibits Open - Ag Auditorium
5:00-6:30 pm	4-H & FFA Sheep & Goats Weigh-In
7:00-8:30 pm	4-H & FFA Swine Weigh-In
6:00-9:00 pm	4-H & FFA Beef Weigh-In
Prior to 9:00 pm	Llama check-in and in pen
Thursday July 29, 2021	
8:00 am-5:00 pm	4-H Junior Leaders Livestock Concessions Open
8:00 am	4-H & FFA Sheep Judging - Arena
10:00 am	4-H & FFA Meat Goats Show - Arena
Following Meat Goats	4-H Dairy Cattle and Dairy Goat Show -Arena
11:00 am-8:30 pm	4-H Food Stand Open - 4-H Building
1:00 pm	4-H Llama Show -Arena
5:00-9:00 pm	4-H Exhibits open- Ag Auditorium

Friday July 30, 2021

8:00 am-5:00 pm	4-H Junior Leaders Livestock Concessions Open
8:00 am	4-H & FFA Beef Show - Arena
9:00 am-9:00 pm	4-H Exhibits open- Ag Auditorium
11:00 am-8:30 pm	4-H Food Stand Open-4-H Building
5:00 pm	4-H Food Stand -Meal Deal (until supply runs out) - Walking Tacos

Saturday, July 31, 2021

8:00 am-5:00 pm	4-H Junior Leaders Livestock Concessions Open
8:00 am	4-H & FFA Swine Show
9:00 am-9:00 pm	4-H Exhibits open- Ag Auditorium
11:00 am-8:30 pm	4-H Food Stand open – 4-H Building
2:00 pm	4-H Elite Showmanship Contest (Testing at 1:30 p.m. – livestock office)
4:30 pm	4-H & FFA Livestock Premium Auction - Arena

Sunday, August 1, 2021

11:00 am-3:30 pm	4-H Food Stand Open - 4-H Building
Noon	4-H & FFA Livestock Judging Contest - Arena
12:00-3:00 pm	4-H Exhibits open- Ag Auditorium
3:00-6:00 pm	***All entries released***

Disclaimer

4-H exhibits at the Hamilton County Fair are entered and displayed at the risk of the 4-H member. Nebraska Extension in Hamilton County, 4-H Youth Development, in cooperation with the Hamilton County AG Society accepts exhibits and will exercise due care to protect them. However, The Hamilton County 4-H Council, in cooperation with the Hamilton County AG Society cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage due to the conditions imposed by large crowds, the arrangement of the buildings in which displays are housed and the great number of exhibits.

4-H'ers who have exhibits of great sentimental and/or monetary value should carefully consider whether such exhibits should be exposed to the hazards of the fair. While the greatest possible care will be exercised by the management to protect patrons of the Hamilton County Fair, each individual will be held personally responsible for any injury.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR EXHIBITORS - An exhibitor must be a 4-H member enrolled in the project they are exhibiting. Youth must be enrolled in 4-H by June 15 of the current year.
- Anyone who disrupts or damages any show, exhibit, or judging process may be removed from the grounds and not permitted to return.
- All exhibits competing for cash premiums shall be property of the exhibitor, and in livestock classes all animals shall have been the property of the exhibitor at least (90) days prior to the opening of the fair, OR in accordance with FFA & 4-H rules. If it be ascertained that any exhibitor has made or caused to be made, any false statement in regard to any animal or article exhibited or if any exhibitor shall attempt to interfere with the judges in the performances of their duties by letter or otherwise, he shall be excluded from competition and exhibition for such period of time as the board of directors may determine and shall forfeit any premium already awarded him at this fair. In case the animal dies, or is injured so it cannot be exhibited by a proper showing, another may be substituted per 4-H Extension Educator pre-approval or FFA Advisor approval.
- Articles and animals must be on the grounds Wednesday before 9 pm and must be removed by Sunday, after the fair, by 6 pm, with area or stall cleaned, or premium may be withheld. Horses, dogs, cats and companion animals may have varying entry and removal procedures as set forth by the Board, see class instructions. No other articles or animals entered for exhibition will be allowed to be removed from the grounds before 3:00 p.m. Sunday, the last day of the fair. Premature removal without authorization forfeits premium.
- All entries will be made in strict compliance with the premium list and awards made in accordance therewith. Parties therefore must be careful to have stock and articles entered just as they want them.
- In case of dispute as the age of any animal, its certificate of registry will be required in evidence of the age, or otherwise, and its owner will also be required to file with the superintendent an affidavit that it is the identical animal thereon described.
- A party making an entry of registered stock of any kind shall furnish the department superintendent, when called for, authentic certified copy of pedigree of such stock, and failure to do so will render the exhibit ineligible. The superintendent may move it to a commercial class if available.

- For cattle, the association register will be considered standard authority. All stock entered for exhibition must be on the grounds Wednesday before 9 pm.
- No person shall be allowed to see the entries or have access to the entry books until after the entries have closed, and judging completed.
- The Hamilton County 4-H program will recognize 4-H members and volunteers of the 4-H program in which they are enrolled in irrespective of their place of residence. A member cannot enroll in the same 4-H project area in more than one county or state in the same year. With the exception of shooting sports, if a discipline is not provided in one county then the youth may enroll in multiple counties. To enter 4-H classes the exhibitor must be enrolled in a Hamilton County 4-H project or club. A youth who is a member of 4-H and FFA may show in the same curriculum area but must use different projects. For example, may show livestock but must use different animals; may enter static exhibit but must be two entries.
- If you need further information on a contest, contact the Extension Office.
- To each premium number there must be two or more exhibitors to constitute competition. When there is no competition, the exhibits, if worthy, will be awarded first, second, third or fourth place awards as merit warrants. Regarding an award in case of no competition the judge is to decide whether or not they are worthy.
- 4-H entries shall be entered either in the Ag Building or the Livestock Office (see official 4-H schedule) .
- The management reserves the right to reject unworthy exhibits of any kind by refusing space, stalls, pens or admission to the grounds. No disorderly conduct of any kind will be permitted.

Open Class Invitation

4-H clubs, sororities and other organizations within the county will be awarded a \$15.00 premium if 80 percent or more of their member's exhibit in open class. Entrants must list their organization affiliation on each entry tag.

Judging

No judges will be permitted to serve in a class in which he/she may be competing for a premium or have ownership of any animal or article entered in such class.

No judge shall award a premium which they have reason to believe is not what it is represented to be as it appears from the entry book or representation of the exhibitor, but shall report the same to the superintendent of the department. He/she shall award first premium only when the animal or article has high merit in its class.

All animals must be exhibited at such time and place as the superintendent of the class may direct. The judge will be instructed not to wait for more than 10 minutes after the final call.

Awards will be made by an expert judge or committee of judges whose decision shall be by ballot and without consultation. Two of the committee shall agree before an award can be made.

When an exhibit or animal is shown in a class in which it does not belong, the superintendent shall so declare and will dismiss the exhibit or animal from the judging, stating the reasons therefore.

Exhibits that have been erroneously entered may, by the discretion of the superintendent, be transferred to their proper class prior to judging.

Superintendents

Each superintendent will be in their department at entry time to receive all articles belonging to their department and see that they are arranged in proper places of exhibition. They must be at their respective departments at set times during the fair and see that due care and precautions are used and that all visitors are properly advised. Superintendents of animals must notify the exhibitor in regard to bringing the different classes into the show ring. Superintendents shall in no way influence the judge's decisions. Superintendents must turn in judging sheets and award lists in their superintendent binder at the completion of judging.

4-H POLICY COMMITTEE

The 4-H Council interprets policy in Hamilton County. The division superintendents will make decisions according to the fair book. Written protests of these decisions will be addressed by the 4-H Council in accordance with the outlined procedures below.

PROTESTS

- A. The respective division superintendent has the authority to make appropriate decisions based on the 4-H Premium Book, and these will be adhered to by all.
- B. Written and signed protests are to be presented to the appropriate superintendent. Upon receipt of the protest, the superintendent shall meet with at least two other superintendents and with the 4-H Extension Educator (or their assigned extension educator) as an advisor of policy. This committee of superintendents will decide the issue.
- C. The written protest must include:
 1. Names of persons involved
 2. Nature of concerns
 3. Situation and documentation

4. Recommendations for correction
 5. Specific action, rule, etc. in question
 6. Additional people committee may contact for further clarification.
 7. Procedures and/or step carried out by person involved prior to submission to the superintendent.
- D. The committee will review the written protest. They may discuss the situation with affected persons and show officials to include County Fair management if appropriate prior to making a final decision. The committee will recommend appropriate action to management in writing. The recommendations will be followed and communicated both verbally and in writing to the group or individual affected.
- E. In cases of protest the exhibitor may be allowed to show, but results of showing will be subject to change based on the outcome of the protest process. This allows for smooth operation of the show and facilitates appropriate processing.
- F. The management reserves the right to withhold premium and/or award. The exhibitor may also be excluded from the show if action warrants.
- G. Protests concerning 4-H policy, animal, and youth eligibility can be protested further to the 4-H Council if the affected parties are not satisfied with the committee decision. Interpretation of show rules should not be brought to the Council. 4-H Council decisions are final.
- H. Protests will not be accepted after the exhibits are released from the 4-H division. In the case of a live contest or competition, protests will not be accepted after 8:00 pm on the day of the contest or competition.

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ELIGIBILITY FOR THE NEBRASKA STATE FAIR

Only static exhibits receiving a Purple Ribbon in county competition are eligible to advance to the Nebraska State Fair. Classes that are listed as a “900” number are not eligible to advance to state fair, regardless of ribbon placement.

PREMIUM AWARDS

Purple ribbons will denote superior exhibits. Blue awards denote excellent exhibits. Red awards denote good exhibits and white awards denote fair exhibits. Equal prizes will be given the same colored awards under the same entry number. The judge will designate the outstanding exhibits selected to be represented at the Nebraska State Fair.

To be eligible to receive premiums a member must be regularly enrolled. The project involved with the 4-H exhibit must be completed. Evidence of completed projects will be the completion of the Hamilton County Ag Society's designated record book. This record is to be completed and presented to the Ag Society (aka Fairboard) by their published due date. Premium monies are awarded through Ag Society at their designated time.

Premier 4-H Science Award

Objective: 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. Exhibits in all curriculum areas will be considered for the award.

Curriculum Areas Targeted: Animal Science, Communications/Expressive Arts, Consumer & Family Sciences, Environmental Education and Earth Science, Healthy Lifestyles, Leadership & Citizenship, Plant Sciences, Science Engineering & Technology (SET).

Exhibit Entry: 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 County Extension Office by the county's entry deadline. The photograph will not be used for judging, only to locate it at the State Fair should we need additional information. The Extension Office will enter the exhibit into its original State Fair class and the Premier 4-H Science Award class (H101-001). **Only one exhibit per youth will be eligible for the Premier 4-H Science Award.**