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**WELCOME TO
2022 MERRICK COUNTY FAIR
JULY 30, 31 AUGUST 1-3
4-H, FFA & OPEN CLASS EXHIBITS**

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**RULES AND REGULATIONS
MERRICK COUNTY'S 69th
FREE FAIR**

1. Exhibits will get their entry card at each department where they wish to enter articles.
2. Open Class entries should be made **Sunday, July 31, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.**
3. 4-H static exhibits will be entered on **Thursday, July 28, 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., Friday July 29, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., and Saturday, July 30, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**
Livestock exhibits will be entered Sunday, July 31
 - Youth poultry and rabbits must be in place by 10:00 a.m.
 - Youth hogs must be in place by 11:00 a.m.
 - Youth sheep and goats must be in place by 1:00 p.m.
 - Youth market beef must be in place by 2:30 p.m.
 - Youth breeding beef must be in place by 3:30 p.m.
 - Youth bucket calves must be in place by 4:00 p.m.
5. No ribbon will be given out until animals are properly checked-in with the superintendent of that area. Animals judged according to merit.
6. All livestock owners will have their pens cleaned by 8:00 a.m. each day and put pen cleanings in the designated area.
7. Exhibit building will be open Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
8. 4-H and Open Class exhibits will be released from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. on Thursday. Premiums will be paid at that time for Open Class only.

IF YOU WANT SPACE - Either for exhibits or commercial booths, arrangements must be made at once! Even if you had a booth or exhibit last year, you must make a new reservation this year. Contact Russ Kucera 308-940-1013.

4-H AND FFA DEPARTMENT

- 1) It is the policy of the University of Nebraska - Lincoln, Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources and Merrick County 4-H Council not to discriminate based on sex, age, handicap, race, color, religion, marital status, veteran status, national or ethnic origin or sexual orientation.
- 2) All exhibits are at the exhibitor's risk. The Merrick County Ag Society and Merrick County 4-H Council are not responsible for any damage, loss or death to an exhibit or animal.
- 3) If a project item or animal is shown at another county's fair as a 4-H or FFA project, it is **NOT** eligible for competition in Merrick County. It will be disqualified.
- 4) Judges will place awards based on merit. They will be instructed to use the group method similar to the plan followed by the Nebraska State Fair, whereby exhibits of nearly equal merit will receive equal ribbons. The judge's decision will be final in all classes. Awards will be given according to the rules and regulations set forth in this premium list.

Purple - Superior Blue - Excellent Red - Good White - Needs Improvement Orange- Flops Lime Green- Afterschool Project

- 5) **4-H AGE REGULATIONS** - The age regulations for Merrick County 4-H membership as determined by the Merrick County 4-H Executive Council shall be that a member must be 8 years of age on December 31st of the previous year (turn 9 during the current year) and the last year of eligibility is 4-H age 18 on December 31st (or the calendar year the member becomes 19).
- 6) FFA members may exhibit livestock until the age of 21. Enrollment must be confirmed with the FFA Advisor. Annual quality assurance training through Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) must be completed online at yqca.org by July 11.
- 7) 4-H and FFA members show together in livestock, crops, and plant science. The total number of animals shown is indicated at the beginning of each species area. 4-H and FFA will follow the rules according to this fairbook.

CLOVER KIDS GUIDELINES: Clover Kids classes can be found on page 60.

- a) The 4-H Clover Kid Program is for youth between the ages 5 - 7 years old by January 1 of the current calendar year. 4-H Clover Kid exhibitors must be enrolled as a 4-H member by June 15.
- b) Clover Kid animal exhibits are to be no more than six months of age and no more than 350 pounds at time of show, with the exception of small animals (dog, cat, etc.) Age, size, and temperament of animal projects must be appropriate for the exhibitor's age and size. Clover Kids will only show in showmanship classes, no market or breeding classes. The horse project is not available for Clover Kids.
- c) Clover Kids may exhibit at the county fair and participate in 4-H contests receiving special ribbons with a premium of \$1.00. However, they will not be eligible for participation in the Livestock Sale, and will not be considered for any incentive, championship, trophy, medal, or plaque competition on an individual basis. They will be considered as part of a club competition in such activities as herdsmanship, performing arts or club contest.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR EXHIBITORS: An exhibitor must be a 4-H member enrolled in the project they are exhibiting.

- 8) All 4-H exhibits that do not conform to the specifications, rules and regulations set forth in this premium list will drop one ribbon placing.
- 9) Be sure to check the number of entries per project and entry number for each division. **All projects other than livestock have only one entry per class number.**
- 10) Premiums will be paid when the 4-H member submits a completed Achievement Application to the Extension Office **by October 1**. Premium money will be available at the year-end 4-H Achievement Celebration. If premium money is not picked up by December 1, monies will be turned back to the Merrick County Ag Society.
- 11) An * indicates an exhibit is eligible for State Fair. All items eligible for State Fair must receive a purple ribbon. The last year of eligibility is the calendar year the member becomes 19 years of age.
- 12) All exhibitors showing any animals are required to wear the required 4-H/FFA T-Shirt, black/blue jeans, and closed toe shoes. Hats, caps or other headgear are prohibited. Exhibitors in the horse show will wear a long white sleeve shirt or blouse, dark blue jeans, boots, hat and a 4-H armband. The 4-H armband may be purchased for \$3.00.
- 13) An exhibit or exhibitor must be at least purple ribbon quality before a rosette or award is awarded, and the judge must deem it worthy of the award.
- 14) Substance Abuse - Use or possession of tobacco, alcoholic beverages, or drugs (except for medical purposes) by any exhibitor who is participating in 4-H/FFA at the Merrick County Fair will result in immediate disqualification of that exhibitor's entry.
- 15) **PROTESTS**
 - a) The respective division superintendent has the authority to make appropriate decisions based on the Premium List, and these will be adhered to by all.
 - b) A committee shall be appointed to serve as a protest group. They will meet daily if needed to act upon concerns. All protests must be submitted in writing and signed. Written protests must be submitted to the Extension Educator. He/She will then convene the committee for their deliberation.
 - c) The written protest must include:
 - i) Names of persons involved.
 - ii) Nature of concerns.
 - iii) Situation and documentation.
 - iv) Recommendations for correction.
 - v) Specific action, rule, etc. in question.
 - vi) Additional persons committee may contact for further clarification. **(two Fairboard, two 4-H Council)**
 - vii) Procedures and/or steps carried out by person involved prior to submission to the Extension Educator.
 - 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, to make 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 case 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) The appeals process is limited to the 4-H/FFA exhibitor, 4-H/FFA parent or registered 4-H volunteer leader.
 - h) Protests will not be accepted after the exhibit is released from the 4-H Division.

**4-H PRE-FAIR ACTIVITIES AND
2022 MERRICK COUNTY FAIR**

All dates, times, and contest/show formats are subject to change. Stay up to date on changes at merrick.unl.edu.

Feb. 10 (Thurs.)	6 p.m.	Junior Indoor Archery Contest - 4-H Building
Feb. 26 (Sat.)	1 p.m.-3 p.m.	Market Beef Weigh-in & Rate-of-Gain - Central City Veterinary Clinic
Feb. 17 (Thurs.)	6 p.m.	Intermediate & Senior Indoor Archery Contest - 4-H Building
April 4 (Mon.)	6:30 p.m.	Public Speaking & Presentation Contests - 4-H Building
April 23 (Sat.)	1 p.m.	Shotgun Contest - Sportsman's Club
May 6 (Fri.)	5 p.m.	ALL District/State Horse Entry Forms, ID's, and Levels Testing DUE to Extension Office
May 19 (Thurs.)	5 p.m.-7 p.m.	Market Sheep & Goat Weigh-in & Rate-of-Gain Contest - Indoor Arena
June 6 (Mon.)	5 p.m.-7 p.m.	Market Beef Weigh-in (<i>last one</i>) - Central City Veterinary Clinic
June 13 (Mon.)	5 p.m.-7 p.m.	Market Sheep & Goat Weigh-in (<i>last one</i>) - Indoor Arena
June 15 (Wed.)	5 p.m.	ALL 4-H and FFA Required County Animal ID's DUE to the Extension Office
		ALL 4-H and FFA State Fair Livestock DNA Envelopes DUE to the Extension Office
July 11 (Mon.)	5 p.m.	ALL 4-H and FFA Static, Animal, Clothing Pre-entries DUE to the Extension Office
		ALL 4-H and FFA YQCA training complete
		Vaccination records DUE for cats, dogs and ferrets
July 23 (Sat.)	10 a.m.	Ice Cream Roll Contest - 4-H Building
July 26 (Tue.)	8:00 a.m.	Clothing Construction & Fashion Show Judging - 4-H Building
	7:30 p.m.	4-H Night - 4-H Building
	7:30 p.m.	Performing Arts - 4-H Building
July 28 (Thurs.)	1 p.m.-5 p.m.	Static Check-in - 4-H Building
July 29 (Fri.)	8 a.m.-5 p.m.	Static Check-in - 4-H Building
July 30 (Sat.)	6:30 a.m.-4 p.m.	4-H Food Stand Open
	6 a.m.-7 a.m.	Horse Show Check-in - Indoor Arena
	7 a.m.	Horse Show - Indoor Arena
	8 a.m.-12 p.m.	Static Check-in - 4-H Building
July 31 (Sun.)	8 a.m.-8 p.m.	4-H Food Stand Open, 4-H Building closed for Judging
	8 a.m.-11 a.m.	Hog Weigh-in & Check-in - Hog Barn
	8 a.m.-10 a.m.	Poultry & Rabbit Check-in - Poultry and Rabbit Barn
	11 a.m.	Poultry & Rabbit Show - Indoor Arena
	11 a.m.-1 p.m.	Goat & Sheep Weigh-in & Check-in - Southside Livestock Barn
	1 p.m.-2:30 p.m.	Market Beef Weigh-in & Check-in - Northside Livestock Barn
	1 p.m.-4 p.m.	Open Class Exhibit Check-in - 4-H Building
	2:30-3:30 p.m.	Breeding Beef Check-in, DUE Beef Production Books - Northside Livestock Barn
	3:30-4 p.m.	Bucket Calf Check-in, DUE Clover Kids Record/Story - Northside Livestock Barn
	4 p.m.	Livestock Judging Contest - Indoor Arena
August 1 (Mon.)	7 a.m.-9 p.m.	4-H Food Stand Open, 4-H Building Open
	7:30 a.m.	Hog Show: 4-H Showmanship, Clover Kids, FFA Showmanship, Market, Breeding - Indoor Arena
	1:30 p.m.	Meat Goat Show: 4-H Showmanship, Clover Kids, FFA Showmanship, Market, Breeding
	3:00 p.m.	Sheep Show or immediately following Meat Goat Show: 4-H Showmanship, Clover Kids, FFA Showmanship, Market, Breeding - Indoor Arena
August 2 (Tue.)	7 a.m.-9 p.m.	4-H Food Stand Open, 4-H Building Open
	8 a.m.	Beef Show: 4-H Showmanship, FFA Showmanship, Clover Kids, Bucket Calves, Feeder Calves, Market, Breeding - Indoor Arena
August 3 (Wed.)	7 a.m.-9 p.m.	4-H Food Stand Open
	8 a.m.	Dog Show & Check-in - Annex Building
	10 a.m.	Bicycle Rodeo Contest - Airport
	11 a.m.	Dog Agility - Indoor Arena
	12 p.m.	County Kid's Pet Show Sponsored by Merrick County 4-H Jr. Leaders.
		Any child may bring any pet to show. Show will be held at the Annex Building. Please register pet 15 minutes prior to the show. Pets must be taken home immediately after.
	12:30 p.m.	Cat & Companion Animal Check-in - Indoor Arena
	1 p.m.	Cat & Companion Animal Show - Indoor Arena
	2 p.m.	4-H Overall Livestock Showman Contest - Indoor Arena
	5:45 p.m.	4-H & FFA Member Group Picture - Indoor Arena
	6 p.m.	Livestock Sale - Indoor Arena
	8 p.m.	Release ALL Static Exhibits - 4-H Building
August 4 (Thur.)	1 a.m.-10 a.m.	Release ALL Livestock
	6 a.m.-10 a.m.	Release ALL Poultry & Rabbit
	7 a.m.-8:30 a.m.	FREE EXHIBITOR & FAMILY BREAKFAST sponsored by CC Area Chamber of Commerce
	8 a.m.-10 a.m.	Release ALL Static Exhibits
	12 p.m.	Extension Office Closed - Fair Recovery
August 5 (Fri.)	8 a.m.-5 p.m.	Extension Office Closed - Fair Recovery

SUPERINTENDENTS

- Foods – Angela Blomstedt
- Sew for Fun, STEAM Clothing 1, 2, 3, Quilt Quest – Amy Greving & Nicole Greving
- Beyond the Needle, Knitting, Crochet, Weaving – Darcy Ray & Candice Muller
- Fashion Show – Kendra Jefferson & Jamie Wright
- Home Environment – Kelly & Doug McHargue
- Consumer & Family Sciences – Nikki Ferraro
- Clover Kids – Jr. Leaders
- SET, Ag & Earth Sciences – Beth Johnson
- Plant Science – Bailey Jefferson
- Horse – Russ & Carolyn Kucera
- Hog – Brian Jefferson & Isaac Jefferson
- Meat Goat & Sheep – Craig Nelson & Jon Root
- Beef – Kane Brandes & Ryan Kucera
- Poultry & Rabbits – Mollie Nielsen
- Herdsmanship – Dylan Ferris
- Overall Livestock Showman – Mikaela Stuart & Alex Stocker
- Cat & Companion Animal – Mollie Nielsen
- Dog – Kim & Travis Stuhmer
- Bicycle Rodeo – Jen Myers
- Livestock Judging Contest – Payden Woodruff, Darcy Ray & Jen Myers
- FFA – Juliana Kroger, Payden Woodruff, Jessica Brondel, Alex Stocker, Katie Hornung
- Shotgun – Craig Nelson & Aaron Heins
- Indoor Archery – Sara Umstead & Brian Thomas
- Outdoor Archery – Aaron Blanchard
- Air Pistol & Small Bore – TBD
- BB Gun & Rifle – TBD
- Hunting Skills – TBD

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- The Dentist
- Tom & Eve Reimers
- Trav's U-Save Pharmacy
- Vlcek Gardens, Inc
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COUNTY CONTESTS

Shooting Sports Competition General Rules:

1. Each 4-H member **MUST** attend a minimum of four (4) meetings or practices in each discipline with a certified instructor to compete in that division at the fair.
2. **DRESS CODE** for all shooting sports: All youth and volunteers must wear long pants, closed toe shoes, long hair pulled back, no dangly jewelry for practices and competition. Farm Bureau 4-H t-shirt must be worn for county fair competitions.
3. All firearms will be clean and in good working condition. Shooters are responsible for and must wear ear protection for .22 Rifle, Small Bore Pistol, and shotgun. Safety glasses must be worn for all firearms events. Clear barrel indicators must be used in rifle and pistol. All ammunition must be separate from the firearm.

INDOOR ARCHERY CONTEST- Superintendents Sara Umstead and Brian Thomas

1. Recurve and compound bows may be used. Only arrows with a field point (no broadheads). 4-H members must furnish their own arrows and need to bring a minimum of 7 arrows (club bows may be used). 4-H members may shoot in one class per competition.

2. Minimum age is 8 years as of 12-31-2021. Maximum age is 18 years as of 12-31-2022.
3. Indoor competition will consist of 60 arrows. An NFAA single or five spot (archer's choice) 40 cm target. Scoring shall be X, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 from center out. Lines must be touched to count the next higher score. More detailed rules can be obtained from the Extension Office.

PREMIUM: Purple \$2.00; Blue \$1.50; Red \$1.00; White \$.50

Indoor Junior 8-11 years

M-450-001. Barebow – no device used (includes Genesis bows).

M-450-002. Bow Hunter Freestyle - devices used such as sights, stabilizers no longer than 12", or mechanical releases.

M-450-003. Freestyle – devices used such as sights, stabilizers, or mechanical releases.

M-450-004. Freestyle Limited - devices used including sights and stabilizers. No releases.

M-450-005. Olympic Recurve - any recurve bow with sights, stabilizers, clickers, etc.

Indoor Intermediate 12-14 years

M-450-006. Barebow – no device used (includes Genesis bows).

M-450-007. Bow Hunter Freestyle - devices used such as sights, stabilizers no longer than 12", or mechanical releases.

M-450-008. Freestyle – devices used such as sights, stabilizers, or mechanical releases.

M-450-009. Freestyle Limited – devices used including sights and stabilizers. No releases.

M-450-010. Olympic Recurve - any recurve bow with sights, stabilizers, clickers, etc.

Indoor Senior 15-18 years

M-450-011. Barebow – no device used (includes Genesis bows).

M-450-012. Bow Hunter Freestyle - devices used such as sights, stabilizers no longer than 12", or mechanical releases.

M-450-013. Freestyle – devices used such as sights, stabilizers, or mechanical releases.

M-450-014. Freestyle Limited – devices used including sights and stabilizers. No releases.

M-450-015. Olympic Recurve - any recurve bow with sights, stabilizers, clickers, etc.

BB GUN CONTEST

1. BB Guns are defined as: Any spring or air powered gun that shoots BB's. Must be smooth bore, weigh six (6) pounds or under, open sights and will be shot at 5 meters. Multi pump guns can only be pumped three (3) times. Members are encouraged to use their own firearms. County guns will be available to use if needed. Course of Fire-five (5) minutes for sighting in (unlimited shots), 10 shots prone, 10 shots standing, 10 shots kneeling, 10 shots sitting (Total of 40 shots) 10-minute shooting time for each position. NRA AR-4/10 target will be used.
2. Minimum age is 8 years as of 12-31-2021. Maximum age is 18 years as of 12-31-2022. If you compete in the BB gun contest, you cannot compete in Small Bore (.22) Rifle contests or vice versa.

PREMIUM: Purple \$2.00; Blue \$1.50; Red \$1.00; White \$.50

M-400-001. Junior 8-11 years

M-400-002. Intermediate 12-14 years

M-400-003. Senior 15-18 years

AIR RIFLE CONTEST

1. Air Rifle is defined as: Any open sighted hand pump or CO2 air rifle with or without rifling in the barrel that uses .177 caliber pellets under 600 fps. Multi pump guns can only be pumped 5 times. Targets will be shot at 10 meters. Members are encouraged to use their own firearms. The county guns will be available to use if needed. Course of Fire—five (5) minutes for sighting in (unlimited shots), 10 shots prone, 10 shots standing, 10 shots kneeling, 10 shots sitting (Total of 40 shots) 10-minute shooting time for each position. NRA AR-5/10 will be used.
2. Minimum age is 8 years as of 12-31-2021. Maximum age is 18 years as of 12-31-2022.

PREMIUM: Purple \$2.00; Blue \$1.50; Red \$1.00; White \$.50

M-410-001. Junior 8-11 years

M-410-002. Intermediate 12-14 years

M-410-003. Senior 15-18 years

AIR PISTOL CONTEST

1. Air Pistols are defined as: Any open sight hand pump or CO2 pistol that shoots .177 caliber pellet at 600 fps or less. Members are encouraged to use their own firearms. The county guns will be available to use if needed. Courses of Fire-five (5) minutes for sighting in (unlimited shots), 40 shots total (five at each bull) at 10 meters shot from the basic supported position. NRA B-40/4 target will be used.
2. Minimum age is 8 years as of 12-31-2021. Maximum age is 18 years as of 12-31-2022.

PREMIUM: Purple \$2.00; Blue \$1.50; Red \$1.00; White \$.50

M-420-001. Junior 8-11 years

M-420-002. Intermediate 12-14 years

M-420-003. Senior 15-18 years

SHOTGUN CONTEST- Superintendents Craig Nelson & Aaron Heins

1. 4-H members will shoot five (5) blue rocks from each of the five (5) posts for a total of twenty-five (25) blue rocks. They may use shotgun (gauge) of their choice.
2. Youth must be 11 years old or older by December 31, 2021.

PREMIUM: Purple \$2.00; Blue \$1.50; Red \$1.00; White \$.50

M-440-001. Junior 11-14 years

M-440-002. Senior 15-18 years

HUNTING SKILLS CONTEST

1. Wildlife ID: May include but not limited to identification of bones, wings, furs, tracks, scat, sound.

2. Hunter Scenarios: May include but not limited to “shoot, don’t shoot” scenarios, hunting regulations, habitat.
3. Archery 3D: Need a minimum of four (4) practices with a certified Archery Instructor.
4. Youth must have 4 practices with a certified 4-H hunting skills instructor.

PREMIUM: Purple \$2.00; Blue \$1.50; Red \$1.00; White \$.50

M-460-001, Junior 8-11 years

M-460-002, Intermediate 12-14 years

M-460-003, Senior 15-18 years

OUTDOOR ARCHERY CONTEST- Superintendent Aaron Blanchard

1. Outdoor competition will consist of 30 arrows. Juniors will shoot from 5-30 yards, Intermediates will shoot from 5-40 yards, Seniors will shoot from 5-50 yards. Targets may include 3D and other varying target faces. More detailed rules can be obtained from Extension Office.
2. Time limit for finding lost arrows will be two minutes.

PREMIUM: Purple \$2.00; Blue \$1.50; Red \$1.00; White \$.50

Outdoor Junior 8-11 years

M-450-016, Barebow – no device used (includes Genesis bows)

M-450-017, Freestyle – devices used such as sights, stabilizers, or mechanical releases.

M-450-018, Freestyle Limited – devices used including sights and stabilizers. No releases.

M-450-019, Olympic Recurve - any recurve bow with sights, stabilizers, clickers, etc.

Outdoor Intermediate 12-14 years

M-450-020, Barebow – no device used (includes Genesis bows)

M-450-021, Freestyle – devices used such as sights, stabilizers, or mechanical releases.

M-450-022, Freestyle Limited – devices used including sights and stabilizers. No releases.

M-450-023, Olympic Recurve - any recurve bow with sights, stabilizers, clickers, etc.

Outdoor Senior 15-18 years

M-450-024, Barebow – no device used (includes Genesis bows)

M-450-025, Freestyle – devices used such as sights, stabilizers, or mechanical releases.

M-450-026, Freestyle Limited – devices used including sights and stabilizers. No releases.

M-450-027, Olympic Recurve - any recurve bow with sights, stabilizers, clickers, etc.

SMALL BORE (.22) RIFLE CONTEST

1. NRA .22 silhouette targets will be shot in the standing position. 10 – Rams at 100 meters or 109 yards 13 in, 10 – Turkeys at 77 meters or 84 yards 7.5 in., 10 – Pigs at 60 meters or 65 yards 22 in., 10 – Chickens at 40 meters or 43 yards 26 ¾ in. Only .22 long rifle ammunition can be used. Hot loads, such as “stinger” are not permitted. Any sights, telescopic or metallic may be used. Trigger guard must be present. The barrel cannot exceed 30 inches from face of closed bolt to end of barrel. 2 ½ minutes for 5 shot intervals.
2. Youth must be 11 years old or older by December 31, 2021. If you compete in small bore (.22) contests you cannot compete in the BB gun contest, or vice versa.

PREMIUM: Purple \$3.00; Blue \$2.50; Red \$2.00; White \$1.00

Junior 11-14 years

Senior 15-18 years

M-430-001, Open Sights

M-430-003, Open Sights

M-430-002, Scope

M-430-004, Scope

SMALL BORE (.22) PISTOL CONTEST

1. Paper targets will be shot in the standing unassisted stance slow fire procedure at 50 feet. Only .22 long rifle ammunition can be used. Hot loads, such as “stinger” are not permitted. Open sights. Each shooter will be allowed 10 minutes of sight in (unlimited shots) and prep time before 10 competition shots. NRA B-2 targets will be used.
2. Youth must be 11 years old or older by December 31, 2021. If you compete in small bore (.22) contests you cannot compete in the BB gun contest, or vice versa.

PREMIUM: Purple \$3.00; Blue \$2.50; Red \$2.00; White \$1.00

M-430-005, Junior 11-14 years

M-430-006, Senior 15-18 years

PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST- one entry per class number.

1. All speeches must be original and include 4-H as the major component of the speech. NO visual aids are allowed.
2. 4-H public speakers may not use the old speech written by a sibling, another 4-H member, or anyone else.
3. Acknowledge the source of information used in the speech. For example, an article from a magazine may be used for reference, but should not be quoted directly unless you tell the audience your source.
4. Juniors 1-3 minutes; Intermediates 3-5 minutes and Seniors 5-8 minutes.
5. PSA’s need to be 60 seconds which includes the specific tagline found at <https://4h.unl.edu/public-speaking>
6. Each participant is required to wear the Farm Bureau 4-H t-shirt or 4-H emblem on their name tag, provided.

PREMIUMS: Purple \$4.00; Blue \$3.00; Red \$2.00; White \$1.00

***M-490-002**, Junior Speech 8-9 years

***M-490-003**, Intermediate Speech 10-13 years

***M-490-004**, Senior Speech 14-18 years

***M-490-005**, PSA - Public Service Announcement- All PSAs are 60 seconds in length. The state theme for the 2022 Public Service Announcement is “Opportunity 4 All” and should be incorporated in the PSA. All radio PSA’s must promote 4-H and be general enough to be used anywhere in Nebraska at any time of the year. All 4-H PSA’s must include the following tag line within the last ten seconds of the PSA: “Learn more about

Nebraska Extension 4-H Youth Development Program at 4h.unl.edu.” The tag line is included in the 60 second time limit. Sound effects and public domain music may be used. Copyrighted material may not be used. All PSA’s must be the original work of the presenter. Contestants may not use PSA’s written and provided by the state or national staff. No team PSAs are allowed.

PRESENTATION CONTEST- one entry per class number.

1. Each participant will wear the Farm Bureau 4-H t-shirt or performance outfit with a 4-H emblem on their name tag, provided.
2. All 4-H Presentations topics should be related to what the 4-H youth is learning through 4-H educational experience focused on the priorities of career and college readiness, community development, entrepreneurship, food supply confidence, healthy living, leadership development, and STEM (science, technology, engineering, math).
3. 4-H Presentations should include an introduction (the “why” portion of the topic), a body (the “show and tell” portion of the topic), and a conclusion/summary (the “what” portion of the topic).
4. Participants may be penalized if they exceed the time limits.
5. Live animals of any kind may be used in the presentation.

Individual: Purple \$4.00; Blue \$3.00; Red \$2.00; White \$1.00

***B-151-110, Illustrated Presentation Individual**

- Time Limit: 6-8 minutes.

Teams: Purple \$7.00; Blue \$6.00; Red \$4.00; White \$3.00

***B-151-111, Illustrated Presentation Team of Two**

- Time Limit: 8–10 minutes.

PERFORMING ARTS CONTEST - only two (2) entries per youth.

1. Each participant will wear the Farm Bureau 4-H t-shirt or performance outfit with a 4-H chevron on their name tag, provided.
2. Groups may not use identification of a specific club, county, or organization other than 4-H. Each group must have three or more participants; all must be 4-H members. Clover Kids are ineligible for incentives and any champion awards.
3. Time - each group is allowed two minutes after the cue from the contest chairperson to arrange themselves on stage and begin performing. Props are not encouraged, but if used, must be in place within the time limit. The performance of each group is limited to six minutes.
4. Selection - any number of songs must be within the six-minute time limit.
5. Accompaniment - Performing groups must bring their own CD if recorded accompaniment is used. Other song groups may be accompanied by piano, guitar, or other instruments (These items must be provided by the 4-H Member). Live accompaniment, if used, may be by a 4-H member, parent, or leader. If more than one adult accompanies the group, point deductions will be made.
6. Song groups may appear with or without a director. The director of the group must be a 4-H member/volunteer.

PREMIUM: Purple \$5.00; Blue \$4.00; Red \$2.50; White \$1.50

M-470-001. Variety Group - all performing arts, can be skits, readings, musical performances, pantomimes, etc. within the 6-minute limit.

M-470-002. Variety Solo - all performing arts, can be skits, readings, musical performances, pantomimes, etc. within the 6-minute limit.

M-470-003. Variety Duet - all performing arts, can be skits, readings, musical performances, pantomimes, etc. within the 6-minute limit.

BICYCLE RODEO CONTEST- Superintendent Jen Myers

1. Each participant is required to wear the Farm Bureau 4-H t-shirt.
2. Each participant must bring a bicycle to participate. A bicycle may be shared between participants.

PREMIUM: Purple \$2.00; Blue \$1.50; Red \$1.00; White \$.50

Control Riding: the course will be about 60 ft. in length and 6" in width. The boundaries will be blocks placed 3 ft. apart in line. One second will be added to time for each block moved.

M-510-001. Junior 8-11 years

M-510-002. Senior 12-18 years

Slalom: ride a zig zag course between 6 poles placed about 30 ft. apart in line. Loss of control of bike adds 2 seconds for each time. Rider’s feet may not touch the ground but do not have to remain on the pedals. Add 2 seconds each time feet touch the ground.

M-510-003. Junior 8-11 years

M-510-004. Senior 12-18 years

Bike Balance: the course will be about 60 ft. in length and 6" in width. The boundaries will be blocks placed 3 ft. apart in line. Slowest time is the best. Deduct 1 second for each block moved. Rider’s feet may not touch the ground but do not have to remain on the pedals. Deduct 2 seconds for each time feet touch the ground.

M-510-005. Junior 8-11 years

M-510-006. Senior 12-18 years

Figure 8: the course will be about 150 ft. long. The rider will make a figure 8, ride about 50 ft., make a figure 8, ride another 50 ft., make a figure 8, ride another 50 ft. and cross the finish line. (Must make 3 figure 8's.) Rider’s feet may not touch the ground but do not have to remain on the pedals. Add 2 seconds to the time for each time the feet touch the ground. Add 10 seconds for each incorrect figure 8.

M-510-007. Junior 8-11 years

M-510-008. Senior 12-18 years

ICE CREAM CONTEST- one entry per class number.

1. Entry may be ice cream in a bag or can.
2. Ice and rock salt are provided. Recipe is available at the Extension office.
3. The 4-H Member must measure the ingredients, without help, in front of the judge. A friend or another 4-Her may help roll the can for canned ice cream.
4. Each participant is required to wear the Farm Bureau 4-H t-shirt.

PREMIUM: Purple \$1.50; Blue \$1.25; Red \$1.00; White \$.75

M-560-001. Junior 8-11 years

M-560-002. Senior 12-18 years

LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST- Superintendents Payden Woodruff, Darcy Ray & Jen Myers

1. 4-Hers are eligible to participate in the Livestock Judging Contest regardless of project enrollment.
2. No assistance allowed. No dress code required.

PREMIUM: Purple \$1.50; Blue \$1.25; Red \$1.00; White \$.50

M-480-001. Junior 8-9 years

M-480-002. Intermediate 10-13 years

M-480-003. Senior 14-18 years

M-480-004. FFA Age 14-21 (not eligible for awards)