



4-H Family Newsletter
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June 15th Checklist Have you...

1. **Enrolled in 4-H?** Go to <https://v2.4honline.com> - youth must be enrolled on 4-H Online to be eligible to exhibit at the Pierce County and State Fair.

2. **Turned in your ID Forms?**

All County Fair ID Forms (Affidavits) for Breeding and Market Beef, Bucket Calf, Feeder Calf, Cow/Calf Pairs, Dairy Cattle; Breeding, Market, and Dairy Goats, Horse, Breeding and Market Sheep, Rabbits, and Swine are due. It is your responsibility to make sure these forms are accurate. All necessary data must be present and correct. Can email or bring to the office. All ID papers are available for download at <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/pierce/4-h-animal-information-0/>.

3. **Completed Online Nominations for State Fair?**

Instructions for nominating State Fair Livestock are available at <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/pierce/4-h-animal-information-0/>. Made nominations at: <https://showstockmgr.com> and brought your DNA envelopes for State Fair for all Market and Breeding Livestock and Feeder Calves to the Extension Office? A new document has been created for families wanting to exhibit animals at the State Fair.

4. **Obtained premise ID number if animals have an EID tag?**

Information on how to obtain a Premise ID number can be found at: <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/pierce/4-h-animal-information-0/>, under Premise ID Information.



July Deadlines

The following are due to the Extension Office. You may bring them to the office or email to pierce-county@unl.edu:

- **July 1st - Aksarben Stock Show nominate online by 5 p.m.** You can find specific instructions for dual nominations and the link to do so by visiting aksarbenstockshow.com.
- **July 1st - YQCA Certificates** are DUE to the Pierce County Extension Office. All 4-Hers enrolled in the breeding and market beef; bucket calf; feeder calf; cow/calf; dairy cattle; breeding meat, market, dairy, and pygmy goats; breeding and market sheep, swine, rabbit, and poultry projects are required to complete the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) course. The online course can be found at <https://yqcaprogram.org/>. Instructions are available on the website under Youth and Parents | Web-based Training Help Document. All individuals that complete the web-based option, test-out option, or attend a Face-to-Face training other than those held in Wayne or Pierce will need to go back into their <https://yqcaprogram.org> account to download their certificate. Either email or print it off and bring it to the Extension Office. 4-HOnline and the YQCA site do not communicate.
- **July 3rd - Entry information for Static Entries, Clothing Entry and Time Sheet, Small Animal Entry Form, and Livestock Entry Form are Due at the Pierce County Extension Office.** You would have received these form with your Premium Book. You can find Entry Forms on our website at <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/pierce/pierce-county-fair-information/>. You can drop them off at the Extension Office or email them.
- **July 3rd - Food Revue Menu are due to the Pierce County Extension Office.**
- **July 5th - Small Animal Current Vaccinations Records due at Pierce County Extension Office**
- **July 12th - Best Buy for Your Buck Notebooks** for Shopping in Style are due at the Pierce County Extension Office.
- **July 15th - Horse Advancement level testing LAST DAY to take Horse level tests** at the Pierce County Extension Office.
- **July 24th - Vegetable, Floral, and Swine Entry Forms** DUE when you come to the Fair.



2024 Premium Books & Fair Entries



2024 Premium Books and Fair Entry Papers are READY for Pick up!

These year we have asked Club Leaders to pass out Premium Books and Fair Entry forms to their club members. If you are a Independent Member we ask that you please come pick up your Premium Book at the Extension Office along with all the Entry Forms that your family will need. We will also be handing them out at the YQCA training if you can not make it to the Extension Office. If you didn't not receive one please let us know. You can also find the Premium book and Entry Forms on the Pierce County Extension Office website at <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/pierce/pierce-county-fair-information/>.



4-H Livestock News

Livestock Quality Assurance 2024



There's much more to 4-H livestock projects than simply showing animals at the fair. That's why all Nebraska 4-H members enrolled in livestock projects must complete annual quality assurance training. Through the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals program, members learn about food safety and animal well-being. Youth enrolled in beef, dairy cattle, goat, poultry, rabbit, sheep, and swine projects may complete online training courses or attend in-person training workshops held by their county Extension office. Learn more at 4h.unl.edu/yqca.

Face-to-Face Training

Face-to-Face trainings are scheduled for June 11th (1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.) at the Pierce County Fairgrounds. To register for this Face to Face training you will need go to the YQCA website is yqcaprogram.org. Log on and select "Pierce County YQCA" and the time that you want (either 1 pm or 6 pm). After you have selected your time will have to pay a \$3 fee per youth. This fee has to be paid online and not in the office. Pierce County 4-Hers - if you attend the in person training at the Pierce County YQCA, we will be reimbursing you the \$3 at the event for coming to the in person training.

Aksarben Stock Show

This year Aksarben Stock Show will still be accepting dual nominations of livestock between the Nebraska State Fair and Aksarben Stock Show. You do NOT need to purchase additional DNA envelopes for animals you're nominating for State Fair.

NEW for 2024, an additional step is REQUIRED, you will need to online nominate your animal through the Aksarben Stock Show by 5 P.M. on July 1st to be able to show at the Aksarben Stock Show.

You can find specific instructions for dual nominations and the link to do so by visiting aksarbenstockshow.com.

Please reach out with questions to 402-329-4821.

ATTENTION 4-H & FFA LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS

The Aksarben Stock Show will still be accepting dual nominations of livestock between the Nebraska State Fair and the Aksarben Stock Show. You do NOT need to purchase additional DNA envelopes for animals you're nominating for State Fair.

However, an additional step is required, you will need to online nominate your animal through the Aksarben Stock Show by 5 p.m. on July 1st.

Livestock Identification & Nomination Deadline

Youth interested in exhibiting livestock at the Nebraska State Fair must complete the **nomination** process **no later than June 15!** Learn more at 4h.unl.edu/livestock-id. Along with dropping off the **Livestocks DNA envelope** to the **Pierce County Extension Office No Later then 4:30 P.M. on Friday, June 14th.**



2024 Online Horticulture Judging Contest

The Online Horticulture Judging Contest will be available from **8:00 a.m. CT on Friday, June 7 through 8:00 a.m. CT on Friday, June 21st.** Learn more about the contest, find study materials, and access the contest link at <https://4h.unl.edu/online-horticulture-judging-contest>.

Agronomy Youth Field Day

Make plans to join us for the 8th annual Agronomy Youth Field Day at Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture, (NCTA) Educational Center, Curtis, Nebraska! Youth can learn about the newest agronomy techniques and technology through hands-on activities, such as dissecting a plant or flying a miniature drone! With two age tracts, youth can learn all about precision technology, cover crops, soil health, weeds, herbicide application technology, crop scouting, and more! **Register for free by July 2nd** at go.unl.edu/agronomy-youth-field-day.



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June Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
	Memorial Day Extension Observance Office Closed		Wayne Youth Quality Assurance Training 1 P.M. & 6 P.M.		Home Design & Restoration and Insect Collection Workshop Registration DUE	State Horse Show Entries, ID's and level testing documentation DUE 4-H Archery
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Summer Building Better Babysitter, Pie Making Workshop Registration DUE		Home Design & Restoration Workshop at Pavilion 9- 11:30 A.M.	Insect Collection Workshop at Pierce Co. Meeting Room 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.	Summer Building Better Babysitter Workshop - Wayne Fairgrounds 10 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	Floral Arrangement & Fairy Garden, Clover Bud Workshop Registration DUE	Pierce Youth Quality Assurance Training 1 P.M. & 6 P.M. 4-H Council Meeting 8 P.M.	Build a lamp, Disaster Kit, and Critter Korner Workshop Registration DUE	Bee Hotel Virtual Workshop 10-NOON.	Pie Making Workshop at Pierce Co. Meeting Room 9 - 11:30 All ID's DUE Livestock DNA SAMPLES DUE at Extension Office	4-H Enrollment Deadline ShowStock Manger - Livestock Nomination DUE
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
			Juneteenth Extension Observance Office Closed	Floral Arrangement Day and Fairy Garden at Pierce Co. Meeting Room 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.	Clover Bud Workshop at Pierce Co. Meeting Room 9 A.M. - 12 P.M.	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
			Building Lamps Workshop at Pavilion 9:00 A.M. - 11 A.M.		Disaster/ Emergency Kit Workshop at Pavilion 9:00 A.M. - 10:30A.M. Critter Korner Workshop at Pavilion 10:30 A.M. - 12 P.M.	
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2024
PIERCE COUNTY FAIR
JULY
24TH - 28TH



2024 PIERCE COUNTY FAIR

SCHEDULE OF 4-H EVENTS



Monday, July 1st

YQCA Certificates DUE

Wednesday, July 3rd

Pierce County Entry Form Deadline - (Static Entry, Clothing Entry and Time Sheet, Small Animal Entry Form, and Livestock Entry Form)

Food Revue Menu Due

Friday, July 5th

Small Animal Current Vaccinations Records due

Friday, July 12th

Best Buy for Your Buck Notebooks for Shopping in Style are due

Monday, July 15th

Horse Advancement level testing LAST DAY to take Horse level tests

Friday, July 19th

9 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – 4-H Clothing & Style Revue Judging at Pierce County Fairgrounds.

Monday, JULY 22nd

9:00 a.m. – finished – Clean-up Day at the fairgrounds.

Wednesday, July 24th

8:30 a.m. – Noon – Enter 4-H exhibits that are not interview judged (Horticulture) - Must be entered by noon.

9:00 a.m. – finished – Interview Judging for all 4-H Ag Misc., Foods, Photography, Home Environment, Cake Decorating, Other Club Work, and Clover Buds.

9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. – Enter all 4-H Livestock (Beef, Dairy, Goat, Horse, Sheep, Swine, Rabbit, and Poultry)

7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. – Weigh 4-H Beef Animals

Thursday, July 25th

6:30 a.m.-9:00 am – Pancake Breakfast, Sponsored by Michaels Food

7:00 a.m. – 4-H Swine and sheep Weigh In

9:00 a.m. – 4-H Beef Showmanship Contest followed by the 4-H Breeding Beef Show (Breeding Market, Stocker Feeder, etc.)

9:00 a.m. – 4-H Companion Animal

9:00 am. – Dairy and Horse Check in

10:00 a.m. – 4-H Cat Show

1:30 p.m. – 4-H Dog Show

Friday, July 26th

6:30 a.m.-9:00 am – Pancake Breakfast, Sponsored by Farmers Pride

8:00 a.m. – 4-H Swine/Sheep and Goat Show

8:30 a.m. – 4-H Horse Show

1:00 p.m. – 4-H Dairy Show

2:00 p.m. – 4-H Livestock Judging

6:30 p.m. – 4-H Livestock Sale

Saturday, July 27th

8:30 a.m. – 4-H Rabbit Show and Poultry

10:30 a.m. – 4-H Bucket Calf /Clover Bud show

2:00 p.m. – 4-H Jr. Leaders decorate for Style Revue in Pavilion

5:30 p.m. – 4-H'ers prepare for Style Revue

6:00 p.m. – 4-H Style Revue and Award Ceremony in Pavilion

6:30 p.m. – 4-H Awards Night

Sunday, July 28th

9:00 a.m. – 4-H Inspirational Service

2:00 p.m. – All Animal Exhibits Released

4:00 p.m. – 4-H Exhibits Released

5:00 p.m. – Clean up Fair Center