



2024 Saunders County 4-H Checklist and Reminders

Please read this entire document carefully, as it contains important information for 4-H Exhibitors. Please be aware and accountable for all deadlines and procedures.

Saunders County 4-H Check List

- June 15th: 4-H Enrollment Due.
- June 15th: Turn in DNA or Animal Identification affidavits/DNA.
- June 15th: Online nomination for state fair eligible animals due.
- June 15th: Complete YQCA (Quality Assurance) and turn in completed certificate.
- June 15th: Obtain Premise ID number if animals have an EID tag.
- July 1: County Fair Pre-entry due.
- August 10th: Nebraska State Fair online entries due.

4-H Enrollment Procedures

Detailed information can be found here: <https://go.unl.edu/SaundersEnroll>

4-H ENROLLMENT WEBSITE: <https://v2.4honline.com>

- Enrollment and \$10 fee are required by JUNE 15.
- 4-H members may change or add projects to online enrollment by JUNE 15.
- 4-H Adult Volunteer enrollment is required (via 4-H Online) by JUNE 15.

ENROLLMENT – YOUTH MEMBERS

4-H enrollment and \$10 fee payment, Clover kids pay \$5, is completed using the on-line system directly by the 4-H families.

- Access the on-line enrollment system.
- Once enrollment and fee (\$10 – 4-H age, \$5 - clover kid) has been submitted, it will be electronically forwarded to Nebraska Extension in Saunders County. Office staff will then need to Approve members.
- Step-by-step instructions are available: <https://go.unl.edu/SaundersEnroll> to assist families in the enrollment and re-enrollment process. In addition, support (staff and/or computer access) will be available upon request.

ENROLLMENT – LEADERS

- Enroll as a 4-H Leader/Volunteer through Nebraska 4-H Online at the link above.
- There is no enrollment fee for leaders.
- When enrolling there will be a link for you complete an online Central Registry Check.
- Volunteer enrollment is not complete until these steps are submitted, and a passed Central Registry Check is received by Nebraska Extension – Saunders County Staff.



Animal Procedures and Requirements

All in-depth animal information can be found here: <https://go.unl.edu/SaundersAnimalScience>

You can find all animal identification requirements, identification affidavits, and other information at the link above. Carefully review the requirements.

LIVESTOCK PREMISES IDENTIFICATION

- All 4-H/FFA livestock with EID tags (Beef and Swine) are required to have a Premises ID.
- A Premises ID number can be obtained through the Nebraska Department of Agriculture by filling out this online form: <https://go.unl.edu/PremisesID>
- Only one (1) Premises ID is necessary for a family with multiple exhibitors and species (provided livestock are housed at the same location).
- If you believe you already have a premise ID on file, call the Nebraska Department of Agriculture at 402-471-6895 and ask for Premises ID Information.
- The Premises ID number should correlate to the location in which livestock are kept/housed permanently.
- The Premises ID number must be included on the livestock identification sheets.
- The Premise ID number will be logged in the showstockmgr.com data base for state fair nominated animals.

QUALITY ASSURANCE CERTIFICATION (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) Due June 15th-

In depth information can be found here: <https://go.unl.edu/SaundersYQCA>

- Visit <https://yqcaprogram.org/> to complete the requirements and pay \$12 fee.
- Required for 4-H members exhibiting **BEEF, DAIRY CATTLE, DAIRY GOATS, SWINE, MEAT GOATS, POULTRY, RABBITS and SHEEP** at the Saunders County Fair, Fremont 4-H Expo and Nebraska State Fair.
- Failure to complete will result in NOT being allowed to exhibit livestock at 4-H events.
- 4-H members will use your FAMILY 4HOnline login and password information to access the courses for the ACTIVE youth in your family. Only ACTIVE (approved enrollment & fees for the current year) members will show in the drop-down menu for access to the course. Therefore, be sure to enroll before proceeding to the YQCA online course.
- All registration questions with YQCA should be directed to help@yqcaprogram.org. There will not be local support for YQCA.
- Once the 4-Hers have completed/passed a module, certificates can be either hand delivered, mailed, or e-mailed to the Extension office (saunders-county@unl.edu).



All identification, tagging, tattooing, and DNA sampling **MUST** be completed and turned in by **June 15th**.

All Animal Identification Procedures and affidavits can be found here:

<https://go.unl.edu/SaundersAnimalScience>

ANIMAL ID AFFIDAVITS OR DNA SUBMITTED TO EXTENSION OFFICE BY June 15 include the following.

- Market & Breeding Beef
- Cow/Calf Pair (COW & CALF – Bull, Feeder Steer, Feeder Heifer, Breeding Heifer)
- Feeder Calf
- Junior Production Bulls
- Bucket Calf
- Market & Breeding Swine
- Dairy Cattle
- Market & Breeding Sheep
- Market & Breeding Meat Goat
- Dairy Goat
- Rabbit

All Identification affidavits, DNA envelopes, beef and swine EID ear tags can be picked up at the extension office. You can also print your own paper copies from our website.

Note:

- * If you turn in DNA envelopes, we will photocopy the envelopes and the copy will suffice as the ID Affidavit. No need to fill out an additional Animal ID affidavit.
- * County Bred animals' complete section on respective species ID Affidavit. There is not a special County Bred affidavit.

Poultry, Household Pets, Dog & Cat Exhibitors

- No Animal ID Affidavits required.

CLOVER KIDS' ANIMAL EXHIBITS

- Animals should be borrowed for use during Livestock shows. Please bring animals into the fair on Saturday of Clover Kid Animal Show - there is not stall space assigned to Clover Kid entries.
- Identification Affidavits are NOT required but are asked to include Clover Kid names on 4-Her's affidavits.
- YQCA (Quality Assurance) is NOT required
- Completing the Online Pre-Entry is required by July 1. (<https://go.unl.edu/SaundersPreEntry>) for either the Clover Kid Animal Show (Saturday) or the showmanship during the livestock show.

Exhibitors showing breeding & market beef, breeding & market sheep, market & breeding swine and breeding & market goats at State Fair will need to complete an online nomination along with submitting payment online, see NEBRASKA STATE FAIR LIVESTOCK NOMINATION below for more information.



NEBRASKA STATE FAIR LIVESTOCK NOMINATION- www.showstockmgr.com. Deadline June 15

- 4-H/FFA livestock exhibitors/families will be responsible for submitting their animal information into the livestock database online by the nomination deadline.
- Payments for the DNA process will be directly submitted by the 4-H/FFA Livestock exhibitor/family through the online database. Payments will NOT be made to the Extension Office.
 - \$7 per animal. Females can be dual nominated as breeding and market. Final decision on how you will show them will be done at check in.
- All Exhibitors must sign the DNA envelope.
- Extension Staff will validate all nominations. Once validated by the Extension Staff/FFA Advisor, it will be available for exhibitors to make State Fair and AKSARBEN entries.
- Any animal not entered in the database will be ineligible for State Fair.
- Submit DNA envelopes to the Extension Office by **June 15** or they will be considered ineligible for State Fair.
- NOTE: DNA nominated animals are eligible for the Aksarben Stock Show.

Nebraska State Fair Entry Deadline- August 10 by 8 p.m. CST

Deadline to enter Nebraska State Fair animal entries and other in-person contests is August 10th. <https://4h.unl.edu/state-fair>. Exhibitors will select which animal nominations they have chosen to show at State Fair on the State Fair entry website. All nominated and validated animals will be automatically listed as a choice option for entry registration. Exhibitors will be required to bring the breed registration association paperwork to check-in at State Fair for animals wanting to show in a breed class. The exhibitors name should be identified on the registration paper.

COUNTY FAIR PRE-ENTRY DUE BY JULY 1: <https://go.unl.edu/SaundersPreEntry>

- Online pre-entry required for the following exhibits:
 - ANIMALS/LIVESTOCK: Dog, Rabbit, Cat, Beef, Poultry, Horses, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goats, Meat Goats, Sheep, Swine.
 - CLOVER KID ANIMAL entries are required to complete.
 - CONTEST: Fashion Show, Shooting Sports, Archery, Tractor Driving, ATV Driving, Favorite Foods, Ice Cream Rolling Contest, and Best Dressed Critter.
- Certificate of Vaccination for Dogs: <https://go.unl.edu/SaundersAnimalScience>
- Certificate of Vaccination for Cats and Ferrets: <https://go.unl.edu/SaundersAnimalScience>



Fair Contest Reminders:

Shooting Sports (BB Gun, Air Rifle or Archery):

- Complete at least 3 training sessions with a certified 4-H Shooting Sports instructor to enable you to participate in the 4-H BB Gun, Air Rifle or Archery Contest for County Fair. If you have already completed this training prior to this year, you do NOT have to retake this training.
- Complete the Saunders County Fair Online Entry Form by July 1st.

ATV and Tractor Driving Contests:

- Complete all required Quality Assurance trainings with your club leader and have paperwork submitted to the Extension office. All ATV competitors need to have been certified. Intermediate and Senior tractor drivers need to have been certified. If you have already completed this training prior to this year, you do NOT have to retake this training.
- Complete the Saunders County Fair Online Entry Form by July 1st.

Ice Cream Rolling Contest:

- Follow rules in fair book for making ice cream.
- Complete the Saunders County Fair Online Entry Form by July 1st, making sure to list partner name.

Fashion Show Judging:

- Complete the Saunders County Fair Online Entry Form by July 1st.
- Bring required paperwork to judging day or submit via email by due date – see <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/saunders/static-exhibits-contests/> for forms and details

Clover Kid Fashion Show:

- Complete the Saunders County Fair Online Entry Form by July 1st.
- Bring completed Fashion Show information sheet to judging day or turn into fair office by noon on Friday of fair week.

Clover Kids Animal Show:

- Complete the Saunders County Fair Online Entry Form by July 1st
- This is only for the Saturday Clover Kid Animal Show – Clover Kid Showmanship during livestock shows must be entered separately.

Favorite Foods Day Contest:

- Complete the Saunders County Fair Online Entry Form by July 1st. Make sure to list partner name is entering as a team.
- See <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/saunders/static-exhibits-contests/> for guidelines

Best Dressed Critter Contest:

- Complete the Saunders County Fair Online Entry Form by July 1st.
- Complete the Best Dressed Critter Narrative Form to fair office by noon on Thursday of fair week.



Changes to 2024 Saunders County Fair:

See fair book for complete details.

- Poultry classes will be broken out by the following classes:
 - Large fowl- American, English, Continental, Asiatic, Mediterranean, All Other Standard Breeds.
 - Bantam- Feather Legged, Single Comb Clean Legged, Rose Comb Clean Legged, Modern Game, Old English Game, All Other Comb Clean Legged.
 - Waterfowl- Light, Medium, Heavy and Bantam duck. Light medium and Heavy Geese.
- Dog Show time change: Check in 8:30 am, show 9:00 am- Sunday July 28th.
- **Saunders County Fashion Show Judging is moving from the first Sunday of the fair to Thursday, July 25th at the Extension office.**
 - Youth will sign up for details following the July 1st contest pre-entry deadline.
 - Youth will be judged on all projects consecutively with a judging timeslot between entries for changing.
 - Once done with all entries, youth will be free to head home.
 - Clover Kids will judge the same way in a different space.
- State Fair Fashion Show Quotas
 - 7 youth for constructed clothing
 - 3 youth for purchased clothing
- Moved ATV and Tractor Safety projects to Citizen Safety
- Changing Special Photography Exhibit levels to match the photography levels instead of by age
- Attention Shoppers was removed with the state fair age change to 8 years old. Some classes were combined with Shopping In Style
- Home Environment is now Home Design & Restoration
 - Classes have been updated
- Visual Arts was redone at the state level
 - Now areas for Mediums and Themes
 - Additional entry options for the medium classes
 - (Limit of one per class to state fair for youth)
- Class updates for Taxidermy
- Updates to STEM Computer classes at the state level
- New Woodworking Level 3 class (state fair eligible)
- New county fair only classes
 - Expressive Art - Scrapbooking & Paper Crafts and Other Crafts
 - Home Design & Restoration
 - Shooting Sports Exhibits
 - Woodworking
 - Outdoor Adventures