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RE: 2019 4-H Updates – Saunders County Fair, Livestock, and other Important Information

Please read this entire document carefully, as it contains important information for 4-H Livestock Exhibitors, 4-H Static Exhibitors and the 2019 Saunders County Fair updates. Please be aware and accountable for all deadlines and procedures.

Stay connected with us.

- Smore: Bi-weekly email Update sent from 4-H Staff <https://www.smore.com/u/saunderscounty4-h>
- Email saunders-county@unl.edu.
- Facebook: Saunders County Extension & 4-H
- Website: <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/saunders>
- As always, please feel free to contact our office at 402-624-8030 or e-mail Cole or Melisa.

4-H ENROLLMENT WEBSITE: <https://go.unl.edu/72n2>

ENROLLMENT – COUNTY DEADLINE FOR EXHIBITING ELIGIBILITY

- **4-H horse project members** - enrollment and \$10 fee are required by **JUNE 1**.
- **All other 4-H project members** - 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 is completed using the on-line system directly by the 4-H families.

- Access the on-line enrollment system.
- Once enrollment and \$10 fee has been submitted, it will be electronically forwarded to Nebraska Extension in Saunders County. Office staff will then need to “Approve” (confirm) the enrollment to make it official.
- Step-by-step instructions are available: <https://go.unl.edu/32kj> 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 in 2019!
- You will receive an email invitation from DHHS.CFSCR@nebraska.gov which will include a link for you to 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 IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURES

All in-depth animal information can be found here: <https://go.unl.edu/m3pb>

The 2019 4-H & FFA Animal Identification Procedures for Saunders County is enclosed. Carefully review the information. The ID sheets have been updated to be more streamlined and consistent. You can find the PDF versions on our website at the link above.

LIVESTOCK PREMISES IDENTIFICATION

- All 4-H/FFA livestock with EID tags and Scrapie tags are required to have a Premises ID.
- A Premises ID number can be obtained through the Nebraska Department of Agriculture.
- Only one (1) Premises ID is necessary for a family with multiple exhibitors (provided livestock are housed at the same location).
- Only one (1) Premises ID is necessary for an exhibitor that shows multiple species (provided livestock are housed at the same location).
- IF YOU BELIEVE YOU MAY ALREADY HAVE A PREMISES ID on file, call the Nebraska Department of Agriculture at 402-471-2351 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.

QUALITY ASSURANCE CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) Due no later than June 15th

- Visit <http://yqca.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 2019) 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@yqca.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.
- If you are unsure of your requirements or completed certification, contact us.
- Information can be found here: <https://go.unl.edu/tcyc>



ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION DEADLINES

- All identification, tagging, tattooing, and DNA sampling **MUST** be completed by the **JUNE 15 DEADLINE**.
- All identification procedures are to be completed by the set deadline. **Any 4-H/FFA livestock NOT identified by the DEADLINE DATE will be INELIGIBLE to exhibit in the 2019 livestock shows (Fremont 4-H Expo, SAUNDERS COUNTY FAIR, Nebraska State Fair 4-H Shows).**

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 Animal ID affidavit for your species.
- * County Bred animals now complete section on respective species ID Affidavit. There are no special County Bred affidavit.

ANIMAL ID AFFIDAVITS OR DNA SUBMITTED TO EXTENSION OFFICE BY JUNE 15

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

Affidavits found here: <https://go.unl.edu/2t4b>

Exhibitors showing breeding & market beef, breeding & market sheep, 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- showstockmgr.com

- 4-H/FFA livestock exhibitors/families will be responsible for submitting their animal information into the AKSARBEN 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.
- Families will have the ability to edit animal information up to June 15.
- 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 considered 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.
- More information found at: <https://go.unl.edu/2t4b>

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

- ONLINE PRE-ENTRY REQUIRED FOR the following exhibits (<https://go.unl.edu/h5dt>) :
 - 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/oz3k>
- Certificate of Vaccination for Cats: <https://go.unl.edu/at03>

CLOVER KIDS ANIMAL EXHIBITS

- 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. Found (<https://go.unl.edu/h5dt>).

2019 SAUNDERS COUNTY FAIR CHANGES

Swine:

- Non-terminal show.
 - Only Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Overall Market Swine will go to harvest.
- Breeding Gilt Show added
- Maximum entries: FIVE TOTAL. Total number must be within 4 Market, 2 Breeding.

Dairy Cattle and Dairy Goat

- Entry limit for Dairy Cattle & Dairy Goat = **FIVE ANIMALS** each

Interview Judging

- Static Entry **Interview Judging sign-ups posted at entry table** outside of 4-H building

Date/Time Changes

- Favorite Foods Contest – **12:00** Noon, July 28
- Fashion Show – 6:00 PM, July 29
- Best Dressed Critter – 7:00 p.m., August 1st
- Sunday, August 4
 - BBQ start at 12 NOON
 - 4-H Livestock Auction start at 2:00 p.m.
 - Static Exhibit Release Time, 12 Noon – 2:00 PM.

State Fair Static Exhibits

- ****NEW**** State Fair Static Exhibits (non-perishable) will be KEPT AT FAIRGROUNDS between County Fair and State Fair.
 - You have the option to take the items home from the County Fair, however, drop off times will be the same as perishable items. Perishable items will be brought to Extension Office on August 19 (8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.) and August 20 (8:00 a.m. – 12 Noon).

SAUNDERS COUNTY MARKET ANIMAL AUCTION

The Saunders County Agriculture Society (Fair board) is asking for YOUR help!

To ensure that we can continue to offer an auction for our Saunders County youth we ask that you encourage individuals and businesses that you work with to show support for the youth by participating in the auction. Recent trends have shown a decline in the number of buyers available at the sale and we hope to not burden and/or exhaust their resources, so we ask for your help in bringing new buyers on board!

Enclosures:

2019 4-H & FFA Animal Identification Procedures
2019 4-H Calendar
2019 Saunders County Fair Schedule

THE 2019 SAUNDERS COUNTY FAIRBOOK

Online version AVAILABLE here: <https://go.unl.edu/6ij4>
Hard Copies will be available at the office & some local businesses