

AWARDS

AWARDS & CHAMPIONSHIP SELECTION:

- All classes in the 4-H Division will be judged by the Danish System of Recognition:
 - PURPLE ribbons will denote SUPERIOR exhibits.
 - BLUE ribbons will denote EXCELLENT exhibits.
 - RED ribbons will denote GOOD exhibits.
 - WHITE ribbons will denote FAIR exhibits.
- All awards are made possible through donations by area businesses and individuals to the Washington County 4-H Council.
- An exhibitor who is found to have tampered with or entered an exhibit that is not their work will forfeit the ribbon and premiums.
- To be designated "CHAMPION", 4-H exhibit MUST RECEIVE A PURPLE RIBBON.**

PREMIUM PAYOUT CATEGORIES:

- 4-H CLOVER KID EXHIBITS: \$0.50
- CONTESTS (P/B/R/W): \$6.00/\$5.00/\$4.00/\$3.00
Fashion Show; Favorite Foods; Rocket Launch; Archery; Firearm Contests; Tractor Driving
- ALL STATIC EXHIBITS (P/B/R/W): \$2.50/\$2.00/\$1.50/\$1.00
- ANIMAL (P/B/R/W): \$4.00/\$3.00/\$2.00/\$1.00
Cat; Companion Animal; Rabbits; Poultry
- ANIMAL (P/B/R/W): \$6.00/\$5.00/\$4.00/\$3.00
Dog; Horse
- ANIMAL (P/B/R/W): \$8.00/\$6.00/\$5.00/\$3.00
Dairy Goat; Hog; Meat Goat; Sheep
- ANIMAL (P/B/R/W): \$10.00/\$8.00/\$6.00/\$4.00
Beef; Bucket Calf; Dairy Cattle
- ANIMAL SHOWMANSHIP (P/B/R/W): \$10.00/\$8.00/\$6.00/\$4.00
Special Funds provided by Washington County Bank
PLUS (Gold/Silver/Bronze): \$10.00/\$8.00/\$6.00

PREMIUM PAYMENT:

- ALL premium awards will be paid by check by the Washington County Fair Board. Checks will be mailed to exhibitors after the Washington County Fair.**
- Exhibitors have the opportunity to verify their premiums up to two weeks after the fair. After this time, the exhibitor forfeits any changes.
- Checks are void after 90 days and will not be reissued.**

4-H FASHION SHOW

FAIR BOARD AWARD PRESENTATIONS

4-H AWARDS PROGRAM

Sunday of Fair at 6:00 p.m.

Rybin Building

Champion awards will be presented for the following:

Gold Medal Static Exhibit Winners

Fashion Show Contest

Favorite Foods Contest

Rocket Launch Contest

Archery Contest

BB Gun/Air Rifle/22 Rifle/Trap Shooting Contests

Tractor Driving Contest

PARADE OF CHAMPIONS:

The Washington County Fair Board invites champion award winners to take part in the "Parade of Champions". The parade is held each evening during the fair events in the large arena and serves as a showcase of the Fair champions. **Champion award winners must register for the Parade of Champions by signing up at the WC Fair Office by 5:00 p.m. on the evening that the exhibitor chooses to take part in the parade.**

CHAMPION TOP EXHIBITOR AWARDS:

- Champion and Reserve Champion Top Exhibitor Awards for the eight department/project areas will be awarded.
 - CRITERIA - POINT SYSTEM
 - Purple Ribbon = 12 points
 - Blue Ribbon = 8 points
 - Red Ribbon = 4 points
 - White Ribbon = 2 points
 - Gold Medal = 4 points
 - Selected for State Fair = 2 points
- The highest total points will determine the award winner. Ties will be broken by (1) Most Purple Ribbons Received; (2) Most Exhibits Selected for State Fair; (3) Most Gold Medals Received within the Project Area.
- Winners of the Fair 4-H Exhibits - Top Project Areas will be calculated by the 4-H Staff.** Winners will be announced and awarded during the 4-H Achievement Celebration.

DEPARTMENT	DIVISION (as identified below)	CRITERIA - EXHIBIT COUNT
ANIMAL SCIENCE ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION & EARTH SCIENCE	Veterinary Science; Animal Showmanship; Conservation, Wildlife & Shooting Sports; Entomology; Forestry; Archery Contest; Firearm Contests	Enter at least 4 EXHIBITS from at least 3 DIVISIONS
COMMUNICATIONS & EXPRESSIVE ARTS	Photography; Communications; Posters; Theatre; Visual Arts; Public Speaking Contest	Enter at least 3 EXHIBITS from at least 2 DIVISIONS
CONSUMER & FAMILY SCIENCES	Clothing; Consumer Management; Home Design & Restore; Human Development; Knitting & Crochet; Quilt Quest; Fashion Show	Enter at least 4 EXHIBITS from at least 3 DIVISIONS
HEALTHY LIFESTYLES	Food & Nutrition; Safety; Favorite Foods Contest	Enter at least 3 EXHIBITS from at least 2 DIVISIONS
LEADERSHIP, CITIZENSHIP & PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT	Citizenship; Entrepreneurship; Leadership; Heritage	Enter at least 3 EXHIBITS from at least 2 DIVISIONS
PLANT SCIENCE	Agronomy; Floriculture/ Houseplants; Vegetables; Fruit & Herbs; Range	Enter at least 5 EXHIBITS from at least 2 DIVISIONS
SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING & MATH	Rocket/Drones; Computers; Electricity; Energy; Geospatial; Robotics; Welding; Woodworking; Rocket Launch Contest; Tractor Driving Contest	Enter at least 3 EXHIBITS from at least 2 DIVISIONS

SPECIAL AWARDS

PREMIER SCIENCE AWARD

STATE FAIR STATIC EXHIBITS:

Participants may select ONE exhibit from any department which was selected for state fair to complete their awards application.

APPLICATION:

An awards application, along with any supplemental documents, should be completed and turned in to the county office by the State Fair entry deadline. Handwritten or typed entries are accepted. Entries are only judged on the information included in the application.

Award applications need to include a photograph of the exhibit. The photograph will not be used for judging, but is needed if the exhibit needs to be located in the exhibit hall.

Extension staff will drop off the Award Application at the Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Department at the State Fair.

JUDGING:

Applicants will be scored on how well they communicate their use of the Scientific Method or Engineering Design Process while completing their exhibit. An exhibit involving a science topic does not necessarily qualify it to be the best choice for this award.

The Award Application and the corresponding exhibit selected for State Fair must both be at State Fair.

AWARDS:

All award applications entered will receive a participation certificate. No ribbons or premiums will be awarded. At the State Fair, up to 3 top exhibits will be chosen to receive a cash award sponsored by the Nebraska 4-H Foundation. A special recognition certificate will be placed on their exhibit to showcase their achievement.

- Scoresheets, forms, contest study materials and additional resources can be found at:

<https://4hfairbook.unl.edu/fairbookview.php/contests/51>

<https://go.unl.edu/ne4hpremiercienceaward>

WASHINGTON COUNTY RECYCLING AWARD:

Top Three Recycled Projects - \$15 / \$15 / \$10

SPONSORED BY: Washington County Recycling Association

Any static exhibit containing recycled material in any department is eligible for this award.

STATE FAIR

STATE FAIR 4-H ENTRIES:

- State Fair 4-H Premium Information is available on the web at: <http://4h.unl.edu/state-fair>
- All 4-H members that are 8 - 18 years old on Jan 1 of current year will be eligible (as well as meet the required qualifications) to exhibit animals and static projects, give presentations or participate in contests.
- 4-H ANIMAL ENTRY PROCESS: Nebraska State Fair 4-H animals will be entered through an on-line process done directly by the 4-H member/family. The on-line entry and fee deadline is August 10 by 8:00 p.m. CST. Animal entries will NOT be done by the Nebraska Extension Office. Upon request, assistance will be provided by the Nebraska Extension Office in Blair or at the 4-H office in the 4-H Exhibit Hall during the Washington County Fair.

STATE FAIR STATIC EXHIBIT

TRANSPORTATION:

- Static exhibits (perishable and nonperishable) must be brought to the Nebraska Extension Office (597 Grant Street, Suite 200, Blair) on Monday, August 19 from 8:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. OR Tuesday, August 20 from 7:30 a.m.-12:00 noon.
- **4-H members entering exhibits that exceed 40 pounds and/or larger than 3' x 3' must contact the Extension Office to verify possibilities of transport. It may be required for the exhibit to be taken to the State Fair by the exhibitor.**
- All exhibits will be carefully handled by Extension staff. However, due to time and space restrictions there will be no special treatment given to any one exhibit while handling.

- 4-H members who have exhibits of great sentimental and/or monetary value should carefully consider whether such exhibits should be transported and exhibited at the State Fair. Extension staff is not responsible for damages during transport and/or during exhibition at the state fair

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

PANCAKE FEED:

- The Washington County 4-H Pancake Feed serves as a fundraising opportunity for the Washington County 4-H Council. The 4-H Council provides the funds to support the Washington County 4-H Program.
- The Pancake Feed will be held on Sunday of Fair from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the Rybin Building.
- There are several opportunities for 4-H members and volunteers to assist, especially the younger members (under 10 years old).
- **Sign up will be available after May 1 thru PRE-ENTRY DEADLINE through:** <https://go.unl.edu/wcfsignups>

COMPLEMENTARY EVENT TICKET FOR 4-H MEMBERS & VOLUNTEERS

- Many thanks to the Washington County Fair Board for providing: **ONE event ticket** for each **ENROLLED 4-H member.**
- Many thanks to the Washington County 4-H Council for providing **ONE event ticket** for each **ENROLLED 4-H volunteer.**

4-H members and volunteers can obtain their tickets from the WCF 4-H Office. The tickets may be used for ONE event held in the large arena from Friday – Wednesday of the Washington County Fair.