

**4-H BUILDING EXHIBITS**  
**JUDGING INFORMATION & INTERVIEW JUDGING SCHEDULE**  
July 26, 2017  
4-H Building - Wayne County Fairgrounds

☞ EXHIBITORS WILL NEED TO CHECK IN AND PICK UP THEIR ENTRY TAGS AT A TABLE NEAR THE 4-H FAIR OFFICE (Enter through the large door on the east). Once entry tags are attached, exhibits can be taken back to the appropriate department. Be sure to let the check-in people know if you DID NOT bring some of the exhibits you pre-entered. Be sure to have your supporting information attached, if required. Please check the Fair Book to see what is needed for your exhibit.

☞ HORTICULTURE AND FLORICULTURE ENTRIES: Exhibits will be entered and judged in the Foodstand lean-to. A green Horticulture/Floriculture entry form was included with entry forms. Please bring the completed form (be sure to list the cultivar (variety) name!) to check-in at the Food Stand lean-to on July 26. Entry tags will be printed for you at that time. Allow time for entry tags to be printed before you go to interview judge. Please refer to the publication *Selecting and Preparing Vegetables, Herbs and Fruits for Exhibit* when preparing your horticulture exhibits. Those exhibiting flowers & houseplants should refer to publication *Preparing Cut Flowers for Exhibit*. Copies are available online at <http://nebraska4hprojects.com/?menu=detail&id=117> and at the Extension Office.

☞ ENTRIES UNABLE TO INTERVIEW JUDGE: (7:30 - 8:30 a.m.) - 4-Hers who are not able to interview judge are required to enter them in the morning. **No entries will be accepted after 8:30 a.m. unless they are interview judged. Exception:** if a family has both interviewing and non-interviewing family members, all exhibits can be brought during the interview judging time frame to save multiple trips to the Fairgrounds. **Check in your entry and take it to the respective department.** Be sure to have your supporting information attached, if required. Please check the Fair Book to see what is needed for your exhibit.

☞ INTERVIEW JUDGING - Interview judging allows for a better learning experience. We recommend all 4-Hers interview judge projects, but it is not required. A parent or leader may sit with the 4-Her during the interview and listen only. Bring your projects with you at the scheduled interview time. **Home Environment Area:** We ask that you limit items you interview to 3. You can pick which three items you want to interview. Be sure to check in at the check-in area to receive your entry tags **before** you go to interview judge.

4-Hers will interview in these time blocks according to last name.

<b>K thru Z</b> will interview judge	<b>8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Noon Break</b>	<b>11:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon</b>
<b>A thru J</b> will interview judge	<b>12:30 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.</b>

Interview judging will conclude at 2:15 p.m. Please realize this is an approximate time schedule. Expect to wait in line at the judging areas.

☞ CLOVER KIDS - Please bring your projects (except animals) to the 4-H Building on Wednesday, July 26 from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 Noon. No pre-entry is required. Entry tags will be available at check in. All Clover Kids' projects will be evaluated, receive a participation ribbon, and a \$1.50 premium. Projects will remain on display during the fair and will be released at 3:00 p.m., Sunday, July 30.

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## **INTERVIEW JUDGING STEPS AND SAMPLE QUESTIONS**

1. The judge will help the 4-Her feel at ease by greeting him/her warmly and conversing in a friendly manner---

- a. "I'm glad you're here. Won't you sit down so we can look at it together?"
- b. "I really like your selection of..." (color, fabric, wood finish, display, etc.).
- c. "Is this your first time to interview judge in...?"
- d. "If you have any questions while we look over your exhibit, please just ask."

2. The judge will encourage the 4-Her to talk about his/her project

- a. "Why did you select this exhibit/project?"
- b. "What did you expect to learn in this project?"
- c. "Did you enjoy making this exhibit?"
- d. "What was the most fun about making this exhibit?"
- e. "Where did you have the most problems?"
- f. "If you had a chance to do this over again, what would you do differently?"
- g. "What new things did you learn doing this project?"

3. The judge will help the 4-Her discover what could be done to improve the exhibit. The judge shares what could be improved---

- a. "How do you feel your exhibit could be improved?"
- b. "Did your project turn out as you had planned?"
- c. "Why did you choose to use this technique?"
- d. "Might there be another way to do this?"
- e. "You will want to check in your 4-H manual for tips on how to do this differently."
- f. "This wood finish is very sticky, to improve this you might..."
- g. "You've done a good job here, but you might improve this area by..."