

IMPORTANT DATES

July

15	Dog Workout	29	Extension Office re-opens 1:30 PM
18	Contest Day - information sent in separate mailing	29	Post-Fair Clean-up, 6 PM
18	Fashion Show Narrations DUE	August	
18	Fashion Show Fabric Swatches DUE	1-30	On-line Aksarben Entries
20	Cat, Dog & Household Pet Shows	10	On-line State Fair Animal Entries due by 8:00 PM
22	Pre-Fair Clean-up, 6 PM	19	4-H Council
23	Extension Office closes at noon	20	State Fair exhibits DUE to Extension Office by NOON
24	4-H Building Exhibits Judged	22	Norfolk Show Entries DUE to Extension Office
24-28	WAYNE COUNTY FAIR	23-Sept. 2	NEBRASKA STATE FAIR
24	HAL Science & Ag Family Field Day, Concord	30	On-line AKSARBEN entries DUE by noon
28	All State Fair Fashion Show, 4-H Culinary Challenge, and Contest Participants contact the Extension Office by 3 PM		

CODES OF CONDUCT – Please review the enclosed Volunteer and 4-H Youth/Parent/Guardian Codes of Conduct. Nebraska 4-H follows this model.

4-H T-shirts are available at the Extension Office. We have some extras in a few sizes so contact the Extension Office if interested. They are \$10 - \$12 each.

4-H CLOVER KIDS – Each Clover Kid may exhibit in any of the classes listed in the Clover Kids section of the Fair Book (pages 58-59) with a maximum of 12 entries per exhibitor.

- Please bring your projects (except animals) to the 4-H Building on Wednesday, July 24 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. We will bring items that members left at the meetings, but you can bring the rest of the projects that you took home after each meeting. Projects will remain on display during the fair and will be released to you at 3:00 p.m., Sunday, July 28.
- Those exhibiting animals must have signed up at the Extension Office by July 3 and should follow the animal exhibitor dress code (see below). Clover Kids will visit with the judge at each respective animal show. You are welcome to make a poster of your animal to display in the 4-H Building. Poster size is 8 ½ by 11 inches and can include a picture of your animal, its name and the name of the Clover Kid. Please bring the poster to the Companion Animal /Cat Show on Sat., July 20 or to the 4-H Building on Wed., July 24.

4-H ANIMAL EXHIBITOR DRESS CODE

Wayne County 4-H T-shirt **OR** white shirt (or blouse) with the official 4-H Chevron attached and dark blue jeans with a belt. No capris or shorts. Dairy and Dairy Goat exhibitors may wear white pants.

- Sturdy shoes to protect feet - small animal exhibitors may wear tennis shoes, but no flip flops or sandals are allowed.
- Horse exhibitors are an exception - check the Fair Book for additional information.

ATTENTION 4-H CAT, DOG & HOUSEHOLD PET EXHIBITORS

- The shows are scheduled for July 20 at the Wayne County Fairgrounds
 - 8:30 a.m. Household Pet and Cat check-in, Wayne County Expo Center (Commercial Building)
 - 8:30 a.m. Dog check-in, Kaden Schmale Arena (swine arena)
 - 9:00 a.m. 4-H Household Pet Show, 4-H Cat Show, and Clover Kids to follow, Wayne County Expo Center (Commercial Building)
 - 9:00 a.m. 4-H Dog Show, Kaden Schmale Arena (swine arena)
- Make a poster of your pet to display in the 4-H Building and give to the Show Superintendent when you check in at your show. Poster size is 8½" X 11" - include a picture of the pet, name of the pet & the exhibitor.

**PRE-FAIR CLEAN-UP NIGHT IS JULY 22 BEGINNING AT 6 PM
SEE THE ENCLOSED SCHEDULE**

JUDGING DAY - JULY 24

All entries in the 4-H Exhibit Hall are judged. Entry procedures and interview schedules are included with this mailing. Check the classes you are entering for exhibit requirements!

THEME BOOTH INFORMATION

Theme Booths may be set up on July 24 from 4:30-7:30 PM and 8 AM - noon on July 25. Judging will take place in the afternoon of July 25.

ANIMAL EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

- **Exhibitor Parking Passes** - Two passes are included for each family exhibiting animals at the fair. Please display from rear view mirror inside vehicle.
- **Bedding** – The Fairboard will provide one bag of bedding for goats, horse, sheep, swine, poultry, and rabbits. Additional bedding will need to be purchased by the families. Bedding will be available at Bomgaars at a discount for 4-H members. Bulk bedding will be provided for beef and dairy.
- Please bring **water buckets**. It is not healthy for animals to drink out of a common water tank.
- **4-H Champion Picture Schedule** - All pictures will be taken following each show. All persons getting their pictures taken should be in their show clothes. Exhibitors who have received Champion or Reserve Champion honors (trophies and rosettes) are to be present for pictures. Award winners within species will be grouped as much as possible. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to be sure they are present in their show clothes.
- **4-H Bonus Auction Information** - A 4-H or FFA exhibitor of a market animal may participate in only one market species in the Bonus Auction. A list of Bonus Auction participants will be posted on the bulletin board near the 4-H Fair Office, corrections need to be made by **5 PM** on Friday, **July 26**. 4-Hers must be present at the Bonus Auction on **July 28, 3:00 PM** and be dressed in their show clothes. 4-Hers will be sent a check following the Bonus Auction.
- **Beef Exhibitors** – Scanning of market beef animals will take place Wednesday, July 24, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Leland Herman Memorial Arena.
- **Sheep & Swine Exhibitors** – Nebraska SPF will be scanning hogs and sheep again this year. All swine & sheep will be weighed and scanned on **Wednesday, July 24 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. All entries in place by 6:00 p.m.** You may enter through the Grainland Road entrance on Wednesday evening. **Reminder:** We have been unable to secure a packer for the fair pigs, therefore, each family will need to make their own arrangements.
- **Horse Exhibitors** - Horse check-in is **6:00-8:00 PM, Wednesday, July 24**. The superintendents will be at the horse barns with ID forms and a list of your entries and the horse you are using - please check it and make sure all information is correct. Your entry forms will be available to check if discrepancies occur. No additional entries are allowed. Horses must be brought Wednesday evening during check-in. If you are showing additional horses, they may be brought directly to the show on Thursday to be checked in by a member of the horse committee. Each exhibitor must keep one horse at the Fair that they exhibited. **New for 2019:** The trail class will be held Wednesday evening, July 24 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Horse Arena. Dress code will be relaxed, (jeans, boots, and an appropriate t-shirt). Armbands and hats are not required. The course **will not** be set up on Thursday in past years. Also, please pick up Reining and Speed Event ribbons within a ½ hour after the completion of the show on Thursday.
- **Poultry & Rabbit Exhibitors** –All animals will be inspected at check-in by a veterinarian. You may enter through the Grainland Road entrance on Wednesday evening and Thursday morning.
- In today's world, it is very important that we are aware of the risks of spreading any disease from animal to animal or animal to human. Please be aware that the health of your animals is very important to the 4-H Program. Be sure to review the Animal Health Requirements on pages 118-119 of the Fair Book.

THANK YOU'S will be included on trophies that exhibitors receive. Please be sure to write and get sent. It makes it much easier to request money from trophy donors if they have received a thank you and it is also an important life skill to show appreciation.

4-H FOOD STAND INFORMATION

- The schedule was included with last month's newsletter. Make sure you are aware of the time you work.
- Parents are expected to work with their 4-Her.
- Sanitation is very important! Please be sure to be clean, wear clean clothes, and have your hands washed when working in the Food Stand.
- Be sure to wear a hat or a visor.
- We are still looking for a day managers for Thursday, and Saturday nights (3:15 p.m.-10:30 p.m.), Friday (8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.), and all day Sunday. Please contact the Extension Office if interested.

EXHIBIT RELEASE TIME – All exhibits will be released at **3:00 PM**, Sunday July 28.

STATE FAIR INFORMATION - The State Fair is scheduled for Aug. 23 – Sep. 2. Advance State Fair entries are due to the Extension Office **by 3 PM, Sunday, July 28**. Entries needed include: Grass, Forb, Crop, & Weed ID Contest, Horticulture Contest, Insect ID Contest, Tree ID Contest, Fashion Show, Shopping in Style Fashion Show, 4-H Culinary Challenge, Presentation Contest, and Digital Video-4-H Filmfest.



- State Fair premium books are available at <http://4h.unl.edu> or at the Extension Office.
- State Fair ticket information: **New in 2019** 4-H youth exhibiting static exhibits at the Nebraska State Fair will order advance discount tickets directly from the Nebraska State Fair. **Discount tickets will no longer be available through the county offices.** Details on ordering tickets will be available soon. All animal exhibitors will order their tickets when making online entries (see below).
Non-exhibitor ticket prices and discount ticket pass information can be found at:
<https://www.statefair.org/plan-your-visit/pricing>.
Daily gate admission for ages 13-59 will be \$12.00, with \$6.00 days on Monday through Thursday. Tickets for seniors (ages 60 and older) is \$5.00, youth 6-12 years of age are \$3.00, and children 5 years of age and younger will be free each day.
- 4-H and FFA are sharing an online entry system. Check <https://www.statefair.org/4-h-ffa-exhibitors> for instructions and to make entries. Exhibitors and their families are responsible for submitting all **animal entries, parking passes, and ticket purchases online**. This includes: Livestock, Dairy, Poultry, and Rabbit. All animal entries must be submitted no later than **8 p.m. Central Time August 10**. A credit or debit card is required to submit entries.
- Dogs – Reminder that due to facility changes at Fonner Park, the 2019 State 4-H Dog Show will be held on Saturday, September 7 at the Animal Science Complex on the University of Nebraska—Lincoln East Campus. Information and entry forms are available at <https://4h.unl.edu/dog-show> and at the Extension Office. Dogs must have a Nebraska 4-H Certificate of Vaccination signed by their veterinarian. Entry forms, fees, and the Nebraska 4-H Certificate of Vaccination are due to the Extension Office by 5:00 p.m., August 9.
- **Animal Health Requirements are available at:** <https://4h.unl.edu/stat-fair/live-animal-exhibitor> **4-H Building Exhibits chosen for State Fair will have a purple instruction sheet attached.** Read carefully for information on how to prepare the exhibit for State Fair. The Extension Office is not responsible for missing information or improper labeling.
- **Companion Animal Video Showmanship Contest:** Youth will be judged on their showmanship presentation and animal knowledge. Open to youth over 10 as of January 1, 2019. A video recording done by the county extension office will be submitted as the entry to be judged. The county staff will record the showmanship presentation and ask pre-determined questions. There are separate questions for intermediate and senior showmen and for each animal species. Recordings will be done at the conclusion of the Cat Show on July 20. Check out <https://4h.unl.edu/companion-animal/showmanship-contest> for rules. Contact the Extension Office if you are interested in entering.

THE NORFOLK BEEF EXPOSITION AND SALE is scheduled for Sunday, September 8 at the Northeast Community College Ag Complex. Entries are due in the Extension office by **5 p.m. on Thursday, August 22**. Contact the Extension Office for entry forms.

AKSARBEN - The Aksarben Stock Show will be held September 26-29 at Fonner Park/State Fairgrounds in Grand Island. Check <https://www.aksarbenstockshow.com/> for show requirements and premium books.

Note: 4-H/FFA market animals nominated for State Fair (have DNA sample on file) are also eligible for AKSARBEN. No horse show this year. Entries will be made online by families.

4-H CAREER PORTFOLIO, ACHIEVEMENT APPLICATIONS, & RECORD BOOKS

The focus on record keeping will be the 4-H Career Portfolio OR Achievement Application, not individual project records. Project record books can be used at the club level; however, premiums will only be paid on completed 4-H Career Portfolios or Achievement Application. Contact your club leader for club requirements and when they are due for your club. Record books and the Career Portfolio are on-line at https://go.unl.edu/careerportfolio_recordbooks. A \$3.00 premium will be paid on the Career Portfolio or Achievement Application. Award applications and a list of members that have completed the Career Portfolio are due to the Extension Office on or before Wednesday, September 18. Please contact Amy if you would like assistance or help getting started with your Career Portfolio.

A NOTE FROM AMY: As fair week approaches, I realize a lot of work has gone into your projects prior to this event. Be proud of what you are accomplishing and working on, and be thankful for the opportunity that has been provided by those around you. Please remember a goal of the 4-H program is to help all youth develop competencies with their projects, confidence in themselves, and connection in our community, while demonstrating sound character. As we go about the formal competition of the 4-H and youth development program, please remember to practice good character. I enjoy seeing 4-H members helping others, volunteers being positive as they engage in this youth development program, and friendships being cultivated. I appreciate everyone's efforts and look forward to this enjoyable educational event. See you at the fair!

Sincerely,

Amy

Amy Topp, Extension Educator

☞ THANK YOU for all your efforts in helping get the 4-H barns and buildings ready for fair. Please be sure to show extra caution when working at the fairgrounds.

☞ SAFETY FIRST!

- Only licensed drivers can operate skidloaders and tractors due to safety and liability (no individuals are to ride in the loader buckets of skidloaders or tractors).
- Only Food Stand Managers or licensed drivers who are appointed by the managers are allowed to operate the Gator at the 4-H Food Stand (no individuals riding in the back).

Thank you for practicing responsibility and safety!!

☞ CLUB BANNERS - Each club should bring their banner so it can be displayed in the 4-H Building. Please make sure they are in good repair.

☞ 4-H CLUBS are assigned specific areas to work - each club will need to bring brooms, cleaners, buckets, rags, tools and supplies to clean the areas assigned. We stress that parents need to make sure their kids are supervised and kept busy. *Clubs working in the livestock barns* - Make sure bedding is in stalls and pens so they are ready for entry day. Be sure to check with the Superintendent before you leave to see if anything else can be done.

- *American Country 4-Hers & Wayne First Lego League* - Wipe down tables (cafeteria tables). Some members may wish to clean livestock areas they exhibit in. Help set up building displays. Move benches and picnic tables to the outside of the 4-H Building. Clean portable Food Stand and Horse Arena Food Stand.
- *Bits & Spurs, Blue Ribbon Winners, Hi-Raters & Spring Branch* - Livestock barns and small animal barn.
- *Combination Kids & Country Classics* - Wipe down display booths, hang club banners and help set up building displays. Some members may wish to clean livestock areas they exhibit in.
- *Sharp Shooters/Independent Members* - Help in areas that you are exhibiting in.

4-H BUILDING EXHIBITS
JUDGING INFORMATION & INTERVIEW JUDGING SCHEDULE
July 24, 2019
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 24. 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 <https://wayne.unl.edu> | County and State Fair Information 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.

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

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.

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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..."

NEBRASKA 4-H PARTICIPANT CODE OF CONDUCT

Your primary goal of the 4-H program is to help youth develop competencies in their projects, confidence in themselves and others, connections in their community, and sound character. Actions by persons (parents and 4-H'ers) involved with the 4-H program will be consistent with the six core ethical values comprising good character: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, caring, fairness, and citizenship. As a 4-H participant/parent/guardian I will:

1. Treat all people and property with respect, courtesy, consideration, and compassion. Avoid and prevent putdowns, insults, name calling, swearing, and other language or nonverbal conduct likely to offend, hurt, or set a bad example.
2. Keep informed about 4-H program policies and projects and read materials pertaining to the county 4-H program.
3. Teach and model kindness and compassion for others. Recognize that all people have skills and talents which can be used to help others and improve the community. Teach and foster teamwork and discourage selfishness.
4. Practice fair-mindedness by being open to ideas, suggestions, and opinions of others. I will make all reasonable efforts to assure equal access to participation for all youth and adults regardless of race, creed, color, sex, national origin, or disability. Decisions will be made fairly and treat all individuals and families with impartiality.
5. Obey laws and rules as an obligation of being a good citizen. I accept responsibility for the proper treatment and care for other youth and adults, the program facilities, and/or equipment.
6. Demonstrate the responsible treatment of animals and stewardship of the environment.
7. Not use alcohol or illegal substances (or be under the influence) while working with or participating in any part of the 4-H program.
8. Provide a safe environment for all parties involved in 4-H. I will protect those involved from sexual harassment, physical force, verbal or mental abuse, neglect, or other harmful behaviors.

Youth participants/Parents who do not abide by the above code of conduct will be subject to the following consequences:

- Be asked to explain actions to the 4-H Educator.
- Be dismissed from an event at own expense.
- Further disciplinary action determined in cooperation with the local Extension Educator, the District 4-H Coordinator, the State 4-H Program Administrator, and as warranted, the Dean of Nebraska Extension and IANR Administration. Disciplinary action may include:
 - Becoming ineligible to serve as a volunteer for specific activities.
 - Becoming ineligible to serve as a volunteer for the Nebraska 4-H program.
- Reimburse the proper entity for any property damage or for liability resulting from inappropriate actions. In the case of vandalism, guilty party may be required to reimburse 4-H and/or the facility.

Multiple violations of the code of conduct may result in:

- Suspension for a period of time.
- Becoming ineligible for 4-H participation in their county.

Parent/Guardian violations may also result in:

- Restrictions from contacting 4-H families, volunteers, donors, and/or sponsors pertaining to any 4-H matter.

NEBRASKA 4-H VOLUNTEER CODE OF CONDUCT

Your primary goal as a 4-H volunteer is to help children and youth develop competencies in their projects, confidence in themselves and others, connections in their community, and sound character. As a 4-H volunteer, you are to help kids do what they are capable of doing. You are to promote teamwork and leadership while helping the 4-H'ers learn and have fun.

Everything you say and do should be consistent with the six core ethical values comprising good character: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, caring, fairness, and citizenship. This Volunteer Code of Conduct sets forth expectations of 4-H volunteers:

1. Act to encourage and justify trust. Teach 4-H'ers the meaning and importance of trustworthiness.
2. Treat members, parents, Extension staff, judges, and others with whom I come in contact with respect, courtesy, and consideration. Avoid and prevent put-downs, insults, name-calling, yelling, and other verbal or non-verbal conduct likely to offend, hurt, or set a bad example.
3. Inform myself about youth and their positive development. Fulfill my responsibilities by striving to improve my performance as a volunteer and a mentor of young people. Attend volunteer training sessions when I can and seek out and use books, videotapes, and other educational materials.
4. Teach and model kindness and compassion for others. Recognize that all youth have skills and talents, which can be used to help others and improve the community. Teach and demand teamwork and discourage selfishness.
5. Teach and model fair-mindedness by being open to ideas, suggestions, and opinions of others. Make all reasonable efforts to assure equal access to participation for all youth and adults regardless of race, creed, color, sex, national origin, or disability. Make all decisions fairly and treat all members with impartiality.
6. Teach and model the importance of obeying laws and rules as an obligation of citizenship. Obey the laws of the locality, state, and nation. Promote the responsible treatment of animals and stewardship of the environment.
7. Not use alcohol or illegal substances (or be under the influence) while working with or being responsible for youth, or allow youth to do so while under my supervision.
8. Provide a safe environment. I will not harm youth or adults in any way, whether through sexual harassment, physical force, verbal or mental abuse, neglect, or other harmful behaviors.

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