

4-H Clover News

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FAIR UPDATE...

As we start the count down to Fair (it is just a couple weeks away), please read your Fair Book for class rules and if you have questions, please give any of us a call or email and we will try to help. Don't be afraid to ask questions. The best advice that seasoned 4-H families would probably share with new 4-H families is to just relax and enjoy the Fair. Not everything will go perfectly the first year, but you will learn a lot. 4-H promotes "Learn by Doing" both in our project work and in our activities. The consultative judging process is an opportunity for you to learn from another person who is hired to share their expertise and to make a decision at the end. Hopefully they will share some ideas and ask you to think about other ways something could be done.

Keep in mind, when you bring an item to the fair you are asking for it to be evaluated. The other option would be everyone gets the same ribbon and we just display all the projects - would you learn anything and would that be any fun? The fair provides a learning process which will hopefully help us see another person's point of view. Please put forth your best effort and accept the judge's decisions with grace and respect. Always work to "Make the Best Better".

Remember there is no stupid or dumb question, so don't hesitate to ask! If you are a new family and are not sure about something, PLEASE call and ask!

INDOOR EXHIBIT DROP OFF TIMES—JULY 21

This will be in the middle room of the Fair Building by the north door and the procedure will be the same as last year with drop off exhibits by exhibitor's last name. Please note we are starting to rotate check in times by last names and will continue in the future so the same families are not always first or last. If this time absolutely does not work, contact the Extension office to make other arrangements.

We will print your entry cards once you check in. You will need to attach cards to your exhibit, then take exhibit to the project department area in the Fair Building.

7:30-8:30 am— E—G	10:30—11:30 am — S—W
8:30— 9:30 am— H— L	11:15 am—12:00 pm — A—D
9:30—10:30 am — M—R	

Additional Fair info

FASHION REVIEW JUDGING—July 18, evening

We will have Fashion Review for Constructed Garments and Buymanship for Girls and Boys on **Monday evening, July 18 starting at 6:00 pm.** Everyone is asked to come in their Buymanship outfit and be ready to model. If you have entered in Construction Style Review, bring your outfit to change into after Buymanship judging is done.

We will not start on that division before the scheduled time.

6:00 pm	Seniors -- (Girls/Boys Buymanship & Constructed Fashion Review)
7:15 pm	Juniors -- (Girls/Boys Buymanship & Constructed Fashion Review)
7:45 pm	Intermediates -- (Girls/Boys Buymanship & Constructed Fashion Review)

Style Revue forms (Clothing and Textiles Presentation Evaluation Scorecard and Style Revue Description Form and Cost Per Wear—Sr. only) need to be turned in to the office prior to 5:00 pm , Monday, July 18. They can be found on our website (go to Ford County Fair on left side bar, then click forms) or stop by the Extension Office. We would like to have them turned in or emailed to Ethel at eschnewe@ksu.edu before judging. They must be in before the judging starts at 6 pm.

RABBIT AND POULTRY

Due to concerns about Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease (RHDV2) in neighboring states the 2022 Fair Rabbit Show will be a carrier show on **Friday, July 22 at 11:00 am.** This means you will bring your rabbits for the judging and then take them back home. They will not stay at the Fairgrounds.

All Poultry needs to be checked in and on the fairgrounds between 7:30– 10:00 am on Thursday, July 21.

POULTRY SHOW will be held on **Friday, July 22 at 11:30 a.m.** All Poultry will be housed in the Poultry Barn during the Fair.

POULTRY TESTING is a requirement for showing at the Fair for both open class and 4-H. They must have been tested and had a negative test to show at the county fair. Testing was offered earlier on July 5.

HAND PET SHOW—JULY 22

The Hand Pet Show is scheduled for **Friday afternoon, July 22 at 3 p.m.** Registration will start at 2:30 pm in the Pavilion area. Order of judging will be hand pets, cats, dogs, aquarium pets. Be sure to bring your health papers on cats and dogs. Animals must be kept in appropriate carrier or on a leash.

4-H SUPERINTENDENT MEETING

A brief superintendent meeting will be held for **ALL adult superintendents on Tuesday, July 19 after set up.** The meeting will review your job description, the 4-H ribbon system, 4-H entry card, and any major division rule changes. ALL adult superintendents are highly encouraged to attend this meeting so that the judging of exhibits runs smoothly! **We still need superintendents!** We rely on our superintendents to ensure that fair goes smoothly, please don't underestimate the importance of these positions. Contact the office ASAP if you are willing to help out! Superintendent assignment sheet is enclosed. Sheet indicates where help is still needed.

T-SHIRTS

T-shirts for 4-H members and community leaders are courtesy of Victory Electric again this year. These will be given out after fair set up and during the fair. Don't forget to stop by and collect your shirt.

LIVESTOCK PREMIUM AUCTION & SALE

The Premium Sale will be held on Monday evening, July 25 of the County Fair. If you are exhibiting livestock that you wish to sell at auction during the fair, it is **YOUR** responsibility to personally invite individuals, businesses, or organizations to come to the auction and bid on your premium and/or animal. Please take the time to invite them properly, i.e. dress well, give them an invitation, best behavior/manners, thank them for their time, etc. A printed invite is being developed to be mailed, but if you would like to personally give it to them, please contact the office for a copy.

LIVESTOCK SHOW INFORMATION

Sheep and Goats can be braced, but must be shown with all four feet on the ground. Prior to the class starting, members will be reminded of the rule. If caught breaking this rule, participant will be dropped to the bottom of the class, a second infraction may result in a disqualification.

CHAMPION FOODS

The Grand Champion 4-H foods in each age division will have the opportunity to sell at the start of the Premium Sale on Monday evening, July 25. All Grand champion food winners are invited to participate. You will be asked to make a fresh food product for your premium buyer but it does not have to be made for the night of the auction. This is optional.

FAIR SUPPLIES

Photo matte boards, arts & crafts cards, Cloverbud entry tags and clothing tags are available at the Extension Office. Please note that the photo matte is \$1.50 per sheet.

CONSULTATIVE JUDGING

Consultative Judging will take place again this year! You will have a chance to sign up for a time to visit with the judge after Fair set up on Tuesday evening or when you bring your exhibits on Thursday.

Consultative judging is an approach to evaluating project exhibits that allows the judge and 4-H member to communicate one-to-one throughout the judging process. The 4-H member has a chance to explain what and how they made their exhibit and why you did it a certain way. Consider taking this opportunity to learn from the judge! This is optional when having your exhibit judged. 4-H has always been known for teaching public speaking, confidence, and communication skills. What an awesome way to instill these qualities in our youth! We encourage parents to sit at a distance to observe, thus allowing the youth to be solely responsible for presenting the project to the judge.

WHAT IF I FORGET SOMETHING? In 2022, each 4-H member will be given 1 (and only 1) “freebie” entry tag. It may be used in any project area that you are enrolled in, but remember each child is only given ONE, so in the event that you need to use it, use it wisely! ***(For example...Suzy pre-entered one color photo on her FairEntry pre-entry by July 1. However, when Suzy showed up to Entry Day at the Fair, she had two colored photos that she would like to exhibit. Suzy had two choices 1—take one photo home and enter the other in the fair or 2— use her freebie card to be able to enter both colored photos in the fair.)*** Exhibits that utilize the freebie entry card are not eligible for a purple or champion award. The “freebie” may not be used for livestock that were not weighed in at their respective spring weigh-ins or projects that youth are not enrolled in. Plan ahead and pre-enter correctly so you don’t end up in a bind.

HELP NEEDED FOR FAIR SET-UP

How many volunteers does it take to run a successful county fair? The answer is: We need Everyone's help! Check with other club members and make sure your club is represented. Parents and 4-H members are needed to help Fair Board members with **set up on Tuesday evening, July 19 at 5:30 pm.** Please bring rakes, brooms, hoses, buckets, rags, etc. to help clean out the barns, clean displays, racks, and other things in the fair building. It won't take long if everyone comes to help. Pizza for all who help! Stall assignments and t-shirts will be handed out after set up is complete.

AFTER FAIR CLEAN UP AND POOL PARTY!!!! (Note this is on Wednesday not Tuesday)

On **Wednesday evening, July 27 at 5:30 pm. we will be having the after Fair clean up.** The Ford County Fair Association has arranged for a private swimming party at the Dodge City Lagoon Water Park 8:00—10 pm. The Ford County 4-H Foundation has offered to pay the admission fee for 4-H members and their families who come and help with clean up. Everyone who helps with clean up will be provided a ticket or wrist band to get into the Water Park for free. Those unable to help with clean up but would like to join us will need to pay the admission fee of \$4 a person. Refreshments will be provided at the pool. Supper will be provided after clean up and prior to the swim party.

4-H KING & QUEEN CONTEST

Every club should have nominated two members for King & Queen contestants for this year's contest! Contestants will need to decorate a coffee can to display at the Fair. If you do not have the can form and other information, please contact Ethel. The King and Queen candidate who earns the most money will be crowned King and Queen at the Livestock Sale the last day of the fair. ALL contestants are encouraged to ride on the 4-H Float in the Dodge City Days Parade on July 30. If other 4-H'ers would like to ride on the float, please let Ethel know so we can provide information on time and location to meet. King and Queen candidates for all of the clubs will have their decorated can at the County Fair for donations. Cans are usually located on a table in the middle room of the Fair Building during the Fair, and donations will be accepted until noon on Monday, July 25. This is a fundraiser for the 4-H Exchange Group.

Project News:

HORSE RIDING PRACTICES — Casey Pemberton, County wide Horse Leader, will have a speed event practice on Wednesday, July 13 at the Ford County Fairgrounds Horse Arena, 6:00 p.m. She is also hoping to plan a showmanship/performance practice with more information to be sent to all horse members at a later date. Call Casey if you have questions. 254-485-7265

STATE FAIR DEADLINES

July 15 — the entry deadline for the Kansas State Fair for Beef, Sheep, Goats and Swine.

August 1 — State Fair Horse entries are due. (must have qualified at District Horse Show)

August 10 — All other State Fair 4-H pre-entries are due in the Extension Office, State Fair Volunteer sign up Remember if you receive a blue ribbon or higher at county fair you can show your exhibit at the State Fair as long as there is a division/class for it. Not all county fair exhibits have a corresponding class at the State Fair. There are also restrictions to number of entries with it usually be only one entry per division/class.

Actual exhibit must be brought into the Extension Office by September 1

Foods and Horticulture brought between 7:30 am – 8 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 7 to Extension Office Parking lot. Judging will take place that day at State Fair.

2022 FAIR SPECIAL CONTESTS — 4-H'ers are eligible to enter the Special Contests, which are Photo, Barn Quilts, and Recycled Pallet contests during the 2022 Ford County Fair.

Other Fair Information...

Thursday, July 21-- 4-H/Open Class Foods Sale is at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, July 23 – the First Annual Nicholas Williams' Memorial Kids Pedal Tractor Pull—1 pm;
Dodge City Public Library Trivia Afternoon at the Fair;

Little Feet Dance Academy performance.

Turtle Races start at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, Saturday & Sunday. Sponsored by Credit Union of DC.

Special Attractions

Salute Our Hometown Heroes and Fair Hot Dog Feed

This event is sponsored by the Hi Plains Feed, LLC and will be held Friday, July 22 at 6:00 pm with the first 300 people receiving a free meal

Watermelon Feed

Friday, July 22, 6:45 pm
Sponsored by United Wireless Arena

Fair Dance

Eastern Heights Band

On Friday, July 22 come and enjoy the evening starting at 9:00 pm.
Brought to you by "Jacobs".

Weston Wilkerson Concert

Saturday, July 23, 9:00 pm
Sponsored by Hat Creek Butcher and Droste Land and Cattle

Sunday Morning Breakfast

July 24 at 9:00 am, breakfast is sponsored by: KanEquip of Dodge City
Church Service @ 9:30 am with Jeff Hiers

4-H Fashion Review

Sunday, July 24, 12:00 pm (noon)

Corn Hole Tournament

Sunday, July 24, 1:00 pm

Ice Cream Social

Sunday, July 24, 2:30 pm
Sponsored by: Ford County Farm Bureau Assoc.

Barnyard Olympics

The club responsible for the Barnyard Olympics on Friday, July 22, 7:00 pm, have set these guidelines for the event. Participants must enter on Barnyard Olympics sign up sheet. Entry deadline is 7:30 pm on Friday. No entries after that time. Teams of 4 individual participants, limited to being on only two (2) teams. Entry sheets will be available at the "Fair Office".

TEN COMMANDMENTS FOR 4-H PARENTS

1. Thou shalt not feed, train, make or bake exhibits for thou are trying to teach the child responsibility.
2. Thou shalt forgive a child for making mistakes while showing for thou hath made mistakes, too.
3. Thou shalt not get mad when thy child forgets items for thy project exhibit, for one day thou may forget something, too.
4. Thou shalt help the fair board for they are doing a job that thou would not want to do.
5. Thou shalt see that thy child is on time for all activities for thou shalt not want to wait for another.
6. Thou shalt ensure that thy child has the project exhibit entered and the entry papers in order by the designated time.
7. Thou shalt teach thy child that winning a blue ribbon is desirable goal, but making friends along the way is more a worthy goal.
8. Thou shalt not complain about the judge, for it is his/her opinion that has been sought.
9. Thou shalt not forget that all exhibits are a part of a teaching project, not moneymaking.
10. Thou shalt remember that a 4-H project is a family project that shall be enjoyed & supported by the entire family all year long.



Shout Out to....

- ◇ To Kyle Ruehle for winning the Communications State Project Record Award. He will be eligible to attend the 2022 National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Georgia, November 25 -29, 2022. Congratulations!!
- ◇ To our Exchange group who completed a trip to Somerset Pennsylvania. They learned about 4-H and experienced historical trips around their state and Washington DC. A special thanks of gratitude to Linda Fry and Tammie Mink for chaperoning. Those participating were: Canyon Derstein; Candace and Erika Fry; Alexa and Aubrey Gerdes; Michaela and Paige Mink; Braeden and Quinlen Simon.
- ◇ To Candace Fry, Alexa and Aubrey Gerdes, Michaela Mink, Kyle Ruehle, Bode, Chase and Finn Martinez, Brayden Prater and Kendall Burns for recording ads to promote the Ford County Fair at our two local radio stations!
- ◇ To our outstanding camp counselors for 4 Clover Camp and Day Camp — Braeden Simon, Kendall Burns and Adrienne Wasson! Thank you for your help!



2022 FAIR & Dodge City Days COMMITTEE Lists

Food Sale, July 21, 6:30 pm — Lucky Clovers Club

Outside Monitors — all night – Please let Ethel know the name of at least one adult who will be staying, so she can give them a key and instructions for the evening.

Thursday, July 21 — DIY Jrs Club and Richland Boosters Club

Friday, July 22 — Valley Boosters Club

Saturday, July 23 — Wright Wonder Workers Club

Sunday, July 24 — Lucky Clovers Club

Turtle Races, 4:30 pm—Chairs -- Sheila Hessman, Lucky Clovers & Wright Wonder Workers Clubs

Friday, July 22 — Valley Boosters (4-6 people), LC and WWW

Saturday, July 23 — Richland Boosters (4-6 people), LC and WWW

Sunday, July 24 — Wright Wonder Workers (2-3 people)

Lucky Clovers (2-3 people)

Yard Games on Thursday evening, July 21, 8 p.m.

Help with set up and games – tug a war, suggested 9 square game

Richland Boosters and DIY Jrs.

Barnyard Olympics – Lucky Clovers Club

Friday July 22 @7:00 pm entry sign up sheet: kids and adult teams

entry cut off time is 7:30 no entries after that

Teams of 4 participants, participants can only be on 2 teams

King/Queen Float in Dodge City Days Parade– July 30, 9:15 am – any 4-H member plus

K/Q candidates and King/Queen

Kid Fest – Sunday, August 7 – 1:00 – 3:30 pm

Chairs – WWW and DIY -- Blender Bike and Archery

Set up 12:30 and work till 2 pm – Fry family

2-3:30 pm – Tilley and Stimpert Families will help

2022 FAIR SUPERINTENDENT

FAIR DIVISION	ADULTS	4-H MEMBERS (12 & older)
Arts and Crafts – Crafts	Cari Wasson, 	Adrienne Wasson and Ami Wasson, Canyon Derstein
Arts and Crafts - Fiber Arts	 	
Arts and Crafts - Skilled Arts	 	Michaela Mink, Jade Henry
Clothing	Lois Swonger	Rhianne Swonger
Clover Buds & Exploring 4-H		Jaeden Stimpert
Electric/Electronics	Greg Lix	
Fashion Review	Lois Swonger 	
Foods	Linda Fry	Madison Mink and Paige Mink, Braeden Simon Kacee Swan, Grace Hampton
Horse	Casey Pemberton, Jeff and Lisa Rumbaugh, Dave and Kelli McCollum	Clark Burgert (ribbons/set up)
Pets		Rachel Harold, Lauren Fischer
Photography	Tammie Mink 	Riley Cundiff, Kyle Ruehle, Candace Fry Adeline Robinson, Justin Keeler
Plant Science ---Forestry/ Gardening/Flowers/Crops	Naomi Harold Janis Nossaman	
Posters & Notebooks	 	Quinlan Simon
Poultry	Julie Pinkerton	Braeden and Quinlan Simon
Rabbits		Josie Robinson
Space Tech	Susie Burgert	Clark Burgert
Woodworking and Welding	Greg Lix	Jordan Stimpert, Klayson Cundiff

Spots in yellow indicate an area we would like to have additional help with the project. Please call the office if you would like to volunteer.



2022 EVENT SCHEDULE

All events take place on the Ford County Fairgrounds
901 W. Park Street, Dodge City, Kansas

Thursday, July 21

7:30 am - 12:00 noon	4-H Entry Check-In
7:30 am - 10:00 am	Poultry Entry Check-In
11:30 am - 1:30 pm	Open Class Check-In
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Exhibit Building OPEN to Public
6:30 pm	4-H & Open Class Food Sale
8:00 pm	Game Night Begins

Friday, July 22

8:00 am	4-H/FFA Swine Show
9:00 am - 9:00 pm	Exhibit Building OPEN to Public
11:00 am	4-H Rabbit Show
11:30 am	Poultry Show
3:00 pm	4-H Hand Pet Show
4:30 pm	Turtle Races (<i>Kids 12 & Younger</i>) <i>Sponsored by Credit Union of D.C.</i>
6:00 pm	"Hometown Heroes" Hot Dog Feed <i>Sponsored by Hi Plains Feed, LLC</i>
6:45 pm	Watermelon Feed <i>Sponsored by United Wireless Arena</i>
7:00 pm	Barnyard Olympics
8:30 pm	Adult Showmanship Fun Contest
9:00 pm	Dance featuring "Eastern Heights" <i>Sponsored by Jacobs</i>

Saturday, July 23

7:30 am	4-H Horse Show
9:00 am - 9:00 pm	Exhibit Building OPEN to Public
12:30 pm	First Annual Nicholas Williams' Kids Pedal Tractor Pull <i>(Kids 12 & Younger)</i>
2:30 pm	Dodge City Public Library Presents Trivia Afternoon at the Fair
3:30 pm	Little Feet Dance Academy's Dance Performance
4:30 pm	Turtle Races (<i>Kids 12 & Younger</i>) <i>Sponsored by Credit Union of D.C.</i>
7:00 pm	4-H/FFA Meat Goat & Sheep Shows
9:00 pm	Weston Wilkerson Concert <i>Sponsored by Hat Creek Butcher & Droste Land & Cattle</i>

Sunday, July 24

9:00 am - 9:00 pm	Exhibit Building OPEN to Public
9:00 am	Free Breakfast <i>Sponsored & Prepared by KanEquip</i>
9:30 am	Sunday Service with Jeff Hiers
12:00 pm	4-H Foundation Scholarship Awards & 4-H Public Fashion Review
1:00 pm	Corn Hole Tournament <i>Sponsored by The Boot Hill Baggers</i>
2:30 pm	Ice Cream Social <i>Sponsored by Ford County Farm Bureau</i>
4:30 pm	Turtle Races (<i>Kids 12 & Younger</i>) <i>Sponsored by Credit Union of D.C.</i>
6:30 pm	4-H/FFA Beef Show

Monday, July 25

9:00 am - 7:00 pm	Exhibit Building OPEN to Public
10:00 - 11:30 am	Just 4 Kids
1:00 - 2:00 pm	Water Games
5:30 pm	Buyers Appreciation Meal
6:15 pm	Ford County Wheat Show Results
6:30 pm	4-H King & Queen Crowning
7:00 pm	4-H/FFA Food & Livestock Premium Auction
7:00 - 10:00 pm	Release of Exhibits

All scheduled events are subject to change.

Complete 2022 Fair Books are available in print at the Ford County Extension Office, 100 Gunsmoke, Dodge City or online at www.ford.ksu.edu.

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Dear 4-H Families,

This newsletter is full of information for the 2022 Ford County Fair. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY. Remember this is a COUNTY FAIR for the all residents and for 4-H. It is an opportunity for 4-H members to showcase their skills they have learned and the projects they have completed. It is one of the reasons that we have a fair. We are glad we have an opportunity to come together to have a county fair for our youth and for our communities.

Remember we are all striving to “make the best better.”

We look forward to seeing you all at the County Fair and hope you will invite your neighbors, friends and family to come and participate too!

See you there!!



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