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## LIVESTOCK HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

1. **General Requirements:** All animals are subject to examination by the exhibition staff or their representatives and shall be free of clinical signs of infectious or contagious disease. Animals determined by exhibition staff to have not met the listed requirements will not be permitted to be exhibited. All livestock, including 4-H and FFA members, must be examined by the veterinarian provided at check-in. Veterinarians may reject any animal deemed by them, for any reason, (including, but not limited to malnutrition, mismanagement, abuse, or disease) to be unfit to exhibit. Animals not passing health inspection will not be permitted to unload.
2. **Kansas Origin and Out-of-State Origin Livestock:** Kansas Department of Agriculture – Division of Animal Health - recommendations will be followed. These guidelines can be found online at <https://www.rivervalley.k-state.edu/4-h/fair.html>. Contact the River Valley Extension District Livestock Agent by calling any River Valley Extension District Office – Belleville Office at (785) 527-5084, Clay Center Office at (785) 632-5335, Concordia Office at (785) 243-8185, or Washington Office at (785) 325-2121 with specific questions or clarifications.

# 4-H & FFA GENERAL RULES

## SECTION A – ELIGIBILITY

1. 4-H and FFA members are only allowed to show exhibits in the 4-H/FFA Division in the county in which they participate in 4-H or FFA. 4-H and FFA members may only participate in the 4-H/FFA Division at one (1) county fair. They may nominate livestock to multiple counties, but designation to one county must be made at fair pre-entry. The only exception to this rule is the FFA Ag Shop division which is a traveling display intended for multiple counties.
2. All exhibits in the 4-H & FFA divisions will use age classification based on the age of the 4-H and FFA member before January 1 of the current year.
3. 4-H membership: Enrolled in the local 4-H program within the county. Members must be 7 years of age before January 1 of the current year and must not have passed their 19th birthday before January 1 of the current year.
4. FFA membership: Enrolled in agricultural education within the county. Students must have paid current annual membership dues and must not have passed their 19th birthday before January 1 of the current year.
5. To be eligible to exhibit a project, 4-H youth must have been enrolled in that project area by May 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year (Add/Drop deadline). FFA exhibits must be a part of the member's SAE and return the completed "FFA Member Fair Participation" form to their local River Valley District Extension Office by May 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
6. The 4-H and FFA livestock, horticulture, and field crops will be combined and shown in the same classes, with only one champion selected in each division.
7. All exhibits must be the result of this year's project work, having been produced within the current year or the last growing season. The exhibitor in this department must show their own handwork when skill is required, must be the grower of agriculture exhibits, and all livestock must meet all ownership, weigh-in, and tagging requirements.
8. Firearms may not be entered or exhibited at the county fair; however, any used ammunition that is no longer live may be used in projects such as Visual Arts (example: used shotgun shells). If a "weapon" is created for artistic or practical uses in projects such as Ag Mechanics Welding, Visual Arts (for leather covers for weapons), or Wildlife, the project needs prior approval with your local Extension Office and might need to be displayed in a locked case or other safety precautions might need to be taken at the fair (such as displaying a picture of the exhibit rather than the physical product). Any exhibits that depict weaponry in a manner that does not align with the 4-H Code of Conduct, promote activities that do not align with the 4-H Code of Conduct, or promote harm to others will not be judged or displayed. The local Extension Staff will have the final say on whether or not an exhibit will be judged or displayed.

## SECTION B – ENTRY INFORMATION

1. All fair entries must be pre-entered by June 17th.
2. Neither the local County Fair Board, nor the River Valley Extension District will be responsible for any loss, theft, accidents, injury, or death to exhibits entered to and/or that occur at fair events and activities.
3. **Late entry** is defined as any pre-entry received after the local Extension office closes the pre-entry deadline and up until the day of the designated judging of that area. Any entries that fall in this category will be dropped by one ribbon placing and will not be eligible for Grand or Reserve Champion consideration and in addition will not be eligible for any Overall Champion considerations (if there are any in that division).
4. **Late Check-in** is any entry received after the designated check-in time during the fair. All exhibits must be checked in with the respective superintendent according to the fair schedule. 4-H exhibits that are late for check-in will be dropped by one ribbon placing and will not be eligible for Grand or Reserve Champion consideration and in addition will not be eligible for any Overall Champion considerations (if there are any in that division).
5. **Livestock that miss the designated fair weigh-in or health inspection will be ineligible to show.**
6. Superintendents are responsible for reporting late check-ins to the 4-H Office for enforcement of forfeitures.
7. Any 4-H or FFA exhibit that shows up to the fair that was not pre-entered nor was it a late entry (meaning there is no record of the entry- late nor on time- and must be created that day) shall:
  - a. Be referred to exhibit the project in open class
  - b. If for some reason open class is not available, only then may the exhibit be evaluated by the 4-H division judge. However, the exhibit will not receive a ribbon or the associated premium money and will not be exhibited in the 4-H display at the fair. This will need to be made aware of to the project area's superintendent for correct record keeping.
  - c.
8. **Early Fair Check-out: Early** check-out is defined as the removal of any exhibit before the scheduled exhibit release time per the fair schedule. A 4-H or FFA member must submit a written request for early check-out to the appropriate superintendent(s). A written response will be provided back to the 4-H or FFA member from the superintendent(s). Superintendents must notify 4-H Office of any approved or denied early check-outs. If a 4-H or FFA member removes an exhibit before the designated check-out time without special permission from the superintendent and fairboard, then that 4-H or FFA member forfeits ALL ribbon premium money on ALL fair exhibits. 4-H and FFA members must check out all exhibits with the respective superintendent according to the fair schedule. 4-H or FFA members checking out early for approved or non-approved reasons must report to the appropriate superintendents when checking out. Superintendents are responsible for reporting non-approved early check-outs to the 4-H Office for enforcement of forfeitures.

9. Members may exhibit **more than one** entry per class unless otherwise noted in Division rules. Extension Staff, Fairboard, and superintendents may limit exhibit space and not exhibit entries if space is restricted.
10. Exhibitor entry cards for each pre-entered project, excluding beef, dairy, goat, horses, sheep, swine, fashion revue, and dogs, will be generated from the River Valley Extension District offices. These entry cards should be attached to the exhibit before presenting the exhibit to the judge or superintendent. Attach entry cards with string or tape as appropriate. The entry card must accompany each exhibit for display.
11. Beef, dairy, goat, horses, sheep, and swine exhibits must have a stall card for each animal exhibited. Stall cards will be printed and available for pick-up following official fair check-in and weigh-in.
12. Divisions will be judged by the following 4-H age categories unless otherwise noted in the Division rules or classes.
  - Junior: 7-9 before January 1 of the current year
  - Intermediate: 10-13 before January 1 of the current year
  - Senior: 14 -18 before January 1 of the current year
13. Dress Code: All 4-H and FFA members should present themselves in a professional appearance for all fair project judging and events. Club, County, or District 4-H Shirts may be worn while shirts from other 4-H events and other shows are discouraged. Shirts or hats with slogans or advertising will NOT be allowed. Boys and girls should avoid revealing clothing and clothing that exposes undergarments. Tank/spaghetti strap tops will NOT be allowed. Judges may excuse members from any judging for inappropriate dress.
  - a. The dress code for all 4-H and FFA livestock shows will be jeans, shirts, and closed-toe shoes. Collared and sleeved shirts are highly encouraged. Closed-toe shoes are recommended anytime working around livestock.
  - b. The dairy and goat exhibitors may wear traditional white.
  - c. The horse project will follow the traditional horse show dress requirements as outlined in the horse show rules.
14. Exhibits and property should be properly labeled before entering. Exhibitors are responsible to ensure that entries are in the appropriate class and properly exhibited. Final decisions will be with the superintendent and extension staff.
15. All Exhibits **MUST BE** exhibited at the Fair to receive ribbon and premium money.
16. All judging is consultation judging between the judge and 4-H/FFA member so the exhibitor should be present at the time of judging. Parents, guardians, and others are welcome to listen and observe but must refrain from interfering with judging. If Consultant judging is not available for a static project, it is strongly encouraged for the exhibitor to include a 3" x 5" notecard explaining your project for the judge to read.
17. 4-H members are eligible to exhibit in Open Class, but they will not be allowed to enter the same article in both departments, except for livestock at the fairboard's discretion. No exhibit can be used for more than one class in the 4-H/FFA Division except for Fashion Revue Construction, Showmanship, and Horse. The exact duplicate of a project previously entered at the fair cannot be entered again except for livestock.
18. Failure to abide by entry, exhibit, or conduct rules may result in the forfeit of prize money.
19. **River Valley Extension District Fairs 4-H & FFA Grievance Process and Committee:** Any grievances before the county fair should be submitted to your local River Valley Extension District office and will be handled by the River Valley Extension District Board. During the county fair, a 4-H Grievance committee shall be in place for each of the county fairs in the River Valley District with the purpose of hearing a disagreement related to a fair activity and making a ruling on it. Those persons eligible to bring forth a grievance on behalf of a 4-H or FFA member are:
  - a. The 4-H or FFA member OR
  - b. The parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of said 4-H or FFA member.

The grievance must be written, signed, and submitted to the River Valley Extension District 4-H Agent or District Director within 24 hours of the incident. Upon receipt of the grievance, a River Valley Extension District will convene a meeting with committee members where the complaint will be expressed, and a decision will be made in as timely a manner as possible. A written response to the grievance will be delivered to the person(s) that submitted the grievance.

The grievance committee may consist of: (a minimum of 1 representative from each category)

  - a. River Valley Extension District representative(s): (may include District Extension Director, District Extension Agent(s), District 4-H Program Manager(s), District Board member(s), other K-State Research and Extension employee(s) as appropriate for the grievance at hand
  - b. Fair superintendent(s)
  - c. Fair board member(s)
  - d. FFA Advisor (if the grievance involves an FFA member)

All non-fair grievances related to 4-H shall be presented in writing to the River Valley Extension District Board. All fair grievances not related to 4-H shall be presented directly to the appropriate fairboard.
20. The consequences of breaking a rule will at least result in the dropping of a ribbon placing in that project. Depending on the severity, this could result in disqualification as decided by the grievance committee or extension board.
21. Kansas State University is committed to making its services, activities, and programs accessible to all participants. Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested by contacting the Extension Director, Wade Reh, **four weeks before** the start of the event at [wreh@ksu.edu](mailto:wreh@ksu.edu) or 785-632-5335. Requests received after this date will be honored when it is feasible to do so. Kansas State University Agricultural Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service K-State Research and Extension is an equal opportunity provider and employer.
22. **Code of Ethics:** The mission of Kansas 4-H Youth Development is to use unique strategies and opportunities to engage youth in reaching their full potential through partnerships with caring adults.

Adult spectators and volunteers at Fair 4-H/FFA events not acting in accordance with the Adult Fair Code of Ethics below may be asked to leave the event. Youth not acting in accordance with the Youth Fair Code of Conduct as listed below, including but not limited to unsportsmanlike conduct or harsh treatment of an animal in the barn or the show ring, may result in disqualification from the show or being excused from judging at the discretion of the judge, superintendents, extension agents, and fairboard.

Additionally, all volunteers and 4-H youth will also be held to the 4-H codes of conduct outlined by Kansas 4-H and K-State Research and Extension.

Horseplay, including but not limited to water fights or running, will not be allowed in any fair buildings. Violators must meet with Extension Agents and/or Fairboard and may be assigned extra fair duties such as trash pickup.

- a) **Adult Fair Code of Ethics:** The following statements from the Kansas 4-H Volunteer Code of Ethics represents the expectations that all volunteers, parents, adult spectators, and paid staff are expected to observe while working with and around youth participating in the county fairs of the River Valley Extension District.
- Work within the 4-H program. As a 4-H volunteer, I am accountable to the local club, the appropriate Extension Unit, the Kansas 4-H Youth Development Program, K-State Research and Extension, and Kansas State University for my actions.
  - Work as a “team player” for the good of the 4-H program. I will work cooperatively with youth, other volunteers, and extension staff and treat them with respect.
  - Honor my volunteer commitment.
  - Keep records, distribute materials, and support the 4-H system.
  - Follow established guidelines for keeping financial records and handling 4-H funds.
  - I will participate in meetings, self-study, or other training programs which will help me work more effectively with young people and adults.
  - Make all reasonable efforts to assure equal access to participation for all youth and adults. Kansas State University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity employer committed to non-discrimination based on race, sex, national origin, disability, religion, age, sexual orientation, or other non-merit reasons.
  - 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 experiences.
  - Not use alcohol or any illegal substances (or be under its influence) while working with or being responsible for youth or allow youth to do so while under my supervision.
  - Operate machinery, vehicles, and other equipment safely and responsibly. When operating a motor vehicle, I will have a valid driver’s license and the legally required insurance coverage.
  - Role-model the character traits of trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship.
  - Promote and practice the responsible and ethical stewardship of livestock and/or companion animal projects.
  - Obey the laws of the locality, state, and nation and K-State Research and Extension and 4-H Youth Development policies and guidelines.
  - Use technology and social media in safe and appropriate ways for the enhancement and promotion of the 4-H Youth Development program.
- b) **Youth Fair Code of Conduct:** As a participant in the county fairs in the River Valley Extension District, youth have the responsibility of representing Kansas 4-H and FFA to the public. While participating in fair events, youth are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that will bring honor to you, your family, and 4-H/FFA. To do that, youth must:
- Conduct yourself and your project work in a manner that is trustworthy, respectful, responsible, fair, caring, and in good citizenship.
  - Be responsible for your actions by following the rules and being accountable. This includes being assigned program locations/sessions, abiding by deadlines, times, and housing arrangements. If you are unable to participate or need assistance, notify those in charge of the event/program.
  - Treat yourself, other people, animals, and property with respect, using good manners, dressing appropriately, and not using profanity. You will be personally responsible for any damage caused as a result of your behavior. Know that the use of tobacco, alcohol, and non-prescription drugs by youth is illegal.
  - Demonstrate caring for people other than yourself. Know that harassment of any type is illegal and prohibited at all 4-H events.
  - Be a good citizen by participating fully and helping those around you have positive experiences.

## **SECTION C – K-State Research and Extension, River Valley District #4 Statement on Workplace Violence**

The safety and security of River Valley Extension District employees, volunteers, and customers are very important. Threats, threatening behavior, acts of violence, or any related conduct which disrupts another's work performance or the District's ability to execute the mission of the organization will not be tolerated.

The River Valley Extension District is committed to maintaining a safe, supportive, civil, and productive work environment that treats everyone involved with respect and dignity. It is a violation of this policy for employees or other individuals to engage in acts or threats of violence against persons or property, including acts of intimidation, harassment, or other inappropriate behavior that causes fear for personal safety and/or disruption in the workplace or at any District sponsored or supported event.

Violent or disruptive behavior will not be tolerated, and all reports of incidents will be taken very seriously and dealt with appropriately. Individuals who create a hostile work environment may be removed from settings and prohibited from returning.

## **SECTION D – USE OF COPYRIGHTED MATERIALS**

4-H exhibitors (individual or group) should learn the guidelines and exercise caution when using copyrighted materials whenever possible by originating their own work. Exhibitors should use with caution a copyrighted and/or trademarked product or service (a brand name, label, or product). A copyright and trademark are legal methods used by writers, artists, corporations, and others to protect their original work. Protected items may range from books to music, logos to computer graphics. Copyrighted and/or trademarked materials used in displays, demonstrations, posters, or other activities will be disqualified if the exhibitor does not request permission to use the copyrighted and/or trademarked materials and will not be displayed or receive ribbons. The use and inclusion of specific brand names for educational purposes do not imply endorsement or refusal by the Department of 4-H Youth Development, Kansas State University Agriculture Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service, or the State of Kansas.

## **SECTION E - STATE FAIR & KS JR. LIVESTOCK SHOW ENTRIES**

1. Starred (\*) classes may be exhibited at the State Fair if the exhibitor is of age and receives a qualifying ribbon.
2. 4-H members 9 years of age or older by January 1 of the current year and FFA members with properly nominated livestock or qualifying ribbon exhibits at the county fair are eligible for State Fair competition.
3. Pre-entry for all State Fair exhibits, except livestock, is required by August 5 (or the Monday following the end of the local fair, whichever is earlier) to your local River Valley District Office.
4. All members wishing to enter livestock exhibits in the Kansas State Fair (KSF) and/or the Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS) must meet all tagging, nomination, declaration, registration paperwork requirements, and entry deadlines as required by these events. Contact any River Valley District office, check the River Valley 4-H web page, or contact the River Valley Livestock Agent for specific procedures for entering livestock in the KSF or KJLS.
5. All members wishing to participate in Horse at the Kansas State Fair (KSF) must receive a qualifying ribbon at the North Central Kansas District Horse Show or at the County Fair. Contact any River Valley District office, check the River Valley 4-H web page, or contact the River Valley Livestock Agent for information regarding qualifying for the Kansas State Fair.

## **SECTION F – AWARDS**

Exhibits in all classes will be placed by the judges in blue, red and white ribbon groups. Superior exhibits will receive purple ribbons and State Fair stickers when appropriate. Money prizes will be awarded according to the prize schedule determined by each local fairboard in River Valley Extension District. Exhibits must be awarded a State Fair qualifying ribbon (blue ribbon in animal projects and purple ribbon in all other projects) to be eligible for Champion, Reserve Champion, Grand Champion, and Reserve Grand Champion consideration. Any exhibits receiving specialty awards must have received a purple ribbon.

# Cloud County Fair

## Livestock Sale Rules

1. Only Market Sheep, Market Swine, Market Beef, or Market Goats officially listed on our county records as 4-H or FFA projects and exhibited at the Cloud County Fair may be sold.
2. Livestock must be exhibited at the Cloud County Fair in order to be eligible to be sold at base bid.
3. Only pictures of the Champions and Reserve Champions and their buyers will be released for publicity.
4. The following weight requirements for selling in the sale are final at fair weigh-in. There will be NO weigh-backs. Grievance letters will NOT be reviewed for failure to make weight. aging
  - Market Sheep – 90 lbs.
  - Market Swine – 220 lbs.
  - Market Beef – 1000 lbs.
  - Market Goats – 50 lbs.
5. Exhibitors shall present animals in a respectable condition.
6. **Minimum Participation Requirement to participate in the Livestock Auction:**
  - a. **4-H Members:** 4-H members must be enrolled members in a 4-H club in the county where they are showing and selling. The following three requirements must all be completed during the current 4-H year (October 1 of previous year – June 30 of current year). Each 4-H member is responsible for completing his or her form and returning it to their Club Leader by July 1<sup>st</sup> for approval to be eligible to participate in their County 4-H Livestock Premium Sale or Project Auction. 4-H Club Leaders will provide a list of eligible 4-H'ers to the Livestock Sale Committee by turning it in to the local Extension Office as soon as possible after the July 1 deadline but no later than July 10<sup>th</sup>.
    1. Members must attend a "minimum" of three (3) 4-H Club meetings (this does NOT include: Project Meetings, 4-H Council Meetings, Jr. Leader or Ambassador Meetings)
    2. Complete Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) training
    3. First year members must participate in two (2) approved activities as outlined on the River Valley Extension District Fair Livestock Premium Sale/Project Auction requirements Form.
    4. Second year or continuing members must participate in three (3) approved activities as outlined on the River Extension District Fair Livestock Premium Sale/Project Auction requirements Form.
  - b. **FFA members:** FFA members must be bona-fide, dues paid, active members in an FFA Chapter located in the county where they are showing and selling. The following three requirements must all be completed during the current FFA year (September 1 of previous year – June 30 of current year). Each FFA Member is responsible for completing his or her Form, having it signed by their FFA instructor, and returning it to the Livestock Sale Committee by turning it in to the local Extension Office by the July 1 deadline. FFA advisors will verify FFA membership and participation in the auction prior to the county fair.
    1. FFA members must attend a "minimum" of three (3) Chapter meetings
    2. Complete Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) training
    3. Participate in three (3) approved activities as outlined on the River Valley Extension District Fair Livestock Premium Sale/Project Auction Requirements form.
7. In case a 4-H or FFA member cannot be present at the sale, another 4-H or FFA member may sell his/her animal for exhibitor.
8. Following the receipt of all funds from all buyers to the bank, all checks for all animals will be mailed to Exhibitors by the sale clerk following the sale. Any questions shall be directed to the sale committee.
9. The sale order for auction will be: Sheep, Swine, Beef, and Goats. White ribbon animals will be sold first, followed by red ribbon animals, followed by blue ribbon animals. In case of two same ribbon placings, the lighter weight animal will be sold first. All Reserve Champion and Grand Champion animals will be sold at the end of their species.
10. The sale will start promptly at **10:00 a.m., Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup>.**
11. Exhibitors must turn in a **Livestock Sale Release Form** as soon as possible after their species show **OR before 10:00 p.m. on Thursday to the DROP BOX LOCATED in the Sheep, Goat and Swine Barn** or the animal will NOT be included in the Auction. **No one will contact you so it is up to you to turn the form in!**
12. For additional livestock to be sold at base bid, livestock must be exhibited at the current Cloud County Fair. Extra market animals to be sold at the floor price must also be listed on the Livestock Sale Release Form, stating ear tag number, weight of animals to be sold, and signature of the seller. This form **MUST** be turned in by 10:00 p.m. on Thursday to the Drop Box to be sold at floor bid. Once the form is turned in, it is understood that the animal listed will be sold and the exhibitor shall not withdraw the animal. Livestock exhibited in breeding classes must be weighed at time of official check-in in order to be sold at base bid.
13. Floor price on animals will be set prior to Auction by Sale Committee. This is the cash price.
14. Entry weight will be official weight.
15. Bidding will be on dollar per head premium.

16. A \$15 per head commission fee will be charged on all animals in the Auction and those sold at floor bid. This commission fee will be kept in a separate account with the Sale Clerk. The commission fee will be used for sale promotion, buyer plates, no-fund checks, and other expenses approved by the Cloud County Fair Livestock Sale Committee for Sheep, Goats, Swine, and Beef. This includes a \$2 fee assessed for potential death losses between check-out and delivery to the floor buyer or premium buyer. All beef will have an additional \$1/head, Sheep \$.30, and Swine .004 of total market value withheld for mandatory check-off programs. "Extra" animals will be sold at floor price.
17. If an animal is sold in the sale, and the premium buyer elects to keep the animal, then the animal sold in the ring will go to the premium buyer. However, if the buyer does not want to pay the floor price to keep the animal, then the 4-H or FFA member will have the option to retain the animal OR send to the floor buyers. (All Animals are now able to Show at the Kansas State Fair and KJLS.
18. The transfer of ownership of animals will occur at check-out. Exhibitors are responsible for animals until ownership is transferred at check-out.
19. Livestock Exhibitors must check animals out with the Superintendents at the end of the Fair. Exhibitors are asked to help Buyer load animals during check-out.
20. All grievances of these rules must be directed in writing and presented no later than 10:00 a.m. on sale day to the Cloud County Sale Committee

## **4-H & FFA**

### **LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST**

1. The contest and workshop is open to any youth. River Valley District 4-H and FFA youth will compete in one division. There will be a second division for youth outside of the River Valley 4-H/FFA. Youth may participate in any or all of the River Valley District livestock judging contest(s).
2. No pre-entry is required.
3. There will be five divisions:
  - a. Novice Division: Age 6 and under. No reasons will be given in this division. (The judging committee may assign helpers for the novice division)
  - b. Junior Division: Age 7-9 by January 1 of current year
  - c. Intermediate Division: Age 10-13 by January 1 of current year
  - d. Senior Division: Age 14-18 by January 1 of current year
  - e. Adult Division: 19 and older (judging classes only, no oral reasons)
4. Novice & Junior divisions will have five questions to answer. Oral reasons may be given but will not count toward their overall score. Intermediate and Senior Division judges will be required to present oral reasons. The number of reasons required will be at the committee's discretion for each county fair.
5. Other than the novice division, contestants are to receive no assistance during the contest from anyone.

## 4-H & FFA LIVESTOCK RULES

1. **All animals must comply with rules listed under General County Fair Livestock Rules and Livestock Health Requirements.**
2. **See General Fair Rules and Regulations and the 4-H/FFA General Rules.**
3. An exhibit not presented promptly at the scheduled judging time will be ruled out and barred from competition in the class. No complaint or protest on the grounds that the judge overlooked the exhibit will be considered.
4. Exhibitors of livestock are requested to decorate their quarters as tastefully as possible and must keep the part of the building occupied by them - neat and attractive.
5. Exhibitors shall not enter the show ring to practice with their animal while another exhibitor is practicing with an animal of another species.
6. No dogs, with the exception of service dogs, allowed in the livestock barns at any time.
7. **NO SMOKING IN LIVESTOCK BARNs.**
8. **Warning:** Under Kansas law, there is no liability for an injury to or the death of a participant in domestic animal activities resulting from the inherent risk of domestic animal activities. You are assuming the risk of participating in this domestic animal activity. K.S.A. 60-4001 through 60-4004.
9. Animals need to be tagged and weighed at a spring weigh-in to be eligible to show. Spring weigh-in determines the breed of that exhibit. The superintendent has final say if the animal does not match the characteristics for that breed.
10. Market animals must be individually owned by the exhibitor and identified by an official Kansas 4-H tag. In addition, goats and sheep must have a USDA Premise Identification tag (scrapie tag).
11. Any lost tags should be reported to the extension office prior to the fair to make the arrangements for a replacement tag. Animals arriving at the fair without a tag may be disqualified at the discretion of the superintendents, agents and fairboard.
12. All livestock entries must be pre-entered by a date designated by the local River Valley District Office. Any late pre-entries will **not** be eligible for Grand or Reserve Grand Champion awards.
13. All livestock entries will be stalled by clubs/chapters. Pens and stalls will be assigned and marked prior to the fair. Livestock must be stalled where designated by the superintendent of that division.
14. If barn space is limited, a decision can be made to limit the number of animals housed and/or exhibited after pre-entries are received. This will be a joint decision by the Fairboard, Extension Board, Extension Agent, and Superintendent(s).
15. Ethical treatment of animals and sportsmanship are the responsibility of all exhibitors, parents, leaders, and all involved. All animals will be handled in a humane manner in accordance with accepted animal husbandry practices. Physical abuse of any animal will not be tolerated and will be grounds for disqualification. Only soft muzzles will be allowed on sheep and goats in the pen or stall only. Hard muzzles are not allowed.
16. Administration of drench by way of drench gun, pumping or tubing is allowed in the pen area only and only if deemed necessary for the welfare of the animal and conducted with the direct recommendation and supervision of a licensed veterinarian and a superintendent or a fairboard member **MUST** be present.
17. All Livestock shows will be no fit shows. "No Fit," is defined as using no adhesive, glue, paint, powder, or any color changing products. Nothing stiff or sticky. Must be able to run a comb thru the hair. Any product used must be water soluble. If the product does not fit within these guidelines, then do not use it. The use of twinning hair and/or dyeing the animals coat to change the natural integrity is prohibited.
18. **NO use of any livestock blowers/dryers in the Gold Barn during any livestock shows or any other fair event in the show arena.**
19. Only Immediate family members (to include parents, legal guardians, siblings, and grandparents) and current Kansas 4-H or FFA members that are exhibitors at the show may provide help and care to assist the exhibitor, regardless of if the exhibitor is present while such help and/or care is being provided. Exhibitor should be present during show preparation unless exhibitor is in show ring and needs help getting their other animal(s) ready.
  - a. Consequences if the above rule is broken from a helper that does not meet the qualifications.
    - i. The exhibitor of the animal, exhibitor's guardians, and the person in violation of the rule will meet with Extension agent(s) and Fairboard representative(s). A firm warning will be given about the rule. If the rule is broken again, then the contestant will be dropped one ribbon placing. This will also make the animal ineligible for grand and reserve grand champion. These instances will be taken on a case-by-case basic and all parties will be heard.
20. 4-H or FFA members must provide suitable means of care for their animals during the fair. This includes cleaning and care of the stalls/exhibit area. Stalls and pens must be clean at check-out time. Failure to do this task will result in forfeiture of ribbon premium money. Check with the specie superintendent for the approved bedding for the particular species.
21. Each exhibitor must show his or her own animal without assistance, notwithstanding special circumstances. If the exhibitor has more than one entry in a class or in the Champion Drive, is unable to show due to sickness or injury, or has other superintendent approved reasons, another 4-H or FFA member of that county may show the animal, with prior approval by the superintendent of the division. Infractions of this rule will result in forfeiture of award for this animal in this class.
22. Exhibitors must own the animals they show. Ownership is established for breeding animals at the time of pre-entry and for market animals at spring tagging. Market animals that are family nominated must declare exhibitors before the animal enters the scale at fair weigh-in. To be eligible for showmanship, the exhibitor must show the animal in a market or breeding class.

23. In order to be eligible to show, animals must be individually owned or leased by the 4-H or FFA member. However, breeding animals may be co-owned or co-registered by one or more 4-H/FFA members of the same family but only one owner/member may enter and exhibit that animal in the fair.
24. Animals involved in a leasing program need to have lease papers on file by designated times.
25. Superintendent will have discretion to break classes. There will be a minimum number of 2 animals per class to be judged by breed. All breeds not designated in the classes and/or breed listing will be shown as AOB.
26. Rate of Gain awards will be available in all market species, if animal was weighed at an official River Valley District weighing date and use the scale provided on that date. Swine is now qualified to participate in rate of gain contest. 4-H or FFA members in the swine project are not required to weigh-in the animal unless they want to participate in the rate of gain contest.
27. Any animal entered in the fair may be used for livestock judging contest.
28. No animal may be shown in more than one class. The exception is an animal shown in a class that evaluates the animal may also be used for showmanship and fur classes for Rabbits. This includes open class entries.
29. Feeding and watering is allowed in designated areas only. Specie superintendents will instruct youth on these locations.
30. Any animal deemed dangerous by superintendent, agent, or fair board, will be expelled from the fairgrounds by the division superintendent.
31. Tranquilizers are NOT allowed.
32. Exhibitors, their parents, leaders, and other adults have a serious responsibility to use animal *health aids (drugs), growth promotants, and any other approved materials with great care, only when needed, and in correct amounts*. Approved withdrawal times must be followed to assure that consumers receive wholesome food. Withdrawal times should be observed and followed.
33. **Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA):** Training will be **required** and **must** be completed by June 30th (State Fair/KJLS participants must be completed by June 15<sup>th</sup>) for any 4-H/FFA member that wishes to sell swine, sheep, goat, or beef at the county fair either through the premium auction or by private treaty. The training must be taken every year and will be offered as a one session class in each of the four River Valley Extension District counties or a web-based training. Training times and locations will be in the 4-H Newsletter, the River Valley Extension District web page, and on the River Valley Extension District 4-H Facebook page. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend with the 4-H/FFA members. Although this training is required only for selling animals at the fair, it is highly recommended for all livestock project members for its educational value in teaching the production of safe and wholesome products for the food chain.
34. All River Valley 4-H and FFA livestock must have a health inspection prior to exhibiting at the county fair according to the State of Kansas Animal Health Requirements (see above) and local fairboard requirements. These inspections may consist of current health papers completed by a licensed veterinarian or inspection by a licensed veterinarian prior to unloading/weigh-in at the fair. Check your county pre-fair newsletters for the requirement for your specific county fair.
35. Kansas Origin Poultry/Poultry Originating from Other States
  - a. All poultry (except waterfowl) are required to show proof of being P-T clean by one of the following:
    - i. Originate from a certified U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid clean flock (ex. TSC, Orscheln's, NPIP flock, etc.)
    - ii. Test negative at check-in of the county fair when county has been designated by KDA-DAH for surveillance. Routine surveillance testing will be performed for each county fair a minimum of once every 5 years.
  - b. Additionally, out-of-state poultry must have a "Permit to Ship Poultry or Hatching Eggs" issued by the KDAH within the previous year or a permit number issued by the KDAH office within the previous 15 days.
    - i. Test negative on a P-T test within 90 days of the exhibition.
36. In the event of conflict of General and Specific rules, the latter rule will govern. See grievance committee guidelines under the 4-H & FFA General Rules. Their decision is final.

## 4-H HERDSMEN AWARD

1. Open to 4-H clubs and FFA chapters showing beef, bucket calf, dairy, goats, horses, sheep, swine, rabbits, or poultry at the fair. No pre-entry required.
2. The contest is designed to encourage clubs and chapters to keep their livestock displays at the fair in a neat, presentable manner.
3. The purpose is to maintain an attractive livestock exhibit.
4. Species will be judged on a daily basis each day of the fair.
5. Scores will be posted each day following judging.
6. An overall champion will be selected from those groups that exhibit at least four different species based on total points earned.
7. Winners will be announced at the Livestock Auction.
8. Herdsmanship Awards will be determined and presented at the local level.
9. The herdsmanship scorecard is as follows:

	<b>POINTS</b>
a. CLEANLINESS OF ALLEY AND STALLS OR PENS.....	50
i. Bedding adequate, bright, dry, clean and in place	
ii. Manure hauled out and deposited in designated areas	
iii. Alleys swept clean	
iv. Feed Boxes in front of animals ONLY at feeding time	
v. Watering points and drains kept clean	
b. ARRANGEMENT OF EXHIBITS.....	15
i. Exhibits lined up in attractive manner	
ii. Hay and Straw neat and orderly	
iii. Feed Boxes and Gear in area provided, no walkway obstructions	
iv. Stall decorated by club or fair theme	
c. APPEARANCE OF ANIMALS.....	25
i. Animals clean and brushed	
ii. Animals securely tied or penned	
d. STALL CARDS.....	10
i. Readable from alley	
ii. Neatly arranged	
iii. Clean and Complete	

# Division 1

## 4-H & FFA BEEF

Superintendent: Kenn and Sarah Lacy  
Exhibit Check In: Wednesday, July 15, 2026  
Judging: Thursday, July 16, 2026

1. **Read 4-H & FFA General Rules, Livestock Health Requirements, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules.**
2. Forfeiture of premiums and exclusion from the premium sale may result from infractions of these rules.
3. All animals from all youth must be owned by weigh-in/tagging time for market and by pre-entry time for breeding beef.
4. The steer and heifer show will be a no fit show, "Blow and Show." "No Fit," is defined as using no adhesive, glue, paint or powder products. Nothing stiff or sticky may be used. Judge must be able to run a comb through the hair. Any product used must be water soluble. The use of twining hair and/or dyeing the animals coat to change the natural integrity is prohibited. If the product doesn't fit within these guidelines, then don't use it.
5. Each exhibitor must care for and groom his or her own animal during the fair and may use only the assistance of an immediate family member (mother, father, stepparent, legal guardian, brother, or sister) or another 4-H or FFA member from the respective county fair who is also an exhibitor at this year's county fair.
6. Beef tie-out will be no earlier than **9:00 p.m. nightly**. Beef must return to barn by 8:00 a.m. daily.
7. A neck rope is **required** on all animals tied in the stalls/exhibit area.
8. Contact the River Valley District Livestock Agent, 4-H Agent, or any RVED office for State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show nomination requirements, entry information, and deadlines.
9. **Market Beef**
  - a. All market beef (steers and market heifers) must be tagged with an official Kansas 4-H electronic identification ear tag and must have been tagged and weighed at a spring weigh-in time to be eligible to show. Livestock agent should be contacted if a tag is lost and arrangements for a replacement tag must be made prior to coming to the fair. Animals brought to fair without a tag and with no prior arrangements for a replacement may be deemed ineligible by the livestock agent and superintendent.
  - b. Spring weigh-in times serve as the official start of the rate of gain measure. All market beef will be weighed at the time of fair check-in to establish a **show weight, final rate-of-gain weight, and sale weight**. There will be **NO** weigh back.
  - c. Market beef animals should weigh a **minimum of 1000 pounds**. Animals weighing 999 pounds and less will be placed in the feeder calf division to be shown at the beginning of the market beef classes. Feeder calves are not eligible to show for Grand or Reserve Grand Champion or sell in the auction.
  - d. Registerable breed must be declared on the pre-fair entry form by the deadline as established by your local River Valley Extension District Office. Animals must exhibit breed characteristics, and the final determination will be made by the RVED Extension designee and the superintendent.
  - e. A minimum of two (2) animals is required to form a breed class. When there are not two (2) animals in a breed, the animal will be moved to the All-Other Breeds class as available. Classes may be broken on weight or breed at the superintendent's discretion.
  - f. Market heifers will not be broken by breeds. Market heifers that do not make weight may be switched to breeding beef at the fair weigh-in.
  - g. All market beef animals must have been born after January 1st of prior year.
  - h. Class or Breed Champion Market Steers and Market Heifers (meeting 1000-pound weight requirement) will compete for Grand Champion Market Beef.
10. **Breeding Beef**
  - a. Breeding Beef must be identified with a farm tag, a 4-H tag, and/or registration tattoo.
  - b. Heifers may be co-owned and co-registered by two or more 4-H/FFA members of the same family.
  - c. Heifers may be pregnant at the time of the show.
  - d. Breeding heifers will be divided by breed and by age within each breed division.
  - e. Heifer classes will be divided according to breed as follows: Angus, Red Angus, Charolais, Hereford, Shorthorn, Simmental, Gelbvieh/Balancer, Chianina, Limousin, Maine Anjou, AOB, Commercial, and Miniatures. Additional breed classes may be made at the superintendent and extension agent discretion if numbers warrant.
    - a. AOB is classified as a registered animal not listed but is registered with the breed associations. Superintendent and extension agent will break AOB classes as they see fit.
  - f. Cows exhibited as a cow-calf pair can be any age and may have been shown in previous years as a breeding heifer or as a cow-calf pair.
11. **Beef Showmanship**: This contest is open to any 4-H/FFA member exhibiting in the market or breeding beef. Bucket calf and 2<sup>nd</sup> year bucket calf exhibitors are not eligible to participate in showmanship. Exhibitors must own the animals they show. Age will be determined by January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year. Classes may be divided at the discretion of the superintendent and RVED agent to allow for room in the show ring. The judge will have discretion as to whether to ask the 4-H/FFA members questions during showmanship. The animal used in showmanship must also be exhibited in a breeding or market class by the 4-H or FFA members. Grand and Reserve Champion from intermediate and senior classes will be eligible for the round robin competition.

12. **Beef Rate of Gain:** This contest is open to all market animals that were weighed in at an official spring weigh-in. No premium will be offered. Winners will receive a plaque.
13. **Beef Carcass Contest:** Ultrasound information will be obtained at fair beef weigh-in or a designated time at the county fair to be used for the carcass contest. The top carcass will receive a plaque based on a premium grid.
14. **Decorated Beef:** Objectives in this class is to present the animal in the most attractive manner and to give spectators an opportunity to view well-groomed cattle shown at halter by attractively dressed contestants. Judging will be based on attractiveness and suitability of the garment to contestants, contestant artistry and appearance, and contestants' ability to control and present the animal at halter. The outfit must not over the animals' eyes or hinder the animal's ability to walk.
  - a. **Exhibitors in this class do not have to own the animal that is being shown but must make arrangements with the owner to have the animal in condition to show.**
  - b. The objective of the decorator class is to use a theme expressed by the decorations on the animal and the show person. Exhibits will be judged on the basis of perceived effectiveness and originality of decoration. The decorator is free to choose the pattern, design, colors, and materials.
  - c. Decorator class will be after the beef show.

#### **Section A – Showmanship**

- Class 0101 Senior Beef Showmanship (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0102 Intermediate Beef Showmanship (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0103 Junior Beef Showmanship (4-H age 7-9)

#### **Section B – Market Beef**

- Class 0104 Feeder Calf
- Class 0105 Market Heifers
- Class 0120 Market Steers

#### **Section C – Breeding Beef**

*Breeding Beef will be shown by age.*

- Class 0121 Junior Heifer Calves born after January 1st of current year
- Class 0122 Senior Heifer Calves born between September 1st and December 31st of prior year
- Class 0123 Summer yearling heifer born between May 1st and August 31st of prior year
- Class 0124 Junior yearling heifer born between January 1st and April 30th of prior year
- Class 0125 Senior Yearling Heifer born between September 1st and December 31st of two years prior
- Class 0126 Cow-calf pair. Cow carried as a 4-H or FFA project and her calf, both shown at halter. Calves born after January 1 of current year
- Class 0127 Cow-calf pair. Cow carried as a 4-H or FFA project and her calf, both shown at halter. Calves born between September 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup> of prior year
- Class 0128 Miniature Heifers (All Breeds)

#### **Section D – Decorated Beef**

- Class 0129 Decorator Class

## Division 2

### 4-H BUCKET CALF

Superintendent: Kenn and Sarah Lacy  
Exhibit Check In: Wednesday, July 15, 2026  
Judging: Thursday, July 16, 2026

1. **Read 4-H & FFA General Rules, Livestock Health Requirements, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules.**
2. 4-H members may exhibit in both bucket calf and second-year bucket calf classes. However, the bucket calf project is intended to be an entry-level class, so youth are discouraged to show a market steer or breeding heifer within the same year.
3. **Bucket Calf**
  - a. Calves must be born between Jan 1 and April 30 of the current year.
  - b. You must own the animal you exhibit by May 1 of the current year.
4. **Second Year Bucket Calf**
  - a. Calves previously tagged and shown by the 4-H member as a 4-H or open class bucket calf may be shown as a second-year bucket calf with no extra tagging or weigh-in requirements.
  - b. Calves previously tagged and shown by the 4-H member as a 4-H or open class bucket calf may be shown as a market steer/heifer with the appropriate tagging, ownership, and weigh-in requirements. The exhibitor must choose this option at the scale at fair weigh-in.
  - c. Calves previously tagged and shown by the 4-H member as a 4-H or open class bucket calf may be shown as a breeding heifer.
  - d. 4-H members may be 13 years-of-age by 4-H age when exhibiting second year bucket calves.
5. Bucket Calves and 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Bucket Calves must be tagged and entered through Fair Entry.
6. Judging will be based on 50% consultation interview and 50% ring showmanship.
7. Interviews for Bucket Calf and 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Bucket Calf will take place prior to the showmanship at a location designated by the superintendent. It will be optional for the member to have the bucket calf at the interviews at the superintendent's discretion based upon facility, temperature, time, etc. Members will be notified prior to the show. Participants must bring the "Bucket Calf Record for County Fair Interview" with them to the interview. A list of potential interview questions and coloring activity for parts of the calf can be obtained from the extension office for review.
8. Bucket calves and 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Bucket Calves will be judged by consultation interview using these guidelines:
  - a. What the 4-H'er learned about caring for and raising the calf
  - b. The general knowledge of the 4-H'er in health-related areas
  - c. Completion of the record sheet to the best of the member's ability
9. Bucket calves also will be judged in the show ring for showmanship. Fitting and showing will be according to either beef or dairy guidelines, with emphasis on how much the 4-H'er learned and can do without help. However, parental guidance is encouraged.
10. No show sticks will be allowed in the bucket calf show. Show halters are optional but encouraged for safety reasons to provide better control of the animal.
11. Champion and reserve will be selected in each age division (junior and intermediate) of bucket calf. Second year bucket calves, both heifers and steers, will compete against each other in the ring for an overall second year bucket calf award.
12. Bucket calf and 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Bucket Calf are not a part of the round robin showmanship competition and are not eligible for the livestock premium auction or grand drive.
13. **Decorated Bucket Calf: Objectives** of this class are to present bucket calves in the most attractive manner and to give spectators an opportunity to view the well-groomed calf shown at halter by attractively dressed contestants. Judging will be based on attractiveness and suitability of the garment to contestant, contestant's artistry and appearance, and contestant's ability to control and present the calf at halter. The outfit must not cover the calf's eyes or hinder the calf's ability to walk.
  - a. Exhibitors in this class do not have to own the animal that is being shown but must make arrangements with the owner to have the animal in condition to show.
  - b. The objective of the Decorator Class is to use a theme expressed by the decorations on a calf and the calf's show-person. Exhibits will be judged on the basis of perceived effectiveness and originality of decoration. The decorator is free to choose the pattern, design, colors and materials.

#### **Section A – Bucket Calf**

- Class 0201 Junior Division (4-H age 7-9)  
Class 0202 Intermediate Division (4-H age 10-12)

#### **Section B – 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Bucket Calf**

- Class 0203 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Bucket Calf

#### **Section C – Decorated Bucket Calf**

- Class 0204 Decorator Class

# Division 3

## 4-H & FFA DAIRY CATTLE

Superintendent: Kenn and Sarah Lacy

Judging: Thursday, July 16, 2026

1. **Read 4-H & FFA General Rules, Livestock Health Requirements, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules.**
2. All registered animals must have registration papers on file at the Extension Office for each animal by **June 15<sup>th</sup>**.
3. Only dairy cows in lactation may be brought in and taken home on show day. Dry cows and cows in production will be shown separately.
4. All grade or leased animals must have a completed "4-H Grade Dairy Cattle or Leasing Identification Form" on file at the Extension office for each animal by **June 15<sup>th</sup>** per Kansas 4-H rules and regulation.
5. Superintendent will have discretion to break classes. There will be **no** minimum number of animals per class to be judged by breed. Breeds recognized will be Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein, Jersey, and Milking Shorthorn. Breed winners will be shown together for champion.
6. Dairy Steers must meet all the requirements of Market Beef. They will show during beef show.
7. Showmanship: This contest is open to any 4-H/FFA member exhibiting in dairy classes. Classes may be divided at the discretion of the superintendent to allow for room in the show ring. Exhibitors must own the animals they show, except in the case of a leased project and the member must show the animal in a class that judges the animal, in order to show it in showmanship. Exhibitor age will be determined by January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year. The judge will have discretion as to whether to ask the 4-H/FFA members questions during showmanship.

### Section A – Dairy Showmanship

- Class 0301 Senior Dairy Showmanship (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0302 Intermediate Dairy Showmanship (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0303 Junior Dairy Showmanship (4-H age 7-9)

### Section B – Dairy Females

- Class 0304 Spring Heifer Calf (Born after February 28, 2026)
  - Class 0305 Winter Heifer Calf (Born between December, 2025 and February 28, 2026)
  - Class 0306 Fall Heifer Calf (Born between September and November 2025)
  - Class 0307 Summer Yearling (Born between June and August 2025)
  - Class 0308 Spring Yearling (Born between March and May 2025)
  - Class 0309 Winter Yearling (Born between December 2024 and February 2025)
  - Class 0310 Fall Yearling (Born between September and November 2024)
- Fall Yearling Heifers in Milk will show as Junior 2-year old Cow.

### Junior Champion and Reserve Junior Champion

- Class 0311 Junior 2-year old Cow (Born March 1-August 31, 2024)
- Class 0312 Senior 2-year old Cow (Born September 1, 2023-February 28, 2024)
- Class 0313 Junior 3-year old Cow (March 1- August 31, 2023)
- Class 0314 Senior 3-year old Cow (Born September 1, 2022- February 28, 2023)
- Class 0315 4-year old Cow (Born September 1, 2021-August 31, 2022)
- Class 0316 5-year old Cow (Born September 1, 2020- August 31, 2021)
- Class 0317 Aged Cow (Born before September 1, 2020)
- Class 0318 Dry Cow (Any age-must have calved at least once)

### Senior Champion and Reserve Senior Champion

### Grand and Reserve Grand Champion

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## Division 4

# 4-H & FFA GOATS – DAIRY GOATS

Superintendent: Danny McReynolds & Taley Murdock

Exhibit Check In: Wednesday, July 15, 2026

Judging: Thursday, July 16, 2026

1. **Read 4-H & FFA General Rules, Livestock Health Requirements, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules.**
2. All goats must be free of clinical signs of Fungus/Sore Mouth before the check-in time. Animals found to be infected by a veterinarian will be asked to leave the fairgrounds.
3. Dairy Goats must be individually, or family owned and identified by an official Kansas 4-H tag, a farm id tag, and/or tattoo. All goats must be identified with a registered tattoo or an official USDA premise ID tag (scrapie tag). Goats identified with registration tattoos must have legible tattoos and registration papers for these animals available for inspection.
4. Only dairy goats in lactation may be brought in and taken home on show day. Dry goats and goats in production will be shown separately.
5. All breeding doe dairy type breeds, and their crosses, will be shown together, with classes broken by age. In determining the age class in which the animal is to be shown, the cutoff date will be July 1st of the current year.
6. **Showmanship:** This contest is open to any 4-H/FFA member exhibiting in market or breeding Dairy Goat classes. Classes may be divided at the discretion of the Superintendent, to allow for room in the show ring. Exhibitors must own and exhibit the animal they show, and it must be shown in a class that judges it on merit to be eligible for showmanship. Exhibitor age will be determined by January 1st of the current year. The judge will have discretion as to whether to ask the 4-H/FFA members questions during showmanship.

### **Section A – Showmanship**

- Class 0401 Senior Dairy Goat Showmanship (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0402 Intermediate Dairy Goat Showmanship (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0403 Junior Dairy Goat Showmanship (4-H age 7-9)

### **Section B – Dairy Goat Females**

- Class 0404 Junior Doe, under 6 months
- Class 0405 Intermediate Junior Doe, 6 months - under 12 months (not in milk and not previously freshened)
- Class 0406 Yearling Doe, 12-24 months (not in milk and not previously freshened)
- Class 0407 Senior Doe, up to 24 months (in milk or previously freshened)
- Class 0408 Aged Doe, 24 months and older (in milk or previously freshened)

# Division 5

## 4-H & FFA GOATS – MEAT GOATS

Superintendent: Danny McReynolds & Taley Murdock

Exhibit Check In: Wednesday, July 15, 2026

Judging: Thursday, July 16, 2026

1. **Read 4-H & FFA General Rules, Livestock Health Requirements, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules.**
2. All goats must be free of clinical signs of Fungus/Sore Mouth before the check-in time. Animals found to be infected by a veterinarian will be asked to leave the fairgrounds.
3. Market goats should be individually owned by the exhibitor.
4. All market goats must be tagged with an official Kansas 4-H electronic identification ear tag and weighed at a spring weigh-in time to be eligible to show and to qualify for the rate of gain contest. Livestock agent should be contacted if a tag is lost and arrangements for a replacement tag must be made prior to coming to the fair. Animals brought to fair without a tag and with no prior arrangements for a replacement may be deemed ineligible by the livestock agent and superintendent.
5. Breeding meat goats must be identified with a farm tag, a 4-H tag, and/or tattoo.
6. All goats must be identified with a registered tattoo or an official USDA premise ID tag (scrapie tag). Goats identified with registration tattoos must have legible tattoos and registration papers for these animals available for inspection.
7. Wether and doe kids will be allowed to show in the market classes.
8. All meat type breeds, and their crosses will be shown together, with market classes broken by weight. Breeding doe meat type breeds and their crosses will be shown together, with classes broken by age.
9. Market classes will be divided by weight at the discretion of the specie superintendent.
10. All market goats will be weighed at the time of fair check-in to establish a **show weight, final rate of gain weight, and sale weight**. There will be **NO** weigh back.
11. Market Goats should weigh a **minimum of 50 pounds**. Animals weighing 49 pounds or under will be placed in the underweight class and will not be eligible to show for Grand or Reserve Grand Champion or sale in the premium auction.
12. **Market goats will be mouthed at fair check-in to determine age:** All market goats **MUST** have baby teeth at fair time. If one or more baby teeth are missing, the animal will automatically be given a white ribbon but will be permitted to show and sell for premium.
13. Dehorning is preferred. If not dehorned, for safety reasons, the horns must be tipped (points cut off and sanded round) prior to arrival on the grounds. Tipping is subject to superintendent and agent approval.
14. All market goats must be “slick shorn” with an equal amount of hair above the knee and hock before arrival on the fairgrounds. A maximum of 0.4 (four tenths) inch of hair is permitted. Hair on tail switch is permitted.
15. Goats may be shown using a halter, collar, chain, or a 3mm or smaller pinch collar as allowed at state fair. (No extreme collars such as spike or training collars will be allowed. If the animal is being choked or mishandled, the superintendent may require a halter, or the judge may dismiss the exhibitor from the ring.
16. Meat Goat Bracing Rule: Goats must be shown with all four feet on the ground. Applying pressure to the front end of the animal, also known as bracing, will be allowed for judge’s evaluation of muscle composition. Most judges recognize that a “slight” lift off the ground may occur while setting the animal. However, if the feet remain off the ground or an exhibitor uses excessive lift the judge may warn once with a verbal “all four feet on the ground”. A second offense may result in disqualification from the class and dismissal from the show ring.
17. Meat Goat Rate of Gain: This contest is open to all market animals that were weighed in at an official spring weigh-in. No premium will be offered, winners receive a plaque.
18. Showmanship: This contest is open to any 4-H/FFA member exhibiting in market or breeding Meat Goat classes. Classes may be divided at the superintendent's discretion to allow room in the show ring. Exhibitors must own and exhibit the animal they show, and it must be shown in a class that evaluates its merits to be eligible for showmanship. Exhibitor age will be determined by January 1st of the current year. The judge will have discretion as to whether to ask the 4-H/FFA members questions during showmanship.
  - a. Grand and Reserve Champion from Intermediate and Senior classes will be eligible for the Round Robin competition.
19. Decorated Goat: Objectives of this class is to present the animal in the most attractive manner and to give spectators an opportunity to view well-groomed Goats shown at halter by attractively dressed contestants. Judging will be based on attractiveness and suitability of the garment to contestant, contestant’s artistry and appearance, and contestant's ability to control and present the animal at halter. The Outfit must not cover the animal’s eyes or hinder the animal's ability to walk.
  - a. Exhibitors in this class do not have to own the animal that is being shown but must make arrangements with the owner to have the animal in condition to show.
  - b. The objective of the Decorator Class is to use a theme expressed by the decorations on the animal and the show-person. Exhibits will be judged on the basis of perceived effectiveness and originality of decoration. The decorator is free to choose the pattern, design, colors and materials.
  - c. Decorator class will be after the goat show.

**Section A – Showmanship**

- Class 0501 Senior Meat Goat Showmanship (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0502 Intermediate Meat Goat Showmanship (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0503 Junior Meat Goat Showmanship (4-H age 7-9)

**Section B – Meat Goat**

- Class 0504 Market Goat
- Class 0505 Breeding Meat Type Doe - Under one year of age
- Class 0506 Breeding Meat Type Doe - Yearling Doe, 12-24 months
- Class 0507 Breeding Meat Type Doe - Aged Doe, over 24 months

**Section C – Decorated Goats**

- Class 0508 Decorator Class

# Division 6

## 4-H & FFA HORSE & PONY

Superintendent:

Exhibit Check In: Wednesday, July 15, 2026

Judging: Friday, July 17, 2026

1. **Read 4-H & FFA General Rules, Livestock Health Requirements, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules.**
2. **All River Valley District 4-H Horse Shows will follow the Kansas 4-H Horse Show Rule Book revised January, 2023, which are available at [www.bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/S133.pdf](http://www.bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/S133.pdf) or for purchase at any RVED office. In the absence of a rule in the fairbook, the Kansas 4-H Horse Show Rule Book rules will apply.**
3. A 4-H Horse Identification Certificate and/or Lease form must be complete and on file with the local Extension Office by **June 1st** of current year to participate in the 4-H/FFA Horse Show.
4. A record of Coggins testing must be on file with the extension office prior to fair.
5. The 4-H member must turn in a current Horse identification and Official Health Statement by June 1 to the local Extension Office. Failure to do so will bar entry. *A Veterinarian will be on the grounds to perform a health check before horses can be stalled.*
6. The age of a horse is determined as of January 1 of the year it was born.
7. No exhibitor may have more than one entry per class. **\*\*see below\*\***

### Entering the State Fair Horse Show - Page 18 of Kansas 4-H Horse Show Rule Book

- *4-H Horse Project Members are not limited in the total number of horses they may exhibit.*
- *Exhibitors may show more than one horse in individually worked classes that do not have the option for rail work. These classes include Halter, Trail, Reining, Ranch Horse Pattern, Ranch Horse Trail, Barrel Racing, Flag Race, and Pole Bending.*
- **\*\*If a 4-H member has multiple horses in a halter class, the horse must be exhibited by another currently enrolled Kansas 4-H member.**

### Ownership and Leasing – Page 6 of Kansas 4-H Horse Show Rule Book

- *Sharing project horses — Siblings and stepsiblings:*
  - *The names of all siblings who intend to show the horse must be listed on the 4-H Horse Identification submitted on or before June 1.*
  - *Youth may exhibit the same horse; however the horse cannot participate in the same class in the same age division more than once at a given show.*
  - *Youth can be in same age division, but they will have to participate in different classes.*
  - *Youth must share management of the horse.*
8. Each 4-H/FFA member is required to keep horses at the fair to receive their premium. (Fairboards and Superintendents may reduce the number of horses required to be stalled if space does not permit for all entries. At a minimum, each exhibitor must stall at least one horse for the duration of the fair). This horse must have been shown in at least one class at the 4-H/FFA horse show. The only exception is if there is an issue with the safety and wellbeing of the animal and other arrangements have been made with superintendents/agent. Only one horse per stall.
  9. NO Stallion over one year in age, will be allowed to be shown or stalled on the fairgrounds due to safety reasons
  10. NO Mares with nursing foals of any age or breed, will be allowed to show, or be stalled on the fairgrounds due to safety reasons.
  11. Any exhibitor found to have tampered with, used tranquilizers, entered an animal which is not eligible, unsound, or unruly may be barred from the show by the superintendents.
  12. **Working Ranch Horse** – If over 20 participants in working ranch horse, then participants will complete pattern first. All red and white ribbon winners will be dismissed. Blue ribbon participants will compete in rail.
  13. All contestants and family members are expected to display proper conduct and politeness at all times. Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated at any time and will result in forfeiture of all placings and qualifications earned.
  14. State Fair Entries are due August 1st. To show at the State Fair, the exhibitor must qualify at a horse show (etc. county fair, or district horse show), complete Horse Qualifying Affidavit, complete Kansas 4-H Equine Webinar Safety Episode and take quiz. **SEE PAGES 16, 17 & 18 IN THE 2023 KANSAS 4-H HORSE SHOW RULE BOOK**
  15. **Dress Code:**
    - a. Western riding trousers or jeans and a long-sleeved *Western shirt with a collar* must be worn. Jeans, riding trousers and shirts, may vary in color. *In no instance shall “fancy” attire count over a nice, neat workmanlike appearance.*
    - Western boots, *with distinguishable heel*, are required in all western events.
    - b. The use of gloves, ties, spurs, and chaps shall be optional.

- c. The use of protective headgear, in place of a western hat, is encouraged in any and all classes, including judged, timed and futurity classes. If protective headgear is not worn, exhibitors **must** wear a western hat and it should stay on during the class. **Hats are optional only in timed events.** If a rider elects to wear a hat in timed events, it must stay on. If the hat is lost, a 2 second penalty will be assessed to the final time. Caps are not permitted.
  - d. The use of protective gear, in place of a hat, is the optional choice of the exhibitor and is encouraged for exhibitor safety.
  - e. English classes have their own set of standard dress.
16. **Horseless Horse:** The Horseless Horse project is intended to offer 4-H members an opportunity to learn about horses while not owning or leasing a horse. 4-H members in Horseless Horse may exhibit at the local fair with a borrowed 4-H identified horse in showmanship only. **No riding is allowed by horseless horse members.** 4-H members can enter in Class 0617 Horseless Horse Showmanship, Class 0645 Horseless Horse Knowledge, or enter a notebook, poster, or display in Division 27 Individual Project Display.
17. **Showmanship:** This contest is open to any 4-H/FFA member exhibiting a horse they own or lease, that was shown in their respective halter class. The contest will be held after the halter classes. Classes may be divided at the discretion of the Superintendent, to allow for room in the show arena. Exhibitors must own the animals they show, except in the case of a leased project. Age of the exhibitor will be determined by January 1st of current year.
- a. Grand and Reserve Champion from Intermediate and Senior classes will be eligible for the Round Robin competition.
18. **Decorated Horse:** Objectives of this class is to present the animal in the most attractive manner and to give spectators an opportunity to view well-groomed Horse shown at halter by attractively dressed contestants. Judging will be based on attractiveness and suitability of the garment to contestant, contestant's artistry and appearance, and contestant's ability to control and present the animal at halter. The Outfit must not cover the animal's eyes or hinder the animal's ability to walk.
- a. Exhibitors in this class do not have to own the animal that is being shown but must make arrangements with the owner to have the animal in condition to show.
  - b. The objective of the Decorator Class is to use a theme expressed by the decorations on the animal and the show-person. Exhibits will be judged on the basis of perceived effectiveness and originality of decoration. The decorator is free to choose the pattern, design, colors and materials.
  - c. Decorator class will be after the horse show.

#### Section A – Halter Classes

##### ALL HORSES – FILLY or MARE

- Class 0601 Halter - 1 year old Filly (yearling)
- Class 0602 Halter - 2 year old Filly
- Class 0603 Halter - 3 year old Filly
- Class 0604 Halter - 4 years old or older Mare

##### ALL HORSES – GELDING

- Class 0605 Halter - 1 year old Gelding (yearling)
- Class 0606 Halter - 2 year old Gelding
- Class 0607 Halter - 3 year old Gelding
- Class 0608 Halter - 4 years old or older Gelding

##### PONIES (Horses 56 inches and under)

- Class 0609 Halter - 1 year old
- Class 0610 Halter - 2 years old and older

##### OTHER

- Class 0611 Halter - Miniature Horses
- Class 0612 Halter - Mules
- Class 0613 Halter – Donkeys

#### Section B – Showmanship

- Class 0614 Senior Showmanship at Halter (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0615 Intermediate Showmanship at Halter (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0616 Junior Showmanship at Halter (4-H age 7-9)
- Class 0617 Horseless Horse Showmanship

#### Section C- Novice Walk/Trot

This section is open to any 4-H member of any age within their first 2 years of the horse project. If members enters in Novice Walk-Trot than the youth may not enter in any other performance classes. Youth are still allowed to enter in halter, showmanship, and timed events.

- Class 0618 Novice Walk-Trot Pleasure
- Class 0619 Novice Walk-Trot Horsemanship

## Section D – Performance Classes

- Class 0620 Two Wheeled Cart
- Class 0621 Senior Hunter Hack (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0622 Intermediate Hunter Hack (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0623 Junior Hunter Hack (4-H age 7-9)
- Class 0624 Senior Hunter Under Saddle (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0625 Intermediate Hunter Under Saddle (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0626 Junior Hunter Under Saddle (4-H age 7-9)
- Class 0627 Senior Hunt Seat Equitation (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0628 Intermediate Hunt Seat Equitation (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0629 Junior Hunt Seat Equitation (4-H age 7-9)
- Class 0630 Senior English Pleasure (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0631 Intermediate English Pleasure (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0632 Junior English Pleasure (4-H age 7-9)
- Class 0633 Senior English Equitation (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0634 Intermediate English Equitation (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0635 Junior English Equitation (4-H age 7-9)
- Class 0636 Senior Trail (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0637 Intermediate Trail (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0638 Junior Trail (4-H age 7-9)
- Class 0639 Walk and Trot (4-H age 7-10) If entered in this class, youth may not enter Western Pleasure
- Class 0640 Novice Horse Walk Trot (this horse may not enter in another performance class)
- Class 0641 Senior Non-Stock/Pony Western Pleasure (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0642 Intermediate Non-Stock/Pony Western Pleasure (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0643 Junior Non-Stock/Pony Western Pleasure (4-H age 7-9)
- Class 0644 Senior Western Pleasure (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0645 Intermediate Western Pleasure (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0646 Junior Western Pleasure (4-H age 7-9)
- Class 0647 Pleasure Pairs
- Class 0648 Senior Western Horsemanship (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0649 Intermediate Western Horsemanship (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0650 Junior Western Horsemanship (4-H age 7-9)
- Class 0651 Horseless Horse Knowledge (Judge interviews each member on general knowledge of horse including identification parts, health, safety, feeding, care, and grooming.)
- Class 0652 Senior Reining (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0653 Intermediate Reining (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0654 Junior Reining (4-H age 7-9)
- Class 0655 Senior Working Ranch Horse (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0656 Intermediate Working Ranch Horse (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0657 Junior Working Ranch Horse (4-H age 7-9)

## Section E – Timed Events

- Class 0658 Senior Pole Bending (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0659 Intermediate Pole Bending (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0660 Junior Pole Bending (4-H age 7-9)
- Class 0661 Senior Barrel Racing (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0662 Intermediate Barrel Racing (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0663 Junior Barrel Racing ((4-H age 7-9)
- Class 0664 Senior Flag Race (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0665 Intermediate Flag Race (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0666 Junior Flag Race ((4-H age 7-9)

## Section F – Decorated Horse

- Class 0667 Decorator Class

# Division 7

## 4-H & FFA POULTRY & PIGEONS

Superintendent: K'Lynn Barr

Exhibit Check In: Wednesday, July 15, 2026

Judging: Wednesday, July 15, 2026

1. **Read 4-H & FFA General Rules, Livestock Health Requirements, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules.**
2. **We will test in 2026 as a district per KDA new regulations.**
3. Kansas Origin Poultry/Poultry Originating from Other States
  - a. All poultry (except waterfowl) are required to show proof of being P-T clean by one of the following:
    - i. Originate from a certified U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid clean flock (ex. TSC, Orscheln's, NPIP flock, etc.)
    - ii. Test negative at check-in of the county fair when county has been designated by KDA-DAH for surveillance. Routine surveillance testing will be performed for each county fair a minimum of once every 5 years.
  - b. Additionally, out-of-state poultry must have a "Permit to Ship Poultry or Hatching Eggs" issued by the KDAH within the previous year or a permit number issued by the KDAH office within the previous 15 days.
    - i. Test negative on a P-T test within 90 days of the exhibition.
4. No exhibitor may pen poultry or pigeons without permission of the superintendent.
5. **It is recommended that poultry have a leg band. These can be obtained from your local Extension Office.**
6. It is recommended that exhibitors be with their poultry and pigeon exhibits at the time that they are judged.
7. All Pigeon entries must be Single Pigeons.
8. **Any classes with asterisk by them are eligible for state fair selection.**

### Section A – Showmanship

- Class 0701 Senior Poultry & Pigeon Showmanship (4-H age 14-18)  
Class 0702 Intermediate Poultry & Pigeon Showmanship (4-H age 10-13)  
Class 0703 Junior Poultry & Pigeon Showmanship (4-H age 7-9)

### Section B – Poultry & Pigeons

- \*Class 0704 Standard Breeds - Large Fowl - one young bird of either sex (hatched on or after January 1 of current year)  
\*Class 0705 Standard Breeds - Large Fowl - old bird of either sex (hatched before January 1 of current year)  
\*Class 0706 Standard Breed Bantams - young bird of either sex (hatched on or after January 1 of current year)  
\*Class 0707 Standard Breed Bantams - old bird of either sex (hatched before January 1 of current year)  
**Class 0708 All Other Standard Breeds- Large Fowl- one young bird of either sex (hatched on or after January 1 of current year)**  
**Class 0709 All Other Standard Breeds-Large Fowl- one old bird of either sex (hatched before January 1 of current year)**  
**\*All Other Standard Breeds are for chickens that are game-type, oriental or rare, and non-classifiable birds. Example breeds are Ameraucana, Araucana, Phoenix, Polish, Naked-Neck, Olde English Game, and more.\***  
\*Class 0710 Production Pullets - Pen of 3, Standard bred, crossbred or strain cross pullets to be judged on egg production qualities.  
\*Class 0711 Production Hens - Pen of 3, Standard bred, crossbred or strain crossbred hens to be judged on egg production qualities.  
\*Class 0712 Dual purpose pullets - Pen of 3. Such as Rhode Island Reds, New Hampshire, Plymouth Rocks, etc.  
\*Class 0713 Dual Purpose hens - Pen of 3. Such as Rhode Island Reds, New Hampshire, Plymouth Rocks, etc.  
\*Class 0714 Meat-Type Chickens - Pen of 3, judged on meat production qualities only  
\*Class 0715 Turkeys - All breeds - one bird of either sex  
\*Class 0716 Ducks, Call or Bantam, all breeds; one bird of either sex  
\*Class 0717 Ducks - All breeds - one bird of either sex  
\*Class 0718 Geese - All breeds - one bird of either sex  
Class 0719 All others - Crossbreds - one bird of either sex  
Class 0720 Wildlife - 1 bird per exhibit (example: peacock)  
Class 0721 Poultry eggs - Must exhibit one dozen of uniform eggs in carton per entry. Bring eggs day of judging.  
\*Class 0722 Standard Breed - Large Fowl Trio, one male and two females  
\*Class 0723 Standard Breed Bantams Trio, one male and two females  
\*Class 0724 Pigeons, Old Cock (Hatched before January 1 of previous year)  
\*Class 0725 Pigeons, Old Hen (Hatched before January 1 of previous year)  
\*Class 0726 Pigeons, Young Cock (Hatched on or after January 1 of current year)  
\*Class 0727 Pigeons, Young Hen (Hatched on or after January 1 of current year)

# Division 8

## 4-H & FFA RABBITS

Superintendent: K'Lynn Barr

Exhibit Check In: Wednesday, July 15, 2026

Judging: Wednesday, July 15, 2026

1. **Read 4-H & FFA General Rules, Livestock Health Requirements, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules.**
2. **All rabbits must be pre-entered by pre-entry date set by local River Valley District Office to exhibit.**
3. Each rabbit is to be **legibly and permanently** tattooed in its left ear for identification by fair.
4. No exhibitors may pen rabbits without permission of the superintendent.
5. 4-H and FFA members may not enter more than two rabbits per class.
6. Breeds recognized by the American Rabbit Breeders Association may be accepted. In case of question or discrepancy, the River Valley Fairs will reference and follow ARBA "Standard of Perfection", **but not all counties will break classes based on ARBA ruling.**  
The following age/breed guidelines will be used for judging:
  - a. **Pre junior (under 3 months)** classes only available in the following breeds: Argente Braun, Beveren, Blanc de Hotot, Californian, Champagne D'Argent, Checkered Giant, American Chinchilla, Giant Chinchilla, Cinnamon, Creme D'Argent, New Zealand, and Palomino.
  - b. **Juniors (under 6 months)**
  - c. **Intermediate (6-8 months)** classes only available in the following breeds: American, Giant Angora, Argente Braun, Beveren, Blanc de Hotot, Californian, Champagne D'Argent, Checkered Giant, American Chinchilla, Giant Chinchilla, Cinnamon, Crème D'Argent, Flemish Giant, English Lop, French Lop, New Zealand, Palomino, Satin and Silver Fox.
  - d. **Senior**, six months of age or over for breeds other than those listed as having Intermediate classes, eight months of age or over for breeds having Intermediate classes.
7. The list of breeds are as follows: American, Argente Brun, Belgian Hare, Beveren, Blanc de Hotot, Britannia Petite, Californian, Champagne D'Argent, Checkered Giant, Chinchilla, Crème D'Argent, Cinnamon, Dutch, Dwarf Hotot, Dwarf Papillion, English Angora, English Lop, English Spot, Flemish Giant, Florida White, French Angora, French Lop, Giant Angora Ruby Eyed White, Harlequin, Havana, Himalayan, Holland Lop, Jersey Wooly, Lilac, Lionhead, Mini Lop, Mini Rex, Mini Satin, Netherland Dwarf, New Zealand, Palomino, Polish, Rex, Rhinelander, Satin, Silver, Tan, and Thrianta.
8. Exhibitors must be with their rabbits at the time that they are judged.

### Section A – Showmanship

- Class 0801 Senior Rabbit Showmanship (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0802 Intermediate Rabbit Showmanship (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0803 Junior Rabbit Showmanship (4-H age 7-9)

### Section B – Rabbit

- Class 0804 Senior buck, Eight months of age and over for breeds with Intermediate classes; six months and over for all other breeds.
- Class 0805 Senior doe. Eight months of age and over for breeds with Intermediate classes; six months and over for all other breeds.
- Class 0806 Intermediate buck. Only breeds listed above with Intermediate classes.
- Class 0807 Intermediate doe. Only breeds listed above with Intermediate classes.
- Class 0808 Junior buck. Under six months of age.
- Class 0809 Junior doe. Under six months of age.
- Class 0810 Pre-junior buck. Only breeds listed above with pre-juniors.
- Class 0811 Pre-junior doe. Only breeds listed above with pre-juniors.
- Class 0812 Meat Class - three rabbits, all one recognized breed and variety, (broken varieties must be same color). Minimum weight 3 ½ pounds each, maximum weight 5 ½ pounds each, and not over 70 days of age. Will be judged on their meat qualities, condition and uniformity and fur.

### Section C – Fur Classes

- Class 0813 Normal White fur
- Class 0814 White Satin Fur
- Class 0815 White Rex fur
- Class 0816 White Wool fur
- Class 0817 Normal Colored fur
- Class 0818 Colored Satin fur
- Class 0819 Colored Rex fur

Class 0820 Colored Wool fur

**Section D – Cavy (Guinea Pig)**

- Class 0821 Senior Boar: Over 6 months of age and over 32 ounces in weight
- Class 0822 Senior Sow: Over 6 months of age and over 32 ounces in weight
- Class 0823 Intermediate Boar: Up to 6 months of age and 22-32 ounces in weight
- Class 0824 Intermediate Sow: Up to 6 months of age and 22-32 ounces in weight
- Class 0825 Junior Boar: Up to 4 months of age and 12-22 ounces in weight
- Class 0826 Junior Sow: Up to 4 months of age and 12-22 ounces in weight

# Division 9

## 4-H & FFA SHEEP

Superintendent: Danny McReynolds and Taley Murdock

Exhibit Check In: Wednesday, July 15, 2026

Judging: Thursday, July 16, 2026

1. **Read 4-H & FFA General Rules, Livestock Health Requirements, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules.**
2. **Straw may NOT be used as bedding in the sheep and swine barn.**
3. All sheep must be free of clinical signs of Fungus/Sore Mouth before the check-in time. Animals found to be infected by a veterinarian will be asked to leave the fairgrounds.
4. All animals from all youth must be owned by weigh-in time.
5. Market lambs will show by weight and breeding ewes by age.
6. Animals shown in a market class are not eligible to be shown in breeding classes and vice versa.
7. ALL Sheep must be identified with an official USDA premise ID tag (scrapie tag).
8. **Market Lambs**
  - a. Market lambs must be individually owned by the exhibitor and identified by an official Kansas 4-H Electronic Identification tag. Animals should have been tagged and weighed at a spring weigh-in time to be eligible to show. The livestock agent should be contacted if a tag is lost and arrangements for a replacement tag must be made before coming to the fair. Animals brought to fair without a tag and with no prior arrangements for a replacement may be deemed ineligible by the livestock agent and superintendent.
  - b. These weigh-in times serve as the official start of the rate of gain measure.
  - c. All market lambs will be weighed at the time of fair check-in to establish a **show weight, final rate of gain weight, and sale weight**. There will be **NO** weigh back.
  - d. Market lambs should weigh a **minimum of 90 pounds**. Animals weighing less than 89 pounds will be placed in their own class and will not be eligible to show for Grand or Reserve Grand Champion or for sale in the premium auction.
  - e. Market classes will be divided by weight at the discretion of the specie superintendent.
  - f. **Market lambs will be mouthed at fair check-in to determine age:** All market lambs **MUST** have baby teeth at fair time. If one or more baby teeth are missing, the animal will automatically be given a white ribbon but will be permitted to show and sell for premium
  - g. All market lambs will be slick shorn prior to arrival at the fairgrounds. A maximum of 0.2 (two tenths) inch of wool is permitted. No wool will be allowed above the hock or knee; this includes the head.
  - h. Rams, cryptorchids, or short scrotum lambs will not be allowed in the market class.
  - i. Wethers and ewe lambs will be allowed to show in the market classes.
9. **Breeding Ewes**
  - a. Breeding ewes must be identified with a farm tag, a 4-H tag, and/or tattoo.
  - b. Ewes may be co-owned and co-registered by two or more 4-H/FFA members of the same family.
  - c. The following breeds will be recognized: Columbia, Dorset, Hampshire, Rambouillet, Shropshire, Southdown, Suffolk, AOB, and Crossbred.
    - i. AOB is classified as a registered animal, not listed but is registered with a breed association. Or if there is not enough animals to make a breed class at the superintendent's discretion.
  - d. Superintendent will have discretion to break classes.
  - e. Breeding ewes will NOT be allowed to sell in the premium auction.
10. **Sheep Rate of Gain:** This contest is open to all market animals that were weighed in at any of the official River Valley Extension District spring weigh-ins. No premium will be offered, winners receive a plaque.
11. **Showmanship:** This contest is open to any 4-H/FFA member exhibiting in market or breeding Sheep classes. Classes may be divided at the discretion of the Superintendent, to allow for room in the show ring. Exhibitors must own and exhibit the animal they show, and it must be shown in a class that evaluates its merits to be eligible for showmanship. Exhibitor age will be determined by January 1st of the current year. The judge will have discretion as to whether to ask the 4-H/FFA members questions during showmanship.
  - a. Grand and Reserve Champion from Intermediate and Senior classes will be eligible for the Round Robin competition.
12. **Shepherd's Lead:** Objectives of these classes are to present sheep in the most attractive manner, to improve the image of sheep, and to give spectators an opportunity to view well-groomed sheep shown at halter by attractively dressed contestants wearing wool garments. Entrants may purchase or construct their own garments which should consist of at least 60 percent wool, accessories not included. Judging will be based on attractiveness and suitability of the garment to contestant, contestant's artistry and appearance, and contestant's ability to control and present the sheep at halter. Sheep may not be blanketed during the contest. Only the head or neck shall be decorated. A swatch of the garment fabric, sketch of garment, and a detailed script of the garment must accompany the entry.

- a. Exhibitors in these classes do not have to own the animal being shown but must arrange with the owner to have the animal in condition to show.
- b. The objective of the Decorator Class is to promote the sheep industry, lamb consumption or wool use through a theme expressed by the decorations on a sheep and the sheep's show-person. Exhibits will be judged on perceived effectiveness and originality of decoration. The decorator is free to choose the pattern, design, colors, and materials.

**Section A – Showmanship**

- Class 0901 Senior Sheep Showmanship (4-H age 14-18)
- Class 0902 Intermediate Sheep Showmanship (4-H age 10-13)
- Class 0903 Junior Sheep Showmanship (4-H age 7-9)

**Section B – Market Lambs**

- Class 0904 Market Lambs

**Section C – Breeding Sheep**

- Class 0906 Ewe Lambs, born after January 1 of current year
- Class 0907 Yearling Ewe, born between January 1 and December 31 of previous year
- Class 0908 Ewe, 2 years, born January 1 and December 31 two years prior
- Class 0909 Ewe, 3 years and older, born before December 31 three years prior
- Class 0910 Ram lambs – born after January 1 of current year.

**Section D – Shepherd's Lead**

- Class 0911 Shepherd's Lead
- Class 0912 Decorator Class

# Division 10

## 4-H & FFA SWINE

Superintendent: Pat and Stacy Letourneau  
Exhibit Check In: Wednesday, July 15, 2026  
Judging: Wednesday, July 15, 2026

1. **Read 4-H & FFA General Rules, Livestock Health Requirements, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules.**
2. **Straw may NOT be used as bedding in the sheep and swine barn.**
3. All animals from all youth should be owned by weigh-in time.
4. Animals shown in a market class are not eligible to be shown in breeding classes and vice versa.
5. All market hogs will be weighed at the time of fair check-in to establish a **show weight, final rate of gain weight, and sale weight.** There will be **NO** weigh back.
6. **New this year (2023) swine is eligible for rate of gain contest. Weigh-in for the spring small animal weigh-in is not required unless you plan to participate in rate of gain contest.**
7. NO swine shall be restrained by snare or other snout restraint at the county fair for clipping purposes. This practice is perceived as inhuman to the general public and should be avoided.
8. Swine classes may be divided by breed at the discretion of the superintendent and extension staff. In addition, breeding gilts may be divided by age. When divided, the breeds recognized will be Duroc, Hampshire, Yorkshire, AOB, and Crossbred. There will be a minimum number of 2 animals per class to be judged by breed. All breeds not designated in the classes and/or breed listing will be shown as AOB.
  - a. AOB is classified as a registered animal, not listed but is registered with a breed association. Or if there are not enough animals to make a breed class at the superintendent's discretion.
9. **Market Hogs**
  - a. All market hogs must be tagged with an official Kansas 4-H Electronic Identification tag at an official spring weigh-in time. The livestock agent should be contacted if a tag is lost and arrangements for a replacement tag must be made before coming to the fair. Animals brought to fair without a tag and with no prior arrangements for a replacement may be deemed ineligible by the livestock agent and superintendent.
  - b. Market hogs **MUST** be born after January 1 of the current year.
  - c. Market hogs should weigh a **minimum of 220 pounds**. Animals weighing 219 pounds or less will be placed in their own class and will not be eligible for Grand or Reserve Grand Champion nor to sell in the premium auction. There is no maximum weight, however, the judge may exercise discretion in allowing extra heavy hog classes to show for champion or reserve.
  - d. Barrows and gilts are eligible to show in the market hog classes.
  - e. Boars, cryptorchids, or short castrated barrows will not be allowed in the market class.
  - f. Weight classes will be divided at the discretion of the specie superintendent.
10. **Breeding Gilts**
  - a. Breeding gilts must be identified with a farm tag, a 4-H tag, and/or ear notches.
  - b. Gilts may be co-owned and co-registered by two or more 4-H/FFA members of the same family.
  - c. Breeding gilts will be divided by breed and by age within each breed division. There will be no minimum number of animals per class to be judged.
11. **Showmanship:** This contest is open to any 4-H/FFA member exhibiting in market or breeding swine classes. Classes may be divided at the discretion of the Superintendent, to allow for room in the show ring. Exhibitors must own the animals they show. Age will be determined by January 1st of the current year. The judge will have discretion as to whether to ask the 4-H/FFA members questions during showmanship.
  - a. Grand and Reserve Champion from Intermediate and Senior classes will be eligible for the Round Robin competition.

### Section A – Showmanship

- Class 1001 Senior Swine Showmanship (4-H age 14-18)  
Class 1002 Intermediate Swine Showmanship (4-H age 10-13)  
Class 1003 Junior Swine Showmanship (4-H age 7-9)

### Section B – Market Hog

- Class 1004 Market Hogs

### Section C – Breeding Gilts

- Class 1011 Breeding Gilts born during January 1 to January 31 of current year  
Class 1012 Breeding Gilts born during February 1 to February 28 (or 29th during leap year) of current year  
Class 1013 Breeding Gilts born after March 1 of current year

## 4-H & FFA ROUND ROBIN SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

Superintendent: Denise Baumann

Judging: Friday, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026

1. The contest will be divided into Intermediate (4-H age 10-13) and Senior (4-H Age 14-18) age divisions. Ages by January 1 of the current year.
2. Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Showmen, or their alternates, in Beef, Horse, Sheep, Meat Goat and Swine are eligible to compete for an overall trophy in Round Robin Showmanship. The overall Senior Champion of Round Robin will also receive the Round Robin belt buckle.
3. If a contestant wins in more than one division, he/she may choose which area to represent. The exhibitor **must decide the specie** they will represent and notify their superintendent by **Thursday night, 30 minutes following the Beef Show**. An alternate will be selected by the superintendent and extension agent to fill the vacancy. Vacancies will be filled according to the official judges' placings.
4. All youth are equal when the event starts. A reserve could win it all, or even a third or fourth place could possibly win it all.
5. Participants are encouraged to work with unfamiliar species prior to the competition.
6. Animals will be selected for use in this competition by the superintendents.
7. Seniors and intermediates are divided into their two respective age groups, then the contestants will draw a number before the contest starts.
8. Two species will be brought into the ring for the first round of showmanship. Half of the seniors will start with species 1 and half of the intermediates will start with species 2. Once the first half of seniors and intermediates are done the second half will begin with their respective species. After this, seniors and intermediates will switch species. Intermediates will move to species 1 and seniors will move to species 2 keeping with the same rotation as they did with their first species. At the completion of round 1 species 1 and 2 will return to the barns and species 3 and 4 will be brought to the ring. The same method will be used for round 2 as in round 1. Finally, the ring will be cleared, and horses will be shown in the ring. All groups will rotate through showing horses.
9. Participants will be ranked first through last with points assigned based on placing. Tie Breakers: In a tie, the highest score of the exhibitor's own specie will determine the winner. In a second tie, the judge will draw a specie to be shown again only by the tied youth.

# Division 11

## 4-H & FFA AGRONOMY

### (CROPS)

Superintendent:

Exhibit and Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Exhibits should be as mature as possible.
3. Every entry should be identified by hybrid or variety name.
4. All classes requiring a gallon sample may include a cylinder of 2½" - 3" in diameter placed in a glass gallon container with lid to reduce entry volume to roughly three quarts.
5. If variety is NOT stated where requested OR samples not tied where requested ribbon placing will drop one placing.
6. Hay samples should be approximately 15" x 12" x 6". Maximum thickness of 6" and a minimum of 5". Hay samples should be tied in a "T". Wrapped the twine horizontally around the hay and tie, then wrap vertically and tie like a gift package.
7. **Wheat Variety Plot Educational Display**
  - a. 4-H and FFA Wheat Variety Plot Members only.
  - b. The free-standing displays must not exceed the overall dimensions of 36" wide x 36" high x 18" deep (measured on the outside). Care should be taken to select durable materials that will withstand fair conditions. Displays must not require the use of electricity. If the booth exceeds overall dimensions, ribbon-placing will be dropped one place.
  - c. Members must include the varieties provided in the display, but may include more varieties, if desired.
  - d. Basis for Awards:
    - Educational Value.....70%
 

Is the main idea of the display specific? Was the title or theme emphasized? Is the idea presented so clearly, so simply, so forcefully that it will stop the casual observer? If the passerby stopped, did the display give the observer additional facts in a clear, concise way? For example, varietal differences in wheat, economic gains form the adoption of desirable practices, etc.?
    - Quality of Display Material.....30%
 

Size, style, and neatness of lettering; balanced proportion of models and lettering balanced; workmanship including handouts, if used; charts, models and lettering used effectively to teach ideas; colorful, artistic, neat and well balanced.
8. **Weed Control Exhibit**
  - a. Collect, identify, press, mount, and label a minimum of 15 weeds. Try to include their roots, stems, leaves and flowers. Three of the weeds must be noxious weeds, preferably found in your home county. A standard 9"x12" scrapbook may be used to permanently mount your weed specimens. Identify the scrapbook with your name and county on the inside front cover.
  - b. Prepare a list of the weeds mounted, showing common name, scientific name, and where it was found. Place the list in a specially identified section of the scrapbook.
  - c. Collect and identify weed seeds found in crop seeds. Mount them for display purposes. Place them in a specially identified section of the scrapbook.
  - d. Write a story on "How We Control Weeds on Our Farm" if you live on a farm. Other members write "How We Control Weeds at Home". The story should be about 300 words in length. It must show definite methods used to control weeds. Place the story in a specially identified section of the scrapbook.
  - e. Basis for Awards:
    - Mounted weed collection: number of mounted specimens, completeness of individual mounts, correctness of identification and information, and neatness. Include a record sheet of weeds.
      - Records.....50%
      - Weed seed collection and exhibit.....30%
      - Story: "How We Control Weeds on Our Farm/Home".....20%

#### Section A – Crops

##### CORN

- \*Class 1101 White. Variety or hybrid must be named. Ten Ear Exhibit.
- \*Class 1102 Yellow. Variety or hybrid must be named. Ten Ear Exhibit.
- \*Class 1103 Corn: Exhibit to consist of one-gallon sample. Variety must be named.
- Class 1104 Hybrid Corn - Exhibit to consist of three entire plants (no roots). Hybrid must be named.

##### SORGHUM

- \*Class 1105 Hybrid grain sorghum. Hybrid must be named. Ten Head Exhibit.
- \*Class 1106 Hybrid forage sorghum. Exhibit to consist of the entire plant (no roots). Hybrid must be named. 5" bundle, tied.

\*Class 1107 Other forage sorghums. Exhibit to consist of the entire plant (no roots). Variety must be named. 5" bundle, tied.

#### **WHEAT – One Gallon Sample**

- \*Class 1108 Soft red winter wheat. Variety or hybrid must be named.
- \*Class 1109 Hard red winter wheat. Variety or hybrid must be named.
- \*Class 1110 Hard white wheat. Variety or hybrid must be named.

#### **SUNFLOWERS**

- \*Class 1111 Confectionery heads. Three heads must be submitted.
- \*Class 1112 Confectionary seeds in jar. One gallon jar must be submitted.
- \*Class 1113 Oilseed heads. Three heads must be submitted.
- \*Class 1114 Oilseed seeds in jar. One gallon jar must be submitted.

#### **OTHER CROPS**

- \*Class 1115 Oats: Exhibit to consist of one gallon sample. Variety must be named.
- \*Class 1116 Barley: Exhibit to consist of one gallon sample. Variety must be named.
- \*Class 1117 Brome Grass Seed: Exhibit to consist of one gallon sample of seed.
- \*Class 1118 Other Tame Grass Seed: Exhibit to consist of one gallon sample of seed.
- \*Class 1119 Edible field beans: Exhibit to consist of one gallon sample of seed from most recent harvest.
- \*Class 1120 Edible field beans: Bundle of five plants (with roots intact) from most recent harvest. Example - lentils
- \*Class 1121 Miscellaneous Crops: Exhibit to consist of one gallon sample of seed or 10 heads produced from current project. Variety must be named.
- \*Class 1122 Cotton: Provide 10 open bolls, not 10 plants. Place bolls in a bag that can breathe (not a sealed plastic bag), so mold doesn't develop.

#### **HAY CROPS**

- \*Class 1123 Alfalfa Hay: Exhibit to consist of one flake or slice from a rectangular bale, or a 10" section cut from a round bale. The flake or slice should be approximately 6" in thickness and **should be tied with a "T." Wrap the twine horizontally around the hay and tie, then wrap vertically and tie like a gift package. Variety must be named.**
- \*Class 1124 Native Grass Hay: 10" flake or slice, 6" thick and **should be tied with a "T." Wrap the twine horizontally around the hay and tie, then wrap vertically and tie like a gift package. Variety must be named.**
- \*Class 1125 Cool Season Grass Hay (e.g., fescue, brome, etc.): 10" flake or slice, 6" thick and **should be tied with a "T." Wrap the twine horizontally around the hay and tie, then wrap vertically and tie like a gift package. Variety must be named.**

#### **SOYBEANS**

- \*Class 1126 Soybeans: Exhibit to consist of one gallon sample of seed from most recent harvest. Variety must be named.
- \*Class 1127 Soybeans: Bundle of five plants (with roots intact) from most recent harvest. Variety must be named.

#### **Section B – Wheat Variety Plot Educational Display**

- \*Class 1128 Wheat Varieties Plot Display

#### **Section C – Weed Control Exhibit**

- \*Class 1129 Weed Control Exhibit

# Division 12

## 4-H & FFA FLORICULTURE

Superintendent:

Exhibit and Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Members may enter multiple entries in a single class provided each entry is a different species.
3. Members are encouraged to exhibit cut flowers and fresh floral arrangements in disposable containers. If a non-disposable container is used mark it plainly with your name. The county fair is not responsible for any loss or damage to any flower arrangements, vases, or containers. Exhibitor is responsible for picking up entries at the end of the fair.
4. Exhibitor is responsible for replacing flowers as needed. Exhibits not kept up will be disqualified.
5. Houseplants must be in possession of 4-H'er for 6 months.
6. Potted plants are only allowed in Class 1206 – Houseplants.
7. All floral materials must be grown and/or collected by the exhibitors. Do not use purchased plant materials.
8. All container gardens must contain at least one living or preserved plant specimen.
9. Foliage on flowers should be removed up to water line.
10. All entries must be freestanding, easily moved, and not require any special equipment to display. Hanging entries are not accepted.
11. Educational notebooks should be entered in Division 14 Horticulture – Class 1409 Horticulture Notebook.

### **Section A – Flowers & Plants**

- \*Class 1201 Annual Garden Flower, cut specimen, single stem
- \*Class 1202 Perennial Garden Flower, cut specimen, single stem
- \*Class 1203 Fresh Flower Arrangement. Flower materials must be grown and/or collected by exhibitor, not purchased
- \*Class 1204 Dried Flower Arrangement, no fabric or plastic material allowed. Materials must be grown/collected by the exhibitor.
- Class 1205 Silk Flower Arrangement, including corsage
- Class 1206 Houseplants
- Class 1207 Container Garden – live plants only
- Class 1208 Fairy Garden – must contain live plants

# Division 13

## 4-H & FFA FORESTRY

Superintendent:

Exhibit and Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Each member may enter up to two exhibits in 4-H Forestry but only one entry per class. Participants can exhibit in a collection phase and one other class, 1305-1310, or they may exhibit in any two non-collection classes, 1305-1310.
3. All leaf exhibits are to be mounted on 8 ½" x 11" heavy stock paper and placed in loose-leaf binders. (Magnetic or adhesive filler sheets for photographic prints or sheet protectors are recommended.) Twigs and fruit collections may be exhibited in whatever manner you choose. Maximum tri fold size is 3' x 4'. Resources for exhibiting are located on the Kansas 4-H forestry project page: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/plant-environmental-science/forestry/>
4. Name, club, age, and year in project should be in front cover or in a prominent location.
5. Leaves should be identified with an appropriate label located near the leaf on the same page. These labels should include (1) The proper common name as listed in the 4-H Bulletin 334, "List of Native Kansas Forest Trees" (<https://www.bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/4H334.pdf>); (2) Scientific name (optional in 2025 and required in 2026) (3) Location (City and/or county) where collected (4) Date (day, month, year) or (month, day, year) collected.
6. Divide specimens into the following two sections: Native Kansas Trees, and Non-Native Trees. (<https://www.bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/4H334.pdf>)
7. New specimens are those specimens collected during the current 4-H year and cannot be a duplicate tree species of previously displayed specimens.
8. Group specimens according to the years collected (ex: "old-previous years" and "new")
9. Variations of varieties do not count as different species or specimens.
10. When replacing a previously displayed sample, due to degradation, improper mounting or incorrect identification, the specimen label must also be updated. Replacements do not count as new specimens. Replacements should be displayed in the "old previous" section of the display.
11. If you retrieve information for your forestry exhibit, you must include a reference citation to the source.
12. In all leaf collections, exhibit one complete leaf where possible. If leaf is too large, exhibit as much as possible. Sketch in reduced scale the entire leaf and illustrate where the exhibited portion is from. Note: A "leaflet" is incorrect when displayed as the complete leaf for the tree.
13. All work must show originality. Leaf collections and displays should not closely resemble work done by others in the same club.

### Section A – Leaf Collections

#### **\*Class 1301 Forestry Collection: Beginning** (Choose either A or B)

Only those exhibiting at the fair for the first year may enter this class.

- a. Exhibit leaves of a minimum of 10 different leaves from native Kansas trees collected within the year. Exhibit can include non-native leaves in addition to the required number of leaf specimens collected from native Kansas trees.
- b. Exhibit a minimum of 5 native Kansas trees showing leaf, twig and fruit from each species collected.

#### **\*Class 1302 Forestry Collection: Intermediate** (Choose either A or B)

This class is open to those exhibiting either for the first or second time at the fair.

- a. Exhibit a minimum of 20 different leaves (including 10 new specimens) from native Kansas trees. Exhibit can include non-native leaves in addition to the required number of leaf specimens collected from native Kansas trees.
- b. Exhibit a minimum of 10 native Kansas trees showing leaf, twig and fruit from each species collected. This exhibit must include 5 new leaf, twig and fruit specimens.

#### **\*Class 1303 Forestry Collection: Senior** (Choose either A or B)

This class is open to those exhibiting either for the third or fourth time at the fair.

- a. Exhibit a minimum of 30 different leaves (including 10 new specimens) from native Kansas trees. Exhibit can include non-native leaves in addition to the required number of leaf specimens collected from native Kansas trees.
- b. Exhibit a minimum of 15 native Kansas trees showing leaf, twig, and fruit from each species collected. This exhibit must include 5 new leaf, twig and fruit specimens.

#### **\*Class 1304 Forestry Collection: Advanced** (Choose either A or B)

This class is open to those exhibiting the fifth time or more at the fair.

- a. Exhibit a minimum of 40 different leaves (including 20 new specimens) from native Kansas trees. Exhibit can include non-native leaves in addition to the required number of leaf specimens collected from native Kansas trees.
- b. Exhibit a minimum of 20 native Kansas trees showing leaf, twig and fruit from each species collected. This exhibit must include 10 new leaf, twig and fruit specimens.

### Section B – Trees/Forestry

- \*Class 1305 How a Tree Grows – Notebook:** Entry may include a project notebook with 10 or more seeds collected with pictures showing a germination study or a mounting of a thin section of wood cut from the end of a log or top of stump labeled with information such as kind of wood and age of tree when cut or exhibit an illustration of a how a tree grows.
- \*Class 1306 Tree Appreciation Display – Notebook:** Entry may include a research or reporting notebook with no more than 10 pages based on the exhibitor's selected tree. Exhibit must be a different species of tree each year. This notebook may include sketches, drawings, pictures, a story or any other things which will help tell about the tree you have selected.
- \*Class 1307 Growing and Protecting Trees Display/Notebook -** Entry requires a display, or project notebook, telling about project and pictures before, during, and after planting seedlings, a container tree, or a balled and burlapped tree. Maximum tri-fold size is 3' x 4'.
- \*Class 1308 Tree Culture Display/Notebook -** Entry requires a display, or project notebook, showing your project work and includes pictures of before, during and after wood lot improvement. Maximum tri-fold size is 3' x 4'.
- \*Class 1309 How Forests Serve Us -** Entry may include collected wood samples (all or partial) and 2-page essay. Wood sample display to be mounted on poster board or any stiff mounting material no larger than a 3' x 4' tri-fold. Essay should be displayed in a covered binder.
- \*Class 1310 Educational/Creative Exhibit -** Exhibit must be directly related to tree identification or Forestry. Type of exhibit is open (notebook, poster, collection box, etc.) given a maximum tri-fold size of 3' x 4'. Care should be taken to use durable materials that will withstand Fair conditions. This is a good class to exhibit an unusual collection.

# Division 14

## 4-H & FFA HORTICULTURE AND LANDSCAPE DESIGN

Superintendent:

Exhibit and Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. All horticultural exhibits must be grown by the exhibitor.
3. Use a sturdy disposable plate, bowl or container that will support the weight of the produce.

### Section A – Horticulture

- \*Class 1401 **Small vegetable specimen plate** (12) Ex: green snap beans, yellow wax beans, radishes, cherry tomatoes, or other small vegetables.
- \*Class 1402 **Medium vegetable specimen plate** (5) Ex: cucumbers, tomatoes, beets, white onions, yellow onions, red onions, radishes, bell peppers, other peppers, okra, parsnips, turnips, sweet potatoes, red potatoes, white or Russet potatoes, carrots, miniature pumpkin, decorative gourds, garlic, or other medium vegetables.
- \*Class 1403 **Large vegetable specimen plate** (1) Ex: watermelon, summer squash, winter squash, large type pumpkin, eggplant, cabbage, cantaloupe, or other large vegetables.
- \*Class 1404 **Fresh Culinary herbs** (6) ex: parsley, basil, dill, etc. Six stems (or a comparable quantity) of one variety of fresh herbs must be exhibited in a disposable container of water. Dried herbs are not accepted.
- \*Class 1405 **Small fruits** (one half pint box) Ex. Strawberries, blackberries, raspberries, or other similar sized fruits. (if other, please include name of fruit on entry).
- \*Class 1406 **Tree fruits** (plate of 5) Ex. apples, pears, peaches, or similar sized fruits.
- \*Class 1407 **Grapes** (plate of 2 bunches)
- \*Class 1408 **Garden Display**: Each exhibitor in this class will be limited to four square feet of space. The Garden Display must be exhibited in a tray, basket or container that can be easily moved by the fair staff. The exhibit consists of 5 different types of fresh vegetables or fruits. Canned products and shelled vegetables are not acceptable. Only one variety of each type of vegetable or fruit may be exhibited. The numbers of the 5 types of vegetables or fruits to be exhibited are as follows:
  - Large Vegetables (One Each): Cabbage, Cantaloupe, Eggplant, Large Pumpkin, Squash, Watermelon
  - Medium Vegetables (Five Each): Beets, Carrots, Cucumbers, Decorative Gourds, Potatoes, Miniature Pumpkins, Okra, Onions, Peppers, Radishes, Sweet Potatoes, Tomatoes, Garlic, or other similar sized vegetable
  - Small Vegetables (Twelve Each): Green snap beans, wax beans, English peas, Cherry and Pear Tomatoes, or other similar sized vegetables
  - Small fruits (One half pint box): Strawberries, blackberries, raspberries, or other similar sized fruits.
  - Tree fruits (5 each): Apples, pears, peaches, or similar sized fruits.
  - Grapes (2 bunches)

### Section B – Notebook

- \*Class 1409 **Notebook** - Entry shall consist of a notebook or three ring binder of written narrative describing a horticulture project such as a landscape design, landscape installation, lawn renovation, water garden, flower garden, vegetable garden, lawn mowing service, landscape maintenance business, farmer's market business, or other horticultural project. 4-H'ers are encouraged to include photographs, illustrations and/or landscape drawings that help explain work done by the member. Photos taken from the same location before, during and after the completion of the project are particularly helpful. Horticulture notebook scoring is based on the following criteria: Organization and General Appearance (neat, includes title page and table of contents, original, creative, etc.) 20%, Narrative (including goals, successes, failures, etc.) 40%, General Content (subject matter, photos, maps, knowledge gained, etc.) 40%.

# Division 15

## 4-H SEWING AND TEXTILE DESIGN (CLOTHING & TEXTILES)

Superintendent: Leann Demars

Exhibit Check In: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

Judging: Wednesday, July 8, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Articles, garments and outfits may have been used/worn but should be carefully laundered or cleaned before being exhibited.
3. Exhibits should be placed in clear plastic bags. Bags will be removed for clothing display purposes. Items should be hung on swivel or wire hangers (no plastic hangers). Multiple piece exhibits should be fastened together.
4. Identification labels (sew or use a safety pin, no straight pins may be used to attach these items)
  - a. Type or print on 3" x 2 ½" piece of cloth: Class Number, District/County, Name, and number of pieces in exhibit i.e. 1 of 2, 2 of 2.
  - b. Attach labels on inside of garment with safety pin or corner stitches (back of neck, center back of waistband, or left end of apron band). Label each piece.
  - c. **Please use a string to tie together the hangers of exhibits that require more than one hanger. Examples: Dress and Jacket, Top and Skirt.**
5. Pre-cut kits are acceptable for all clothing classes. All articles/garments must be finished for use.
6. Since care labels are not always available, no care labels will be required. 4-H members should know how to care for fabrics they purchase.
7. **Educational Exhibit Classes:** Share with others what you learned in the Sewing and Textile project. Exhibits may be in the form of a poster, notebook or display. Take care to select durable materials that will withstand fair conditions. No card table displays are allowed. If the exhibit is a poster, it must be no larger than 22"x 28". If the exhibit is a display, maximum size is not to exceed a standard commercial 3'x4' tri-fold display board. Name and District/County must be clearly marked on educational exhibits.
8. **Recycled Clothing Project:** An item made of at least 50% recycled material (recycled means reusing an existing item in a new way). Could be remaking/redesigning a garment, re-purposing a clothing item for a new use, etc. Must include sewing of some kind. An index card (no larger than 4"x6") MUST accompany entry describing the recycled materials and how they were used in the item.
9. When the exhibit is a sewn garment that also includes one or more Fiber Art techniques (i.e. knitting, crochet, needle arts, or patchwork and quilting), the determination of what division (Clothing or Fiber Arts) and class in which to enter will be left with the 4-H participant.
10. If deserving, a Champion Wool Garment Award will be awarded to the 4-H member with the best wool garment (Clothing or Fiber Arts). To be eligible, item must be made of 60% or more wool. Entry tag must be labeled with the fiber content. Any garment meeting the wool fiber qualification will be automatically entered into the champion wool garment selection. No pre-entry required for this award.

### Section A – Clothing & Textiles

#### Beginner (4-H age 7-8)

- Class 1501 Sewing Box**, should contain but not limited to: hand sewing needles, machine needles, needle threader, shears, small scissors, seam ripper, chalk, pins, thimble, tape measure, seam gauge, pin cushion and thread in a sewing box or container.
- Class 1502 Sewing Kit**, **Kits that come with clear instructions and all materials to complete the project. Might include a pre-started piece.**
- Class 1503 Constructed article, garment or outfit.** (example: table runners, pillowcases, place mats, curtains, etc.)
- Class 1504 Educational Exhibit, a notebook, poster or display**
- Class 1505 Recycled Clothing Project**

#### Junior (4-H age 9-11)

- \*Class 1506 Constructed article, garment or outfit.** (example: table runners, pillowcases, place mats, curtains, etc.)
- \*Class 1507 Educational Exhibit, a notebook, poster or display.**
- \*Class 1508 Recycled Clothing Project**

#### Intermediate (4-H age 12-14)

- \*Class 1509 Constructed article, garment or outfit.** (example: table runners, pillowcases, place mats, curtains, etc.)
- \*Class 1510 Educational Exhibit, a notebook, poster or display**
- \*Class 1511 Recycled Clothing Project**

#### Senior (4-H age 15-18)

- \*Class 1512 Constructed article, garment or outfit.** (example: table runners, pillowcases, place mats, curtains, etc.)

- \*Class 1513 Educational Exhibit, a notebook, poster or display
- \*Class 1514 Recycled Clothing Project

# Division 16

## 4-H FASHION REVUE - SHOPPING IN STYLE

Superintendent: Leann Demars

Exhibit Check In: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

Judging: Wednesday, July 8, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. No live animals may accompany participant, except for needed service animals.
3. 4-H'ers must participate in the Public Fashion Revue to receive ribbon and premium money.
4. 4-H'ers must model the garment they constructed or purchased within the current 4-H year. If a 4-H'er has constructed a child's garment, the child may model that garment. Constructed garments modeled in the Fashion Revue must also be entered in the clothing division for pre-fair judging.
5. Participant may only model what can be worn. Garments cannot be carried.
6. Contestants should use good sense in choosing items that are appropriate to be modeling publicly.
7. 4-H members may have a maximum of one entry in Fashion Revue Buymanship and one entry in Fashion Revue Construction for a total of two (2) entries.
8. A complete description and Cost-Per-Wear Form for each entry are due to the Extension office by Wednesday, July 1. Late descriptions will not be eligible for Grand and Reserve Champion.
9. **Child's Constructed Garment:** An outfit or garment sewn by a 4-H member for a younger child. The outfit/garment will only be judged in consultation judging under Division 15. This class is not judged during the Fashion Revue but the child may participate in the Public Fashion Revue. Pre-entry is required for the child to participate in the Public Fashion Revue.
10. **Constructed Garments Revue:** Majority of the outfit must be constructed and modeled by the 4-H member who made the garment/outfit. Everything which is commonly considered an outer garment must be constructed (vest, jacket, dress, skirt, pants, coat, etc.) A sweater, blouse or shirt that is worn underneath another constructed garment can be purchased or made.
11. **Buymanship Revue:** Majority of the outfit must be purchased (not borrowed) and modeled by the 4-H member or made by another individual for the 4-H member if the fabric and pattern were chosen by the 4-H member. Everything which is commonly considered an outer garment must be purchased by the 4-H member or constructed by another person (vest, jacket, dress, skirt, pants, coat, etc.).
12. **Shopping In Style Educational Display:** 4-H members will learn what clothing styles look best on them while they also gain skills in building a versatile wardrobe and staying within their budget. Each year enrolled in Shopping in Style should build on previous year's learning experience.

Exhibit one of the following options that align with the 4-H member's Shopping in Style level.

- a. Posters can be flat poster board or foam board, no larger than 22"x28".
  - b. Tri-fold educational displays must be free standing and no larger than 36"x48"
  - c. Photos of 4-H members in purchased garments, and may also must demonstrate criteria as outlined on scoresheet. Consider multiple angles, good light and highlight details so that the judge may accurately evaluate the exhibit.
  - d. Exhibits should include actual photos of 4-H member in garments, and may also include pictures from magazines or the internet.
13. *If your county has any special instructions about displaying garments at fair, etc. that information may be entered here.*

### Section A – Child's Constructed Garment

**Class 1601** Child's constructed garment

### Section B – Junior Fashion Revue (4-H age 7-9)

**Class 1602** Constructed garment by 4-H'er  
**Class 1603** Buymanship garment or outfit for young women  
**Class 1604** Buymanship garment or outfit for young men

### Section C – Intermediate Fashion Revue (4-H age 10-13)

**\*Class 1605** Constructed garment by 4-H'er  
**\*Class 1606** Buymanship garment or outfit for young women  
**\*Class 1607** Buymanship garment or outfit for young men

### Section D – Senior Fashion Revue (4-H age 14-18)

**\*Class 1608** Constructed garment by 4-H'er  
**\*Class 1609** Buymanship garment or outfit for young women  
**\*Class 1610** buymanship garment or outfit for young men

### Section E – Shopping in Style Educational Display

**\*Class 1611** Junior (4-H Age 7-9) (Only 9-year-olds will be eligible for the State Fair)

**\*Class 1612 Intermediate (4-H Age 10-13)**

**\*Class 1613 Senior (4-H age 14-18)**

# Division 17

## 4-H FIBER ARTS

Superintendent:

Exhibit Check In: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

Judging: Wednesday, July 8, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Fiber Arts is defined as any method of creating a unique design with fiber, fabric or yarn. This may include making fabric (such as weaving, crochet, knitting, needlepoint) or when existing fabric is changed into something quite different (such as quilting or embroidery or ethnic art.) Ethnic Fiber Arts should use a fiber, yarn or fabric to create the design exhibit. Non-textile (examples include wood, reed, straw, grass, etc.) baskets/pieces should be entered in the Visual Arts Division.
3. When the exhibit is a sewn garment that also includes one or more Fiber Art techniques (i.e. knitting, crochet, needle arts, or patchwork and quilting), the determination of what division (Clothing or Fiber Arts) and class in which to enter will be left with the 4-H participant.
4. Exhibit all items in a clear plastic bag.
5. Identification labels must be used. Type or print on 3" x 2 1/2" piece of cloth: Class Number, District/County, Name, and Fiber Content. Sew or safety pen ID label on the corner of flat articles. For garments, attach ID label front left shoulder seam or left side of waist band. Label each piece.
6. All exhibits which need to be hung MUST have the appropriate sawtooth hanger, rod, wire, or other mechanism attached in order to be properly displayed. If the required hardware is not attached, it may not be displayed.
7. When articles, which are normally worn as a pair, are exhibited, both articles must be shown together. Fasten articles together securely with yarn.
8. Special consideration will be given to articles which are of original design.
9. If deserving, a Champion Wool Garment Award will be awarded to the 4-H member with the best wool garment (Clothing or Fiber Arts). To be eligible, the item must be made of 60% wool or more. Entry tag must be labeled with the fiber content. Any garment meeting the wool fiber qualification will automatically be entered into the champion wool garment selection. No pre-entry required for this award.

### Section A – Fiber Arts

**Class 1701 Crocheting Work Kit**

**\*Class 1702 Crochet**, an article including felted items

**Class 1703 Knitting Work Kit**

**\*Class 1704 Knitting**, an article made either by hand or by knitting machine, including felted items

**\*Class 1705 Needle Arts**, an article created by hand using one or more of the following techniques:

- embroidery and cross-stitch
- needlepoint
- candlewicking
- crewel
- lacework
- applique

**\*Class 1706 Patchwork and Quilting**, an article - It is acceptable practice for the exhibitor to create the patchwork or quilted article and have someone else quilt it.

**\*Class 1707 Rug Making**, a rug - acceptable techniques include braiding, latch hook, tying, floor cloth, etc. The finished product should be an item that would be used in the home.

**\*Class 1708 Spinning**, a skein - minimum 10 yards in length

**\*Class 1709 Weaving**, a woven article - Members should attach information about the type of loom or process used. Woven wood reed baskets should be exhibited in Visual Arts.

**\*Class 1710 Ethnic Arts**, an article: This is defined as a Fiber Art/Textile technique that is associated with a specific country or culture. It is a practical skill that was developed to provide basic family needs such as apparel, home furnishing or decorations. It is also defined as a method that has been maintained throughout history and passed on to others, often by observation and by example. Some examples such as batik, Swedish huck towel weaving, mud cloth, bobbin weaving, tatting, felted items that are not knitted or crocheted, etc. Members should attach information on the history of the ethnic fiber art, where it was used, by whom, how it was used, short description of the technique, etc.

**\*Class 1711 Macramé**, an article

**\*Class 1712 Fiber Arts Educational Notebook**. Share with others what you learned in this project about a particular Fiber Art. Exhibits should be in the form of a notebook or binder. The notebook should include a narrative section describing the fiber art. It should include a clear description of the project, technique, budget, supplies, goals, accomplishments, successes, failures, and future plans. It may include sample of techniques, how-tos, photographs of completed projects, or other ways of educating others about fiber arts. NOTE: a collection of brochures, web pages, patterns, record book forms, etc. does not constitute an educational notebook. Name, local unit and fiber art covered must be clearly marked in the notebook.

**Class 1713 Recycled Fiber Art** – An item made of at least 50% recycled material (recycled means reusing an existing item in a new way.)

**Class 1714 Fiber Arts Kit-** Kits that come with clear instructions and all materials to complete the project. Might include a pre-started piece. Examples may include Woobles kits.

# Division 18

## 4-H FOODS – FOODS AND NUTRITION

Superintendent: Stacy Letourneau

Exhibit and Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. A **copy** of the complete recipe with ingredients and instructions must be brought with the entry or the placing will be lowered one ribbon when judged. Recipe may be photocopied, typed, or handwritten. The 4-H'er's name must be at the top of the page of each recipe. If a mix is allowed for a class, bring back panel from the box or package with the exhibit.
3. Each exhibit must be accompanied by an exhibit entry card. **DO NOT ATTACH TO EXHIBIT.**
4. All baked goods such as cakes and pies must be left whole and uncut. Small items, such as cookies and rolls, should be the same shape and from the same recipe. Items such as cookie bars, scotcheroos, and brownies should be cut into 2"x2" squares. Exhibit 3 cookies, 3 muffins, 3 bread sticks, 3 brownies, 1 loaf bread, etc.
5. Any baked product that can be removed from the pan should be placed on a plate, covered cardboard or disposable container of appropriate size for the exhibit. Coffee cakes and other quick cakes, like banana cake, may remain in a disposable pan. Cupcakes may be in liners but muffins should not be in liners.
6. Exhibits should be in food grade plastic bags, disposable plastic containers or boxes of appropriate size for the exhibit.
7. Pies and cakes should be entered in disposable aluminum tins.
8. All un-frosted cakes should be exhibited in an upright position with crust showing, except for those cakes made with special designs such as Bundt cakes. They should have top crust down.
9. **COMMERCIAL MIXES ACCEPTED** only for 4-H ages 7-8. This includes using a commercial mix as an ingredient.
10. Underbaked entries will be lowered one or more ribbon placings.
11. For food safety purposes, any entries with frostings and fillings must calculate the amount of sugar in the frosting/filling recipe only. Calculation must be attached to entry, or the placing will be lowered one ribbon when judged. Frosting and fillings need to contain more than 65% sugar for safety. Examples on how to calculate this percentage are included in the publication located at: [https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/item/frostings-and-fillings-worksheet\\_4H1171](https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/item/frostings-and-fillings-worksheet_4H1171)
12. For food safety purposes, any food with custard and dairy-based fillings and frostings (ex: cream cheese regardless of sugar content), raw eggs, flavored oils, "canned" bread/cakes in a jar, cut fresh fruit, any food requiring refrigeration, unbaked exhibit with raw flour, or entries not meeting the required sugar calculation will be disqualified and not judged. Refer to K-State Research and Extension publication, 4-H488, *Judge's Guide for Food and Nutrition Exhibits*, <https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/4H488.pdf>, and MF3544, Food Safety for Frostings and Fillings <https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/MF3544.pdf> for information to help you make informed, safe food exhibit decisions. Vegetable shortening frostings are recommended.
13. Alcohol (ex. Wine, beer, and hard liquor) is not allowed as an ingredient in food entries. Entries with alcohol will be disqualified and not be judged.
14. **Food Gift Package:** No alcoholic beverages will be accepted. A food gift package must contain at least three different **non-perishable** food items (prepared for human consumption), made by the 4-H'er, in a suitable container no larger than 18"x18"x18". Prepared food items must have recipes attached with the entry. Additional homemade food items beyond the 3 minimum or purchased items also may be included in the gift basket. On a 3 x 5 card, answer these questions: a) what is the intended use; b) what food safety precautions were taken during and after preparation. This entry will count as a non-perishable food product, not as an educational exhibit. Home canned foods must follow Food Preservation rules. Canning jars should not be used for baking per manufacturer's instructions. They could break during baking. **Any brand name products in the basket must have the labels covered. Do not cellophane wrap your basket. All items in the gift basket must be non-perishable and if they have frosting or glaze, you must include the sugar percentage worksheet.**
15. **Educational exhibits** may be in the form of a poster, notebook or display. Follow the copyright laws as explained in the General Rules. Take care to select materials that will withstand fair conditions. No card table displays are allowed. If the exhibit is a poster, it must be no larger than 22"x 28". Displays are not to exceed a standard commercial 3' x4' tri-fold display board. Name and county/district must be clearly marked on educational exhibits. Note: A collection of your favorite recipes in a recipe box or notebook does not constitute an educational exhibit.
16. **Recipe Collection: Notebook** or recipe file which should include recipes used that are age appropriate (other recipes may be included). Guidelines: Division of food categories in alphabetical order. Directions must be easily read. Minimum of five (5) new recipes must be added for each year the 4-H'er is enrolled in the project.
17. **Whole Wheat Contest:** Food item must contain 50% or more whole wheat flour of total flour content. At check-in for Foods judging, inform the superintendent that you would like to participate in the Whole Wheat Contest. **A food product must receive a purple ribbon in order to be in the running for this award.**

### Section A – Beginner (4-H ages 7-8)

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| Class 1801 | Non-perishable food product               |
| Class 1802 | Educational Exhibit (See rule # 15 above) |
| Class 1803 | Food Gift Package (See rule #14 above)    |
| Class 1805 | Recipe Collection (See rule #16 above)    |

**Section B – Junior (4-H age 9-11)**

- \*Class 1806 Non-perishable food product**
- \*Class 1807 Educational Exhibit** (See rule # 15 above)
- \*Class 1808 Food Gift Package** (See rule #14 above)
- Class 1810 Recipe Collection** (See rule #16 above)

**Section C – Intermediate (4-H age 12-14)**

- \*Class 1811 Non-perishable food product**
- \*Class 1812 Educational Exhibit** (See rule # 15 above)
- \*Class 1813 Food Gift Package** (See rule #14 above)
- Class 1815 Recipe Collection** (See rule #16 above)

**Section D – Senior (4-H age 15-18)**

- \*Class 1816 Non-perishable food product**
- \*Class 1817 Educational Exhibit** (See rule # 15 above)
- \*Class 1818 Food Gift Package** (See rule #14 above)
- Class 1820 Recipe Collection** (See rule #16 above)

# Division 19

## 4-H FOODS – FAVORITE FOOD SHOW

Exhibit Check In: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

Judging: Sunday, June 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. For all rules and guidelines, refer to the River Valley Favorite Food Show Handbook located at: [https://www.rivervalley.k-state.edu/program-areas/4-h/fair\\_forms/favorite\\_food\\_show/](https://www.rivervalley.k-state.edu/program-areas/4-h/fair_forms/favorite_food_show/)
3. under Foods & Nutrition.
4. To be eligible for this division, you must have participated in one of the River Valley District Favorite Food Shows.

### Section A – Favorite Food Show

**Class 1901** **Beginner** (4-H age 7-8)

**Class 1902** **Junior** (4-H age 9-11)

**Class 1903** **Intermediate** (4-H age 12-14)

**Class 1904** **Senior** (4-H age 15-18)

# Division 20

## 4-H FOOD PRESERVATION

Superintendent: Stacy Letourneau  
Exhibit and Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Exhibits must have been preserved since the previous year's county fair and not exhibited at the previous State Fair.
3. Recipes and processing methods must be from the current, tested resources listed below AND MUST BE ADJUSTED FOR ELEVATION based on your processing location or it will be disqualified. Processing methods that will be disqualified include: open kettle-canning, oven canning, sun canning and using electric multi-cookers. If using the Presto Precise ® Digital Pressure Canner, please indicate the appliance is used for either water bath or pressure canning. Untested recipes will be disqualified for food safety reasons. Current, tested recipe and processing method resources include:
  - K-State Research and Extension Food Preservation publications
  - Other University Extension Food Preservation publications
  - USDA Complete Guide to Home Canning, @2015
  - So Easy to Preserve, 6<sup>th</sup> edition, The University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service
  - Ball® Blue Book Guide to Preserving, Edition 38
  - Ball® Complete Book of Home Preserving @2024
  - Canning mixes (i.e. Mrs. Wage's, Ball®)
  - Pectin manufacturers (i.e. SureJell, Ball®)
  - KSRE Rapid Response Center Preservation Recipes
  - National Center for Home Food Preservation
  - Ball®
4. Alcohol is not allowed as an ingredient in food preservation entries. Entries with alcohol will be disqualified and not be judged.
5. There are no safe recommendations to can white peaches or elderberries.
6. Each exhibit must have the complete recipe and instructions attached with the entry card, or it will be lowered one ribbon placing. If pressure is not adjusted based on elevation, the exhibit will be disqualified. Recipe must include exhibitor name, recipe source, and date of publication and elevation where food was processed. If using Mrs. Wage's or Ball® mixes, indicate the date the mix was purchased.
7. Exhibits must be **heat processed** in clean, clear standard canning jars, with **new** matching brand (ex: use Ball® lids on Ball® jars, etc.) two-piece lids. **This includes fermented foods.** Do not use colored jars, fancy padded lids, fabric over wraps or cozies as they interfere with the judging process. **Do not reuse jars from commercial food product (ex: spaghetti sauce jars).** No fancy packs unless recipe states to do so (ex: Pickled asparagus). Jars must be sealed when entered. For food safety reasons, the size of jars used must not be larger than the jar size stated in the recipe. (ex: Salsa is canned in pint jars only, no quarts. Note: There are 12-ounce, 24-ounce, and 28-ounce canning jars available and may be used. Use pint jar process recommendations for 12 ounce jars. Use quart jar process recommendations for 24 ounce and 28 ounce jars.
8. Each jar exhibited must be labeled. The label must not cover brand name of jar. The label must give: Class Number, Product, Elevation where processed, Canning Method, (water bath, weighted gauge or dial gauge pressure method). Process Time, Pressure (psi), Date processed including month and year, Name and County/District. Label templates to make adhesive labels may be found at:  
[https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/docs/foods-and-nutrition/Foods\\_Label.pdf](https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/docs/foods-and-nutrition/Foods_Label.pdf)
9. If dried food product is not in a canning jar, it will be lowered one ribbon rating. Suggested amount: 1/3 - 1/2 cup, or three or four pieces per exhibit. Dried products must include the recipe, preparation steps, and heating instructions.
10. All meat jerky must be heated to an internal temperature of 160- degree F before and after drying. This is not the drying temperature! Jerky not heated to an internal temperature of 160-degree F will be disqualified and not be judged. Heating information can be found in "Dry Meat Safely at Home" [www.ksre.ksu.edu/bookstore/pubs/MF3173.pdf](http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/bookstore/pubs/MF3173.pdf)

### Section A – Beginner (4-H age 7-8)

- Class 2001** Sweet Spreads (Fruit and/or Vegetables), Syrups; One jar  
**Class 2002** Fruits, Juices, Fruit mixtures (Salsa, Pie Filling, etc.) One jar  
**Class 2003** Low Acid Vegetables (green beans, corn, etc. or vegetable mixtures.); One jar  
**Class 2004** Pickles (Fruit or Vegetable) Fermented Foods, Relishes and Chutney; One jar  
**Class 2005** Tomato/Tomato Products Tomato Juice and Tomato Salsas; (Salsa in pints only, no quarts): One jar  
**Class 2006** Canned Meats; One jar  
**Class 2007** Dried Foods: One Small Jar (Does NOT include freeze dried.)

### Section B – Junior (4-H age 9-11)

- \*Class 2008** Sweet Spreads (Fruit and/or Vegetables), Syrups; One jar  
**\*Class 2009** Fruits, Juices, Fruit mixtures (Salsa, Pie Filling, etc.) One jar

- \*Class 2010 **Low Acid Vegetables** (green beans, corn, etc. or vegetable mixtures.); One jar
- \*Class 2011 **Pickles** (Fruit or Vegetable) Fermented Foods, Relishes and Chutney; One jar
- \*Class 2012 **Tomato/Tomato Products** Tomato Juice and Tomato Salsas; (Salsa in pints only, no quarts) One jar
- \*Class 2013 **Canned Meats**; One jar
- \*Class 2014 **Dried Foods**: One Small Jar (Does NOT include freeze dried.)

**Section C – Intermediate (4-H age 12-14)**

- \*Class 2015 **Sweet Spreads** (Fruit and/or Vegetables), Syrups; One jar
- \*Class 2016 **Fruits, Juices, Fruit mixtures** (Salsa, Pie Filling, etc.) One jar
- \*Class 2017 **Low Acid Vegetables** (green beans, corn, etc. or vegetable mixtures.); One jar
- \*Class 2018 **Pickles** (Fruit or Vegetable) Fermented Foods, Relishes and Chutney; One jar
- \*Class 2019 **Tomato/Tomato Products** Tomato Juice and Tomato Salsas; (Salsa in pints only, no quarts) One jar
- \*Class 2020 **Canned Meats**; One jar
- \*Class 2021 **Dried Foods**: One Small Jar (Does NOT include freeze dried.)

**Section D – Senior (4-H age 15-18)**

- \*Class 2022 **Sweet Spreads** (Fruit and/or Vegetables), Syrups; One jar
- \*Class 2023 **Fruits, Juices, Fruit mixtures** (Salsa, Pie Filling, etc.) One jar
- \*Class 2024 **Low Acid Vegetables** (green beans, corn, etc. or vegetable mixtures.); One jar
- \*Class 2025 **Pickles** (Fruit or Vegetable) Fermented Foods, Relishes and Chutney; One jar
- \*Class 2026 **Tomato/Tomato Products** Tomato Juice and Tomato Salsas; (Salsa in pints only, no quarts) One jar
- \*Class 2027 **Canned Meats**; One jar
- \*Class 2028 **Dried Foods**: One Small Jar (Does NOT include freeze dried.)

# Division 21

## 4-H FOODS – DECORATED CAKES, CUPCAKES, AND COOKIES

Superintendent: Stacy Letourneau

Exhibit and Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules and Division 18 Foods & Nutrition Rules.
2. 4-H'ers enrolled in Foods projects may enter one decorated cake, one decorated cookies and one decorated cupcakes entry.
3. Cakes, cookies or cupcakes decorated with fondant are acceptable.
4. Cakes, cookies and cupcakes **MUST** be made or baked from a mix or scratch. A decorated food item must be a food item, not a decorated box. 4-H'ers entering decorated cakes, cookies and cupcakes are to bring: **the back panel from the cake/cookie box or package, or the recipe with the exhibit. A recipe for the frosting must be included and written on a card.** Vegetable shortening frostings are recommended, not butter, margarine, or cream. Recipe is available at the Extension Office. No canned frosting allowed.
5. Cupcakes and cookies must follow a theme (example: holiday, birthday, graduation, novelty, etc.). Must have 12 cupcakes or 12 cookies per entry. Cupcakes for the decorated cupcake contest may be displayed in liners.

### Section A – Decorated Cake

- Class 2101** **Beginner Decorated cake.** 4-H age 7-8. Can include gingerbread house.  
**Class 2102** **Junior Decorated cake.** 4-H age 9-11. Can include gingerbread house.  
**Class 2103** **Intermediate Decorated cake.** 4-H age 12-14. Can include gingerbread house.  
**Class 2104** **Senior Decorated cake.** 4-H age 15-18. Can include gingerbread house.

### Section B – Decorated Cupcakes

- Class 2105** **Beginner Decorated cupcakes.** 4-H age 7-8.  
**Class 2106** **Junior Decorated cupcakes.** 4-H age 9-11.  
**Class 2107** **Intermediate Decorated cupcakes.** 4-H age 12-14  
**Class 2108** **Senior Decorated cupcakes** 4-H age 15-18

### Section C – Decorated Cookies

- Class 2109** **Beginner Decorated cookies.** 4-H age 7-8.  
**Class 2110** **Junior Decorated cookies.** 4-H age 9-11.  
**Class 2111** **Intermediate Decorated cookies.** 4-H age 12-14  
**Class 2112** **Senior Decorated cookies** 4-H age 15-18

**Division 22**  
**4-H DOGS**  
**River Valley 4-H Dog Show**  
**Saturday, July 11th**

Superintendent: Danny McReynolds

Exhibit Check In: 8:00 a.m.

Judging: 9:00 a.m.

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. The State 4-H Dog Show Immunization Record (MG-34 Revised October 2017) must be completed for each dog at the show. The fully completed and stamped by veterinarian form must be submitted with fair pre-entry forms by **June 17, 2026**. Dogs without the immunization record will not be allowed to show. Required vaccinations include: Bordetella, Distemper, Hepatitis, Parvovirus, Parainfluenza, and Rabies. The rabies vaccination must be administered by a licensed veterinarian. All vaccinations must be current. Dogs must be at least 6 months of age at time of show.
3. The 4-H Dog Shows of the four county fairs within the River Valley Extension District will be a combined event with recognition, premiums and ribbons awarded by each individual county fair. The event will be held at the Commercial Building on the Cloud County Fairgrounds. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. Show will be at 9:00 a.m. Each county is responsible to provide a superintendent to assist at the dog show, including but not limited to, set up, tear down, records, and awards.
4. The 4-H member must have personally trained and groomed the dog they are going to show.
5. No dog in season will be allowed to show or compete and must be removed from the fairgrounds.
6. A dog may only be shown once in an Obedience class and Rally class for a total maximum of two (2) times. A dog may also be shown in multiple divisions of Showmanship if 4-H members of one 4-H family are in different age divisions.
7. Baiting dogs will not be allowed in the ring.
8. Any dog fouling the ring will receive a white ribbon. Owners should collect all dog waste in plastic bags and dispose in trash.
9. A dog and handler will be dismissed and disqualified due to the dog leaving the ring out of control, the dog being overly aggressive, or handler using abusive language or techniques, or handler displaying unsportsmanlike conduct. Any abuse of dogs on the grounds, or in the ring, will result in disqualification. This decision can be made by the judge inside the show ring and by the superintendent in any location on the show grounds.
10. A well-fitting collar of leather, chain, or fabric is to be used for Obedience and Rally Obedience; and for Showmanship, a show lead that serves as both collar and lead or a fine link chain collar, a "snake" chain, or a fabric slip collar with a narrow, lightweight fabric or leather lead. Spiked, pinch, or special training collars are not allowed. Hanging objects from collars are allowed.
11. Dogs must be kept on leash at all times except when in the obedience class. Dogs are not allowed to run at large.
12. All classes will follow rules as listed in the published Kansas 4-H Dog rule books: Kansas 4-H Dog Show Rule Book (4H1120 – January 2023);
13. Score sheets are available at <http://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/dog/Kansas%20Dog%20Show%20Rules%20Scoresheets%202021.pdf> or through your local Extension Office for showmanship and obedience.
14. **Showmanship:** Entries will be judged on fitting of the dog: clean and well brushed, tone and condition of coat; healthy appearance; teeth, toenails and eyes. Handler will be judged on alertness, grace and ease; coordination with the dog; reaction of dog to handler with straight, even gait and movement of dog.
  - Ribbon Groups: Purple 95-100 points  
Blue 90-94.5 points  
Red 80-89.5 points  
White 79.5 points or less
15. **Obedience:** A 4-H member may enter only one dog per class. See advancement rule #16. A score of 170 points or greater (blue or purple) is a qualifying score, with at least 50% in each exercise. In case of tie, a run-off on the heel free exercise will be held with one team performing at a time.
  - Ribbon Groups: Purple 190-200 points  
Blue 170-189.5 points  
Red 150-169.5 points  
White 149.5 points or less
16. **Advancement for Obedience and Rally Obedience:** After receiving two qualifying scores (blue or purple) from two different judges, an obedience level team must advance to the next level at the start of the next 4-H year.
  - Ribbon Groups: Purple 90-100 points  
Blue 80-89 points  
Red 70-79 points  
White 69 points or less

**Section A – Showmanship**

- Class 2201** **Beginner Showmanship** (4-H age 7-8)
- \*Class 2202** **Junior Showmanship** (4-H age 9-11)
- \*Class 2203** **Intermediate Showmanship** (4-H age 12-14)
- \*Class 2204** **Senior Showmanship** (4-H age 15-18)

**Section B – Obedience**

- Class 2205** **Pre-Novice A**, first year handler, first year dog only. All exercises on leash.
- Class 2206** **Pre-Novice B**, Experienced handler with first year dog, first year handler with experienced dog; or experienced handler and experienced dog. All exercises on leash.
- \*Class 2207** **Novice**, Experienced handlers with beginner dogs or those not qualifying in Novice the previous year.
- \*Class 2208** **Graduate Novice**
- \*Class 2209** **Open A**
- \*Class 2210** **Open B**
- \*Class 2211** **Utility A**
- \*Class 2212** **Utility B**

**Section C – Rally Obedience Competition**

- Class 2213** **Rally Level I** (on lead)
- \*Class 2214** **Rally Level II**
- \*Class 2215** **Rally Level III**

## Division 23

### 4-H PETS

Superintendent:

Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Pets will be brought in to show and then taken back home. All pets must be checked out immediately after being judged.
3. Pet must be caged or placed in pen.
4. Cats are required to have a collar and leash. Cats must have proof rabies and distemper shots. Bring current vaccination record to judging.
5. Any animal that has its own judging division cannot be entered in this division, (Ex: Dog, Chicken, Horse, etc.) Exception: guinea pigs and rabbits raised as pets and not meeting criteria to be shown in the Rabbit division may show here.
6. County Fair Recognition – a recognition display will be developed and displayed. Champions Awards will be designated on this display.

#### Section A – Pets

- Class 2301**    **Cats**
- Class 2302**    **Rabbits**
- Class 2303**    **Gerbils, Hamster, Ferrets, Guinea Pig**
- Class 2304**    **Reptiles, Turtles**
- Class 2305**    **Fish**
- Class 2306**    **All other Hand Pets**
- Class 2307**    **Best decorated cage or aquarium**
- Class 2308**    **Educational Exhibit – Posters (no larger than 22"x 30") or Notebooks/Scrapbooks**

# Division 24

## 4-H ENTOMOLOGY

Judging: Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup> in Belleville

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Resources for exhibiting can be found on the Kansas 4-H Entomology project page.
3. **Collection Classes**
  - A. All entries should be submitted in an 18" x 24" x 3.5" wooden display box with a clear plastic top (such as plexiglass). Boxes can be handmade or purchased as long as they are of the correct size. Box instructions and plans can be located here: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/planet-environmentalscience/entomology/docs/Guidelines%20for%20Collecting%20and%20Exhibiting%202022.pdf>
  - B. 4-H members may choose to use one of two taxonomies:
    - i. As printed in the book, *Insects in Kansas*, OR
    - ii. As printed on the Kansas State University 4-H Entomology publication, "Insects in Kansas Book: 2016 Revised Taxonomy", which comports with the taxonomic conventions of [www.bugguide.net](http://www.bugguide.net).
  - C. Each exhibitor is required to identify each box with two identification labels, both including the exhibitor's name, county/district, class, and a statement of taxonomy used.
  - D. One label goes in the upper left corner of the box (inside) and the other on the lower right corner of the box (outside). Arrange specimens in the box in the box can be displayed lengthwise.
  - E. The number of orders and specimens (and families, where required) must be included on both of the exhibitor's box identification labels. Only one adult insect per species can be used in the Collection Class (Section A) and Notebook Class (Section B), unless labeled as male or female and correctly identified.
  - F. Arrangement of specimens: The preferred method is to arrange the insects in groups or rows parallel to the short sides of the box. Specimens are to be arranged by order in the box, then family where required.
  - G. Two labels should be centered on the pin beneath each specimen. First (closest to the specimen) is the common name label and the second label should include date/locality. Full county name and state abbreviation should be on the second label. Collector's name (or host) on the date/locality label is optional.
  - H. The specimens should be collected by the exhibitor and should focus on Kansas insects. Insects may be collected from one county into bordering states and labeled accordingly. Please refer to "Entomology Collection Exhibit Resource" for full details on out-of-state insects in collections.
  - I. Only specimens of the class Insecta should be included.
  - J. Purchased insects are not to be exhibited in the Collections Class (Section A), but they may be used in Educational Displays (Section C).
  - K. Specimens of soft bodied insects such as aphids, lice, termites, etc., should be exhibited in alcohol-filled vials; however, the use of alcohol-filled vials should be limited to only those specimens that lose their shape when pinned, since the vials pose a significant hazard to the rest of the collection if they become loose in transit.
  - L. Any major violation of rules will result in the exhibit being dropped one ribbon placing. Examples would include, but are not limited to; incorrect display box size, missing paperwork, feet on display boxes, no special project in notebooks, etc.
  - M. After the first year in Entomology, all 4-H members need to add an 8 ½" x 11" sheet of paper to their collection that states what they did to improve their collection for the current year. This should include how many new insects were added to the display box (please list), how many insects were replaced in the display box (please list), and number of new orders and/or families were added to the display box. Other optional things that could be included are number of insects caught for the year, number of new orders added this year, number of talks and/or demonstrations given, activities participated in, leadership roles, etc. This paper should be taped to the upper left corner on the front of your display box.
  - N. The following insects are listed as threatened or endangered by the Fish and Wildlife Service. Because of this, no specimens of the below species may be caught or displayed in insect collections or educational displays. If specimens of these species are included in collections or educational displays, it will be counted as a major violation. Any major violation of rules will result in the exhibit being dropped one ribbon placing.
    - i. American Burying Beetle (*Nicrophorus Americanus*)
    - ii. Monarch Butterfly (*Danaus Plexippus*)
    - iii. Eastern Regal Fritillary Butterfly (*Argynnis Idalia Idalia* or *Speyeria Idalia*)
    - iv. Western Regal Fritillary Butterfly (*Argynnis Idalia Occidentalis* or *Speyerina Occidentalis*)
    - v. Great Spangled Fritillary (*Speyeria Cybele*)
  - O. Threatened or endangered species cannot be displayed in collections, BUT pictures are allowed. Pictures must be of the live species. Youth cannot kill the insects to take pictures or damage the habitat.
  - P. A minimum of ten new specimens must be added or replaced each year.
  - Q. Do not put the spindle-shaped bag of a Bagworm in your collections (as a female example of the species.) These bags must be cut open to determine if the caterpillar inside is a male or a female. Opening the box to confirm the ID correctness could pose a significant risk to the collection.
  - R. As outlined in the General Guidelines, "Exhibitors at the Cloud County Fair are entered and displayed at the risk of the exhibitor." For projects displayed in box-style exhibits- such as Entomology or Geology- that must be opened for judging,

exhibitors may choose to include a closure mechanism on the box. While closures are not required, their use will not result in a ribbon deduction. Acceptable options include Velcro Strips or hook-style fasteners. Closures should not interfere with the box's ability to be displayed on a shelf and may not be lockable.

#### 4. Notebook Classes

- A. Individual entries are to be placed for display in a three-ring notebook for competition. For the Intermediate and Advanced level, two notebooks may be used. A Title Page must be placed in the front of the second notebook. (Refer back to Rule #3 in Notebook Rules.)
- B. 4-H members may choose to use one of two taxonomies:
  - i. As printed in the book, *Insects in Kansas*, OR
  - ii. As printed on the Kansas State University 4-H Entomology publication, "Insects in Kansas Book: 2016 Revised Taxonomy", which comports with the taxonomic conventions of [www.bugguide.net](http://www.bugguide.net).
- C. 4-H members who have been previously enrolled in or are currently enrolled in the other phases of the Entomology project need to start with the Beginning Phase of Entomology Notebooks, not the Introductory Phase.
- D. Each exhibitor is required to identify the notebook by placing a Title Page in the front of the notebook bearing the exhibitors name, county or district and class the 4-H member is enrolled in and statement of taxonomy used:
  - i. As printed in the book, *Insects in Kansas*, OR
  - ii. As printed on the Kansas State University 4-H Entomology publication, which follows [www.bugguide.net](http://www.bugguide.net)The number of orders, specimens, and families (required in Intermediate and Advanced classes) must also be included on the Title Page.
- E. Specimen pages should be grouped according to order and should include one page per species. If more than one insect is in the photo, an arrow to indicate the identified insect should be used.
- F. Date, common name, full county name, and state abbreviation should be included for each species. The collector's name on the specimen page is optional.
- G. Specimen pages should have two different views of the insect, if possible. If pictures are taken on different dates/localities, include information for both.
- H. A statement describing the habitat where the specimen was found/host plant will be worth 10 bonus points (total, not per page). For Intermediate and Advanced notebooks, this is strongly encouraged.
- I. A divider page is to be placed in front of each order of insects with the order name printed on the tab for the page as well as on the front of the divider page.
- J. For the Intermediate and Advanced classes, insects are also to be grouped by family behind each order divider.
- K. After the first year in Entomology, all 4-H members need to add an 8 ½ x 11" sheet of paper to their photo collection notebook that states what they did to improve their notebook for the current year. This should include how many new insect photo pages were added to the notebook (please list), how many insect photo pages were replaced in the notebook (please list), and number of new orders and/or families added to the notebook. Other optional things that could be included are number of insects photographed for the year, number of new orders added this year, number of talks and/or demonstrations given, activities participated in, leadership roles, etc. This paper should be placed right behind the title page in your notebook.
- L. A special project must be completed each year and included in the notebook. See project guideline materials for specifications.
- M. Any major violation of rules will result in the exhibit being dropped one ribbon placing. Examples would include, but are not limited to; incorrect photo size, missing paperwork, no special project in notebooks, etc.
- N. A minimum of ten photo pages of new species must be added or replaced each year.

#### 5. Educational Display Classes

- A. Share with others what you learned in this project. Exhibit any activity or learning experience related to the field of entomology or the Teaming with Insects curriculum that does not fit into Entomology Collection or Notebook classes above.
- B. The exhibit may be, but is not limited to, original works, digital presentations presented on a USB Drive (must provide printed hardcopy for exhibit purposes for duration of state fair), programs, websites, games, apps, display box, notebook, display, or poster which the exhibitor has made.
- C. If the exhibit is a wooden display box, it must be 18" x 24" x 3.5" with a clear plastic top (such as plexiglass) and displayed horizontally. If the exhibit is a poster, it must be no larger than 22" X 28". If the exhibit is a display, maximum size is not to exceed a standard commercial 3' X 4' tri-fold display board.
- D. Name and county/district must be clearly marked on educational exhibits.
- E. Refer to the Entomology General Rule 14 for information on threatened and endangered species/specimen that cannot be displayed in educational exhibits.
- F. Any major violation of rules will result in the exhibit being dropped one ribbon placing. Examples would include, but are not limited to; incorrect display box size, missing paperwork, feet on display boxes, no reference for information and/or photos, etc.

#### 6. Monarch Butterfly Educational Display

Monarch Butterflies were officially put on the endangered species list on July 21, 2022. Having the specific name *Danaus Plexippus*, the migratory butterfly is well-known for its spectacular annual journey of up to 3,000 miles across the Americas. It is now threatened with extinction due to habitat loss and climate change. 4-H members can play a critical role in helping bring the habitat back for the Monarch butterfly. They can help educate the public on ways to establish food sanctuaries for this butterfly species and bring them back from the threat of extinction.

- A. Exhibits should teach the public about the Monarch Butterfly and/or ways to protect and conserve it. The information could show nectar sources for adult butterflies and food sources for caterpillars, Monarch tagging activities, collection of native milkweed and then packaging it to give to others to plant, a group working together to plant a Monarch friendly garden, etc.
- B. 4-H members may create a poster, notebook, standard tri-fold diorama, slideshow, or other visual display that shows information on Monarch butterflies.
- C. If a slideshow is created, it should be presented on a zip drive along with a printed copy of the presentation.
- D. **Specimens of the actual Monarch Butterfly insect, caterpillars, or chrysalis MAY NOT BE USED in these displays.**

## Section A – Collection Classes

**Class 2401 Introductory Entomology** - Designed for beginners. 4-H members may exhibit in this class for a maximum of three years. Display in one standard box. Number of specimens: 18 minimum, 50 maximum. Minimum of six basic orders, listed below:

Orthoptera: grasshoppers, crickets, katydids  
Hemiptera: true bugs  
Homoptera (suborder): cicadas, leafhoppers, aphids  
Coleoptera: beetles  
Hymenoptera: wasps, ants, bees  
Diptera: flies

Each of these six orders shall be represented by at least three different species. Order labels shall be pinned to the base of the box. Two labels are required on each specimen. See Rule 3.G above for more information.

**\*Class 2402 Beginning I Entomology** - Display in one standard box a minimum of 50 and maximum of 125 species representing at least seven orders. Follow the guidelines listed for Collections. Members can exhibit in this class for a maximum of three years or until they receive a purple ribbon at the Kansas State Fair, whichever comes first; then, they must be moved up a division.

**\*Class 2403 Beginning II Entomology** - Display in one standard box a minimum of 75 and maximum of 150 species representing at least nine orders. Follow the guidelines listed for Collections. Members can exhibit in this class for a maximum of three years or until they receive a purple ribbon at the Kansas State Fair, whichever comes first; then, they must be moved up a division.

**\*Class 2404 Intermediate Entomology** - Display a minimum of 100 and a maximum of 300 species representing at least 10 orders. Two standard boxes can be used. Follow the guidelines listed for Collections. In addition, family identification is required for all insects in any two of the following six orders (only two will be counted for judging):

- a) *Insects in Kansas Book* -Orthoptera, Hemiptera, Homoptera, Coleoptera, Hymenoptera, and/or Diptera  
OR
- b) "Insects in Kansas Book: 2016 Revised Taxonomy" Kansas State University 4-H Entomology publication, which comports with the taxonomic conventions found on [www.bugguide.net](http://www.bugguide.net) - Odonata, Orthoptera, Hemiptera, Coleoptera, Hymenoptera, and/or Diptera.

Members can exhibit in this class for a maximum of three years or until they receive a purple ribbon, whichever comes first; then, they must move up a division.

**\*Class 2405 Advanced Entomology** - Display a minimum of 150 and a maximum of 450 species representing at least 12 orders. Three standard boxes can be used. Follow the general guidelines listed for Collections. Family identification is required for all insects belonging to the six basic orders as outlined under the Intermediate class. Only families in the above six orders will be counted for judging. Family identification of insects in the remaining orders is optional, but desirable as long as accuracy is maintained. Members may continue to exhibit in this class at the Kansas State Fair for an unrestricted number of years as long as they remain eligible for 4-H membership.

## Section B – Notebook Classes

**\*Class 2406 Introductory Entomology** - Display a minimum of 10 and a maximum of 30 insect species representing at least six different orders. Follow the general guidelines listed for Notebooks, including the Special project. A 4-H member must be of minimum age to compete at the Kansas State Fair. A 4-H member may exhibit in this class for a maximum of two years.

**\*Class 2407 Beginning I Entomology** - Display a minimum of 20 and a maximum of 50 insect species representing at least seven different orders. Follow the general guidelines listed for all Notebooks, including the Special project. Members can exhibit in this class for a maximum of three years or until they receive a purple ribbon at the Kansas State Fair, whichever comes first.

**\*Class 2408 Beginning II Entomology** – Display a minimum of 40 and a maximum of 70 insect species representing at least eight different orders. Follow the general guidelines listed for all notebooks, including the special project. Members can exhibit

in this class for a maximum of 3 years or until they receive a purple ribbon at the Kansas State Fair, whichever comes first.

**\*Class 2409 Intermediate Entomology** - Display a minimum of 60 and a maximum of 100 species representing at least nine orders. Follow the general guidelines listed for Notebooks, including the Special project. In addition, family identification is required for all insects in any two of the following six orders (only two will be counted for judging):

- a) *Insects in Kansas* book -Orthoptera, Hemiptera, Homoptera, Coleoptera, Hymenoptera, and/or Diptera  
OR
- b) "Insects in Kansas Book: 2016 Revised Taxonomy" Kansas State University 4-H Entomology publication, which comports with the taxonomic conventions found on [www.bugguide.net](http://www.bugguide.net) - Odonata, Orthoptera, Hemiptera, Coleoptera, Hymenoptera, and/or Diptera

A 4-H member may exhibit in this class for a maximum of three years, or if they receive a purple ribbon at the Kansas State fair, whichever comes first.

**\*Class 2410 Advanced Entomology** - Display a minimum of 100 and a maximum of 200 species representing at least 12 orders. Follow the general rules listed for Notebooks, including the Special project. Follow the general guidelines listed for Notebooks. Family identification is required for all insects belonging to the six basic orders outlined under the Intermediate class. Only families in the above six orders will be counted for judging. Family identification of insects in the remaining orders is optional, but desirable as long as accuracy is maintained. Members may continue to exhibit in this class for an unrestricted number of years as long as they remain eligible for 4-H membership.

### Section C – Educational Display Classes

**\*Class 2411 Beginning** - Class for individuals that are exhibiting in the Beginning I and II Collection or Beginning Notebook Classes. If only exhibiting in this category, then 4-H ages 7-12.

**\*Class 2412 Intermediate** - Class is for individuals that are exhibiting in the Intermediate Collection or Intermediate Notebook Classes. If only exhibiting in this category, then 4-H ages 11-14.

**\*Class 2413 Advanced** - Class is for individuals that are exhibiting in the Advanced Collection or Advanced Notebook Classes. If only exhibiting in this category, then 4-H ages 13-18.

### Section D – Honey

**Class 2414 Extracted/Strained Honey** – Light and/or amber. Entry shall consist of three 1-lb. glass Queenline jars or clear glass jars with no inner seals in lids. All jars must be plain and free of labels.

**Class 2415 Other Honey** – Wax, Comb, etc.

### Section E – Monarch Butterfly Educational Displays

**\*Class 2416 Beginning** - Monarch Butterfly Educational Display Class for 4-H members enrolled in the beginning I or II Entomology.

**\*Class 2417 Intermediate** - Monarch Butterfly Educational Display Class for 4-H members enrolled in Intermediate Entomology.

**\*Class 2418 Advanced** - Monarch Butterfly Educational Display Class for 4-H members enrolled in Advanced Entomology.

# Division 25

## 4-H GEOLOGY

Judging: Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup> in Belleville

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. The exhibit box's **outside dimensions** should be 18" x 24" x 3½". Plexiglass covers are required. Boxes with glass covers WILL NOT be accepted. All specimens are to be arranged across the narrow (18") dimension of the exhibit box, making the exhibit exactly 18" across the top and 24" deep. If a box has a sliding plexiglass cover, it must be removable from the top. Screws, locks, or other devices that would prevent judges from removing the cover should not be used. For Lapidary classes 2509 – 2514 only, the dimensions of the box should be appropriate for the display, but **outside dimensions** should not exceed 18" x 24" x 3½".
3. Each exhibitor is required to identify each display box by placing an identification label bearing **their whole name or first initial with last name**, county/district, and number of specimens in the upper left-hand corner of the plexiglass cover and by attaching a label with the same information on the lower right corner of the box (outside).
4. Exhibitors may enter in both geology and lapidary classes. Exhibitors may show in only one of the following geology classes: 2501, 2502, 2503, 2504 or 2505. Exhibitors may also show in geology class 2506, **Geology Educational Exhibit**, 2507 Mineralogy, 2508 **Paleontology**, 2509 **Petrology**, and in one lapidary class.
5. Geology specimens should be labeled with the number of the specimens, date collected, specimen name or description, and locality (county only) where collected.
6. All specimens must be collected in the state of Kansas (only exception- see number 8). **New specimens must be collected** during the current 4-H year, which will be allowed starting on the day after the conclusion of the State Fair.
7. For geology classes 2501, 2502, 2503, 2504, and 2505, specimens should be mounted in the box by proper groups - rocks, minerals, and fossils. Fossils must be identified to phylum, class, and genus level (if possible, or partially if Genus cannot be determined). The Genus specimen must begin with a capital letter and the whole specimen's name must either be italicized or underlined, not both. Specimen's name is not required, however, if a species name is used it must be all lowercased and either italicized or underlined, not both. The words, "phylum, class, genus" on labels are to be spelled out, not abbreviated. More than one specimen of the same kind of rock, mineral, or species of fossil may be exhibited if this duplication represents a different geological formation. Specimen label must show this distinction (e.g., Fort Hays limestone, not just limestone; calcite from the Greenhorn Formation, not just calcite; Phylum: Brachiopoda Class: Articulata Genus: Composita from the Morrill Limestone Member, not just Phylum: Brachiopoda Class: Articulata Genus: Composita).
8. For geology classes 2501-2505 and **2507-2509**, all specimens must be collected by the participant (not purchased) from locations in Kansas, except for Tri-State Mining Area specimens collected from these three adjacent counties: Ottawa County, OK; Newton and Jasper Counties, MO. Other out-of-state specimens will not count in the minimum number for the class, nor will they be considered in the judging.
9. **As outlined in the General Guidelines, "Exhibitors at the Cloud County Fair are entered and displayed at the risk of the exhibitor." For projects displayed in box-style exhibits- such as Entomology or Geology- that must be opened for judging, exhibitors may choose to include a closure mechanism on the box. While closures are not required, their use will not result in a ribbon deduction. Acceptable options include Velcro Strips or hook-style fasteners. Closures should not interfere with the box's ability to be displayed on a shelf and may not be lockable**
10. Lapidary:
  - A. The lapidary classes will be judged on the following criteria:
    - Workmanship and Content - 60 points
    - Presentation and Showmanship - 30 points
    - Accuracy of Information - 10 points
  - B. All lapidary specimens should be labeled with the following information:
    - Specimen name; Place of origin (country, state, or county; county required for Kansas specimens); Purchased or self-collected; Date lapidary treatment began; Date lapidary treatment completed (treatment completed after the State Fair is considered a new year specimen).
  - C. Special lapidary exhibits should be entered in class 2514. Please note that each member is limited to one entry in this class.

### Section A – Geology

- Class 2501 Geology.** Display at least seven rocks, minerals, or fossils collected during the current 4-H year. The exhibitor is limited to one exhibit box. For youth displaying in Geology for 4-H, age 7- and 8-year-olds.
- \*Class 2502 Geology.** Display at least 15 rocks, minerals, or fossils collected during the current 4-H year. The exhibitor is limited to one exhibit box. This class is open to those exhibiting for their first year at the Kansas State Fair.
- \*Class 2503 Geology.** Display at least 30 different rocks, minerals, or fossils, at least five of each. Fifteen must be collected during the current 4-H year. The exhibitor is limited to one exhibit box. This class is open to those exhibiting for their second or third year at the Kansas State Fair.
- \*Class 2504 Geology.** Display at least 45 rocks, minerals, or fossils, at least five of each. Fifteen must be collected during the current 4-H year. Exhibit limited to two boxes. Identify the rocks as igneous, metamorphic or sedimentary. These rock types must be spelled out on labels or have a legible key. This class is open to those exhibiting for their fourth or fifth year at the Kansas State Fair.

- \*Class 2505 Geology.** Display at least 60 rocks, minerals, or fossils, at least five of each. Fifteen must be collected during the current 4-H year. Exhibit limited to two boxes. Identify the rocks as igneous, metamorphic or sedimentary. These rock types must be spelled out on labels or have a legible key. This class is open to those exhibiting for their sixth or more year at the Kansas State Fair.
- \*Class 2506 Geology Educational Exhibit:** Exhibit relating to everyday living; or to a mineral test, a rock formation, geological history, species of a fossil, forms of one mineral, a variation of one kind of rock, archaeological artifact, or Indian artifact. Digital formats are accepted. Please make arrangements for the judge to view your exhibit and have a hard copy for display. List your sources used (example- web address or books reviewed as a citation list). Exhibit limited to 4' of table space. Care should be taken to use durable materials that will withstand fair conditions. Exhibitors may also exhibit in lapidary class.
- \*Class 2507 Mineralogy.** Display a minimum of 15 mineral specimens collected in Kansas, at least five of which have been collected during the current 4-H year. The minerals are to be grouped by mineral class (e.g., Carbonates, Oxides, Silicates) and at least three classes must be represented. Exhibitors must use one standard display box (see Rule 2). The specimens must be labeled with the number of the specimen, date collected, name of specimen, county where collected, and chemical composition (e.g., CaCO<sub>3</sub> to calcite) if known.
- \*Class 2508 Paleontology.** Display a minimum of 15 fossil specimens collected by the participant in Kansas, at least five of which have been collected during the current 4-H year. The fossils are to be grouped by phylum and class, and at least three phyla must be represented (Brachiopoda, Chordata, Mollusca, etc.). Exhibitors must use one standard display box (see Rule 2). The specimens must be labeled with the following information: number of the specimen; date collected; county where collected; formation, member, or source; phylum, class, and genus or part; and geologic age (Cretaceous, Permian, Pennsylvanian, etc.). See Rule 6 for additional fossil labeling expectations.
- \*Class 2509 Petrology.** Display a minimum of 15 rock specimens collected in Kansas, at least 5 of which have been collected during the current 4-H year. Rocks are to be grouped by the 3 rock classes (Sedimentary, Igneous, and Metamorphic). You must display at least one specimen from each of the 3 classes. The specimens must fit in one standard display box (see # 2). Specimen labels must include a specimen number, the date collected, name of specimen, and the county where collected. All rocks must be identified by the formation and member name (examples: Fort Hays Limestone, member of the Niobrara Chalk Formation) or source (examples: Rocky Mountain Outwash, Glacial Till).

## Section B – Lapidary

The work (polishing/tumbling) must be done by the exhibitor as this is part of the learning process.

- Class 2510 Lapidary.** Display at least two varieties of polished (tumbled) specimens and two varieties of unpolished specimens that have not yet received lapidary treatment. These do not have to be an example of “before and after”, nor do they have to be self-collected. Locales must be identified.
- \*Class 2511 Lapidary.** Display at least five varieties of polished (tumbled) specimens and five varieties of unpolished specimens that have not yet received lapidary treatment. These do not have to be an example of “before and after”, nor do they have to be self-collected. Locales must be identified.
- \*Class 2512 Lapidary.** Display “before-and-after” examples of at least three varieties of specimens, at least two tumble-polished and two unpolished of each. There is no requirement that the exhibitor collect any of these. Locales must be identified. Lapidary work should be done during the current 4-H year.
- \*Class 2513 Lapidary.** Display before-and-after examples of at least six varieties of specimens, at least two tumble-polished and two unpolished of each. At least two varieties should be collected from the native site by the exhibitor, at least one of which comes from Kansas. Locales must be identified. Lapidary work on at least three varieties should be done during the current 4-H year.
- \*Class 2514 Lapidary.** Display before-and-after examples of at least nine varieties of specimens, at least two tumble-polished and two unpolished of each. At least three varieties should be collected from the native site by the exhibitor, at least two of which come from Kansas. Locales must be identified. Lapidary work on at least three varieties should be done during the current 4-H year.
- \*Class 2515 Lapidary.** Exhibit at least six specimens that have not previously been exhibited, which have received lapidary treatment. Lapidary treatment may consist of polishing, and end, face, or flat lapping. Specimens must represent at least three different varieties and include at least three cabochons of any size or shape, only one of which may be free formed (a cabochon is a style of cutting in which the top of the stone forms a domed or curved convex surface). Three of the specimens must be mounted into jewelry findings.

# Division 26

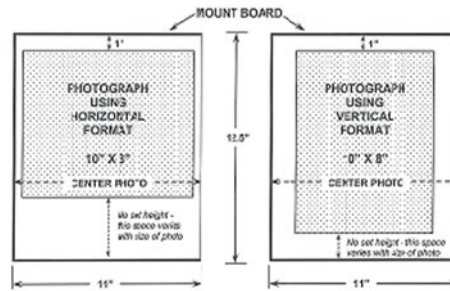
## 4-H PHOTOGRAPHY

Superintendent: Dyan Barnes

Exhibit and Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. 4-H members may enter a total maximum of 10 entries in the photography division. With a maximum of four entries in color, four entries in black and white, or four entries in digital composite image classes. A maximum of one entry is allowed in each photo album and photo story.
3. Photographs entered must be the result of the current year's project work by the 4-H member. Photo images must be taken by the 4-H Member (exhibitor).
4. **Photographs taken with a digital camera are allowed no more adjustments than exposure, color intensity or correction, one-click filter effects, red eye removal, cropping, dodging and burning, and HDR (high dynamic range). Please note: AI (artificial intelligence) modified images are not allowed.**
5. The black-and-white classes are for black-and-white photos only. Monochromatic prints, including sepia prints, are considered color photos and must be entered in the appropriate color photo class.
6. All photos must be no larger than 8" x 10" and no smaller than 7" x 9" after trimming.
7. Appropriate photo subject matter: Photographic subject matter is expected to follow 4-H standards. For a sense of prohibited subject matter, review the Kansas 4-H member Code of Conduct; in general, if it is not allowable at a 4-H event, it is not allowable in a 4-H photograph at the Fair.
8. Photos with a live subject(s) on railroad right of way or photos taken from railroad right of way property will not be displayed in Kansas 4-H Photography and **will be disqualified and not judged.**
9. Copyright protections must be observed.
10. Decisions, as to display and/or penalties, will be made as a collaborative effort between the judge, superintendent, and Extension agent.
11. Photo Mounting and Display Instructions. Improperly mounted photos will be awarded one ribbon placing lower than the placing determined by the official judge.
  - a) **Adhering photo to a matte board: a full coverage permanent mount using a spray adhesive must be used. Do not use household glues, glue sticks, double stick tape/patches, etc. To adhere photo to matte board. Photos not mounted correctly will be lowered one ribbon placing after judging. Each photo is handled numerous times throughout the fair judging and display process. Proper mounting is important for durability and display purposes. An educational video for proper mounting is available at [www.kansas4-H.org](http://www.kansas4-H.org) on the photography project webpage.**
  - b) Photos are to be mounted photo across the narrow 11" dimension of an 11" x 12.5" sheet of white or cream studio matte board. **(See diagram below.)** Matte boards may be purchased at the local Extension Office. Photos mounted on poster board will not be displayed.
  - c) Photos must be mounted with the top edge of the print 1" below the top of the mount (board is always oriented narrow side up). The sides of the print must be equal distance from the two sides of the mount.
  - d) Improperly mounted photos, oversize or undersized photos or photos with the white borders not removed or lettering (including dates) on the photo, will be dropped one placing lower than the placing determined by the judge.
  - e) All photos must be no larger than 8"x10" and no smaller than 7"x9", after trimming.
  - f) **Photo ID Strip: The Photography I.D.. strip is available from your local Extension Office. The strip must be used and mounted correctly on the bottom front of the matte board.**
  - g) No lettering, including dates, is permitted on the front of the mount or on the photo. No underlay or borders are to be used.
  - h) **No lettering, names, addresses, descriptions or personal information pertaining to the photo or the exhibitor should be written on the back of the photo matte board. The back of the photo matte board should remain blank. If you would like to include this information, it can be written under the Photo I.D. strip on the front of the photo matte board. No ribbon docking will take place if there is writing on the back of the photo matte board.**
  - i) To protect exhibits from dust and moisture, place the mounted photo in an **unsealed** protective plastic bag available at the local Extension Office. DO NOT seal the bag.
  - j) **My Favorite 4-H Photography Display (See Class #2607)** is only for those photography project members with 10 or more years of experience. This class is a non-judged, mounted display consisting of four favorite photos from the member's photography career in 4-H. All four photos will be mounted with a fifth mount reserved for a one page, printed or handwritten narrative/description that details each photo and why the exhibitor regards these photos as their most significant work. Photos and narrative/description will be displayed on one row of the photography racks. This class provides an alternate way to showcase the development and accomplishments of the 4-H member's photography career. Members who display in My Favorite 4-H Photography Display can still enter two other classes.

PHOTO DISPLAY INSTRUCTIONS



**Section A – Photography**

- \*Class 2601 Color photos taken by 4-H'er with 3 years or less in the project.
- \*Class 2602 Color photos taken by 4-H'er with 4 - 7 years in the project.
- \*Class 2603 Color photos taken by 4-H'er with 8 or more years in the project.
- \*Class 2604 Black and white photos taken by 4-H'er with 3 years or less in the project.
- \*Class 2605 Black and white photos taken by 4-H'er with 4 – 7 years in the project.
- \*Class 2606 Black and white photos taken by 4-H'er with 8 or more years in the project.
- \*Class 2607 **My Favorite 4-H Photography**

1. This is a “display only” class.
2. Eligible members must have enrolled in Photography for 10 or more years.
3. Requirements are;
  - A. Choose a total of 4 of your favorite photos from any of the years enrolled in photography. If used previously in competitive exhibits, remove all data slips and stickers. If the photo is an unmounted print, mount it using standard 4-H requirements and mat board.
  - B. Develop a short biography piece.
    - Tell how/when an interest in photography began.
    - Explain why each of the four photos is a favorite.
    - Share the skills learned because of photography. Think beyond camera skills and include leadership, community service, etc.
    - Tell of any mentors/leaders worked with.
    - Share workshops or camps pertaining to photography that you attended.
    - Explain (if relevant) any plans to use photography skills beyond 4-H/high school.
    - Include a small (2" x 3") photo of yourself and the start of the biography.
    - Print the biography document and mount it on a standard mat board.
4. Place name and Extension unit on the back of each of the 5 mat boards in the upper right-hand corner.
5. This exhibit does not have to qualify at the county/district level to exhibit at the Kansas State Fair.
6. There is no data slip required.
7. A member who qualifies to exhibit in this class is still allowed to enter two prints and a portfolio for judging if qualifications for those classes are met.

- Class 2608 Photo Albums:** Include a cover and a minimum of four pages. Include a short explanation of the purpose of the album on the inside of the front cover.
- Class 2609 Photo Story:** Series of 2-5 photos that tell a story (landscape, human interest, animal actions, etc.) Photos may be any size. Photos must be mounted on no more than three 11 x 12.5 photography mounting boards

**Section B – Portfolio Classes**

**\*Class 2610 - Growth Portfolio**

1. Member is eligible for this class beginning with the third year of enrollment in the 4-H photography project.
2. Exhibit will consist of one photo for each year of enrollment. Each photo must have been created in a different year and must be labeled with the year taken/project enrollment year. A maximum of five photos may be included, if the member has 5 or more years of enrollment. Photos are not required to be in a consecutive order. For example, a 9-year-old with 3 years enrollment in photography is eligible to enter a growth portfolio. The portfolio in this example should have 1 photo from 7-year-old year, 1 photo from the 8-year-old year, and 1 photo from the 9-year-old year. The growth portfolio class may start at any time in the member’s photography career. For an older member the growth portfolio would represent any 5 years in the project, for example, years 1, 3, 5, 7, and 9 for a member having project enrollment totaling 9 years.
3. Photos must be 8" x 10" and may be color or black and white and must be unmounted.
4. An information sheet must accompany each photo giving the brand and model of the camera used to create the photo. Setting for focal length, aperture, mode, and shutter speed must also be listed. The skillset used to create the

photo must be given and fully explained. The main goal for each year should also be given. The form for this information is found on the [kansas4-H.org](https://www.kansas4-h.org) website and is a form fillable document that is required.

<https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/communication-and-expressive-arts/docs/photography/Growth%20Portfolio%20Summary%20Sheet.pdf>

5. A short introduction of the photographer should be placed in the first page. The introduction should tell why the 4-H member enrolled in the photography project and why they continued to enroll. Exhibitor could also tell of a fun event photographed, a learning experience that taught them new skills or other related learning.
6. Beginning with photo 2, member description of GROWTH in project skill must be included on the information sheet.
7. The exhibit will consist of an introductory page, skill sheet, and photo from each year in chronological order and arranged in a portfolio book. Skill sheet will go in left hand page and unmounted photos will be in the right-hand page.

**\* Class 2611– Career Portfolio**

1. Member must have been enrolled in Photography for 5 (five) or more years OR member must be age 15 -19 and have been enrolled in photography for at least two (2) years.
2. The exhibit will consist of ten (10) 8 x 10 photos showing skill development in one of the following photography areas: Portraiture, Special Effects (not done with a computer), Landscape, Photo Journalism, Black and White, Nature/Wildlife or Graphic Design (computer skills with photos). All photos must be the result of the current 4-H enrollment year.
3. Photos may be color except if the Black and White option is chosen and must be unmounted.
4. An information sheet must accompany each photo giving the brand and model of the camera used to create the photo. The settings for focal length, aperture, mode, and shutter speed must also be listed. This sheet may be downloaded from the [kansas4-h.org](https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/communication-and-expressivearts/docs/photography/Career%20Portfolio%20Summary%20Sheet.pdf) website; it is a form-fillable document and is required. <https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/communication-and-expressivearts/docs/photography/Career%20Portfolio%20Summary%20Sheet.pdf>
5. A one-page summary should accompany the portfolio listing the goal for pursuing this area of photography and what skills were learned while doing so. Mentors should be acknowledged. Career exploration can also be described.
6. The exhibit will be presented in a notebook designed for a portfolio review with pages for required information from #4 and #5.

NOTE: A member may enter only one portfolio each year. The portfolio must have qualified at the County/District Level.

# Division 27

## 4-H VISUAL ARTS

Superintendent:

Exhibit Check In: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

Judging: Wednesday, July 8, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Fiber Arts offers fair classes for quilting, embroidery, counted-cross stitch, etc., and should be entered in the Fiber Arts Division.
3. Articles exhibited must be an original design created by the exhibitor. See copyright guidelines in the general rules.
4. All paintings, sketches, etc. are strongly encouraged to be matted or framed. If you choose not to mat or frame, you assume risk of damage to the exhibit(s) and understand that displaying said exhibit(s) may be hindered or completely unable to be displayed.
5. All exhibits which need to be hung (including all fine arts) MUST have a wire or other applicable hanging device. No saw tooth hanger, string, or tape may be used to be displayed. If hardware is not attached, ribbon placing will be lowered one ribbon and it may not be displayed.
6. Large art items will **not** be accepted. Exhibits must be of a manageable size and be easily transported and displayed by one person.
7. No plants or plant materials needing watering can be entered as an art display or item.
8. Building Models need to be displayed on a stable and secure platform. Exhibits must be easily transported and displayed by the Superintendent.
9. All exhibits are entered at your own risk.
10. Visual Arts County Fair judges will select one entry (ages 9-18) in Fine Arts, Clay and Ceramics, Leather and Jewelry, Three-Dimensional and General Crafts to advance on to the Kansas State Fair and Honorable Mentions. These selected entries do not have to be Champion or Reserve Champion ribbon winners. Kansas State Fair chosen exhibits and Honorable Mentions will be designated with an emblem, which may be a sticker, note, or other form.

### Visual Arts Definitions:

- Two-Dimensional Art is described as a form of visual art that exists on a flat surface and has width and height but no depth. Examples include drawings, paintings, prints, photography, and can be created with charcoal, ink, watercolor, pencil, paint, etc.
- Three-Dimensional Art is described as a form of art that has height, width, and depth and can be viewed from multiple angles. 3D art takes up physical space. Examples include clay molding, glass blowing, sculpture, casting, modeling, carving, and construction.
- "Kit"- any art project that comes pre-packaged or boxed as a "kit" is not eligible to move on to the State Fair and must be entered in a Kit class. While utilizing kits can help build skills, the work moving on to the State Fair must be original to the 4-H member. Examples of kits include: paint by number, diamond art, string art, etc. Leather project kits are an exception due to the nature of pre-cut leather and are allowed. **Please note that ANY Lego kits will now be entered in the STEM Building Block Engineering project.**
  - "Original Art"- If a 4-H member creates their own pattern or art project that contains paint, diamond art beads, string art or any other medium, then it becomes their own work and in turn, can evolve into an allowable project to move into one of the other categories.
    - Combining parts of different patterns (pictures, photographs, images from the internet or magazine) with the member's own ideas can result in an original design
    - Changing only the color, pattern, or size does not make the design original
    - If a photo, sketch, or other idea source was used, or a new pattern was created by the 4-H member, please bring it with you during judging
    - The design process for original art by the 4-H member must be explained in the judging process
- Painted craft vs. Glazed pottery- When a 4-H member uses acrylic paint on pre-made ceramic pieces, it is considered a painted craft. When a 4-H member applies glaze to greenware and the pieces are fired, that is considered pottery/ceramics and is fine art.

### Section A – Junior Division (4-H age 7-9) (ONLY 9-year-olds are State Fair Eligible)

- \*Class 2701 Fine Arts** Oil, chalk, charcoal, dyes, pastels, pencil, ink, acrylic, or watercolor on canvas, canvas board, paper, wood, metal, or textiles, framed as a picture, prepared for hanging. Stretched canvas art on a wooden frame is considered prepared for hanging provided that the frame has a hanger.
- \*Class 2702 Clay and Ceramics** Any original item made of clay; may be fired or unfired, hand formed or thrown on a wheel. Self-hardening, fire/oven-cured, and/or cornstarch clays are acceptable. Items can include, but are not limited to, clay statues, bowls, etc.
- \*Class 2703 Leather and Jewelry** Any leather stamping, carving, tooling, lacing, or stitching piece or any jewelry piece made from any medium are acceptable exhibits. Leather project kits are acceptable due to leather being pre-cut for particular projects. If a 4-H member makes their own leather pattern that should be explained and the pattern included.

**\*Class 2704 Three-Dimensional** The piece must be observable on at least three sides and should be either free-standing or prepared to be hung. Craft and pre-formed or assembled projects are not acceptable.

**\*Class 2705 General Crafts** This category incorporates miscellaneous pieces that do not correspond to the four, above-mentioned categories.

**Class 2706 Kit Class** (Any art project that comes pre-packaged or boxed. Example: paint by number, diamond art, string art, etc.  
**Note: all Legos will now be entered in the STEM Building Block Engineering project)**

#### **Section B – Intermediate Division (4-H age 10-13)**

**\*Class 2707 Fine Arts** Oil, chalk, charcoal, dyes, pastels, pencil, ink, acrylic, or watercolor on canvas, canvas board, paper, wood, metal, or textiles, framed as a picture, prepared for hanging. Stretched canvas art on a wooden frame is considered prepared for hanging provided that the frame has a hanger.

**\*Class 2708 Clay and Ceramics** Any original item made of clay; may be fired or unfired, hand formed or thrown on a wheel. Self-hardening, fire/oven-cured, and/or cornstarch clays are acceptable. Items can include, but are not limited to, clay statues, bowls, etc.

**\*Class 2709 Leather and Jewelry** Any leather stamping, carving, tooling, lacing, or stitching piece or any jewelry piece made from any medium are acceptable exhibits. Leather project kits are acceptable due to leather being pre-cut for particular projects. If a 4-H member makes their own leather pattern that should be explained and the pattern included.

**\*Class 2710 Three-Dimensional** The piece must be observable on at least three sides and should be either free-standing or prepared to be hung. Craft and pre-formed or assembled projects are not acceptable.

**\*Class 2711 General Crafts** This category incorporates miscellaneous pieces that do not correspond to the four, above-mentioned categories.

**Class 2712 Kit Class** (Any art project that comes pre-packaged or boxed. Example: paint by number, diamond art, string art, etc.  
**Note: all Legos will now be entered in the STEM Building Block Engineering project)**

#### **Section C – Senior Division (4-H age 14-18)**

**\*Class 2713 Fine Arts** Oil, chalk, charcoal, dyes, pastels, pencil, ink, acrylic, or watercolor on canvas, canvas board, paper, wood, metal, or textiles, framed as a picture, prepared for hanging. Stretched canvas art on a wooden frame is considered prepared for hanging provided that the frame has a hanger.

**\*Class 2714 Clay and Ceramics** Any original item made of clay; may be fired or unfired, hand formed or thrown on a wheel. Self-hardening, fire/oven-cured, and/or cornstarch clays are acceptable. Items can include, but are not limited to, clay statues, bowls, etc.

**\*Class 2715 Leather and Jewelry** Any leather stamping, carving, tooling, lacing, or stitching piece or any jewelry piece made from any medium are acceptable exhibits. Leather project kits are acceptable due to leather being pre-cut for particular projects. If a 4-H member makes their own leather pattern that should be explained and the pattern included.

**\*Class 2716 Three-Dimensional** The piece must be observable on at least three sides and should be either free-standing or prepared to be hung. Craft and pre-formed or assembled projects are not acceptable.

**\*Class 2717 General Crafts** This category incorporates miscellaneous pieces that do not correspond to the four, above-mentioned categories.

**Class 2718 Kit Class** (Any art project that comes pre-packaged or boxed. Example: paint by number, diamond art, string art, etc.  
**Note: all Legos will now be entered in the STEM Building Block Engineering project)**

# Division 28

## 4-H INDIVIDUAL PROJECT DISPLAYS

Superintendent:

Exhibit Check In: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

Judging: Wednesday, July 8, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. 4-H members may exhibit any project not covered in separate fair classes. Exhibit may be a display, constructed model, poster, or anything that the 4-H member has made as a part of their project. Project notebooks, posters and displays must represent a project carried by the 4-H member.
  - A. Individual Project Displays may include Leadership, Civic Engagement, and Exploring 4-H posters.
3. Entries may be made as an individual.
4. Poster size no larger than 22"x 30".
5. Display size maximum size is 2' x 3' x 18" depth – science fair type tri-fold display board.

### Section A – Individual Project Displays

- Class 2801 Junior Division:** Notebook, Poster, or Display (4-H age 7-9 by January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year)
- Class 2802 Intermediate Division:** Notebook, Poster, or Display (4-H age 10-13 by January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year)
- Class 2803 Senior Division:** Notebook, Poster, or Display (4-H age 14-18 by January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year)
- Class 2804 Other type of exhibit** - anything exhibitor has made as part of their project that cannot be entered under another division or class)

# Division 29

## 4-H INTERIOR DESIGN AND ARCHITECTURE (HOME ENVIRONMENT)

Superintendent:

Exhibit and Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Read each description of the class properly as each class has a unique set of rules.

### Section A – Interior Design Focus

**\*Class 2901 Room Design Board.** Select one room within your home or imaginary/future home (bedroom, bathroom, kitchen, etc.) to design.

Create a basic floor plan showing wall footprint including any furniture, fixture, and/or cabinet layout. Include any other illustrations, drawings, or photographs to help support your design. Also include material/finish samples (wall treatments, floor coverings, paint samples, etc.) Label any drawings or finishes so the audience understands their intention. All finishes should be attached to the design board.

- To explain your design intent, write a brief description to be included on the design board. (No more than 1 page 8.5 x 11.)
- Boards must be on foam core or standard tri-fold display.

**\*Class 2902 2 Collages on Design Board.** In this project, develop two imaginary interior rooms. Each room should start out with identical dimensions and features (doors, windows, etc.). The function of the room can be up to you (bedroom, coffee shop, art studio, etc.) but should be the same for both rooms. For each space, create a feeling or mood for the occupants of the space. The mood created for one space should be the opposite or contrast to the second space. Choose a pair of contrasting words from the list provided to get started:

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|----------------------------|------------------------|
| - Calm, Energetic          | - Demure, Dramatic     |
| - Small, Large             | - Harmonious, Dramatic |
| - Introverted, Extroverted | - Retro, Contemporary  |
| - Delicate, Sturdy         | - Warm, Cool           |
| - Muted, Bright            | - Classical, Modern    |
| - Vintage, Futuristic      | - Fantastical, Elegant |
| - Soft, Sharp              | - Natural, Man-Made    |

Each collage must be on its own page. Page size preference and maximum is 11 x 17; can use smaller dimensions if needed. Collages should convey a space that includes a background, midground, and foreground. Once these are established, add as many layers as needed. Use print materials from magazines, colored paper, the internet, or other design materials to find furniture, lighting fixtures, textures, and other elements to complete each collage.

- For each collage, write a brief description of your design intent. (1-3 paragraphs total.)
- Adhere both collages and design intent on a foam core presentation board. Label each collage with the descriptive words you selected from the list.
- Additionally, you may include research, inspiration, imagery, or any additional drawings that help you design your space.

**\*Class 2903 2 Diorama Models.** 4-H members will construct 2 dioramas, 1 for each space demonstrating contrasting moods. Each diorama will be designed with similar sized boxes. Boxes should be large enough to be easily viewed but no larger than 12" x 18". Both rooms being depicted need to be the same size.

- Dioramas should convey a space that includes a background, midground, and foreground. Once these are established, you can add as many layers as needed. Use print materials from magazines, colored paper, the internet, or other design materials to find furniture, lighting fixtures, textures, and other elements to complete each room or diorama. Elements will need to be cut out and adhered to each background, midground, and foreground to reflect the design of the room.
- Focus on selecting colors and materials to create the mood or essence of the space. Use openings in your container to experiment with light in the use of your space.

- Dioramas should not contain actual figures, miniature furniture/cabinets, or movable parts. All elements should be paper adhered to materials easily found at home. For example: magazine photos, cardstock, plastic, cardboard, chipboard or other material to depict design finishes/elements within the diorama.

## **Section B – Architecture Focus**

**\*Class 2904 Marble Maze or Enclosure.** Create a space in which a marble will move through a sequence of rooms, enclosures, or spaces. Use different types of elements and materials to enclose your spaces or guide the marble. Consider the size of the marble and how you want the space to feel – big and open or small and enclosed. Pay close attention to the sizes of architectural elements relative to the size of the marble.

- To construct the marble maze or enclosure, use household materials found around the home to create the structure. (cardboard, chipboard, construction paper, paper towel or toilet paper tubes, etc.)
- The base of the structure should be no larger than 18" x 24" (poster board size) and 12" in height.
- In addition to your enclosure/maze, you may also present a small design board with illustrations/drawings to help the audience understand the path of travel for the marble, or the rules for which you designed.
- Write or type a brief description of your design intent (1-3 paragraphs total) to be included on the design board.

**\*Class 2905 Marble Maze Presentation Board Only.** Presentation board should be a foam core with below items attached:

- Include drawings of your marble enclosure/maze design; (examples include floor plan, section, elevations, etc.)
- In addition to your base drawings, include any illustrations/drawings to help your audience understand the path of travel for your marble. You may also include quality photographs that show the sequence of the marble moving through the built design. Images may be annotated, meaning you can use notes to explain your thoughts/design intent, on the board. This sequence of photos should visually tell the story of your design.
- Write or type a brief description of your design intent (1-3 paragraphs total) to be included on the presentation board.

# Division 30

## 4-H READING

Superintendent:

Exhibit Check-In: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

Judging: Wednesday, July 8, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Reading exhibits can include any of the following categories:
  - a) Poster Size (no larger than 22"x 30")
  - b) Display Size (maximum size is 2' x 3' x 18" depth –commercial type tri-fold display board)
  - c) Book Review (can be written or typed, but must have a protective cover)
  - d) Diorama Size – replicated room or scene from book (no larger than 24"x18"x18")

### Section A – Reading

**Class 3001**    **Junior Division** (4-H age 7-9)

**Class 3002**    **Intermediate Division** (4-H age 10-13)

**Class 3003**    **Senior Division** (4-H age 14-18)

# Division 31

## 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS

Superintendent:

Exhibit Check In: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

Judging: Tuesday, July 8, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. A member may exhibit one entry in each class.
3. Take care to select durable materials to withstand Fair conditions.
4. Exhibits exceeding the size guidelines will be penalized one ribbon color.
  - a) The educational display must be the standard tri-fold board ONLY, must not exceed standard tri-fold 4' wide x 3' tall unless there is a topper that sits on top of the board and does not take up additional table space. No additional table space available for promotional brochures or display items; content not to exceed display board borders.
  - b) Promotional posters must be flat and no larger than 22"x 30". Content not to exceed display board borders. Exhibits may be displayed on wall.
  - c) Notebooks must be no larger than 8 ½ x 11.
5. EXHIBITORS MUST COMPLY WITH STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS AND FAIR MANAGEMENT POLICIES. No "live" ammunition containing propellant or explosive powders may be used in any display! An inert substitution must be used in lieu of powder and "live" ammunition. The substitution must be clearly described on the back of the poster, display or in a notebook.
6. Exhibits will not be accepted if they are related to reloads.
7. Name, River Valley District, age and year in project should be on the front of the poster, display, or notebook unless special arrangements are made because of declination of publicity release.
8. Fair Shoot:
  - a) No pre-entry is required to participate in the fair shoot, nor is any fair entry required to receive ribbons or premium from the fair shoot.
  - b) Shooting Sports members that attended a safety meeting conducted by the River Valley 4-H Shooting Sports Certified Instructors and met the minimum three (3) practice shoots during the current 4-H year will be eligible to participate in a District-wide, Joint County Fair Shoot Competition that will be held at a date, time, and location determined by the RVED Shooting Sports Coordinator and the RVED 4-H Agent.
  - c) Youth will be scored individually and ribbons and premiums will be awarded at the county level, according to the premium guidelines of each county fair.
  - d) In addition to the individual ribbons, Champion awards will be given on the county level. In order to be eligible for County Champion Awards:
    - Seniors (4-H age 14-18) must participate in 4 of the 5 disciplines
    - Juniors (4-H age 7-13) must participate in 3 of the 5 disciplines
  - e) County Fair Recognition – a recognition display will be displayed. Champions Awards will be designated on this display.
  - f) None of the local fair boards in the River Valley District are liable for any damage related to participation in the County Fair Shoot.
9. Educational Displays will be judged on the following points:
  - a) Stopping Power.....15
  - b) Interest, Holding Power.....15
  - c) 4-H Project application.....15
  - d) Mechanical Power.....5
  - e) Personal Growth.....25
  - f) Educational Value.....25
  - g) Total.....100
10. Posters will be judged on the following points:
  - a) Stopping Power.....30
  - b) Interest, Holding Power.....30
  - c) 4-H Project Application.....25
  - d) Mechanical Power.....15
  - e) Total.....100

### Section A – Junior Division (4-H age 7-13)

- \*Class 3101 **Educational Display**- Must be directly related to the 4-H Shooting Sports Project
- \*Class 3102 **Promotional Poster**- Must promote 4-H Shooting Sports
- \*Class 3103 **Notebook** – Contents pertain to some phase, results, story, or information about 4-H Shooting Sports.
- Class 3104 Jr. Air Rifle/Pistol (Fair Shoot Class – no pre-entry or fair entry required)
- Class 3105 Jr. Archery (Fair Shoot Class – no pre-entry or fair entry required)
- Class 3106 Jr. BB Gun (Fair Shoot Class – no pre-entry or fair entry required)
- Class 3107 Jr. Shotgun (Fair Shoot Class – no pre-entry or fair entry required)

Class 3108 Jr. Small Bore Rifle/Pistol (Fair Shoot Class – no pre-entry or fair entry required)  
Class 3109 Jr. County Champion

**Section B – Senior Division (4-H age 14-18)**

**\*Class 3110 Educational Display-** Must be directly related to the 4-H Shooting Sports Project  
**\*Class 3111 Promotional Poster-** Must promote 4-H Shooting Sports  
**\*Class 3112 Notebook** – Contents pertain to some phase, results, story, or information about 4-H Shooting Sports.  
Class 3113 Sr. Air Rifle/Pistol (Fair Shoot Class – no pre-entry or fair entry required)  
Class 3114 Sr. Archery (Fair Shoot Class – no pre-entry or fair entry required)  
Class 3115 Sr. BB Gun (Fair Shoot Class – no pre-entry or fair entry required)  
Class 3116 Sr. Shotgun (Fair Shoot Class – no pre-entry or fair entry required)  
Class 3117 Sr. Small Bore Rifle/Pistol (Fair Shoot Class – no pre-entry or fair entry required)  
Class 3118 Sr. County Champion

# Division 32

## 4-H WILDLIFE

Superintendent:

Exhibit Check In: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

Judging: Tuesday, July 8, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
  2. Exhibitors must comply with State and Federal Laws. It is illegal to possess threatened or endangered wildlife, or the feathers, nests, or eggs of non-game birds. Game birds and game animals taken legally during an open season may be used. Every wildlife on display must have a statement about how they were obtained legally. The use of live wild animals in educational exhibits is prohibited.
  3. Exhibits in this division are open to educational displays, promotional posters, posters, or experiential displays. Exhibits should reflect learning in this project area. Follow copyright laws as explained in the general rules as you are preparing your exhibit.
  4. Wildlife exhibits that reflect harvesting of wildlife must follow National Minimum Standards and Best Practices <https://4-hshootingsports.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/12.13.23-Minimum-Standards-Update.pdf> and Kansas 4-H Policy Handbook (Shooting Sports Section) <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/policy-guide/docs/Kansas%204-H%20Policy%20Handbook%202024%20FINAL.pdf>
  5. Maximum exhibit size for all exhibits in this division is 4' x 6'. Exhibits exceeding the size guidelines will be disqualified.
  6. Educational display: must be the standard tri-fold board only, must not exceed standard tri-fold 3' x 4' unless there is a topper that sits on top of the board and does not take up additional table space.
  7. Posters: must be flat and no larger than 22" x 30". Content cannot exceed display board borders.
  8. Notebooks: no larger than 8.5" x 11".
  9. Exhibits must not display, describe, or depict firearms or firearm components that are not allowed by 4-H Shooting Sports National Minimum Standards.
  10. No "live" ammunition containing propellant or explosive powders may be used in any display. An inert substitution must be used in lieu of powder and live ammunition, the substitution must be clearly described on the back of the poster, display, or in a notebook.
  11. Exhibits will not be accepted if they are related to reloads.
  12. **Name, county or district, age and year in project should be on the back of the poster, display, or notebook unless special arrangements are made because of the denial of publicity release.**
  13. **Taxidermy: The exhibitor is responsible for following all laws, rules, and regulations, and when licenses, tags, etc., are required to include those and/or the information required with the exhibit. For taxidermy, please reference hunting and furbearer laws for Kansas. <https://ksoutdoors.gov/Hunting/HuntingRegulations/Furbearers>**
  14. Notebooks and Educational Displays will be judged on the following points:
    - Stopping Power..... 15  
Is the main idea specific? Is the idea presented clearly, simply, forcefully?
    - Interest, Holding Power..... 15  
Does the exhibit give the observer additional facts in a clear, concise, informative way?
    - 4-H Project Application..... 15  
Is the subject matter an effective showcase?
    - Mechanical Power..... 15  
Correct letter size, pleasing color combination, appropriate symbols, and models
    - Personal Growth..... 25  
How much knowledge was gained by exhibitor? Was enthusiasm shown?
    - Educational Value..... 25  
Knowledge Shared
  15. Posters will be judged on the following points:
    - General Appearance..... 30
    - Information..... 50
    - Organization..... 20
- \*Class 3201 Educational Exhibit** – A Notebook, Poster (no larger than 22" x 28"), or Display (Maximum tri-fold size is 3' x 4')
- \*Class 3202 Fish Harvesting Equipment** - Board exhibit. Display of equipment used in fish harvesting. Examples: fishing knots, hooks (with corks over ends for safety), lures. Label all items displayed. Include in your exhibit the following information: the purpose of each item, when or where each item is used.
- \*Class 3203 Build a Fishing Rod** - A fishing rod educational exhibit may not exceed 96 inches in length. Exhibit must be mounted on a board. Include with the exhibit: Explanation of cost of materials/components and how many number of hours required for construction. Label all parts. Necessary components which must be included are grip, line guides (based on manufacturers specifications), guide wraps, and hook keeper. Reel seat needs to be aligned with guides, and guides aligned accurately down rod. Guide wraps of size A to D, nylon or silk thread. Exhibit will be judged on: workmanship, labeling of parts, information, and neatness.

- \***Class 3204 Casting Target** - Make a casting target for exhibit and use. Target must be under 48" x 48". The bullseyes must be 2 feet, outer band must be 1 foot in diameter and can have up to 3 rings. The exhibit must be easy to store, durable, and weather resistant. Include the purpose and rules of using your casting target.
- \***Class 3205 Wildlife Harvesting Equipment** - Board Exhibit. Display of equipment used in harvesting wildlife. Examples: expended ammunition casings (no live ammunition permitted), steel traps, hide stretchers, fleshers, etc. For displays of shotguns, rifles, or bows, use drawings or pictures. Label all items displayed: the purpose of each item, when or where it is used and personal experiences with the item.
- \***Class 3206 Inventing Wildlife/Fish Harvesting Equipment, Aid or Accessory** - Use engineering principles to invent or adapt equipment that helps you harvest fish or wildlife. This could include wildlife calls, adapted fishing pole for shallow water, a blind, decoys, etc. Share your drawing (or adapted plans), how the equipment works, how you tested it, and the results of testing your prototype, and any adjustments you made.
- \***Class 3207 Tanned Hides** - Exhibit of a wild animal hide properly processed by the member. If not mounted, must be in a clear clothing bag with hanger. al field experiences, study, OR observations that relate to the exhibit.
- \***Class 3208 Taxidermy** - Any legal fish, bird, or other wild animal properly processed by the member. No requirement as to mounting. Include the animal's name and the following: information about the exhibitor's personal field experiences, study, OR observations that relate to the exhibit.
- \***Class 3209 Wildlife Tracks** - Board or diorama-type box exhibit. Make a display of animal tracks using plaster-of-paris casts. There are 3 options. For all options, include a brief description of your experiences in making the tracks so the judges better understand what you did and learned. Positive casts (impressions as they would be in nature) are preferred. - Option 1 should show plaster-of-paris tracks of five or more kinds of wildlife along with a picture or illustration of each kind of animal. (OR) - Option 2 should show two or more plaster-of-paris tracks of one specific kind of wildlife and should include a picture or illustration of the animal, what the animal may eat, and what may eat the animal. (OR) - Option 3 should show two tracks and include the animal's habitat needs including preferred food, shelter, water, and space in addition to picture or illustration of the animal.
- \***Class 3210 Wildlife Knowledge Check** - Use electrical circuits, pictures, or other methods of teaching wildlife identification or other wildlife conservation or shooting sports related knowledge. Plan size and shape to fit transportation and display; maximum size 24 x 24 inches.
- \***Class 3211 Houses** - Make a house for wildlife. Examples: bird house (bluebird, purple martin, wood duck, kestrel, barn owl, etc.) or bat house; no insect houses. Make the house functional so that dimensions, hole size etc. are appropriate to fit the intended species' needs. Include the following information: 1) the kinds of animal(s) for which the house is intended, 2) where and how the house should be located for best use, 3) any seasonal maintenance needed, and 4) any evidence of your personal observations from experiences.
- \***Class 3212 Feeders/Waterers** - Make a bird bath or feeder. Examples: seed, suet, or nectar feeders. Squirrel feeder okay; no insect feeders. Include the following information: 1) the kinds of animal(s) for which the water/feeder is intended, 2) where are how the water/feeder should be located for best use, 3) any seasonal maintenance needed, and 4) any evidence of your personal observations or experiences.

# Division 33

## 4-H VETERINARY SCIENCES

Superintendent:

Exhibit Check In: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

Judging: Tuesday, July 8, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. A Veterinary Science exhibit may consist of a poster, notebook, project display, **or diorama**. The exhibit may represent material from any of the Veterinary Science projects including entry level exhibits from Unit 1
3. If photographs are to be part of the exhibit, remember that they will be viewed by the public. Make sure that the photographs are in good taste and will not be offensive to anyone. Graphic photographs of excessive bleeding, trauma or painful procedures are not appropriate. For exhibits related to veterinary surgical procedures, aseptic techniques need to be shown, for example, use of drapes, use of sterile procedures, wearing of gloves and other appropriate veterinary medical practices.
4. First-Aid Kits: Because of public safety concern and risk of theft of first-aid kit contents (veterinary drugs/equipment) with perceived potential for drug abuse, animal first aid kits containing any drugs or medications will be immediately disqualified and not displayed. First Aid Kits wishing to include medication information should instead utilize written descriptions, photographs, drawings, computer generated print-outs or empty packaging of pharmaceuticals.
5. Veterinary Science Posters – This exhibit presents the viewer with a design that is simple and direct, unlike a display that usually presents more information. A poster should not exceed 22" x 30" and may be either vertical or horizontal. **Trifolds and framed posters will not be accepted as a poster entry.**
6. Veterinary Science Display – A display may include but is not limited to: a 3-dimensional exhibit, a scale model, the actual product (for example: skeleton; teeth; samples of leather, fur or dried skin damaged by disease or parasites) or a notebook. **All displays need to be on a 3' x 4' trifold board or in a three-ring binder. Smaller boards will not be accepted.**
7. Veterinary Science Notebooks: Individual entries are to be placed for display in a three-ring notebook for competition. Notebooks may not be larger than 8 ½" x 11"
8. **Veterinary Science Diorama: A diorama is a 3-Dimensional model or exhibit that depicts a scene, event, or environment. All dioramas need to be contained. The size is not to exceed 3' x 3' x 3'.**
9. Name, county/district, age and year in project should be on the front of the poster, display, notebook, or diorama.
10. Appropriate topics include: Maintaining Health, Specific disease information, Photographic display of normal and abnormal characteristics, Animal health or safety, public health or safety, Proper animal management to ensure food safety and quality, Efficient and safe livestock working facilities, A topic of the exhibitor's choosing related to veterinary medicine or veterinary science
11. Because these are science displays, all references and information must be properly cited. **Make sure to highlight all sources and references.** Proper sources include but are not limited to: Professional journals and publications, professional AVMA, accredited websites, interviews with veterinarians and excerpts from Veterinary Educational Literature. Plagiarism will result in a disqualification. Please study your topic and present the information to your audience in your own words.
12. **The Veterinary Science Modules are for sourcing, referencing, and learning purposes. The modules are not for project submission. Any notebooks, posters, displays, or dioramas submitted with only Veterinary Science Modules work will be disqualified.**

**\*Class 3301 Educational Exhibit (Poster, Notebook, Display, or Diorama)**

# Division 34

## 4-H WOODWORKING

Superintendent: Gary Begnoche  
Exhibit and Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. The plan from which the project was constructed **must** be included with the article exhibited and placed in a plastic resealable bag. The plan may be a photocopy, the actual pattern, or a scale drawing. It must be complete and accurate to the extent that a duplicate article could be built using the plan as a guide. Please note: a set of step-by-step instructions is not a plan.
3. Projects with missing or insufficient plans will be lowered by one ribbon placing (i.e. a blue ribbon exhibit will receive a red ribbon).
4. The use of materials other than **wood, screws, nails, and adhesive** should be kept to a minimum.
5. Projects that have unsecured glass, i.e., glass shelves, the glass top of a coffee table, etc., should not be brought to the fair. Glass that is secured in the project, i.e., the glass front of a gun case or cabinet, etc., is permissible since it cannot be easily removed.
6. Extra pieces that go with your woodworking project (i.e. bean bags to go with cornhole set, building blocks to go with a play table, etc.) should not be submitted with the project.
7. The entry card, plans, and all other paperwork should be enclosed in a zip-top plastic bag with a hole punch through it and tied or otherwise secured to the project in some manner. Tape is usually not adequate to accomplish this.
8. In judging, consideration will be given to: Workmanship, including accuracy to the plan; Design; Choice of wood; Suitability and quality of finish; and Usefulness.
9. Refinished/repaired furniture will not be accepted for exhibit in the Woodworking project.
10. Firearms and weapons are not to be entered or exhibited at the county fair.
11. Projects with "fractal burning" are not allowed. (Example: electrical burning to make black linework on artwork.) This aligns with the American Association of Woodturners.
12. During the construction of exhibits, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is to be worn by those in the workspace.

### Section A – Junior Division (4-H age 7-9) (ONLY 9-year-olds are State Fair Eligible)

**\*Class 3401 Woodworking Item**

### Section B – Intermediate Division (4-H age 10-13)

**\*Class 3402 Woodworking Item**

### Section C – Senior Division (4-H age 14-18)

**\*Class 3403 Woodworking Item**

# Division 35

## 4-H ELECTRIC AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (ENERGY MANAGEMENT)

Superintendent:

Exhibit and Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Members enrolled in the STEM projects will be sent exhibit guidelines (Kansas 4-H State Fair rules) along with fair pre-entry information.
3. Items that have been in use should be cleaned for exhibit.
4. A sheet of operating instructions should be furnished for any exhibit not self-explanatory.
5. Projects (classes, 3501, 3502 and 3503) must be operable using only 110 or 120V AC or battery power. If battery power is required, batteries must be furnished.
6. Any project with a complexity of size or electronics must have (a) instructions for assembly and use and (b) equipment available at the time of judging for actual testing of the exhibit.
7. No hand dipped solder may be used on exhibits.
8. **A 4-H Stem Exhibit Information Form (available at the Extension Office) must be completed and glued to a 10" x 13" envelope. If no envelope is presented at the time of judging, there will be a deduction in one ribbon placing.**

### Section A – Electrical and Electronics

- \***Class 3501 AC Electric Projects.** Electric projects with a 110 or 120 V alternating current (AC) power source. Some project examples are household wiring demonstrations, small appliances, extension cords, trouble lights, indoor or outdoor wiring boards, or shop lights. Projects may be a restoration or original construction. The project must be operational and meet minimum safety standards. AC projects must be 110/120V, no 240V exhibits are allowed, and must be constructed such that the judge has wiring access to examine the quality and safety of workmanship.
- \***Class 3502 DC Electric Project.** Electric projects with a battery or direct current power source. This class includes electric kits or original projects. This class also includes demonstration DC powered projects. Examples include: wiring two-way or three-way switches, difference between series/parallel lighting circuits or wiring doorbells switches. All DC electric projects must include batteries supplied by the 4-H member. Projects must be constructed such that the judge has access to examine the quality of wiring workmanship.
- \***Class 3503 Electronic Projects.** Electronic projects with a battery or direct current power source. This class includes electronic kits or original projects. Examples include radios, telephones, toy robots, light meters, security systems, etc. They may be constructed using printed circuit board, wire wrap, or breadboard techniques. Include instruction/assembly manual if the exhibit is from a kit. Include plans if an original project. Projects must be constructed such that the judge has access to examine the quality of wiring workmanship.
- \***Class 3504 Newly Built or Repaired Computers.** This class is for newly built or repaired computers (laptop or PC) and allows 4-H members to demonstrate skills integrating the various parts of a computer into a single unit. Displays should show either a fully functional computer or show what the individual components do. The display should be free of dust and cabled neatly.
- \***Class 3505 Educational Displays and Exhibits.** The purpose of the educational display and exhibit is to educate the viewer about a specific area of the 4-H electrical or electronics project. The display or exhibit should illustrate one basic idea. This class includes any educational displays, exhibits or science fair projects which DO NOT have a power source, i.e. exhibits, posters or displays or wire types, conduit types, electrical safety, tool or motor parts identification or electrical terminology. Educational displays and exhibits must be legible from a distance of four feet using a maximum tri-fold size of 3' x 4'.

**Section B – Alternative Energy** - A form of energy derived from a natural source, such as the sun, geothermal, wind, tides or waves. All exhibits in this division are limited in size to standard, tri-fold, display boards (36" X 48") and items may not extend beyond 12" from the back board. All displays must be self-standing.

- \***Class 3506 Education Display** - Create an exhibit that addresses a focused topic related to power generated from a renewable energy source. The purpose of the exhibit is to inform and create awareness.
- \***Class 3507 Experiment** – Display an experiment addressing a problem or question related to power generated from a renewable energy source. Include hypothesis, background research, variables, a control, data, findings, conclusions and recommendations for future study.

# DIVISON 36

## 4-H AEROSPACE/ROCKETRY

Superintendent:

Exhibit and Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Members enrolled in the STEM projects will be sent exhibit guidelines (Kansas 4-H State Fair rules) along with fair pre-entry information.
3. Exhibitor may enter up to three exhibits per class.
4. A 4-H Stem Exhibit Information Form (available at the Extension Office) must be completed and glued to a 10" x 13" envelope. **If no envelope is presented at the time of judging, there will be a deduction in one ribbon placing.** Plans (or a photocopy) must be placed inside the envelope. This includes original designs. If a kit has been modified structurally, notations need to be given indicating the changes made.
  - A. Rockets lost at the shoot-off must bring base and plans to fair check-in to receive premiums.
5. Members may enter one educational display, notebook, or poster.
  - A. Educational Displays are not to exceed 4' high x 3' wide x 2' deep.
  - B. Posters are limited to a commercial 3' x 4' trifold display board.

### Division I – Junior Division (4-H age 7-8)

- Class 3601** Rocket made from kit. Include plans.
- Class 3602** Rocket Novice Kit - Assembled, not constructed (Snap together)
- Class 3603** Scale Model Rocket made from kit includes plans Rocket designed by exhibitor; not merely a modification of an existing kit. Include original plans.
- Class 3604** Educational Exhibit, a notebook, poster or display

### Division II – Intermediate Division (4-H age 9-13)

- \*Class 3605** Rocket made from kit. Include plans.
- \*Class 3606** Scale Model Rocket made from kit. Include plans.
- \*Class 3607** Scale Model Rocket designed by exhibitor not merely a modification of an existing kit. Include original plans and stability testing. (Only State Fair eligible for youth 4-H age 11-13)
- \*Class 3608** Rocket designed by 2 or more exhibitors, not merely a modification of an existing kit. Include original plans. This class is designed to encourage teamwork among individuals and clubs to work on a rocket from the initial design to the finished project. (Only State Fair eligible for youth 4-H age 11-13)
- \*Class 3609** Educational Exhibit, a notebook, poster or display

### Division III – Senior Division (4-H age 14-18)

- \*Class 3610** Rocket made from kit. Include plans.
- \*Class 3611** Rocket designed by exhibitor; not merely a modification of an existing kit. Include original plans.
- \*Class 3612** Scale Model Rocket made from kit. Include plans.
- \*Class 3613** Scale Model Rocket designed by exhibitor not merely a modification of an existing kit. Include original plans and stability testing.
- \*Class 3614** Rocket designed by 2 or more exhibitors, not merely a modification of an existing kit. Include original plans. This class is designed to encourage teamwork among individuals and clubs to work on a rocket from the initial design to the finished project.
- \*Class 3615** Mid or High rocket made from kit or original design
- \*Class 3616** Educational Exhibit, a notebook, poster or display

# Division 37

## 4-H AG MECHANICS WELDING

Superintendent:

Exhibit and Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Members enrolled in the STEM project will be sent exhibit guidelines (Kansas 4-H State Fair rules) along with fair pre-entry information.
3. Exhibitor may enter up to three exhibits per class.
4. A 4-H Stem Exhibit Information Form (available at the Extension Office) must be completed and glued to a 10" x 13" envelope. Plans (or a photocopy) must be placed inside the envelope. **If no envelope is presented at the time of judging, the exhibit will be lowered by one ribbon placing.**
5. This includes original designs. If a kit has been modified structurally, notations need to be given indicating the changes made.
6. Members may enter one educational display, notebook, or poster.
  - A. Educational Displays are not to exceed a standard commercial 4' high x 3' wide x 2' deep.
  - B. Posters are limited to a commercial 3' x 4' trifold display board.

**Section A - Junior (4-H Age 7 and 8)** This level is designed for youth with little to no exposure in the project area so that they can gain an understanding of basic principles and methods in the given area.

- Class 3701** **Welding display board** – a 3 foot by 3 foot display board with different pieces of metal attached illustrating different types of welds, each weld being labeled
- Class 3702** **Welding ag repair** – repair of ag equipment with welding
- Class 3703** **Welding ag fabrication** – creation of new ag equipment with welding
- Class 3704** **Welding general repair** – repair of non-ag equipment with welding
- Class 3705** **Welding general fabrication** – creation of non-ag equipment with welding
- Class 3706** **Welding artistic fabrication** – creation of artistic or interpretive pieces with welding
- Class 3707** **Other Metalwork**
- Class 3708** **Smithing display board** – a 3 foot by 3 foot display board with different pieces of forged metal attached illustrating different forms, each form being labeled
- Class 3709** **Smithing** – A design forged with at least one formed element (twists or spirals for example)

**Section B – Intermediate (4-H Age 9-13)** This level is designed for youth some experience in the project area allowing them to expand on common principles and methods in the given area.

- \*Class 3710** **Welding ag repair** – repair of ag equipment with welding
- \*Class 3711** **Welding ag fabrication** – creation of new ag equipment with welding
- \*Class 3712** **Welding general repair** – repair of non-ag equipment with welding
- \*Class 3713** **Welding general fabrication** – creation of non-ag equipment with welding
- \*Class 3714** **Welding artistic fabrication** – creation of artistic or interpretive pieces with welding
- \*Class 3715** **Other Metalwork**
- \*Class 3716** **Smithing** – A design forged with at least two different formed elements (twists and spirals for example)

**Section C – Senior (4-H Age 14-18)** This level is designed for youth with vast experience in the project area allowing them to master common principles and methods and expand on advanced techniques in the given area.

- \*Class 3717** **Welding ag repair** – repair of ag equipment with welding
- \*Class 3718** **Welding ag fabrication** – creation of new ag equipment with welding
- \*Class 3719** **Welding general repair** – repair of non-ag equipment with welding
- \*Class 3720** **Welding general fabrication** – creation of non-ag equipment with welding
- \*Class 3721** **Welding artistic fabrication** – creation of artistic or interpretive pieces with welding
- \*Class 3722** **Other Metalwork**
- \*Class 3723** **Smithing** – A design forged with at least three different formed elements (twists, spirals, and bulbs for example)

**Educational Displays** – Notebook, poster, or display

- Class 3724** **Junior (4-H Age 7-8)**
- \*Class 3725** **Intermediate (4-H Age 9-13)**
- \*Class 3726** **Senior (4-H Age 14-18)**

# Division 38

## 4-H ASTRONOMY

Superintendent:

Exhibit and Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Members enrolled in the STEM project will be sent exhibit guidelines (Kansas 4-H State Fair rules) along with fair pre-entry information.
3. Exhibitor may enter up to three exhibits per class.
4. A 4-H Stem Exhibit Information Form (available at the Extension Office) must be completed and glued to a 10" x 13" envelope. **If no envelope is presented at the time of judging, the exhibit will be lowered by one ribbon placing.** Plans (or a photocopy) must be placed inside the envelope. This includes original designs. If a kit has been modified structurally, notations need to be given indicating the changes made.
5. Members may enter one educational display, notebook, or poster.
  - A. Educational Displays are not to exceed a standard commercial 4' high x 3' wide x 2' deep.
  - B. Posters are limited to a commercial 3' x 4' trifold display board.

### Division I – Junior Division (4-H age 7-8)

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| <b>Class 3801</b> | <b>Telescope made from kit</b>                           |
| <b>Class 3802</b> | <b>Telescope made from original design</b>               |
| <b>Class 3803</b> | <b>Educational Exhibit</b> a notebook, poster or display |

### Division II – Intermediate Division (4-H age 9-13)

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| <b>*Class 3804</b> | <b>Telescope made from kit</b>                           |
| <b>*Class 3805</b> | <b>Telescope made from original design</b>               |
| <b>*Class 3806</b> | <b>Educational Exhibit</b> a notebook, poster or display |

### Division III – Senior Division (4-H age 14-18)

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| <b>*Class 3807</b> | <b>Telescope made from kit</b>                           |
| <b>*Class 3808</b> | <b>Telescope made from original design</b>               |
| <b>*Class 3809</b> | <b>Educational Exhibit</b> a notebook, poster or display |

# Division 39

## 4-H BUILDING BLOCK ENGINEERING

Superintendent:

Exhibit and Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Members enrolled in the STEM project will be sent exhibit guidelines (Kansas 4-H State Fair rules) along with fair pre-entry information.
3. Exhibitor may enter up to three exhibits per class.
4. A 4-H Stem Exhibit Information Form (available at the Extension Office) must be completed and glued to a 10" x 13" envelope. **If no envelope is presented at the time of judging, the exhibit will be lowered by one ribbon placing.** Plans (or a photocopy) must be placed inside the envelope. This includes original designs. If a kit has been modified structurally, notations need to be given indicating the changes made. **Kit classes will not need to complete this packet.**
5. See State Fair Rule Book for exhibit dimensions and qualifications.
6. Members may enter one educational display, notebook, or poster.
  - A. Educational Displays are not to exceed a standard commercial 4' high x 3' wide x 2' deep.
  - B. Posters are limited to a commercial 3' x 4' trifold display board.

Please note that all Lego kits that were previously entered in the Visual Arts: Building Models class will now be entered in the Building Block Engineering: Interlocking Brick Diorama from a kit class.

### Division I – Junior Division (4-H age 7-8)

- Class 3901** Interlocking brick diorama built from scratch
- Class 3902** Interlocking brick diorama built from a kit
- Class 3903** Educational Exhibit a notebook, poster or display

### Division II – Intermediate Division (4-H age 9-13)

- \*Class 3904** Interlocking brick diorama built from scratch
- Class 3905** Interlocking brick diorama built from a kit
- \*Class 3906** Educational Exhibit a notebook, poster or display

### Division III – Senior Division (4-H age 14-18)

- \*Class 3907** Interlocking brick diorama built from scratch
- Class 3908** Interlocking brick diorama built from a kit
- \*Class 3909** Educational Exhibit a notebook, poster or display

# DIVISION 40

## 4-H COMPUTER SCIENCE

Superintendent:

Exhibit and Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Members enrolled in the STEM project will be sent exhibit guidelines (Kansas 4-H State Fair rules) along with fair pre-entry information.
3. Exhibitor may enter up to three exhibits per class.
4. A 4-H Stem Exhibit Information Form (available at the Extension Office) must be completed and glued to a 10" x 13" envelope. **If no envelope is presented at the time of judging, the exhibit will be lowered by one ribbon placing.** Plans (or a photocopy) must be placed inside the envelope. This includes original designs. If a kit has been modified structurally, notations need to be given indicating the changes made.
5. Members may enter one educational display, notebook, or poster.
  - A. Educational Displays are not to exceed a standard commercial 4' high x 3' wide x 2' deep.
  - B. Posters are limited to a commercial 3' x 4' trifold display board.

### Division I – Junior Division (4-H age 7-8)

- Class 4001**      **Computer program**, application, app, script, or coded system that is new and unique (not merely a file run in a program, such as a 'word document' or a picture drawn in 'Microsoft Paint.')
- Class 4002**      **Coded Website** - built entirely by the 4-H member (not using a pre-made template generator such as Wix or Square Space). Items in this class could be coded in HTML, CSS, Javascript, Wordpress, or other web-based programming languages or platforms.
- Class 4003**      **Microcontroller or Microcomputer Application** – a small circuit board that is programmed to accomplish a specific task (projects built and programmed using Raspberry Pi, Arduino, etc.)
- Class 4004**      **Educational Exhibit** a notebook, poster or display

### Division II – Intermediate Division (4-H age 9-13)

- \*Class 4005**      **Computer program**, application, app, script, or coded system that is new and unique (not merely a file run in a program, such as a 'word document' or a picture drawn in 'Microsoft Paint.')
- \*Class 4006**      **Coded Website** - built entirely by the 4-H member (not using a pre-made template generator such as Wix or Square Space). Items in this class could be coded in HTML, CSS, Javascript, Wordpress, or other web-based programming languages or platforms.
- \*Class 4007**      **Microcontroller or Microcomputer Application** – a small circuit board that is programmed to accomplish a specific task (projects built and programmed using Raspberry Pi, Arduino, etc.)
- \*Class 4008**      **Educational Exhibit** a notebook, poster or display

### Division III – Senior Division (4-H age 14-18)

- \*Class 4009**      **Computer program**, application, app, script, or coded system that is new and unique (not merely a file run in a program, such as a 'word document' or a picture drawn in 'Microsoft Paint.')
- \*Class 4010**      **Coded Website** - built entirely by the 4-H member (not using a pre-made template generator such as Wix or Square Space). Items in this class could be coded in HTML, CSS, Javascript, Wordpress, or other web-based programming languages or platforms.
- \*Class 4011**      **Microcontroller or Microcomputer Application** – a small circuit board that is programmed to accomplish a specific task (projects built and programmed using Raspberry Pi, Arduino, etc.)
- \*Class 4012**      **Educational Exhibit** a notebook, poster or display

# DIVISION 41

## 4-H ROBOTICS

Superintendent:

Exhibit and Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Members enrolled in the STEM project will be sent exhibit guidelines (Kansas 4-H State Fair rules) along with fair pre-entry information.
3. Exhibitor may enter up to three exhibits per class.
4. A 4-H Stem Exhibit Information Form (available at the Extension Office) must be completed and glued to a 10" x 13" envelope. **If no envelope is presented at the time of judging, the exhibit will be lowered by one ribbon placing.** Plans (or a photocopy) must be placed inside the envelope. This includes original designs. If a kit has been modified structurally, notations need to be given indicating the changes made.
5. Members may enter one educational display, notebook, or poster.

### Division I – Beginner Division Ages 7 to 8

- Class 4101**      **Robot made from a commercial (purchased) kit** (No programming just assembly)
- Class 4102**      **Robot designed and constructed by exhibitor.** The robot must not be a mere modification of an existing robot kit or plan.
- Class 4103**      **Programmable robot made from a commercial (purchased) kit.**
- Class 4104**      **Robot designed and constructed by exhibitor or from a commercial kit** that is operated by a remote-controlled device.
- Class 4105**      **Junk Drawer Robotics**
- Class 4106**      **Educational Exhibit** a notebook, poster or display

### Division II - Intermediate Division Ages 9 to 13

- \*Class 4107**      **Robot made from a commercial (purchased) kit** (No programming just assembly)
- \*Class 4108**      **Robot designed by exhibitor.** The robot must not be a mere modification of an existing robot kit or plan.
- \*Class 4109**      **Programmable robot made from a commercial (purchased) kit.**
- \*Class 4110**      **Robot designed and constructed by exhibitor or from a commercial kit** that is operated by a remote-controlled device.
- \*Class 4111**      **Junk Drawer Robotics**
- \*Class 4112**      **Educational Exhibit** a notebook, poster or display

### Division III - Senior Division Ages 14 and 18

- \*Class 4113**      **Robot made from a commercial (purchased) kit** (No programming just assembly)
- \*Class 4114**      **Robot designed by exhibitor.** The robot must not be a mere modification of an existing robot kit or plan.
- \*Class 4115**      **Programmable robot made from a commercial (purchased) kit.**
- \*Class 4116**      **Robot designed and constructed by exhibitor or from a commercial kit** that is operated by a remote-controlled device.
- \*Class 4117**      **Junk Drawer Robotics**
- \*Class 4118**      **Educational Exhibit** a notebook, poster or display

### Division IV – Team Robotics Project

- \*Class 4119**      **Robot designed and constructed by two or more 4-H Stem project members.** The robot must not be a mere modification of an existing robot kit or plan. The robot may be a programmable type that is made from a commercial (purchased) kit. This division is designed to encourage teamwork and cooperation among fellow 4-H Stem members. As with many high-tech projects today, no one person designs and builds a robot alone. It takes the brainstorming, planning, problem solving, and cooperation of an entire team to complete a given robotics project.
- \*Class 4120**      **Educational Exhibit** a notebook, poster or display

## Division 42

# 4-H SMALL ENGINES

Superintendent:

Exhibit and Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Members enrolled in the STEM project will be sent exhibit guidelines (Kansas 4-H State Fair rules) along with fair pre-entry information.
3. Exhibitor may enter up to three exhibits per class.
4. A 4-H Stem Exhibit Information Form (available at the Extension Office) must be completed and glued to a 10" x 13" envelope. **If no envelope is presented at the time of judging, the exhibit will be lowered one ribbon placing.** Plans (or a photocopy) must be placed inside the envelope. This includes original designs. If a kit has been modified structurally, notations need to be given indicating the changes made.
5. All exhibits should involve engines smaller than 20 horsepower for classes 2305-2307. Engine should contain no fuel in tank or carburetor. Displays are limited to 4' wide and 4' deep - both upright and floor displays.
6. Members may enter one educational display, notebook, or poster.

**\*Class 4201 Display** - Exhibit a display, selecting one of the following options: 1) a display identifying different engine or lawn and garden equipment parts or a display showing the function of the various engine or lawn and garden equipment parts; OR 2) a display identifying and explaining the function(s) of different special tools needed for small engine **repair or maintenance**; OR 3) a display illustrating and providing the results of any one of experiments that are included in the project books. No complete engines, lawn tractors, tillers, and chainsaws are permitted for display in this class. **Maximum tri-fold or display board size is 3' x 4', items may not extended beyond the 24" from the back of the display board.**

**\*Class 4202 Maintenance** - Exhibit a display that illustrates either 1) Routine maintenance procedures OR 2) Diagnosing and troubleshooting specific problems in an engine. No complete engines, lawn tractors, tillers, chainsaws, etc. are permitted for display in this class. **A maximum tri-fold or display board size of 3' x 4', items may not extend beyond 24" from the back of the display board.**

**\*Class 4203 Operation** - Exhibit an operable small engine (no more than 20 HP) overhauled or rebuilt by the member. Include maintenance schedule for the engine and a brief description of steps taken by the member overhauling or rebuilding the engine. The engine should not contain fuel in the tank or carburetor. All exhibits in this division must be self-standing.

# DIVISON 43

## 4-H UNCREWED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS

Superintendent:

Exhibit and Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Members enrolled in the STEM project will be sent exhibit guidelines (Kansas 4-H State Fair rules) along with fair pre-entry information.
3. Exhibitor may enter up to three exhibits per class.
4. A 4-H Stem Exhibit Information Form (available at the Extension Office) must be completed and glued to a 10" x 13" envelope. **If no envelope is presented at the time of judging, the exhibit will be lowered by one ribbon placing.** Plans (or a photocopy) must be placed inside the envelope. This includes original designs. If a kit has been modified structurally, notations need to be given indicating the changes made.
5. All exhibits should involve engines smaller than 20 horsepower for classes 2305-2307. Engine should contain no fuel in tank or carburetor. Displays are limited to 4' wide and 4' deep - both upright and floor displays.
6. Members may enter one educational display, notebook, or poster.

### Division I – Junior Division (4-H age 7-8)

- Class 4301**      **Unmanned Aircraft System designed and constructed by the exhibitor** that is operated by a remote controlled device. The UAS must not be a mere modification of an existing kit or plan. You may not exhibit a UAS that is purchased off the shelf in this class.
- Class 4302**      **Practical application of an Unmanned Aircraft System constructed from a commercial (purchased) kit.** This includes the UAS, plus one or more of the following: video, notebook, poster, display board, etc. This class is separate from educational exhibits. A tangible use would be mapping Russian olive trees, eroded soils, and bindweed in fields, etc. There are also many other non-agricultural UAS uses that would be appropriate for this class.
- Class 4303**      **Educational Exhibit** a notebook, poster or display

### Division II – Intermediate Division (4-H age 9-13)

- \*Class 4304**      **Unmanned Aircraft System designed and constructed by exhibitor** that is operated by a remote controlled device. The UAS must not be a mere modification of an existing kit or plan. You may not exhibit a UAS that is purchased off the shelf in this class.
- \*Class 4305**      **Practical application of an Unmanned Aircraft System constructed from a commercial (purchased) kit.** This includes the UAS, plus one or more of the following: video, notebook, poster, display board, etc. This class is separate from educational exhibits. A tangible use would be mapping Russian olive trees, eroded soils, and bindweed in fields, etc. There are also many other non-agricultural UAS uses that would be appropriate for this class.
- \*Class 4306**      **Educational Exhibit** a notebook, poster or display

### Division II – Senior Division (4-H age 14-18)

- \*Class 4307**      **Unmanned Aircraft System designed and constructed by exhibitor** that is operated by a remote controlled device. The UAS must not be a mere modification of an existing kit or plan. You may not exhibit a UAS that is purchased off the shelf in this class.
- \*Class 4308**      **Practical application of an Unmanned Aircraft System constructed from a commercial (purchased) kit.** This includes the UAS, plus one or more of the following: video, notebook, poster, display board, etc. This class is separate from educational exhibits. A tangible use would be mapping Russian olive trees, eroded soils, and bindweed in fields, etc. There are also many other non-agricultural UAS uses that would be appropriate for this class.
- \*Class 4309**      **Educational Exhibit** a notebook, poster or display

# Division 44

## 4-H CLUB PROJECTS

Judging: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Banners, Bales, Barn Quilts or Barrels and centerpieces should be decorated for fair theme or promote 4-H/4-H projects.
3. Banners, Bales, Barn Quilts or Barrels will be judged on Tuesday, July 14, 2026. Banners, bales and barrels are optional for clubs.
4. Club Projects will not be divided by age divisions as they are club entries. Premiums will be paid to 4-H Clubs.
5. All Officer Books (Reporter, Secretary, Treasurer, and Historian) should be for the current 4-H year - October 1<sup>st</sup> of previous year to current time.
6. Officer Books that contain private information, including bank account numbers, will not be displayed openly, but instead will be placed in a closed cabinet for display.
7. Reporter's Book will be judged on:
  - A. Monthly Meeting Reports – strong leads to draw reader into report, factual, accurate, well written, proper grammar, punctuation, spelling, timely
  - B. Feature Stories – catchy leads to bring reader into story, informative and interesting, proper grammar, punctuation, spelling, appropriate, timely
  - C. Photographs – compliment story, eye-appealing
  - D. Notebook – neat, accurate, complete to date
8. Secretary's Book will be judged on:
  - A. Enrollment/Club Roll
  - B. List of Club Committees
  - C. List of Leaders – community, project, parents committee
  - D. Neatness
  - E. Minutes completed and signed
9. Historian Book will be judged on:
  - A. Begins with October 4-H Meeting
  - B. Tell story of club with newspaper clippings, pictures, program books, etc. Items included only involve club members.
  - C. Reporter's newspaper clippings are not included since they are in the reporter's book.
  - D. Cover is attractive and durable to preserve history of club.
  - E. Title page reflects club name, year, and Historian's name.
  - F. Pictures are labeled with activity dates and names.
  - G. Highlight member's names in clippings, picture captions, programs, etc.
  - H. Book is neat and well organized.
10. Treasurer's Book will be judged on:
  - A. Completeness – Monthly Treasurer's Reports and Record of Club Finances are filled out completely for each month. Club's Yearly Budget was completed at beginning of new 4-H year.
  - B. Neatness and organization
11. Centerpiece Guidelines:
  - A. Each club is asked to make a centerpiece that would be appropriate for use as a centerpiece or arrangement on a dining room table.
  - B. The centerpiece will be used in the club's food display case at the fair. The club's food exhibits will be arranged around the centerpiece or arrangement.
  - C. Maximum height should not exceed 12 inches.
  - D. This exhibit will be judged for Originality; Suitability of container; Quality, condition of arrangement; Harmony; and Balance and arrangement.
12. Banner Guidelines: Banners are a two dimensional display, depicting one idea. Banners should be made out of flame-resistant materials. Dimensions are to be no less than 12 and no more than 16 square feet, with a minimum of 3 feet on one side. Banners must be hung on a wooden dowel stick and rope or hanging wire, strong enough to support the banner. On each end of the banner there should be a wire or chain 6 inches long. One end of the wire will be fastened to the end of the rod. The other end will be connected to an "S" hook which will permit the banner to be hung. Attach an exhibit card to the banner with string. A label is to be attached to the front lower left-hand corner of the banner giving the name of the club.
13. Bale Guidelines:
  - A. Clubs must provide their own bales.
  - B. Bales should be decorated with a good, clean, wholesome nature.
  - C. No vulgar or suggestive decorations will be allowed – this included people rolled up inside a bale with feet or hair sticking out.
  - D. Bales can be placed lying on their side or standing on end. A maximum of 8 small rectangular bales for fee or decoration can be used. For safety purposes round bales should not be stacked on top of each other.
  - E. Decorations should be weather and wind-proof and should be checked and maintained daily.

- F. Paint may NOT be applied to the hay bale or grass.
  - G. Please keep the area around the bale clean and free of trash.
  - H. Club is responsible for removing their bale and decorations by Monday after the fair is complete or premium will be forfeited.
14. Decorated Barrel Guidelines:
- A. Barrels will not be used for trash this year. They will become the property of the County Fairgrounds and will be used in following years for trash.
  - B. Each barrel should illustrate a phase of 4-H work which is being practiced by youth in 4-H or promote 4-H in general.
  - C. Barrel must be painted. No three dimensional objects should be attached to the barrel. The barrels should be decorated with a good clean wholesome nature. No vulgar or suggestive decorations will be allowed. NO Commercial or Political party signs of ANY KIND are allowed. Club should avoid using copyrighted materials whenever possible by originating their own work.
  - D. Entries will be judged on eye appeal and creativity.
15. Barn Quilt Guidelines:
- A. A 2 x 2 wood square of MDO (medium density overlay) board.
  - B. Wood must be primed with two coats of primer.
  - C. Use latex enamel paint only.
  - D. Each barn quilt should be 4-H appropriate. No wording or objects should be attached to the barn quilt. Original designs are encouraged. If copied, written credit should be given by attaching a 3x5 index card to the back.
  - E. Design so that Barn Quilt can be displayed on point (diamond shaped) or square. Do not attach hooks for hanging.
  - F. Entries will be judged on appearance, creativity and construction.

**Section A – Club Entries**

- Class 4401 Club Reporter’s Book**
- Class 4402 Club Secretary’s Book**
- Class 4403 Club Historian’s Book**
- Class 4404 Club Treasurer’s Book**
- Class 4405 Centerpiece**
- Class 4407 4X4 Square**

## **Division 45**

### **4-H CLOVERBUDS**

1. 4-H Cloverbuds may exhibit or showcase age-appropriate activity items from their 4-H Cloverbuds experiences.
2. The Cloverbud may showcase a product, poster, or notebook for a show and tell display.
3. A 4-H Cloverbud may showcase a pet from the approved list during his/her show and tell. Pets cannot be included in overnight exhibits. No livestock can be exhibited.
4. The Cloverbud may not participate as a competitive exhibitor and is not eligible to receive premiums or awards. A 4-H Cloverbud may receive a 4-H Cloverbud ribbon or participation award.

**Class 4501    Cloverbud project**

# Division 46

## FFA DISPLAY

Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.

FFA Display Classes (3801-3848) are not eligible for State Fair display.

### WELDING DISPLAY BOARDS

Special Rules: Skill Display Boards. (All boards need a wire attached to hang on nail or hook.) Six welds on 3"x3" metal must be mounted on a 24"x24" display board. Welds must show start and finish of bead and be attached on a wire loop hinge or equivalent, so judge can look at bottom side of weld.

Label each weld with: 1) name, 2) weld position, 3) type of joint, 4) amperage, and 5) electrode size and ID number.

Any combination of 4 joints: a) flat bead, b) butt, c) lap, or d) tee; or 4 positions: a) flat, b) horizontal, c) vertical, or d) overhead maybe used.

- Class 4601**    **Arc**
- Class 4602**    **Mig**
- Class 4603**    **Oxyacetylene**

### ELECTRIC DISPLAY

Special Rules: This display must consist of the systems listed below mounted on a 3'x4' board. Display components in a manner that illustrates actual construction wiring as closely as possible. Leave covers off and fixtures unattached to the boxes, so judge can look at wiring behind the fixture. Include a fuse or breaker box with a plug attached, so the system can be tested. A diagram of the system should also be mounted on the board. All boards need a wire attached to hang on nail or hook.

- Class 4604**    **Single pole switch with outlet and light**
- Class 4605**    **Three-way switch with outlet and light**
- Class 4606**    **Combination with both systems attached.**

### SMALL ENGINES DISPLAY

Special Rules: Exhibit should show some system or parts of a small engine. A cutaway engine may also be mounted. Include a brief description of how the system or parts function or compare worn and new parts. Mount display on a board 24"x24" and label the parts. All boards need a wire attached to hang on nail or hook.

- Class 4607**    **Systems**
- Class 4608**    **Parts**

### FFA INFORMATION DISPLAY BOARDS

Displays must be mounted on a 48"x 48" board, which may be hinged in the middle. All boards need a wire attached to hang on nail or hook. Each exhibit must be properly identified with division class and class number. Label all plant specimens and include common name, date and place collected, and other necessary information. Exhibits will be judged according to completeness of plant mount, completeness and accuracy of identification, originality, and neatness.

Special Rules: A collection of 12 different range plants from the group listed below. The majority of the display must represent this year's work.

- Class 4609**    **Grazing Response** (Include 4 decreaseers, 4 increaseers, and 4 invaders)
- Class 4610**    **Longevity** (6 perennials and 6 annual plants selected from grasses or forbs)
- Class 4611**    **Season of Growth** (12 grasses with a minimum of 3 warm season and 3 cool season grasses)
- Class 4612**    **Origin** (Include 6 native grasses and 6 introduced grasses)
- Class 4613**    **Life Form** (Include 3 grasses; 3 forbs; 3 grass-like; and 3 shrubs)

### CROPS

Special Rules: A collection of 6 cultivated crop plants from the groups listed below. The majority of the display must represent this year's work.

- Class 4614**    **Cereal Grains**
- Class 4615**    **Oil Crops**
- Class 4616**    **Legumes**

### WEEDS

Special Rules: A collection of 10 plants or plant mounts from the group listed below. The majority of the display must represent this year's work.

- Class 4617**    **Weeds in Field Crops**
- Class 4618**    **Weeds in Lawn**

### FLOWERS

Special Rules: A collection of 10 plants or plant mounts from the group listed below. The majority of the display must represent this year's work.

- Class 4619 Bedding Plants**
- Class 4620 Foliage Plants**
- Class 4621 Bulb Plants/Perennials**
- Class 4622 Florist Crops/Plant Material**
- Class 4623 Vegetables**

### TREE LEAVES

Special Rules: A collection of 10 leaves or leaf mounts from the group list below. The majority of the display must represent this year's work.

- Class 4624 Deciduous Trees**
- Class 4625 Coniferous Trees**
- Class 4626 Fruit and Nut Trees**

### ENTOMOLOGY DISPLAY

Special Rules: A collection of five insects mounted correctly and identified with common and scientific names.

- Class 4627 Insects**

### FFA SHOP PROJECTS

Special rules:

1. Small shop projects must represent current year's work. Large projects, majority of work must represent this year's work.
2. Limit of one entry per class.
3. Large projects will be displayed outside.
4. Projects must be identified with member's name, FFA Chapter, approximate cost of material, and explanation of work completed when appropriate.

### SMALL PROJECTS

- Class 4628 Wood projects**
- Class 4629 Metal projects**

### LARGE PROJECTS

- Class 4630 Large projects that are mobile.** Example: trailer, tractor repair, rebuilt Truck bed, etc.
- Class 4631 Large Projects that are not mobile.** Example: feed bunk, cattle panels, etc

### FOODS AND NUTRITION

1. Read 4-H & FFA General Rules.
2. Two copies of the complete recipe on an 8½ x 11 sheet of paper with ingredients and instructions must be brought with the entry or the placing will be lowered one ribbon when judged. Recipe may be photocopied, typed, or handwritten. The FFA member's name must be at the top of the page of each recipe. If a mix is allowed for a class, bring back panel from the box or package with the exhibit.
3. Each exhibit must be accompanied by an exhibit entry card. **DO NOT ATTACH TO EXHIBIT.**
4. All baked goods must be left whole and uncut. Small items, such as cookies and rolls, should be the same shape and from the same recipe. Exhibit 3 cookies, 3 muffins, 3 bread sticks, 1 loaf bread, etc.
5. Any baked product that can be removed from the pan should be placed on a plate, covered cardboard or disposable container. Coffee cakes and other quick cakes, like banana cake, may remain in the pan. Cupcakes may be in liners but muffins should not be in liners.
6. Exhibits should be in food grade plastic bags, disposable plastic containers or boxes.
7. Pies and cakes should be entered in disposable aluminum tins.
8. All un-frosted cakes should be exhibited in an upright position with crust showing, except for those cakes made with special designs such as Bundt cakes. They should have top crust down.
9. Underbaked entries will be lowered one or more ribbon placings.
10. For food safety purposes, any food with custard and dairy-based fillings and frostings (ex: cream cheese), butter, margarine, raw eggs, flavored oils, "canned" bread or cakes in a jar, cut fresh fruit, or any food requiring refrigeration (ex: bacon) will be disqualified and not judged. Refer to K-State Research and Extension publication, 4-H888, *Judge's Guide for Food and Nutrition Exhibits*, for information to help you make informed, safe food exhibit decisions. Vegetable shortening frostings are recommended.
11. Alcohol (ex. Wine, beer, and hard liquor) is not allowed as an ingredient in food entries. Entries with alcohol in the recipe will be disqualified and not be judged.
12. **Food Gift Package:** No alcoholic beverages will be accepted. A food gift package must contain at least three different food items (prepared for human consumption), made by the FFA member, in a suitable container no larger than 18"x18"x18". Prepared food items must have recipes attached with the entry. Additional homemade food items beyond the 3 minimum or purchased items also may also be included in the gift basket. On a 3 x 5 card, answer these questions: a) what is the intended use; b) what food safety precautions were taken during and after preparation. This entry will count as a non-perishable food product, not as an educational

exhibit. Home canned foods must follow Food Preservation rules. Canning jars should not be used for baking per manufacturer's instructions. They could break during baking.

13. **Educational exhibits** may be in the form of a poster, notebook or display. Follow copyright laws as explained in the General Rules as you are preparing your exhibit. Take care to select materials that will withstand fair conditions. No card table displays are allowed. If the exhibit is a poster, it must be no larger than 22"x 30". Displays are not to exceed a standard commercial 3' x4' tri-fold display board. Name and county/district must be clearly marked on educational exhibits. Note: A collection of your favorite recipes in a recipe box or notebook does not constitute an educational exhibit.
14. **Modified non-perishable food product:** Product must be modified from original recipe to nutritionally enhance the food product. Attach one - 8 ½ x 11 inch page (front and back) that includes Original Recipe, Modified Recipe, and Narrative to describe modifications made, why modifications were made and lessons learned such as nutritive value, and possible changes in appearance, doneness, aroma, flavor, tenderness and/or texture. Example: a standard blueberry muffin recipe that is modified to make it gluten free. Suggested resources:
  - Altering Recipes for Better Health Purdue University: <http://www.extension.purdue.edu/extmedia/cfs/cfs-157-w.pdf>
  - Altering Recipes for Good Health Texas A&M University: [https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/healthy\\_food\\_Challenge\\_altering\\_recipes.pdf](https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/healthy_food_Challenge_altering_recipes.pdf)
15. **Recipe Collection:** Notebook or recipe file which should include recipes used that are age appropriate (other recipes may be included). Guidelines: Division of food categories in alphabetical order. Directions must be easily read. Minimum of five (5) new recipes must be added for each year the FFA member participates in a related SAE.

- Class 4632 Non-perishable food product** (Suggestions may include snack mixes, no bake cookies, muffins, cupcakes)  
**Class 4633 Educational Exhibit** (See rule # 13 above)  
**Class 4634 Food Gift Package** (See rule #12 above)  
**Class 4635 Modified non-perishable food product** (See rule #14 above)  
**Class 4636 Recipe Collection** (See rule #15 above)

**FOOD PRESERVATION** Exhibit Check In: Tuesday, July 24, 2018 – American Legion Hall Judging: 8:30 a.m.

1. Exhibits must have been preserved since the previous year's county fair and not exhibited at the previous State Fair.
2. Recipes and processing methods from the sources below are recommended. Recipes must be from 1995-Present. Processing methods that will be disqualified include: open kettle-canning, over canning, sun canning and using electric multi-cookers. For more information on electric multi-cookers, see <https://extension.missouri.edu/media/wysiwyg/Extensiondata/Pub/pdf/hesguide/foodnut/hes122.pdf>. Untested recipes will be disqualified for food safety reasons. Recipe resources include
  - USDA Complete Guide to Home Canning
  - So Easy to Preserve, 6<sup>th</sup> edition, The University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service
  - Ball Blue Book Guide to Preserving
  - Ball Complete Book of Home Preserving
  - All New Ball Book of Canning and Preserving
  - Canning mixes (i.e. Mrs. Wage's, Ball)
  - Pectin manufacturers (i.e. SureJell, Ball)
  - <http://www.rrc.k-state.edu/preservation/recipes.html>
  - K-State Research and Extension Food Preservation publications, including:
    - 4H712, Food Safety Recommendations for Food Preservation Exhibits <http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/bookstore/pubs/4H712.pdf>
    - MF3170 "10 Tips for Safe Home-Canned Food" <http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/bookstore/pubs/MF3170.pdf>
    - MF3171 "Sassy Safe Salsa at Home" <http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/bookstore/pubs/MF3171.pdf>
    - MF3172 "What's Your Elevation?" <http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/bookstore/pubs/MF3172.pdf>
    - MF3241 "How to Guide to Water Bath Canning and Steam Canning" <http://www.bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/MF3241.pdf>
    - MF3242 "How to Guide to Pressure Canning" <http://www.bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/MF3242.pdf>
3. Alcohol is not allowed as an ingredient in food preservation entries. Entries with alcohol in the recipe will be disqualified and not be judged.
4. Each exhibit must have the complete recipe and instructions attached with the entry card, or it will be lowered one ribbon placing. Recipe must include exhibitor name, recipe source, and date of publication and altitude of where food was processed. If using Mrs. Wage's or Ball mixes, indicate the date purchased.
5. Exhibits must be sealed in clean, clear standard canning jars, with matching brand (ex: use Ball lids on Ball jars, or Kerr lids on Kerr jars, etc.) two-piece lids. Do not use colored jars. Do not add fancy padded lids, fabric over wraps or cozies as they interfere with the judging process. No fancy packs unless recipe states to do so (ex: Pickled asparagus). Jars must be sealed when entered. For

food safety reasons, the size of jars used must not be larger than the jar size stated in the recipe. Note: There are 12-ounce, 24-ounce, and 28-ounce canning jars available and may be used. Use pint jar process recommendations for 12 ounce jars. Use quart jar process recommendations for 24 ounce and 28 ounce jars.

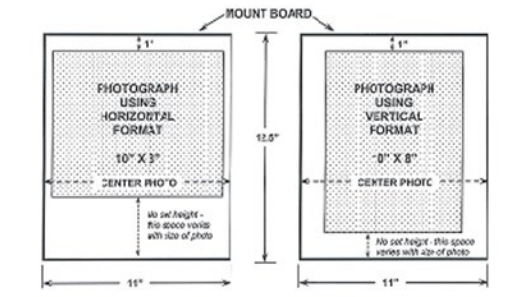
6. Each jar exhibited must be labeled. The label must not cover brand name of jar. The label must give: Class No., Product, Altitude where processed, Canning Method, (water bath, weighted gauge or dial gauge pressure method). Process Time, Pressure (psi), date processed including month and year, Name and County/District. Label templates to make adhesive labels may be found at: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/educational-experiences/fair-resources/kansas-state-fair/docs/food-preservation/Food%20Pres%20Label%202018%201%20x%202.58.pdf> or <https://www.kansas4-h.org/educational-experiences/fair-resources/kansas-state-fair/docs/food-preservation/Food%20Pres%20Label%202018%202%20x%204.pdf>
7. If dried food product is not in a canning jar, it will be lowered one ribbon rating. Suggested amount: 1/3 - 1/2 cup, or three or four pieces per exhibit. All meat jerky must be heated to an internal temperature of 160 degrees F before or after drying. This is not the drying temperature. Dried products must include the recipe, preparation steps, and heating instructions. Jerky not heated to an internal temperature of 160 degree F will be disqualified and not be judged. Heating information can be found in "Dry meat Safely at Home" [www.ksre.ksu.edu/bookstore/pubs/MF3173.pdf](http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/bookstore/pubs/MF3173.pdf)

- Class 4637 Sweet Spreads** (Fruit and/or Vegetables), Syrups; One jar
- Class 4638 Fruits**, Juices, Fruit mixtures (Salsa, Pie Filling, etc.) One jar
- Class 4639 Low Acid Vegetables** (green beans, corn, etc. or vegetable mixtures.); One jar
- Class 4640 Pickles** (Fruit or Vegetable) Fermented Foods and Relishes and Chutney; One jar
- Class 4641 Tomato/Tomato Products** Tomato Juice and Tomato Salsas; One jar
- Class 4642 Meats**: One jar
- Class 4643 Dried Foods**: One Small Jar

## PHOTOGRAPHY

1. FFA member may enter a total maximum of 10 entries in the photography division. With a maximum four entries in color, four entries in black and white, or four entries in digital composite image classes. A maximum of one entry is allowed in each photo album and photo story.
2. Photographs entered must be the result of the current year's project work by the FFA member. Photo images must be taken by the FFA Member (exhibitor).
3. Photographs taken with a digital camera and having no more adjustments than exposure, color intensity or correction, one click filter effect, red eye removal, cropping, dodging and burning should be entered in the standard color or black and white classes. HDR photos are to be entered in the standard photo class.
4. Digital Composite Image: Finished photo must be created from two or more original images photographed by exhibitor. HDR photos do not qualify for this class. Photos will be judged on photographic merit as well as manipulation technique and process. Ribbon placement will be determined by combining the score of each judging section.
5. The black and white classes are for black and white prints only. Monochromatic prints, including sepia prints are considered color photos and must be entered in the appropriate color photo class.
6. Appropriate photo subject matter: Photographic subject matter is expected to follow FFA standards. In general, if it is not allowable at an FFA event, it is not allowable in a FFA photograph at the Fair.
7. Copyright protections must be observed.
8. Photos with live subject(s) on railroad right away or photos taken from railroad right of way property will not be displayed and will be disqualified and not judged.
9. Decisions as to display and/or penalties will be made as a collaborative effort between judge, superintendent, extension agent, and advisor.
10. Photo Mounting and Display Instructions. Improperly mounted photos will be awarded a ribbon one placing lower than the placing determined by the official judge.
  - a) Photos are to be mounted photo across the narrow 11" dimension of an 11" x 12.5" sheet of white or cream studio matte board, which may be purchased at the District Extension Office. Photos mounted on poster board will not be displayed.
  - b) A Permanent mount must be made using photographic adhesive.
  - c) No lettering, including dates, is permitted on the front of the mount or on the photo. No underlay or borders are to be used.
  - d) All photos must be no larger than 8"x10" and no smaller than 7"x9", after trimming.
  - e) Remove white border from the photo print before mounting.
  - f) Photos must be mounted with the top edge of the print 1" below the top of the mount. (Board is always oriented narrow side up). The sides of the print must be equal distance from the two sides of the mount. (Exception -- Picture Story, Class 2908).
  - g) To protect exhibits from dust and moisture, place mounted photo in protective plastic bag available from the District Extension Office. DO NOT seal the bag.
  - h) Pick up entry card from Superintendent before judging. Do NOT attach your entry card to photo.

PHOTO DISPLAY INSTRUCTIONS



**Section A – Photography**

**Class 4644** Color photos

**Class 4645** Black and white photos

**Class 4646** **Digital Composite Image** - Photo must be created from two or more originals taken by the exhibitor. Exhibitor must include a second 11 x 12-1/2 matte board (Explanation Board) mounted with standard size prints of the original photos, 3 x 5 card(s) explaining what manipulation was done and a standard size print of the final photo. Optional, many include prints of editing steps. Photos showing editing steps may be layered. Please put name and Extension Unit on the front of the second board. Explanation Boards will be displayed along with the finished board. Place both matte boards in the same protective plastic after judging. Note: see Rule #6 above for definition.

**Class 4647** **Photo Albums:** Include a cover and minimum of four pages. Include a short explanation of the purpose of the album on the inside of the front cover.

**Class 4648** **Photo Story:** Series of 2-5 photos that tell a story (landscape, human interest, animal actions, etc.) Photos may be any size. Photos must be mounted on no more than three 11 x 12.5 photography mounting boards