

CALHOUN COUNTY EXPO

EXPLORE THE JUNGLE OF
OPPORTUNITIES



JULY 9-14, 2024

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2024 Calhoun County Exposition Schedule of Activities

(This is only a partial list of all the events that will be going on during the Expo)

Saturday, June 8- Clothing and Communication Event

Monday, July 8- Building and Booth Set up 3:00-5:00 P.M.

Tuesday, July 9

- ❖ **8:00 A.M.-9:00 A.M.: The Union and Jackson Pioneers**
- ❖ **9:00-10:00 A.M.: Manson Craters and North Butler Blazers**
- ❖ **10:00-11:00 A.M.: Logan Larks and Hot Shots**
- ❖ **11:00-12:00 P.M.: Garfield Gleamers and Livestock Club**

Wednesday, July 10

- 8:00 A.M. All Horse Check-In
- 9:00 A.M. 4-H/FFA Horse Show
- 10:00 A.M.- 8:00 P.M. 4-H Building Open
- 12:30 P.M. Pet Check-In
- 1:00 P.M. 4-H Pet Show, Clover Kids showing first
- 1:30 P.M. Dog Show
- 5:30-7:30 P.M. Goat, Sheep, Swine, Rabbits and Poultry Weigh-In and Check-In

Thursday, July 11

- 7:00-10:00 A.M. All Beef Weigh-In & Check-In
- 10:00-8:00 P.M. 4-H Building Open
- 2:00 P.M. 4-H/FFA Rabbit and Poultry Show, Clover Kids showing first
- 4:00 P.M.- 6:00 P.M. Open Class Exhibit Check-in

Friday, July 12

- 8:00 A.M. 4-H/FFA Swine Show
- 10:00 A.M.- 8:00 P.M. 4-H Building Open
- 1:00 P.M. Bacon Buddies Show
- 3:00 P.M. Goat and Sheep Show, Clover Kids showing first

Saturday, July 13

- 8:00 A.M. 4-H/FFA Beef Show, Clover Kids showing immediately following
- 10:00-8:00 P.M. 4-H Building Open
- 1:00 P.M. Advanced Feeder Pen Show and Cow/Calf Pen
- 3:00 P.M. Livestock Judging Contest

Sunday, July 14

- 11:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M. 4-H Building Open
- 3:00 p.m. Clover Kids Graduation
- 3:30 P.M.: 4-H State Fair Selection Photos in 4-H Exhibit Building
- 4:00 P.M.- 4-H/FFA Livestock & Static Release

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Calhoun County 4-H Clubs and Leaders

Logan Larks- Vanessa Solko
Garfield Gleamers- Shannon Potts
Jackson Pioneers- Tiffany Blair, Mindy Kraft, and Janelle Kent
Manson Craters- Brenda Calmer
The Union- Darci Lightner and Heather Parker
North Butler Blazers- Jaimie Buchan
Calhoun County Livestock Club- Pearl and Kent Wuebker, BreAnn Melody
Calhoun County Hot Shots- Jill Mims and Candy Bilstad
Calhoun County Dog Project- Jill Carlson and Jo Leash

4-H CLUB BOOTH SET UP

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach- Calhoun County and Youth County Council will set up club booth tables at the Exposition Center on Monday, July 8. Clubs may decorate their booth in the Exposition Center from 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Booths must be completed by Noon on Tuesday, July 09.

Exhibits will be released on Sunday, July 14 at 4:00 p.m. Booths will be taken down and the Exposition Center must be cleaned up Sunday evening. If you are picking up exhibits, the Exposition Center is completely cleaned up by 5:00 p.m. All exhibits must remain until the scheduled time on Sunday. All persons picking up exhibits must adhere to this schedule. **Exhibits removed prior to release time without early release forms will not receive premiums.** Please see Extension Staff for more information.

4-H CLUB BOOTH DECORATION GUIDELINES

Each club is encouraged to decorate their booth or display area. The Theme for this year's booth is "Explore the Jungle of Opportunities." Booths will be judged using the following criteria: attractiveness, creativity, neatness, organization, one focal point, name of club, members names, leaders, and pictures of activities. Display areas will be judged during the fair. An overall "best booth" will be awarded with a certificate.

Each booth will be provided with at least two (2) six foot- tables. If a club needs extra tables, talk to an ISU Extension staff member. Clubs are allowed to bring in their own tables if they are not protruding into the walkways.

Nothing can be hung from the walls or adhere to them.

4-H CLUBS EXPO HOST/HOSTESS DUTIES

4-H clubs and club volunteers are expected to watch the Expo building and guard exhibits during designated times listed below. If 4-H members are busy and cannot host the Expo building during their club's scheduled time, they are required to send a family member to take their place as host or hostess. At the beginning of your club's scheduled shift, find the host/hostess table in the front of the Expo building. See host binder for more details.

Wednesday, July 10

10:00 A.M.-11:00 P.M.	ISU Extension and Outreach
11:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.	Rockwell City Clover Kids
2:00 P.M.-5:00 P.M.	North Butler Blazers
5:00 P.M.-8:00 P.M.	Pomeroy/Lytton Clover Kids

Thursday, July 11

10:00 A.M.-11:00 A.M.	ISU Extension and Outreach
11:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.	Manson Clover Kids
2:00 P.M.-5:00 P.M.	Garfield Gleamers
5:00 P.M.-8:00 P.M.	Calhoun County Hot Shots

Friday, July 12

10:00 A.M.-11:00 A.M.	ISU Extension and Outreach
11:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.	Lake City Clover Kids
2:00 P.M.- 5:00 P.M.	The Union
5:00 P.M.-8:00 P.M.	Calhoun County Livestock Club

Saturday, July 13

10:00 A.M.-11:00 A.M.	4-H Youth Council
11:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.	Manson Craters
2:00 P.M.- 5:00 P.M.	Calhoun County Dog Project
5:00 P.M.-8:00 P.M.	Logan Larks

Sunday, July 14

11:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.	ISU Extension and Outreach
2:00 P.M.-5:00 P.M.	Jackson Pioneers

GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS

1. The Calhoun County Exposition is an exclusive 4-H & FFA show. Participants must be members in good standing of either a Calhoun County 4-H club or FFA chapter. Each 4-H member must have been enrolled in 4-H by May 15 of the current year. A 4-H member who has graduated from high school prior to 2024 is ineligible for exhibition.
2. FFA youth are eligible through 12 grade (or that equivalent). An FFA member becomes ineligible to exhibit at the Calhoun County Exposition upon completion of the calendar year of high school graduation. FFA members must be in good standing in their county to make entry to the Calhoun County Exposition. Any FFA member who violates the code of ethics or other fair rules may be denied entry and exhibition at the Calhoun County Expo.
3. All 4-H & FFA livestock projects must be properly identified and verified in 4HOnline for 4-H members and FFA on the proper ID Forms by February 1 for market beef animals and/or by May 15 for breeding beef, market and breeding sheep, market and breeding swine, dairy and meat goat, horse, pets, rabbit, and poultry.
4. While the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach-Calhoun County and Calhoun County Exposition fair personnel will take every reasonable precaution to ensure the welfare of exhibits and exhibitors, they will not be held responsible for any accidents that might occur, and are not liable for any lost, stolen items or livestock.
5. The 4-H building, livestock barns and surrounding areas are designated as drug-free zones. Drugs, tobacco products and alcohol are prohibited. Any use of substances will be reported to the proper authorities.
6. The Calhoun County Exposition Board reserves the right to rule on questions concerning the Calhoun County Exposition not covered in its published rules.
7. Specific rules and regulations may be found under each department.
8. No animals may be unloaded on the fairgrounds until the designated weigh-in/check-in time on entry day without prior consent. Any animal not on the grounds during designated weigh-in/check-in time will not be allowed to be exhibited. All livestock will be released at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. All trailers should enter the west gates and exit the east gates of the fairgrounds.
9. Dogs or other animals that are not participating in the livestock show will not be permitted on the grounds at any time during the Expo.

10. There is a \$10.00 flat rate fee for all Livestock Exhibitors, PLUS \$1.00 fee for each livestock exhibit entered.
11. All premium money will be paid on a pro-rated basis, with Blue ribbons awarded 3 points, Red and Participation ribbons awarded 2 points, and White ribbons awarded 1 point.
12. **Premiums will not be paid on animals or exhibits removed before the designated release time without an early release form signed by appropriate officials.**
13. Premiums will not be paid on animals if pens or stalls are not cleaned.
14. Only 5th-12th grade youth are eligible to advance to the Iowa State Fair.
15. Animals must be of gentle disposition. If any animal shows signs of aggression, the animal may be asked to leave the fairgrounds by the superintendent or by a Calhoun County Fairboard member.

LIVESTOCK RULES & REGULATIONS

OVERVIEW: The following rules and regulations, in addition to the General Fair Rules and Regulations and the Iowa Code of Ethics, apply to all livestock exhibits in 4-H and FFA livestock departments. Exhibitors who fail to comply with any of these rules are subject to forfeit of all awards, premium money, and disqualification from future participation at the Calhoun County Exposition.

EXHIBITORS AND ELGILIBITY

Exhibitors may enroll and exhibit in both 4-H and FFA. However, they cannot exhibit or enroll within the same species unless one is market division and the other a breeding division. For example, a youth could exhibit market beef in FFA and breeding beef in 4-H or vice-versa, but could not exhibit market beef in both FFA and 4-H.

- Animals identified as FFA projects must be shown as FFA animals.
- Animals identified as 4-H must be shown as 4-H animals.
- Exhibitors in rabbit, poultry, pet, dog, and horse must choose one organization to exhibit under.
- Exhibitors in beef, sheep, goat, and swine that have market and breeding divisions may be split between organizations.

YOUTH FOR THE QUALITY CARE OF ANIMALS (YQCA): A copy of the exhibitors Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) certificate must be on file at the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach-Calhoun County office by June 15 of the current year to exhibit livestock.

SUBSTITUTE SHOW RULES

4-H & FFA members must show their own exhibits when in the show ring. Substitutes will be allowed only when: (1) the member has more than one exhibit in the ring, or (2) the member is ill. Any substitute must be a member in good standing of either a Calhoun County 4-H club or FFA chapter. Anytime a substitutes showman is used, the member must check with the superintendent and get approval before they can show. Only the situations listed above will be allowed for a substitute showman.

ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION:

Livestock Identifications (ID) must be completed in 4HOnline (<http://v2.4honline.com>) or with your FFA advisor on or before May 15. Failure to complete identification information on or before May 15 deadline will disqualify the animal.

FAIR ENTRIES

The Fair Entry deadline is June 15 at 11:59 p.m. Entries must be made online using the Fair Entry system (<https://fairentary.com/Fair/Signin/19480>).

ANIMAL PLACEMENT AND CARE

All animal exhibits must enter and leave the grounds at the designated check-in and check-out times. Arriving late or early without prior approval is subject to ineligibility for show, forfeiture of awards or premiums, and can result in ineligibility to exhibit in that project area the following year.

Exhibitors are expected to care for their animals in an acceptable manner. Any abusive care, lack of care, excessive modification, or violation of the Code of Ethics will be grounds for disqualification at the discretion of show officials. Any notes of aggressive handling or unsportsmanlike conduct from judges, or staff during show will disqualify exhibitor.

Feed, hay, and bedding must be furnished by the exhibitor. To aid in cleanliness of our barn, **All livestock pens shall be cleaned, and chores done by 9:00 a.m. each day.**

GROOMING AND CARE

Responsibility of grooming animals for show is primarily the responsibility of the exhibitor. If assistance is needed it should be aimed at helping the 4-H/FFA member learn skills.

There will be no altering of the natural appearance of the animal; this includes dyeing, the use of colored adhesives or powders is strictly prohibited. There will be no removing or remedying physical defects by an artificial means. Such

actions will be considered fraud and deceptive. No unnatural means of providing animal feed, water or other fluid (i.e. stomach pump, I.V.) will be allowed. The use of natural or synthetic tranquilizers and sedatives is strictly prohibited (i.e. Calm, Ace, Promazine, and Thorazine).

No individual health certificates will be required on 4-H and FFA animals or poultry exhibited at the Calhoun County Expo. Livestock must be inspected by the Expo veterinarian before being unloaded. Evidence of warts, ringworm, foot rot, pink eye, draining abscesses or any other contagious or infectious condition will eliminate the animal from the show, and it will be sent home. Quarantined animals or animals from quarantined herds cannot be exhibited. The decision of the Expo veterinarian will be final. If animals become sick at the Expo, consult the Expo veterinarian before treatment. Only the Expo veterinarian may administer treatments according to the medication label.

TESTING: The Calhoun County Exposition Board reserves the right to collect and analyze a urine sample from all champion and reserve champion market animals (beef, sheep, and swine). This may be done IMMEDIATELY following the announcement of winners. These actions conducted by the Calhoun County Exposition Board and the Extension staff are to provide a safe and fair atmosphere for all involved. If the sample comes back positive, and a second testing is required, it will be done at the expense of the exhibitor.

TAGS: Official 4-H or FFA tags should be the only tags present in the ears of all market animals (except for the sheep and goat scrapie tag). FFA members will NOT use a 4-H tag to identify your animals. Any animal that has both 4-H and FFA tags in ear will NOT be allowed to exhibit.

SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

Each livestock exhibitor will be a contestant for showmanship awards. Showmanship judging will be done by the judge in a separate show. Winners and awards will be presented at that time. Past winners of showmanship awards are not eligible to compete for the same age category award.

- Junior Showmanship- completed grades 4, 5 and 6
- Intermediate Showmanship- completed grades 7 and 8
- Senior Showmanship- completed grades 9, 10, 11 and 12

Showmanship criteria to be used during the show by the judge will include:

- Exhibitors must show their own animal when competing in the showmanship division. Members cannot win showmanship contest with a substitute animal.

HERDSMANSHIP

A Livestock Herdsmanship contest will be held throughout the Exposition on a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter basis.

- Each livestock exhibit will be assigned to its stall or pen as they come onto the grounds. All the livestock from a club or chapter will be pinned or stalled together in their respective barns.
- A committee will tour the barns several times each day to observe the appearance and neatness of the pens of each 4-H Club and FFA Chapter, with the ratings posted daily. All Livestock pens should be cleaned by 9:00 A.M. each day.
- At the end of the Exposition, the committee will determine which 4-H club or FFA Chapter is the winner, considering all exhibits of each club or chapter.
- To receive premiums, all pens, stalls, and alleys must be thoroughly cleaned after the livestock is released.
- No advertising is permitted; this includes the rabbit and chicken cages.
- 1st place receives the name of the club or chapter placed on a permanent plaque displayed at the ISU Extension and Outreach-Calhoun County Office.

The Contest will be judged based on the scoreboard listed as follows:

- Cleanliness of Alleys and Stalls- 35 points bedding: adequate, dry, clean and in place, cattle securely tied with 18-20 inches lead,

feed boxes in front of animals only at feeding time, manure hauled out and deposited in proper place, alleys swept clean, free of dust and wood chips, USE NO LIME.

- Arrangement of Exhibits- 15 points cattle lined up in attractive manner, big objectionable boxes out of the way, hay neat and orderly.
- Appearance of Animals- 15 points animals clean and brushed, livestock in pens or stalls between 8:00 am and 6:00 p.m.
- Stall Cards- 10 points posted above pen and filled in with information requested.
- Conditions of alley and stalls following release of livestock final evaluation- 25 points.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

Superintendents: Doug Gaul, Ally Blanchfield and Katie Bush

Livestock Judging Special Rules:

1. Contest will consist of 6-8 classes of livestock. Classes will be set up using livestock exhibited at the Expo.
2. Entries in this class are open to all 4-H and FFA members who have been active in 4-H and FFA during the past year.
3. There will be a junior and senior division, with the break being Seniors- all who were 9th grade and older the past year in school; Juniors- all members who were grades 4th-8th the past school year.
4. A team will consist of 3 or 4 members. Scores of the top three team members will be used for placing.
5. Any chapter or club may enter as many teams as they wish. All teams from a chapter or a club will be eligible.
6. Open high school class- out-of-county youth are eligible to participate, however no premiums will be paid.
7. A plaque will be given to the top placing team. In case of a tie, the teams, and individuals in each division with the most fifties (50 pts. per class) or the highest-class score will be the winners.
8. Anyone caught cheating or talking during the event will be disqualified.

BEEF DEPARTMENT

Superintendents: Ricole & Jon Potts, Kelly Meyer

Beef Department Special Rules:

1. General rules regulations, and health requirements in the fairbook apply to this department.
2. Breeding animals must be on the grounds and weighed on designated day and time of the fair. Animals not on grounds at designated check-in time will not be allowed to exhibit.
3. Tattoos are required for all breeding and commercial heifers. In addition to tattoos, breeding heifers will also have one of the following second forms of identification. Either a registration number (for purebred), a calfhood vaccination tag, or an official 4-H tag. The calfhood vaccination tattoo is not an acceptable identification as the primary tattoo.
4. Official 4-H tags are required on nursing and bucket/bottle calves.
5. All animals in Division 201: breeding beef, will need to fill out a breeding beef check-in sheet before going across the scale on entry day to check birth dates, tattoos, and correct entry.
6. Any heifer being purebred, grade or crossbred is eligible. Purebred animals will be considered those animals that are 75% or higher.
7. Classes will be divided according to age, youngest showing first.
8. Members may show three (3) animals in each class.
9. Animals showing in this department will be judged based on quality, type, and conformation.
10. First calf heifers will be eligible for the champion cow/calf banner.
11. Maximum of 10 head can be identified (total for purebred and commercial).
12. 4HOnline ID required for 4-H members by May 15, FFA Breeding Beef form filled out and submitted to Iowa State University Extension and Outreach by May 15.
13. All heifers must have birth date listed.
14. Animals can only be identified under one 4-H member and cannot be identified as both 4-H and FFA.

DIVISION 201: BREEDING BEEF

Class 20100- Non-Fit Heifers

Born between September 1, 2022- December 31, 2023.

Once animals arrive to the fair, they must not be trimmed, clipped, or fit in any way. This includes the use of adhesives. Non-fit heifers must be home raised calves and not club calves.

Class 20101- Registered Purebred Heifers (Animals that are registered as 75% or higher) Born between September 1 to December 31, 2023 (Registration numbers/paper will be required, class will be split by animal breeds).

Class 20102- Commercial Heifers

Born between September 1 to December 31, 2023

Class 20103-First Calf Heifer and Calf

Calf must be born between January 1 to May 15, 2024. Must be a heifer which has been carried as a project the previous year

Class 20104- Cow/Calf

Calf must have been born between January 1 to May 15, 2024

Class 20105- Female Nursing Calf/Feeder

Calves must be born between January 1 to May 15, 2024, and are currently or have been nursing.

Class 20106- Male Nursing Calf/Feeder

Calves must be born between January 1 to May 15, 2024, and are currently or have been nursing.

Class 20107- Female Bucket/Bottle Calf

Bucket/Bottle calves must be born January 1 to May 15, 2024. The calf must have been on a bottle or bucket no later than one after birth.

Class 20108- Male Bucket/Bottle Calf

Bucket/Bottle calves must be born between January 1 to May 15, 2024. The calf must have been on a bottle or bucket no later than one month after birth.

Class 20109: Cow/Calf Pen

Cow/Calf Pen Special Rules:

1. Cow-Calf pairs will be shown in pens. There is a limit of 2 cow/calf pairs per exhibitor. If the barn is full, youth may only be able to bring one pair.
2. Calf Must be born between January 1 and May 15, 2024.
3. Neither cows nor calves should be tied in pens. Animals should be clean but be displayed and shown in pasture condition (No clipping or fitting prior to judging of cow/calf pair).
4. The Grand champion and Reserve Champion Cow/Calf pen class will NOT be shown for Supreme Champion Breeding Female.
5. This is a county class only.
6. 4HOnline ID required for 4-H members by May 15. FFA breeding beef forms must be submitted to the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach office by May 15.

DIVISION 202: MARKET BEEF

Class 20201- Market Heifers

Class 20202- Market Steers

Class 20203- Non-Fit Market Heifer

Class 20204- Non-Fit Market Steer

Market Beef Special Rules:

1. General rules, regulations, and health requirements in the fairbook apply to this department.
2. Market animals must be on the grounds and weighed on designated day and time of the fair. Animals not on the grounds at designated check-in time will not be allowed to exhibit.
3. Members are eligible to show six (6) animals in this division.
4. Calves will not be shown by breeds. Classes will be determined by weight on entry day of the Exposition.
5. Market heifers will be shown in a separate class than market steers. Both market heifer and steer winners will be shown for overall Grand Champion Market Beef.
6. All calves officially weighed-in on January 6, 2024, or calves weighed on approved dates in neighboring counties, are eligible for the rate of gain contest.
7. No Bulls are allowed in this division.
8. Non-fit animals must not be trimmed, clipped, or fit in any way after arriving to the fairgrounds. This includes the use of adhesives. Non-fit market calves must be home raised calves and not club calves.
9. 4HOnline ID is required by February 1, 2024, for 4-H members. FFA members must submit market beef Id form and submit to the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach office by February 1, 2024.
10. Iowa State Fair animals must have a retinal image taken at weigh-in in January, or at approved dates in neighboring counties.
11. Purebred animals must enter a breed by February 1. Registration numbers must be added by May 15.

DIVISON 203: BEEF ADVANCED FEEDER PENS

Class 20301- Advanced Feeder Pen- Heifer

Class 20302- Advanced Feeder Pen- Steer

Advanced Feeder Pen Special Rules:

1. General rules, regulations, and health requirements in the fairbook apply to this department.
2. Advance feeder animals must be on the grounds and weighed in on designated day and time of the fair. Animals not on the grounds at designated check-in time will not be allowed to exhibit
3. This project will consist of 3 to 6 calves per pen, and a limit of 2 pens per member. Each pen will consist of all steers, or all heifers.
4. All calves officially weighed-in on January 6, 2024, or calves weighed on approved dates in neighboring counties, are eligible for the rate of gain contest.
5. 4HOnline ID is required by February 1, 2024, for 4-H members. FFA members must submit market beef Identification form to the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach office by February 1, 2024.

JUDGING CRITERIA:

Judging will be done by a committee of three individuals. This committee will consist of the beef judge and two cattle feeders. Pens will be placed blue, red, and white and will be placed in the following manner:

- General condition of animals in the pen
- Uniformity
- Member's project record
- Member's knowledge of feeding condition
- Member feeding arrangement

Member must provide the information asked for on the advanced feeder breakeven report. You may obtain this form from the ISU Extension and Outreach-Calhoun County office or at the livestock office on the fairgrounds.

DOG DEPARTMENT

(New Classes Added)

Superintendent: Jill Carlson & Jo Leach

Dog Department Special Rules:

1. Dogs must remain on leash.
2. Exhibitors must present proof of current rabies vaccination.
3. Dogs must be at least 6 months old.
4. Any dog exhibiting unsafe or threatening behavior at any time before, during or after exhibition must be removed from the fairgrounds and will not be permitted to return at any time throughout the show.
5. Exhibitors are required to wear an official Calhoun County 4-H/FFA t-shirt, or white blouse with jeans.
6. Participants must be enrolled in 4H/FFA in the current program year.
7. Dogs should be owned by the 4-H member or in partnership with an immediate family member.
8. 4HOnline ID is required by May 15. FFA small animal identification form must be submitted to the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach office by May 15.
9. Dogs may not be left unattended.
10. Dogs are not permitted to wear any type of muzzle, prong/pinch collar, or electronic collar while on the fairgrounds.
11. Dogs in heat will not be permitted to show.
12. Dog waste must be cleaned up immediately.
13. All dogs must be shown in care and grooming division. The exhibitor is responsible for maintaining any special clip, trim or stripping of their dog's coat. It is the responsibility of the 4Her to learn how to maintain their dogs coat/trim themselves, it is recommended to share with the dog project leaders if you have a used a professional groomer.
14. Ribbons will be awarded in each class.
15. Dogs are only permitted on the fairgrounds only when the show is being held.
16. Each exhibitor may exhibit one entry in each class.

DIVISION 231: DOG RALLY

Class 23101: Rally Novice A: For exhibitor/dog combination which have not previously competed in any rally class and are in their first year of training.

Class 23102: Rally Novice B: For exhibitor/dog combination which have competed in any rally class and are in their 2nd or 3rd year of rally training.

Class 23103: Rally Intermediate: For exhibitor/dog with 4 or more years of rally training or for a dog who has earned any Rally Novice Title (AKC, UKC, etc.).

Class 23104: Rally Advanced: For exhibitor/dog with 5 or more years in rally training or for dog who has earned any Rally Advanced Title (AKC, UKC, etc.)

DIVISION 232: CARE AND GROOMING

Class 23201: 1st year or 2nd year in project

Class 23201: 3rd year and beyond in project

DIVISION 233: OBEDIENCE

Class 23301: Pre-Novice A only for dogs and exhibitors in 1st year of training.

Class 23302: Pre-Novice B- One year of training.

Class 23303: Sub-Novice- Two years of training.

Class 23304: Novice- includes heel free, recall.

Class 23305: Graduate Novice- includes heel free, stand for exam.

DIVISION 234: COSTUME AND TRICK

Class 23401: Costume- Owner and dog dress up

Class 23402: Agility and Trick-What else can your dog do?

GOAT DEPARTMENT

(New Classes Added)

Superintendent: Kelly Meyer & AJ Langenwalter

SCRAPIE STATEMENT: All sexually intact sheep and goats must have an individual scrapie flock of origin identification tag in the ear.

Division 210: DAIRY GOAT

Class 21001: Jr.

Class 21002: SR. over 12 months of age

Dairy Goat Special Rules:

1. General rules, regulations, and health requirements in the fairbook apply to this department.
2. Goats don't have to be weighed in but must be tagged on weigh-in day in April, or at approved dates in neighboring counties.
3. All goats must have an official 4-H/FFA tag.
4. All animals need to be checked-in on designated day and time of the fair. Animals not on the grounds at designated check-in time will not be allowed to exhibit.
5. Entries open to purebred, crossbred, or grade goats.
6. Each exhibitor may show two (2) animals in the dairy goat class.
7. All goats must be pinned in the area designated by the superintendent.
8. Classes will be broken down according to the number of animals entered.
9. Dairy goats will be required to be dehorned.
10. Dairy goat wethers will show in the meat goat class.
11. 4HOnline ID required for 4-H members by May 15, FFA Goat verification form filled out and submitted to Iowa State University Extension and Outreach office by May 15.
12. Birth date is required for breeding does.
13. Federal regulations for scrapie tags must be followed. All goats must have registration tattoos or scrapie tags to exhibit at fair.
14. Iowa State Fair animals must have a retinal image taken at weigh-in in April, or at approved dates in neighboring counties.
15. Animals can only be identified under one 4-H member and cannot be identified as both 4-H and FFA.

DIVISION 211: BREEDING & MEAT GOATS

Division Goats- Meat-Market

Class 21101: Wether or Doe

Division Goats- Meat-Breeding

Class 21102: Jr.

Class 21103: Sr. over 12 months of age

Class 21104: All other breeds that do not fit in the meat goat class

Breeding and Meat Goat Special Rules:

1. General rules, regulations, and health requirements in the fairbook apply to this department.
2. Goats don't have to be weighed in but must be tagged on weigh-in day in April, or at approved dates in neighboring counties.
3. All goats must have an official 4-H/FFA tag.
4. All animals need to be checked- in on designated day and time of the fair. Animals not on the grounds at designated check-in time will not be allowed to exhibit.
5. Entries open to purebred, crossbred, or grade goats.
6. Each exhibitor may show two (2) animals per class.
7. All goats must be pinned in the area designated by the superintendent.
8. Classes will be broken down according to the number of animals entered.
9. All animals must be identified in 4HOnline by May 15, FFA Goat verification forms filled out and submitted to Iowa State University and Outreach office by May 15.
10. Birth date is required for breeding does.
11. Federal regulations for scrapie tags must be followed. All goats must have registration tattoos or scrapie tags to exhibit at fair.
12. Iowa State Fair animals must have a retinal image taken at weigh-in, in April, or at approved dates in neighboring counties.
13. Animals can only be identified under one 4-H member and cannot be identified as both 4-H and FFA.

HORSE DEPARTMENT

Superintendent: Brandon Anderson

Horse Department Special Rules:

1. General rules, regulations, and health requirements in the fairbook apply to this department.
2. Horses need to be checked in on designated day and time of the fair, animals not on the grounds at the designated check-in time will not be allowed to exhibit.
3. All horses must be checked in by the official Expo Veterinarian prior to unloading.
4. Any dispute as to age, height, soundness of animals, or class determination will be referred to the Expo Veterinarian and their decision will be final.
5. All exhibitors must be dressed in long sleeved white shirt, blue jeans, and boots. An exhibitor planning to enter riding classes must be wearing an approved equestrian helmet.
6. A helmet will be worn every ride including practice riding. Exhibitor must provide their own helmet.
7. Entries must be made for all classes for exhibitors wishing to compete in them. Exhibitors will not be selected to enter.
8. All horses must be in the show ring within 2 minutes of start of class.
9. Superintendents may combine and make other class changes as they see fit to equalize classes and competition.
10. Unruly horses may be dismissed.
11. Patterns for Showmanship and Horsemanship classes will be posted the day of the show in the livestock office. The judge will determine patterns.
12. There will be no stallion classes or weanling classes.
13. Maximum of five (5) head can be identified; of those, a maximum of 2 may be leased.
14. Horses can be identified by more than one 4-H member; immediate sibling or stepsibling only but cannot be identified as 4-H under one sibling and FFA under another sibling.
14. 4HOnline ID is required for 4-H members by May 15, FFA Horse Identification form filled out and submitted to Iowa State University Extension and Outreach office by May 15.
15. Photos of horse is required in 4HOnline.
16. Leased horses must have completed lease form, 4H 106C, and uploaded into 4HOnline by May 15.
17. Halter/conformation class horses must be owned, they cannot be leased.

DIVISION 220: HALTER

Class 22001: Pony, Donkey, and Miniature Halter

Class 22002: Horse Halter

DIVISION 221: WESTERN PLEASURE AND HORSEMANSHIP

Class 22101: Western Pleasure

Class 22102: Horsemanship

Class 22103: Walk Trot

DIVISION 222: TIMED EVENTS AND GAMES

Class 22201: Barrels

Class 22202: Flags

Class 22203: Poles

Class 22204: Speed

Class 22205: Trail

Class 22206: Egg and Spoon

PET DEPARTMENT

Superintendent: Lee Saxton

Pet Department Special Rules:

1. All dogs and cats must have a current rabies vaccination.
2. Dogs or other animals that are not participating in the show will not be permitted on the fairgrounds at any time during the Expo.
3. All Animals must be inspected by the Expo Veterinarian before shows.

DIVISION 230: PETS

Class 23001: Pet Show Animals which do not fit under any other department are eligible for this department. Examples: amphibians, reptiles, fish, guinea pigs, hamsters, llamas, emus or ostrich.

Pet Show Special Rules:

1. General rules, regulations, and health requirements in the fairbook apply to this department.
2. Each exhibitor is limited to two (2) entries in the pet show. These animals are to be on the fairgrounds only when the show is being held.
3. All animals must be leashed or crated while waiting for their class to be called.
4. Classes will be broken down at the discretion of the superintendent according to the number entered.
5. 4HOnline identification is required for 4-H members by May 15. FFA small animal identification form must be submitted to the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach office by May 15.

Class 23002: Costume

Costume Special Rules:

1. Exhibitors make one entry in the costume show.
2. Judging will be based on the costumes for the pet and exhibitor.
3. Participation ribbons will be awarded.
4. Special awards will be given to the most original costume, animal/exhibitor look alike, and judges' favorite costume.
5. 4HOnline identification required for 4-H members by May 15. FFA small animal identification form must be submitted to the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach office by May 15.

POULTRY DEPARTMENT

Superintendent: Lee Saxton

Poultry Department Special Rules:

1. General rules, regulations, and health requirements in the fairbook apply to this department.
2. Birds will be exhibited in their pens and not in the show ring.
3. Entries should consist of 1 male and 1 female or 2 females.
4. Birds should be clean for exhibit.
5. **Each exhibitor may exhibit two (2) entries in each class.**
6. 4HOnline ID is required for 4-H members by May 15. FFA Poultry Identification forms must be submitted to the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach office by May 15.
7. All Poultry Exhibitors will need to have their birds tested for Pullorum-Typhoid within 90 days of public exhibition, and the test must be performed by an authorized tester.

DIVISION 240: PRODUCTION POULTRY

Class 24001: Production Pullets (0-18 weeks)

Class 24002: Production Layers (18+ weeks)

DIVISION 241: ORNAMENTAL & WATERFOWL

Class 24101: Ornamental Poultry

Class 24102: Waterfowl

DIVISION 242: COMMERCIAL POULTRY

Class 24201: Broiler Pen

Broiler Pen Special Rules:

1. All market broilers must be ordered through the Extension Office. Only birds purchased through the Extension Office may be exhibited in the broiler class no substitutions will be allowed.
2. Each broiler pen of 4 birds should weight a minimum of 20.0 lbs.
3. 4-H/FFA members must complete the Broiler Pen Breakeven Report.

RABBIT DEPARTMENT

Superintendent: Lee Saxton

Rabbit Special Rules:

1. General rules, regulations, and health requirements in the fairbook apply to this department.
2. A member may only show one (1) entry per class.
3. Pens will consist of 3 rabbits.
4. Each rabbit can only be shown once except the market individual which must be taken out of the pen.
5. All rabbits over 3 months of age must be tattooed in the left ear, tattoos will be checked before entering the show ring.
6. Pens will be furnished.
7. 4HOnline ID is required for 4-H members by May 15. FFA Rabbit Identification forms must be submitted to the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach office by May 15.

DIVISION 250: MARKET RABBITS

Class 25001: Heavy Market Rabbit Pen (3.5-6 lbs)

Class 25002: Light Market Rabbit Pen (under 3.5 lbs)

Class 25003: Individual Market Rabbit (from pen)

DIVISION 251: COMMERCIAL RABBITS

These classes are for the following breed types: California, Palomino, Satin, New Zealand, and American.

Class 25101: Commercial Senior Buck Rabbit- Rabbits over 8 months of age

Class 25102: Commercial Senior Doe Rabbit- Rabbits over 8 months of age

Class 25103: Commercial Junior Buck Rabbit – Rabbits under 8 months of age

Class 25104: Commercial Junior Doe Rabbit- Rabbits under 8 months of age

DIVISION 252: FANCY RABBITS

These classes are for the following breed types: Dutch, Rex, Netherland Dwarf, Minilop etc.

Class 25201: Fancy Senior Buck Rabbit-Rabbits over 8 months of age

Class 25202: Fancy Senior Doe Rabbit- Rabbits over 8 months of age

Class 25203: Fancy Junior Buck Rabbit- Rabbits under 8 months of age

Class 25204: Fancy Junior Doe Rabbit – Rabbits under 8 months of age

SHEEP DEPARTMENT

Superintendents: Nicole Meyer, Tiffany and Derek Blair

SCRAPIE STATEMENT: All sexually intact sheep and goats must have an individual scrapie flock of origin identification tag in the ear.

DIVISION 260: BREEDING SHEEP

Class 26000: Purebred Ewes (registration number/papers are required)

Class 26001: Black Face Ewe

Class 26002: Speckled Face Ewe

Class 26003: White Face Ewe

Class 26004: Yearling Ewe (born during previous year)

Class 26005: Ram Lamb

Class 26006: Flock Pen (consisting of a ewe lamb, a yearling ewe, and a two-year or older ewe. Limit of one flock per member- member must own flock exhibited).

DIVISION 261: BUCKET BOTTLE LAMBS

Class 26102: Male Bucket Bottle Lamb

Class 26101: Female Bucket Bottle Lamb

Bottle Lamb Special Rules:

1. General rules, regulations, and health requirements in the fairbook apply to this department.
2. All breeding sheep will be required to fill out a check-in sheet at the Expo to verify the classes each animal has been entered in.
3. Breeding ewe and ram lambs must be born after January 1 of the current year except when noted.
4. First year exhibitors in the commercial ewe flock class may show a two-year-old or older ewe and two ewe lambs. This class is for members who do not have registered or purebred sheep. The judge may disqualify any pen of ewes he/she feels is of purebred breeding.
5. Bucket bottle lambs must be born between January 1 and May 15.
6. Classes with less than 5 head may be combined at the superintendent's discretion.
7. 4HOnline ID is required for 4-H members by May 15, FFA Sheep Verification form filled out and submitted to Iowa State University Extension and Outreach office by May 15.
8. Iowa State Fair animals must have a retinal image taken at weigh-in, in April, or at approved dates in neighboring counties.

JUDGING FOR EWE LAMB CLASSES

Any member may enter two (2) purebred or crossbred ewes per class. The ewes will be judged from the standpoint of quality, indicating the ability of the ewes to go into a flock to produce quality lambs. Exhibitors entering this class should have definite plans to use the ewes as a breeding flock. The sheep in classes 26001-26004 may also be exhibited in the commercial ewe flock class. Classes with less than five head may be combined at the superintendent's discretion.

DIVISION 262: MARKET SHEEP

Class 26201: Market Lamb

Class 26202: Market Lamb Pen of 3

Market Sheep Special Rules:

1. General rules, regulations, and health requirements in the fairbook apply to this department.
2. All lambs shown in the market class must have been weighed and tagged by April 13 or lambs weighed in on approved dates in neighboring counties. Lambs not meeting this requirement cannot be shown. Any deviation will be left to the discretion of the Calhoun County Exposition Board.
3. Members may weigh and tag no more than 10 market lambs on the weigh-in day in April. Lambs may be purchased or raised from member's own stock.
4. Lambs must be born after January 1 of the current year.
5. Market lamb pens and market individual lambs must be distinguished at the Expo check-in. After check-in lambs will be divided into weight classes.
6. Members may exhibit ONE of the examples listed below with a maximum of 8 market lambs.
7. A max of 4 individual lambs per exhibitor will be permitted.

Examples:

- a. 1 lamb: 1 individual lamb
- b. 2 lambs: 2 individual lambs
- c. 3 lambs: MUST exhibit 1 pen of 3- then exhibitor may choose one, two, or three individuals from that pen.
- d. 4 lambs: MUST exhibit 1 pen of 3- then exhibitor may choose one, two, or three individuals from that pen PLUS 1 additional individual.
- e. 5 lambs: MUST exhibit 1 pen of 3- then one or two individuals from that pen PLUS 2 additional individuals.
- f. 6 lambs: MUST exhibit 2 pens of 3- then exhibitor may choose up to four individuals from those pens.

- g. 7 lambs: MUST exhibit 2 pens of 3- then exhibitor may choose 3 lambs from those pens PLUS 1 additional individual.
 - h. 8 lambs: MUST exhibit 2 pens of 3- then exhibitor may choose 2 lambs from those pens PLUS 2 additional individuals.
8. All market lambs officially weighed and tagged at weigh-in are eligible for the rate of gain contest. All lambs in this class must be shown in either class 26201-26202.
 9. Market lambs have the option to be slick sheared.
 10. No rams may be shown in this class.
 11. Ewe lambs shown in this class cannot be shown in any breeding classes.
 12. The FOUR ON THE FLOOR rule will be enforced.
 13. 4HOnline ID is required for 4-H members by May 15, FFA Sheep Verification form filled out and submitted to Iowa State University Extension and Outreach office by May 15.
 14. Iowa State Fair animals must have a retinal image taken at weigh-in, in April, or at approved dates in neighboring counties.

DIVISION 263: SHEEP PICK-UP LOAD

Class 26301: Market Lamb pick-up load (4 lambs per load)

Sheep Pick-Up Load Special Rules:

1. General rules, regulations, and health requirements in the fairbook apply to this department.
2. Sheep must be born after January 1, 2024.
3. Up to eight (8) lambs may be weighed on April 16. These eight (8) lambs are in addition to the lambs being weighed in for other market classes.
4. The lambs in the market pick-up load may be any combination of ewe lambs or wethers.
5. Each exhibitor must show a minimum of one (1) additional lamb in the market or breeding classes (this market pick-up load is an additional class, not meant to replace what classes are already being conducted at the Expo).
6. Lambs will be exhibited in their pens and not in the show ring.
7. 4HOnline ID is required for 4-H members by May 15, FFA Sheep Verification form filled out and submitted to Iowa State University Extension and Outreach office by May 15.
8. Lambs should be clean for exhibit.

JUDGING CRITERIA:

Judging will be done by a committee. Pens will be placed blue, red, and white. Evaluations will be based upon the following:

1. General condition/care of the lambs per pen.
2. Uniformity.
3. Member's knowledge of their project and feeding program.
4. 4-H/FFA members must complete the information requested on the Advanced Feeder Breakeven Report this form may be obtained at the ISU Extension and Outreach- Calhoun County office or at the Livestock office located on the fairgrounds.

SWINE DEPARTMENT

Superintendents: Kelly Meyer, Derek Blair, Adam Johnson

SWINE REQUIREMENTS: Swine Erysipelas Vaccination Recommendations: Due to concerns over erysipelas outbreaks at county fairs, it is strongly recommended that pigs be vaccinated for erysipelas. The recommended guidelines are:

- Initial vaccination at 8-10 weeks of age.
- Follow with an erysipelas booster 2-3 weeks later.
- Erysipelas vaccination should be repeated 30 days prior to the fair. This is strongly recommended based upon experience with erysipelas in previous years.
- Allow for proper withdrawal times by checking the label.

DIVISION 270: MARKET SWINE

Class 27001: Market Swine

Class 27002: Market Swine Pen of 3

Market Swine Special Rules:

1. General rules, regulations, and health requirements in the fairbook apply to this department.
2. Entries are open to purebred or crossbred pigs farrowed after January 1, 2024.
3. A weight range of 260-290 pounds at check-in is suggested.
4. Exhibitors may tag and identify no more than 10 pigs, which must be barrows and/or gilts.
5. Pigs with no tags are ineligible for exhibiting at the fair.

6. Market pen swine and market individuals must be distinguished during the Expo weigh-in. After check-in pigs will be divided into weight classes. Each exhibitor may show a maximum of two market pens. Pens will consist of three pigs with at least one pig being a barrow. Pigs need not to be litter mates.
7. Members may exhibit a maximum of 8 market pigs. A max of 4 individuals per exhibitor will be permitted.
Examples:
 - a. 1 swine: 1 individual swine
 - b. 2 swine: 2 individual swine
 - c. 3 swine: MUST exhibit 1 pen of 3- then exhibitor may choose one, two, or three individuals from that pen
 - d. 4 swine: MUST exhibit 1 pen of 3, then exhibitor may choose one, two, or three individuals from that pen PLUS 1 additional individual.
 - e. 5 swine: MUST exhibit 1 pen of 3, then one or two individuals from that pen PLUS 2 additional individuals.
 - f. 6 swine: MUST exhibit 2 pens of 3, then exhibitor may choose up to 4 individuals from those pens.
 - g. 7 swine: MUST exhibit 2 pens of 3, then exhibitor may choose 3 swine from those pens PLUS 1 additional individual.
 - h. 8 swine: MUST exhibit 2 pens of 3, then exhibitor may choose 2 swine from those pens PLUS 2 additional individuals.
8. 4HOnline ID required for 4-H members by May 15, FFA Swine ID Form filled out and submitted to Iowa State University Extension office and Outreach by May 15.
9. Iowa State Fair Swine (market and breeding) are required to have a DNA punch tag.
10. All animals must come to an official weigh-in.

DIVISION 271: SWINE PICK-UP LOAD

Class 27101: Market Swine Pick-Up Load (6 swine per load)

Swine Pick-up Load Special Rules:

1. General rules, regulations, and health requirements in the fairbook apply to this department.
2. Swine must be weighed in on designated day and time of the fair. Animals not on grounds at designated check-in time will not be allowed to exhibit.
3. Entries in this class must be a 4-H or FFA market swine project and farrowed after January 1, 2024.
4. All animals must come to an official weigh-in.
5. Up to ten (10) pigs may be tagged and identified. These 10 pigs are in addition to the pigs being weighed in for the other market classes.
6. Members may exhibit one (1) pick-up load (6 head).
7. Members may have purebred or crossbred pigs tagged and identified.
8. The pigs in the market pick-up load may be any combination of barrows and gilts but the load must be a mixed group.
9. Each exhibitor must show a minimum of one (1) additional pig in the market or breeding classes (this market pick-up load is an additional class, not meant to replace what classes are already being conducted at the Expo).
10. Pigs will be exhibited in their pens and not in the show ring.
11. Pigs should be clean (hosed off) for exhibit.

SWINE PICK-UP LOAD JUDGING CRITERIA:

Judging will be done by a committee. Pens will be placed blue, red, and white and will be evaluated on the following criteria:

*General condition/care of the hogs and pen.

*Uniformity

*Member's knowledge of their project and feeding program.

4-H/FFA members must complete the information requested on the Advanced Feeder Breakeven Report. This form may be obtained at the ISU Extension and Outreach-Calhoun County office or at the Livestock office located on the fairgrounds.

DIVISION 272: BREEDING SWINE

Class 27201: Purebred Gilt

Class 28202: Commercial Gilt

Breeding Swine Special Rules:

1. General rules, regulations, and health requirements in the fairbook apply to this department.
2. Gilts shown in the breeding classes will not be permitted to be shown in the market classes.
3. Swine must be weighed in on designated day and time of the fair. Animals not on grounds at designated check-in time will not be allowed to exhibit.
4. Entries in this class must be a 4-H or FFA breeding swine project and farrowed after January 1, 2024. All Animals must come to an official weigh-in. Swine in this class are recommended to weigh between 220-320 pounds.
5. Exhibitors may exhibit a max of 2 head in each class.
6. Iowa State Fair Swine (market and breeding) are required to have a DNA punch tag.
7. 4HOnline ID required for 4-H members by May 15, FFA Swine ID Form filled out and submitted to Iowa State University Extension and Outreach office by May 15.

CALHOUN COUNTY 4-H STATIC EXHIBITS

This department is open to youth who are participating in 4-H Youth Development Programs conducted by Iowa State University Extension. 4-H members must have a 4-H enrollment in the 4HOnline program through the ISU Extension and Outreach-Calhoun County office by May 15 of the current year to be allowed to exhibit.

All exhibitors are responsible to read and comply with the Calhoun County Expo 4-H general exhibit rules, 4-H general rules and regulations, and all 4-H department exhibit class rules and regulations.

General Exhibit Rules

1. 4-H members who have completed 4-12th grade are eligible to exhibit at the Calhoun County Exposition.
2. **The 4-H building will be closed to the public during the time the judges are selecting State Fair exhibits. All leaders and 4-H members will be asked to leave the building during this time.**
3. Eligible exhibits are an outgrowth of work done as a planned part of the 4-H member's participation in 4-H projects or programs during the current 4-H year. Exhibits can be done by an individual or group and may represent all or part of the learning in the project or program.
4. Exhibitors in 4-H classes are not eligible to exhibit in a similar department of the FFA divisions or vice-versa. See also: 4-H Department Special Rules and Regulations.
5. Exhibits previously entered in an FFA Ag Science Fair or any other FFA event or competition may not be entered in any 4-H exhibit class.
6. Exhibits selected at the county level to advance to the Iowa State Fair should not be part of a local auction or sold to another individual before the Iowa State Fair.
7. Exhibits that do not comply with the class description, size guidelines, copyright restrictions, safety and approved methods will be docked a ribbon placement, and the exhibit will not be put on public display.
8. If the exhibitor chooses a display to illustrate what was learned:
 - Posters may not exceed 24 inches x 36 inches in size.
 - Chart boards, graph boards, project presentation boards, model displays, etc., may not exceed 48 inches x 48 inches in size. Maximum size is determined by measuring the flat (unfolded) dimensions.
 - Display boxes may not exceed 28 inches x 22 inches in height or width and 12 inches in depth
9. Endangered, threatened, and special concern plants and animals (including insects), songbird feathers, and nests may NOT be used in

any exhibit. Game animals legally taken are acceptable, with the exception of any hogs (*Sus* species)- per State Law. Live specimens of noxious weeds or invasive species are NOT permitted in any exhibit. Dried specimens are acceptable to use in exhibits, however viable noxious/invasive plant seeds shall not be included (links to specific information below).

State-listed animals: <http://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/ACO/rule/571.77.2.pdf>

State-listed plants: <http://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/ACO/rule/571.77.3.pdf>

Iowa Noxious weed list: <https://law.justia.com/codes/iowa/2022/title-viii/chapter-317/section-317-1a/>

10. Copyrighted materials and designs may not be used in an exhibit that is presented as original work by the exhibitor. Exhibitors must include permission from the copyright holder/owner when using copyrighted materials. Exhibitors must give proper credit to the original source of all materials/designs used in exhibits. See also Special Rules for Visual Arts and general copyright information for 4-H members.
11. The 4-H member's goal and applicable exhibit standards will form the basis of the evaluation process. Evaluation criteria will include demonstrated learning, workmanship, techniques, general appearance, and design. Exhibitors will receive written evaluation comments on the exhibits and a blue, red, white, or participation ribbon.
12. A written explanation, audio recording, or video recording is to be included as part of each exhibit. Audio or video should not be longer than 10 minutes and must be uploaded to YouTube. The exhibitor should respond briefly to the following questions about the exhibit:
 - What did you plan to learn or do? (What was your exhibit goal(s)?)
 - What Steps did you take to learn or do this?
 - What were the most important things you learned?

NOTE: Check for additional requirements in exhibit classes for clothing and fashion, food and nutrition, home improvement, photography, visual art, and 4-H poster communication classes.

13. All judges' decisions are final.
14. Each item in an exhibit must be securely labeled including the name of the county, class number, and exhibitor's name.
15. There will be \$1.00 fee for each exhibited entered.
16. A maximum of combined total of 10 exhibits may be entered in the Photography and Digital Photography classes. (Example: 8 Photography and 2 Digital Photography for a combined total of 10).

17. All exhibits must reach the 4-H Exhibits Building on entry day during the 4-H member's club judging time:

- **8:00 A.M.-9:00 A.M.: The Union & Jackson Pioneers**
- **9:00 A.M.-10:00 A.M.: Manson Craters & North Butler Blazers**
- **10:00 A.M.-11:00 A.M.: Logan Larks & Calhoun County Hot Shots**
- **11:00 P.M.-12:00 P.M.: Garfield Gleamers & Calhoun Livestock Club**

All exhibits must remain at the Expo until the scheduled release time on Sunday. All persons picking up exhibits must adhere to this schedule.

Note: Exhibits removed prior to release time without early release forms will not receive ribbon premiums. See ISU staff for early release form info.

Other Exhibit Information

1. Due to security, 4-H members are discouraged from sending items that have special meaning and historical value as the exhibit or part of an exhibit.
2. The Calhoun County Exposition and Iowa State University Extension and Outreach will use diligence to ensure the safety of articles entered for exhibition after their arrival and placement. However, they will not be responsible for damage or loss by accident, fire, theft, etc.
3. Exhibitors may enter more than one exhibit in each class. However, each exhibit must represent distinct different learning regardless of class descriptions. All 4-H members are encouraged to exhibit a minimum of three exhibits, but no more than thirty exhibits in the 4-H building. ***Exception: See Photography and Digital Photography for limits.** 4-H members who have more than 10 exhibits are encouraged to contact ISU Extension and Outreach-Calhoun County office and plan to come early to ensure judging gets done in a timely fashion.
4. Exhibitors are allowed to take five (5) items/exhibits at a time to any one judge's table. Evaluation of all exhibits will be done by a member-judge conference method. Individuals who are unable to be present during evaluation will not be penalized; however, special arrangements need to be made with ISU Extension and Outreach staff prior to judging day. Only 4-H members are allowed to participate in the conference judging. Parents are not allowed to answer questions during conference judging.
5. Ratings and Ribbons: Exhibits will be rated as blue, red, or white quality with corresponding ribbons awarded. This is a point valuation and not a dollar valuation. The Calhoun County Exposition Board has designated money for premiums. A limited number of outstanding exhibits will be identified with ribbons. Iowa State Fair and honorable mention exhibits will be identified with the appropriate ribbons.

Iowa State Fair

1. An exhibitor may have only one exhibit per class advance to the Iowa State Fair.
2. 4-H'ers who have completed 5th grade through 12th grade (or that equivalent) in 2024 are eligible to exhibit at the Iowa State Fair..
3. All exhibitors are responsible to read and comply with the Iowa State Fair General Exhibit Rules for the exhibit. Exhibits that do not comply with size guidelines, copyright, and safety procedures will not be accepted for entry, evaluation, or display at the Iowa State Fair
4. The 4-H building will be closed to the public during the time the judges are selecting State Fair exhibits. All leaders and 4-H members will be asked to leave the building during this time.
5. Pictures of exhibitors selected to advance to the Iowa State Fair are scheduled to be taken on the designated day and time in the 4-H Building. Please wear a 4-H shirt.
6. Exhibits for the Iowa State Fair are due in the ISU Extension and Outreach-Calhoun County Office with recommended improvements made no later than the designated date and time set after Exposition. Exhibitors of very large exhibits will be requested to transport exhibits to and from the Iowa State Fair.

Special Awards and Recognition

In addition to Iowa State Fair selections and alternates, the following special recognition will be made:

- Outstanding Family and Consumer Science Award-** A plaque will be awarded to the most outstanding Family and Consumer Science exhibit. The exhibit must meet all class guidelines and be a blue-ribbon project. It may be entered by an Intermediate or Senior 4-H member and does not have to be eligible for Iowa State Fair consideration. A 4-H member may receive the recognition no more than once in any given project area.
- Agriculture and Natural Resources Conservation Award-** A certificate and monetary prize will be given to any outstanding Agriculture and Natural Resource Conservation exhibit(s). Selection for this award and how many awards will be determined by the Calhoun County Soil and Water Conservations District Commissioners. Award(s) may be given to any youth who exhibit in the 4-H static building and show good use of Agriculture and Natural Resources Conservation.

Class Descriptions

Most exhibit classes have specific guidelines and requirements that will be included in the judging process. Members are strongly encouraged to go to: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects> to find information on judging criteria for exhibits that they create from their 4-H project learning.

DIVISION 101: ANIMALS

10110- Animal Science: An exhibit other than the animal itself that shows learning about a large or small animal including beef, dairy goats, dairy cattle, dogs, horse, pony, meat goats, pets, poultry, rabbits, sheep, and swine. Ownership of an animal is not required.

10120- Veterinary Science: An exhibit that shows learning about keeping animals healthy, animal diseases, animal/human interaction, or other learning related to Veterinary Science.

DIVISION 102: AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

10210- Crop Production and Plant Science: An exhibit that shows learning about the growth, use, and value of field crops, plant growth, soils, soil fertility, or any other learning related to crop production and plant science.

10220- Conservation, Environment and Sustainability: An exhibit that shows the connections between humans and their environment including energy, energy conservation, stewardship, conservation, creating habitat, etc.

10222-Entomology: An exhibit excluding live specimens that shows learning is an outgrowth of an entomology or bee project experience. Includes specimen collections and may include products for example honey, or equipment as part of the display.

10224-Fish and Wildlife: An exhibit that shows learning about a fish and/or wildlife project or program such as identification, habitats, harvest, taxidermy, etc. Any specimens must have been legally taken and must include information about date and location of harvest, and who the specimen was acquired from if not self-harvested. Feral pigs, including Russian/European Boar, are NOT permitted in taxidermy exhibits.

10226- Forestry: An exhibit, including collections, that show learning from participation in a forestry project or program.

10230- Horticulture and Plant Science: An exhibit that shows learning about the growth, use, value of plants, soils, small fruit production, vegetable and flower gardens, plant nutrition, careers, etc.

10235- Home Grounds Improvement: An exhibit that shows learning about landscape plans, selection of landscape plants, ornamental garden features, home yard improvement, storage sheds, careers, etc.

10240- Outdoor Adventures: An exhibit that shows learning about backpacking, biking, camping, canoeing, fishing, hiking or other outdoor activities.

10250-Safety and Education in Shooting Sports: An exhibit that shows learning about the safe and responsible use of firearms and archery equipment or wildlife management. The exhibit may not include actual firearms; although archery equipment is allowed if tips are removed from arrows.

10260-Other Agriculture and Natural Resources: An exhibit that shows learning about agriculture or natural resources and does not fit in any of the classes listed above.

DIVISION 103: CREATIVE ARTS

10310-Music: An exhibit that shows learning about musical performance, composition and arrangements, instruments, musical styles, or history. If submitting a video or musical arrangement, it must be uploaded to YouTube.

10320-Photography: An exhibit, either photo(s) or an educational display, that shows learning about photography from choosing a camera to modifying your photo. Still photos only, not video.

Photography Special Rules:

1. Photographs may be either black and white or color. Photographs must have been taken since your county fair of the previous year.
 2. Photographs should be a minimum of 5 inches x 7 inches. Finished size (including mounting/matting) of single photographs may not exceed 11 inches x 14 inches. Exception: panoramic photos may not exceed 11 inches high by 24 inches in length.
 3. All photographs must be printed on photographic paper and must be mounted/matted. Maximum thickness of finished project must not exceed ½ inch thick.
 4. Mounted photos can be (a) flush-mounted (no board showing) on mounting board, or (b) with mount boarders (window mat or flat mount directly on board). Exhibitors may cut their own mounting boards, use ready-cut-window mats or have matting done professionally.
- * 4-Hers are responsible for design decisions such as border, color, and size.
 - * Framed photographs (including floating frames) will not be judged.
5. A series is a group of photographs [3-5] that are related to or tell a step-by-step story. Photographs must be mounted together and numbered in a

story order sequence. Finished size of individual photographs in a series must be a minimum of 5 inches by 7 inches and should not exceed 6 inches by 8 inches

6. Edited photos should include a copy of the photo before edits.

7. Photographs depicting unsafe practices or illegal activities will not be displayed.

8. Exhibitors must use the Photo Exhibit Label to provide required information for photo exhibits.

9. Exhibitors entered in 4-H photography are not eligible to exhibit in the FFA Photography Show and vice-versa.

10340-Creative Photography: A photographic image that was creatively edited or modified beyond reality in a creative, imaginative, and experimental way to make it more interesting and visually engaging. Could be a composite of multiple photographs.

Creative Photography Special Rules:

1. Photograph/image may be mounted/mated.

2. If mounted, photograph/image must be mounted on foam core no smaller than 5 inches in length or larger than 14 inches in length.

3. Photograph/image can be digitally created.

4. Exhibit must have the most current Photo Exhibit Label on the back with required information for photo exhibits. Exhibit write-up should include additional information about the processes and decisions used to develop the exhibit.

5. Subject matter must be in good taste and be appropriate for public display in a 4-H setting.

6. Photographs depicting unsafe practices or illegal activities will not be displayed.

10345- Photography Idea/Educational Display: An exhibit that demonstrates learning about photography that does not fit into any previous photography class. This class may include educational displays about printing, processing, editing, marketing, branding, merchandising, etc. as it relates to photography. Display board may not exceed 48 inches by 48 inches.

10350-Visual Arts Original Art: An exhibit that shows learning through creation of original art. Original art is a one-of-a-kind, non-replicable design of your creation. By using one medium or a combination, an individual created an authentic work of art that is NOT recognizable as another's works. You must explain the application of the most relevant design element(s) and art principle(s) featured in this exhibit. Describe your inspirations, reasons, feeling, and/or motives for creating this work of art.

10355-Visual Arts- Design, Process, or Technique Exploration: This class emphasizes process and provides the opportunity to explore a medium, practice a skill, or study and apply elements and principles of art and design. An explanation of the application of design elements or art principles used when making the exhibit must be included. This exhibit may be an object, portfolio, display poster, or organized sketchbook. If a non-original design source is used, it's origin (where the idea was found, any pictures, sketches, etc.) must be credited, acknowledged, or have copyright permission obtained. * See Visual Arts special rule # 5 and # 6 below.

10360-Visual Arts- Other Idea/Topics: Exhibits might include the study and research about an individual artist, style, craft, business, marketing process, planning group tour, career options, etc.

Visual Arts Special Rules:

1. Items entered must be ready for display in the home, gallery, or intended final display location: pictures framed, wall hangings and pictures ready to hang, etc. Make sure hangers are strong enough to support item. Command strips or other quick attachment products are usually not adequate hangers. Items not ready for display will be dropped one ribbon placing.
2. Exhibits made from kits or preformed molds will NOT be accepted. Exception: preformed molds (greenware, whiteware) may be used to provide appropriate surface for a process technique or application of original design.
3. If the exhibit is a finished art object, the source of inspiration of the design, design sketches, or other process for creating the object and design must be included explaining the application of design art elements and art principles used in creating your work.
5. Original works of art must be a creative expression of a design unique to the artist or represent a significant modification to an existing design to make a new and original statement by the artist.
6. Exhibition of derivative works created by a 4-H'er is prohibited without the written permission of the original copyright holder/owner. Use of copyrighted or trademarked designs, images, logos, or materials in 4-H visual arts exhibits is prohibited unless written permission has been obtained from the copyright or trademark holder/owner.

DIVISON 104: FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES

10410-Child Development: An exhibit that shows learning about children. An exhibit could include careers in child development, caring for children with special needs, childcare, growth and development, safety, and health. An exhibit that includes items intended for use with children, such as babysitting kits, books, learning games, or toys, must include information about what you learned about children while creating and using the exhibit or what the child/children learned from their use of the item(s) in the exhibit.

10420-Clothing and Fashion- Constructed/Sewn Garments and Accessories: A constructed garment or accessory (sewn, knitted, crocheted, or other process) that shows learning about style, fashion, design, thrifty spending, wardrobe planning, types of fabrics, and/or clothing care. Exhibits must be intended to be worn by humans.

10422-Clothing and Fashion- Purchased Garments & Accessories: Purchased garments or accessories that shows learning about a style, fashion, design, thrifty spending, wardrobe planning, types of fabrics and/or clothing care. Exhibits must be intended to be worn by humans.

10424-Clothing and Fashion-Other Ideas/Educational Exhibits: Any other educational exhibit that shows learning about clothing and fashion including but not limited to design illustrations, exploration of clothing styles, careers, clothing care, etc.

Clothing and Fashion Special Rules:

1. Outfits or accessories which will be worn during the Awardrobe Clothing Event may not be entered as a 4-H Iowa State Fair exhibit.
2. Exhibits in classes 10420 and 10422 must include information about application of design elements and art principles. Exhibits in class 10424 should include information about application of design elements and art principles if appropriate for the exhibit.

10430-Consumer Management: An exhibit that shows learning through savvy budgeting, comparison shopping, money management, consumer rights and responsibilities.

10440- Food and Nutrition- Prepared Product: An exhibit of a prepared food product that shows skills or learning about cooking, baking, eating, choosing healthy foods, or safety practices through the making of a prepared product. See Food and Nutrition Special Rules below. Display Boxes are not allowed for prepared products.

10442-Food and Nutrition-Preserved Product: An exhibit of a preserved food product that shows skills or learning about food preservation through the making of a preserved food product. Processed honey may be exhibited in this class. See Food and Nutrition Special Rules below.

10445- Food and Nutrition-Educational Display: An educational exhibit, poster, report, display, that shows skills or learning about cooking, baking, eating, choosing healthy foods, meal planning, preparation service, safety practices, or food preservation. *Exhibits showing learning about meal planning and service must include a menu.

Food and Nutrition Special Rules:

1. Any exhibit considered to be a food safety risk or portray a food safety risk will not be accepted, judged, or displayed.
2. All food products/exhibits should be appropriate for human consumption.
3. Food product exhibits must be prepared, baked, or cooked using only food grade utensils and containers.
4. Products that require refrigeration will not be accepted, judged, or displayed.
5. Meat jerky products are prohibited.
6. The recipe must be included for any prepared or preserved food exhibit; including the source of the recipe.
7. Preserved foods must include the Food Preservation Exhibit Label. Only food processed after August 1, 2023, is acceptable. Current USDA and/or Iowa State University guidelines for home food preservation must be used. Processed honey must include Honey Exhibit Label.
8. Preserved food exhibits **must** include two (2) product samples. One will be opened for evaluation and discarded; the second one will be placed on display and returned to the exhibitor. All perishable food products will be discarded when removed from display.
9. Prepared food exhibits should be placed on a firm disposable plate. Place food product exhibit in a re-closeable plastic bag with entry tag fastened outside the bag.
 - *Recommended number of items to include with exhibit:
 - Cookies, cupcakes, bars, muffins, rolls, etc.- (6) items
 - Cakes Loafs, pies, etc.- one (1) whole product
10. The use of alcoholic beverages in the preparation or production of 4-H food exhibits is NOT permitted.
11. Refer to the Foods for Iowa 4-H Fairs document for the updated approved buttercream recipe. Contact ISU AnswerLine at 1-800-262-3804 to help select an acceptable product for exhibit, find an approved recipe source, and identify appropriate preparation methods.

10450-Health: An exhibit that shows learning through food choices, physical activity, safe activities, skills such as first aid and CPR, careers, and healthy lifestyle choices.

10460- Home Improvement: An exhibit that shows learning in planning, improving, and caring for your home living space. Including extended personal living areas immediately adjacent to the home. Exhibits may include new or refinished, reclaimed, restored items. Exhibits showing learning about home design, furniture, home accessories, and fabrics must include information about how design elements and art principles were applied.

Home Improvement Special Rules:

1. Items entered must be ready for display in the home: pictures framed, wall hangings and pictures ready to hang, etc. Make sure hangers are strong enough to support the item. Command strips or other quick attachment products are usually not adequate hangers. Items not ready for display will be dropped one ribbon placing.
2. Exhibit write-up information must include source of inspiration and or references indicating where the idea or information was obtained, giving credit to original author(s)/designer(s)/artist(s).

10470- Sewing and Needle Arts- A constructed item sewn, knitted, crochet, or other process that shows learning and skill in sewing, knitting, crocheting, or other needle arts. May include the construction of household items such as pillowcases, curtains, table runners, quilts, wall hangings. Exhibits in this class are not intended to be worn by humans. Include information about application of design elements and art principles if appropriate for the exhibit.

10472- Sewing and Needle Arts- Other Ideas/Educational Exhibits: Any other educational exhibit that shows learning about sewing and needle arts including construction techniques, use, care of fabrics and fibers, design illustrations, decorative processes, careers, etc. Include information about application of design elements and art principles if appropriate for the exhibit.

10480- Other Family and Consumer Science: An exhibit that demonstrates learning about a family and consumer science topic that does not fit any other Family and Consumer Science class listed.

10490- Thrifty Meal Challenge: Create a balanced, nutritious meal for a family of four (4) that includes a serving of each of the five food groups with a budget of \$11.

Meal Challenge Special Rules:

1. All entries will receive an evaluation and ribbon.
2. The total expense on receipt(s) must not exceed \$11.
3. The meal must serve four (4) people, with a serving for each person from each of the five (5) food groups: Fruit, Vegetable, Protein, Grain, and Dairy.
 - a. Recommended portion sizes per person: ½ cup fruit, ½ cup vegetable, 3 ounces protein, 1-2 ounces grain, 1 cup equivalent dairy.
 - b. If there is a dairy allergy, you may substitute it with a calcium-rich item, but you will need to indicate the allergy and identify how the item substituted provides calcium.
4. The exhibit will be a poster (maximum size 20 inches x 30 inches) that includes:
 - a. A copy of the Thrifty Meal Challenge Worksheet attached to the back of the poster.
 - b. The menu, outline of food items, and appropriate portion sizes for each food item.
 - c. Meal type (breakfast, lunch, dinner)
 - d. Copy of grocery receipts (up to 2)
 - e. Photos of the experience: grocery shopping, food preparation, and prepared meal.

DIVISION 105: PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Personal Development Special Rule:

1. Exhibits entered in Personal Development classes should include reflection by the 4-H member stating how they personally grew or benefited from the exhibit. Why was this exhibit important to them as a person?

10510- Citizenship and Civic Engagement: An exhibit that shows learning about or contributing to your community, your country, or your world.

10520- Communication: An exhibit that shows learning about written, oral, or visual communication skills. Includes learning from participation in theatre arts projects or programs such as puppets, stage design, etc. May include original

creative writing, poetry, fiction, and non-fiction, etc. If the finished exhibit includes audio or video, it must be uploaded to YouTube.

10530- 4-H Poster Communication Exhibit: An exhibit to visually tell a story or idea to the public. Exhibitors must use one of the following themes:

- 4-H is... (open to 4-H'ers interpretation)
- Join 4-H
- I<3 4-H (2023 National 4-H Week theme)
- Explore the Jungle of Opportunities in 4-H (2024 Iowa 4-H Youth Conference theme)
- 4-H Fever (variation of 2024 Iowa State Fair theme)

Poster Communication Special Rules:

1. Only one poster per 4-H member may be entered.
2. All posters must be designed on, or affixed to, standard poster board or foam core board- size minimum of 14 inches x 20 inches or maximum of 15 inches x 22 inches.
3. Posters may be vertical or horizontal. Posters may be any medium: watercolor, ink, crayon, acrylic, charcoal, oils collage etc.
4. Posters cannot be 3-dimensional. Materials used to make the poster may not extend more than 1/8 inch above the poster or foam core board.
5. Each poster must have the completed Poster Exhibit Entry Form attached to the back.
6. Posters cannot use copyrighted material or exact copies of other promotional designs, such as the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference theme logo.
7. 4-H members may include the 4-H clover on the poster.

10540- Digital Storytelling: An exhibit that demonstrates the application of technology to produce a creative movie/film/video. Exhibits may include a finished movie or video creation of a detailed storyboard, editing techniques using digital video software, production techniques, or other display to share what was learned. Copyright permission must be obtained for any non-original material included as part of a film/movie/video. Finished film/movie/video must be uploaded to YouTube.

10550- Leadership: An exhibit that shows learning about leadership skills and influencing others in a positive way.

10560- Self-Determined: An exhibit that shows learning as part of your 4-H adventure and does not fit any other class.

DIVISION 106: SCIENCE, ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY

SCIENCE, ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY SPECIAL RULES:

1. Exhibits entered in the 4-H Science, Engineering, & Technology classes are not eligible to exhibit in similar FFA Ag Mechanics classes and vice-versa.

10610-Mechanics: An exhibit that shows skills or learning about general mechanics or engineering solutions that involve a combination of skills.

10612-Automotive: Repaired or restored vehicle

10613-Automotive-Educational Display: An educational display showing learning about an automotive idea including automotive maintenance, auto operations, auto safety, or automotive systems.

10614-Electric: Constructed, repaired article or educational display that shows skills or learning about electric wiring, appliances, lighting, electrical energy sources, safety, etc.

10615- Small Engine: Repaired or restored operating engine, educational display, other type of exhibit that shows learning about small engines. This class includes repaired or restored lawn tractors, small motorcycles, go-karts, etc.

10616-Tractor: Repaired or restored tractor

10617- Tractor-Educational Display: An educational display showing learning related to tractors, tractor mechanics, tractor operations, or tractor safety.

10618- Welding: Constructed item or educational display that shows skills or learning about welding.

10620-Woodworking: An exhibit that shows learning about wood, woodworking techniques, or safe uses of woodworking tools and machines. Exhibits may include newly constructed or refinished/reclaimed/restored wood items.

10630-Science, Engineering & Technology: An exhibit that shows learning about or helps explain how science and technology help us interact with the world. Topics include aerospace, biological and chemical sciences, computers and networking, earth and climate, geospatial mapping (GPS/GIS) or any other application of science, engineering, or technology.

10632-Aerospace: Educational display or other exhibit (including flyable models) showing learning about aerospace ideas or topics.

10634-Robotics: Educational display or other exhibit (including working robots) that shows learning about robotics and robotic systems.

DIVISION 401: COUNTY CHALLENGES (New Classes Added)

Class 40101-Bucket of Flowers: *2024 Theme: Perky Petunias*

Bucket of Flowers Special Rules:

1. Member may enter one exhibit in this class.
2. Use a 5-gallon bucket with holes in the bottom for drainage.
3. Fill part way with packing peanuts, pop cans, etc. Add soil and plants (all plants must be real).
4. Label in permanent marker member's name, club, and name of plants.
5. Member will determine the design, organization, and materials according to the theme. The theme for 2024 is "Perky Petunias". Members can add their choice of greenery filler to their buckets.
6. Buckets should be brought to the 4-H building on static judging day. You will talk to the county challenge judge.
7. Exhibits will be judged on creativity and health of the plants.
8. Decorating the bucket and adding accents is optional.
9. Buckets will be placed around the fair to beautify the fairgrounds and then must be picked up on Sunday at designated release time.
10. Members are responsible for watering their buckets during the week of fair.
11. This class is NOT eligible for the Iowa State Fair.
12. All entries will receive participation ribbons.

Class 40102-Photography Challenge *2024 Theme: Corn*

Photography Challenge Special Rules:

1. Member may make one entry.
2. Photo must have been taken since the county fair of the previous year.
3. Photo ideas may be field corn, popcorn, sweet corn, etc.
4. Photo must be in good taste and appropriate for public display in a 4-H setting.
5. Photo must be exactly 4"x6", flat, unmounted, displayed in a plastic bag or page protector.
6. Photo must be printed on a home printer, from a kiosk, or ordered online on standard photo paper. Photo must not be printed on linen paper, canvas, wraparound, nor printed on cloth.

7. Photo may be black and white or color.
8. Photo may be taken with any camera i.e. film camera, digital camera, cell phone, tablet.
9. Photo may be enhanced such as cropped, color enhanced, or sharpened.
10. Photographs depicting unsafe practices or illegal activities will not be displayed.
11. Exhibit must have Photo Exhibit Label on the back with required information for photo exhibits.
12. Entries should be brought to the 4-H building on Static Judging Day. You will talk to the county challenge judge.
13. This class is NOT eligible for State Fair.
14. All entries will receive participation ribbons.

Class 40103- Recipe Challenge 2024 Theme: Banana Oatmeal Muffins

Ingredients:

- 3 medium or 4 small ripe bananas
- 1/3 cup of oil (canola or vegetable)
- 2 eggs
- 2/3 cup white sugar
- 1 cup oats (old fashioned or quick cooking)
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- ½ teaspoon baking soda
- 1 ½ teaspoon baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt

Instructions:

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit.
2. Spray a muffin pan with nonstick cooking spray.
3. Peel bananas and mash with a fork.
4. Beat oil and eggs with a mixer. Add sugar and beat until fluffy. Beat in mashed bananas.
5. Stir together the oats, flour, baking soda, baking powder, and salt in a small bowl.
6. Stir dry ingredients into wet ingredients until combined.
7. Pour batter into prepared muffin tin.
8. Bake for 12-14 minutes or until golden brown.

Recipe Challenge Special Rules:

1. The purpose of this challenge is to use the above recipe, then make, bake, and present your best Oatmeal Banana Muffins.
2. Members may make one entry.
3. It is important that the recipe be followed as written, as your exhibits will be compared to others. No substitutions.
4. Entry should be labeled and packaged the same as any other prepared food that is exhibited (paper plate with clear plastic bag).
5. This class is NOT eligible for State Fair.
6. Entry should be brought to the 4-H building on static judging day. You will talk to the county challenge judge.
7. All entries will receive participation ribbons.
8. This same recipe may be used to enter an entry into class 10440.

Class 40104-Cookie Challenge 2024 Theme: Chocolate Chip

Cookie Challenge Special Rules:

1. The purpose of this challenge is to find a cookie recipe and make the best cookie possible.
2. No nuts will be allowed due to allergies.
3. Members may make one entry.
4. It is important that you find a chocolate chip recipe, as your exhibit will be compared to others. Remember to write down your recipe source.
5. Entry should be labeled and packaged the same way as any other prepared food that is exhibited (paper plate with clear plastic bag).
6. Entry should be brought to the 4-H building on static judging day. You will talk to the county challenge judge.
7. This class is NOT eligible for State Fair.
8. All entries will receive participation ribbons.

Class 40105- Sewing Challenge: Crayon Bag

Sewing Challenge Special Rules:

1. Members may make one entry.
2. The 2024 Sewing Challenge Theme is: Crayon Bag.
3. Members may ask for the help of adults in design and construction, but most of the planning and construction needs to be completed by the youth.
4. The Crayon Bag may use any design or theme.
5. The Crayon Bag must be usable, washable, and durable.

6. Members may use any Crayon Bag pattern as long as the source is cited in write-up.
7. All entries will receive participation ribbons.
8. This class is NOT eligible for State Fair.
9. Entry should be brought to the 4-H building on static judging day. You will talk to the county challenge judge.

Class 40206- Bucket of Junk Challenge

Bucket of Junk Special Rules:

1. The purpose of this challenge is to use the items in your bucket to create a sculpture or lawn art piece.
2. Members may make one entry.
3. There will be a limit of 1 bucket of junk per 4-H family.
4. Call the Extension office at 712-297-8611 to reserve your bucket.
5. All items of junk may be cleaned, sanded, welded, cut, bolted, fastened, bent, shaped, or finished in any manner the sculptor desires.
6. No extra pieces can be purchased; however, extra pieces can be acquired or scavenged at no extra cost.
7. The 5-gallon bucket along with any unused pieces must be returned to the Expo Center with your completed project on static judging day. The buckets will be numbered to ensure that they are all returned. Participants not returning buckets will not be allowed to participate the following year.
8. Participants are encouraged to work with an adult to ensure safety when creating their masterpiece.
9. All pieces will be put on display in the Calhoun County Expo center and open to the public throughout the fair.
10. This class is NOT eligible for State Fair.
11. All entries will receive participation ribbons.

4-H COMMUNICATION EVENT

Communication Event Rules:

1. This event will take place on Saturday, June 8, 2024, at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church (527 Main Street) in Rockwell City.
2. Families will be notified of the time of their event by the Extension Office when the schedule is finalized.
3. Registration must be made using the Fair Entry system.
<https://faireentry.com/Fair/Signin/19480>

4. Entry for the communication event will open April 1, 2024. Entry deadline is May 24, 2024, at 11:59 p.m.
5. Awards, Iowa State Fair selections will be announced after.
6. 4-H members who have completed 5-12 grade in 2024 are eligible to advance to the Iowa State Fair.
7. 4-H members who have completed 4-12 grade in 2024 are eligible to advance to the Clay County Fair.
8. Educational presentations and working exhibits may be given by one or more 4-H members. Teams consisting of youth of mixed grades will be subject to the time limits based on the age of the member in the highest grade level.
9. Topics selected by the 4-H member should be an outgrowth of their 4-H experience(s). Topics should be appropriate for presentation to a general audience.
10. Participation in multiple activities during the Iowa State Fair may not always be possible because of schedule conflicts.
11. Iowa State Fair: All Iowa State Fair participants are required to attend the scheduled orientation session prior to participating in their event (times subject to change).
 - a. Educational Presentations: 8:30 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. on August 9, 10, 14, or 15th.
 - b. Working Exhibits: 8:30 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. on August 9, 10, 14, or 15th.
 - c. Share-The-Fun: 20 minutes prior to the show, normally Noon and 5:00 p.m.- times may vary on August 9, 10, 14, or 15th.
 - d. Extemporaneous Speaking: 8:30 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. on August 15.
12. Stickers may not be used in any communication event for any reason.
13. All participants are expected to comply with all copyright/trademark regulations. Copyrighted material may not be distributed without permission.

DIVISION 111: EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION

Class 11101: Junior educational presentation

Class 11102: Intermediate/Senior educational presentation

Educational Presentation Rules:

1. Provides an opportunity for 4-H members to demonstrate communication skills by presenting knowledge, information, or a process to an audience.
2. Time limit: Junior presentations (4-6 grade) must not exceed 15 minutes. Intermediate/Senior presentations (7th-12th grade) must not

exceed 20 minutes. Presenters will be verbally told to “STOP” when they exceed the time limit.

3. Presentations may be on any topic which is an outgrowth of their 4-H project experience. Presentation content must be the original work of the presenter. Extensive paraphrasing from other sources is prohibited. Use of brief quotations or excerpts of from other work(s) is permitted provided the source is identified.
4. Participants must turn in a completed Educational Presentation Report form.
5. Exhibitors must furnish their own supplies.
6. All entries will receive participation ribbons.

DIVISION 112: WORKING EXHIBITS

Class 112: working exhibits

Working Exhibit Special Rules:

1. Provides an opportunity for 4-H members to communicate, interact with, and teach an audience in an informal and experiential way.
2. Time limit: All participants/teams will be scheduled for a 30-minute period.
3. Each participant/team will furnish their own supplies.
4. Many stages of the exhibit or product should be ready so that any step can be discussed. No set format should be used. Questions that might be asked as starters are: Have you seen....? Would you like to know how to...? May I show you how....? The best subjects involve action by the youth or involve the audience in some doing, feeling, tasting, smelling, or judging.
5. Exhibits will be evaluated on the following criteria: educational value, set-up, use of visual aids to attract audience, use of visual aids to carry out working exhibits, appearance of exhibit, and knowledge of topic.
6. Participants must turn in a completed Working Exhibit Report form.
7. All entries will receive participation ribbons.

DIVISION 113: SHARE-THE-FUN

Class 113: Share-the-fun

Share-The-Fun Special Rules:

1. Provides an opportunity for 4-H members to perform before an audience, purely for the sake of enjoyment.
2. Share-The-Fun performances must not exceed six (6) minutes in length.
3. Skits, songs, stunts, short one-act plays, dance, and other entertainment are acceptable. All performances must be appropriate for presentation to a general audience.
4. Electronic equipment like a cd player, USB for music, etc. will need to be provided by participant.
5. All performers must turn in a completed 4-H Share-The-Fun Report Form.
6. All entries will receive a participation ribbon.

DIVISION 114: EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING

Class 11401: Intermediate extemporaneous speaking

Class 11402: Senior extemporaneous speaking

Extemporaneous Speaking Special Rules:

1. Program Format:
 - a. Thirty minutes before the program, each participant will draw three of the available topics, selecting one to speak on.
 - i. The selected topic will not be available to the other participants. The general nature of the topics will relate to 4-H. the other two topics drawn but not chosen will be returned to the available topics for other participants.
 - b. A preparation room will be made available for contestants only. Each contestant will have thirty minutes preparation time. A participant may not leave the preparation room until it is time to speak, nor may a participant receive help from a parent, leader, other adult, or any other youth.
 - c. All reference material will be based on the following:
 - i. Participant may bring their own books, magazines, or newspaper clipping for reference during preparation time.

- ii. Reference material must be printed material such as books or magazine, cannot be notes, outlines, or speeches prepared by the participant or by another person for use in this program.
 - d. Each speech shall be the result of the 4-H members own efforts using approved reference material that a participant may bring to the preparation room. No other assistance is provided. Plain note cards will be provided for each participant in the preparation room. If notes are used, the note cards provided must be used in delivering the speech.
 - e. Only notes made during the preparation period can be used.
 - f. Each speech shall be less than four but no more than six minutes with five minutes additional time allowed for related questions, which shall be asked by the judge. The participant will be shown timecards in an ascending order (1,2,3,4,5) by the timekeeper. "Stop" will be said a six minutes.
 - g. The program timekeeper will introduce each participant by name and read the selected question.
 - h. Participants are not permitted to use any props, gadgets, posters, or audiovisuals of any sort. A podium will not be available.
2. Speeches will be evaluated using the following criteria:
 - a. Content related to topic
 - b. Knowledge of the subject
 - c. Organization of materials
 - d. Power of expression
 - e. Voice
 - f. Stage presence
 - g. General effect
 - h. Response to questions
3. All entries will receive participation ribbons.

DIVISION 115: PRIDE OF IOWA (Updated Rules)

Class:115 Pride of Iowa

Pride of Iowa Special Rules:

1. 4-H members can make entry as a single contestant or as a team demonstration.
2. A team demonstration provides an opportunity for two 4-Hers to share the responsibility of explaining and demonstrating a recipe. This

- presentation will be judged as a whole, but each participant will receive an individual award. One 4-H member will explain the recipe process while another demonstrates the process at the same time.
3. The time limit for product preparation is not to exceed 10 minutes determined by a stopwatch. Demonstrations exceeding the time limit will receive a lower ribbon placing.
 4. The speech could include information as
 - a. What is happening during the demonstration?
 - b. What are the “Iowa” products that you are using?
 - c. What is the source of your recipe?
 - d. Why did you select this recipe for the contest?
 - e. Did you change or alter anything in the recipe? If so, why?
 - f. Did you use any special equipment or appliances to make this recipe?
 - g. Other 4-H project area interests
 - h. Hobbies and special interests
 5. Posters should include:
 - a. Complete recipe in font large enough to be read.
 - b. Recipe source, please be specific: name of cookbook and page #, website and specific information, or name of person and relationship.
 - c. The names and clubs of the 4-H members
 - d. Featured Iowa ingredient.
 6. Audio devices are permitted to enhance, but not to replace the presentation.
 7. Presenters may select any recipe using at least one ingredient, which is an outstanding product of Iowa. No mixes can be the featured product, but a mix may be used as an ingredient.
 8. Presenters must provide their own ingredients, equipment, and small appliances. Proper food preparation is expected, and food should be pre-cut and pre-cooked in preparation for the demonstration.
 9. If the recipe requires baking, contestants are to bring a completed product if needed for demonstration purposes.
 10. Hair should be pulled back or secured. Appearance is considered in the evaluation and participants are encouraged to wear a 4-H t-shirt.
 11. For food safety reasons, food products will NOT be shared with the audience.
 - 12. The presenters will be evaluated on communication skills, poster criteria, and engaging the audience and not on food preparation skills although proper food preparation skills are expected.**
 13. All entries will receive a participation ribbon.

4-H CLOTHING EVENT

Clothing Event Special Rules:

1. This event will take place on Saturday, June 8, 2024, at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church (527 Main Street) in Rockwell City.
2. Families will be notified of the time of their event by the Extension Office when the schedule is finalized.
3. Registration must be made using the Fair Entry system.
<https://fairentry.com/Fair/Signin/19480>.
4. Entry for the clothing event will open April 1, 2024. Entry deadline is May 24, 2024, at 11:59 p.m.

DIVISION 121: FASHION REVUE

Class 12101- Junior Fashion Revue: Youth in grades 4-6

Class 12102: Intermediate Fashion Revue: Youth in grades 7 and 8

Class 12103: Senior Fashion Revue: Youth in grades 9-12

Fashion Revue Special Rules:

1. The purpose of this class is to encourage the construction of a personal garment or outfit.
2. Consideration is given to fit, color, style, suitability, quality of construction, presentation, and required care.
3. Youth participants will model a garment or outfit they constructed, hand knitted, machine knitted, or crocheted during the current 4-H year.
4. A garment or outfit consists of one to three pieces such as, but not limited to, party clothes, tailored suits, vest, slacks, shirt, skirt, active sportswear, and/or coats. Blouses, shirts, and sweaters are usually considered garments. If they are used to complete an outfit, they must be constructed or selected.
5. Members will fill need to fill-out the Fashion Revue form.
6. A photo of the participant in the outfit judged is required on the day of judging. It should be attached to the entry form for the judges use and will be returned to the member.
7. All participants will receive participation ribbons.
8. Only Senior 4-H members in grades 9-12 can advance to the Iowa State Fair.

DIVISION 122: CLOTHING SELECTION

Class 12201: Junior. Clothing Selection: Youth in grades 4-6

Class 12202: Intermediate Clothing Selection: Youth in grades 7 and 8

Class 12203: Senior Clothing Selection: Youth in grades 9-12

Clothing Selection Rules:

1. The purpose of this class is to select and/or purchase an outfit that represents the 4-H member's goal or intended use for the selected outfit.
2. Judging is based on color, fit, style, suitability, quality, construction, features, presentation, required care, and cost comparison.
3. There is no consideration in the judging on cost spent, only in the process of record keeping and reflection on the cost of the individual items as part of the process.
4. Outfits may be purchased at a department store, boutique, online store, sidewalk sales, retail shops or mall stores. Outfits may also be purchased at garage sales or other secondhand venues at any price point. Outfits may be gifts, hand-me-downs, relative or friend's modern or vintage clothing, or existing personal clothing as long as the 4-H member selected the item as part of this specific outfit for the stated purpose.
5. Home-sewn clothing that was not sewn specifically for the participant are acceptable, such as purchases from a used clothing store.
6. All participants will receive participation ribbons.
7. Only Senior 4-H members in grades 9-12 can advance to the Iowa State Fair.

DIVISION 123: THE \$20 CHALLENGE

Class 12301: Junior \$20 Challenge: Youth in grades 4-6

Class 12302: Intermediate \$20 Challenge: Youth in grades 7 and 8

Class 12303: Senior \$20 Challenge: Youth in grades 9-12

\$20 Challenge Special Rules:

1. This class is designed to expand the 4-H member's shopping experience by shopping venues emphasizing recycling, reducing, and reusing. Outfits must be purchased at a garage sale, consignment store, thrift store, secondhand store, or similar place.
2. Online venues are allowed and must be second-hand in nature. Shipping and handling are not included in the total calculations.

3. Traditional shopping venues may NOT be used, regardless of a low regular or sale price. Hand-me downs or clothing as gifts do NOT qualify for this class.
4. Twenty dollars is the purchase price limit including tax. However, some secondhand stores and venues do not typically charge sales tax.
5. Receipt(s) for every item needs to be included as a part of the calculated total and must be submitted with the entry. Failure to provide receipts will be reflected in the evaluation.
6. An outfit consists of a major clothing piece such as shirt, sweater, jacket, and pants or a dress. Shoes, undergarments, and accessories are not included in the \$20 purchase price limit.
7. Alterations are permitted to achieve a desired look or fit.
8. Members will need to fill out the \$20 challenge form and take it to the judge during judging.
9. A photo of the participant in the outfit is required on the day of judging. It should be attached to the entry form for the judge's use and will be returned to the member.
10. The outfit pieces should be purchased to meet the 4-H member's goal or intended use for the purchased outfit. The 4-H member should have had an experience in choosing shopping alternatives, evaluating fit, quality and construction features, price, and cost comparison.
11. All participants will receive ribbons.
12. Only Senior 4-H members in grades 9-12 can advance to the Iowa State Fair.

DIVISION 124: INNOVATIVE DESIGN

Class 12401: Intermediate Innovative Design: Youth in grades 7 and 8

Class 12402: Senior Innovative Design: Youth in grades 9-12

Innovative Design Special Rules:

1. The purpose of this class is to encourage creativity and out-of-the-box thinking when creating an outfit.
2. Designs can be theatrical costumes, cosplay, wearable technology, sustainable/upcycled fashion, accessible fashion, and/or outfits that use unconventional materials.
3. The outfit must be showcased as a worn garment modeled by the exhibitor or by the individual it was designed for.
4. Exhibitors may make their garment entirely, or permanently alter the silhouette of pre-existing materials through some method of permanent alteration or addition.
5. All participants will receive participation ribbons.

6. Only Senior 4-H members in grades 9-12 can advance to the Iowa State Fair.

DIVISION 125: CLOTHING STYLE SHOW

Class 12501: Junior Style Show: Youth in grades 4-6

Class 12502: Intermediate Style Show: Youth in grades 7 and 8

Class 12503: Senior Style Show: Youth in grades 9-12

Style Show Special Rules:

1. The purpose of this class is to encourage youth to select an outfit and share it with an audience.
2. This event will take place on Saturday, June 8, 2024, at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church (527 Main Street) in Rockwell City.
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