Attention 4-H Family,

It is fair time! This newsletter contains loads of information. Please make sure you read the whole thing. We ask that you please ask questions in advance. **There are no dumb questions.** If you have questions, someone else might have the same one. Please bare with us in the office as this is a busy time for us also. **It is the exhibitors responsibility to meet all deadlines reflected in this newsletter.** We are looking forward to a great fair! We are very excited to see what you all have accomplished in your projects this year, as you showcase them at the Coffey County Fair! Best of luck to all of you! See you soon!

**Reminder...all things are subject to change.**

When in doubt, call and ask.
EXHIBIT DROP OFF

ALL EXHIBITS EXCEPT FOR FOODS & NUTRITION, CROPS AND HORTICULTURE ARE TO BE DROPPED OFF AT THE 4-H BUILDING

- MONDAY, JULY 22ND FROM 8-5 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT.
- ALL LARGE ITEMS NEED TO BE SCHEDULED FOR DELIVERY ON MONDAY.
- TUESDAY, JULY 23RD FROM 8-12 AM.

Fair Superintendents - Junior Superintendents

Once again this year each area of the fair will have a superintendent. This person will help set-up, and run the event or judging. Any questions can be directed to this person. Check the fair book for superintendents’ name. If you would like to be a superintendents assistant, we always need the help! We are still welcoming Junior Superintendents. If you would like to serve in this role contact the Extension Office. (Junior Superintendents 12 years and older)

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THANK YOU NOTES

Do you know how many volunteers assist at the fair each year?

Do you know how many judges it takes to judge all the entries at the fair?

Do you know how many family members or friends that have helped you with your project this year?

What about club leaders and community supports?

This is our time to say thank you to all those people. **We encourage each of you to stop by the 4-H building and sign thank you notes.** We will have a thank you for the superintendents, volunteers, judges, community supports, etc. We will also have extra if you think of someone we forgot. You will not have to sign all the cards, for example if you are in the photography project... please sign the cards for that group.
ALL STATIC ENTRIES MUST BE MADE ONLINE BY JULY 17TH

Entry Website: coffeycountyfair.fairentry.com

Instructions:

1. Login Using 4-H Online credentials! All 4-H Families must login this way. **DO NOT** create a new profile. FFA members who are not in 4-H Online are the only participants that will create a profile. Contact the Extension Office if you need help logging in!

PHOTOGRAPHY PROJECT JUDGING

Photography Conference Judging will be optional. Photography judging will be on Wednesday, July 24th

**REMINDER** - Improperly mounted photos will be awarded a ribbon one placing lower than the placing determined by the official judge. Be sure to check the Fairbook for mounting and display specifications. Please place your mounted photos in the photo bags provided by the Extension Office to ensure that your photos stay neat and clean.

**Bags must be left unsealed for judging.**

Photo boards are 11” x 12 ½” and photos must be mounted with the top edge of the print 1” below the top of the mount. Photo boards with bags are available in the Extension Office for $1.00.

VISUAL ARTS

A total of 3 items per class and 6 total entries are allowed for entry into the Coffey County Fair. The class options this year are Fine Arts, Ceramics, Jewelry, 3D, and General Crafts. One entry in each of these classes will be selected to move on to be judged at the State Fair.
Demonstration Days and Judging Contests - July 12th

Any 4-Her may give a project talk, demonstration, illustrated talk or Poetry/Prose on July 12th. Pre-entry was required by July 1st so a schedule can be made and sent out to participants. 4-Hers (9 years old or over) that receive a purple ribbon on a project talk, demonstration or illustrated talks are eligible for the State Fair. This is the only qualifying event for the State Fair.

Judging Contests-Crops, FCS, Photography & 4-H Building

At the State Fair this year, 4-H Presentations will be conducted Sept 7th & 8th and Sept 14th & 15th; we will have more details after the fair.

FOOD ENTRIES

Place all food entries on a paper plate or on a piece of cardboard cut to fit and slip into a clear plastic bag. See fairbook rule #7 in Foods for more details. Entry cards will be received at check in. Use disposable containers for all entries. Reminder... Parents should not engage with the judge.

Tips on Freezing & Thawing:
1. Be sure to cool the baked product before wrapping and thawing.
2. Thawing - Let the product warm up 60° F. or room temperature before the wrapping is opened. This prevents moisture from air condensing on the cold product and/or being absorbed by it.

No entries will be accepted in baking dishes.

Foods Project Judging

Judging will begin Wednesday morning, July 24th at 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the 4-H Building. ALL items that are done being conference judged must be checked in by 10:00 AM. Food baskets and educational displays will be entered at the same time as the other food items. Food Preparation Division allows each 4-Her to enter 4 exhibits plus an educational exhibit in the Level they are enrolled. Be sure to check the Fair Book and use your own ideas!

FOOD FLOP

This class is for that entry you were planning to bring and it flopped at the last minute! Bring it anyways to be evaluated - this is how you learn. We will have a form for you to fill out before being judged. If you have a “flop” to enter, ask the food superintendent for a form. Anything exhibited in this class will be included in your 4 food exhibit maximum number of entries. Do NOT create a 4-H online entry for this!
### 4-H Building Watch

**THURSDAY - JULY 25, 2024**
- 9:00 am-1:00 pm: Liberty
- 1:00 pm-5:00 pm: Tip Top
- 5:00 pm-9:00 pm: Blue Ribbon

**FRIDAY - JULY 26, 2024**
- 9:00 am-1:00 pm: Stringtown Bombers
- 1:00 pm-5:00 pm: Smilin’ Thru
- 5:00 pm-9:00 pm: Liberty

**5:00-6:30 CLOSED FOR PARADE**

**SATURDAY - JULY 27, 2024**
- 9:00 am-1:00 pm: Tip Top
- 1:00 pm-5:00pm: Blue Ribbon
- 5:00 pm-9:00 pm: Stringtown Bombers

**SUNDAY - JULY 28, 2024**
- 1:00 pm-4:00 pm: Smilin’ Thru

### Crops Building

**THURSDAY - JULY 25, 2024**
- 9:00 am-1:00 pm: Stringtown Bombers
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**ENTRIES! ENTRIES! ENTRIES!**

We hope that you were as accurate as possible in the number of animals pre-entered. If excess stall space is assigned and not needed, a club may be asked to remove its stall decorations from unneeded stall spaces to give more room to other clubs.

Livestock entries are to be in the barn by 5:00 PM Wednesday, July 24th. Weigh-In will start at 5:00 pm in order of Beef, Goats & Sheep, Swine. All animals are to be clean, dry, and shorn PRIOR to weigh-in.

Livestock entries may be removed from the Fair Grounds beginning at 6:00 a.m. on Sunday, July 28th, all other entries will be released between 2:30pm and 4pm. Any bedding used during the Fair must be cleaned up by the club/family at the time of dismissal.

In accordance with the State Fair rules: All exhibits must be the bona fide property and handiwork of the exhibitor; the grower where agricultural exhibits are shown; and the owner and feeder where livestock is entered. Exhibits must be the result of the current years work. This rule shall be rigidly enforced to maintain the integrity of the youth program. Exhibitors who are found by the Fair Board to have left their livestock to the majority care of others, especially professional feeders/groomers, will be disqualified. Entries must be entered and exhibited by the owner.
LIVESTOCK SCHEDULE

Monday, July 22nd
5:00pm: Fair Clean Up
6:00pm: Mandatory Livestock Meeting
Following Meeting: County Group Picture

Tuesday, July 23rd
8:00am: Rabbit Show
5:00pm: Open Class Horse Show with 4-H Horse Show to follow

Thursday, July 25th
8:00am: Poultry Show
10:00am: Bucket Calf Show
11:30am: Dairy Cow/Goat Show
5:00pm: Sheep / Goat Show

Friday, July 26th
9:00am: Beef Show

Saturday, July 27th
8:00am: Swine Show
4:00pm: Livestock Skillathon

Sunday, July 28th
10:30am: Round Robin Show
5:30pm: Bucket Calf Scramble
6:00pm: Livestock Sale

REMINDER: “The cattle shows, (steers, heifers, bucket calves & dairy cattle) are to be a ‘Blow & Go’ show. Adhesives or paint shall not be used for fitting.” “All cattle to be shown must be clipped prior to fair. All market lambs & goats will be slick shorn” PRIOR to weigh-in. Rules for the Round Robin Showmanship Contest are in the Coffey County Fair book.

MANDATORY!
The Livestock meeting will be held MONDAY, JULY 22ND at 6:00pm in the grand stands. ALL individuals entered to show animals are required to attend - this includes rabbit and poultry exhibitors as well!

DISPLAYING ANIMALS
Animals need to be on display in the barn from 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. except when being fed, watered or groomed.

Reminder: You may feed cattle hay in the beef barns. Preferably fed in a hay bag or manger.

SHEEP/GOAT REMINDER
Attention Sheep & Goat Showmen:
• Sheep & Goats should be shown slick shorn.
• Scrapie tags are required for all sheep & goats, this includes wethers.

LARGE BEEF STALL FEE
A $15 large beef animal stall fee was to be due with pre-entries for steer, market heifer, 2nd year bucket calf, cow/calf pair, etc.
If you have not already done so, the fee will need to be paid to the Fairboard prior to taking your animals to the Fairgrounds.
Livestock Sale

Youth Livestock Auction Rules are in the Fair book. It is your responsibility to read them. No animal will be listed in the sale bill without a Destination Designation card being filled out and turned in by the designated deadline. **IT IS THE 4-HER’S RESPONSIBILITY TO FIND A MEAT BUYER FOR BEEF & SWINE.** There is a floor buyer (base bid buyer) for sheep and meat goats. If you have any questions about the sale see the sale committee. Sale committee members are listed in the Fair book.

LIVESTOCK - ETHICAL TREATMENT OF ANIMALS

Coffey County Fair 4-H Livestock Shows and Sale are such visible events to most fair goers and a major reflection of our 4-H program. We must be mindful in preserving a positive image of 4-H. 4-Her’s, their parents, leaders and instructors have a serious responsibility to treat their animals ethically and humanely. Medications, growth promotants, and any other approved materials should be used appropriately and with great care. All associated withdrawal time must be strictly adhered to.

DOG, CAT, AND HAND PET SHOW

The Dog, Cat and Hand Pet Show will be held prior to the Fair on Saturday, July 20th. The show will begin at 4pm. Animals must be on a leash or in a hand cage. This will be a conference judging with the 4-H’er. Dog entries need to bring a completed State 4-H Dog Show Immunization Record to the show.

No Decorating of Animals

No decorating of 4-H livestock at our Fair sale is allowed for animals entering food supply, therefore, writing words or symbols on the animals’ hair, skin, or hide will not be allowed. Additionally, the use of glitter or similar products that could contaminate a carcass and cause it to be discounted or condemned will not be allowed on animals that are going through the Fair sale or leaving on locker or basebid trailers at the end of the Fair.

*Poultry*

Pullorum testing will **NOT** be required for the 2024 Coffey County Fair. All birds showing in the Coffey County Fair, must have an ID band, and have been pre-entered by the July 1st deadline.

**BUCKET CALF SHOW**

The 4-H bucket calf show is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Thursday, July 25th. There will be 3 age groups: 11 & 12 yr olds, 9 & 10 yr olds, and 7 & 8 yr olds. First year bucket calves will show first followed by the 2nd year bucket calves. Evaluation will be based on a judge’s interview questions, showmanship and calf quality.
**BUYER RIBBONS**

For each market beef, hog, goat or sheep going to be sold through the livestock sale, each seller will have the opportunity to purchase buyer ribbons for $5.00 each. It is recommended that you purchase a buyer ribbon for each of your premium auction buyers. Buyer ribbons must be purchased by July 17th through the Extension Office. Beginning July 18th and throughout the Fair, the cost goes up to $10.00 each.

**Horse Show**

Horses will be judged Tuesday, July 23rd starting with Open Class entries at 5:00 p.m. with the 4-H Show beginning 30 minutes after the Open Class show ends. Pre-entry is required. Rules according to 4-H Horse Show booklet which are available in the KSRE bookstore online at https://www.bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/S133.pdf. If you have questions concerning the Horse Show, call the Extension Office. Showmanship, Horsemanship, Trail & Reining patterns will be posted the day of the show. Coggins test are encouraged but not required for show.

**AMBASSADORS**

The new 4-H Ambassadors will ride in the fair parade and be announced during the awards ceremony at 5 pm, Sunday, July 28th. The fun of being an ambassador includes: promoting 4-H, organizing events, and helping with award ceremonies. The 4-H Ambassadors should contact the Extension Office BEFORE THE FAIR to make arrangements for the Fair parade.

**SALE AGREEMENTS & DESTINATION DESIGNATION CARDS**

Before the livestock shows, each 4-H member (and parent) selling an animal MUST sign a Coffey County Livestock Auction Agreement form acknowledging awareness that: Animals exhibited/sold are owned by the 4-Her; Animal pharmaceutical products have been used in compliance with the label and withdrawal times observed; Ethical exhibitor behavior and humane treatment of animals will be practiced. 4-Her’s are to be reminded that ownership and care of an animal sold does not pass from the 4-Her until the animal is loaded for final destination. Destination Designation Cards will be available during each relevant species show, as well as in the Fair Board office throughout the entire duration of the Fair. Cards are due within 1 hour following the conclusion of the relevant species show. If you have questions or need verification on if your cards are filled out correctly, please ask an Extension Staff member or your club leader. A Destination Designation card is **REQUIRED for EVERY Market animal**, regardless if the animal will participate in the sale or not.
CAMPING AT THE FAIRGROUNDS

4-Her’s and adults are welcome to camp out at Kelley Park during the fair. We insist that all campers respect the rights of each other and maintain peace and quiet in the camping area. Loud music, alcohol, and obnoxious behavior or language will not be permitted.

FROM THE FAIRBOARD:

The parking of livestock trailers, camping trailers, and camping sites will be designated for the best use of limited space as determined by the Fair Board. There will be no parking, camping, or fitting of livestock on the parking area (island) west of the show area. No livestock trailers are allowed in the camping sites. Official livestock check-in is 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 24th, but animals may arrive earlier in the day. Weigh-in will begin with beef at 5 pm.

BREAKFAST SATURDAY MORNING!

Central National Bank invites all 4-H members and families to have breakfast with them Saturday, July 27th from 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. under the Grandstand!

SCORESHEETS

If you would like to learn more about judging criteria for any divisions, you can view sample scoresheets/guidelines on the Kansas 4-H website. Scoresheets will be used for some indoor exhibits.

TRASH DUTY

includes ALL TRASH throughout the fairgrounds and campsites. Large, black trash bags will be available in the Fair board office. Dumpsters are located east of the Crops building.

Recycling: Will need to be collected and placed in a specific area on the fairgrounds - replacement bags will be provided.

CONFERENCE JUDGING

Our conference judging is intended to enhance the educational experience for the 4-Her. The 4-Her should be prepared to communicate with the judge(s) on all aspects of the project. One person is welcome to listen. Conference judging takes longer. The schedules are an approximation and conference judging is optional. If a 4-Her needs to be elsewhere, we understand that and will ensure that your project will be judged without prejudice.
Saturday, July 20th - 9 AM, 4-H Building PLEASE NOTE: Only 2 outfits can be modeled in Shopping in Style. Other outfits you make can be entered in Clothing Construction. If you are entered in both Construction modeling and Shopping in Style you can model 4 outfits total. The approximate judging order of Fashion Revue will be emailed out after the pre-entry deadline. The Clothing 'information sheet' requires a 30 word or less script/description. Please bring 2 copies on July 20th!

Shopping in Style will begin at 9 AM Seniors, Intermediate and Juniors. Cloverbuds schedule will be listed on the final schedule prior to the event.

Clothing Construction Style Revue will follow Shopping in Style.

Clothing Construction Conference Judging will take place in Kelley Hall. Cloth clothing labels for garments are available at the Extension Office. These are to be tacked or pinned into or onto the ferment or article for identification purposes.

Fiber Arts Judging will take place in Kelley Hall. The pre-fair event is the only time that your clothing items will be judged.

***PLEASE MAKE SURE TO LEAVE YOUR GARMENTS with clothing informational sheet with a picture in a sheet protector. All garments must be on a swivel or wire hanger and in a plastic garment bag. This will allow us to go ahead and set up the display for the fair.
We will be posting placings for all entries except champions at judging on July 20th. Ribbons will placed on the items for display during the fair.

Fashion Revue will be held at Kelley lawn (west side of the rock building) following the parade. This fashion revue is for anyone that did not receive a purple ribbon and would like to model one outfit.

SIGN UP IS A REQUIREMENT FOR THE CLOTHING EVENT.
Parade of Purples will follow the Fashion Revue. SIGN UP IS REQUIRED FOR THE CLOTHING EVENT.

Anyone that plans to model on Friday, July 26th at Kelley Hall west lawn (the rock building) must pick up your outfits from the 4-H building between 3-5:30 pm as the 4-H building will be locked during the parade. The 4-Her’s will be able to change clothes in Kelley Hall. Champions & Grand Champions will be announced during the Parade of Purples. ALL items must be return to the 4-H Building immediately following the Parade of Purples. Please put them back in the same place that you removed them from.
To compete at the State Fair, county winners must be at least 10 years old, but not yet 19 by January 1st of the current year and enrolled in project to model. If you have any questions, visit with your clubs’ clothing leaders or contact the Extension Office.
All awards will be presented at the end of Parade of Purples.
COUNTY WIDE PICTURE
THE COUNTY WIDE PICTURE WILL TAKE PLACE MONDAY, JULY 22ND FOLLOWING THE MANDATORY LIVESTOCK MEETING!

CLEAN UP NIGHTS
Pre-Fair Cleanup will take place Monday, July 22ND @ 5pm at the Fairgrounds. We all will contribute to the events at the Fair, so let’s all plan to contribute to cleaning up before and after the Fair! Post-Fair Cleanup will take place Monday, July 29th, 6pm at the Fairgrounds. Ribbons and premiums will be handed out after clean up. Pizza party for all those that help clean up.

LIVESTOCK BARN REMINDERS
The Coffey County Fair Board asks that beef exhibitors to please only rakes and forks, NO SHOVELS used to scoop up manure in the beef barn. If your beef animal starts to paw at the bedding and begins to “dig a hole” at their stall, do not let it get out of hand!! Periodically rake and level out the depression area and do what you can to maintain the cedar fiber bedding that is there. Beef exhibitors there is to be NO WATER buckets in the barn unless special provisions for heat stress relief are announced AND hay fed in the barn it is to be in a hay bag or tub NOT just thrown on the ground. Remaining hay should be FORKED out of the bedding.
Looking Ahead...

July

- July 1 | Online 4-H Pre-Entry Deadline
  - Campsite assignments due
- July 12 | 9am- Demonstrations, Consumer Judging, Photography Judging, and Crops Judging
- July 17 | 4-H Fair Entry Deadline for all other 4-H exhibits
- July 20 | 9am-Shopping in Style, Western Heritage Revue, Sewing and Textile Design, and Fiber Arts Judging
- July 20
  - 4pm Hand Pet Show
  - 4:30pm Cat Show
  - 5:15 pm Dog Show
- July 22
  - 8am-5pm 4-H Entry Drop Off
  - 5pm Fair Clean up
  - 6pm Mandatory Livestock Meeting
  - County Club Picture to follow meeting
- July 23
  - 8am Rabbit Show
  - 8am - 12pm 4-H Entry Drop off
  - 5pm Open Class Horse Show
  - 4-H Horse show to follow
- July 24
  - 7:30am-1pm Open Class Entries
  - 8am-9am Non-Conference Judging Foods and Crops/Horticulture Exhibits
  - 8am-5pm 4-H Exhibit Judging
  - 10:30-12:30 4-H Cloverbud entries & presentations
  - 1pm Open Class Exhibit buildings closed
  - 5pm 4-H Livestock, Poultry in the barns

July continued..

- July 25
  - 8am Poultry Show
  - 9am-2pm Horticulture & Entomology Judging
  - 10am Bucket Calf Show
  - 11:30 am Dairy Cow/Dairy Goat Show
  - 5pm Sheep & Goat Show
- July 26
  - 9am Beef Show
  - Parade of Purples - following the Parade
- July 27
  - 8am Swine Show
- July 28
  - All animals released except sale & round robin animals by noon
  - 2:30-4pm Check out all building exhibits
  - 5pm Award Ceremony for Static Exhibits in show arena
  - 6pm Livestock Sale
- July 29
  - 6pm Fair Clean Up

August

- August 1 | Registration deadline for Livestock Sweepstakes
- August 9 | Plaque redemption vouchers due to Extension Office
- August 10 | Kansas 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest
- August 17-18 | Kansas Livestock Sweepstakes

September

- September 6-15 | Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson

Dates are subject to change!

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