

Iowa County 4-H & FFA Fair

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Iowa County Fairgrounds



The Fairgrounds are located in Marengo. Everyone should enter using South Street entrance.

Parking is allowed on the grass area along Marion Street and Off South Street behind Pee Wee Barns and Old Wash Rack.

Buildings

1. Show Barn: Beef, Dairy Cattle, Meat Goat, Sheep, and Show ring
2. Horse Barn
3. Horse Arena
4. Swine Barn
5. Food Booth
6. Zentmire Hall: 4-H & FFA Exhibits, Open Class Exhibits, Fair Board Office, Communication Area
7. White Building: 4-H Office, Large Exhibit Display
8. Pee wee Livestock Barn(s)
9. Rabbit & Poultry Barn
10. Parking
11. Campgrounds
12. Pavilion
13. Parking
14. Parking

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2026 IOWA COUNTY FAIR SCHEDULE

(Schedule is subject to change)

Saturday, June 13

Monday, June 22

Friday, June 26

Sunday, June 28

TBA

Monday, June 29

Tuesday, June 30

Wednesday, July 1

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Monday, July 6th

9:00 am – 8:00 pm

1:00 pm

6:00 pm

6:00 – 8:00 pm

Tuesday, July 7

9:00 am

9:00 – 11:00 am

12 Noon

Iowa County Fair Queen Contest Judging, Extension Office

Livestock & Communication Entries due to FairEntry

Static (Non-Livestock) Entries due to FairEntry

Youth Beef Carcass & Open Quality Beef Show- Cornfed Farms

Lil Mr. & Miss Contest Judging, Extension Office

4-H & FFA Bottle Calf Interviews – Extension office

Clothing Event – Iowa County Extension

Poultry Pullorum Testing, 5:30 pm

Fair Clean Up/Set Up, 6:00 pm

Club Booth Setup – Zentmire Hall

Judging Non-livestock/Static Exhibits

Livestock Barn Setups

Open Class Exhibit Check in

4-H & FFA Dog Show, Show barn (Check in 8:00 – 8:30 am)

Open Class Check-In

Open Class Judging

Wednesday, July 8

7:00 - 8:00 am	All Swine must be visually inspected by Fair Veterinarian
9:00 am	Ed. Presentations, Share the Fun, Extemporaneous Speaking
10:00 am	Swine Check-In, Derby Scanning- TBA
11:00 am	Appreciation Lunch – Fair Board
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Dairy Cattle & Dairy Goats Check-In
1:30 - 2:30 pm	Rabbit & Poultry Check-In
2:30 - 3:30 pm	Sheep & Meat Goats Check-In
3:30 - 5:00 pm	Beef Check-In and Pee Wee Bottle Calf Check-In
4:00 - 5:00 pm	Horse Check-In
4:00-8:00 pm	Zentmire Hall- 4-H Exhibits Open
6:30 pm	Miss & Mr. Iowa County Little Mr. & Miss Contest- Show Ring Friend of the Iowa County Fair

Thursday, July 9

8:00 am	National Anthem and Flag Raising - Iowa County Youth Council
8:00 am	Dairy Goat & Dairy Cattle Show
10:00 am	Meat Goat Show <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Breeding Meat Goat Does Show• Market Meat Goats Following the Market Goat Show <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Breeding Sheep• Market Sheep
9:00 am – 8:00 pm	Zentmire Hall Open
10:00 am	KINZE Award Contest Judging
12 Noon	Working Exhibits in Zentmire Hall
1:00 pm	4-H & FFA Poultry Show
3:00 pm	Master Gardner - Daily Demo
5:00 pm	Fair Meal - Iowa County Fair Board
5:00 pm	Pee Wee Sheep/Meat Goat Show
6:30 pm	Pee Wee Bucket Bottle Show- Sponsored Iowa County Cattlemen
7:00 – 9:00 pm	Youth Mudd Volleyball Tournament, Sponsored by Youth Council & Iowa County Fair

Friday, July 10

9:00 am	National Anthem and Flag Raising - Iowa County Youth Council
9:00 am	4-H & FFA Swine Show <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Breeding Pairs then Market Pairs• Purebred Gilts then Commercial Gilts• Derby• Purebred Market Pigs followed by Market Pigs
9:00 am – 8:00 pm	Zentmire Hall Open
9:00 am	4-H & FFA Horse Show: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Halter, Performance followed by Fun & Games
12 Noon	Pride of Iowa- Zentmire Hall
1:00 pm	4-H & FFA Rabbit Show
2:00 pm	Livestock Judging Demo
3:00 pm	Master Gardner - Daily Demo

3:00 pm	Youth Cornhole Tournament – Sponsored by Parnell Peppers
4:00 pm	4-H & FFA Bucket/Bottle Calf Show
Time – TBA	Pee Wee Swine Show, Sponsored by Iowa County Fair
6:00 pm	State Fair Exhibitors Meeting - Zentmire Hall
6:30 pm	Bacon Buddies, Sponsored by Iowa County Farm Bureau
7:00 pm	Iowa County Fair Luau, Sponsored by Trailblazers
Saturday, July 11	
9:00 am	National Anthem and Flag Raising - Iowa County Youth Council
9:00 am	Breeding Beef Show
	Carcass Results (30 min. following Heifer Show)
	Market Beef Show (One Hour Following Heifer Show)
12 Noon	Watermelon Feed, Compliments of Iowa County Farm Bureau
1:00 pm	Kiddie Pedal Pull, Sign-up Sponsored by Marengo FFA
1:30 pm	Kiddie Pedal Pull Time Ages 4-11 (Children under 4, pull for fun)
2:00 pm	Pee Wee Horse Show, Sponsored by Ladora Saddle Club
2:00 pm	Ice Cream Social, Sponsored by Ladora Saddle Club
6:30 pm	All-Around Showmanship, Sponsored by Williamsburg FFA
8:00 pm	Pee Wee Bucket/Bottle Calves and Lambs Released
Sunday, July 12	
6:00 - 9:00 am	Non-Sale Animals Released (4-H & FFA Livestock)
9:00 – 11:00 am	Open Class Exhibits Released
11:30 am	Champion Salute-
	Senior Awards, 4-H Scholarships, KINZE Awards, FCS & SEE Awards, Communication Awards, Livestock Awards
	*After your club is recognized – go to Zentmire Hall your projects are released.
1:00 pm	Livestock Sale
3:00 pm	4-H, FFA Livestock Exhibits Released

Static/Non-Livestock Judging

Monday, July 6, 2026

4-H and FFA Members may bring their projects from 1:00 – 4:00 pm
(Clubs are not assigned a judging time)

**July 6-12, 2026 at the Iowa County Fairgrounds
4-H Fair Rules & Premium List**

OBJECTIVES FOR THE COUNTY FAIR

TO PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR 4-H'ERS TO

- Demonstrate, learn, and apply practical, university-researched methods of production, management or marketing of accomplishments.
- Continue life skill development in the areas of self-concept, decision-making, communication, learning to learn, coping with change, citizenship, and leadership.
- Measure their progress and skills against individual goals and accepted standards.
- Participate in a variety of program opportunities beyond the county level.
- Gain personal satisfaction, meet new people, share ideas and learn to work cooperatively.

TO PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO

- See an updated comprehensive image of Iowa's Youth and 4-H Program.
- View a showcase of accomplishments of 4-H'ers.
- Learn new ideas from a variety of 4-H projects and experiences.

The Iowa County Fair is a youth event, with the safety of exhibitors and exhibits a top concern. Exhibitors are expected to be cooperative, courteous, and positive 4-H representatives, using appropriate behavior and language. Youth participants and their families are expected to follow the Iowa 4-H Code of Conduct and Iowa County Fair Association rules and expectations. All 4-H'ers are forbidden from bringing in or consuming alcoholic beverages or tobacco on the fairgrounds. The public is not allowed to smoke in any building. Violation of these rules may result in loss of premiums, awards, honors and exhibition privileges. Further action may be taken if necessary. Any report of violations must be in writing and signed. All decisions will be made by the Extension Council.

GENERAL RULES AND INFORMATION FOR EXHIBITORS

1. All exhibits will be under the direction of the Department Superintendent. The Iowa County Fair Association, Extension Staff, and 4-H volunteers will use diligence to ensure the safety of all animals or articles entered for exhibition, after their arrival and placement, but under no circumstances will they be responsible for any loss, damage, or injury.
2. Classes and competition are open to projects and exhibits owned by youth enrolled in Iowa County 4-H Clubs or Vocational Agricultural Departments in Clear Creek Amana, BGM - HLV, English Valleys, Marengo and Williamsburg School Districts or by special arrangement.
3. Member must be in good standing in his/her 4-H Club or FFA Chapter to be eligible to exhibit. The last year members are eligible to show is the summer following high school graduation.

4. Proper identification reports for livestock projects must be on file in the Iowa County Extension Office by May 15. (FFA members will complete the 106 ID form. 4-H members must have livestock entered into their 4HOnline accounts.) The only animals that do not need identification reports are poultry. (Weigh-in dates must be met for market beef, market lambs, commercial ewes, all meat goats, and derby swine). Joint identification of the same animals by more than one member of the family is not permitted. 4-H or FFA member may not nominate or show the same animals in 4-H or FFA at more than one county fair.
5. Unless otherwise noted, Junior members are 4th, 5th, and 6th grade; Intermediates are 7th, 8th grade; and Seniors are 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th grade. All grades have been completed as of the most recently ended school year. Awardrobe Clothing Event has different age divisions for compatibility with the Iowa State Fair. See those department rules.
6. It is intended that State Fair rules and county fair rules be compatible when possible. But in no case will the State Fair rules override or supersede the county fair rules set by the county fair.
7. Only Animals going through the Iowa County Livestock Auction will be sold on the Iowa County Fairgrounds.
8. **Fair Entry Registration Deadlines:** All fair exhibits (livestock, non-livestock/static exhibits, communications and awardrobe projects) must be pre-registered in the online Fair Entry system by set deadline per project area. The online Fair Entry system is open for registrations during the month of June at <http://Iowacounty.fairentry.com> Deadlines include:
 - June 22nd Deadlines
 - Livestock/Animal Entries
 - Communication Events (educational presentations, share the fun, Pride of Iowa, working exhibits, extemporaneous speaking)
 - Clothing Event (\$20 Challenge, Fashion Revue, Clothing Selection, Innovative Design)
 - June 26th Deadlines
 - All other Non-Livestock/Static Exhibits
 - Communication Events (educational presentations, share the fun, Pride of Iowa, working exhibits, extemporaneous speaking)
9. Entry Fees – are included with the Fair Entry process stated in #8. Bring payment of exhibitor entry fees to Iowa County Extension on or before June 20th.

Beef (Breeding, Market and Return Bucket/Bottle)	\$10/head
Bucket/Bottle Calf	\$5/head
Dairy Cattle	\$10/head
Goats (Meat & Dairy)	\$5/Head
Horse	\$10/Head

Rabbit/Poultry/Dog	\$3/Class
Sheep	\$5/Head
Swine	\$5/Head

10. Premiums - All completed & qualified entries will be awarded a premium of Blue - \$5, Red- \$3 and White \$1 by the Iowa County Fair Association per exhibit unless otherwise noted in the department specifics.
11. Exhibitor attire: 4-H/FFA Exhibitor T-shirt, white shirt, or white blouse. Jeans (no holes) or dark slacks. Dairy members may wear white trousers. Work shoes or boots.
*Tank tops are not acceptable for showing exhibits or livestock at the Iowa County Fair.
12. Exhibitor Attendance - All exhibitors must be present for judging (livestock and non-livestock). Exceptions would be in cases of injury, serious illness, death in the family, active military duty, high school sanctioned state baseball or softball tournament play (if on the team as member or immediate family only), special needs accommodations (see Rule 13) as these conditions are out of the 4-H'ers control. If any of the above exceptions occur, the livestock project may be exhibited by an active Iowa County 4-H member or eligible FFA member. Superintendents must be notified of substitutes before the day of judging. In the cases listed above, non-livestock projects would not have conference judging, but a ribbon would be given and could be eligible for State Fair if only it meets ALL requirements as it is judged that day. If an exhibitor has multiple species exhibiting at the same time & the classes overlap, a substitute 4-H member (enrolled in 4-H program as 4th-12th grader) may exhibit one species for the 4-H'er. The superintendent must be notified of the substitution exhibitor.
13. If you/your child requires special accommodations to participate in county fair/4-H events/activities, please complete an Accommodation Request Form available from the Iowa County Extension Office no later than 30 days prior to the event or activity. The request form and ISU Extension & Outreach accommodation process information also available online at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/diversity/reasonable-accommodation-practices> Submitting a request for accommodation on shorter notice may reduce or limit county extension's ability to implement the accommodations.
14. Any participant in the Iowa County Fair (Exhibitors, Parents, Volunteers, etc.) shall have 24 hours to file a claim concerning any protest, challenges of disciplinary action or complaints concerning any rules/decisions. No claim will be considered based on the quality of the judges. All claims must be written on the official Iowa County Grievance Form, which will be made available at the 4-H Fair Office. All claims must be accompanied by a nonrefundable \$400 cash deposit which must be submitted to 4-H Staff member in the 4-H Fair Office. These funds will go to Youth Program for educational funding in the next year. Such complaints will be given due consideration by the Extension Staff, 4-H Committee, State 4-H Staff, Extension Council and/or Fair Boar. Extension Staff on the grounds reserve the right to interpret all rules and their decisions will be final. If the protest or complaint is found to be in direct violation of the fair book immediate action may be taken by Extension Staff. In the event that a participant, parent,

volunteer, etc. behavior becomes disrespectful (yelling, swearing, throwing items, etc.) the participant will be asked to leave the fairgrounds for a minimum of one hour to calm down. Depending on the severity of the behavior, the participant may be prohibited from participating in future 4-H events. In extreme cases, the State 4-H Office will be contracted for assistance.

- a. Protocol for Dealing with a Grievance
 - i. When a grievance is turned into the 4-H Office, the 4-H Committee is notified.
 - ii. The 4-H Committee meets to review the grievance, but no action is taken.
 - iii. A sub-committee is set up to investigate the grievance (3 members, CYC serves as advisory role).
 - iv. The 4-H Committee meets to review the findings of the investigation.
 - v. The 4-H Committee submits a recommendation to the Extension Council
 - vi. At this time the 4-H Committee is no longer involved in the process
 - vii. Extension Council informs the 4-H Committee of their decision within 45 days of the when the grievance was filed.
15. Overnight camping is allowed for Iowa County Fair Participants in the designated campground through a sign-up process coordinated by the fair board. The campground is operated by Iowa County Fair Association.
16. No exhibits may include firearms without prior notice and permission given by the Extension Office.
17. **NO exhibits are allowed to leave Zentmire Hall before 11:30 am on Sunday, July 12th. NO livestock exhibits will leave the fairgrounds before 6:00 am on Sunday, July 12th. Exhibits requiring late arrival or leaving before 6:00 am on Sunday, July 12th must submit a written request to the Extension Office on or before June 26th. For request for early dismissal/late arrival of any exhibit to attend other shows, proof of entry must accompany the written request.** All written requests will be reviewed by the 4-H Committee and written permission granted or denied. Violation of this ruling will result in the forfeiture of all premiums and awards (including representing Iowa County at Best of the Best and Governor Celebrity Steer Show) AND exclusion from exhibiting the following year.

IOWA 4-H CODE OF CONDUCT for YOUTH and FAMILIES

The Iowa 4-H Code of Conduct applies and will be enforced with 4-H youth, 4-H parents/guardians, and 4-H families.

- While participating in or attending a 4-H sponsored program (e.g. club meeting, project meeting, activity, event, learning opportunity).
- While participating in or attending a 4-H event or while on premises used for 4-H purposes (e.g. County Fair, State Fair, show ring, exhibit building, barn, food stand).
- While representing Iowa 4-H to the public
- Additional programs, events, or opportunities may have additional rules and expectations.
- At all times throughout a 4-H youth's participation when behavior outside of the Iowa 4-H puts youth at risk or has the potential to put youth at risk.

The opportunity to participate and/or volunteer with Iowa 4-H is a privilege and honor, not a right. All youth participants and parents/guardians supporting their child's participation in 4-H are expected to review and agree to abide by the Iowa 4-H Code of Conduct before becoming involved with Iowa 4-H.

1. I understand that the Iowa 4-H Youth Development program is a non-formal education program in which I have a choice to participate. I accept my responsibility to engage in program activities and to excuse myself from this program if it does not meet my personal learning objectives. I recognize the organization has the responsibility and authority to remove youth who are disruptive to the 4-H Youth Development program, violate the Iowa 4-H Code of Conduct, the standards of the 4-H Pledge and Motto or federal, state or local laws.

2. I accept my responsibility to represent the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach 4-H Youth Development program by holding myself to the standards of the 4-H pledge and motto. I will refrain from behavior that negatively represents myself, my family, my community, 4-H or Iowa State University. I will act in a respectful and responsible manner during all 4-H programs.

3. I acknowledge that the 4-H program utilizes competition related to project work as a tool for learning. I will ensure that my project exhibits are appropriate and respectful. I will demonstrate good sportsmanship, encourage this behavior in others, and not allow this behavior to detract from the learning experience. I will not let my personal desire to win overshadow the needs of the group.

4. I accept my personal responsibility to be informed and follow the policies, rules, and deadlines established by Iowa 4-H. I will not cheat, lie, knowingly furnish false information, deceive, or otherwise engage in dishonest, unethical or illegal behaviors. I will not encourage others to disregard or intentionally violate conditions of Iowa 4-H participation.

5. I will comply with directions from 4-H officials acting in the performance of their duties. I will not obstruct or disrupt any 4-H program or encourage others to engage in such conduct. I understand that a judge's decision is final.

6. I will strive to be a positive role model. I will treat youth, parents, volunteers, extension and outreach staff, judges and others with respect, courtesy and consideration.

7. I will communicate (oral, written and electronic) in an open, honest, respectful manner in all situations involving the 4-H program. I will refrain from communication that is negative, offensive, destructive, or hurtful to others. I will refrain from sharing private matters in a public group setting.

8. I will promote a spirit of inclusion and welcome participation of individuals from all backgrounds. I will not engage in or tolerate harassment in any form, (For example bullying, slander, put-downs, insults, taunting, name calling, yelling, profane language, sexual innuendos and other comments or hostile behaviors likely to offend, hurt or set a bad example.)

9. I will ensure a safe environment for myself and others by not carelessly or intentionally harming youth or adults in any way: emotionally, mentally, physically, socially, verbally or non-verbally.

10. I will not possess, offer, or use tobacco, electronic smoking devices (including but not limited to e-cigs, vapes, juuls), alcohol or illegal substances. I will not attend 4-H programs under the influence of alcohol or any illegal substance.

11. I will respect the property of others. I will not use, abuse, or take another individual's personal belongings. I will not damage the facilities.

Infractions to the Iowa 4-H Code of Conduct will be addressed by the Iowa 4-H Program, the local County Extension District, or their appointed representatives. Infractions to the Iowa 4-H Code of Conduct will result in consequences. The consequences may range from a verbal warning to the loss of privileges (e.g. participation at the event or future events, forfeiture of awards or other forms of recognition, forfeiture of positions of leadership, limitation on volunteer responsibilities) to full removal from the Iowa 4-H Program.

IOWA EXHIBITOR YOUTH CODE OF ETHICS

Youth are expected to be sincere, honest and act in sportsmanlike ways at all times. Youth represent the entire program and their behavior reflects on their parents, leaders, club and the entire youth program. All adults involved with the youth program, leaders as well as parents, are expected to set positive examples and serve as positive role models by what they say and do. Any youth who breaks the code of ethics or allows another person (adult or peer) to talk them into violating the code of ethics agrees to forfeit all prizes, awards and premiums. Youth may also be prohibited from exhibiting at this and future exhibitions including the Iowa State Fair and other county, state or regional exhibitions.

Youth agree to follow these guidelines:

1. I will do my own work, appropriate for my age and physical and mental development. This includes research and writing exhibit explanations, preparing exhibits (such as sewing, cooking, refinishing, etc.), care and grooming of animals, etc. Adult assistance should help guide and support me, not do it for me.
2. All exhibits will be a true representation of my work. Any attempt to take credit for other's work, alter the conformation of animals, or alter their performance is prohibited. Copyright violation or allowing others to complete your exhibit is considered misrepresentation and is prohibited.
3. I will treat all people and animals with respect. I will provide appropriate care for animals.
4. I will present exhibits that are safe for consumption. All food exhibits will be safe to exhibit and for judges to evaluate. Other exhibits will be safe for judges to evaluate and for exhibitions.
5. All food animals that may be harvested immediately following the show shall be safe for consumers and shall have met all withdrawal times for all medications and be free of violative drug residue.
6. If any animal requires medical treatment while at the fair or exhibition, only a licensed veterinarian may administer the treatment. All medications that are administered shall be done according to the label instructions of the medication used.
7. My animal's appearance or performance shall not be altered by any means, including medications, external applications and surgical procedures. Any animal that is found to have changed its appearance or its performance shall be disqualified from the show, and have penalties assessed against the exhibitor, parent and/or guardian by the management of the fair or exhibition.
8. I will follow all ownership and possession rules and, if requested, will provide the necessary documentation.
9. I will follow all livestock health requirements for this fair or exhibition, according to the state health requirements as printed in the premium book of the fair or exhibition. I will provide

animal health certificates from a licensed veterinarian upon request from the management of the fair or exhibition.

10. By my entering an animal in this fair or exhibition, I am giving consent to the management of the fair or exhibition to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. If the laboratory report on the analysis of any sample indicates a presence of forbidden drugs, this shall be evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample tested by the laboratory to which it is sent is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with the burden on the exhibitor, parent and/or guardian to prove otherwise.
11. I am responsible for my exhibit, and I will not allow others to violate this code on my behalf. By entering an exhibit in this fair or exhibition I will accept any disciplinary action taken by the management of this fair or exhibition for any violation of this code of ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or exhibition without recourse against the fair or exhibition.
12. I want my exhibit to be an example of how to accept what life has to offer, both good and not so good, and how to live with and learn from the outcome.
13. I will not be involved in any illegal activities while participating in 4-H and FFA events, including but not limited to alcohol, tobacco or drug use.

I agree to conduct myself in an honest, ethical, and upstanding manner and I understand that disciplinary actions will result if these rules are violated. I understand that I am expected to represent the program in a positive manner. I have read, understand, and agree to follow this code of ethics, and any other rules of competition of the fair or exhibition as printed in this premium book.

LIVESTOCK DIVISION GENERAL RULES

1. Youth participating in the livestock division understand the biosecurity and physical hazards that could affect livestock projects and other livestock on their family farming operation as a result of participating in 4-H animal projects and taking any projects home after the fair. Those participating in Iowa County 4-H and/or FFA ASSUME the RISK of participating.
2. Each species is assigned specific barns and barn space as designated by fair board and livestock departments. Only those species should be unloaded, led through, housed in those barns.
3. **All livestock exhibits must be checked in at designated place by department superintendent by time noted in chart on the next page or the beginning time for department weigh-ins, whichever is earlier.**

Department	Check-in/Weigh-in	Show Schedule	Special Notes	Dismissal
Swine	Wed. Jul. 8 th : 7:00-8:00 am. Pigs can be unloaded ONLY AFTER vet inspection on site during the listed times. Weigh-In: Jul. 8 th , 10am Derby Scanning- Jul. 8 ^h , Time- TBA	Fri. Jul. 10 th , 9 am Show Order: Breeding Pairs Market Pairs Breeding Gilts Derby Market Hogs	Each exhibitor will get two pens pending on animal numbers. Clubs should work together to assign/share club tack stalls based on club numbers. All swine must report premise ID number to the office by June 1. Bring bedding.	Sunday, July 12 th , 3 pm *Animals not participating in Livestock Sale are released Sunday, July 12 th from 6:00 – 9:00 am.
Beef	Weigh-in, Wed. Jul 8 th , 3:30 -5:00 pm	Sat. July 11 th , 9 am Show Order: Breeding Heifers Market Beef (1 hour following Breeding Show)	NO wire, trash, feed sacks should be put in manure piles. Bedding provided.	Sunday, July 12 th , 3 pm *Animals not participating in Livestock Sale are released Sunday, July 12 th from 6:00 – 9:00 am.
Poultry	Wed. Jul. 8 th , 1:30 – 2:30 pm *PT Testing for all Fair Birds: Wed. July 1 st , 6 pm	Thurs Jul. 9 th , 1:00 pm	Cages provided. Cage assignments pre-assigned. Exhibitor must return during check-in time to check-in poultry. * <u>All Poultry MUST attend Pullorum Testing on Wed. July 1st.</u> Bedding provided.	Sunday, July 12 th , 3 pm *Animals not participating in Livestock Sale are released Sunday, July 12 th from 6:00 – 9:00 am.
Meat Goat	Market Goats: Wed. Jul. 8 th , 2:30 – 3:30 pm	Meat Goats: Thurs. Jul. 9 th , 10:00 Show Order Breeding Does Market Meat Goats	Must have scrapie tag and animals must be clipped upon arrival. Bring bedding.	Sunday, July 12 th , 3 pm *Animals not participating in Livestock Sale are released Sunday, July 12 th from 6:00 – 9:00 am.
Sheep	Wed. Jul. 8 th , 2:30 – 3:30 pm	Thurs. Jul. 9 th Show Order: Following Meat Goat Show Breeding Sheep Market Sheep	Must have scrapie tag. Must be slick sheared before arriving. Bring bedding.	Sunday, July 12 th , 3 pm *Animals not participating in Livestock Sale are released Sunday, July 12 th from 6:00 – 9:00 am.
Dog	Tuesday, July 7 th , 8:00 – 8:30 am	Tuesday, July 7 th , 9 am		After Dog Show

Department	Check-in/Weigh-in	Show Schedule	Special Notes	Dismissal
Bucket Bottle	4-H/FFA: Wed. Jul. 8 th , 3:30-5:00 pm Pee Wee: Wed. Jul.8 th , 3:30:30 pm	4-H/FFA: Fri. Jul. 10 th , 4:00pm Pee Wee: Thurs. Jul.9 th , 6:30 pm	Limited tack stall space. Be conscious of show box size and limitations on space. Bedding provided.	Sunday, July 12 th , 3 pm * Animals not participating in Livestock Sale are released Sunday, July 12 th from 6:00 – 9:00 am.
Dairy Goat/Cow	Wed. Jul. 8 th , 11:00 am – 12 Noon	Thurs. Jul. 9 th , 8 am Show Order: Dairy Cow followed by Dairy Goat. *Showing Junior Animals then Senior Animals	Dairy Cow: Bedding provided. Dairy Goat: Bring your own bedding.	Sunday, July 12 th , 3 pm * Animals not participating in Livestock Sale are released Sunday, July 12 th from 6:00 – 9:00 am.
Horse	Wed. Jul. 8 th , 4:00 – 5 pm	Halter/Performance Show followed by Fun & Games: Fri. Jul. 10 th , 9 am	Bring bedding.	Sunday, July 12 th , 3 pm * Animals not participating in Livestock Sale are released Sunday, July 12 th from 6:00 – 9:00 am.
Rabbits	Wed. Jul. 8 th , 1:30 – 2:30 pm	Fri. Jul. 10 th , 1 pm	Cages provided. Cage assignments pre- assigned. Exhibitor must return during check-in time to check- in rabbits. Bedding provided.	Sunday, July 12 th , 3 pm * Animals not participating in Livestock Sale are released Sunday, July 12 th from 6:00 – 9:00 am.

4. Registration papers on registered animals must be checked by department superintendent on fair weigh-in. Registration papers must be in the name of the exhibitor, parent, family, or farm name, showing logical relationship.
5. All exhibitors must supply feed and care for their exhibits. Barns will be inspected regularly for herdsmanship. See “Herdsmanship Contest” for specific details. Manure must be disposed of in the area provided by department superintendent. Be sure it is free of wire and paper. Empty feed sacks should be placed in the large dumpsters and not trash cans or barrels.
6. Any animal showing evidence of artificial means being used to remove or remedy physical defects of conformation shall be disqualified from competition.
7. All 4-H and FFA livestock projects (with the exception of poultry) must be owned (exception - see Horse Department and Dog Department), managed, and cared for by the exhibitor and

identified by May 15 or the time of any winter/spring weigh-ins, the animals must be cared for by the 4-H'er. Projects must be fed separately from other family livestock.

8. All market beef, breeding beef, bucket bottle, swine, sheep, dairy cattle, dairy goat, market goat, rabbit, and poultry exhibitors are REQUIRED to be YQCA (Youth For Quality Care of Animals) certified to exhibit at the County Fair and State Fair. The certification is done annually through online training at yqcaprogram.org. Contact the Extension Office for coupon codes to do this course for free. A copy of the completion certificate should be turned into the Extension Office by July 1. It is recommended families also print a copy for their own records.
9. All fair exhibits (livestock, non-livestock, communications and awardrobe) must be pre-registered in the online Fair Entry system by set deadline per project area. The online Fair Entry system is open for registrations during the month of June at <http://Iowacounty.fairentry.com>
10. It is the intent that the 4-H'er take responsibility for caring for and grooming his/her own animals. If assistance is needed it should be aimed at helping the 4-H'er learn new skills.

Following is allowed to assist.

- a. Current Iowa County 4-H or FFA Members may help another 4-H or FFA member.
 - b. Immediate Family Members (mom, dad or siblings, or step siblings), grandparents, aunts and uncles
 - c. Outside assistance in fitting and grooming is allowed if the exhibitor is present and involved in the learning process when not in the show ring.
11. Late Arrival/Early Release of Fair Exhibits/Projects
All 4-H/FFA & Open Class exhibits are released Sunday, July 12th.
 - Open Class: 9:00 am — 11:00 am
 - Static Exhibits (Non-Livestock): 11:30 am *After your club is recognized at the Champion Salute
 - Livestock Exhibits
 - i. Non-Livestock Sale Exhibits, 6:00 – 9:00 am
 - ii. Livestock Sale Animals- after Livestock Sale, 3:00 pm
- Exhibitors who remove their exhibits prior to release time without proper consent of the Iowa County 4-H Committee will not be allowed to exhibit at the 2027 Iowa County Fair and cannot represent Iowa County at the Best of the Best or Governor Celebrity Charity Steer Show.
 - Tack / Supplies are allowed to come & go as needed.
 - Request for late arrival/early release prior to release must be made by June 26th and on file at the 4-H Extension Office. If you are requesting a late arrive/early release because of another Livestock Show/Exposition, proof of entry must be included in the request. Requests will be reviewed by the 4-H Youth Committee. Exhibitor will be notified of the decision. All decisions are final.

12. Showmanship

Junior, Intermediate, Senior, and Winner Showmanship classes will be conducted in the Beef, Dairy (Cattle & Goat), Swine, Sheep, Rabbit, Dog, Poultry, Goat and Horse Shows.

Order of Showmanship Classes will be as follows: Senior, Intermediate, Junior, Winners

You must exhibit in the project area at the current Iowa County Fair to be eligible to show in any showmanship class.

Junior Showmanship - All members exhibiting in the Beef, Dairy, Swine, Sheep, Rabbit, Dog, Poultry, Goat or Horse Division, who have completed grade 4, 5, or 6, are encouraged to compete in the Junior Showmanship Class. Junior winners cannot compete again in the junior class they have won but will be allowed to compete in the Intermediate Division the following year.

Intermediate Showmanship - Contestants are those who have completed grades 7-8 or who have won Junior Showmanship in previous years. Intermediate exhibitors in Dairy, Swine, Sheep, Horse, Rabbit, Dog, Poultry, Goat and Beef are eligible to enter if they wish. Intermediate winners cannot compete again in the intermediate class they have won but will be allowed to compete in the Senior Division the following year.

Senior Showmanship - Contestants are those who have completed grade 9-12, or who have won Junior and Intermediate Showmanship in previous years. Senior exhibitors in Dairy, Swine, Sheep, Horse, Rabbit, Dog, Poultry, Goat and Beef are eligible to enter if they wish. Previous Senior Showmanship winners are not eligible to compete in the Senior Showmanship Class they have won.

Winner's Showmanship - Contestants are those who have completed grade 7-12, who are current and previous winners of Senior Showmanship, and previous winners of Winner's Showmanship. Showmanship ranking will be based on:

- Neatness of appearance.
- Attitude and alertness in the show ring.
- Manner in which the member shows their animals.

13. Sportsmanship

ALL PARENTS, MENTORS & EXHIBITORS are expected to act in a sportsmanship-like manner and show respect for the judges, exhibitors, superintendents, Extension Staff, FFA Advisors & Fair Board. People who do not act accordingly may be asked to leave the show, arena, or fairgrounds. The Iowa Code of Ethics applies to both youth and parents.

14. Anything left on the fairgrounds after 24 hours of close of fair will become fair property.

2026 OFFICIAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR EXHIBITION OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY AT THE IOWA COUNTY FAIR

Iowa County Fair Veterinarian: Veterinary Medical Center, 319-668-1111

Fair veterinarian will check animals on the opening day of the fair, weigh-in day and/or before the animals are allowed to enter the project barn.

No official health certificates will be required on livestock or poultry exhibited at a County 4-H and FFA show, but several species must be inspected when unloaded or shortly thereafter by an accredited veterinarian. Each county fair must have an official veterinarian.

ANY EVIDENCE OF WARTS, RINGWORM, FOOT ROT, PINK EYE, DRAINING ABSCESSSES OR ANY OTHER CONTAGIOUS OR INFECTIOUS CONDITION WILL ELIMINATE THE ANIMAL FROM THE SHOW.

SWINE

All swine must originate from a herd or area not under quarantine and must be individually identified. All swine are required to have individual official identification. All 4-H and FFA tags bearing the US Shield are official identification tags.

Swine exhibition requirements. "Swine exhibition" means an exhibit, demonstration, show, or competition involving an event on the state fairgrounds, a county fair, or other exhibition event. The sponsor of the exhibition must retain an Iowa licensed veterinarian to supervise the health of the swine at the exhibition location. The sponsor must electronically file the approved registration form and obtain approval from the state veterinarian at least 30 days before the event. The registration form includes the name of the exhibition and the address and telephone number of its location; the name, address and telephone number of the veterinarian; and the date of the planned exhibition. Sales of swine will not be allowed unless the event has been registered and received approval from the state veterinarian 30 days prior to the event.

Swine exhibition report required. The sponsor of the swine exhibition shall electronically submit to the department the approved report form within five business days after the conclusion of the exhibition. The form includes the name of the exhibition and the address and telephone number of its location; the name, address and telephone number of the veterinarian; the date that the exhibition occurred; the name, address and telephone number of the owner of the swine; and the address and telephone number of the premises from which the swine was moved after the exhibition if such premises is a different premises.

SHEEP AND GOATS

All sexually intact sheep must have an individual Scrapie Flock of Origin identification tag (Ex. IA 1234-5678) or another official Scrapie tag. All sexually intact goats must be identified with an individual Scrapie Flock of Origin identification tag (Ex. IA 1234-5678), another official Scrapie tag, or by an official tattoo registered with USDA (to register, call 1-866-USDA-TAG; 1-866-873-2824). Wethers less than 18 months of age are required to have an individual identification and a Scrapie tag may be used, but a Scrapie tag is not required.

POULTRY AND BIRDS

All poultry exhibited must come from a U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid clean or equivalent flock or have had a negative pullorum-typhoid test within 90 days of public exhibition (test must have been performed by an authorized tester). A certificate showing proof of purchase from NPIP participating hatchery of those poultry that were tested within 90 days prior to show is required. A 4-H pullorum testing day will be offered to all exhibitors' projects during June or July to fulfill this need. Families do not need to do this uniquely with their own vet if they are able to come to the 4-H Testing Day: Wednesday, July 1st.

DOGS

All dogs must be at least four months of age and have a current rabies vaccination certificate. Bring a copy of rabies certificates by date listed in department details.

DECISION OF THE SHOW VETERINARIAN WILL BE FINAL.

Guidelines provided by D.V.M., State Veterinarian

Iowa County Livestock Sale

Sunday, July 12th at 1 p.m.

Superintendent.....Diane Feddern, Bob Gorsch, Ryan & Bethany MW Gorsch, Barry & Marna Mohr

GENERAL RULES

Selling an animal at the Iowa County Livestock Sale is a privilege. If an exhibitor has not met the following requirements, they are not eligible to sell. Any violation of these rules will eliminate the exhibitor from this year's and next year's sale.

- ELIGIBILITY - 4-H and FFA members showing livestock at the 2026 Iowa County Fair are eligible to sell their livestock. Each exhibitor can sell one large and/or one small animal, unless an exhibitor has two animals that receive Grand and Reserve Grand Champion. In this case, both animals may be sold at the sale. Exhibitors must be present (in the sale ring) to sell animals. Any issue must be communicated to the Sale Committee by 5:00 pm, Saturday, July 11th, 2026.
- ENTRY DEADLINE – Entry packet can be found in the 4-H fair office. The deadline for sale entry is 5:00 pm, Saturday, July 11th, 2026. **Late entries are NOT accepted.**
- WEIGHT REQUIREMENT - Livestock must be weighed at fair check-in; that weight will be used for the sale. All animals must be sound, healthy, and market ready as determined by superintendents, the fair vet, or the Sale Committee. All species must be market/ meat animals.
Minimum weights are as follows:
 - Market Beef – 1,000 pounds
 - Market Hog – 220 pounds
- LIVESTOCK CARE – Livestock must be clean and groomed for the sale. Exhibitors must provide daily care (feeding, watering, stall cleaning). Failure to provide proper care at any time results in automatic ineligibility for the sale.
- ORDER OF SALE – The order of the sale is as follows: Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep, Meat Goats, Hogs, Beef. 4-H Clubs and FFA Chapters are asked to donate two flower buckets, which will be sold throughout the auction to support scholarships.
- EXHIBITOR APPEARANCE – Required attire includes clean 4-H or FFA shirt, blue or black jeans, and close-toe shoes. Exhibitor must be present in the ring to sell.
- OWNERSHIP CHANGE– All animals going through the sale are considered to have changed ownership, even if bought back. Once sold, animals are no longer 4-H/ FFA

projects and cannot compete in any further 4-H/ FFA shows, including the Iowa State Fair.

- **THANK YOU NOTE** – Exhibitors must mail a thank-you directly to their buyer. Email a photo of the written thank-you to the Livestock Sale Committee within 30 days of the sale. Checks are not issued until the thank-you is received. EMAIL: bethany.mw.gorsch@gmail.com
- **SCHOLARSHIP** – Applications are available July 1 in the fair office and Extension office. Applications are due December 1 following high school graduation. See application for eligibility details.
- **OTHER** – Sale-day announcements will take precedence over any and all printed materials. The Iowa County Livestock Sale Committee reserves the right to make changes to sale rules as needed.

Champion Salute

Sunday, July 12th at 11:30 a.m.

All Champion, Reserve Champion, Showmanship Winners, Non-Livestock/Static exhibits selected for State Fair and Communications winners will be asked to participate in the Champion Salute. Exhibitors must wear clean blue or black jeans and club/chapter or county 4-H or FFA T-Shirt. **Entry for the Champion Salute will be in the show ring from the East end by Club and exit to the west end. No projects, trophies or animals are allowed to participate.**

DEPARTMENT – MARKET BEEF

Superintendents: Bob Gorsch, Ryan & Bethany MW Gorsch, Jeff Maas, Kurt & Marilyn Meyer, George Scott

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. See General Rules and Health Requirements.
2. Entry is open to steers or heifers properly enrolled. Animals must have been identified and weighed at an official 4-H weigh-in held in December.
3. All market beef must be polled or show evidence of having been de-horned for safety of exhibitors. No calf will be allowed in the show if any horn or scur is longer than 2 inches, measured from base to tip.
4. Members may show a maximum of 3 individual market beef animals.
5. All fair exhibits (livestock, non-livestock, communications and clothing) must be pre-registered in the online Fair Entry system by set deadline per project area. The online Fair Entry system is open for registrations during the month of June at <http://Iowacounty.fairentry.com>

6. A **minimum weight of 900 lbs.** is required for market beef heifer and a **minimum weight of 1000 lbs. for market beef** with the exception of the Small Breeds Division. Calves not meeting this requirement will be shown in a special lightweight class. These light calves will not be eligible for championships, but will receive ribbons, premiums, and can be sold in the auction.
7. Champions will be selected for each of the Market Beef Classes.
 - **Market Steer - Breed division**
 - a. Must have a breed certificate/registration paper showing breed, sire name, and sire registration number.
 - b. **Market Steer - Crossbreed**
 - **Market Steer/Heifer – Returning Bucket-Bottle Calf:**
Returning Bucket Bottle calves must have been shown in previous year by the same exhibitor.
 - **Market Heifer:** Heifer is not eligible for breeding classes. You must select one.
8. Rate of Gain will be calculated on all market beef (with the exception of the Small Breeds Division). A minimum Rate of Gain is required for market beef (with the exception of the Small Breeds Division). Heifers must gain 2.1 pounds per day and steers must gain 2.3 pounds per day. Calves not meeting this requirement will not be eligible for champion, but will receive ribbons, premiums, and can be sold in the auction.
9. See Livestock Sale for all auction details.
10. **Market Beef Showmanship:** Participation in showmanship is open to all exhibitors on a voluntary basis. There are 3 age divisions. Those wishing to participate must be present at the ring at the time of class. Classes will be called over announcements like all other classes. Exhibitors must show their own project. See Showmanship section of book.
11. Stalling space will be assigned per club. Tack space will be designated as space allows. Tack and bedded aisles will need to be maintained to keep a public aisle as designated and safe. No ordering extra stalls for track, etc.
12. It is **recommended** all market be tied in stalls with no more than 2 feet of rope and have neckties.
13. All fans in the beef barns must be securely attached to the rock bottoms that are not within reach of the public walkways or alleyways.
14. Misters, front hanging overhead fans and cooling collars will be the only devices that can be used for additional cooling of cattle. No other devices may be used. (i.e. butt fans, porta-coolers, swamp coolers, etc.)
15. Tie-out space is available to all members west of the Swine Barn and north of the Old Showring. Calves must be in the barn from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. each day but are allowed at tie

outs otherwise. These spots are not assigned but available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Members are allowed only 1 spot per calf (typically 3' per calf) and should be marked with members name printed on card signs etc. You are not allowed to move or rearrange spots of others. No generators, pens, or tents allowed in tie outs. You are responsible for removing all bedding, garbage and signs at the end of the week. It is recommended that all beef tied in tie out spots are tied with no more than 2 feet of rope and have neckties.

16. Generators will not be permitted in show barn.
17. Livestock not being sold will be released Sunday, July 12th at 6:00 – 9:00 am. Exhibits removed prior to this time without permission of department superintendent will forfeit premium money, awards, cannot represent Iowa County at Best of the Best or at Governor Charity Steer Show and cannot participate in the Iowa County Fair following year.
18. **Beef Herdsmanship:** All species will be evaluated by club on Herdsmanship during county fair week. Herdsmanship provides exhibitors with the opportunity to showcase their knowledge and skills gained through livestock exhibits, by making a presentable exhibit for the public as well as sharing skills in courtesy, cooperation, cleanliness, and proper and ethical care of all animals as a club. Read details about this club competition in the Herdsmanship Section of the fairbook.

MARKET BEEF CLASSES

<u>Class Name</u>	<u>Home Raised</u>	<u>Market Beef</u>
Market Heifer	1800	1822
Angus	1803	1825
Buelingo	1804	1826
Charolais	1806	1827
Chianina	1807	1828
Hereford	1809	1830
Maine Anjou	1811	1834
Shorthorn	1815	1838
Shorthorn Plus	1816	1839
Simmental	1817	1840
Crossbred	1879	1842

****Market Beef Special Awards:**

Champion Beef Carcass Rate-of-Gain, *Sponsored by Erle & Renee Driscoll*

Reserve Champion Beef Carcass Rate-of-Gain, *Sponsored by Erle & Renee Driscoll*

Champion Home Raised Market Beef Heifer, *Sponsored by Joann Scoville – In Memory of Bob Scoville*

Reserve Champion Home Raised Market Beef Heifer, *Sponsored by Barry & Marna Mohr –
In Memory of Ronald & Beriece Mohr*

Top 5 Home Raised Market Beef-1st Place, *Sponsored by Iowa County Cattlemen's*

Top 5 Home Raised Market Beef-2nd Place, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice- Dr. Timothy Momany*
 Top 5 Home Raised Market Beef-3rd Place, *Sponsored by Family Hair Design- Robin Peska*
 Top 5 Home Raised Market Beef-4th Place, *Sponsored by Relion Insurance Solutions*
 Top 5 Home Raised Market Beef-5th Place, *Sponsored by Keystone Savings Bank- Marengo & Victor*
 Champion Market Beef Heifer, *Sponsored by Joann Scoville - In Memory of Bob Scoville*
 Reserve Champion Market Beef Heifer, *Sponsored by The Weisskopf Family*
 Top 5 Market Beef-1st Place, *Sponsored by Andy Jones Family*
 Top 5 Market Beef-2nd Place, *Sponsored by Heartland Cooperative, Marengo*
 Top 5 Market Beef-3rd Place, *Sponsored by Dan & Kris Burck*
 Top 5 Market Beef-4th Place, *Sponsored by Keystone Savings Bank- Marengo & Victor*
 Top 5 Market Beef-5th Place, *Sponsored by Grinnell State Bank, Marengo*
 Supreme Champion Market Beef, *Sponsored by Farm Credit Services of America*
 Reserve Supreme Champion Market Beef, *Sponsored by Ken Trimpe*
 3rd Overall Market Beef, *Sponsored by Todd & Wendy Hagen Family, In Memory of Gordon Wade & Ross Butler*
 4th Overall Market Beef, *Sponsored by Homestead Precision Ag- Landon & Tessa Wade*
 5th Overall Market Beef, *Sponsored by Kevin Heitshusen Family*
 Champion Beef Rate-of-Gain, *Sponsored by Maschamann Angus- Diane, Trenton & Matthew*
 Reserve Champion Beef Rate-of-Gain, *Sponsored by Leo Rudolphi & Faye Gerig*
 Winners Beef Showmanship, *Sponsored by Big G Food Store- Garth Grafft*
 Senior Beef Showmanship, *Sponsored by Rob & Mary Veatch*
 Intermediate Beef Showmanship, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
 Junior Beef Showmanship, *Sponsored by Iowa County N.F.O- In Memory of Wilfred Suchy*

DEPARTMENT - BREEDING HEIFER & COW/CALF

Superintendents: Bob Gorsch, Ryan & Bethany MW Gorsch, Jeff Maas, Kurt & Marilyn Meyer, George Scott

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. See General Rules and Health Regulations. Heifers not meeting health requirements will be sent home.
2. By May 15, 4-H members must identify animal through 4hOnline account. FFA members must identify animals on the 4-H 106LS Livestock Identification Report.
3. Heifers must be owned by exhibitor by May 15.
4. All fair exhibits (livestock, non-livestock, communications and clothing) must be pre-registered in the online Fair Entry system by set deadline per project area. The online Fair Entry system is open for registrations during the month of June at <http://lowacounty.fairentry.com>
5. Heifers shown in this division cannot be shown in any market beef class or sold in auction. All beef heifers and steers from each club will be stalled together.
6. Beef heifers will be shown in classes according to age in breed divisions, as determined by superintendent. All heifers to be eligible shall be born between September 1, 2024 and December 31, 2025.

7. Registered & small breeds (following Breed Association Rules) and Commercial Breeding Heifers may be shown. Papers will be checked by superintendent at check-in for Registered & Small Breed animals. See General Rule for Livestock Division.
 - a. Breed Heifers without proper papers and a matching tattoo will be shown in commercial heifer class. If heifers do not have a legible tattoo and matching recognized breed registration paper (original paper, no copies), the animal will show as a commercial heifer.
 - b. Commercial heifers must have an ear tattoo with another approved identification (registration #, calfhood vaccination #, official Iowa 4-H/USDA ear tag, or EID tag) and be identified on Livestock Enrollment form or 4-H member's 4hOnline account.
8. Any Bucket-Bottle calf returning as a breeding heifer will be recognized in the class as such.
9. Returning Bucket Bottle heifers must have been shown in the previous year by the same exhibitor.
10. There is a showmanship division for beef exhibitors immediately after the Market Beef Show. There will be 3 divisions (Senior 9th-12th grade, Intermediate 7th-8th grade, Junior 4th-6th grade). Exhibitors must show their own project. See Showmanship section for complete rules.
11. Stalling space will be assigned per club. Tack space will be designated as space allows. No bedding kickplates will be utilized in the barn. Tack and bedded aisles will need to be maintained to keep a public aisle as designated and safe. No ordering of extra stalls for tack, etc.
12. It is **recommended that** all breeding heifers be tied in stalls with no more than 2 feet of rope and have neckties.
13. All fans in the beef barns must be securely attached to the rock bottoms or side braces that are not within reach of the public walkways or alleyways.
14. Misters, front hanging overhead fans and cooling collars will be the only devices that can be used for additional cooling of cattle. No other devices may be used. (ie butt fans, porta-coolers, swamp coolers, etc.)
15. Tie-out space is available to all members west of the Swine Barn and north of the Old Showring. Calves must be in the barn from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. each day but are allowed at tie outs otherwise. These spots are not assigned but available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Members are allowed only 1 spot per calf (typically 3' allowed per calf) and should be marked with members' name printed on card signs etc. You are not allowed to move or rearrange spots of others. No generators, pens, or tents allowed in tie outs. You are responsible for removing all bedding, garbage and signs at the end of the week. It is recommended that all beef tied in tie out spots are tied with no more than 2 feet of rope and have neckties.

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BREEDING BEEF CLASSES

Breed/Class Name	Home Raised Breeding Heifer	Breeding Heifer
Registered Cow/Calf Pair	1702	
Commercial Cow/Calf Pair	1703	
Angus	1712	1742
Buelingo	1713	1743
Charolais Percentage	1715	1745
Charolais	1714	1744
Chianina	1716	1745
Horned Hereford	1720	1750
Polled Hereford	1719	1749
MaineTainer	1725	1755
Maine Angus	1724	1754
Maine Anjou (High %)	1723	1753
Shorthorn Plus	1731	1759
Shorthorn	1730	1760
Foundation Simmental	1732	1762
Simmental	1733	1763
Commercial	1736	1765

****Breeding Heifer & Cow/Calf Special Awards:**

Champion Cow/Calf, *Sponsored by Kurt Meyer Family – In Memory of Scott Maschmann*
 Reserve Champion Cow/Calf, *Sponsored by Kurt Meyer Family – In Memory of Ed Maschmann*
 Top 5 Home Raised Breeding Animal-1st Place, *Sponsored by Kurt Meyer Family –
 In Memory of Betty Meyer*
 Top 5 Home Raised Breeding Animal-2nd Place, *Sponsored by Iowa County Cattlemen*

Top 5 Home Raised Breeding Animal-3rd Place, *Sponsored by Ann Bigbee & Charlie Scott*
 Top 5 Home Raised Breeding Animal-4th Place, *Sponsored by Powell Funeral Home -
 Kim & Kenton Doehrmann, Bowen & Katelin Yoder*
 Top 5 Home Raised Breeding Animal-5th Place, *Sponsored by Harvey & Laurie Prizler – In Memory of
 Tanner Prizler*
 Top 5 Breeding Animal-1st Place, *Sponsored by Farmers Trust & Savings Bank*
 Top 5 Breeding Animal-2nd Place, *Sponsored by Todd & Wendy Hagen Family, In Memory of
 Gordon Wade & Ross Butler*
 Top 5 Breeding Animal-3rd Place, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
 Top 5 Breeding Animal-4th Place, *Sponsored by Homestead Precision Ag- Landon & Tessa Wade*
 Top 5 Breeding Animal-5th Place, *Sponsored by Heartland Cooperative, Marengo*
 Supreme Champion Breeding Animal, *Sponsored by English River Herefords- Dr. Ella Meyer &
 Carter Atkinson*
 Reserve Supreme Champion Breeding Animal, *Sponsored by Circle J Grain*
 3rd Overall Breeding Animal, *Sponsored by Grimm Cattle*
 4th Overall Breeding Beef Animal, *Sponsored by Heartland Cooperative*
 5th Overall Breeding Animal, *Sponsored by Rob & Mary Veatch*

DEPARTMENT - BUCKET-BOTTLE CALF

Superintendents: Bob Gorsch, Ryan & Bethany MW Gorsch, Jeff Maas, Kurt & Marilyn Meyer, George Scott

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. See General Rules and Health Requirements.
2. Project open to 4-H & FFA members 4th-12th grade.
3. Any newborn or orphan calf steer or heifer, dairy, beef, or crossbred **calved between January 1st - April 30th, 2026, must be purchased and in possession of member within 2 weeks of birth;** identified with the numbered tag and identified in 4-H member's 4hOnline account by May 15th. FFA members should identify projects on the Livestock Identification Report (106LS) and return to the Extension Office by May 15th.
4. An exhibitor may identify up to 3 animals in 4hOnline but is limited to a maximum of 2 calves exhibited at the fair. These are eligible to be shown only in the Bucket-Bottle Calf Class.
5. Calf must be bucket or bottle-fed. (No nursing permitted after 2 weeks of age.)
6. All Bucket Bottle Calves must be dehorned. No calf will be allowed to show if any horn is present. Contact veterinarian or bucket bottle superintendent if you have questions.
7. Be respectful about the amount of feed and tack you bring as there is not enough space for all youth to store for the entire week with giant tack boxes. The space must be shared with ALL exhibitors in the barn ALL week. There is LIMITED tack space available.

8. Calves will be shown on halter. Neckties are mandatory while tied in the stalls in addition to the halters.
9. Depending on the number of entries, superintendents reserve the right to divide entries into classes. There may be up to three separate age divisions for members. Intermediate & Senior members will compete in separate drives if class numbers are appropriate.
10. Interviews will be scheduled between the exhibitor and judge on Monday, June 29th at the Iowa County Extension Office in Williamsburg.
 - Juniors (grades 4, 5, 6) will turn in Bottle/Bucket Calf Report by June 22nd. Completed record books are due and turned in at the time of the youth interview. Only one book per exhibitor is required.
 - Intermediates and Seniors (grades 7-12) will turn in Bucket Calf Project Report by June 30th. All of those forms are available at the Extension Office.
11. The live judging will take place on Friday, July 10th at 4:00 p.m. and will be based on showmanship and weight for age (breed and sex differences taken into consideration).
12. Final awards will be based upon a combination of scores collected from interview, report, show ring, & calf performance:
 - a. What members have learned about care and raising calves.
 - b. The cleanliness and showing of the calf (according to beef or dairy guidelines) with emphasis on what members have learned.
 - c. General health, condition, and management of the calf and 4-H'ers knowledge of this area.
 - d. Average daily gain adjusted for breed and sex differences will be considered.
 - e. Interviews
13. By May 15th, 4-H members must identify animal through 4hOnline account. FFA members must identify animals on the 4-H 106LS Livestock Identification Report and have on file at the Extension Office by May 15. For official ID purposes, calves must have official Iowa 4-H/USDA ear tag, or 840 RFID tag.
14. All fair exhibits (livestock, non-livestock, communications and awardrobe) must be pre-registered in the online Fair Entry system by set deadline per project area. The online Fair Entry system is open for registrations during the month of June at <http://Iowacounty.fairentry.com>
15. **Bucket Bottle Herdsmanship:** All species will be evaluated by club on Herdsmanship during county fair week. Herdsmanship provides exhibitors with the opportunity to showcase their knowledge and skills gained through livestock exhibits, by making a presentable exhibit for the public as well as sharing skills in courtesy, cooperation, cleanliness, and proper and ethical care of all animals as a club.
16. Members may keep animals for future livestock projects in the breeding beef, market beef or dairy classes the following year, or sell bucket calves privately.

BUCKET-BOTTLE

<u>CLASS NO.</u>	<u>CLASS NAME</u>
Class 1502	Junior Bucket/Bottle Calf (grades 4-6)
Class 1503	Intermediate Bucket/Bottle Calf (grades 7-8)
Class 1504	Senior Bucket/Bottle Calf (grades 9-12)
Class 1602	Return Bucket/Bottle Calf – Breeding Heifer
Class 1603	Return Bucket/Bottle Calf – Market Animal

Return Bucket/Bottle Guidelines

Guidelines:

- Projects are open to 4-H and FFA members who exhibited the bucket/bottle calf at the 2025 Iowa County Fair.
- You will be required to attach your new records to the ones from last year. Turn in your report with your entry form on June 22nd.
- Class rules and judging will be basically the same as the first-year calves, except the class **WILL NOT** be divided into Junior, Intermediate and Senior
- The calf is then encouraged to show in the appropriate breed or market class.

****Bucket-Bottle Calf Special Awards:**

Champion Junior Bucket/Bottle Calf, *Sponsored by Heartland Cooperative, Marengo*

Reserve Champion Junior Bucket/Bottle Calf, *Sponsored by Farm Credit Services of America*

Champion Intermediate Bucket/Bottle Calf, *Sponsored by Jim Elwood Implement*

Champion Senior Bucket/Bottle Calf, *Sponsored by Ann Bigbee & Charlie Scott*

Reserve Champion Senior Bucket/Bottle Calf, *Sponsored by Keystone Savings Bank – Marengo & Victor*

Champion Return Bucket/Bottle Breeding Heifer- *Sponsored by Iowa County Cattlemen's*

Reserve Champion Return Bucket/Bottle Breeding Heifer, *Sponsored by Claypool & Claypool, Attorneys*

Champion Return Bucket/Bottle-Market Animal, *Sponsored by Keystone Savings Bank– Marengo & Victor*

Reserve Champion Return Bucket/Bottle-Market Animal, *Sponsored by Keystone Savings Bank – Marengo & Victor*

DEPARTMENT - DAIRY CATTLE

Superintendents.....John Gahring, Amy Harrison, Stacy Sickles

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. See General Rules and Health Requirements.
2. All dairy cattle exhibitors must be certified through the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals Program (YQCA).
3. A member may show 2 animals per class. No more than a total of 6 head may be exhibited.
4. Placings will be on a group basis; 1st and 2nd blue ribbon animals in each class will compete for Breed Champion.

5. By May 15th, 4-H members must identify animal through 4hOnline account. FFA members must identify animals on the 4-H 106LS Livestock Identification Report. Must have tattoo for official id purposes.
6. Animals entered are limited to those identified as a 4-H or FFA project, but not both.
7. Each animal must be properly identified. Animals must have 2 out of 3 of the following identification methods recorded in 4hOnline by May 15:
 - a) Tag/Ear Tattoo; or
 - b) Registration Number; or
 - c) DHIA metal tag ID number
 All level of registry are acceptable. Registration papers or identified grade papers must match the animal.
8. All fair exhibits (livestock, non-livestock, communications and clothing) must be pre-registered in the online Fair Entry system by set deadline per project area. The online Fair Entry system is open for registrations during the month of June at <http://Iowacounty.fairentry.com>
9. It is recommended Exhibitors wear the provided 4-H/FFA fair shirt and white pants.
10. **Dairy Herdsmanship:** All species will be evaluated by club on Herdsmanship during county fair week. Herdsmanship provides exhibitors with the opportunity to showcase their knowledge and skills gained through livestock exhibits, by making a presentable exhibit for the public as well as sharing skills in courtesy, cooperation, cleanliness, and proper and ethical care of all animals as a club.

Dairy Cattle Classes

	<u>Ayrshire</u>	<u>Brown Swiss</u>	<u>Guernsey</u>	<u>Holstein</u>	<u>Jersey</u>
Spring Heifer Calf (born 3/1 — 5/31/26)	0502	0522	0542	0562	0582
Winter Heifer Calf (born 12/1/25 — 2/29/26)	0503	0523	0543	0563	0583
Fall Heifer Calf (born 9/01/25 — 11/30/25)	0504	0524	0544	0564	0584
Summer Yearling Heifer (born 6/01/25 — 8/31/25)	0505	0525	0545	0565	0585
Spring Yearling Heifer (born 3/01/25 — 5/31/25)	0506	0526	0546	0566	0586
Winter Yearling Heifer (born 12/01/24 — 2/28/25)	0507	0527	0547	0567	0587
Fall Yearling Heifer (born 9/01/24 — 11/30/24)	0508	0528	0548	0568	0588

Fall Yearling—In Milk (born after Sept. 2024)	0509	0529	0549	0569	0589
Jr. 2 Year Old (born 3/1/24 — 5/31/2024)	0510	0530	0550	0570	0590
Sr. 2-Year Old (born 9/1/23 — 2/29/2024)	0511	0531	0551	0571	0591
Jr. 3-Year-Old (born 3/1/23 — 8/31/2023)	0512	0532	0552	0572	0592
Sr. 3-Year-Old (born 9/1/22 — 2/28/2023)	0513	0533	0553	0573	0593
4-Year-Old (born 9/1/21 — 8/31/2022)	0514	0534	0554	0574	0594
5-Year-Old (born 9/1/20 — 8/31/2021)	0515	0535	0555	0575	0595
Aged Cow (born prior to 9/01/2020)	0516	0536	0556	0576	0596

*****Dairy Cattle Special Awards:***

Champion Junior Ayrshire, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
Champion Senior Ayrshire, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
Champion Senior Guernsey, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
Champion Junior Guernsey, *Sponsored by Southeast Iowa Insurance – Agent Shawn Powell*
Champion Junior Holstein, *Sponsored by Ice Cream Acres- John & Lynn Gahring*
Champion Senior Holstein, *Sponsored by Circle J Grain*
Reserve Champion Senior Holstein, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice- Dr. Timothy Momany*
Champion Junior Jersey, *Sponsored by Elite Sports*
Champion Senior Jersey, *Sponsored by Doug & Amy Harrison*
Supreme Champion Junior Dairy Animal, *Sponsored by Doug & Amy Harrison*
Reserve Supreme Champion Junior Dairy Animal, *Sponsored by Andrew & Nikki Van Otegham*
Supreme Champion Dairy Animal, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice- Dr. Timothy Momany*
Reserve Supreme Dairy Animal, *Sponsored by Chad & Stacy Sickles*
Winners Dairy Showmanship, *Sponsored by Rohrer Bros. Inc.*

DEPARTMENT – DAIRY GOATS

Dairy Goat Superintendents.....John Gahring, Amy Harrison, Stacy Sickles

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. See General Rules and Health Requirements
2. According to the State Vet, all sexually intact goats exhibited at the county fair must have an official USDA Scrapie ID tag or by an official tattoo registered with the USDA. Scrapie tags can be ordered from usda.gov
3. All Dairy Goat exhibitors must be certified through the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals Program (YQCA).

4. A maximum of 20 Dairy Goats may be nominated and entered 4hOnline.
5. A maximum of 4 Dairy Goats may be exhibited at the Iowa County Fair.
6. By May 15th, 4-H members must identify animal through 4hOnline account. FFA members must identify goats on the 4-H 106LS Livestock Identification Report and have it on file at the Extension Office by May 15th.
7. All fair exhibits (livestock, non-livestock, communications, and clothing) must be pre-registered in the online Fair Entry system by set deadline per project area. The online Fair Entry system is open for registrations during the month of June at <http://lowacounty.fairentry.com>
8. When selecting classes based on age, use the age of the animal at the county fair show day.
9. Dairy Goats should be uniformly clipped 3/8-inch length or less above the knee and hock joints to include the head, excluding the tail, **prior** to arrival on the grounds. Goats should arrive at fairgrounds clipped and require only possible touch ups.
10. Animals with natural horns shall not be shown.
11. Grooming stands should be removed from the barn and prep spaces after show day. Dairy goat milking stands are allowed.
12. **Dairy Goat Herdsmanship:** All species will be evaluated by club on Herdsmanship during county fair week. Herdsmanship provides exhibitors with the opportunity to showcase their knowledge and skills gained through livestock exhibits, by making a presentable exhibit for the public as well as sharing skills in courtesy, cooperation, cleanliness, and proper and ethical care of all animals as a club.

DAIRY GOATS

Junior (Does under 24 months of age that are not in milk and have never freshened)

	Alpine	Nubian	Nigerian Dwarf	Grade
Under 4 months (born after 4/1/26)	0702	0722	0742	0762
4 mos & under 5 mos (born 3/1/ – 4/1/26)	0703	0723	0743	0763
5 mos & under 6 mos (born 2/1 – 28/26)	0704	0724	0744	0764
6 mos & under 1 year (born 7/31/25 – 1/31/26)	0705	0725	0745	0765

1 year & under 2 year (born 7/31/2024 – 8/1/25)	0706	0726	0746	0766
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Senior (Does in milk or that have freshened)

<i>Under 2 yrs in milk</i> (born after 8/1/24)	0710	0730	0750	0770
2 yrs & under 3 yrs (born after 7/31/23 – 8/1/24)	0711	0731	0751	0771
3 yrs & under 5 years (born after 7/31/21 – 8/1/23)	0712	0732	0752	0772
5 years & older (born after 8/1/21 & before)	0713	0733	0753	0773

***ALL Registered Does needs papers corresponding to their tag and tattoo.**

* Present papers during check-in.

**** Dairy Goats Special Awards:**

Grand Champion Junior Dairy Goat, *Sponsored by Farm Credit Services of America*

Reserve Grand Champion Junior Dairy Goat, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice-*

Dr. Timothy Momany

Grand Champion Senior Dairy Goat, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice- Dr. Timothy Momany*

Reserve Grand Champion Senior Dairy Goat, *Southeast Iowa Insurance Services – Agent Shawn Powell*

Junior Dairy Goat Showmanship, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice- Dr. Timothy Momany*

DEPARTMENT – MEAT GOATS

Meat Goat Superintendents.....Allen Grabau, Aaron Meyer, Brad Dale, Blake Kuesel, Brenden Kuesel

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. See General Rules and Health Requirements
2. According to the State Vet, all sexually intact goats exhibited at the county fair must have an official USDA Scrapie ID tag or by an official tattoo registered with the USDA. Scrapie tags can be ordered from usda.gov
3. Meat goat exhibitors must be certified through the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals Program (YQCA).
4. Meat Goats must be weighed and tagged at the spring weigh-in date the start of May. A maximum of 10 may be nominated at that spring weigh-in and entered into 4hOnline.
5. A maximum of 3 Meat Goats may be exhibited at the Iowa County Fair.

6. Meat wethers must have been castrated by county weigh-in date in early May.
7. By May 15th, 4-H members must identify animals through 4hOnline account. FFA members must identify Meat Goats on the 4-H 106LS Livestock Identification Report and have on file at the Extension Office by May 15th.
8. All fair exhibits (livestock, non-livestock, communications, and clothing) must be pre-registered in the online Fair Entry system by set deadline per project area. The online Fair Entry system is open for registrations during the month of June at <http://Iowacounty.fairentry.com>
9. When selecting classes based on age, use the age of the animal at the county fair show day.
10. Meat Goat wethers should be uniformly clipped 3/8 inch length or less above the knee and hock joints to include the head, excluding the tail, **prior** to arrival on the grounds. Goats should arrive at fairgrounds clipped and require only possible touch ups.
11. Exhibitors will be required to have horns disbudded, dehorned or tipped blunt on all market Wethers before arrival on the Fairgrounds. If horned, *Market Goats must have horns tipped (not less than the diameter of a dime at the end).* Tipping of horns is not allowed on the grounds. Breeding Does and Market Does may or may not have horns. If your Doe is registered with a certain breed association, check with breed standards for that breed.
12. Fitting is allowed for both market and breeding goats.
13. Grooming stands should be removed from the barn and prep spaces after show day.
14. **Meat Goat Herdsmanship:** All species will be evaluated by club on Herdsmanship during county fair week. Herdsmanship provides exhibitors with the opportunity to showcase their knowledge and skills gained through livestock exhibits, by making a presentable exhibit for the public as well as sharing skills in courtesy, cooperation, cleanliness, and proper and ethical care of all animals as a club.
15. Livestock not being sold will be released Sunday, July 12th at 6:00 – 9:00 am. Exhibits removed prior to this time without permission of department superintendent will forfeit premium money, awards, cannot represent Iowa County at Best of the Best and cannot participate in the Iowa County Fair following year.

Market Meat Goat Classes

Class 1302 Market Goat - Wether or Doe

Breeding Meat Goat

Class 1202 Does - under 1 year of age as of August 1st

Class 1213 Does - over 1 year of age as of August 1st Division

**** Meat Goats Special Awards:**

Grand Champion Breeding Doe, *Sponsored by Elite Sports*
Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Doe, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice – Dr. Timothy Momany*
3rd Overall Breeding Doe, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
4th Overall Breeding Doe, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice – Dr. Timothy Momany*
5th Overall Breeding Doe, *Sponsored by Doug & Amy Harrison*
Grand Champion Market Meat Goat, *Sponsored by Iowa Meat Goat Association*
Reserve Grand Champion Market Meat Goat, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice – Dr. Timothy Momany*
3rd Overall Market Meat Goat, *Sponsored by Elite Sports*
4th Overall Market Meat Goat, *Sponsored by Southeast Iowa Insurance Services- Agent Shawn Powell*
5th Overall Market Meat Goat, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice – Dr. Timothy Momany*
Champion Meat Goat Rate-of -Gain, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
Reserve Champion Meat Goat Rate-of -Gain, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
Winners Meat Goat Showmanship, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
Senior Meat Goat Showmanship, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
Intermediate Meat Goat Showmanship, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice – Dr. Timothy Momany*
Junior Meat Goat Showmanship, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*

DEPARTMENT – SWINE

Superintendents...AJ Baack, Kaitlyn Disterhoft, Todd Roberts, Sam Roberts, Jackson Von Ahsen

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. See General Rules and Health Requirements at the front of the fair book.
2. Recommended all pigs be farrowed after Dec.1st.
3. All swine exhibitors must be certified through the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals Program (YQCA).
4. All pigs must be individually ear notched, ear tagged and recorded through the 4-H member's 4hOnline account by May 15th. FFA members must have the Livestock Identification Report 4-H 106LS turned into the Extension Office by May 15th. The maximum number of pigs to be identified is 32. The maximum number of pigs to be exhibited is 4.
5. All market swine projects must be marked in both ears according to Standard Ear Notching System (right earmarks identify the litter and left earmarks identify the individual pigs in the litter). Swine with fresh ear notches or without ear notches will be ineligible to show.
**Decision to be made by swine superintendents.
6. Animals with the same ear notches cannot be entered by more than 1 member of a family.
7. All swine must be ear tagged when they are nominated by May 15th. These must be a USDA tag or 840 tag should be ordered through the Iowa County Extension Office.
8. If Paint Numbers are used, they must stay on for the duration of the show or Livestock Sale. Pigs without paint numbers will not be allowed to show or participate in the Livestock Sale.

9. Swine pens cannot be modified if needing to split a pen, contact Swine Superintendents.
10. All fair exhibits (livestock, non-livestock, communications and awardrobe) must be pre-registered in the online Fair Entry system by set deadline per project area. The online Fair Entry system is open for registrations during the month of June at <http://lowacounty.fairentry.com>
11. Fair Entry Limits = The maximum number of pigs exhibited is 4 head.
12. Weight classes will be determined by the superintendents based on Wednesday's county fair weigh-in results. For best evaluation in the ring, pigs should be at appropriate market weight.
13. **Stalling:** As space allows, it will be the goal that each swine exhibitor will have 2 pigs per pen, with 2 pens per exhibitor. Tack pens are for tack and are to be shared with your 4-H Club and FFA Chapter.
14. **Fair Unload:** Health papers are not required at county fair for swine projects. Any animals in the barn without vet inspection on site will be disqualified and sent home.
15. All Market and Breeding pigs must weigh **220 pounds**.
16. The movement of all swine following the county fair must be reported to the Iowa Department of Agriculture & Land Stewardship through the Iowa Swine Exhibitions Reporting Form under 2012 Legislative changes. It is recommended pigs returning from the fair or other non-terminal shows should be isolated from other pigs at the farm. Work with your veterinarian to establish an isolation plan.
17. All pigs clipped for exhibition must have a minimum hair length of 1/2."
18. Livestock not being sold will be released Sunday, July 12th at 6:00 – 9:00 am. Exhibits removed prior to this time without permission of department superintendent will forfeit premium money, awards, cannot represent Iowa County at Best of the Best and cannot participate in the Iowa County Fair following year.
19. **Swine Showmanship:** Participation in showmanship is open to all exhibitors from the derby, market and breeding classes. Showmanship exhibitors will compete as Junior, Intermediate, Senior and Winners. See showmanship section of this book for other standard showmanship rules.
20. **Swine Herdsmanship:** All species will be evaluated by club on Herdsmanship during county fair week. Herdsmanship provides exhibitors with the opportunity to showcase their knowledge and skills gained through livestock exhibits, by making a presentable exhibit for the public as well as sharing skills in courtesy, cooperation, cleanliness, and proper and ethical care of all animals as a club.

Swine Class Details:

Derby Class- 2501

1. Each Iowa County 4-H and FFA member may nominate a maximum of four (4) pigs for derby competition.
2. These pigs must be barrows and must be identified with a special ear tag and nominated in early April.
3. At the time of nomination, these pigs:
 - must be castrated.
 - must be ear notched -- no pig can be ear notched like any other pig nominated by that member.
 - a maximum weight of 90 pounds at spring weigh-in.
4. All derby pigs must weigh a minimum of 220 pounds at the Fair weigh in. Any entries not meeting this weight will be shown in a feeder class. Entries in the feeder class will not be eligible for division Champion or Grand Champion.
5. Derby pigs will be shown, placed, and awarded ribbons live.
6. Pigs exhibited in derby competition may not be exhibited in any other class.
7. The Champion and Reserve Champion Live Derby Pigs will compete for Champion and Reserve Champion Market Pigs.
8. To place derby pig carcasses must meet these certification standards: loin eye area - 4.5 square inches, maximum 10th rib fat depth of 1.3 inches.

Class 2401 - Purebred Breeding Gilt

- 3 or more of a breed will have its own class. Breeds of 2 or less will be shown in the All-Other Breeds Class.
- Pedigree will be required for all purebreds. Registration papers must be presented at fair weigh-in time. The papers must be in the 4-H'ers name or show a logical family relationship. Litter registrations from the National Swine Registry will be accepted. Information recorded in 4hOnline and/or 4-H 106 form MUST match the registration papers.
- Purebred breeding gilt may not be shown in the Market Pair Class.

Class 2402 - Commercial Gilt

A pig exhibited in this class **MAY NOT** be shown in the Market Pair Class.

Class 2403 - Breeding Pair

Youth are allowed to show (1) breeding pair. This class will be for breeding gilts only.

Class 2502 - Individual Purebred Market Pigs

- 3 or more of a breed will have its own class. Breeds of 2 or less will be shown in the All-Other Breeds Class.
- Pedigree will be required for all purebreds. Registration papers must be presented at fair weigh-in time. The papers must be in the 4-H'ers name or show a logical family relationship. Litter registrations from the National Swine Registry will be accepted. Information recorded in 4hOnline and/or 4-H 106 form MUST match the registration papers.

Class 2503 - Individual Market Pigs

Class 2504 - Market Pair

Youth can show a market pair (barrow, gilts or mixed sexes). Pigs are only allowed to show in the individual market classes. Commercial gilts will not be allowed to show in the market pair class.

****Swine Special Awards:**

Champion Pair of Breeding Gilts, *Sponsored by Future Profits Consulting*
Reserve Champion Pair of Breeding Gilts, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
Champion Pair of Market Pigs, *Sponsored by Future Profits Consulting*
Reserve Champion Pair of Market Pigs, *Sponsored by Leo Rudolphi & Faye Gerig*
Champion Purebred Breeding Gilt, *Sponsored by Sandy Seye, Darys Kriegel & Kaitlyn Disterhoft*
Reserve Champion Purebred Breeding Gilt, *Sponsored by Hillcrest Garden Market – Karen & Dick Olson*
Champion Light Weight Commercial Gilt, *Sponsored by Steven & Stacy Axmear*
Reserve Champion Light Weight Commercial Gilt, *Sponsored by Sponsored by Steven & Stacy Axmear*
Champion Medium Weight Commercial Gilt, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
Reserve Champion Medium Weight Commercial Gilt, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
Champion Heavy Weight Commercial Gilt, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
Reserve Champion Heavy Weight Commercial Gilt, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
Grand Champion Breeding Gilt, *Sponsored by Babette Suchy- In Memory of Wilfred Suchy*
Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Gilt, *Sponsored by Iowa County Extension*
3rd Overall Breeding Gilt, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
4th Overall Breeding Gilt, *Sponsored by Jill Jensen*
5th Overall Breeding Gilt, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
Champion Pork Derby (Live) – *In Loving Memory of Bill Beran*
Reserve Champion Pork Derby (Live) – *In Memory of Bob Scoville*
Champion Pork Derby – *Sponsored by Iowa County Pork Producers*
Reserve Champion Pork Derby – *Sponsored by Iowa County Pork Producers*
Champion Swine Rate-of-Gain, *Sponsored by Mike & Julie Smith*
Reserve Champion Swine Rate-of-Gain, *Sponsored by Farmers Trust & Savings Bank*
Champion Purebred Market Pig, *Sponsored by Dave & Jane Kaiser Family*
Reserve Champion Purebred Market Pig, *Sponsored by Iowa County Sale Committee*
Champion Light Weight Market Pig, *Sponsored by Future Profits Consulting*
Reserve Champion Light Weight Market Pig, *Sponsored by Future Profits Consulting*
Champion Medium Weight Market Pig, *Sponsored by Roehrkasse Meat Co*
Reserve Champion Medium Weight Market Pig, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
Champion Heavy Weight Market Pig, *Sponsored by Randy & Becky Schmidt*
Reserve Champion Heavy Weight Market Pig, *Sponsored by Iowa County Sale Committee*
Grand Champion Market Pig, *In Memory of Raymond & Irene Beran*
Reserve Grand Champion Market Pig, *Sponsored by Iowa County Sale Committee*
3rd Overall Market Pig, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
4th Overall Market Pig, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice – Dr. Timothy Momany*
5th Overall Market Pig, *Sponsored by Iowa County Sale Committee*
Winners Swine Showmanship, *Sponsored by Grimm Company Real Estate*
Senior Swine Showmanship, *Sponsored by Regeneration Ag- Ross McCaw*
Intermediate Swine Showmanship, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
Junior Swine Showmanship, *Sponsored by Regeneration Ag- Ross McCaw*

DEPARTMENT – SHEEP

Superintendents... Allen Grabau, Aaron Meyer, Brad Dale, Blake Kuesel, Brenden Kuesel

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. See General Rules and Health Requirements.
2. **According to the State Vet, all sexually intact lambs exhibited at the county fair must have an official USDA Scrapie ID tag in its ear.**
3. All Sheep exhibitors must be certified through the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals Program (YQCA).
4. County Fair market lambs and commercial ewe lambs must attend the designated weigh-in in May to receive a 4-H ear tag and be weighed. Those animals and weigh-in data must be entered in 4hOnline by May 15th by the exhibitor. Extension staff will confirm data entered and make corrections when needed working with the family. A maximum of 15 may be nominated. Commercial ewes must also be tagged on county weigh-in day and date of birth must be recorded.
5. By May 15th, 4-H members must identify non-weigh-in animals through 4hOnline account. FFA members must identify animals on the 4-H 106LS Livestock Identification Report and have on file at the Extension Office by May 15th. FFA members should work closely with their FFA advisors to get those forms and meet deadlines.
6. All fair exhibits (livestock, non-livestock, communications and clothing) must be pre-registered in the online Fair Entry system by set deadline per project area. The online Fair Entry system is open for registrations during the month of June at <http://lowacounty.fairentry.com>
7. ALL LAMBS must be weighed and checked in on Wednesday, July 8th from 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. A fair vet will visually check all lambs for any infectious diseases especially club lamb fungus. Any lamb infected will not be allowed to exhibit at the county fair.
8. No Clipping or shearing on the Iowa County Fairgrounds; animals must come show-ready.
9. All lambs must have been castrated and tail docked (with the exception to hair sheep and ram lambs).
10. Purebred Classes: Pedigree will be required for all purebreds. Registration papers must be presented at fair weigh-in time. The papers must be in the 4-H'ers name or show a logical family relationship. Information recorded in 4hOnline and/or 4-H 106 form MUST match the registration papers.
11. All lambs must be shown to be eligible for the auction. The exhibitor is responsible for enrolling the project in the auction.

12. No coloring agent or paint used on any sheep. Sheep in violation will not be allowed to show.
13. No icing of lambs allowed. No ice allowed in spray buckets or blankets. Any abusive care including slapping or excessive modification of lambs will be grounds for disqualification at the discretion of show officials. Drenching will not be allowed. If there are health issues involved regarding dehydration, the Fair Vet should be contacted.
14. Livestock not being sold will be released Sunday, July 12th at 6:00 – 9:00 am. Exhibits removed prior to this time without permission of department superintendent will forfeit premium money, awards, cannot represent Iowa County at Best of the Best and cannot participate in the Iowa County Fair following year.
15. **Sheep Showmanship:** Participation in showmanship is open to all exhibitors. Showmanship will be the last classes in the sheep show. See showmanship section of this book for other standard showmanship rules.
16. **Sheep Herdsmanship:** All species will be evaluated by club on Herdsmanship during the county fair week. Herdsmanship provides exhibitors with the opportunity to showcase their knowledge and skills gained through livestock exhibits, by making a presentable exhibit for the public as well as sharing skills in courtesy, cooperation, cleanliness, and proper and ethical care of all animals as a club.

Sheep Classes:

Commercial Ram Lamb

Class 0902 - Black Face

Entries must be born after Jan. 1st, 2026. Each exhibitor may show a maximum of two ram lambs. Lambs entered in this class cannot compete in market classes.

Breeding Sheep

Class 0905 - Purebred Ewe Lamb

Breeds will be shown in separate breed classes. Entries in purebred lamb classes must be born on or after January 1st, 2026 and registered in their respective breed association. Lambs entered in these classes cannot compete in the market classes. Exhibitors will be allowed two entries in each class.

Class 0906 - Purebred Yearling Ewe

Entries in Purebred Yearling Ewe Class and registered in their respective breed associations. Yearling ewes must be born between September 1, 2024 and December 31, 2025. Exhibitors will be allowed two entries.

Commercial Ewe Lamb

Class 0910 - Black Face

Class 0915 - White Face

Class 0920 - Speckled Face

Class 0925 - Pair of Breeding Ewe Lambs

Entries must be born on or after January 1st, 2026. Each exhibitor may show a maximum of two ewe lambs. Lambs entered in this class cannot compete in market classes. Classes will be shown by weight and face color. Two entries per face color.

Commercial Yearling Ewe

Class 0911 - Black Face

Class 0916 - White Face

Class 0921 - Speckled Face

Yearling ewes must be born between September 1, 2024 and December 31, 2025. Each exhibitor may show a maximum of two yearling ewes. Ewes entered in this class cannot compete in market classes. Classes will be shown by weight and face color. Two entries per face color.

Market Sheep

Class 1002 - Bottle Lamb Class

Class 1005 - Black Face Market Lamb

Class 1006 - White Breed Influence (WBI) Market Lamb

Class 1008 - Market Pair of Lambs

****Sheep Special Awards:**

Champion Ram Lamb, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice – Dr. Timothy Momany*

Champion Purebred Yearling Ewe, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*

Reserve Champion Purebred Yearling Ewe, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*

Champion Commercial Yearling Ewe, *Sponsored by Super Suds Car Wash- Dan & Kathy Folkmann*

Reserve Champion Commercial Yearling Ewe, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*

Champion Purebred Ewe Lamb, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*

Reserve Champion Purebred Ewe Lamb, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*

Champion WBI Ewe Lamb, *Sponsored by Aaron & Sarah Meyer*

Reserve Champion WBI Ewe Lamb, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*

Champion Light Weight Commercial Ewe Lamb, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*

Reserve Champion Light Weight Commercial Ewe Lamb, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare Clinics*

Champion Medium Weight Commercial Ewe Lamb, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*

Reserve Champion Medium Weight Commercial Ewe Lamb, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*

Champion Heavy Weight Commercial Ewe Lamb, *Sponsored by Aaron & Sarah Meyer*

Reserve Champion Heavy Weight Commercial Ewe Lamb, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*

Grand Champion Breeding Sheep, *Sponsored by Zuber Grain*

Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Sheep, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice – Dr. Timothy Momany*

3rd Overall Breeding Sheep, *Sponsored by Lillie Lambs- Adam & Jamie Lillie*

4th Overall Breeding Sheep, *Sponsored by The Harriman Family*

5th Overall Breeding Sheep, *Sponsored by McClenathan Club Lambs- Lynn & Lori McClenathan*

Champion Pair of Breeding Ewe Lambs, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*

Reserve Champion Pair of Breeding Ewe Lambs, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*

Champion Bottle Lamb, *Sponsored by Iowa County Extension & Outreach*

Reserve Champion Bottle Lamb, *Sponsored by Claypool & Claypool, Attorneys*

Champion WBI Market Lamb, *Sponsored by Aaron & Sarah Meyer*

Reserve Champion WBI Market Lamb, *Sponsored by McClenathan Club Lambs- Lynn & Lori McClenathan*

Champion Lightweight Market Lamb, *Sponsored by Pope Sandblasting – Dan Pope*

Reserve Champion Lightweight Market Lamb, *Sponsored by Shafer Law Office – Bill Shafer*
 Champion Medium Weight Market Lamb, *Sponsored by Heartland Cooperative, Marengo*
 Reserve Champion Medium Weight Market Lamb, *Sponsored by Zuber Grain*
 Champion Heavy Weight Market Lamb, *Sponsored by Oxford Sale Barn*
 Reserve Champion Heavy Weight Market Lamb, *Sponsored by Keystone Savings Bank- Marengo & Victor*
 Grand Champion Market Lamb, *Sponsored by Harden Bros. Propane, Inc.*
 Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb, *Sponsored by Heartland Cooperative, Marengo*
 3rd Overall Market Lamb, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
 4th Overall Market Lamb, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
 5th Overall Market Lamb, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
 Champion Sheep Rate-of-Gain, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
 Reserve Champion Sheep Rate-of-Gain, *Sponsored by Lillie Lambs- Adam & Jamie Lillie*
 Champion Pair of Market Lambs, *Sponsored by Heartland Cooperative*
 Reserve Champion Pair of Market Lambs, *Sponsored by Dean & Naomi Ward*
 Winners Sheep Showmanship, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
 Senior Sheep Showmanship, *Sponsored by Heartland Cooperative*
 Intermediate Sheep Showmanship, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
 Junior Sheep Showmanship, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice – Dr. Timothy Momany*

DEPARTMENT - HORSE & PONY

Superintendents..... Horse Committee

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. **See General Rules and Health Requirements.** Specific horse rules have been based off the “Rules and Regulations for Equine Shows in Iowa” (4-H 511). This can be viewed at <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/horse>
2. 4-H/FFA member may own horse, use a family horse, or horse owned by someone else. It is recommended the member must manage the horse at least 75 percent of the time during the project year.
3. By May 15th, 4-H members must identify horses through 4hOnline account. FFA members must identify horses on the 4-H 106LS Livestock Identification Report and have them on file at the Extension Office by May 15th.
4. All fair exhibits (livestock, non-livestock, communications and clothing) must be pre-registered in the online Fair Entry system by set deadline per project area. The online Fair Entry system is open for registrations during the month of June at <http://Iowacounty.fairentry.com>
5. No health certificates are required. Horses will be inspected after arrival on grounds. They should arrive between 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 8th and be checked with the superintendents at the barn.
6. Horses will be judged on Friday, July 10th, starting at 9 a.m. with Halter, Showmanship, Performance, Trail Classes and ending with Fun & Games.

7. During the fair, up to and through the time of the Horse & Pony show, only 4-H'ers and family members will be allowed to prepare animals for the show.
8. Horse committee & judges reserve the right to excuse a horse from the arena that is not safe for the exhibitor or others in the ring.
9. Exhibitors will be limited to standard 4-H uniform of solid, plain, front button or snap long-sleeved, collared shirt of any color and jeans. No fancy western outfits. Hard-toed shoes or boots should be worn. (To exhibit at the State Fair, read through 4-H 511C for stricter requirements on dress code per breed of horse.)
10. Exhibitor is responsible for seeing that entries are entered in proper classes.
11. **Equestrian helmet policy**
 - a. 4-H youth are required to wear American Society of Testing Materials (ASTM) and Safety Engineering Institute (SEI) approved protective headgear with chin strap and properly fitted harness at all times during all 4-H related events. Examples would include, but are not limited to, county workshops, specific 4-H classes in open horse shows, practices, trail rides, drill teams, fairs, parades, etc. Approved headgear must be worn when mounted and riding and driving-every time, every ride.
 - b. At any time during the Iowa County 4-H Horse Show class, the 4-H superintendent and staff will check a participant's equestrian helmet for proper standards. Individuals found to be wearing an unapproved or defective helmet will not be permitted to participate in the activity until a proper helmet is acquired. Extension staff, volunteers, or Fair Board will not be held responsible for accidents or injuries.
12. **A member is limited to two (2) head or two units in halter, trail, or timed events with a maximum of 3 horse exhibited.** In timed events an exhibitor will be eligible to place only once per event using the lowest time from a horse/pony and rider combination.
13. To participate in Fun & Games Horse Show, the exhibitor must participate in a judged class.
14. A horse may only be exhibited in a class **one** time. Horses identified under siblings may show in different classes with the same horse. 4-Her's may enter the same horse in classes under more than one 4-H member; however, each horse can only enter and exhibit in a discipline ONE time. Disciplines are the following: Showmanship, Hunter Under Saddle, Hunt Seat Equitation, Ranch Horse Pleasure, Western Pleasure, Western Horsemanship, English Walk/Trot, Western Walk/Trot, Pole Bending, Barrel Racing, Flags, Trail & Halter.
15. The trail performance class will be shown under saddle (with the exception of miniatures) and will include 6 to 10 obstacles, such as: bridge, gate, pull load, log, mailbox, serpentine, etc. Entrants may be asked to walk, trot, and lope both ways of the ring. Events will have a time limit per entry. **Members will be observed at workouts to**

decide levels based upon the skill of rider, years of experience, and skill of horse. It will be determined before the show what is the appropriate level.

16. Pleasure class will be shown under saddle at walk, trot, and lope in both directions. See 4-H Horse & rule book for evaluation criteria.
<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/horse>
17. Western horsemanship class should see 4-H Horse & rule book for evaluation criteria.
<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/horse>
18. Ranch Horse Pleasure Class:
The purpose of Ranch Horse Pleasure is to reflect the versatility, attitude, and movement of a working horse. The horse's performance should simulate a horse riding outside the confines of an arena and that of working ranch horse. See complete rules, expectations, gaits, scoring, and patterns in the "4-H Rules and Regulations for Equine Shows in Iowa".
19. Livestock not being sold will be released Sunday, July 12th at 6:00 – 9:00 am. Exhibits removed prior to this time without permission of department superintendent will forfeit premium money, awards, and cannot participate in the Iowa County Fair following year.
20. **Horse Showmanship:** Participation in showmanship is open to all exhibitors. Showmanship exhibitors will compete as Junior, Intermediate, Senior and Winners. See showmanship section of this book for other standard showmanship rules.
21. **Horse Herdsmanship:** All species will be evaluated by club on Herdsmanship during county fair week. Herdsmanship provides exhibitors with the opportunity to showcase their knowledge and skills gained through livestock exhibits, by making a presentable exhibit for the public as well as sharing skills in courtesy, cooperation, cleanliness, and proper and ethical care of all animals as a club.

HORSE & PONY CLASSES

Halter Classes

Halter classes are judged on the horse's conformation and the presentation of the horse. The horse must be fit and well groomed.

Miniature Horse

Class 2002: Yearling (foaled Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2025 – Last Year)

Class 2003: 2-Year-Old (foaled Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2024)

Class 2004: 3-Year-Old and Over Mares (Mature Horses)

Class 2005: 3-Year-Old and Over Geldings (Mature Horses)

Class 2202: Pleasure Driving

Pony

Class 2010: Yearling (foaled Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2025 – Last Year)

Class 2011: 2-Year-Old (foaled Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2024)

Class 2012: 3-Year-Old and Over Mares or Geldings (Mature Horses)

English Type Light Horse (ie: Saddlebred, Arabian, Morgan)

Class 2020: Yearling (foaled Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2025 – Last Year)

Class 2021: 2-Year-Old (foaled Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2024)

Class 2022: 3-Year-Old and Over Mares (Mature Mare)

Class 2023: 3-Year-Old and Over Geldings (Mature Gelding)

Western Type Light Horse (ie: Quarter Horse, Paint, Pinto)

Class 2025: Yearling (foaled Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2025 – Last Year)

Class 2026: 2-Year-Old (foaled Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2024)

Class 2027: 3-Year-Old and Over Mares (Mature Mare)

Class 2028: 3-Year-Old and Over Geldings (Mature Gelding)

Ranch Horse Conformation

Class 2029: Ranch Horse Conformation * Horse cannot show in any other Halter Classes.

Riding Classes

Class 2205 - Junior Bareback Pleasure (Grades 4 – 6)

Class 2206 - Intermediate Bareback Pleasure (Grades 7 – 8)

Class 2207 - Senior Bareback Pleasure (Grades 9 – 12)

Bareback Pleasure: This class will follow the same procedure as the Western Pleasure Class. No saddle, “bare-back” pads, cinches, or surcingle's may be used. Other tack requirements are the same as for Western Pleasure.

Class 2210 - English Pleasure Class- Horse or Pony

Pleasure Classes: For all horse and pony projects, with the class subject to division depending on the number and type of entries. To be judged in the ring at the walk, trot and canter on performance; manner, suitability of mount and rider; and overall appearance. Only one entry is allowed in Pony Performance and one entry is allowed in each Horse Performance class per member.

Class 2211 - English Equitation Class- Horse or Pony

Equitation Classes: Riders will be judged on seat, hands, appointments of horse and rider, suitability of horse to rider and ability to control a horse with minimal effort in order to give a smooth, confident performance. The results as shown by the performance of the horse are not to be considered more important than the method by which the rider seeks to obtain them.

Class 2220 - Walk Trot - 1st & 2nd Year Exhibitors

Class 2221 - Walk Trot - All Grades

Walk/Trot Pleasure Class: For ponies and horses to be judged at a walk/trot only in either English or Western equipment this class will be judged on performance, manner, suitability of mount and rider and overall appearance. Exhibitors must be beginners who have not acquired the skill of riding at a canter/lope to enter this class. 1st and 2nd year riders who participate in Walk/Trot Class are not eligible to participate in other performance classes requiring a

canter/lope. Exhibitors may only enter 1 walk/trot class.

Class 2222 – Ranch Walk Trot - 1st & 2nd Year Exhibitors

Class 2223 – Ranch Walk Trot - All Grades

Ranch horse walk trot is one class that serves to measure the ability of the horse to be functional and a pleasure to ride while being used as a means of conveyance from one task to another. This horse should be well-broke, relaxed, quiet, soft and cadenced at all gaits. The horse should be ridden on a relatively loose rein with light contact and without requiring undue restraint. Excessively long floppy reins will not be given extra credit. The horse should be responsive to the rider and make all required transitions smoothly, timely and correctly. The horse should be soft in the bridle and yield to contact.

This class is an individual class with gaits placed on signs around the arena. Each exhibitor will enter the arena and will transition to each gait when they reach the sign designating the gait required. The required gaits for ranch horse walk trot are regular walk, extended walk, regular trot, extended trot, then a stop and back. After the stop and back the exhibitor is excused from the arena.

The ideal pleasure horse will have a level head carriage at each gait – neither too high nor too low.

Ordinary Walk – A stock horse pleasure walk should be straight, square, flat footed, relaxed and should move out freely with no anticipation to move to the next gait.

Extended Walk – A stock horse pleasure walk should be straight, square flat footed, relaxed and should move out freely with horse looking ahead, the extended walk should show more length of stride than the ordinary walk.

Trot – This gait should be a square two-beat diagonal trot. The trot should be steady, soft and slow enough for riding long distances. Trots which are rough and hard to sit should be penalized. Excessively slow and cadenced trots should also be penalized.

Extended Trot – The extended trot should show an evident lengthening of stride from the regular trot with the same cadence that will cause an increase in speed. This trot should be level, flat and steady with the appearance that the horse would hold this gait for an extended distance. At the preference of the rider, the extended trot may be ridden with the rider posting, sitting or standing in the stirrups, to the front of the saddle. Holding the saddle horn is permissible at the extended trot only.

Stop – The horse should be in the correct stopping position – both hocks engaged and stopping on the hindquarters. Exhibitors may only enter 1 walk/trot class.

Class 2224 - Western Pony Pleasure Class- Under 14.1

Class 2225 - Junior Western Horse Pleasure Class- 14.2 & Over (Grades 4 – 6)

Class 2226 - Intermediate Western Horse Pleasure Class- 14.2 and Over (Grades 7 – 8)

Class 2227 - Senior Western Horse Pleasure Class- 14.2 & Over (Grades 9th – 12th)

Class 2228 – Junior Ranch Horse Pleasure (Grades 4-6)

Class 2229 – Intermediate Ranch Horse Pleasure (Grades 7 – 8)

Class 2230 – Senior Ranch Horse Pleasure (Grades 9 – 12)

Ranch Horse Pleasure Class: A Horse will be shown at three gaits the walk, jog and lope. A good ranch riding horse has a free-flowing stride of reasonable length on keeping with his conformation and covering a reasonable amount of ground with little effort.

The motion should be balanced and flowing, with the head carried in a natural position in

keeping with the horse's conformation. The horse should be shown on a reasonable relaxed rein, but with light contact and control. Responsive, smooth transitions should be shown when changing gaits. The walk and jog should be free-moving and void of peggy, short stride motion. The lope should be a definite three-beat gait, performed on the proper lead and showing good use of the hindquarters. Horses' expressions should be alert, mannerly without the appearance of a dull, sullen, lethargic, drawn or overly tired attitude.

Class 2232 - Junior Western Horsemanship (Grades 4 – 6)

Class 2233 - Intermediate Western Horsemanship (Grades 7 – 8)

Class 2234 - Senior Western Horsemanship (Grades 9 – 12)

Western Horsemanship Classes: Riders will be judged on seat, hands, performance of horse, appointments of horse and rider, and suitability of horse to rider. The unsoundness of the horse shall not be scored as a penalty unless it impairs the required performance. The rider's methods of achieving good horse performance are to be considered more important than the performance of the horse. Good hands are most important.

Class 2236 - Junior Ranch Riding (Grades 4 – 6)

Class 2237 - Intermediate Ranch Riding (Grades 7 – 8)

Class 2238 - Senior Ranch Riding (Grades 9 – 12)

Ranch Riding with a Pattern: The purpose of the ranch riding class is to measure the ability of the horse to be a pleasure to ride while being used as a means of conveyance from performing one ranch task to another. The horse should reflect the versatility, attitude and movement of a working ranch horse riding outside the confines of an arena. The horse should be well-trained, relaxed, quiet, soft, and cadenced at all gaits. The ideal ranch horse will travel with forward movement and demonstrate an obvious lengthening of stride at extended gaits. The horse can be ridden with light contact or on a relatively loose rein without requiring undue restraint but not shown on a full drape of reins. The overall manners and responsiveness of the ranch riding horse to make timely transitions in a smooth and correct manner, as well as the quality of the movement are of primary considerations. The ideal ranch riding horse should have a natural ranch horse appearance from head to tail in each maneuver. Exhibitors may only enter 1 Horsemanship Class.

Class 2240 - Junior Trail Class (Grades 4 – 6)

Class 2241 - Intermediate Trail Class (Grades 7 – 8)

Class 2242 - Senior Trail Class (Grades 9 – 12)

Class 2245 - Miniature Horse In-Hand Trail Class (All Grades)

Trail Class - This class is open to all 4-H and FFA member riding western, English, hunter horses, mules or miniature horses. Each horse will individually work through an obstacle course designed to test the manners, performance, and intelligence of a good trail riding horse.

Game Classes

2302 - Junior Barrels

2303 - Intermediate Barrels

2304 - Senior Barrels

2306 - Junior Flags

2307 - Intermediate Flags

2308 - Senior Flags

Game Classes - Continued

2310 - Junior Poles
2311 - Intermediate Poles
2312 - Senior Pole
2315 - Keyhole Race
2316 - Egg and Spoon
2317 - Musical Chairs
2318 - Ride-A-Buck
2319 - Catalog Race
2320 - Ribbon Race

****Horse Special Awards:**

Champion Western Type Light Horse, *Sponsored by Denny Frimml & Family*
Reserve Champion Western Type Light Horse, *Sponsored by Lauren Kay Coburn*
Champion English Type Light Horse, *Sponsored by Lauren Kay Coburn*
Reserve Champion English Type Light Horse, *Sponsored by Lauren Kay Coburn*
Champion Pony, *Sponsored by Century Farm Quarter Horses – Michael & Colleen Conrad*
Reserve Champion Pony, *In Memory of Joseph J Neptin*
Junior Bareback Pleasure-1st Place, *In Memory of Joseph J Neptin*
Intermediate Bareback Pleasure-1st Place, *In Memory of Joseph J Neptin*
Senior Bareback Pleasure-1st Place, *Sponsored by James M Stewart*
English Pleasure Class-1st Place, *Sponsored by Sue & Ashley Ballard*
English Equitation-1st Place, *Sponsored by Hillcrest Garden Market- Karen & Dick Olson*
Junior Ranch Horse Pleasure-1st Place, *Sponsored by Andrew & Nikki Van Otegham*
Intermediate Ranch Horse Pleasure-1st Place, *Sponsored by Tom Harp Family*
Senior Ranch Riding Pleasure- 1st Place, *Sponsored by Stewart's Tax Service*
1st & 2nd Year Walk Trot Pleasure Class-1st Place, *Sponsored by Iowa County Extension & Outreach*
Senior Ranch Horse Pleasure - 1st Place, *Sponsored by Denny Frimml & Family*
1st & 2nd Year Riders- Ranch Walk Trot - 1st Place, *Sponsored by Jared & Abby Maas*
All Grades - Ranch Walk Trot - 1st Place, *Sponsored by Jared & Abby Maas*
Western Pony Pleasure-1st Place, *Sponsored by Keystone Saving Bank- Marengo & Victor*
Senior Western Horse Pleasure-1st Place, *Sponsored by Marengo Farm & Home – The Koenig Family*
Intermediate Western Horse Pleasure-1st Place, *Sponsored by Mayberry Electric Inc.- Phil Widmer*
Junior Western Horse Pleasure-1st Place, *Sponsored by James M Stewart*
Junior Western Horsemanship-1st Place, *Sponsored by Hillcrest Garden Market- Karen & Dick Olson*
Intermediate Western Horsemanship-1st Place, *Sponsored by Grinnell State Bank, Marengo*
Senior Western Horsemanship-1st Place, *Sponsored by Century Farm Quarter Horses – Michael & Colleen Conrad*
Junior Ranch Riding - 1st Place, *Sponsored by Jared & Abby Maas*
Intermediate Ranch Riding - 1st Place, *Sponsored by Jared & Abby Maas*
Senior Ranch Riding - 1st Place, *Sponsored by Jared & Abby Maas*
Junior Trail Class-1st Place, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice – Dr. Timothy Momany*
Intermediate Trail Class-1st Place, *Sponsored by Ben's Repair & Welding*
Senior Trail Class-1st Place, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice – Dr. Timothy Momany*
Champion Ranch Horse Conformation, *Sponsored by Iowa District 1 Quarter Horse*
Reserve Champion Ranch Horse Conformation, *Sponsored by Farmers Trust & Savings Bank*
Sportsmanship Belt Buckle, *Sponsored by Iowa County Extension & Outreach*
Winners Horse Showmanship, *Sponsored by James M Stewart*
Senior Horse Showmanship, *Sponsored by Iowa Valley Stables – Judy Gauger*
Intermediate Horse Showmanship, *Sponsored by Mayberry Electric Inc.- Phil Widmer*
Junior Horse Showmanship, *Sponsored by Ladora Saddle Club*

Junior Barrels-1st Place, *In Memory of Joseph J Neptin*
Intermediate Barrels-1st Place, *In Memory of Joseph J Neptin*
Senior Barrels-1st Place, *Sponsored by Landuyt Farms*
Junior Flags-1st Place, *Sponsored by Ladora Saddle Club*
Intermediate Flags-1st Place, *Sponsored by Ladora Saddle Club*
Senior Flags-1st Place, *Sponsored by Ladora Saddle Club*
Junior Poles-1st Place, *Sponsored by Powell Funeral Home – Kim & Kenton Doehrmann, Bowen & Katelin Yoder*
Intermediate Poles-1st Place, *Sponsored by Powell Funeral Home – Kim & Kenton Doehrmann, Bowen & Katelin Yoder*
Senior Poles-1st Place, *Sponsored by Powell Funeral Home – Kim & Kenton Doehrmann, Bowen & Katelin Yoder*

DEPARTMENT - POULTRY

Superintendent.....Erin Baack, Bethany MW Gorsch, Nancy Welsh, Marissa Bral

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 1. Animals must be checked in before caging them!** Failure to check your animal in during scheduled check-in time may result in disqualification from the show. Exhibitors must be present during the showing of his/her poultry.
2. All Poultry exhibitors must be certified through the Youth Quality Care of Animals Program (YQCA)
3. Only two entries may be made per exhibitor per class. Pen of Three entries are limited to one Market and one Breeding (Egg Production) Pen of Three.
4. Ag in the Classroom – Birds are provided by Iowa County Farm Bureau. Exhibitors raise birds to market or laying quality. Judging is based on uniformity, fleshing, weigh gain, health and cleanliness. *Entries in this class are excluded from Pen of Three entry limits.
4. All fair exhibits (livestock, non-livestock, communications and clothing) must be pre-registered in the online Fair Entry system by set deadline per project area. The online Fair Entry system is open for registrations during the month of June at <http://Iowacounty.fairentry.com>
5. Cages will be provided at the county fair. Members are responsible to bring own feeders, waters, etc. Members must clean own cages throughout the week and when exhibits are removed.
6. All poultry exhibited must come from U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid clean or equivalent flocks or have had a negative Pullorum-Typhoid test within 90 days of public exhibition and an authorized tester must have performed the test. A date will be set pre-fair to assist with this process if needed. If not testing at the Iowa County pre-fair date, proof of this turned into fair officials by Wednesday noon. (See Official Health Requirements.)
7. **Poultry Herdsmanship:** All species will be evaluated by club on Herdsmanship during county fair week. Herdsmanship provides exhibitors with the opportunity to showcase their knowledge and skills gained through livestock exhibits, by making a presentable exhibit for the public as well as sharing skills in courtesy, cooperation, cleanliness, and proper and ethical care of all animals as a club. Read details about this club competition in the Herdsmanship Section of the fair book.

POULTRY CLASSES

Group 1 - Egg Production (Commercial) Poultry

No individual poultry allowed. Entries must be pens of 3.

Class 2906 Egg Production – Hens (Pen of 3)

Class 2907 Egg Production – Pullets (Pen of 3)

Group 2 – Meat Broilers (Pen of 3)

Class 2910 – Pen of 3 Broilers

Group 3 - Large Fowl Poultry (standard)

No pens of 3 are allowed. Entries must be individual poultry.

Class 2916 Large Fowl Cock

Class 2917 Large Fowl Hen

Class 2918 Large Fowl Cockerel

Class 2919 Large Fowl Pullet

Group 4 - Bantam Breeding Poultry

No pens of 3 are allowed. Entries must be individual poultry.

Class 2921 Bantam Breeding Cock

Class 2922 Bantam Breeding Hen

Class 2923 Bantam Breeding Cockerel

Class 2924 Bantam Breeding Pullet

Group 5 - Waterfowl Poultry

No pens of 3 are allowed. Entries must be individual poultry.

Class 2926 Bantam Duck

Class 2927 Standard Duck

Class 2928 Goose

Class 2929 Turkey

Group 6 - Ag in Classroom

No individual poultry allowed. Entries must be pens of 3.

Class 2930 Ag in the Classroom (Pen of 3)

****Poultry Special Awards:**

Champion Ag in the Classroom (Pen of 3), *Sponsored by Iowa County Farm Bureau*

Reserve Champion Ag in the Classroom (Pen of 3), *Sponsored by Iowa County Farm Bureau*

Champion Meat Poultry, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*

Reserve Champion Meat Poultry, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*

Champion Egg Production Poultry, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice – Dr. Timothy Momany*

Reserve Champion Egg Production Poultry, *Sponsored by RS Welding Studio – Randy & AJ Schnebbe*

Champion Large (Standard) Fowl Poultry, *Sponsored by Iowa County Extension & Outreach*

Reserve Champion Large (Standard) Fowl Poultry, *Sponsored by Iowa County Extension & Outreach*

Champion Bantam Breeding Poultry, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
Reserve Champion Bantam Breeding Poultry, *Sponsored by Iowa County Extension & Outreach*
Champion Waterfowl Poultry, *Sponsored by Big G Food Store – Garth Grafft*
Reserve Champion Waterfowl Poultry, *Sponsored by Iowa County Extension & Outreach*
Grand Champion Poultry, *Sponsored by Marengo Farm & Home- The Koenig Family*
Reserve Grand Champion Poultry, *Sponsored by Chad & Stacy Sickles*
Winners Poultry Showmanship, *Sponsored by RS Welding Studio – Randy & AJ Schnebbe*
Senior Poultry Showmanship, *Sponsored by Farmers Trust & Savings Bank*
Intermediate Poultry Showmanship, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
Junior Poultry Showmanship, *Sponsored by Elite Sports*

DEPARTMENT – RABBIT

Superintendents..... Erin Baack, Bethany MW Gorsch, Nancy Welsh, Marissa Bral

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. See General Rules and Health Requirements
2. Rabbits are evaluated based upon American Rabbit Breeders Association Book Standard of Perfection, not by age or size.
3. Exhibitors may show no more than two entries per class. Limit of 3 entry in Fur Class. There is a maximum entry limit of 12 entries.
4. Rabbits can be tattooed in the left ear by July 1st for Iowa County Fair and MUST be tattooed in left ear for the Iowa State Fair by July 1st.
5. All Rabbit exhibitors must be certified through the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals Program (YQCA).
6. **Final corrections must be made at check in.** Please make sure you are in the correct classes.
7. **Rabbit Herdsmanship:** All species will be evaluated by club on Herdsmanship during county fair week. Herdsmanship provides exhibitors with the opportunity to showcase their knowledge and skills gained through livestock exhibits, by making a presentable exhibit for the public as well as sharing skills in courtesy, cooperation, cleanliness, and proper and ethical care of all animals as a club. Read details about this club competition in the Herdsmanship Section of the fair book. Rabbit exhibitors must clean cages and alleyway in front of cages daily and at the end of the fair.

RABBIT CHECK-IN: Not allowed into cage on fairgrounds until stalling information is posted. Exhibitors must return during check-in time to check-in rabbit(s). Failure to check your animal in during the scheduled check in time may result in disqualification from the show. Please see the official check-in schedule for the Iowa County Fair which can be found in the beginning of your fair book. The exhibitor must be present during the showing of his/ her rabbit(s).

FOR EACH BREED: There must be at least one buck and at least one doe exhibited in the breed for Best Opposite Sex to be awarded. Best of Breed will be awarded for each recognized ARBA breed, provided the animal meets the breed standard.

BEST 4 CLASS (FANCY) RABBIT: All best of breed rabbits will be brought up for selection of the Best 4-Class (Fancy) Rabbit. The judge will pick Champion 4-Class Rabbit and Reserve Champion 4-Class Rabbit.

BEST 6 CLASS (COMMERCIAL) RABBIT: The best of breed rabbits will be brought up for selection of Best 6-Class (Commercial) Rabbit. The judge will pick Champion 6-Class Rabbit and Reserve Champion 6-Class Rabbit.

GRAND CHAMPION/ RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION RABBIT: The Champion 4-Class Rabbit and Champion 6-Class Rabbits will compete for Grand Champion Rabbit and Reserve Grand Champion. It is up to the judge whether or not the Reserve Grand Champion is the Best Opposite Sex of the Grand Champion or not.

FUR CLASS: Exhibitors may enter up to 3 rabbits in this class. The judge will eliminate rabbits as they are brought up to the table until Champion and Reserve Champion Fur are awarded.

SHOWMANSHIP: Order of showmanship: Senior, Intermediate, Junior, Winners.

OTHER ITEMS: CROSSBRED: will be shown at the beginning of the show and the order of classes should be senior buck, senior doe, intermediate buck, intermediate doe, junior buck, junior doe. Crossbreds are not eligible for best of breed or Champion 4 or 6 class Rabbit. Crossbreds are a breed not recognized by the ARBA.

4 CLASS (FANCY) RABBIT CLASSES:

Senior Rabbit = over 6 months of age

Junior Rabbit = Under 6 months of age

Breed	Sr. Buck	Jr. Buck	Sr. Doe	Jr. Doe
Dutch	3117	3118	3119	3120
Florida White	3133	3134	3135	3136
Holland Lop	3153	3154	3155	3156
Lionhead	3165	3166	3167	3168
Mini Lop	3169	3170	3171	3172
Mini Rex	3173	3174	3175	3176
Rex	3189	3190	3191	3192
Crossbred	3222	3223	3224	3225

6 CLASS (COMMERCIAL) RABBIT CLASSES:

Senior Rabbit = Over 8 months of age

Intermediate Rabbit = 6 to 8 months of age

Junior Rabbit = Under 6 months of age

Breed	Sr. Buck	Int. Buck	Jr. Buck	Sr. Doe	Int. Doe	Jr. Doe
Beveren	3313	3314	3315	3316	3317	3318
Californian	3325	3326	3327	3328	3329	3330
Champagne d'Argent	3349	3350	3351	3352	3353	3354
English Lop	3355	3356	3357	3358	3359	3360
Flemish Giant	3361	3362	3363	3364	3365	3366
New Zealand	3385	3386	3387	3388	3389	3390
Crossbred	3409	3410	3411	3412	3413	3414

****Rabbit Special Awards:**

Champion 4-Class (Fancy) Rabbit, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*

Reserve Champion 4-Class (Fancy) Rabbit, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice- Dr. Timothy Momany*

Champion 6-Class (Commercial) Rabbit, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*

Reserve Champion 6-Class (Commercial) Rabbit, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*

Champion Rabbit Fur, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice- Dr. Timothy Momany*

Reserve Champion Rabbit Fur, *Sponsored by Bob & Nancy Welsh*

Grand Champion Rabbit, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*

Reserve Grand Champion Rabbit, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice- Dr. Timothy Momany*

Winners Rabbit Showmanship, *Sponsored by Grinnell State Bank, Marengo*

Senior Rabbit Showmanship, *Sponsored by Marengo Farm & Home – The Koenig Family*

Intermediate Rabbit Showmanship, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice- Dr. Timothy Momany*

Junior Rabbit Showmanship, *Sponsored by Rohrer Bros. Inc.*



4-H Rabbit Showmanship Score Sheet

Possible Points	Points Awarded	Category	
5		Introduction	Name, county, age of 4-Her; Breed, variety, class of rabbit
5		Routine (any order; smooth sequence) A. Carrying rabbit	Brought up in a carrier, head tucked under arm when carrying, control/humane treatment
10		B. Type	Pose rabbit accurately for the type and explain breed standard
5		C. Head a. teeth	a. Show upper and lower teeth, abnormalities (malocclusion, broken)
5		b. eyes, nose, etc	b. Proper color, abnormalities (blindness, disease) Nasal discharge, abnormal color
5		D. Abdominal and neck check	Abnormalities (abscess, tumor, pigeon breast, mastitis); Properly turned over
5		E. Front legs, feet and nails (same as above)	Straightness of legs/feet, signs of nasal discharge, check toenails (broken, correct color, number)
5		F. Rear legs, feet and nails	Straightness of legs/feet, check toenails (broken, correct color, number) and hocks
5		G. Sexing; Tail	Buck/Doe (how to tell the difference), Diseases/Abnormalities, Testicles, Vent; Tail abnormalities, color
5		H. Ears	Tattoo/s, diseases, ear type/carriage according to breed
5		I. Fur	Proper type according to breed, condition, color, abnormalities
5		Conclusion	
5		Exhibitor's appearance and attitude	4-H exhibitor shirt, jeans, close toed shoes
5		Grooming and condition of animal	If rabbit out of condition explain why
5		Exhibitor spoke clearly, loud enough	
10		Knowledge of Subject	
10		Questions	
100		TOTAL POINTS	

Judge's Comments:

4-H & FFA HERSDMANSHIP

Herdsmanship provides exhibitors with the opportunity to showcase their knowledge and skills gained through livestock exhibits, by making a presentable exhibit for the public as well as sharing skills in courtesy, cooperation, cleanliness, and proper and ethical care of all animals as a club.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

JUDGING:

- All stall cards should be in place before the first judging of herdsmanship Thursday morning. These stall arrangements are set by the superintendents and club leaders.
- Club livestock exhibits/barn space will be judged twice daily** in these shifts:
 - 9:00 am to 11:00 am
 - 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm
 - **Wednesday will only be judged between 6pm-9pm
 - Departments will not be judged during their show times and until at least 1 hour after the livestock show ends.
- Clubs will be judged on the following areas:
 - Alleys: clear of obstructions & debris
 - Livestock stalls/pens/cages: stall cards visible, bedding clean and dry, clean food & water (for applicable species). Manure must be disposed of in the area provided by department superintendent. Be sure it is free of wire and paper. Empty feed sacks should be placed in large dumpsters and not trash cans or barrels.
 - Animal Welfare: livestock is clean and well cared for
 - Club Storage/Tack Areas: clean and organized.
 - **Bonus: courteous exhibitor(s) present
- Club livestock exhibits/barn spaces will be judged by a variety of judges from around Iowa County that are independent of 4-H and the fair board.
- These duties could be divided and shared by club members showing that species.

DEPARTMENT 301 – DOG

Superintendent..... Taylor Boland, Annie Morrison

OBEDIENCE JUDGING

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. See General Rules and Health Requirements section of the fair book.
2. Any breed of dog may be shown.
3. A member may show a limit of 2 dogs, with each being in a different class level.
4. Current 4-H dog projects must be shown in both obedience and showmanship classes.
Exception: If member shows 2 dogs, only 1 is eligible for showmanship competition.

5. All dogs must be enrolled in 4hOnline by **May 15th**, and must participate in four (4) dog obedience weekly workouts.
6. All dogs must have a rabies certificate turned in to dog project leader by **April 13th**. It is recommended that the dog also have a distemper immunization, either temporary or permanent.
7. All dogs must be on a leash unless being directed by youth and leaders during workouts and exhibitions.
8. A 4-H dog project member cannot train and show a dog that has already been trained and shown by another person or family member unless approved by dog project leader in advance.
9. Dogs must be 6 months or older to participate in the obedience training. Dogs must be 1 year or older to participate in the agility classes for the safety of the dog or with prior approval from the superintendent.
10. Dogs showing aggressive behavior will be evaluated at the superintendents' discretion in an effort to ensure a safe environment for all dogs, members and volunteers.
11. All members should complete a dog project book and read it closely for detailed class instructions. Those can be obtained at the first dog workout or from the Extension Office.
12. Dog workouts will be held weekly from April 13th thru fair on Mondays from 6 p.m. See the dog project book for required workout dates and attendance expectations. Those are available from the Extension Office.
13. All fair exhibits (livestock, non-livestock, communications and clothing) must be pre-registered in the online Fair Entry system by set deadline per project area. The online Fair Entry system is open for registrations during the month of June at <http://lowacounty.fairentry.com>

4-H DOG OBEDIENCE & AGILITY CLASSES

Obedience Class

1. Exhibitor and dog experience determine class level. Show scores from previous years will be used to determine class level along with the experience of the exhibitor and dog. A qualifying score is achieved when an exhibitor earns 170 points or more and achieves 50% of the points or better for each exercise in their class. When an exhibitor achieves this standard, they must advance to the next class with the exception of Preferred Novice "B" and Graduate Novice "B". However, an exhibitor may advance to the next level without a qualifying score. An exhibitor who does not achieve a qualifying score may remain in the same class for the following year; the only exception to this is for Preferred-Novice "A" exhibitors who must advance to Preferred-Novice "B" the next year.

2. Ribbons will be awarded on the following points earned:
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| <i>Qualifying Score = 170 pts or above</i> | Purple – 190-200 points |
| | Blue – 170-189 ½ points |

Red – 150-169 ½ points
White – 149 ½ or lower

30101 Intro Class

1st year for both exhibitor & 1st year dog. Dogs must not have earned any obedience title.

Heal & Figure 8 ON Leash	40 pts
Sit for Examination ON Leash	40 pts
Recall (No Finish) ON Leash	40 pts
Long Sit (1 min) / Handler at the end of the leash	40 pts
Long Down (1 min) / Handler at the end of the leash	40 pts

30102 Beginners Novice A (old class Pre Novice “A”)

2nd year for both exhibitor & dog. Exhibitor / Dog team may only enter this class 1 year. Dogs must not have earned any obedience title. Any dog that has earned a “PCD” level title or higher, before January 1, of the current year, is not eligible to enter these classes.

Heal ON leash	40 pts
Figure 8 ON leash	40 pts
Sit for Examination on Leash	40 pts
Sit / Stay Handler walks ring drop leash	40 pts
Recall (No Finish) Off Leash	40 pts

30103 Beginners Novice B

Dog/Handler teams, where the dog has had previous training, but this is the first year for the exhibitor/dog teams in their 3rd year of training that did not receive a qualifying score in Beginners Novice A last year. Any dog that has earned a “PCD” level title or higher, before January 1, of the current year, is not eligible to enter these classes.

Heal ON leash	40 pts
Figure 8 ON leash	40 pts
Sit for Examination on Leash	40 pts
Recall (No Finish) Off Leash	40 pts
Sit / Stay Handler walks ring drop leash	40 pts

30104 Preferred Novice A

The handler /Dog team may enter this class one 1 year. Any dog that has earned a “PCD” level title or higher, before January 1, of the current year, is not eligible to enter these classes.

Heal & Figure 8 ON leash	40 pts
Stand for examination off Leash	30 pts
Heal free off leash	40 pts
Recall with Finish Off Leash	30 pts
Down/Sit Handler walks ring drop leash	30 pts
Sit Stay get your Leash	30 pts

30105 Preferred Novice B

The handler /Dog team may enter this class until they receive a qualifying score. Any dog that has earned a “PCD” level title or higher, before January 1, of the current year, is not eligible to enter these classes.

Heal & Figure 8 ON leash	40 pts
Stand for examination off Leash	30 pts
Heal free off leash	40 pts

	Recall with Finish Off Leash	30 pts
	Down/Sit Handler walks ring drop leash	30 pts
	Sit Stay get your Leash	30 pts
30106	Novice A	
	Handler/dog team may enter this class 1 year. Any dog that has earned CD obedience title before January 1, of the current year, is not eligible to enter these classes	
	Heal & Figure 8 ON leash	40 pts
	Stand for examination	30 pts
	Heal free off leash	40 pts
	Recall with Finish Off Leash	30 pts
	Sit Stay Get your leash	30 pts
	Group Exercise – Sit & Down Stay	30 pts
30107	Novice B	
	Exhibitor/dog team may enter this class until exhibitor has received a qualifying score. Dog must not have earned third leg toward any CD obedience title.	
	Heal & Figure 8 ON leash	40 pts
	Stand for examination	30 pts
	Heal free off leash	40 pts
	Recall with Finish Off Leash	30 pts
	Sit Stay Get your leash	30 pts
	Group Exercise – Sit & Down Stay	30 pts
30108	Graduate Novice “A”	
	For dogs attempting the dumbbell work and have not received a qualifying score. Exhibitors must provide their own dumbbells for this class. Dogs must not have earned any legs towards any CDX title.	
	Heal Free & Figure 8 Off leash	40 pts
	Drop on recall off leash	40 pts
	Dumbbell recall off leash	30 pts
	Dumbbell recall over high jump off leash	30 pts
	Recall over broad jump off leash	30 pts
	Stand Stay – Get your leash	30 pts
30109	Graduate Novice “B”	
	For Dogs that readily carry the dumbbell or have received a qualifying score in Graduate Novice A. Exhibitor must provide their own dumbbells for this class. Dogs must not have earned any legs towards any CDX title.	
	Heal Free & Figure 8 Off leash	40 pts
	Drop on recall off leash	40 pts
	Dumbbell recall off leash	30 pts
	Dumbbell recall over high jump off leash	30 pts
	Recall over broad jump off leash	30 pts
	Stand Stay – Get your leash	30 pts
30110	Open	
	Heal Free & Figure 8 Off leash	40 pts
	Command Discrimination (Stand, Down, Sit)	30 pts
	Drop on recall off leash	30 pts
	Retrieve on flat off leash	20 pts

Retrieve over high jump off leash	30 pts
Broad jump Off Leash	20 pts
Stand Stay Get your Leash	30 pts

30111

Rally

This class is open to every exhibitor. All exercises are performed on leash at a variety of stations. Exercises may include but are not limited to jumping exercises. Divisions include Junior, Intermediate & Senior

Handling

1. Entries in this division are open to purebred or mixed breed dogs and must be owned by the exhibitor or in partnership with parent or guardian.
2. All exhibitors entering the Handling Division must also enter and exhibit in at least one Obedience Class, this includes rally.
3. The exhibitor is limited to one entry in this division.
4. The handlers grade as of September 15, 2022.
5. Class determination is based on the age of the handler. Junior (4-6th grade), Intermediate (7-8th grade), Senior (9-12th grade)
6. Handling classes will be judged using the following Showmanship Score Card:

Exhibitor (appearance, attitude) 15pts	
Dog Grooming & Condition	25pts
Handling	30 pts
Questions	30 pts
Total:	100 pts

****Dog Special Awards:**

- High Scoring Beginner Novice A, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
- Reserve High Scoring Beginner Novice A, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
- High Scoring Intro Class, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
- Reserve High Scoring Intro Class, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
- Top Scoring Intro Dog Project, *Sponsored by Jenn Walz*
- Rally Novice A Champion, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
- Rally Novice A Reserve Champion, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
- Rally Intermediate Champion, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
- Rally Intermediate Reserve Champion, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
- Top Scoring Beginners Novice A Dog Project, *Sponsored by Don Martinson- In Memory of Karen Sue Martinson*
- Top Scoring Novice Dog A Project, *Sponsored by RS Welding Studio- Randy & AJ Schnebke*
- Top Scoring Preferred Novice A Dog Project, *Sponsored by Ann Bigbee & Charlie Scott*
- Winners Dog Showmanship, *Sponsored by Amana Family Practice – Dr. Timothy Momany*
- Senior Dog Showmanship, *Sponsored by Harned & McMeen, Attorneys*
- Intermediate Dog Showmanship, *Sponsored by Compass Memorial Healthcare & Clinics*
- Junior Dog Showmanship, *Sponsored by Don Martinson- In Memory of Karen Sue Martinson*

NON-LIVESTOCK RULES AND REGULATIONS ALL GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS APPLY.

Read them carefully.

Superintendents..... Belinda Baack, Stacy Sickles, Marissa Bral

Ages:

Exhibits will be in 3 divisions - grades will be completed (unless otherwise noted as in clothing event)

Junior: 4th - 6th grade.

Intermediate: 7th - 8th grade.

Senior: 9th - 12th grade.

Fair Entry Registration Deadlines:

All fair exhibits (livestock, non-livestock, communications and clothing) must be pre-registered in the online Fair Entry system by set deadline per project area. The online Fair Entry system is open for registrations during the month of June at <http://lowacounty.fairentry.com> Deadlines include:

- June 22
 - Clothing Event (\$20 Challenge, Fashion Revue, Clothing Selection, Innovative Design)
 - Communication Events (educational presentations, share the fun, Pride of Iowa, working exhibits, extemporaneous speaking)
- June 26
 - All other non-livestock/static exhibits

Judging:

Monday, July 6th

1:00 pm. - 4:00 pm. - Conference Judging Exhibits - State Fair selections made at completion of judging

4-H Building Exhibits

What is an exhibit?

Exhibits may be any item, which is the result of work done in that project or may show an idea learned by the 4-H'er. When a 4-H'er exhibits ideas or information learned, this may be done through posters, banners, an actual product, report, notebook, model, or small display designed to teach. Audiocassettes and videotapes may be used if members provide playback equipment and extension cords.

This department is open to youth who are participating in 4-H Youth Development Programs conducted by Iowa State University Extension or FFA youth who have met all general rules.

All exhibitors are responsible for reading and complying with the Iowa County Fair 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'ers who have completed 4th grade through 12th grade (or that equivalent.) in 2026 are eligible to exhibit at the Iowa County Fair. 5th grade and above will be eligible for state fair selection.
2. Eligible exhibits are an outgrowth of work done as a planned part of the 4-H members participating 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.
3. Exhibitors in 4-H classes are not eligible to exhibit in a similar department of the FFA divisions.
4. Exhibits previously entered in an FFA Ag Science Fair or any other FFA event may not be entered in any 4-H exhibit class.
5. Exhibits selected at the county level at advance to the Iowa State Fair should not be part of a local auction or sold to another individual before the Iowa State Fair.
6. Exhibits that do not comply with the class description, size guidelines, copyright restrictions, safety and approved methods will be disqualified and not put on public display.
7. If the exhibitor chooses a display to illustrate what was learned:
 - Posters may not exceed 24" by 36" in size. (unless otherwise noted)
 - Chart boards, graph boards, project presentation boards, model displays, etc., may not exceed 48" by 48" in size. Maximum size is determined by measuring the flat (unfolded) dimensions.
 - Display boxes may not exceed 28" by 22" in height or width and 12" in depth.
8. Endangered, threatened and "special concern" plants and animal (including insects), or songbird feathers and nests may NOT be used in any exhibit. Game animals legally taken are acceptable, except for 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: <https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/ACO/rule/571.77.2.pdf>
 - State-listed plants: <https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/ACO/rule/571.77.3.pdf>
 - Iowa Noxious weed list: [Iowa Code Section 317.1A \(2022\) - Noxious weeds. :: 2022 Iowa Code :: US Codes and Statutes :: US Law :: Justia](#)
9. Exhibits may not include actual firearms or live ammunition. Archery equipment is allowed if tips are removed from arrows.
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'ers.)

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 and techniques, and general appearance and design. Exhibitors will receive verbal feedback and evaluation during conference judging on the exhibit with a purple, blue, red, or white ribbon. Refer to Iowa 4-H Exhibit Tip Sheets for detailed evaluation criteria in each class. Tip Sheets and rubrics are located on each 4-H project page at www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/exhibit-tip-sheets. Evaluations are located at [State Fair Evaluations Forms Labels](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/exhibit-tip-sheets) (<https://iastate.app.box.com/folder/165781615545?s=fuo1u44a07g0psi8w7swcerz6dpzjqrn>)
12. A written explanation, audio recording, or video recording is to be included as part of each exhibit. Audio or video should 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?
 - ***Check for additional requirements in exhibit classes for clothing and fashion, food and nutrition, home improvement, photography, visual art, 4-H poster communication and personal development classes.
13. Exhibits with a goal that better fits a different department/class will be moved to that department/class at the discretion of the superintendents/judge of the department.
14. When application of design elements and art principles must be explained (in any project where design decisions were made), the following guidelines shall be used:
 - a. Members in grades 4-6 are responsible for using a minimum of one design element within their exhibit. Youth must explain how the specified element is used in the exhibit. While not evaluated or given a higher ribbon placing for using more than one element, youth may discuss additional elements used in the exhibit.
 - b. Members in grades 7-8 are responsible for using a minimum of two design elements within their exhibit. Youth must explain how the specified elements are used in the exhibit. While not evaluated or given a higher ribbon placing for using more than two elements, youth may discuss additional elements used in the exhibit.
 - c. Members in grades 9-10 are responsible for using a minimum of one art principle and the element or elements used in the selected principle. Youth must explain how the element or elements are used to illustrate the selected principle. While not evaluated or given a higher ribbon placing for using more than one principle, youth may discuss additional principles and corresponding elements used in the exhibit.
 - d. Members in grade 11-12 are responsible for using a minimum of two art principles and the elements used in the selected principles. Youth must explain how the elements are used to illustrate the selected principles. While not evaluated or given a higher ribbon placing for using more than two principles, youth may discuss additional principles and corresponding elements used in the exhibit.

Design elements are line, shape, form, color, and texture. Design principles are balance, proportion, rhythm, emphasis, and unity. Information on elements and principles of design for visual art can be found at: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/Publications/4H634.pdf>

15. All judges' decisions are final.
16. Each item in an exhibit must be securely labeled, including the exhibitors name, class number, club name.
17. Exhibits will be entered and judged on **Monday, July 6th**. Each 4-H'er is to be present with his/her own exhibits and hear the judge's comments. All exhibits must remain in place until **Sunday, July 12th, 11:30 am**. Each 4-H member/club must collect its own exhibits after your club is recognized at the Champion Salute.
18. If a 4-H'er has set a goal(s) that could be accomplished by both a classroom assignment and an outgrowth of a 4-H project goal, the school exhibit is eligible for fair. It is important that a pre-determined goal has been set. Evaluation criteria and exhibit guidelines for each opportunity may be different and the 4-H'er should prepare accordingly.
19. There is a limit of five (5) exhibits per class.
20. State Fair selections will be limited to 3 maximum per 4-H'er. 4-H Communication Posters and Clothing Event Participants do not count in this 3-project limit.
21. Entry tags must be securely attached to all exhibits.
22. Items selected for the State Fair, which do not fit easily into a car, will be the responsibility of the exhibitor to deliver and pick-up from the State Fair at the assigned times. Notices will be given to families regarding these State Fair details at the State Fair Meeting with Photos on Friday, July 18th, 6 pm in Zentmire Hall.
23. Due to security, 4-H'ers are discouraged from sending items that have special meaning and historical value as the exhibit or part of an exhibit. The Iowa County Fair and Iowa State University Extension & Outreach-Iowa County, will use diligence to insure 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.
24. Projects made from kits will not be considered for the Iowa State Fair.
25. 4-H "Tip Sheets" are available to help exhibitors prepare for conference judging. Practice before judging day. There is one for almost all non-livestock project areas with potential questions from judges. Those are available at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/exhibit-tip-sheets>

ANIMALS

10110 Animal Science

An exhibit (other than the animal itself) that shows learning about a large or small animal including beef, dairy cattle, dairy goats, dogs, horse and 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

AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Special Rule: Exhibits must be ready for display (artwork framed, wall hangings and pictures ready to hang, etc.) or the member must explain how a larger, heavier exhibit will be displayed. Make sure hangers are strong enough to support the item. Command Strips or other quick attach products (like sawtooth hangers) are usually not adequate hangers. Items not ready for display will be dropped one ribbon placing.

10210 Crop Production & Plant Science

An exhibit that shows learning about growth, use, and value of field crops, plant growth, soils and 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 or 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

Any exhibit, including collections, that show learning from participation in a forestry project or program.

10230 Horticulture & Plant Science

An exhibit that shows learning about the growth, use, and value of plants, soils, small fruit production, vegetable and flower gardens, plant nutrition, careers, etc. (Garden crops, flower cuttings, and herbs are exhibited in classes in the Garden Department)

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 safe and responsible use of firearms and archery equipment or wildlife management. (The exhibit may not include actual firearms or live ammunition. Archery equipment allowed if tips are removed from arrows).

10255 Farm Model Display

An exhibit that depicts an aspect of farm life that demonstrates a practice or practices that include farm safety or farm operation. Evaluation is primarily based on a clear goal statement that outlines the purpose of the model and the research done to support the exhibit. This exhibit may be a display on a firm base no larger than 36" by 36", accompanied by the required written or audio/video explanation of the exhibit. A binder presentation is an acceptable alternative to a physical display.

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.

GARDEN

All General Rules and Rules for Non-livestock Division apply. **IMPORTANT NOTE** **GARDEN PROJECTS** will be judged on **Monday, July 6**. Read all other rules carefully.

SPECIAL RULES:

1. Entries are limited to 4-H club members who have raised the vegetables or flowers in their own gardens. Entries limited to 1 per class unless otherwise noted.
2. Entries will be judged as entered. At this conference judging exhibitor will be asked about goals and what they learned.
3. Variety name of each entry is to be on the exhibit tag. No other paperwork is required.
4. Garden Crops:
 - Criteria for judging will be based on Iowa State Extension Bulletin 4-H 462, Harvesting and Preparing Vegetables for Exhibit. Participants are strongly encouraged to use this document as a guide in harvesting and preparing for exhibit. It can be found at <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/394> Follow preparation and specimen numbers with the exception of herbs. Iowa County requires 3 sprigs of each herb. (Dill only needs 2). See the following pages for specimen numbers for each crop.
 - Exhibitor should furnish own market basket. Plates will be furnished for other garden crops.

CLASS NO. CLASS NAME

Garden Crops:

- 40101: Beans, snap, six specimens
- 40102: Beets, globe, three specimens
- 40103: Carrots, three specimens
- 40104: Cabbage, round, one head
- 40105: Cucumber, for pickling, five specimens
- 40106: Cantaloupe or Muskmelon, any variety, one specimen
- 40107: Honeydew Melon, one specimen
- 40108: Watermelon, any variety, one specimen
- 40109: Onions (dry), red, white, yellow, three specimens
- 40110: Peppers, sweet, bell, elongated, any other, two specimens
- 40111: Potatoes, red, white, yellow, three specimens
- 40112: Pumpkin, sugar pie, one specimen
- 40113: Squash, summer, scallop or patty pan, two specimens
- 40114: Sweet Corn, yellow and white, two ears exhibited with husks open on one side
- 40115: Sweet Potatoes or Yams, three specimens
- 40116: Tomato, red or yellow slicing, three specimens
- 40117: Tomato, cherry type, red or yellow, small type (less than one inch in diameter), ten specimens

Ornamental, Jumbos, Platters

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- 40301: Jumbo Gourd

 - 40302: Pumpkin, miniature

 - 40303: Gourds

 - 40304: Jumbo Pumpkin

 - 40305: Jumbo Watermelon

 - 40306: Vegetable Container Display

 - 40307: Salsa Tray

Herbs :

- 40401: Basil, three sprigs in bottle of water
- 40402: Chives, three sprigs
- 40403: Dill, two heads, tied near lower end and again just below the seed heads

Flowers:

- 40501: Individual Flowers by variety
- 40502: Flower Collection and Arrangements
- 40503: Potted Plants
- 40504: Container Garden

40501: Flowers specimen grown by 4-H'er can be up to 5 entries correctly labeled with scientific name and class

40502: Flower arrangements: Flowers do not have to be grown in garden but must be arranged by entrant. On 3x5 card state where grown or acquired, also where and how arrangement can be used.

CREATIVE ARTS

RULES AND REGULATIONS

All General Rules and Rules for Non-livestock Division apply. Read carefully.

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. *This project may require design elements/principles. See Non-livestock General Rules #12.*

Photography Special Rules:

1. Photographs may be either black and white or color. Photographs must have been taken since Iowa County Fair of the previous year.
2. Photographs **MUST** be a minimum of 5" by 7". Finished size (including mounting/matting) of single photographs may not exceed 11" by 14". Square photos are allowed within the following dimensions, measured by inches: 7 by 7, 8 by 8, 9 by 9, 10 by 10, 11 by 11. Exception: Panoramic photos must not exceed 11" inches high by 24" in length.
3. All photographs must be printed on photographic paper. Any photos to be considered for the Iowa State Fair must be mounted and/or matted with maximum thickness of finished project must not exceed ½" thick.
4. Mounted photos can be (a) flush-mounted [no board showing] on mounting board, or (b) with mount borders [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.
 - a. **4-Hers are responsible for design decisions such as border, color, and size.**
 - b. **Framed photographs (including floating frames) will not be judged.**
5. A series is a group of photographs or slides [3 to 5] that are related or tell a step-by-step story. Photographs must be mounted together in story order or sequence. Slides should be numbered. Finished size of individual photographs in a series should not exceed 8" by 8".
6. Edited photos should include a copy of the original photo before edits.
7. Subject matter of photographs must be in good taste and be appropriate for public display in a 4-H setting.
8. Photographs depicting unsafe practices or illegal activities will not be displayed. Due to safety concerns and unauthorized trespassing, photos taken from the center of a railroad track are not permissible. Exhibitors can take photos of railroad tracks, trains, etc. from a safe distance away from the track.
9. A maximum of 5 photography exhibits per 4-H'er.
10. Photos should have a completed entry tag and photography exhibit label form attached. Form is available at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/Iowa/county-fair>

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/matted. Photograph/image must be on photo paper, canvas, or other flat material.
2. If mounted, photograph/image must be mounted on foam core no smaller than 5” in length or larger than 14” in length. No matting and no framing is allowed, put your creativity into photography.
3. Photograph/Image can be created digitally created or from a film negative.
4. Exhibit must have the Photo Exhibit Label on back with required information for photo exhibits. Include additional information about the processes and decisions used to develop exhibit.
5. The subject matter must be in good taste and be appropriate for public display in a 4-H setting, 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 display about printing, processing, editing, marketing, branding, merchandising, etc., as it relates to photography. Display board size may not exceed 48 inches by 48 inches.

10540 Digital Storytelling

An exhibit that demonstrates the application of technology to produce a creative film/movie/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. *This project may require design elements/principles. See General Exhibit Rules.*

Visual Arts

An exhibit that shows learning through original art, exploration of an art technique, or study of any other visual arts topic. This class will now be divided into three classes:

10350 Visual Arts - Original Art

10355 Visual Arts – Design, Process, or Technique Exploration

10360 Visual Arts – Other Visual Art Ideas/Topics

This project requires design elements/principles. See Non-livestock General Exhibit Rules #12.

10350 Visual Arts Original Art- An exhibit that showcases the skills you have developed in one or more mediums. Original art is a one-of-a-kind, non-replicable design of your creation. By using one medium or a combination, an individual creates an authentic work of art that is not recognizable as another's work. You must explain the application of the most relevant design element(s) and art principle(s) featured in this exhibit. Describe your inspirations, reasons, feelings, 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. This class is for experimenting with and practicing skills in different mediums. 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, its 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 Visual Art Ideas/Topics — Exhibits might include the study and research about an individual artist, style, craft, business or marketing process, planning group tour, career options, etc.

Visual Arts Special Rules:

1. Exhibits must be ready for display (artwork framed, wall hangings and pictures ready to hang, etc.) Make sure hangers are strong enough to support the item. Command Strips or other quick attach products (like sawtooth hangers) 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 (green ware, white ware) may be used to provide the appropriate surface for a process technique or application of original design.
3. If the exhibit is a finished art object, the source or inspiration of the design, design sketches, or other process for creating the object and design must be included.
4. Information must be included explaining the application of design elements and art principles used in creation of the 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. For additional information, see 4-H Exhibit Copyright Information at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/visual-art> .

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES

All General Rules and Rules for Non-livestock Division apply. Read carefully.

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, or 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 have 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 & 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 clothing care. Exhibits must be worn by humans. *This project may require design elements/principles. See Non-Livestock Exhibit Rules #12.*

10422 Clothing and Fashion – Purchased Garments & Accessories

Purchased garments or accessories that show 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. *This project may require design elements/principles. See Non-Livestock Exhibit Rules #12.*

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. *This project may require design elements/principles. See Non-Livestock Exhibit Rules #11.*

10430 Consumer Management

An exhibit that shows learning through savvy budgeting, comparison shopping, money management, and consumer rights and responsibilities.

10440 Food & Nutrition – Prepared Product

An exhibit of a prepared food product that shows skills or learning about cooking, baking, eating and choosing healthy foods, or safety practices through the making of a prepared food product. See *Food & Nutrition Special Rules* below and HS 76 “*Foods for Iowa 4-H Fairs – Quick Reference Guide*” at <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/6434> for additional information regarding prepared and preserved food products. **Display boxes are not allowed for prepared products at the Iowa State Fair.**

10442 Food & 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 & Nutrition Special Rules* below and HS 76 “*Foods for Iowa 4-H Fairs – Quick Reference Guide*” at <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/6434> for additional information regarding preserved food products.

10445 Food & Nutrition – Educational Display

An educational exhibit (poster, report, display) that shows skills or learning about cooking, baking, eating and choosing healthy foods, safety practices, or food preservation. See *Food & Nutrition Special Rules* below and HS 76 “*Foods for Iowa 4-H Fairs – Quick Reference Guide*” <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/6434> for additional information regarding prepared and preserved food products. Exhibits showing learning about table settings or menu planning must include a menu.

Food & 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 complete recipe must be included in writing with any prepared or preserved food exhibit; credit the source of the recipe.
7. Preserved foods must include the Food Preservation Exhibit Label available from the Extension Office or the Extension website. Processed honey must include the Honey Label for 4-H Exhibits. Only food processed after August 1, 2025, is acceptable. Current USDA and/or Iowa State University guidelines for home food preservation must be used. Prepared food exhibit recipes may not be Grandma's Secret Recipe. Use the ISU Answer Line for other preservation questions 800-262-3804.
8. Preserved food exhibits **must** include two product samples. One will be opened for evaluation and discarded; the second will be placed on display and returned to the exhibitor. All perishable food products will be discarded when removed from display.
9. Prepared foods should be placed on a firm disposable plate or flat cardboard. Place food product exhibit in a reclosable plastic bag with entry tag fastened outside the bag. Display boxes are encouraged only when they add to the exhibit learning.
10. The use of alcoholic beverages in the preparation or production of 4-H food exhibits is NOT permitted.
11. Recommended number of items to include with the exhibit: Cookies, cupcakes, bars, muffins, rolls, etc. – four (4) to six (6) items Cakes, loafs, pies, etc. – one (1) whole product.
12. The use of alcoholic beverages in preparation or production of 4-H food exhibits is not permitted.

10450 Health

An exhibit that shows learning through food choices, safe activities, skills such as first aid and CPR, careers, and/or 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. *This project may require design elements/principles. See Non-Livestock Exhibit Rules #11.*

Home Improvement Special Rule:

1. Exhibits 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 attach products (like sawtooth hangers) 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 – Constructed item

A constructed item (sewn, knitted, crocheted, 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, etc. Exhibits in this class are not intended to be worn by humans. *This project may require design elements/principles. See Non-Livestock Exhibit Rules #12.*

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 and care of fabrics and fibers, design illustrations, decorative processes, careers, etc. *This project may require design elements/principles. See Non-Livestock Exhibit Rules #12.*

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 & Consumer Science class listed. *This project may require design elements/principles. See Non-Livestock Exhibit Rules #12.*

10490 Special Exhibition – THRIFTY MEAL CHALLENGE

Create a balanced, nutritious meal for a family of four (4) that includes a serving from each of the recommended food groups with a budget of \$11 (the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefit allowance for one meal for a family of four as of November 2025.)

Special Rules:

1. Each country may advance one (1) exhibit in this class to Iowa State Fair.
2. All entries will receive an evaluation and ribbon.
3. Exhibit may be from an individual or group effort.
4. The meal must include a serving for each person from each of the recommended food groups: Protein, Dairy, Healthy Fats, Vegetables, Fruits, Whole Grains.
 - a. Recommended portion sizes per person: 3 ounces of Protein, 1 cup dairy, 1 Tablespoon healthy fats, ½ - 1 cup vegetables, ½ cup fruit, ½ - 1 ounces grain.
 - 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 enough calcium.
5. The meal must serve four (4) people.
6. Total expense on receipt(s) must not exceed \$11.
7. The exhibit will be a poster or foam board (maximum size 22” by 28”) that includes:
 - The menu, the outline of the food items and appropriate portion sizes for each food item
 - Meal type (breakfast, lunch or dinner)
 - Copy of receipts (up to 2)

- Photos of the experience: grocery shopping, food preparation and prepared meal.
- Thrifty Meal Challenge Worksheet (required) attached to the back of the poster
- Failure to include the above documentation or adding a folder or binder will drop the exhibit one ribbon placing.
- For more information about this special challenge, please go to <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/meal-challenge>.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

All General Rules and Rules for Non-livestock division apply. Please read carefully.

Personal Development Special Rule:

Exhibits entered in the 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, non-fiction, etc. If the finished exhibit includes audio or video, it must be uploaded to YouTube.

10530 Communication Posters –

Special poster exhibit to visually tell a story or idea about 4-H to the general public. Exhibitors must use one of the following themes:

- 4-H is . . . (open to 4-H members interpretation)
- Join 4-H
- Beyond Ready in 4-H (2025 National 4-H Week theme)
- 4-H Spirit (variation of 2026 Iowa State Fair theme)
- 4-H for America’s Next 250 Years (celebrating America’s 250th birthday)

4-H Poster Communication Rules

1. Only one (1) poster per 4-H member may be entered. Two posters will be selected by judges to represent Iowa County at the Iowa State Fair. (5th grader and older only can be selected for Iowa State Fair).
2. All posters must be designed on, or affixed to, standard poster board or foam core board: size minimum of 14” by 20” or maximum of 15” by 22”.
3. Posters may be vertical or horizontal. Posters may be any medium: watercolor, ink, crayon, acrylic, charcoal, oils, collage, etc. If digital images or a computer program is used to create the finished poster, the member needs to cite their sources on the Poster Exhibit Entry Form

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 in the poster. Make sure it is used properly following 4-H emblem usage found at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/Iowa/county-fair> .
8. Must be registered through Fair Entry by the non-livestock/static deadline of **June 26**. The online Fair Entry system is open for registrations during the month of June at <http://Iowacounty.fairentry.com>

10540 Digital Storytelling (See also Creative Arts)

An exhibit that demonstrates the application of technology to produce a creative film/movie/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. *This project may require design elements/principles. See General Exhibit Rules.*

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. *This project may require design elements/principles. See General Exhibit Rules #9.*

SCIENCE, ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY

All General Rules and Rules for Non-Livestock Division apply. Please read carefully.

NOTE: Iowa State Fair exhibitors in the restored Tractor class will have the opportunity to participate in a program consisting of a conference evaluation and educational learning experiences. Information will be available for eligible 4-H'ers at the County Fair to register for participation in this opportunity.

10610 Mechanics

An exhibit that shows skills or learning about general mechanics or engineering solutions or that combines skills related to the design, construction and repair of structural and mechanical technologies.

10612 Automotive

Repaired or restored vehicle (Note: vehicles will be on display at the Iowa State Fair one day only, Thursday, August 13th)

10613 Automotive Educational Display

Educational display showing learning about an automotive idea including automotive maintenance, auto operations, auto safety, or automotive systems.

10614 Electric

Constructed or 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 or educational display or other type exhibit that shows skills or learning about small engines. This class includes repaired or restored lawn tractors, small motorcycles, go-karts, etc.

10616 Tractor

Repaired or restored tractor (lawnmower or larger). Note: A conference judging opportunity for exhibitors in class 10616 will be offered during exhibit check-in. Tractors will be displayed outside throughout the Iowa State Fair. Release time Sunday, August 23, after 7 p.m. Please bring chocks for back tires of tractor.

10617 Tractor Educational Display

Educational Display shows 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, and safe uses of woodworking tools and machines. Exhibits may include newly constructed or refinished/reclaimed/restored wood items.

10630 Other Science, Engineering & Technology

An exhibit that shows learning about or helps explain how science and technology help us interact with the world. Topics include biological and chemical sciences, computers & networking, earth & 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 an aerospace idea or topic.

10634 Robotics

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

CLOVER KID OPPORTUNITIES

Open to Kindergarten-3rd grade youth enrolled in Iowa County 4-H Clover Kid Program.

CONFERENCE JUDGING

Clover Kids may bring non-livestock projects to conference with a judge on **Monday, July 6th from 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.** located in the Show Barn on the fairgrounds. This conference is optional for Clover Kids; however, it is a valuable communication experience. Clover kids are invited to share up to four of their favorite non-livestock projects with a judge. All projects will receive a participation ribbon and be displayed at the fair. The conference allows clover kids to practice talking with adults. They will look at their projects together, talk about how it was made, who helped, what they like about it, and what they plan to do with it. These projects can vary from painted garden stones to tie blankets to clay sculptures. They can be projects completed with the club or at home with family.



Iowa County Fair KINZE Award Contest

2026 Official Rules

1. Eligibility

NO PURCHASE NECESSARY TO ENTER

This contest is open to all 4H and FFA members of all ages up to high school seniors (recent graduates). Group projects will not be accepted.

Junk in a Bucket projects will not be accepted in the KINZE Award Contest. While these projects are strongly encouraged for members interested in entry-level mechanics and welding, there is a separate contest for Junk in a Bucket projects.

2. Projects

LIMIT \$2000 SPENT FOR EACH PROJECT

NO TRACTOR RESTORATION PROJECTS WILL BE ACCEPTED

Projects shall demonstrate skill in design, mechanics, metalworking, fabrication, and/or welding. Contestants that exhibit craftsmanship, creativity, innovation, and ingenuity in their work will excel in this contest. Help from mentors is encouraged, but hiring out for jobs such as paint and technical work is strongly discouraged. It is encouraged that projects are used to prove out function. Would rather see some paint knocked off than discover contestants have not tested out their projects yet.

3. Judging Criteria

Each contestant will participate in a short interview with a panel of KINZE judges. Along with the project based criteria above, student's independence, enthusiasm, knowledge, presentation, and lessons learned will all be strong factors in judging.

4. Prizes

All prizes are cash. KINZE reserves the right to adjust the prize amounts and number of honorable mentions awarded if necessary.

Place	Amount
1st	\$ 500.00
2nd	\$ 400.00
3rd	\$ 300.00
4th	\$ 200.00
5th	\$ 100.00
Honorable Mention	\$ 50.00

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

Superintendents..... **Belinda Baack, Stacy Sickles, Marissa Bral**

GENERAL COMMUNICATION EVENT PROGRAM RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All communication events must be pre-registered in the online Fair Entry system by June 22nd. The online Fair Entry system is open for registrations during the month of June at <http://Iowacounty.fairentry.com>
2. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibit may be given by one or more 4-H'ers. Teams consisting of youth of mixed grades will be entered into the class of the members in the highest grade level (i.e. a team with a 5th grader and an 8th grader must be entered into the intermediate/senior class).
3. Topics selected by the 4-H'er(s) should be an outgrowth of his/her 4-H experience(s). Topics should be appropriate for presentation to a general audience.
3. Use of sanitary and safe procedures and methods is always important, particularly if food samples are available to the audience. Appropriate storage of the food items and the sanitary handling of the food must be demonstrated by the 4-H'ers. Plastic gloves and hairnets are just a couple items that should be considered and used as appropriate.
4. 4-H'ers participating in the 4-H Communication program are encouraged to wear appropriate clothing representative of the 4-H program and/or the topic of the presentation. If clothing contributes to the topic being presented, such as wearing a beekeeper's outfit while doing a presentation on bee raising, the 4-H'er is encouraged to wear such clothing.
5. Presenters are expected to comply with all copyright/trademark regulations. Copyrighted material may not be distributed without permission.
6. All General Rules and Information and Code of Conduct applies for communication exhibitors. Read those sections carefully.

4-H EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

All General Rules and Rules for the Communication Division apply. Read carefully.

Purpose-

Provide an opportunity for 4-H'ers to demonstrate communication skills by presenting knowledge, information, or a process to an audience in order to gain a desired response.

****County Communication Day will be Wednesday, July 8th at 9:00 am the week of the fair in Zentmire Hall.**

Educational Presentation Rules

1. Time limit: Junior presentations must not exceed 15 minutes. Intermediate/Senior Presentations must not exceed 20 minutes.
2. Participants must turn in a completed Educational Presentation Report form during event check-in.
3. Six presentations will be chosen to represent the country at the State Fair. Participants will be scheduled during the State Fair. Junior grade level State Fair participants must have completed 5th grade. A 4-H member may participate in only one educational presentation per year at the State Fair.

4. Presentation content must be the original work of the presenter(s). Extensive paraphrasing from other sources is prohibited. Use of brief quotations or excerpts from other work(s) is permitted provided the source is identified.

4-H EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING CONTEST

All General Rules and Rules for Communication Division apply. Read carefully.

Purpose-

Encourage the development of communication skills by providing an opportunity to think, organize thoughts, prepare a speech, and respond to questions when given a limited amount of preparation time.

**Extemporaneous speaking contest will be following educational presentations on Wednesday prior to the start of the fair.

Extemporaneous Speaking Rules

1. Participants must be senior 4-H'ers - completed 9th through 12th grade (or that equivalent) in 2025-2026 school year.
2. Program format:
 - a. Thirty minutes before the speech, each participant will draw three of the available topics, selecting one to speak on.
 - The selected topic will not be available to the other participants in the speaker's assigned room. 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 the other participants.
 - b. A preparation room is to be used with one participant per speaking site. 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. A program official will assist participants with the time requirements.
 - c. All reference material will be screened by a program official on the following basis:
 - Participant may bring his/her own books, magazines or newspaper clippings for reference during the thirty minutes of preparation.
 - Reference material must be printed material such as books or magazines (cannot be notes, outlines or speeches prepared by the participant or by another person for use in this program.)
 - Some relevant reference material will be available in the preparation room. This material will consist of historical material related to the 4-H program.
 - d. Each speech shall be the result of the 4-H'ers own efforts using approved reference material that a participant may bring to the preparation room. No other assistance may be provided. Plain 3"x5" note cards will be provided for each participant in the preparation room. If notes are used, the 3"x5" note cards provided must be used in delivering the speech.
 - e. Only notes made during the preparation period may be used.
 - f. Each speech shall be not 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 at six minutes.

- g. The program timekeeper will introduce each participant by name and the county he/she represents. The participant will be expected to introduce his/her speech by title only.
 - h. Participants are not permitted to use any props, gadgets, posters or audiovisuals of any sort. A podium will be available.
3. Speeches will be evaluated using the following criteria:
 - a. Content related to topic.
 - b. Knowledge of the subject.
 - c. Organization of material.
 - d. Power of expression.
 - e. Voice.
 - f. Stage presence.
 - g. General effect.
 - h. Response to questions.
 4. A judge's critique/conference with each participant will be included as a part of the program.
 5. Two participants will be chosen to represent the county at the State Fair. Participants will be scheduled at the State Fair.

4-H WORKING EXHIBITS

Judging –Thursday, July 9th, 12 Noon

All General Rules and Rules for the Communication Division apply. Read carefully.

Purpose-

Provide an opportunity for 4-H'ers to communicate, interact with, and teach an audience in an informal and experiential way.

**County Fair Working Exhibits will be presented Thursday during the fair in the Zentmire Hall.

Working Exhibit Rules

1. Time limit: Working Exhibits will be scheduled for a 30-minute period.
2. Participants must turn in a completed Working Exhibit Report form during event check-in.
3. Participants should plan for 40-60 visitors during the county fair.
4. Four exhibits chosen from senior, intermediate, and junior divisions will represent the county at the State Fair. Juniors must have completed 5th grade to be eligible for State Fair. Participants will be scheduled during the State Fair. There is no limit to the number of times a 4-H'er may participate at the State Fair.

4-H SHARE THE FUN

All General Rules and Rules for the Communication Division apply. Read carefully.

Purpose-

Provide an opportunity for 4-H'ers to share their skills and talents before an audience purely for the sake of enjoyment.

**County Share the Fun program will be Wednesday, July 16th 9:00 a.m. in combination with 4-H Communications Day. Held at Zentmire Hall in Marengo on Iowa County Fairgrounds.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Share-The-Fun performances must not exceed six minutes in length.
2. Skits, songs, stunts, short one-act plays, dance, and other entertainment will be acceptable. All performances must be appropriate for presentation to a general audience.
3. All performers must turn in a completed 4-H Share-The-Fun Report form at event check-in to confirm stage setup, cue music, etc.
4. Each county may have 3 State Fair entries.
 - Eligibility: 4-H'ers who have completed 5th grade through 12th grade (or that equivalent). Exception: If the Share-The-Fun act involves a whole club, the following criteria must be applied to determine if the club can be entered in the Share-The-Fun Program at the Iowa State Fair:
 - At least 80 percent of the performing group must have completed 5th through 12th grade in 2024-2025 school year.

PRIDE OF IOWA

Judging –Friday, July 10th – 12 Noon

OBJECTIVES

1. Acquaint 4-H'ers and adults with Iowa's products.
2. Encourage county fair participation.
3. Serve as a first step in communications exhibits for some.
4. Teach organization and planning skills.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The participants choose one (1) food item or recipe that represents ingredients from Iowa to demonstrate in the contest. Any 4-H'er of any age may enter.
2. Participants submit the recipe as the entry by the Pride of Iowa pre-fair entry day. Recipe/entry forms will be available at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/Iowa/county-fair>
3. Participants prepare or demonstrate how to make the recipe at the contest. Participants are not required to talk or give a verbal presentation. However, they should be prepared to answer the questions fair goers or judges might ask. The recipe can be relatively simple to prepare and should be appropriate to the age and skill of the member.
4. Samples of the finished recipe should be given away to fair goers. It is suggested that you have enough samples to serve approximately 50 people. Some samples can be prepared ahead of the contest.
5. Participants must supply their own food ingredients, and equipment. Ingredients can be partially prepared ahead of the contest (nuts chopped, meat precooked, mushrooms drained, etc.), but the ingredients of the recipe must be mixed together at the fair during the time of presentation. Signs will be provided giving the participants name, club, and name of recipe.
6. Possible foods for the Pride of Iowa Contest:
 - Fruit dip using yogurt
 - Roasted soybeans
 - Beef spread on crackers
 - Spiced apple cider beverage
 - Fruit pizza with an oatmeal crust
 - Venison or wild game spread on crackers
 - Taco dip with ground pork
 - No bake cookies with honey
 - Seasoned popcorn snacks
 - Trail mix using a corn cereal
 - Lamb meatballs using ground lamb

7. Criteria for judging:
 - a) taste and flavor of the product
 - b) organization of the 4-H member or team
 - c) originality of the recipe
 - d) healthfulness of ingredients or recipe (Was consideration given to ingredients that keep the recipe low in fat, salt, and sugar? Were substitutions made when appropriate?)
 - e) enthusiasm of 4-H'er
 - f) public's enthusiasm for the food item
 - g) 4-H'er follows contest rules
 - h) Food safety demonstrated
8. A judge will award blue, red ribbons and select a top honor as Judge's Choice.
9. The contest will be on Friday, July 18th the week of the fair at 12 noon in Zentmire Hall.
10. Pride of Iowa entries must be pre-registered in the online Fair Entry system by June 20th. The online Fair Entry system is open for registrations during the month of June at <http://Iowacounty.fairentry.com>

PRIDE OF IOWA CLASSES:

11501	Clover Kid Pride of Iowa
11502	Junior Pride of Iowa
11503	Intermediate Pride of Iowa
11504	Senior Pride of Iowa

AWARDBOBE CLOTHING EVENT

Judging – Tuesday, June 30th, TBA
Iowa County Extension, Williamsburg

SPECIAL RULES:

1. There will be four classes. Participants may have up to one entry in each class. Each class will be divided by age groups and compete against only the same age group.
 - a. Fashion Revue Class
 - b. \$20 Challenge Class
 - c. Clothing Selection Class
 - d. Innovative Design Class
2. Each class may include garments in any of the following four categories.
 - a. Athletic wear
 - b. Formal wear
 - c. Everyday wear
 - d. Costume
3. Age divisions are as follows:
 - a. Juniors: 4th grade – 6th grade
 - b. Intermediates: 7th grade – 8th grade
 - c. Seniors: 9th grade – 12th grade **this is the only age group eligible for State Fair Awardrobe selections.
4. Judging will be done by individual conference with a judge while participants wear their outfits. Participants will be required to bring completed Awardrobe project paperwork to

Awardrobe Event judging. It will be sent after the registration deadline, or it is available online under Awardrobe Event at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/Iowa/county-fair>

5. Awardrobe Event entries must be pre-registered in the online Fair Entry system by June 20th. The online Fair Entry system is open for registrations during the month of June at <http://Iowacounty.fairentry.com>
6. State Fair selection and eligibility:
 - Participants must have completed 9th grade.
 - Fashion Revue: up to four participants-two from any one category (athletic wear, formal wear, everyday wear, costume)
 - \$20 Challenge: up to four participants-two from any one category (athletic wear, formal wear, everyday wear, costume)
 - Clothing Selection: up to four participants-two from any one category (athletic wear, formal wear, everyday wear, costume)
 - Innovative Design Class: up to four participants-two from any one category (athletic wear, formal wear, everyday wear, costume)

Fashion Revue (Constructed)

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, stage 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.
5. Blouses, shirts, and sweaters are usually considered garments. If they are used to complete an outfit, they may be constructed or selected.
6. All other accessories and undergarments may be constructed or selected.

Clothing Selection (Selected Class)

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 fit, color, style, suitability, quality and construction features, stage presentation, required care, and cost comparison.
3. There is no consideration in judging the amount spent, only in the process of record keeping and reflection on the cost of the individual items as a 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.

The \$20 Challenge

1. This class is designed to expand the 4-H member's shopping experience to 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 included as a part of the calculated total must be submitted with the entry. A garage sale receipt can be a piece of paper with the name of the location such as "Jane Doe garage sale", date, amount paid, and signature of person selling at the garage sale. If the outfit was free at a garage sale, "free" can be listed on the report form and on the receipt. Failure to provide receipts will be reflected in the evaluation.
6. An outfit consists of major clothing pieces such as a shirt, sweater, jacket and pants and/or 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. There are no additional considerations for an outfit that totals less than \$20.
9. The outfit pieces should be purchased to meet the 4-H member's goal or intended use for the purchased outfit, and the 4-H member should have had an experience in choosing shopping alternatives, evaluating fit, quality and construction features, price, and cost comparison.

Innovative Design

1. The purpose of this class is to encourage creativity and out-of-the-box thinking when creating an outfit.
2. These 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 that 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. Consideration is given to originality and innovation.

AWARDROBE CLOTHING EVENT CLASSES:

12101	Fashion Revue Junior
12102	Fashion Revue Intermediate
12103	Fashion Revue Senior (9 th -12 th grade)
12201	Clothing Selection Junior
12202	Clothing Selection Intermediate
12203	Clothing Selection Senior (9 th -12 th grade)

12301	\$20 Challenge Junior
12302	\$20 Challenge Intermediate
12303	\$20 Challenge Senior (9 th -12 th grade)
12401	Innovative Design Junior
12402	Innovative Design Intermediate
12403	Innovative Design Senior (9 th -12 th grade)

Iowa County Fair Open Class

Superintendents: Marcia Bear, Linda Grabau, Jean Reihman

Cost: \$1.00 per item for all departments

Important Open Class Dates & Times:

Exhibit Check In:	Monday, July 6 th	6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
	Tuesday, July 7 th	9:00 am – 11:00 am
Open House:	Wednesday, July 8 th	4:00 pm – 8 pm
	Thursday, July 9 th – 11 th	9:00 am – 8 pm
Exhibit Release Time:	Sunday, July 12 th	9:00 am – 11:00 am

Exhibits must be picked up during this time. If you are unable to pick up your project, please arrange for someone else to check out your exhibits on your behalf. No early removal.

OPEN CLASS RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All exhibitors may be residents of Iowa County or a surrounding county.
2. 4-H & FFA members cannot enter the same exhibit in non-livestock projects in both 4-H & FFA classes and Open Class.
3. All exhibits must be checked on Monday, July 6th from 6 -8 pm or Tuesday, July 7th from 9 -11 am.
4. May include 3x5 card with a brief description with choices of material or process used. Not required.
5. Ribbons will be awarded to all exhibits. One exhibit in each department will be chosen Best of Show.”
6. Products of the Kitchen will be included in the Bake Sale. Proceeds will be used for the Open Class awards.
7. All exhibits **MUST** be picked up on Sunday, July 12th, from 9:00 – 11:00 am. Entries must be checked out with an Open Class Superintendent before removing. No early removal.
8. The superintendents and assistants reserve the right to reclassify an item or split classes.
9. Exhibitors may enter any number of items per department.

Open Class superintendents are not responsible for broken or damaged goods. If it is a priceless item or fear of damage, please do not bring as an exhibit.

DEPARTMENT 1 – ARTS

All pictures/art must be ready for hanging.

- Painting
- Drawing
- Pottery
- Computer Generated Art
- Any Other Item

DEPARTMENT 2 - CRAFTS

- Jewelry
- Glass
- Leather
- Ceramics
- Basket Weaving
- Caning
- Any Other Item

DEPARTMENT 3 - PHOTOGRAPHY

All photos are to be mounted. Exhibitors may mount their own photo on mat board, use ready-cut window mats, or have matting done professionally. Foam board may be added for stability. Framed photos will not be judged.

- Color Photos
- Photo Series
- Black and White Photography
- Digital (modified, enhanced)
- Any Other Item

DEPARTMENT 4 – PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY

All photos are to be mounted. Exhibitors may mount their own photo on mat board, use ready-cut window mats, or have matting done professionally. Foam board may be added for stability. Framed photos will not be judged.

- Color Photos
- Photo Series
- Black and White Photography
- Digital (modified, enhanced)
- Any Other Item

DEPARTMENT 5 - HOBBIES

A collection of (3 or more) small articles. Example: marbles, pencils, pens, compacts, buttons, etc.

DEPARTMENT 6 - HERITAGE

Articles made by an ancestor. Example: clothing, quilts, small piece of furniture, toys, dolls, etc.

DEPARTMENT 7 - TEXTILES

All clothing must be brought on hangers. Exhibits may be brought in plastic bags to prevent soiling.

- Needle Work: Knitting, Crochet, Counted Cross Stitch, Embroidery, Latch Hook, Needlepoint
- Constructed Clothing — Adult or Child
- Weaving/ Braided Rugs
- Any other Item

DEPARTMENT 8 - QUILTS

Exhibits may be brought in plastic bag to prevent soiling. All items must be quilted. Piecing and quilting may be done by two different individuals.

- Hand Quilted Quilt/Item
- Machine Quilted Quilt/Item
- Computerized Quilt/Item
- Hand Applique
- Any other item

DEPARTMENT 9 – FRUITS & VEGETABLES

Entries must be grown by exhibitor. All exhibits must be placed on a paper plate. Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to include the variety with their entry, as this is helpful to the judge, although it is not a requirement for entry.

I. Vegetables

- Beans....6
- Cole Crops....1 head
Cabbage, Cauliflower,
Broccoli, Kohlrabi, other
- Cucumbers....3
- Root Crops....3
Beets, Carrots, Potatoes,
Radishes, Turnips, other
- Onions....3
- Peppers....3
- Squash....1
- Tomatoes....3
- Herbs.....5 sprigs per bottle
- Any other item

II. Fruit

- Berries....6
- Tree & Vine Bearing....3
- All Other Fruit3

DEPARTMENT 10 - FLOWERS

Entries must be grown by the exhibitor. Containers must be clear glass (e.g. pop bottle, glass milk bottle, fruit juice bottle, etc.) Include variety or name on entry tags. Note the number of stems requirement. All pollen anthers need to be removed, particularly from lilies.

- Potted Plants
- Annual Flowers....1-3 Stems
- Perennial Flowers....1-3 Stems
- Any other item

DEPARTMENT 11 – FLOWER SHOW

- Fresh
- Dried
- Silk

DEPARTMENT 12 – PRODUCTS OF THE KITCHEN

All entries must be homemade by exhibitor. Cakes should be unfrosted, with the exception of Decorated Cakes. No custard or cream pies will be accepted. All exhibits are to be placed on a paper plate and put in a plastic bag. Pies should be in a disposable pie tin. A recipe must accompany each entry.

- Yeast Bread
- Other Bread Type: Frozen, Mixes, Bread Machine
- Quick Bread
- Yeast Roll – 6 on a plate
- Muffins – 6 on a plate
- Cookies – 6 on a plate
- Cake, unfrosted
- Decorated Cake (may be mix & can be frosted)
- Pie
- Candy
- Any other item

Canned Goods...Exhibit must include (2) jars. One will be opened by the judge for tasting. The other jar will be for display. Recipe must be attached to entry. All jams, jellies, preserves, etc. **MUST BE PROCESSED IN HOT WATER BATH** with two piece lid according to Extension guidelines. Use of paraffin wax is **NOT ACCEPTABLE**.

DEPARTMENT 13 – PRODUCTS OF THE WORKSHOP

All entries must be made, constructed, refinished by the exhibitor.

Wood

Small furniture, cutting board, wall décor, etc.
Refinished
Recycled
Yard ornament
Any other item

Metal

Welded, forged, machined, sheet metal
Farm
Home
Tools
Plasma, laser cutting
Yard ornament/sign
Recycled
Any other item

DEPARTMENT 14 – CHILDREN’S CLASS

12 Years of age and younger

- Arts & Crafts
- Photography
- Hobbies
- Textiles
- Fruits & Vegetables
- Flowers
- Products of the Kitchen
- All other items

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