

2026 Dixon County Fair Open Class Fair Book

July 8-12, 2026

Concord, Nebraska

Entry Wednesday, July 8, 2026 – 8:30-11:00 am

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ADMISSION

Single Admission Wednesday - Sunday \$15.00 / day
 Children, 12 and under FREE
 Pre-Sale Season Ticket (including tax) \$40.00. Starts 5/1/2026
 Available at Dixon County Bank - Ponca, Security Bank - Laurel and Allen, Euni's - Dixon, Gretchen Dietrich - Concord, Countryside Gas - Allen, Rath's - Laurel, Miller Building Supply - Wakefield
 Season Ticket at gate (including tax) \$50.00



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OPEN CLASS SUPERINTENDENTS

Supt. of Ground	Mark Muller
Supt. of Ag Hall	Brook Dvorak
Horses	Kirt Cunningham & Pen Mendina
Beef Cattle	Mark Muller
Bucket Calf	Amanda Hansen
Dairy	Jack Warner
Swine	Brad Hrouda
Goat	TBD
Sheep	Martey Stewart
Rabbits	TBD
Poultry	Lori Hoelsing and Cortni Krusemark
Farm Implements	Caleb Samuelson
Antique Machinery	Anita Eckert
Farm Products	Jason Fischer and Amanda Fischer
Foods	Anita Muller
Needlework & Sewing	McKenzie Roeber
Arts & Crafts	Keiziah Fischer
Flowers & Plants	Hannah Borg
Photography	Bailey McCoy

RULES AND REGULATIONS

ENTRY DAY FOR ALL STATIC 4-H AND OPEN CLASS EXHIBITS WILL BE Wednesday, July 8, 4-H Static Superintendent meeting will be at 8:00 am. Entries will be from 8:30 am till 11:00 pm. 4-H Interview judging starts at 9:00 am. LIVESTOCK WILL be entered Wednesday, July 8, FROM 5:00-6:00 pm MARKET BEEF WILL WEIGH IN 4:00 PM ON July 8. 4-H HORSES WILL STILL CHECK IN ON Thursday, July 9, FROM 7:30-8:30 am WITH THE 4-H HORSE SHOW BEGINNING AT 8:30 am.

1. The Fair opens Wednesday, July 8, 2026.
2. The 4-H Bucket Calf Interviews is on Thursday, July 9, at Noon with judging at 3:00 pm.
3. The Open Class Horse Play Day will be on Sunday, July 12, beginning at 9:00 am.
4. The Fair program has been arranged so that every day will be as interesting as any other day. The exhibit hall will be open from 10:00 am to 10:00 pm each day of the fair.
5. A special office for the officers and information bureau will be maintained on the grounds during the fair.
6. Parties desiring booths, vacant grounds for stands and other privileges should write or call the Dixon County Ag Society Superintendent of Ag Hall, Brook Dvorak, PO Box 6, Concord, NE 68728, 712-635-8670.
7. The Board of Directors reserves the right to pay or not to pay on exhibits named in this book. Every article will be passed upon by the judges.
8. Only one premium will be given for a single animal, except for champion, progeny animals, and in herds.
9. All exhibits must be exhibited at such time and place as the superintendent of the class may direct.

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10. Intoxicated persons will not be permitted on the ground; all gambling and questionable shows are positively barred.
11. All protests must be filed with the superintendent of the department before the time of judging.
12. All persons, whether exhibitors or not, must get tickets of admission to the grounds.
13. **No animal or article shall be removed from the exhibit area until 3:00 pm the closing day of fair without special permission from the Fair Secretary, the Extension Office and the Superintendent in the specific area.** This permit is to be shown to the secretary of the department in which the exhibit is placed and also to the gatekeeper on leaving grounds. **A disregard to this rule will be a forfeit of any premiums, trophies and other awards (ribbons, recognition, etc.) that have been awarded. The exhibitor will also not be able to be enrolled in the project area or exhibit at the fair in that project area the following fair.**
14. Open Class exhibitors may pick up their premiums at the Fair Office Thursday through Sunday. Office times will vary based on fair activities and will be posted on the fair office door. 4-H Premiums will be paid after October 1, with checks being mailed to the 4-H Club Leaders and Independent 4-H families.
15. The Association will provide police and night watch and will do all in its power to protect exhibits, but will not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury.
16. While the greatest possible care will be taken by the management to protect patrons of the Dixon County Fair, each individual will be held personally responsible for his or her actions, and the management will not be responsible for any injury.
17. The Board of Directors of the Dixon County Agricultural Society reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these Rules and Regulations and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto or otherwise arising out of connected with or incident to the Fair.
18. Wash racks are to be used by the horse project members prior to 8:30 am on July 9, 2026. Beef animals may wash after horses are finished.
19. All complaints or disagreements during the fair are to be brought before the Grievance Committee at the Fair. The Grievance Committee will consist of departmental Superintendents available at the time of the concern. All Superintendents are eligible to serve on the committee (excluding the specific superintendent from the area in which grievance arises). A minimum of three (3) Superintendents will be required to rule on a grievance. Any post-fair concerns must be made in writing to the Dixon County Agricultural Society, PO Box 6, Concord, NE, 68728.
20. Trophies are awarded based on results of the show, whether 4-H or FFA winners.
21. RELEASE TIME will be Sunday, July 12, 3:00 pm for Livestock and all other exhibits. Superintendents and Fair Board are not responsible for exhibits left after 7:00 pm. No perishable products (food, garden, etc.) will be saved after 7:00 pm.
22. **NO DOGS ARE ALLOWED AT ANY LIVESTOCK OR SMALL ANIMAL ARENA OR SHOW. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

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OPEN CLASS ~ AG HALL

ENTRY RULES OF EXHIBITS

FARM PRODUCTS, FLOWERS, PLANTS, FOOD, NEEDLEWORK, SEWING, ARTS & CRAFTS

ALL PREMIUMS IN OPEN CLASS IN AG HALL WILL BE Purple-- \$1.00 AND RED--\$0.50, and WHITE \$0.25. Each department will award a Grand Champion which will receive a Rosette and additional premium of \$5.00, and Reserve Grand Champion will receive a Rosette and additional premium of \$2.00 IN EACH AGE DIVISION.

1. Classes are not provided for every possible exhibit which you might have. An attempt is made to provide classes for those items you wish to exhibit, providing space and facilities are available. Premiums will be paid.
2. No one will be permitted to compete for premiums on articles that received premiums from the previous year.
3. Exhibitor numbers may be secured in the Ag Hall on entry day.
4. All exhibits in these areas must be on the grounds and in their places by 11:00 am on Wednesday, July 8, 2026.

OPEN CLASS ~ LIVESTOCK EXHIBITS

1. All Open Class Beef, dairy, swine, goats and sheep exhibits must be on the grounds by 5:00-6:00 pm, Wednesday, July 8, 2026.
2. All Open Class Horses must be on the grounds by 8:45 am on Sunday, July 12, 2026.
3. **Entry fees for Open Class cattle, sheep, swine and goats, will be \$1.50 per class entry.** Collection of and payment to the Fair Treasurer (Jason Fischer) of **OPEN CLASS ENTRY FEES ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SUPERINTENDENT in each respective department.**
4. Registration papers must be in the hands of the livestock superintendent prior to the show.
5. No animal can be entered for more than one premium, except for Champion and in herds.
6. Exhibitors of stock must place their names and addresses, name of particular breed of each animal, and also the name and age of the same, so far as known, in a conspicuous place on their respective pens, on a card furnished by them.
7. Exhibitors will be required to keep the ground fronting within ten feet of their pens, clear and clean of all garbage.
8. An exhibitor of stock must either remain with it or have a man in charge. If no one is found when judges are awarding premiums, stock will be passed.
9. A barren animal shall not be awarded a premium, if shown in the breeding class.
10. 4-H and FFA livestock cannot be shown in open class.

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JUDGES

1. If, in the opinion of the judges, age of animal is misrepresented, they will have the power to disqualify the same from the competition. The judge's decision will be final in case of dispute regarding the breed, age or type of animal.
2. Judges will receive their books and enter on the discharge of their duties at the direction of the department superintendent.
3. In case there are only one or two entries in a class or lot, the awarding of the first premium will be based on the merits of the exhibits as decided by the judge. In no case will an article or animal be awarded a premium unless the judge decides it is entitled to the premium awarded.
4. **Purple ribbons** denote FIRST PREMIUM; **Red ribbons** denote SECOND PREMIUM.

SUPERINTENDENTS

1. Superintendents in each department will be under orders by the Board of Directors which must be announced by the manager.
2. Superintendents will have full and complete charge of everything in their proper department, and will be looked to for proper arrangement and management.
3. Superintendents must be on the grounds and in their respective departments during the periods designated for receiving entries and be responsible for arranging entries in proper places for exhibition.
4. Each superintendent is directed to familiarize themselves with the duties of keeping proper records, filing reports, appointing assistants, and returning all books and records to their proper departments.
5. Superintendents, in the livestock departments, must notify the exhibitor of stock in regard to bringing the different classes into the show ring.
6. No person will be allowed in the ring when premiums are being awarded on livestock except those who have official duties there.
7. Superintendents must not confer with judges in the awarding of prizes.

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DEPARTMENT A

HORSES

KIRT CUNNINGHAM & TIM THOMAS: CO-SUPERINTENDENTS

DIXON COUNTY FAIR PLAY DAY

SUNDAY, July 12, 2026, 9:00 A.M.

Prizes: 40%, 30%, 20% and 10%

Horses will be ridden only in designated areas. Not on track in front of the grandstand, carnival or machinery areas nor in the fenced livestock area west of the large show barns. Entry fee \$2 per class unless otherwise listed.

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| 1. Yearlings - Under foals | 15. Barrel Crawl - 10 & Under, \$1 |
| 2. Pony Halter 54" and under | 16. Stake Race - 10 & Under, \$1 |
| 3. 2 Year old and older mares | 17. Junior Hat Race - 13 & Under |
| 4. 2 Year old and older geldings, studs | 18. Senior Hat Race - 14 & Over |
| 5. Lead line 7 & under \$1.00 | 19. Pole Bending - 10 & Under, \$1 |
| 6. 2 & 3 year Old Western Pleasure | 20. Junior Pole Bending - 11 - 14 |
| 7. Walk trot – 10 & Under, \$1 | 21. Senior Pole Bending 15 & over |
| 8. Horsemanship - 13 & Under | 22. Bucket Keyhole |
| 9. Horsemanship - 14 & Over | 23. Barrel Race - 10 & Under, \$1 |
| 10. Pony Pleasure 54" and under | 24. Junior Barrel Race - 11 - 14 |
| 11. Western Pleasure - 13 & Under | 25. Senior Barrel Race - 15 & Over |
| 12. Western Pleasure - 14 & over | 26. Rat Race, \$4 |
| 13. Reining open | 27. Four-In-Line, \$8 |
| 14. Egg & Spoon open | 28. Baton Race, \$8 |

Northeast Saddle Club Rules: Same horse not eligible in Junior and Senior Events. Entries close one event ahead. For additional information contact: Kirt Cunningham at (402) 584-2664

DEPARTMENT B

OPEN CLASS BEEF CATTLE

MARK MULLER, SUPERINTENDENT

ENTRY FEE: \$1.50 per class.

RULES TO BE FOLLOWED:

1. Registration papers must be in the hands of the cattle superintendent prior to the show. All bulls must be double tied.
2. 4-H and FFA cattle cannot be shown in open class.
3. No Bang's and T.B. test must be made provided to show they came from a Modified Free Area and they do not cross a state line.
4. Open Class will show after the 4-H cattle.
5. Judge has the privilege to award first, second or third premium if there is no competition.

PREMIUM LISTING:

Three premiums on all classes: First, \$12.00; Second, \$8.00; and Third, \$5.00.

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LOT 1 - PUREBRED BEEF CATTLE

\$10.00 to be given to the Grand Champion Bull and Female in each breed providing there is competition (at least two or more breeders of same breed showing cattle at county fair).

CLASSES:

1. Junior heifer calves after March 1, 2026.
2. Junior heifer calves calved between January 1 and February 28, 2026.
3. Late Senior heifer calves calved between November 1 and December 31, 2025.
4. Early senior heifer calves calved between September 1 and October 31, 2025.
5. Late summer yearling heifers calved between July 1 and August 31, 2025.
6. Early summer yearling heifers calved between May and June 30, 2025.
7. Junior yearling heifers calved between April 1 and April 30, 2025.
8. Junior yearling heifers calved between March 1 and March 31, 2025.
9. Early junior yearling heifers calved between January 1 and February 28, 2025.
10. Senior yearling heifers calved between September 1 and December 31, 2023.
11. Grand Champion female. Ribbon (all first-place animals competing).
12. Reserve grand champion female (all first animals plus animals that stood second to Grand Champion animal competing.) Ribbon only.
13. Junior bull calves calved after March 1, 2026.
14. Junior bull calves calved between January 1 and February 28, 2026.
15. Late senior bull calves calved between November 1 and December 31, 2025.
16. Early senior bull calves calved between September 1 and October 31, 2025.
17. Late summer yearling bulls calved between July 1 and August 31, 2025.
18. Early summer yearling bulls calved between May 1 and June 30, 2025.
19. Late junior yearling bulls calved between April 1 and April 30, 2025.
20. Late junior yearling bulls calved between March 1 and March 31, 2025.
21. Early yearling bulls calved between January 1 and February 28, 2025.
22. Senior yearling bulls calved between September 1 and December 31, 2025.
23. Summer senior yearling bulls calved between May 1 and August 31, 2025.
24. Two-year-old bulls calved between January 1 and April 30, 2024.
25. Grand Champion Bull Ribbon. (All first-place animals competing).
26. Reserve grand champion bull (all first-place animals, plus animals that stood second to grand champion animal competing). Ribbon Only.
27. Get-of-sire, four animals from above classes, both sexes represented, all owned by the exhibitor.
28. Pair of calves from classes 1, 2, 3, 13, 14 and 15, both sexes represented, all owned by the exhibitor.
29. Two bulls owned by the exhibitor.
30. Three bulls owned by the exhibitor.

LOT 2 - OPEN CLASS BEEF STOCKER CALVES

ENTRY FEE: \$1.50 per class.

Calves born between January 1 and June 1 of the current year. Bulls and steers in one class. Another class for heifers. Additional classes by age groups may be designated by the superintendent. Calves should be trained to stand tied and lead. Unruly calves may be dismissed by the judge. 1st - \$6.00; 2nd - \$4.00; 3rd - \$2.00.

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LOT 3 - PEE WEE BUCKET CALF AMANDA HANSEN- SUPERINTENDENT

No Entry Fee Open to all youth age 8 and under. NOTE: 4-H bucket calves MAY NOT be shown in Open Class.

Pee Wee bucket calves must be entered with the bucket calf superintendent, one hour before the show. The show is scheduled for 3:00 pm on Thursday, July 10 following the 4-H Bucket calf show. At this time exhibitors will bring their calf at halter to the show arena for showmanship, and they will be asked general oral questions about how they care for their animal and what they have learned from having a bucket calf. The quality of the animal will not be considered; calves may be washed but not clipped. All participants will receive a participation ribbon and \$1.00 premiums will be awarded, calves will be released after the show. **Any animal showing signs of infectious or contagious diseases will not be allowed to remain on the grounds.**

Pee Wee calf entry exhibited by youth ages 8 and under.

DEPARTMENT C OPEN CLASS SWINE BRAD HROUDA, SUPERINTENDENT

ENTRY FEE: \$1.50 per class.

1st-\$12.00; 2nd-\$8.00; 3rd-\$5.00

Open Class swine show will be held after the 4-H show. Equipment: Brush, Cane or Small Whip. There will be no swine breeding class. This show will be a Non-Terminal show. Market Swine-Market hogs should weigh between 230 and 290 pounds. No grooming compounds are to be used, including oil, powder, or other coat dressings or compounds. Water is permitted.

1. Market Hog
2. Pen of Three

DEPARTMENT D OPEN CLASS SHEEP MARTEY STEWART, SUPERINTENDENT

ENTRY FEE: \$1.50 per class.

1st - \$4.00; 2nd - \$2.00; 3rd - \$1.00.

SHEEP MISCELLANEOUS RULES, ETC.

All breeding ewes and rams, 2 years old or over, in order to compete for prizes must have produced offspring within twelve months preceding show.

All animals shown must be registered and carrying ear tag from the Registry Association. There is no competition between breeds. Lambs must have been dropped within the year in which shown. A flock consists of 2 ewes, 1-year-old or over, 2 ewe lambs and 1 ram. any age. Get of sire consists of 2 animals any age, get of one sire. Produce of dam. consists of 2 animals any age, out of dam.

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1. Rams, 2 years or over	\$4	\$2	\$1
2. Ram, 1 year and under	\$4	\$2	\$1
3. Ram Lamb	\$4	\$2	\$1

	1 st	2 nd
4. Ewe, 2 years old or over	\$4	\$2
5. Ewe, 1 year old and under 2	\$4	\$2

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CHAMPIONS

Best Ram, any age	Ribbon
Best Ewe, any age	Ribbon

GROUPS

Get of Sire	Ribbon
Produce of DAM	Ribbon

DEPARTMENT E OPEN CLASS RABBITS TBD, SUPERINTENDENT

BREEDING CLASSES

AGE	DOES	BUCKS
Junior (under 6 months)	1	2
Intermediate (6, 7, 8 months)	3	4
Senior (over 8 months)	5	6

MEAT CLASSES

Small Fryer (under 4 pounds)
Large Fryer (4 pounds to 5 ½ pounds maximum)
Blue \$1.50 Red \$1.00

DEPARTMENT F POULTRY LORI HOESING and CORTNI KRUSEMARK: CO-SUPERINTENDENT

EXHIBITS MUST BE ENTERED BETWEEN 5:00-6:00 PM ON Wednesday, July 8, 2026. To be eligible for exhibition, cockerel, pullets, cock or hen chicken entries must be fair representatives of one of the breeds, listed in the American Standard of Perfection. The minimum weights for light breeds such as Leghorns is 3 pounds for pullets, and 4 for cockerels; 4 pounds for pullets and 5 pounds for cockerels in the heavy breeds.

A trio of exhibition birds will consist of one male and two females. A pen of broilers shall consist of three male birds 6 to 8 weeks of age. A pen of hybrids, crossbred or purebred egg production birds shall consist of 3 pullets. Pens of broilers or egg production pullets will be judged for production qualities only and need not necessarily conform to breed standards.

Birds entered singly are not eligible to be judged as part of a trio. Birds entered in trios or pens are ineligible to be judged in individual competition.

The rules for standard-sized chickens applies equally to bantams, waterfowl and turkeys where applicable.

HEALTH REGULATIONS

The Nebraska Poultry Disease Act requires that poultry entering exhibitions be Pullorum-Typhoid Clean. Proof of compliance with this act must be presented to the Superintendent of Poultry Exhibits when the birds are entered in the show. Proof of testing or purchase receipt from an MPIP supplier within the past year is proof of compliance.

SINGLES: Purple-- \$1.00 AND RED--\$.50.

TRIO: Purple-- \$1.00 AND RED--\$.50.

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STANDARD SIZE

1. Cockerel
2. Pullet
3. Cock
4. Hen
5. Trio
6. Pen (Broilers)
7. Pen (Egg Production)

BANTAMS

8. Cockerel
9. Pullet
10. Cock
11. Hen

TURKEYS

12. Youth Tom Turkey
13. Young Hen Turkey

GEESE

14. Young Gander
15. Young Goose

DUCKS

16. Young Drake
17. Young Duck
18. Trio

DEPARTMENT G - DAIRY GOATS & OTHER GOATS

TBD: SUPERINTENDENT

ENTRY FEE: \$1.50 per class.

1st - \$4.00; 2nd - \$2.00; 3rd - \$1.00.

Does must be milked out at 7 p.m. of the day prior to showing. Verify with the Superintendent. Designate breed on entry tag.

Dairy Goat

1. Doe under 5 months.
2. Doe 5 to 8 months.
3. Doe 8 months to 1 year.
4. Milking doe under 2 years.
5. Milking doe 2 to 5 years.
6. Milking doe over 5 years.
7. Dry doe
8. Junior Herd (3 animals bred by exhibitor at least one in milk).
9. Mother-daughter.

Pygmy Goats:

10. under 6 month doe
11. 7-12 month doe
12. 13-24 month doe
13. 25 month or over doe

Market Meat Class:

All market meat class goats will need to be ear tagged.

Rules for Meat Class

1. Market meat goat classes are open to wether or doe up to 8 months of age.
2. Horns - It is required that the horns be tipped on all goats before arrival on the grounds.
3. All percentage will be shown in same class.
4. Weight-there will be minimum weight of 50 lbs and a maximum weight of 130 pounds.
Under 50 lbs will be put in the pre-market weight class.
5. Exhibitors are required to use collars or collars with a short lead when showing.
6. Exhibitors will not lift the front legs of goats off of the ground during judging.
7. 4-H and FFA will be judged together.

14 Meat Goat

15 Meat Goats under 50 pounds

16 Breeding Meat Goat-Yearling Doe

17 Breeding Meat Goat- Doe Kid

18 Breeding Meat Goat- Over 1 Year Old Nanny

Bucks over 2 months old must be banded to make them eligible to compete at the fair. No Billy Goats.

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DEPARTMENT H

FARM IMPLEMENTS

CALEB SAMUELSON: SUPERINTENDENT

No entry fee is charged in this class.

DEPARTMENT I

ANTIQUÉ MACHINERY

ANITA ECKERT: SUPERINTENDENT

No entry fee is charged in this class.

AG HALL EXHIBITS

DEPARTMENT J

FARM PRODUCTS (Includes CROPS and GARDEN)

JASON AND AMANDA FISCHER: CO-SUPERINTENDENT

All entries must be in by 11:00 A.M., July 8, 2026. Judging of exhibits will be Wednesday, July 8, 2026. **ONLY ONE EXHIBIT PER CATEGORY PER Person** There is only one age division in Farm Products –**All Ages**. Ribbons will be presented plus Best of Show.

Special Award: \$25 Gift Certificate will be given to the Grand Champion Farm Products entry from Eaton's Greenhouse in Wakefield Nebraska.

CLASS 1 - CORN

SIX EARS, GROWTH OF CURRENT YEAR

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|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Yellow | 5. Yellow Sweet Corn |
| 2. White | 6. White Sweet Corn |
| 3. Yellow Popcorn | 7. Multi-colored Corn |
| 4. White Popcorn | 8. Other Not Listed |

CLASS 2 - SHEAF DISPLAY

Sheaf grains and tame grasses should not be less than three inches in diameter at the middle band. Sheaves of wild grasses should not be less than 1 inch at the center band. Forage stalks should retain their foliage, but grain sheaves should be stripped of leaves.

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| 1. Wheat | 3. Oats | 5. Legume (classes as needed) | 7. Soybeans |
| 2. Rye | 4. Barley | 6. Grasses (classes as needed) | 8. Others not listed |

CLASS 3 - STALK DISPLAY

Four stalks with foliage. Ears of corn should be husked back for display.

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| 1. Corn (classes as needed) | 3. Sunflower |
| 2. Sorghum (classes as needed) | 4. Others not listed |

CLASS 4 – GIANT/ UNUSUAL CLASS

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| 1. Tallest Corn Stalk | 5. Any Giant produce from Class 6 or Class 7 |
| 2. Tallest Sunflower | 6. Any UNUSUAL produce from Class 6 or Class 7 |
| 3. Largest Tame Sunflower Head | |
| 4. Soybean Plant with the Most Pods | |

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CLASS 5 - VEGETABLES

Exhibits on paper plates furnished by the exhibitor.

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| 1. Red Potatoes (5) | 12. Green Peppers (5) | 23. Green Beans, in pod (12) |
| 2. White Potatoes (5) | 13. Banana Peppers (5) | 24. Wax Beans in pod (12) |
| 3. Sweet Potatoes (5) | 14. Hot Peppers (5) | 25. Lima Beans, in pod (12) |
| 4. Yellow Potatoes (5) | 15. Cauliflower (1) | 26. Red Tomatoes (5) |
| 5. Russet Potatoes (5) | 16. Rutabagas (5) | 27. Yellow Tomatoes (5) |
| 6. White Onions (5) | 17. Kohlrabi (5) | 28. Cherry Tomatoes (6) |
| 7. Yellow Onions (5) | 18. Carrots (6) | 29. Green Tomatoes (5) |
| 8. Red Onions (5) | 19. Turnips (5) | 30. Roma tomatoes (5) |
| 9. Green Cabbage (1) | 20. Parsnips (5) | 31. Red Beets (5) |
| 10. Red Cabbage (1) | 21. Rhubarb (5) | 32. Okra (5) |
| 11. Flathead Cabbage (1) | 22. Egg Plant (2) | 33. Other |

CLASS 6 - VINE CROPS

TWO SPECIMENS OF EACH VARIETY, STEM ATTACHED UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED

Classes as needed:

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|------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Winter Squash | 5. Cucumbers, Slicing (2) | 9. Watermelon (1) |
| 2. Gourds | 6. Cucumbers, Pickling (5) | 10. Pumpkins (1) |
| 3. Summer Squash | 7. Exotic Squash | 11. Others not listed |
| 4. Zucchini | 8. Muskmelons (1) | |

CLASS 7 - FRUITS

Exhibit on paper plates furnished by the exhibitor.

A single exhibit shall consist of 5 large fruits (apples, pears, etc.), 12 small fruits (plums, cherries) or 2 bunches of grapes. The specimens shall be in their natural state, not rubbed or polished. They shall be free from scab and other diseases. They shall be uniform in size, shape, and color.

Classes as needed:

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| 1. Apples | 4. Peaches | 7. Others Not Listed |
| 2. Pears | 5. Grapes | |
| 3. Plums | 6. Cherries | |

CLASS 8 - HERBS

5 Stems

1. Fresh Dill
2. Fresh Parsley
3. Fresh Basil
4. Dried Herb Collection -3 different herbs displayed in 3 separate glass jars. Jars need not be full but must be labeled.
5. Other Fresh Herb

CLASS 9 - DECORATE A VEGGIE CONTEST

Exhibitors are encouraged to use their imagination and creativity freely in construction without restriction on size and material used.

VEGETABLES AND FRUIT EXHIBITORS

Please select your Fair entries according to the standards of fruit and vegetable shows. Select with these five factors in mind.

SIZE: Know the normal size of the variety. Select as near to that size as possible. Oversize is not necessary but is good if you can meet the other factors.

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TYPE: Each variety of each species has type characteristics. These characteristics should be evident in each specimen of each entry. Don't mix varieties.

CONDITION: In so far as possible, the exhibit should be in the peak of either edible or storage condition. Any evidence of disease or insect damage reduces the score also.

COLOR: Select according to the color characteristics of the variety.

UNIFORMITY: In exhibits of multiple specimens, uniformity of size, type, condition, and color is very important. It is better to sacrifice on size and color and to achieve uniformity. Be very reluctant to sacrifice condition and never sacrifice type.

A LOGICAL SCORE TABLE

Size.....10%

Type..... 25%

Condition..... 20%

Color..... 20%

Uniformity..... 25%

Use this suggested scoring in selecting your exhibit and you will be helping your show.

PREPARING FOR EXHIBIT

Onions- Cut off tops leaving approximately an inch of top, rub off roots and leave at least one layer of the papery protective skin on the onion.

Potatoes- Don't wash or polish. Select potatoes at a time when they will harvest clean. Slight brushing with a soft clean cloth may be permissible to remove dirt if necessary to do so. The same applies for sweet potatoes, carrots, parsnips, rutabagas, salsify, beets, turnips or any root crop.

Root Crops- with a crown and foliage directly attached, clip foliage off at approximately one inch from the crown. **Vine Crops-** must have stems attached or included with exhibit. This includes cucumbers, squash, pumpkins, muskmelons and watermelons.

Beans (pod)- should include a short section of stem.

Cabbage- cut off root stalk at the base of the cabbage head. Remove only damaged outer loose leaves.

Egg Plant- leave the stem on the exhibit, do not polish.

Tomatoes- Cherry tomatoes should have their stems on them, stems off other tomatoes.

DEPARTMENT K FOODS

ANITA MULLER: SUPERINTENDENT

All entries must be in by 11:00 am. Judging of exhibits will be on Wednesday, July 8, 2026.

All articles must be home-baked or preserved. Jars should have bands on them. In case there is but a single entry in a class, the judge may decide whether or not the article is worthy of a prize.

The Complete Champion Food Exhibit must remain throughout the fair. All other baked goods may be picked up after judging except for a small portion left for display.

AGE DIVISIONS

There will be four age divisions in this department in all classes. Exhibitors may exhibit only in the respective age divisions.

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CLASS 1 - BREAD

Must be homemade (1 loaf baked in single bread pan)

1. Rye Bread
2. White Bread
3. Whole Wheat Bread
4. Others not listed

CLASS 2 - ROLLS

Must be 6 rolls, buns, etc. on a plate.

1. Buns
2. Cinnamon Rolls
3. Graham. Rolls
4. Hot Cross Buns
5. Raised Doughnuts
6. White Rolls
7. Whole Wheat
8. Others not listed

CLASS 3 - CAKE

Must be whole and frosted.

1. Angel Food
2. Applesauce
3. Chocolate
4. Jelly Roll
5. White
6. Yellow
7. Six Cupcakes
8. Others Not Listed

CLASS 4 - DECORATED CAKES

1. Tiered
2. Single Layer or loaf
3. Cupcakes (display of 6)

CLASS 5 - CANDY

Six pieces each.

1. Divinity
2. Fudge
3. Peanut Brittle
4. Others Not Listed

CLASS 6 - COOKIES

Six of each.

1. Bar Cookies
2. Chocolate Chip Cookies
3. Ginger Cookies
4. Ice Box Cookies
5. Macaroons
6. Oatmeal Cookies
7. Rolled Sugar
8. Peanut Butter
9. Others Not Listed

CLASS 7 - QUICK BREADS (Bring whole loaf or ring)

1. Fruit or Nut Bread
2. Quick Coffee Cake
3. Others Not Listed

CLASS 8 - FRUIT PIES

Must be in an 8", 9" or 10" pie pan. Must have crust-type top.

1. Lattice Top
2. Regular Crust Top

CLASS 9 - HEALTHY FOODS

Must include recipe and tell of changes made in the recipe, quality of food, and how it was accepted.

1. Reduce Sugar
2. Reduce Fat
3. Increase Fiber

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PREPARING FOOD PRESERVATION EXHIBITS

No canned foods will be opened except in case of doubt. The jars should be cleaned so that the glass shines. Bands should be on all jars. Jars should be ½ to 1 inch from the top of the jar. A collection should be a minimum of three (3) different foods in uniform containers with uniform labels. Items entered in a collection cannot be entered individually.

CLASS 10- FRUITS

May be in pint or quart jars.

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|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. Apricots | 6. Peaches, sliced | 11. Rhubarb |
| 2. Apples | 7. Peaches, halved | 12. Apple Sauce |
| 3. Blackberries | 8. Plums | 13. Three Jar Fruit Collection |
| 4. Cherries, pitted | 9. Pears | 14. Others not listed |
| 5. Italian Prunes | 10. Raspberries | |

CLASS 11 - CANNED VEGETABLES

Must be in pint or quart jars.

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|---------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. Beans | 6. Mixed Vegetables | 11. Three 3 Jar Vegetable Collection |
| 2. Beets | 7. Peas | 12. Salsa |
| 3. Carrots | 8. Tomatoes | 13. Soup Starter |
| 4. Corn | 9. Sauerkraut | 14. Other Not listed |
| 5. Lima Beans | 10. Ready-to-eat soup | |

CLASS 12 - PRESERVES

Must be in jars or glasses.

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|---------------|---------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. Apple | 5. Peach | 9. Tomato |
| 2. Apricot | 6. Plum | 10. Three Jar Preserves Collection |
| 3. Cherry | 7. Pear | 11. Others not listed |
| 4. Gooseberry | 8. Strawberry | |

CLASS 13- BUTTERS

Must be in jars or glasses.

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|----------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Apple | 4. Pear | 7. Other Not Listed |
| 2. Grape | 5. Plum | |
| 3. Peach | 6. 3 Jar Collection | |

CLASS 14 - JELLIES

Must be in jars or glasses.

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|---------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 1. Apple | 4. Grape | 7. Choke Cherry |
| 2. Currant | 5. Plum | 8. 3 Jar Collection |
| 3. Gooseberry | 6. Raspberry | 9. Other Not Listed |

CLASS 15 - JAMS

Must be in jars or glasses.

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|---------------|----------|----------------------|
| 1. Apricot | 4. Peach | 7. Strawberry |
| 2. Cherry | 5. Plum | 8. 3 Jar Collection |
| 3. Gooseberry | 6. Pear | 9. Others Not Listed |

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CLASS 16 - PICKLES AND RELISHES

May be in pint or quart-size jars

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| 1. Bean Pickles | 6. Sweet Cucumber Pickles | 11. Relish |
| 2. Beet Pickles | 7. Ripe Cucumber Pickles | 12. 3 Jar Collection |
| 3. Bread and Butter Pickles | 8. Green Tomato Pickles | 13. Others Not Listed |
| 4. Crab Apple Pickles | 9. Onion Pickles | |
| 5. Dill Cucumber Pickles | 10. Watermelon Pickles | |

CLASS 17 - DRIED FRUIT

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|------------|----------------------|
| 1. Apples | 4. Kiwi |
| 2. Bananas | 5. Peaches |
| 3. Pears | 6. Others not listed |

CLASS 18 - DRIED VEGETABLE

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|-------------|----------------------|
| 1. Onion | 4. Beans |
| 2. Peppers | 5. Seeds |
| 3. Potatoes | 6. Others not listed |

CLASS 19 - CANNED MEAT

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| 1. Chicken | 2. Beef |
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CLASS 20- GIFT BASKET

Must include at least 1 food item.

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| 1. Get Well | 3. Congratulations |
| 2. Baby | 4. Other |

CLASS 21 - Miscellaneous

1. Any other food not listed in any other area

DEPARTMENT L NEEDLEWORK & SEWING McKENZIE ROEBER: SUPERINTENDENT

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ALL PREMIUMS IN OPEN CLASS IN AG HALL WILL BE PURPLE-- \$1.00 AND RED--\$.50, and WHITE \$.25. Each department will award a Grand Champion which will receive a Rosette and additional premium of \$5.00, and Reserve Grand Champion will receive a Rosette and additional premium of \$2.00 IN EACH AGE DIVISION.

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OVERALL CHAMPION NEEDLEWORK AND SEWING EXHIBIT

NEBRASKA STATE FAIR SPECIAL AWARD FOR BEST IN COUNTY IN NEEDLEWORK CONTEST

1. Must be judged best Needlework in County.
2. Only one article may be entered in this contest from each county. Exhibitor must live in county.
3. Superintendent of County Needlework (or official) must send exhibit and official entry forms to the State Fair.
4. State Fair Premium: 1st prize, \$75.00; 2nd prize, \$60.00; 3rd prize, \$50.00; 4th prize, \$40.00; 5th prize, \$30.00.

NEBRASKA STATE FAIR SPECIAL AWARD

The Quilt Shop of Wakefield will award a gift certificate to the Quilt of Choice Award selected by the Judge.

CLASS 1 – HAND EMBROIDERY

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| 1. Dish towel- single- limit 1 exhibit | 7. Picture |
| 2. Dish Towel set | 8. Ribbon embroidery |
| 3. Luncheon set | 9. Crewel embroidery |
| 4. Pillowcase pair | 10. Table runner |
| 5. Tablecloth | 11. Other |
| 6. Pillow | |

CLASS 2 – MACHINE EMBROIDERY

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| 1. Dish towel- single- limit 1 exhibit | 6. Pillow |
| 2. Dish Towel set | 7. Picture |
| 3. Luncheon set | 8. Table runner |
| 4. Pillowcase pair | 9. Other |
| 5. Tablecloth | |

CLASS 3 – CROSS STITCH

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|---|--------------------|
| 1. Table runner | 4. Pillowcase pair |
| 2. Dish towels- single- limit 1 exhibit | 5. Tablecloth |
| 3. Picture | 6. Pillow |
| | 7. Other |

CLASS 4 – COUNTED CROSS STITCH

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| 1. Table runner | 4. Pillowcase pair |
| 2. Dish towel – single – limit 1 exhibit | 5. Tablecloth |
| 3. Picture | 6. Other |

CLASS 5 – CROCHETING

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|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Afghan | 7. Doll Clothes | 13. Scarf |
| 2. Baby set | 8. Table runner | 14. Mittens |
| 3. Bag | 9. Pillowcases | 15. Socks / booties |
| 4. Bedspread | 10. Potholders | 16. Rug |
| 5. Doily – crochet trim | 11. Sweater | 17. Stuffed animal / toy |
| 6. Doily – solid crochet | 12. Tablecloth | 18. Other |

CLASS 6 – KNITTING

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|-----------------|-------------|---------|
| 1. Afghan | 5. Mittens | 9. Rug |
| 2. Baby set | 6. Socks | 10. Oth |
| 3. Doll clothes | 7. Slippers | |
| 4. Scarf | 8. Sweater | |

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CLASS 7 – RUGS

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|--------------|------------|----------------------|
| 1. Hooked | 4. Knitted | 7. Wrapped or coiled |
| 2. Punched | 5. Braided | 8. Other |
| 3. Crocheted | 6. Woven | |

CLASS 8 – SEWING, WEARABLE

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|-------------------|------------------------|----------|
| 1. Apron | 4. Doll clothes | 7. Skirt |
| 2. Blouse / shirt | 5. Dress | 8. Other |
| 3. Child's dress | 6. Pajamas / sleepwear | |

CLASS 9 – SEWING, NON-WEARABLE

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|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Bag | 6. Stuffed animal | 11. Placemat |
| 2. Purse | 7. Toy | 12. Window treatment |
| 3. Blanket / pillow | 8. Pillow | 13. Article sewn from kit |
| 4. Dish towel | 9. Pillowcase | 14. Wall hanging |
| 5. Doll | 10. Table runner | 15. Other |

CLASS 10 – NEEDLEPOINT

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| 1. Picture | 3. Purse |
| 2. Pillow | 4. Other |

CLASS 11 – HOLIDAY

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|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 1. Stocking | 5. Sweatshirt | 9. Pillow |
| 2. Tree skirt | 6. Pothead | 10. Picture |
| 3. Ornament | 7. Hand towel | 11. Other |
| 4. Wall hanging | 8. Table runner | |

CLASS 12 – MISCELLANEOUS

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|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Tatting | 5. Stenciling | 9. Swedish weaving |
| 2. Candlewicking | 6. Punch weaving | 11. Other: |
| 3. Hardanger | 7. Huck weaving | |
| 4. Lace | 8. Loom weaving | |

NOTICE – Classes 13, 14, 15, and 16 need to be designated as:

A. Quilted by self or

B. Quilted by another **and** as well as by lot # :

EXAMPLE: 13 -A -2 for Bed Quilt, machine
applique, quilted by self

ALSO: Please include a short story explaining your quilt.

CLASS 13 – QUILTED – BED QUILT

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|---------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| A. Quilted by Self | B. Quilted by Another | |
| 1. Hand applique | 5. Embroidery | 9. Paper pieced |
| 2. Machine applique | 6. Crazy quilt | 10. Other |
| 3. Pieced / patchwork | 7. Stak'n Wak | |
| 4. Combined techniques | 8. Whole cloth | |

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CLASS 14 – QUILTED – LAP OR THROW QUILT

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|---------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| A. Quilted by Self | B. Quilted by Another | |
| 1. Hand applique | 5. Embroidery | 9. Paper pieced |
| 2. Machine applique | 6. Crazy quilt | 10. Other |
| 3. Pieced / patchwork | 7. Stak 'n Wak | |
| 4. Combined techniques | 8. Whole cloth | |

CLASS 15 – BABY QUILT

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|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------|
| A. Quilted by Self | B. Quilted by Another | |
| 1. Quilted | 4. Embroidered / cross stitch | 7. Other |
| 2. Tied | 5. Pieced / patchwork | |
| 3. Applique – hand or machine | 6. Paper pieced | |

CLASS 16 – WALL QUILT

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|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| 1. Hand applique | 4. Combined techniques | 7. Whole cloth |
| 2. Machine applique | 5. Embroidery | |
| 3. Pieced / patchwork | 6. Crazy quilt | |

CLASS 17 – MISCELLANEOUS QUILT

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|----------------|----------------|----------------------|
| 1. Rag quilt | 3. Puff quilt | 5. Re-purposed quilt |
| 2. Yo-yo quilt | 4. Denim quilt | |

DEPARTMENT M ARTS AND CRAFTS KEIZIAH FISCHER: SUPERINTENDENT

Entries in this department will close at 11:00 A.M., **Wednesday, July 8, 2026.** All pictures, painting, drawings should be framed or matted and ready to hang.

AGE DIVISIONS

There will be five age divisions in this department in all classes. Exhibitors may exhibit only in the respective age divisions. There will be a Grand Champ and Reserve for each age division

Premium No. Prefix	Division	Ages
J	Junior	10 and under
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CLASS 1 - PAINTING

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|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Acrylic | 4. T-Shirt/Sweatshirt |
| 2. Oil | 5. Mixed Media |
| 3. Paint By Number | 6. Other Article Not Listed |

CLASS 2 - PICTURES

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|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Pencil | 6. Chalk | 11. Stenciling |
| 2. Colored Pencil | 7. Patel Oils | 12. Torn Paper |
| 3. Crayon | 8. Charcoal | 13. College |
| 4. Marker | 9. Watercolor | 14. Mixed Media |
| 5. Pen & Ink | 10. Finger Paint | 15. Other |

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CLASS 3 - WALL HANGINGS

1. Wreaths
2. Dried Flowers
3. Other Arrangements

CLASS 4 - WOODWORK

1. Lamps, Clocks, Calendars
2. Pictures/handmade frame
3. Toy
4. Lawn Ornaments
5. Seasonal
6. Wood Carvings
7. Furniture
8. Other - Not Listed

CLASS 5 - FURNITURE

1. New & painted
2. New & varnished
3. Restored Antique

CLASS 6 - Welding (NEW 2026)

1. MIG (SMAW)
2. ARC
3. TIG
4. OA Welding

CLASS 7 - Decorations (NEW 2026)

1. Spring
2. Summer
3. Fall
4. Winter
5. New Year's Day
6. Valentine's Day
7. St. Patrick's Day
8. Easter
9. Independence Day
10. Halloween
11. Thanksgiving
12. Christmas
13. Other

CLASS 8 - CRAFTS

1. Article from Fabric
2. Article from Yarn
3. Article from Felt
4. Article from Leather
5. Article from Clay
6. Article from Metal
7. Article from Paper
8. Decoupage and mod-podge
9. Decorated Wood Cut-Outs
10. Jewelry
11. Angels
12. Recycled
13. Other

CLASS 9 - MISCELLANEOUS

1. Free-Build Legos
2. Lego Kits
3. Tinker Toys
4. Models (rockets, cars, etc.)
5. Diorama
6. 3D Prints
7. Silk Flower Arrangements
8. Stuffed Dolls, Toys, & Animals
9. Diamond Paintings
10. Beading
11. Soap Making
12. Candle Making
13. Pottery
14. Ceramics Glazed
15. Ceramics - Painted
16. Other

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CLASS 9- FINDS (Children under 8)

Limit 2 items per child. These items cannot be made or bought or cultivated by man. Must be nature finds, such as a rock, shell, etc. You must find it! Bring in a plastic bag. (No Bird Nests)

CLASS 10 - GARDEN GATE

Should have an outdoor theme.

One entry per Lot Number.

If pots contain flowers, plants will not be judged.

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|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Signs (hanging) | 5. Flower Boxes |
| 2. Signs (in the ground) | 6. Bird Houses |
| 3. Flower Pots | 7. Stepping Stones |
| 4. Old unusual Container | 8. Garden Gates (must have been) |

PRE-SCHOOL ART SPECIAL AWARD:

GRAND CHAMPION PRE-SCHOOL ART will receive a set of colored pencils.

1. Any child 6 and under who is not in first grade may enter Preschool Art.
2. All entries must be creative (that which requires original thinking, planning, and doing). No patterns, stereotyped cutouts, hectograph outlines, or coloring books will be allowed.
3. All entries must be mounted or matted.
4. Name and age of the exhibitor should appear in the lower right-hand corner of the mat.
5. Entries in preschool art will be judged. ALL exhibitors will receive premiums.
6. One entry (exhibit) allowed per child.

Class P 1-Three (3) years and under

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|----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Crayon | 6. Pencil | 11. Stenciling |
| 2. Watercolor | 7. Marker | 12. Mixed Media |
| 3. Finger-Paint | 8. Pen & Ink | 13. Misc |
| 4. Collage | 9. Colored Pencil | |
| 5. Sculpture, wood or clay | 10. Tempera Paint | |

Class P2 - Four (4) years olds

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|----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Crayon | 6. Pencil | 11. Stenciling |
| 2. Watercolor | 7. Marker | 12. Mixed Media |
| 3. Finger-Paint | 8. Pen & Ink | 13. Misc |
| 4. Collage | 9. Colored Pencil | |
| 5. Sculpture, wood or clay | 10. Tempera Paint | |

Class P3 - Five (5) to Six (6) years

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|----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Crayon | 6. Pencil | 11. Stenciling |
| 2. Watercolor | 7. Marker | 12. Mixed Media |
| 3. Finger-Paint | 8. Pen & Ink | 13. Misc |
| 4. Collage | 9. Colored Pencil | |
| 5. Sculpture, wood or clay | 10. Tempera Paint | |

DEPARTMENT M PHOTOGRAPHY

BAILEY McCOY: SUPERINTENDENT

NEW FOR 2026: Instructions for exhibiting prints. All photo's are 8"x10" prints mounted in 11"x14" (outside size) cut matti with a sandwich mat-board backing. (NO Foam Board); rectangular or oval inside mat opening. Place photos horizontally or vertically as appropriate. Watermarks are not allowed .

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age divisions.

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CATEGORIES FOR PHOTOGRAPHY

1. Portrait (Animal or Person)
2. Still life
3. Nature
4. Black and White
5. Special Effect
6. Action

DEPARTMENT N FLOWERS AND PLANTS TBD: SUPERINTENDENT

Entries in this department will close at **11:00 A.M. Wednesday, July 8, 2026.**

Judge's Award: \$25 Gift Certificate Eaton's Greenhouse in Wakefield Nebraska for the Judge's overall winner.

CLASSES

1. Potted Plants
2. Cut Flowers
3. Floral Arrangements
4. Outdoor Containers

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A	Adult	20 through 64
S	Senior	65 and older

♦An overall champion will be picked per age group.

CLASS 1 - POTTED PLANTS Flower pots should be clean.

1. Aloe Vera or Medicine Plant
2. Amaryllis, in bloom
3. Airplane plant or spider plant
4. Arrowhead
5. Begonia, small leaf
6. Begonia, large leaf
7. Cactus, Christmas
8. Cactus, other varieties
9. Coleus
10. Cyclamen
11. Fern, Boston Type
12. Fern, varieties other than Boston
13. Fuchsia, in bloom
14. Geranium, in bloom
15. Geranium, hanging
16. Gloxinia, in bloom
17. Hens & Chickens
18. Ivy
19. Jade
20. Jerusalem Cherry

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21. Kalanchoe
22. Lantana, in bloom
23. Palm
24. Peperomia
25. Philodendron
26. Piggy-back plant (mother/thousands)
27. Prayer Plant
28. Primrose, in bloom
29. Rosary Plant
30. Rubber plant

31. Schefflera
32. Shamrock
33. Snake Plant
34. Strawberry Begonia
35. Wandering Jew
36. Mixed Plants in one pot
37. Mixed cactus in one pot
38. Hanging basket, one or more plants
39. Violets
40. Other entries not listed

CLASS 2 - CUT FLOWERS

Leaves should be removed below the waterline. Must have at least 3 stems but not to exceed 5 unless otherwise noted.

1. Asters
2. Balsam. (annual)
3. Bachelor Buttons (Centaurea)
4. Bells of Ireland
5. Black-eyed Susan
6. Calliopsis (Coreopsis)
7. Canna -1 stem
8. Carnations-1 stem
9. Celosia
10. Cosmos (single or double)
11. Cockscomb
12. Calendula
13. Dahlias-1 stem
14. Daisies
15. Delphinium
16. Dianthus or Pinks
17. Everlasting, all varieties
18. Gaillardia
19. Gladiolas-1 stem
20. Hydrangea-1 stem
21. Impatiens or Everyday Bloomer
22. Lantana
23. Larkspur (annual)
24. Lily -1 stem
25. Marigolds, (large)

26. Marigolds, (small)
27. Mums (large)
28. Mums (small)
29. Nasturtiums
30. Petunias (single)
31. Petunias (double)
32. Pansies
33. Phlox (perennial)
34. Phlox (annual)
35. Summer Poinsettia
36. Sunflower-1 stem
37. Golden Glow
38. Salvia
39. Salpiglossis
40. SnapDragon
41. Sweet Peas
42. Sweet William.
43. Scabiosa
- 44 Tea Roses
45. Verbenas
46. Zinnia
47. Purple ConeFlower (Echinacea)
48. Roses (Bush)
49. Roses (Long stem) -1 stem
50. Other Classes Established for Varieties Not Listed

Champion Cut Flower will receive a \$25 gift certificate from Eaton's Floral & Greenhouse

CLASS 3 - FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS

An attractive arrangement and an appropriate type of vase or container are points considered in judging.

1. All fresh flowers and greenery arrangement
2. Special occasion. Attach tag naming occasion.
3. A dried natural or native materials arrangement (plants, weeds, bark, seeds)
4. School House Rock...Fresh design incorporating school supplies.

NOTE: Arrangements using all artificial materials (fabric, yarn, plastic) are to be entered in Dept. I, Arts and Crafts, CLASS 8, Class 60.

2026 Dixon County Fair Open Class Fair Book

July 8-12, 2026

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Entry Wednesday, July 8, 2026 – 8:30-11:00 am

CLASS 4 – OUTDOOR CONTAINERS

1. Hanging Plant- non-flowering
2. Hanging Plant – flowering
3. Container Plant – non-flowering
4. Container Plant – flowering
5. Plants growing in a container NOT originally meant for growing plants.
6. Cactus/Succulent Garden
7. Mixed Pot

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