2026 Ida County Fair Schedule

Monday, July 6th

5:00PM- Finish	Pre-Fair Cleanup

Thursday, July 9th

9:00AM-5:00PM	Clothing Awardrobe and Communication Event Judging St. Paul Lutheran Church, Ida Grove

Tuesday, July 14th

8:00 AM	Static Judging in the Exhibit Hall (See fairbook for times)
2:00-4:00PM	Rabbit Check In
4:00PM	Horse Show

Wednesday, July 15th

6:00-8:30AM	Swine Weigh-In
7:00-8:00AM	Poultry Check-In and Pullorum Testing
8:00-9:30AM	Beef Weigh-In
8:00-10:00AM	Beef Pen of 3 Weigh-In
8:00-10:00AM	Sheep Weigh-In
8:30-9:00AM	Goat Weigh-In
11:00-11:30AM	Mandatory Exhibitor Meeting in the Showring
12:00 PM	Clover Kids Pet and Stuffed Animal Show
12:30PM	4-H Dog and Pet Show
5:30PM	4-H Night and Queen Contest

Thursday, July 16th

8:00AM	Sheep Show
Following Sheep	Goat/Dairy Show
Following Goat	Clover Kids Sheep and Goat Show
1:30PM	Rabbit Show
1:30PM	Registration for Livestock Judging Contest Begins
2:00PM	Livestock Judging Contest
4:00PM	State Fair Exhibitors Picture in the Exhibit Hall

Friday, July 17th

8:00AM	Beef Show
Following Beef	Clover Kids Beef
Following Clover Kids	Future Calf Showman, & Baby Bottle Calf Shows
1:00PM	Pen of 3 Show
2:00PM	Poultry Show

Saturday, July 18th

7:30AM	Swine Show
2:00-4:00PM	Working Exhibits and Educational Presentations

Sunday, July 19th

12:00PM	Overall Showmanship
1:30PM	Ag Olympics
4:30PM	Static Exhibits Released, Clean Exhibit Hall
5:00PM	Livestock Released

Monday, July 20th 9:30AM Livestock Auction

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4-H Clubs and Leaders

Battle Badgers	Brianna Butcher and Melissa Butcher
Blaine Clovers	June Knop and Baylee Knop
Grant Champions	Joe Redenius
Ida County All Stars	Angie and Cody Rasmus
Logan Hotshots	Trisha Hoffman
Maple Huskies	Melissa Friedrichsen and Teresa McMillen
BCIG Clover Kids	Lisa Breyfogle
Ridge View Clover Kids	Lisa Breyfogle

4-H Youth Council

Tyler Dutler	Levi Else	Blake Friedrichsen	Macy Van Wyhe
Carli Friedrichsen	Tyler Friedrichsen	Laney Georg	
Whitney Johnson	Nina McMillen	Alison Moore	

4-H Committee

Grant Else	Leah Godbersen	Melissa Lockwood
Tammy Neubauer	Curt Phillips	Tammy Schumacher
Dennis Sykes	Paige Whitney	Val Georg

4-H Foundation

Linda Burk	Alex Conover	Mary Dreezen	Ron Rice
Pam Kuntz	Trisha Hoffman	Bob Paulsrud	
Jeana Todd	Paige Whitney	Lori Forneris	

FFA Advisors

OABCIG – Jillian Joyce

Ridge View – Tyler Wingert

Ida County Extension Personnel

Lisa Breyfogle – County Youth Coordinator

Kris Lukins – Office Manager

Margo McMillen – Summer Assistant

Nichol Kleespies – Regional Director – Region 7

County Extension Council

Kyle McBrid - President

Alan Friedrichsen - Vice-Chairman

June Knop - Secretary

Val Georg - Treasurer

Elliot Bengford

Denise Van Dusen

Barb Knudsen

Teresa McMillen

Layne Todd

Superintendents

Awardrobe Clothing and Communications – Liz Pinnow
Beef – June Knop, Kirby Goettsch, Tyler Robers, Nathan Drury
Beef Pen of 3 – Dale Friedrichsen, Andrew Butcher, Grant Else, Dennis Sykes, Tate Phillips, Gus Leonard
Bucket Calf – Ryan Henningsen, Beth Greenwald
Dog and Pets – Margo McMillen
Goat – Sheryl Spaulding
Herdsmanship – 4-H Committee
Horse and Pony – Tara Riessen
Overall Showmanship – Alex Conover, Bob Paulsrud
Poultry – Linda Burk, Erica Miller
Rabbit – Mary Rohlk
Sheep – Joan Sohm, Paige Whitney, Jillian Joyce
Swine – Alex Conover, Joe Friedrichsen, Jeana Todd, Ben Todd

Fair Board of Directors

Brent Rohlk – President	Shane Adams	Kristina Albers	Tyler Albers
Keri Weber – Vice President	Danny Gebers	Peggy Gebers	Matt Grell
Becky Miller – Secretary	Todd Heilman	Shelby Lee	Christopher Lee
Shilby Henningsen	Lexi Ryan	Brenda Melby	Kayla Rohlk
Kaylynn Luscombe			

Fair Board Members: Randy Rohlk, Jake Sholty

Fair Premiums

Fair premiums are paid by the fairboard. Premiums will be paid per fair entry according to ribbon placing as follows:

Purple - $4.00
Blue - $3.00
Red/White - $1.00

Premiums will be paid out daily. Premiums can be picked up in the fair office starting at 9:00AM on the day following judging of an entry. Premiums must be signed for when picked up and can only be picked up by the 4-Her or their parent/guardian.

Pre-Fair Clean-Up
Monday, July 6th @ 5:00

4-H'ers are required to sign in when they arrive. Sign in sheets will be in the fair office. We will begin work promptly at 5:00PM on Monday, July 6th. We will work until all jobs are completed. Parents and Superintendents are encouraged to come out and help. 4-H Club leaders are expected to attend, help direct the work of club members, and help record attendance. **4-Hers must check with Extension Staff or a Fair Board member to be sure jobs are completed before leaving the fairgrounds.**
Due to risk management regulations, 4-H'ers and any youth under the age of 20 cannot use tractors, skid loaders or any motorized equipment of that nature.
Barns and Fairground clean up, by youth, inside and out, may only be done "by hand" – anything requiring use of motorized equipment MUST be done by adults.

All 4-H'ers are expected to be present during clean-up time. If you cannot make it on the scheduled day, you MUST contact a fair board member to schedule a time to come out and work. Club assignments are listed below. If there are more people than needed for an area or job, re-assignments will be made to another area to assist with needs so that all jobs are completed.

REMINDER: Clubs are to bring all materials necessary to complete their jobs. **FOR PAPER PRODUCTS, LIQUID SOAP, GARBAGE BAGS, LIGHT BULBS, and ALL OTHER NEEDS (SCREWS, NAILS, ETC.) CHECK WITH A FAIR BOARD MEMBER.**

Battle Badgers	Commercial Building Goat Barn
Blaine Clovers	Cattle Barns Food Stand
Ida County All Stars	Rest Rooms by fair office Rabbit/poultry barn
Maple Huskies	Horse Barn/Restrooms Grandstand Exhibit Hall
Logan Hotshots	Show Ring Sheep Barn

Grant Champions See Lisa for your assignment.

When finished with your club's assigned tasks, your club should then check with other clubs to help finish their task and check with Lisa to see if there are any additional tasks

Post Fair Clean-up

Tuesday, July 21st @ 9:00 AM

4-H'ers are required to sign in when they arrive in the fair office. We will begin work promptly at 9:00AM on Tuesday, July 22nd. Everyone is required to stay until all jobs are completed. Parents and Superintendents are encouraged to come out and help. 4-H Club leaders are expected to attend, help direct the work of club members, and help record attendance. **4-Hers must check with Extension Staff or a Fair Board member to be sure jobs are completed before leaving the fairgrounds.**

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Battle Badgers	Food Stand Rabbit/Poultry Barn
Blaine Clovers	Cattle Barn Commercial Building Grandstand Area
Ida County All Stars	Restrooms by fair office Show ring
Logan Hotshots	Sheep Barn Goat Barn
Maple Huskies	Horse Barn and restrooms Exhibit Hall

Grant Champions See Lisa for your assignment.

When finished with your club's assigned tasks, your club should then check with other clubs to help finish their task and check with Lisa to see if there are any additional tasks that may need to be completed. All trash collected should be placed in the dumpsters. Trash barrels should then be tipped over and stored in the end of the beef barn. **All members should stay until all tasks everywhere are completed.**

CLUB PATROLS

DUTIES: Four to five members are needed for each patrol duty. Each patrol **must** check in at the Fair Office and pick up garbage bags. It is recommended that you wear a 4-H T-shirt while on patrol. Check all restrooms for soap, toilet paper, and paper towels. Sweep high traffic areas. Pick up all trash on the fairgrounds - especially under bleachers and any seating areas.

Grant Champion 4-H'ers – Contact the Extension Office to set up your time to help with Club Patrols.

9:00AM-NOON shift: Clean the grandstand area after the night entertainment.

Wednesday

9:00AM-NOON	Battle Badgers
NOON-3:00PM	Blaine Clovers

Thursday

9:00AM-NOON	Ida County All Stars
NOON-3:00PM	Maple Huskies
3:00PM-6:00PM	Logan Hotshots

Friday

9:00AM-NOON	Logan Hotshots
NOON-3:00PM	Maple Huskies
3:00PM-6:00PM	Battle Badgers

Saturday

9:00AM-NOON	Blaine Clovers
NOON-3:00PM	Ida County All Stars
3:00PM-6:00PM	Logan Hotshots

Sunday

10:00AM-12:00PM	Maple Huskies
12:00-2:00PM	Blaine Clovers

4:30PM - Check-Out
ALL CLUBS MEMBERS need to report to the Exhibit Hall.
Clean and sweep the Exhibit Hall and restrooms. Completely clear your club booth area. Clubs are responsible for taking down their individual booth dividers, racks,

display items, and curtains. Please move everything to the proper storage areas. Clubs are responsible for making sure your booth area and the entire exhibit hall are completely cleaned and free of trash. Bring all equipment to complete the job including

General Rules for All Exhibitors

****Each club must remove any unclaimed exhibits from their club booth area.**

1. **4-H Divisions: Clover Kids: K-3rd grade Intermediate: 7th-8th grade**
   Junior: 4th-6th grade Senior: 9th-12th grade
2. **All county fair exhibit entries (livestock, clothing, and communications) and YQCA certificates must be to the Ida County Extension Office by 4:30PM on June 29, 2026**. No late entries will be accepted!
3. **ALL** deadlines will be strictly adhered to. There will be a zero-tolerance policy associated with all deadlines including animal ID, housing forms, swine ear notch forms, entry forms, and any other deadline announced by the extension office. Any 4-Her or FFA member missing one of these deadlines will not be allowed to exhibit or show their project.
4. **Any 4-H/FFA member who violates the code of ethics or other fair rules may be denied entry and exhibition at the Ida County Fair, Iowa State Fair, and/or Clay County Fair.**
5. 4-H'ers who have completed 5th grade through 12th grade (or that equivalent) in 2026 are eligible to exhibit at the Iowa State Fair. Exception: Group exhibits from an entire club may include 4th grade members.
6. Exhibitors must be a member of an Ida County 4-H Club or a member of an Ida County FFA Chapter.
7. No entry fee is required, but all exhibitors must purchase a season fair ticket.
8. To exhibit at the Ida County Fair, a 4-H member must have attended scheduled meetings unless a legitimate excuse is made and reported. 4-H clubs will be expected to enforce this according to their club bylaws.
9. All entries will be placed on a merit basis into three categories: blue, red, and white ribbon groups. Purple ribbons may be awarded at the discretion of the judge.
10. No one may stay at the fairgrounds overnight except the security guards or registered campers in the designated camping area.
11. The Ida County Fair Board, FFA Advisors, and the Ida County 4-H Committee shall be the official governing boards of the fair.
12. Department superintendents will have the authority to make all decisions within the respective departments in accordance with the rules and regulations of this fair. If a conflict still cannot be resolved, then a committee drawn from the 4-H Committee, one superintendent for the department involved, another department superintendent chosen by the 4-H Committee, an FFA Advisor, and the County Youth Coordinator (4-H) will be brought together.
13. The Ida County Fair management will use diligence to ensure the safety of animals or articles entered for exhibition, after their arrival and placement, but under no circumstances will they be responsible for any loss, injury, or damage.

14. Every individual must show his/her own projects unless there is more than one entry per class OR a doctor's written excuse is presented OR it has been cleared with the 4-H committee. All substitute exhibitors must be Ida County 4-H or FFA members and meet age requirements stated in Rule #1.
15. All 4-H exhibitors are expected to wear a shirt with the 4-H emblem on it. FFA members are also expected to be in appropriate FFA attire.
16. Alcohol is **NOT** allowed in any of the 4-H/FFA buildings, to include Exhibit Hall, Commercial Building, livestock barns, and show ring. There are designated areas on the Ida County Fairgrounds where alcohol is allowed for those of legal age.
17. 4-H/FFA youth 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. If found guilty of any of these offenses, youth will be subjected to a 1-year suspension from all exhibiting activities at the club and county level. All 4-H responsibilities will be required (fair clean-ups, meetings, etc.) during the 1-year suspension in order to be eligible to exhibit the following year after suspension.
18.

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 of 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 the Official Fair 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.

Ida County 4-H Grievance Policy

When Iowa 4-H members participate in events, rules and protocols are written to ensure safety and integrity for all participants. In some situations, Iowa Exhibitor Youth Code of

Ethics, Fairbook rules, and guidelines, and other event rules are not followed as stated, which leads to decisions being made during those situations that impact participation for that event. Before a grievance is filed, ensure that the department superintendent has been consulted. If a resolution cannot be reached the following procedures are in place.

Protest & Appeals

It is important to note that some decisions cannot be protested/appealed. These include:

- Decisions made by judges, which are final.
- Issues related to deadlines for 4-H enrollment, livestock identification, and/or county/state fair entry deadlines.
- Code of Conduct related violations which are addressed in a separate document.

Who may submit?

- Any Iowa 4-H member and his/her/their parent or guardian.
- Only participants entered in the same department can file a protest or appeal of disciplinary action.

Who Responds?

- A committee that has been established by the extension council district that includes a council member, regional director, county 4-H staff member, species superintendent, and 4-H committee member.

Process for individuals filing a protest or complaint

- During the county fair, protests/complaints must be filed within 24 hours of the incident.
- The written protest/complaint must include:
    - Names of people involved and cause of the protest or complaint
    - Date and time of incident
    - Specific action, rules, etc. in question
    - Explanation of situation and documentation
    - Additional persons the committee may contact for further information
    - Signature of 4-H member and their parent/guardian filing the protest or complaint
    - $100 deposit fee; this fee will be refunded if the protest or complaint is upheld
- The written protest/complaint must be submitted in a sealed envelope to the 4-H office on the Ida County Fairgrounds when someone is present.
- The committee will address the protest/complaint and relay a decision in writing within 48 hours.

Ida County Fair

Health Requirements for Exhibition of Livestock, Poultry and Birds

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

No individual Certificate of Veterinary Inspection will be required on Iowa origin animals or poultry exhibited at County 4-H/FFA FAIR, but the animals must be inspected when unloaded or shortly thereafter by an accredited veterinarian. Swine are required to be inspected either before being unloaded or before leaving a designated isolation and inspection area (prior to mixing with any other pigs). All animals moving from out of state into an Iowa county 4H/FFA fair must meet Iowa Animal and Livestock Importation requirements. Each show must have an official veterinarian.
Quarantined animals or animals from quarantined herds cannot be exhibited.
Official identification listed on a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection required for all cattle and bison of any age **coming in from out of state** used for rodeos, recreational events, shows and exhibitions.

Swine: All swine must originate from a herd or area not under quarantine and must be individually identified. All swine are required to have an individual official identification. All 4-H and FFA tags bearing the US shield are official identification tags.
Swine originating outside of Iowa. All exhibitors must present a test record and Certification of Veterinary Inspection that indicate that each swine has had a negative test for pseudorabies within 30 days prior to the show (individual show regulations may have more restrictive time restrictions), regardless of the status of the herd, and that show individual official identification on test report. Electronic identification will not be considered official identification for exhibition purposes.

Sheep and Goats: All sexually intact sheep must have an individual Scrapie Flock of Origin identification tag (Ex. IA1234-5678) or another official Scrapie tag. All sexually intact goats must be identified with an individual Scrapie Flock of Origin identification tag (Ex. IA1234-5678), another official Scrapie tag, or by an official tattoo registered with the 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 U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid clean or equivalent flocks or have had a negative Pullorum-Typhoid test within 90 days of public exhibition and the test must have been performed by an authorized tester. (SEE GENERAL SECTION 1.B). **Please note: Poultry purchased from a hatchery and raised for exhibition are not exempt from Pullorum-Typhoid testing requirements.**

However, “Market Classes” of poultry consigned to a slaughter establishment are exempt from the Salmonella testing requirements. “Market Classes” of poultry must be

separated from all other poultry by a distance of ten or more feet and/or an eight-foot high solid partition.

Dogs and Cats: All dogs and cats exhibited must have a current rabies vaccination certificate.

4-H & FFA Livestock Rules and Regulations

1. **All livestock projects MUST be properly identified in 4HOnline by 11:59PM on February 1st for market beef, by 11:59 PM on May 15th for all other beef (including bottle calves), dairy, goat, dog, horse, pets, sheep, and swine and by 11:50 PM on June 1st for poultry and rabbit.**
2. All market beef, bottle calves, feeder calves, meat goats, sheep and swine must have an official 840 ear tag.
3. Ownership Requirements: An animal may be identified by only one 4-H/FFA member. When registration papers are involved, the papers must be in the 4-H member's name or show a logical family relationship. The exception is horses, which may be leased. If an animal is leased, a leasing form must be completed and returned by May 15. Horse and dog project animals can be identified by more than one 4-H member provided the members are all 4-H members and are siblings. 4-H staff, superintendents, or 4-H committee members reserve the right to request proof of ownership.
4. If an exhibitor is eligible for both 4-H and FFA, animals may only be identified under one organization. Determination of organization must be made at weigh in for the species and by May for all other species.
5. Animals may only enter the fairgrounds at times specified on the fair schedule unless arrangements have been made in advance with the species superintendent/s. All animals should be in place by 10:00AM on fair weigh in/check in day, unless cleared with the species superintendent.
6. The fair following the 4-H and FFA members high school graduation will be the member's last fair.
7. Any 4-H/FFA member exhibiting livestock in beef, dairy, meat goat, poultry, rabbit, sheep, or swine are required to be certified in YQCA (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals). Current certification must be submitted by June 29. This includes members showing for another member.
8. 4-H/FFA animals projects are required to be in the personal possession and regular care of the 4-H member who owns or leases them from identification day to sale day or will not be eligible to show. Under certain circumstances, animals can be physically housed at a nearby location and within a reasonable distance to the 4-H/FFA member's place of residence, but the 4-H/FFA member must take an active and majority role in the daily care of the animal(s). **All 4-H/FFA members with a livestock project are required to complete a housing form. Housing forms are**

due on the same day as the identification day for the species. 4-H/FFA staff, superintendents, or 4-H committee members reserve the right to make location visits with or without notification as deemed necessary to ensure involvement of the 4-H/FFA member.

9. If housing of animals changes once the housing form has been turned in, a new housing form should be completed within 2 days of the housing change.
10. Permission to house an animal(s) other than the residence of the 4-H/FFA member must be granted, by majority vote, by the species superintendents. **Should a housing request be denied, the member will have 72 hours after notification to make housing arrangements approved by the species superintendent.**
11. **It is up to the discretion of the species superintendents whether a farm visit will be made during the year to provide educational input and inspect projects.** During the visits superintendents will provide suggestions for improving the project and will inspect ear tags, tattoos, and housing location. Thirty minutes notice will be given before a visit. If a farm visit is not completed after 4 attempts, the exhibitor will be allowed to show at the fair but will not be eligible to win a class or participate in the championship drive.
12. Substitute Showman: Excusing a member from personally exhibiting their animal(s) is generally discouraged, as it defeats one of the most important objectives of 4-H. However, the management recognizes the need for accommodation in certain circumstances to ensure fairness and inclusivity for all participants, including members with disabilities. A 4-H/FFA member may request the use of a substitute showman if they are unable to participate due to injury, illness, or a disability that prevents them from showing at the scheduled time. Requests related to school, school activities, or athletics will not be considered. The substitute showman must be an eligible 4-H/FFA member must receive approval from the species superintendent prior to the show. In the case where an exhibitor has more than one animal in a class, they do not need to obtain approval, however, species superintendent should be notified.
13. When in the showring, all livestock exhibitors must wear a back number. **Back numbers are available in the fair office for $1.00**
14. All livestock exhibitors must conform strictly with the State Health Requirements as set forth in this fair book.
15. Each exhibitor with market animals, beef, meat goats, sheep and swine, along with horse exhibitors will complete an Iowa 4-H Animal Care and Management Disclosure Statement (drug affidavit) listing all medications and/or treatments given to that animal during that project year (starting Feb. 1 for market beef and May 15th for all other animals. All drugs and medications administered to animals must meet the residue withdrawal period prior to exhibiting at the Ida County Fair. **The completed form must be submitted during weigh-in/check-in <u>to the species superintendent</u>.** Affidavits **will not** be accepted in the office prior to weigh-in/check-in. Animals without a form will not be eligible to go through the sale.
16. It is the intent that the 4-H/FFA member take responsibility for caring for and grooming his/her own animals. If assistance is needed it must be done by a family member, another 4-H/FFA member, club leader, or superintendent. Family members

include and are limited to: parent/legal guardian, sibling or step-siblings, aunts/uncles and grandparents. Any assistance should help guide and support the 4-H/FFA member and be based on what is appropriate for the age and physical and mental ability of that member.

17. Coaching from or near the showring is strongly discouraged. This includes verbal or non-verbal coaching. If any individual becomes distracting or disruptive by their words or actions, they will be escorted from the show are for the duration of the show.
18. Any livestock entering the sale ring must be sold and will not be eligible for future showing in 4-H or FFA. The exception to this is the “Best in the West Showdown” and “All Iowa Showdown. If livestock goes on to one of these shows and the exhibitor chooses to sell, the exhibitor is responsible for making arrangements with the buyer.
19. Should a first-place animal be disqualified after winning its class, but before its respective division championship, the second and third place animals will move up to first and second in the class and compete for champion in the division. If a second-place animal is disqualified, the third-place animal will move up. Should a division champion be disqualified after winning its division, but before selection of Grand Champion, the reserve division champion will move up to champion and compete for Grand Championship. In this case, no attempt will be made to replace the division reserve champion. If a division reserve champion animal is disqualified, no shifting upward will occur and no attempt to replace the reserve champion will be made.
20. Livestock shall all be hand fed and watered except for Pens of Three Cattle.
21. If space necessitates, the number of animals that an individual exhibits may be limited.
22. On the afternoon of the dairy show, wash rack # 1 in the beef area shall be reserved for dairy exhibits from noon until after the show.
23. No furniture, other than chairs, will be allowed in the barns. (Some barns may allow this and that is up to individual species superintendents).
24. Only wood chips will be allowed for bedding. (Ex. No shredded paper or other material.) The fair board will provide wood chips for beef, poultry, rabbits, and horses. Exhibitors are responsible for moving these wood chips to their pens, stalls, and cages.
25. All fans will be required to have safety shields on blades and belts. No free-standing fans will be permitted – all fans must be hung or in their appropriate stand.
26. No drugs or medications of any kind may be administered without approval by the Department or Overall Superintendent or by the order of the official fair veterinarian.
27. No unnatural means of providing animals feed or water or any other fluids, i.e., stomach pump, I.V., etc. will be allowed except by the order of the official veterinarian.
28. Carcass class entries are to be submitted with Fair Entries. Exhibitors will be responsible for the cost of ultra-sounding. Entry and payment must be made prior to ultra-sounding. Swine and sheep will be $10.00/head and cattle will be $18.00/head.

Checks for the carcass class will need to be made out to the Ida County Extension Office.

29. All livestock trailers that remain at the fairgrounds must be parked in the designated trailer parking areas at all times during the fair with the exception of when livestock is arriving or departing.
30. In order for an animal to receive a placing, that animal must go through the showring.

National Code of Show Ring Ethics

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall always show honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to junior as well as open class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at any livestock show. In addition to the "IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics," fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations which they impose on the local, county, state, provincial and national levels. All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, and responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada. The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and all livestock in competitive events:

1. 1. All exhibitors must present, at the request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age, or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.
2. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.
3. Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fairs or livestock shows.
4. Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of violative drug residues. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event which culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be

administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state, and provincial statutes, regulations, and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state, and provincial statutes, regulations and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event. If the laboratory report on the analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other sample taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample of urine, saliva, blood, or other substance 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 owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise. At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.

5. Any surgical procedure, drenching, or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.
6. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.
7. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges fair and livestock show management, or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.
8. No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics of knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individuals to disciplinary action.
9. The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.
10. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to have disciplinary action taken by the fair

or livestock show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including Fairs and Expositions and any special notices to members.

11. The act of entering an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.

Livestock Sale

Monday, July 20th at 9:30AM

1. **Exhibitors must decide on check-in day** whether they are selling their livestock in the sale or if they are going home. An animal may be pulled from the sale if it qualifies to go on to another show.
2. Exhibitors must be present and have their animals clean and groomed in order to sell.
3. Poultry exhibitors only need to carry one bird into the ring.

Livestock Sale Order

Sheep
Goats
Poultry
Rabbit
Swine
Beef
Pen of Three

Herdsmanship

SUPERINTENDENTS: 4-H Committee
Herdsmanship is important – It reflects the way the public perceives the 4-H/FFA Programs, the clubs and the individual exhibitor. Livestock exhibitors are responsible for

keeping their areas (including stalls/tack areas/walkways, etc.) orderly, neat and attractive as possible. Orderly barns encourage visitors to walk through and view livestock projects.

RULES

1. Entire area will be inspected between 7:00 - 9:00AM and again between 5:00-7:00PM.
2. Barns will only be inspected during the evening inspection on the day the species show.
3. Score sheets will be available for viewing at the 4-H Office.
4. Clubs will be rated **separately** in each of the following eight livestock departments: cattle, swine, dairy, sheep, horse, rabbit, goats, and poultry.
5. Herdsmanship duties are the sole responsibility of the exhibitor.
6. First place will be able to choose their stall or pen locations for the next year in that department.

BASIS OF RATING

1. Cleanliness of alleys/stalls/pens. **(3 Points)**
   The bedding is adequate, clean, and kept in place. Manure hauled out and deposited in proper place. Alleys were swept clean, free of dust and bedding. Pens of Three, where applicable, will be judged with the beef exhibit of that club. Exhibits are to be well bedded and show evidence of good management. Feed and water may be in pens**.**
2. Appearance of Animals. **(2 Points)**
   Animals clean with grooming apparent.
3. Security of animals. **(2 Points)**
4. Arrangement of Exhibit. **(2 Points)**
   Exhibits lined up in an attractive manner. Alleys free from obstructions (tack, boxes, etc.) Hay, straw and feed should be neat and orderly. Stall cards should be completed and posted.
5. Exhibitors. **(1 Point)**
   Present, courtesy and conduct will be considered.

TOTAL: 10 Point

LIVESTOCK CLASSES

Beef Department

Superintendents: June Knop, Kirby Goettsch, Tyler Roberts, Nathan Drury

BEEF DEPARTMENT 110 – Breeding Heifers

Division 100 – Commercial Breeding Heifers

Class 25 – Commercial Breeding Heifer – 1/1 previous year to 3/31 previous year
Class 26 – Commercial Breeding Heifer – 4/1/ previous year to 6/30 previous year
Class 27 – Commercial Breeding Heifer – 7/1 previous year to 9/30 previous year
Class 28 – Commercial Breeding Heifer – 1-/1 previous year to 12/31 previous year
Class 29 – Commercial Breeding Heifer – cow/calf at side
Class 30 – Commercial Breeding Heifer – produce of dam

Division 101 – Angus Breeding Heifers

Class 25 – Angus Breeding Heifer – 1/1 previous year to 3/31 previous year
Class 26 – Angus Breeding Heifer – 4/1/ previous year to 6/30 previous year
Class 27 – Angus Breeding Heifer – 7/1 previous year to 9/30 previous year
Class 28 – Angus Breeding Heifer – 1-/1 previous year to 12/31 previous year
Class 29 – Angus Breeding Heifer – cow/calf at side
Class 30 – Angus Breeding Heifer – produce of dam

Division 102 – Maine-Anjou Breeding Heifers

Class 25 – Maine-Anjou Breeding Heifer – 1/1 previous year to 3/31 previous year
Class 26 – Maine-Anjou Breeding Heifer – 4/1/ previous year to 6/30 previous year
Class 27 – Maine-Anjou Breeding Heifer – 7/1 previous year to 9/30 previous year
Class 28 – Maine-Anjou Breeding Heifer – 1-/1 previous year to 12/31 previous year
Class 29 – Maine-Anjou Breeding Heifer – cow/calf at side
Class 30 – Maine-Anjou Breeding Heifer – produce of dam

Division 103 – Simmental Breeding Heifers

Class 25 – Simmental Breeding Heifer – 1/1 previous year to 3/31 previous year
Class 26 – Simmental Breeding Heifer – 4/1/ previous year to 6/30 previous year
Class 27 – Simmental Breeding Heifer – 7/1 previous year to 9/30 previous year

Class 28 – Simmental Breeding Heifer – 1-/1 previous year to 12/31 previous year
Class 29 – Simmental Breeding Heifer – cow/calf at side
Class 30 – Simmental Breeding Heifer – produce of dam

Division 104 – Charolais Breeding Heifers

Class 25 – Charolais Breeding Heifer – 1/1 previous year to 3/31 previous year
Class 26 – Charolais Breeding Heifer – 4/1/ previous year to 6/30 previous year
Class 27 – Charolais Breeding Heifer – 7/1 previous year to 9/30 previous year
Class 28 – Charolais Breeding Heifer – 1-/1 previous year to 12/31 previous year
Class 29 – Charolais Breeding Heifer – cow/calf at side
Class 30 – Charolais Breeding Heifer – produce of dam

Division 105 – Limousin Breeding Heifers

Class 25 – Limousin Breeding Heifer – 1/1 previous year to 3/31 previous year
Class 26 – Limousin Breeding Heifer – 4/1/ previous year to 6/30 previous year
Class 27 – Limousin Breeding Heifer – 7/1 previous year to 9/30 previous year
Class 28 – Limousin Breeding Heifer – 1-/1 previous year to 12/31 previous year
Class 29 – Limousin Breeding Heifer – cow/calf at side
Class 30 – Limousin Breeding Heifer – produce of dam

Divison 106 – All Other Breeds

Class 025 – All Other Breeds

Breeding Heifer Rules

1. **Iowa Exhibitor Youth Code of Ethics, General Rules for All Exhibitors, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules and Regulations apply to this department. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to know and follow these.**
2. One member may show a maximum of six head in this division. A member may show a maximum of six individual beef animals at the Ida County Fair.
3. Breeding beef must be ID'd by May 15. All heifers must have a birth date listed, have a tattoos, and one of the following: calfhood vaccination number, approver ear tag, or registration number. Each heifer must be identified as either a purebred or commercial on this date and will be shown as designated. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**
4. Registration papers and calves must be presented to the superintendent at the scales during beef weigh-in at the county fair. To show a breeding heifer in a purebred class, she must be registered to that breed's qualifications.

BEEF DEPARTMENT 111 – Market Beef

Division 107 – Market Beef

Class 14 – Market Beef – Home Raised Market Steer
Class 15 – Market Beef – Purchased Market Steer
Class 16 – Market Beef – Underweight Market Steer
Class 17 – Market Beef – Home Raised Market Heifer
Class 18 – Market Beef – Purchased Market Heifer
Class 19 – Market Beef – Underweight Market Heifer
Class 20 – Market Beef – Township Group
Class 21 – Market Beef – Feeder Calf-Steer
Class 22 – Market Beef – Feeder Calf-Heifer
Class 23 – Market Beef – Produce of Dam
Class 24 – Market Beef – Beef Carcass

Market Beef Rules

1. **Iowa Exhibitor Youth Code of Ethics, General Rules for All Exhibitors, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules and Regulations apply to this department. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to know and follow these.**
2. All market beef must have approved Iowa 4-H or official USDA 840 tag and weighed at the county weigh-in and ID in 4hOnline by Feb. 1. Purebred animals must enter a breed and registration by Feb. 1. All state fair market beef must have a retinal image collected at county weigh-in. Feeder calves must be ID'd by May 15. Purebred registration papers must be presented at fair weigh-in/check in.
3. All animals in the market beef division will be shown strictly according to weight classifications. The champion of the various weight groups will compete for grand champion and reserve champion market steer and heifer. The department/overall superintendents will have the final word on all classes. The 4-H committee can make a final decision if the superintendents ask them.
4. Market steers weighing less than 950 pounds and market heifers weighing less than 900 pounds will show in underweight classes. Underweight classes are not eligible for grand champion market animal.
5. Calves will sell by the weight obtained on entry day. The sale list will be made up according to weight, the heaviest calves selling first.
6. The rate of gain will be calculated for each calf.
7. A total of six market calves per member will be tagged and weighed prior to January 15 of the current year. A maximum of 8 beef animals may be brought to fair per exhibitor. This may be 6 market beef and 2 breeding heifers or any combination, not to exceed 8 head.
8. All market steers and heifers must be weighed in and have a tag in the calf's ear at the fairgrounds on entry day.
9. All individual beef calves must have a double tie.
10. Tie out times for beef will be 7:30PM. The calves must be back in the barns by 8:00AM.

11. A home-raised calf must be dropped by a cow owned by a member in the immediate family, residing at home.
12. Commercial and purebred heifers will be able go through the sale ring, but you must notify Superintendents at fair weigh-in. A maximum of six head may be identified on the livestock ID sheets.
13. All market (slaughter) beef cattle must be de-horned.
14. Blocking chutes will be limited to no more than two per beef project member and located on the south side of the respective beef barns where the project members' calves are housed or at the discretion of the superintendents.
15. No automatic feeders or waterers will be allowed in any market beef barns.
16. No feed bunks for individual steers or heifers will be allowed.
17. Each exhibitor is eligible to show one beef animal in the beef merit contest.

PRODUCE OF DAM

Any animals entered in the produce of dam classes must be the progeny of a heifer formerly enrolled as a project, owned by the exhibitor to be eligible to be exhibited in this class. The exhibitor in this class will be presented two ribbons at the time the ribbons are awarded, one for the animals placing in the class and the second ribbon for the produce of dam. The dam of produce must have been identified on the I.D. sheet the preceding year. **Produce of dam must be listed as produce of dam on the fair entry form.**

BEEF MERIT CONTEST

Superintendent: June Knop

The beef merit contest will be open to all beef exhibitors. Any number of calves may be entered in the beef merit contest. The beef merit calves may be shown in the regular classes, but do not have to be. **BEEF MERIT CALVES MUST BE HALTER BROKE!**

1. The beef merit contest awards will be determined using live ultrasound data.
2. Ultrasound fees are per head.
3. Entries must be designated with Fair entries. Exhibitors will be responsible for the cost of ultra-sounding and must be paid prior to the ultrasound. These checks will be made out to the Ida County Extension Office, prior to ultra-sounding.

Formula:

YIELD GRADE = 2.5 + 2.5 x (fat thickness; inches)
+0.2 x (% kidney, heart and pelvic fat)
+ 0.0038 x estimated (hot carcass weight; lbs.)
-0.32 x (rib eye area; square inches)

PERCENT RETAIL PRODUCT = 74.9 – 17.78 x (fat thickness, inches)
-1.47 x (%kidney, heart and pelvic fat)
+0.548 x (rib eye area, square inches)

RETAIL VALUE PER DAY ON FEED:

Hot Starting %Retail (Carcass Price, $/lb.)
Estimated (Carcass Weight – (.55 x Weight) x (% Retail Product) x (Carcass Price/.70
RT/DOF = _____ Days of Feed

BEEF DEPARTMENT 112 – Pen of Three

Superintendents: Dale Friedrichsen, Andrew Butcher, Dennis Sykes, Grant Else, Tate Phillips, Gus Leonard

Division 108 – Pen of Three

Class 25 – Steers
Class 26 – Heifers

Pen of Three Rules

1. **Iowa Exhibitor Youth Code of Ethics, General Rules for All Exhibitors, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules and Regulations apply to this department. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to know and follow these.**
2. The date for the beginning the pen of three project is the weigh-in date (usually in December). The ending date for figuring the average daily gain is the weigh in date during the fair. The actual end of the competition is after the show and the superintendents have awarded the placings/result of the Pen of Three project. Three live animals must be in a pen to be eligible for any awards at the end of the competition.
3. Each exhibitor can weigh-in up to three pens at the beginning weigh-in date. Each exhibitor is allowed to bring only two pens to the fair which are declared on the livestock entry form.
4. The Herdsmanship judging takes place during the month of June. The evaluation team will come to the exhibitor's Pen of Three location where they will evaluate the exhibitor's knowledge of their project. The scoring rubric can be found on the extension website and will be emailed out with the Pen of Three tour times.
5. Pen of Three exhibits are required to obtain and deliver to the superintendents a current (no more than 30 days prior to fair weigh-in) State of Iowa Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (Health Papers) during the final weigh-in time at the Ida County Fair. The Official Ida County Far Veterinarian has the final ruling in two areas.
    a. The Official Veterinarian may not require Certificate of Veterinary Inspection because they will inspect the cattle once they arrive at the fair.
    b. The Official Veterinarian has final ruling over any disagreements with the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection and the inspection of the Official Ida County Fair Veterinarian.
6. Pens of Three have the option of coming in the evening before the weigh-in or the morning of weigh-in. **All pens will be weighed between 8:00AM and**

10:00AM on Wednesday. Drug affidavits must be handed to the superintendent at the time of weigh-in.

7. The cattle's Quality and Yield grade scores will be determined by ultrasound technology.
8. The exhibitor will have the option of selling his/her pen of three. Exhibitors must notify the superintendent at weigh-in if any of the cattle will not be present at the fair sale.
9. All feed and water need to be removed by **9:00 a.m. on Sale Day** unless notified by the superintendent.
10. Formula for indexing the Pen of Three Steer and Heifer classes is the following:
    a. **Quality Carcass Division**
    Cattle are individually weighed to determine a hot carcass weight. 63.5% will be the standard dressing percentage. Each animal will be given a carcass price per pound. This price is obtained from the ultrasound results and the carcass grid matrix provided by the superintendents. This carcass price per pound will be multiplied by the animal's hot carcass weight, all three animal's results will be added together and then divided by the total hot carcass weight of the three head. The result is a weighted average carcass price per pound for the pen. The pen with the highest weighted average carcass price per pound will be the top grading pen.
    b. **Rate of Gain Division**
    Cattle will be weighed at the beginning as a pen weight. This weight will be subtracted from the final weight. The pounds gained will be divided by the number of days between the beginning weigh in and the final or ending weigh in. The result will be the average daily gain. The pen with the highest average daily gain will be the top average daily gain pen.
    c. **Herdsmanship Division**
    Points are awarded to the exhibitor during the herdsmanship judging. The points are awarded by the discretion of the evaluation team following the scoring rubric. There must be single individual that wins the division, no ties allowed for first place. The exhibitor with the highest score will receive the Top Herdsmanship award. The superintendents will also award the junior 4-Her that has the highest score among all the juniors that are competing. A junior member can only win the Top Junior Herdsmanship once.
    D. **Final Placing**
    The formula for the overall placing is your points in Quality Carcass division plus your points in Rate of Gain division times 2, then add the points of the your place in the Herdsmanship Division. For example, if there are 10 exhibitors, the exhibitor that wins the Quality Carcass division

would receive ten points and the last place exhibitor would receive 1 point. The same thing applies to the Rate of Gain Division and the Herdsmanship Division. The exhibitor with the most points wins.

11. If a tie exists in a division, the placing in the other divisions will be taken into consideration. For a tie in the quality carcass division, rate of gain placing is considered first, then herdsmanship if needed. If there is a tie in the rate of gain division, quality carcass is considered first and then herdsmanship if needed.

BEEF DEPARTMENT 113 – Bucket Calf

Superintendents: Ryan Henningsen, Beth Greenwald

Division 109 – Bucket Calf

Class 25 – 1st year bucket calf
Class 26 – 2nd year bucket calf

First Year Bucket Calf Rules

1. **Iowa Exhibitor Youth Code of Ethics, General Rules for All Exhibitors, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules and Regulations apply to this department. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to know and follow these.**
2. Project calf can be any newborn or orphan calf: steer, bull, heifer that is beef, dairy, crossbred, or purebred.
3. Calves must be born between January 1 and April 15 and owned, fed and cared for by the exhibitor within two weeks of birth.
4. Calves must be identified by May 15 in 4-H Online Birthdate/estimated birthdate must be included in Iding calves.
5. Up to five calves may be identified, but only two may be exhibited at the fair.
6. Calves cannot be nursing a cow; they must be bottle or bucket fed.
7. Calves MUST be weaned from the bottle or bucket before fair.
8. **All calves must have a beginning weight** and will be weighed when brought in the day of fair.
9. Calves will be stalled in the Beef Barn.
10. The bucket calf will be part of the beef show in their own class.
11. Calves must be dehorned.
12. Calves must be clean and will be shown at halter during the show. No chain halters are allowed.
13. Show sticks will not be used on first year calves.
14. For the showring, calves should be washed and brushed. Clipping is optional.
15. Bucket calves are NOT allowed to be sold on the livestock auction.
16. First year bucket calves are not allowed to participate in showmanship.

17. Exhibitors are encouraged to keep bucket calves to continue as a second-year bucket calf project.

1st Year Project Evaluation

The project will be evaluated on three parts.

- Project Booklet 30 points
- Farm Interview 30 points
- Show-ability at fair 30 points.

- Project booklet questions will be collected at the time of the farm visit to be evaluated.
- The Bucket Calf Project Booklet (minus the questions) should be completed and turned into the fair office by 5:00 PM on the Wednesday of fair week.
- Interview judging will be based on what the exhibitor has learned about caring for and raising a calf, health care, feeding, normal growth, etc. Interview judging will take place on a farm visit toward the end of June. Judges will use the Bucket Calf Project Interview sheet.
- Show-ability will be evaluated by the beef judge during the beef show. The judge will award points based on the cleanliness and grooming of the calf, the general health of the calf, and animal handling skills and showmanship. Quality and calf conformation WILL NOT be considered.
- Ribbon placing will be based on overall points given for the written records, farm interview and show ring evaluation.

Second Year Bucket Calf Rules

1. **Iowa Exhibitor Youth Code of Ethics, General Rules for All Exhibitors, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules and Regulations apply to this department. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to know and follow these.**
2. Project calf needs to have been shown as a first year bucket calf the previous years.
3. The calf must be shown by the same exhibitor that showed the first year calf.
4. Calves must be identified by May 15 as a market beef in 4-H Online. Weight taken at beef weigh in and birthdate/estimated birthdate must be included in Iding calves.
5. Up to five calves may be identified, but only two may be exhibited at the fair.
6. Calves must be dehorned.
7. Calves must be clean and will be shown at halter during the show. No chain halters are allowed.
8. Show sticks may be used on second year calves.
9. For the showring, calves should be washed and brushed. Clipping and grooming are highly recommended.
10. Bucket calves are NOT allowed to be sold on the livestock auction.

11. Second year bucket calves are allowed to participate in beef showmanship and the rate of gain contest.

2nd year Project Evaluation

- The project will be evaluated on three parts.
    - Project Booklet 30 points
    - Farm Interview 30 points
    - Show-ability at fair 30 points.
- Project booklet questions will be collected at the time of the farm visit to be evaluated.
- The Bucket Calf Project Booklet (minus the questions) should be completed and turned into the fair office by 5:00 PM on the Wednesday of fair week.
- Interview judging will be based on what the exhibitor has learned about caring for and raising a calf, health care, feeding, normal growth, etc. Interview judging will take place on a farm visit toward the end of June. Judges will use the Bucket Calf Project Interview sheet.
- Show-ability will be evaluated by the beef judge during the beef show. The judge will award points based on the cleanliness and grooming of the calf, the general health of the calf, and animal handling skills and showmanship. Quality and calf conformation WILL NOT be considered.
- Ribbon placing will be based on overall points given for the written records, farm interview and show ring evaluation.

Dairy Department

Superintendent: 4-H Staff

DEPARTMENT 114 – Dairy

Division – 110 - Milking Shorthorn

Class 10 – Heifer
Class 11 – Junior Yearling Heifer
Class 12 – Senior Yearling Heifer
Class 13 – 2 year Cow
Class 14 – Aged Cow

Division 111 – Holstein

Class 10 – Heifer
Class 11 – Junior Yearling Heifer
Class 12 – Senior Yearling Heifer
Class 13 – 2 year Cow
Class 14 – Aged Cow

Division 112 – Guernsey

Class 10 – Heifer
Class 11 – Junior Yearling Heifer
Class 12 – Senior Yearling Heifer
Class 13 – 2 year Cow
Class 14 – Aged Cow

Division 113 – Brown Swiss

Class 10 – Heifer
Class 11 – Junior Yearling Heifer
Class 12 – Senior Yearling Heifer
Class 13 – 2 year Cow
Class 14 – Aged Cow

Division 114 – Ayrshire

Class 10 – Heifer
Class 11 – Junior Yearling Heifer
Class 12 – Senior Yearling Heifer
Class 13 – 2 year Cow
Class 14 – Aged Cow

Division 115 – Jersey

Class 10 – Heifer
Class 11 – Junior Yearling Heifer
Class 12 – Senior Yearling Heifer
Class 13 – 2 year Cow
Class 14 – Aged Cow

Division 116 – Produce of Dam

Class 10 – Heifer
Class 11 – Junior Yearling Heifer
Class 12 – Senior Yearling Heifer
Class 13 – 2 year Cow
Class 14 – Aged Cow

Dairy Rules

1. **Iowa Exhibitor Youth Code of Ethics, General Rules for All Exhibitors, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules and Regulations apply to this department. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to know and follow these.**
2. **It is recommended that exhibitors wear white while in the show ring as this is a State Fair Rule.**
3. In all dairy classes a member is limited to 6 head at the fair. Any heifer is considered to be a purchased heifer except daughters of present or former 4-H club heifers, which were enrolled in club work by the member. Members may show not more than 2 head in each class or sub-class.
4. An overall champion of dairy breeds will be selected.
5. All breeds have chosen to use the same dates for age determination for the State Fair.

   Heifer - Born between Sept. 1 **previous year** -Dec. 31, **previous year**
   Jr. Yearling Heifer - Mar 1, **previous year** -August 31, **previous year**

Sr. Yearling Heifer - Sept. 1, **two years ago**-Feb. 28, **previous year**
2 Yr. Cows - Sept. 1**, three years ago**-August 31**, two years ago**
Aged Cows - Born before Sept. 1, **three years ago**

6. Showmanship will be offered based on participants and at the discretion of the judge and superintendent.

PRODUCE OF DAM

Any animals entered in the produce of dam classes must be the progeny of a cow formerly enrolled as a project, owned by the exhibitor to be eligible to be exhibited in this class. The exhibitor in this class will be presented two ribbons at the time the ribbons are awarded: one for the animals placing in the class and the second ribbon for the produce of dam. The dam of produce must have been identified on the ID sheet of the

Dog Department

Superintendent: Margo McMillen

DEPARTMENT 115 - Dog

Division 120-Obedience

Class 01-Intro

This class is for first year exhibitors with First year dog **only**.
Exercises Include: Heel on leash, Figure Eight on leash, Sit for Examination on leash, Recall (no finish) on leash, long sit (1 minute) with handler at the end of leash and Long Down (1 minute) with handler at the end of leash.

Class 02-Beginner Novice A

This class is for second year exhibitors and second year dog **only**.
Exercises Include: Heel on leash, Figure Eight on leash, Sit for Examination on leash, Recall (handler returns to dog) on leash, long sit (1 minute) with handler at the end of leash and Long Down (3 minutes) with handler at the end of leash.

Class 03-Beginner Novice B

Experienced handler and first year dog **OR** First year handler and Experienced dog.
Exercises Include: Heel on leash, Figure Eight on leash, Sit for Examination on leash, Recall (handler returns to dog) on leash, long sit (1 minute) with handler at the end of leash and Long Down (3 minutes) with handler at the end of leash.

Class 04-Preferred Novice A

A handler/dog team may enter this class one year.
Exercises Include: Heel on leash, Figure Eight on leash, Stand for Examination on leash, Recall (with finish) on leash, long sit (3 minutes) DROP leash, Long Down (5 minutes) DROP leash.

Class 05-Preferred Novice B

A handler/dog team may enter this class until they receive a qualifying score.

Exercises Include: Heel on leash, Figure Eight on leash, Stand for Examination on leash, Recall (with finish) on leash, long sit (3 minutes) DROP leash, Long Down (5 minutes) DROP leash.

Class 06-Novice A

A handler/dog team may enter this class one year.

Exercises Include: Heel on leash, Figure Eight on leash, Stand for Examination OFF leash, Heel free OFF leash, Recall OFF leash, Sit Stay – get your leash, long sit (as a group) on leash, Long Down (as a group) on leash.

Class 07-Novice B

A handler/dog team may enter this class until they receive a qualifying score.

Exercises Include: Heel on leash, Figure Eight on leash, Stand for Examination on leash, Recall (with finish) on leash, long sit (3 minutes) DROP leash, Long Down (5 minutes) DROP leash.

Class 08-Graduate Novice A

Exercises Include: Heel on leash, Figure Eight on leash, Stand for Examination OFF leash, Heel Free OFF leash, Recall (with finish) OFF leash, long sit (3 minutes) OUT OF SITE, long down (5 minutes) OUT OF SITE.

Class 09-Graduate Novice B

A handler/dog team may enter this class until they receive a qualifying score. Exercises Include: Heel on leash, Figure Eight on leash, Stand for Examination OFF leash, Heel Free Off leash, Recall (with finish) OFF leash, long sit (3 minutes) OUT OF SIGHT, long down (5 minutes) OUT OF Sight.

All dogs must not have earned any obedience title through the AKC, UKC, etc. Any dogs in Class 002-009 that have earned a "PCD" level title or higher before January 1 of the current year is not eligible.

Division 121-Handling

Class 01- Junior Exhibitors-has completed 4th-6th Grade
Class 02- Intermediate Exhibitors-has completed 7th-9th Grade
Class 03- Senior Exhibitors-has completed 10th-12th Grade

Handling evaluations based on:

The Exhibitor-appearance-attitude
The Animal-condition-grooming-clipping-cleanliness
Presentation of the Animal- leading-posing-response to directions of ring master and use of necessary equipment
Questions asked by Judge

Division 122 – Rally Obedience

Class 04 – Junior Exhibitors – has completed 4th-6th Grade
Class 05 – Intermediate Exhibitors – has completed 7th-9th Grade

Class 06 – Senior Exhibitors – has completed 10th-12th Grade

Dog Rules

1. **Iowa Exhibitor Youth Code of Ethics, General Rules for All Exhibitors, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules and Regulations apply to this department. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to know and follow these.**
2. All dogs require proof of current vaccination for rabies. Vaccination for parvovirus is strongly recommended. Vaccinations for Bordetella, distemper, hepatitis, leptospirosis and parainfluenza are suggested. Proof of this is due in 4-HOnline May 15th.
3. Obedience classes will be held prior to fair. To exhibit at fair, it is required that you attend 2 dog classes. At the discretion of the dog superintendent, you may be required to attend certain classes.
4. Dogs will return home immediately after final judging.
5. Dog owners will provide their own water pans and food.
6. All dogs must always be on a leash except when in show ring.
7. Dogs will not be taken into barns or near livestock.
8. Entries in handling and obedience classes are open to purebred or mixed breed dogs and must be owned by the 4-H member or their immediate family. Exceptions can be made for families with multiple 4-H members, but only one family dog at the discretion of the superintendent. Any 4-H member given an exception will be required to attend 50% of the dog obedience classes with that dog.
9. Each 4-H member may have two entries in obedience with the approval of the superintendent and one entry in handling which may be the same dog or two different dogs.
10. The same dog may be shown in obedience, in handling, and again in Rally Obedience.
11. Experienced handlers with a beginning dog or a beginning handler with an experienced dog must exhibit in 1st year obedience B.
12. All dogs must be trained, cared for, managed, and shown by the exhibitor. No professionally trained dogs will be allowed. No bitch in season may be shown.
13. This is not an AKC sanctioned dog show, however, AKC rules have been used as guidelines. The AKC Rules can be found at this link: http://www.akc.org/rules/index.cfm

Goat Department

Superintendent: Sheryl Spaulding

DEPARTMENT 116 – Goat

Division 130 - Dairy Goat

Includes: Alpine, LaMancha, Sannen, Sable, Toggenburg, Nubian, Nigerian Dwarf and Oberhaulsi

Class 01 - Jr. Kid born March 16th-May 15th
Class 02 – St. Kid Born Jan. 1 – March 15th
Class 03 – Jr. Dry Yearling 9-14 months
Class 04 – St. Dry Yearling 15-24 months
Class 05 – Yearling in milk under 2 years
Class 06 – 2-3 years old in milk
Class 07 – Dry doe over 2 years
Class 08 – dairy wether born this year
Class 09 – Daughter dam – any age
Class 10 – Best pair of does

Division 131– Meat Goat

Includes: Boer, Spanish, Kikko, and other meat breeds

Class 11 – Market does 1 year and under
Class 12 – Market wether 1 one and under
Class 13 – Jr. Breeding doe March 16-May 15
Class 14 – Jr. Breeding doe Jan. 1 – March 15
Class 15 – Yr. Breeding doe 9-14 months
Class 16 – Yr. Breeding doe 15-24 months
Class 17 – St. doe 2-3 years
Class 18 – St. Doe 4 years and up
Class 19 – Best Pair of Does
Class 20 – Rate of Gain

Division 132 – Exotic Goats

Includes: Nigerian dwarf, pygmy, angora, fainters

Class 21 – wether born this year
Class 22 – Jr. doe born this year
Class 23 – Doe 1-2 years old
Class 24 – Doe – 3 years and up

Goat Rules

1. **Iowa Exhibitor Youth Code of Ethics, General Rules for All Exhibitors, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules and Regulations apply to this department. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to know and follow these.**
2. All dairy goats must be identified with an official scrapies ID tag or an official tattoo registered with the USDA All goats must have an individual Scrapie Flock of Origin identification tag or an official tattoo registered with USDA (to register, call 1-866-USDA-TAG).
3. Meat goats must have an official 840 tag. Goats not using tattoo identification will need to have a 4-H tag put in by the goat superintendent by the May 15th deadline for identification. Goats going to the state fair must be retinal imaged.
4. Does 24 months of age or over which have never been freshened shall not be shown.

5. Male goats must be castrated. No bucks allowed at fair.
6. All goats must have horns tipped blunt before coming to fair. **Blunt means straight across.**
7. All goats must be led in by collars. The judge has the right to disqualify exhibitors if animals are not handled in a humane manner.
8. All meat/Boer goat classes must be uniformly clipped with 3/8 inch length of hair or less above the knee and hock joint to include the head, excluding the tail.
9. There will be no coloring agent or paint used on any goat. Exhibitors in violation will not be allowed to show.
10. Exhibitors are expected to care for their meat goats in an acceptable manner. Any abusive care including slapping or excessive modification of meat goats will be grounds for disqualification at the discretion of the show officials.
11. Showmanship classes will be offered based on the participants and will be at the discretion of the judge and superintendent, to be consistent with overall showmanship requirements.
12. Goat Weigh-In: Any goat can be brought to the May Sheep/Goat Weigh-In to be ID tagged and weighed. If you only need an ID tag and do not want to go to the weigh-in, please notify the goat Superintendent to be tagged **before** May 15th.
13. **PLEASE NOTE**: Goats that will be used in "Division 48 Meat Goat" and goats that will be allowed to be sold at the 4-H Auction will be at the discretion of the superintendents and will need to be weighed at the July fair weigh-in. All other goats will be checked in at the Goat Barn from 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM.
14. All goats that will be sold at the Fair Auction must be weighed-in at the July fair weigh-in.
15. There will be a Rate of Gain contest.
16. The goat show will begin immediately after the sheep show.

Horse Department

Superintendent: Tara Riessen

DEPARTMENT 117- Horse

Division 140 Halter

Class 01 – Pony Halter – any age pony under 57" (Champion and Reserve Champion Pony)
Class 02 - 2 & 3 year old Halter - any breed
Class 03 – 4 years & older Mare Halter - any breed
Class 04 - 4 years & older Gelding Halter - any breed (Grand Champion Horse)
Class 005 - Ranch Conformation Halter
horse can't be shown in any other halter classes-grades 4-12
Class 06 - English Halter - Grades 4-12 – Must show in English attire/equipment
Class 07 – Showmanship - showman having completed grades 7-12
Class 08 – Showmanship - showman having completed grades 4-6

Class 09 – Freestyle Showmanship - showman having completed grades 4-12
Class 10 – Costume Class

Break

Division 141 – Performance

Open 4-H Class - Horseless Horse Showmanship – showman who does not own or lease a horse

Class 11 - Open lead-line rider 8 years old & under
Class 12 – Open walk-trot rider 8 years old & under
Class 13 – Walk Trot – Pony under 57” any age rider
Class 14 – Walk-trot grades 7-12
Class 15 – Walk-trot grades 4, 5, & 6
Class 16 – Western Pleasure - Pony under 57”: rider completed grades 4-12
Class 17 - Western Pleasure - Horse 57” & over; rider completed grades 7-12
Class 18 - Western Pleasure - Horse 57” & over, rider completed grade 4, 5 or 6
Class 19 – Western Horsemanship-Rider having completed grade 7-12
Class 20 – Western Horsemanship-Rider having completed grade 4, 5 or 6
Class 21 – Horsemanship Freestyle – Grades 4-12
Class 22 – Ranch Horse Pleasure – horse cannot show in any western pleasure classes – grades 4-12
Class 23 – English Pleasure
Class 24 – Jr. Pleasure Horse less than 5 years old
Class 25 – Sr. Pleasure Horse 6 years or older
Class 26 – Bareback Tandem - Walk/Trot
Class 27 – Trail Class – showman having completed grades 4-12

Break

Division 142 – Gaming

Class 28 – Barrels
Class 29 – Speed Dash
Class 30 – Poles
Class 31 – Keyhole
Class 32 – Egg & Spoon
Class 33 – Softball Race
Class 34 – Flag

Division 143 – Overall High Point ONE horse/rider combo may be signed up, must compete in halter, horsemanship, pleasure and one gaming class.

Class 35 – Junior High Point (Grades 4-6)

Class 36 – Senior High Point (Grades 7-12)

Horse Rules

1. **Iowa Exhibitor Youth Code of Ethics, General Rules for All Exhibitors, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules and Regulations apply to this department. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to know and follow these.**
2. Animal Identification Reports and a full COLOR left side, right side, front view and rear-view photos of all horses/ponies must be identified online by May 15th.
3. Horses have an official lease option. The 4-H/FFA member must complete a lease form. Only showmanship, riding or driving horses are eligible for lease; horses in halter/conformation classes cannot be leased and must be owned by the 4-H/FFA member or his or her immediate family (parents, siblings, guardians). Horses owned by anyone else are considered leased horses. Exhibitors may lease from another exhibitor.
4. If leasing a horse, the Iowa 4-H Horse Lease agreement form must be filled out, signed, and uploaded in 4-HOnline by May 15th. **A new form must be uploaded each year.**
5. Exhibitors may identify 5 animals; of those, a maximum of 2 may be leased. No more than three (3) animals may be shown at the fair. Leased animals are eligible. One entry per exhibitor, per grade class is allowed.
6. There will be no cross entries between Registered and Non-Registered Halter or Horse and Pony classes. No cross entries between Junior, Intermediate and Senior. If horse carries registration papers it must be shown in Reg. Class. Registration papers must be uploaded to 4hOnline.
7. Ponies will be under 14.1 on the day of show. POA cards and or registration papers will be accepted. If a pony is shown in halter, it must be shown in Pony Halter regardless of age.
8. Ages: Foals must have been born during 2026, yearlings during 2025, two-year-olds during 2024, three-year-olds during 2023.
9. Foals, ponies, horses, mini-mules, standard mules, and burros of any breed are acceptable for this project.
10. ALL YOUTH are REQUIRED to wear an ASTM/SEI approved helmet with chin strap. Helmets must always be properly adjusted and fastened while on horseback.
11. Exhibitors will always wear heeled boots and jeans. This includes during practice, exercise, and ALL classes. Including Costume Class (Helmet & Boot required.)
12. In Halter or Showmanship exhibitors wearing Western attire must wear a western style hat. Exhibitors showing in English attire must wear a helmet.

a. Western Attire: long-sleeved collared white shirt or solid color shirts with a 4-H armband or chevron, dark blue riding style jeans and heeled boots. Ties and gloves are optional. No chaps.
b. English Attire: 4-H uniform (listed above) or long-sleeved collared shirt or blouse with a 4-H armband or chevron, breeches and heeled boots. Jacket is optional.
c. The judge will be advised not to give extra credit for special attire. Any 4-H'er who does not follow the dress code will be dropped by one ribbon group.

13. Proper tack is always required for exhibitors and his/her animals. Appropriate bosal/bit (snaffle or shank) required for Western/English classes. Chinstraps are required on shanked western bits. All shanked bits are to be ridden with one hand. NOTE: Non-leveraged (snaffle) bits are acceptable in all horsemanship, pleasure, and gaming classes regardless of the age of the horse/or pony and may be ridden with two hands. Spade bits are NOT allowed.
14. Random bit checks may be conducted by the judge or show management at any time.
15. Artificial hair pieces will be allowed in tails only. Body coloring is allowed if it does not change the natural color pattern of the horse. Hooves may be colored black or natural.
16. Horses/Ponies are always expected to be under the exhibitor's control, for all classes including timed/gaming events. The 4-H/FFA exhibitor must be mounted when entering the arena. No assistance to either horse or rider is permitted up to or past the arena gate. If an exhibitor/horse is assisted in any manner, the exhibitor will be disqualified.
17. Horses may only be ridden in the arena and designated warm-up area only by horse exhibitors.
18. Timed classes will be awarded ribbons as follows: BLUES will be awarded to the top qualifying time plus 5 seconds; REDS to all other qualifying times; White ribbons—Incomplete or broken patterns. (Ties will be decided by Judge and Show Management.)
19. All judging is based on guidelines in the "Rules & Regulations for 4-H Equine Shows in Iowa" available at the Extension Office. If there are any contradictions between "Rules & Regulations for 4-H Equine Shows in Iowa" and the rules listed in this 4-H Fair book, the rules listed in this book will take precedence over the "Rules & Regulations for 4-H Equine Shows in Iowa".
20. ONLY 4-H/FFA exhibitors can warm up and ride horses/ponies during the Ida County Fair. Trainers, parents, and family members will NOT be allowed to warm up or ride the exhibitor's horse during any part of the show day. This will result in disqualification for the entire show roster.
21. Exhibitors are required to be in the staging area (outside show ring gate) and checked in with the gate steward when their class is called. No one will be permitted in the show ring once the class has started. (Exception: exhibitors requiring a tack change, ONLY if they have notified the entry booth BEFORE the

class has been called so that it may be announced to the judge.) PLEASE have necessary TACK CHANGE at the GATE.

22. Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated. This includes exhibitors, parents, family members, trainers, etc. Abuse of horses/ponies will not be tolerated. There will be no hitting of the horse/pony in front of the girth. Any violation will result in the immediate disqualification of the exhibitor. Any observers displaying unsportsmanlike conduct will be asked to leave the show area. All the above will be at the discretion of the show management.
23. Any decision regarding unforeseen circumstances will be resolved by 4-H Staff & Superintendent present at show, pursuant to the best interest and safety for all involved.

HORSE BARN

1. Outside aisles should remain clear and free of show supplies, furniture, bedding, feeding equipment, if possible, etc.
2. Depending on availability, a stall will be provided for storage for each club, or per a limited number of exhibitors.
3. If a horse is stalled in the barn, it must remain for duration of fair unless prior approval from a superintendent. Otherwise, horse projects must leave immediately after show. All trailers must be moved to areas designated for parking trailers immediately after the show is over. Horses not stalled at the fair must be kept at trailers. These trailers are to be kept west of the show arena in the fenced area during the show.

Pet Department

Superintendent: Margo McMillen

DEPARTMENT 118 - 4-H Small Pets

Division 150

- Class – 01 - Gerbils, Guinea Pigs, Hamsters, Mice
- Class – 02 - Fish
- Class – 03 - Birds
- Class – 04 - Unusual/Exotic Pets
- Class – 05 - Cats
- Class – 06 - Dogs

Pet Rules

1. **Iowa Exhibitor Youth Code of Ethics, General Rules for All Exhibitors, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules and Regulations apply to this department. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to know and follow these.**
2. Members should be prepared to tell the judge about their pet, the care, handling, background, etc.
3. All 4-H members enrolled in the 4-H Pet project are eligible to exhibit in the 4-H Pet Show.
4. All pets should be identified in 4hOnline by May 15.
5. **No animal may be exhibited in the Small Pet Department if it has been or will be shown in another department.**
6. Members need to have animals in the pet project on the fairgrounds only for the time of the show. Pets need to be brought to the Pet Show area 15 minutes prior to the show, at which time check-in procedures will begin.
7. All pets should come on a leash, in a box, a cage, or a bowl.
8. All exhibitors must be responsible for their pet.
9. NO WILD ANIMALS. It is illegal under Iowa law to capture or keep any game animal, fur animal, or game birds. No swine allowed. An exhibitor is limited to enter 2 different pets. 4-H'ers will be required to enter each pet in the educational class.
10. Preferred dress for pet show exhibitors would be a 4-H Exhibitor or FFA T-Shirt.
11. Pets will not be taken into barns or near livestock.

Poultry Department

Superintendents: Linda Burk, Erica Miller

All Breeding birds should be entered as cock, hen, cockerel, or pullet with these terms defined as: Cock-male chicken 1 year or older: Hen-female chicken 1 year or older: Cockerel-male chicken less than 1 year old: Pullet-female chicken less than 1 year old.

DEPARTMENT 119 - Poultry

Division 160 – Commercial Birds

Class 01- Broilers-two birds per pen either sex under 12 lbs. total weight (I.E., two birds at 6# each)
Class 02- Roasters-two birds per pen either sex over 12 lbs. total weight
Class 03- Market Duck -one bird either sex over 8 weeks of age
Class 04- Market Ducks-two birds per pen either sex over 8 weeks of age
Class 05- Market Turkey- one bird either sex over 15 weeks of age for hens, & 16 weeks of age for toms
Class 06- Market Turkeys- two birds same sex over 15 weeks of age for hens, &16 weeks of age for toms
Class 07- Market Goose-one bird either sex over 12 weeks of age
Class 08- Market Geese- two birds either sex over 12 weeks of age

Division 161 - Hobby Poultry

Rare breeds (pheasants, quail, pigeons, peacocks, guineas, fancy ducks ,etc.) and crossbred chickens(golden comet, amerlinks, sexlinks, saffire splash, saffire gem, barnyard mix)

Class 01- Hatched current year (pair)
Class 02- Hatched current year (single)
Class 03- Aged- (pair)
Class 04- Aged- (single)
Class 05- Crossbred Chicken-one cock
Class 06- Crossbred Chicken-one hen
Class 07- Crossbred Chicken-one cockerel
Class 08- Crossbred Chicken-one pullet
Class 09- Crossbred Chicken-one pen

Division 162 – Breeding Poultry

(NO Crossbred Entries Allowed)

Classes 01 to 05 include the American Breeds of: Plymouth Rock, Barred Rock, Dominiques, Wyandottes, Javas, Rhode Island Reds, Rhode Island Whites, Buckeyes, Chanteclers, Jersey Giants, Lamonas, New Hampshires, Hollands, Delawares

Class 01- one cock
Class 02- one hen
Class 03 – one cockerel
Class 04 – one pullet
Class 05 – one pen

Classes 06 to 10 include the Asiatic Breeds of: Brahmas, Cochins, Langshans

Class 06- one cock
Class 07- one hen
Class 08 – one cockerel
Class 09 – one pullet
Class 10 – one pen

Classes 11 to 15 include the Mediterranean Breeds of: Leghorns, Minorcas, Spanish, Andalusians, Anconas, Siclian, Buttercups, Catalanas

Class 11- one cock
Class 12- one hen
Class 13 – one cockerel
Class 14 – one pullet
Class 15 – one pen

Classes 16 to 20 include the English Breeds of: Dorkings, Redcaps, Cornish, Orpingtons, Sussex, Australops

Class 16- one cock
Class 17- one hen
Class 18 – one cockerel
Class 19 – one pullet

Class 20 – one pen

Classes 21-25 include the Continental Breeds of: Barnevelders, Hamburgs, Campines, Lakenvelders, Welsumers, Polish Non Bearded, Polish Bearded, Houdans, Crevecoeurs, Lafleche, Faverolles, Marans

Class 21- one cock
Class 22- one hen
Class 23 – one cockerel
Class 24 – one pullet
Class 25 – one pen

Classes 26-30 include Miscellaneous Breeds such as: Americauna (Easter Eggers)

Class 26- one cock
Class 27- one hen
Class 28 – one cockerel
Class 29 – one pullet
Class 30 – one pen

Division 163 – Bantam Poultry

Classes 31 to 35 are BANTAMS-FEATHER LEGGED: All bantams should be less than 2 lbs.

Breeds in this class can include: Booted, Belgain Bearded D'uccle, Brahamas, Cochin, Faverolles, Frizzles, Langshans, Silkies, Sultans

Class 31- one cock
Class 32 – one hen
Class 33 - one cockerel
Class 34 - one pullet
Class 35- one pen

Classes 36 to 40 are BANTAMS CLEAN LEGGED:

All bantams should be less than 2 lbs.

Breeds in this class can include: Anconas, Andalusians, Araucanas, Buckeyes, Chanteclers, Cornish, Creveceurs, Cubalayas, Frizzles, Houdans, Lefleche, Malayas, Orpington, Polish, Rhode Island Red, Shamos, Sicilian Buttercups, Sumatra, Suxxes, Yokohomas

Class 36- one cock
Class 37 – one hen
Class 38 - one cockerel
Class 39 - one pullet
Class 40- one pen

Division 164 - Waterfowl

Class 41 – one male duck
Class 42 - one female duck
Class 43 – pair of ducks: one male, one female
Class 44 – one male geese
Class 45 – one female geese
Class 46 – pair of geese: one male, one female

Division 165 – Landfowl

Class 47 – one male turkey
Class 48 – one female turkey
Class 40 – pair of turkeys: one male, one female

Poultry Rules

1. **Iowa Exhibitor Youth Code of Ethics, General Rules for All Exhibitors, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules and Regulations apply to this department. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to know and follow these.**
2. Identify poultry in 4hOnline by type of bird and either name or number of bird.
3. Each exhibitor will be expected to tell what they know about the bird - as much information as possible such as: where it came from, what type of bird it is, special care instructions, is it a game bird, a standard breed, or a non-laying bird.
4. **Each exhibitor is allowed to show two (2) entries in each Class.**
5. Exhibitors are required to use wood chips under their cages and freshen it daily.
6. In Division 24, pairs can be 2 males, 2 females or combination unless specified.
7. Market pens are identical birds, same sex, breed and variety.
8. In Division 24 Hobby " current year" means less than 1 year old and "aged" means over 1 year old.
9. All poultry must have proof they came from a U.S. Pullorum-Thyphoid clean or equivalent flock, or have had a negative Pullorum-Thyphoid test within 90 days of the Ida County Fair.
10. All birds are **NOT** allowed to enter the poultry building until after they have been Pullorum-Thyphoid tested.
11. Pullorum-Thyphoid testing will be done on entry day during the scheduled time only. See the 4-H Fair Schedule for this time period. If birds are not tested they will not be allowed to show. **Exhibitors need to register their birds in the appropriate class at this time.**
12. All Breeding birds should be entered as cock, hen, cockerel, or pullet with these terms defined as: Cock-male chicken 1 year or older: Hen-female chicken 1 year or older: Cockerel-male chicken less than 1 year old: Pullet-female chicken less than 1 year old.
13. All breed entries will be judged according to the American Standard of Perfection and must be listed in the American Standard of Perfection or Bantam Standard. No Crossbred entries will be allowed in the breed classes. Crossbred poultry are to be exhibited in Division 24 Hobby.
14. Each bird can be shown only once.
15. Each 4-H'er is responsible for bringing their own feeders and waterers. These will NOT be supplied.

16. **No poultry may enter the livestock sale ring without the superintendent's knowledge. The only poultry eligible for the sale must have been shown in division 23 (Commercial Birds). After the sale, they must be butchered and delivered to the buyer.**

Rabbit Department

Superintendent: Mary Rohlk

DEPARTMENT 120 – Rabbits

Division 170 – Four Class Rabbits

Class 30 – Four Class Rabbit – Senior Buck
Class 31 -- Four Class Rabbit - Senior Doe
Class 32 -- Four Class Rabbit - Junior Buck
Class 33 -- Four Class Rabbit - Junior Doe

Division 171 - Six Class Rabbits

Class 34 -- Six Class Rabbit - Senior Buck
Class 35 -- Six Class Rabbit - Senior Doe
Class 36 -- Six Class Rabbit - Intermediate Buck
Class 37 -- Six Class Rabbit - Intermediate Doe
Class 38 -- Six Class Rabbit - Junior Buck
Class 39 -- Six Class Rabbit - Junior Doe

Division 172 - Meat Class Rabbit

Class 40 -- Meat - Broiler/Pen of 3
Class 41 -- Meat - Fryer/Pen of 3
Class 42 -- Meat - Single Meat Rabbit (fryer, roaster or stewer)

Division 173 - Hobby Rabbit (Cross-bred or Pet Rabbit)

Class 43 -- Cross-bred Rabbit-Senior Buck-(over 8 months of age)
Class 44 -- Cross-bred Rabbit-Senior Doe-(over 8 months of age)
Class 45 -- Cross-bred Rabbit--6-8 Buck-(6-8 months of age)
Class 46 – Cross-bred Rabbit--6-8 Doe-(6-8 months of age)
Class 47 -- Cross-bred Rabbit--Junior Buck-(up to 6 Months)
Class 48 -- Cross-bred Rabbit--Junior Doe-(up to 6 months)

Division 174:

Class 49 – Doe and Litter

Class 49 Rules

1. Rule 1. Doe must be tattooed and entered in 4-H online by June 1.
2. Litter must be born between May 15 and June 15.
3. Judging will be based on the condition of doe and uniformity of the kits. Number of kits raised will also be taken into consideration.
4. Champion will be eligible for Best of Show.

Division 175:

Class 50: Fur/Wool Class

Fur Class Rules

1. Each exhibitor may nominate **ONE** rabbit for the fur class.
2. This rabbit must be shown in one of the other classes.

3. Rabbits will be divided by fur type on entry day.
4. Judging is based on fur condition and color only.
5. A champion ribbon will be awarded for the best fur.
6. This champion will not be eligible for Best of Show.

Rabbit Rules

1. **Iowa Exhibitor Youth Code of Ethics, General Rules for All Exhibitors, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules and Regulations apply to this department. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to know and follow these.**
2. There will be one tattoo clinic held on Saturday, May 30 at 1pm. It will be held at the fairgrounds. Rabbits must be tattooed before June 1.
3. Identify all rabbits that you **MIGHT** take to fair in 4HOnline by June 1 to be eligible to show at the Ida County Fair. If you are showing at state fair, you may add rabbits up to July 1. Rabbits added after June 1 will only be eligible for State Fair.
4. Unhealthy rabbits will be sent home immediately. This will include rabbits with white nasal discharge or ear mites. This will be done at the discretion of the superintendent at check-in. This is to prevent the spread of two very contagious conditions in rabbits. The fair veterinarian will also do an inspection following check-in. Additional animals may be sent home at that time.
5. Wood shavings need to be placed under all cages holding rabbits. Exhibitors must provide cage clips or padlocks for their cages and some type of clip for their stall cards.
6. Youth must carry their rabbits to the show table. A holding carrier is suggested. If a member needs help getting their rabbits on the table, they may ask another member for assistance. The superintendent will also assist as needed.
7. Showmanship will be done as a come and go event prior to the show. Sign up for a showmanship time when you check your rabbits in at the fair. Showmanship times will start at noon. Awards will be presented at the show, which will start at 1:30PM.
8. Best Hobby rabbit will be eligible to compete for Best of Show.
9. Rabbits that have been spayed or neutered must be entered in the hobby rabbit division.

Sheep Department

Superintendents: Joan Sohm, Paige Whitney, Jillian Joyce

DEPARTMENT 121 – Sheep

Division 180 – Feeder/ Below Gain

Class 07 – Below Weight Lamb

Division 181 -- Market Lambs

Class 08 -- Market Lamb - Home Raised/Non Black Face
Class 09 -- Market Lamb - Home Raised/Black Face
Class 10 – Market Lamb - Purchased/ Non Black Face
Class 11 -- Market Lamb - Purchased/Black Face
Class 12 -- Market Lamb - Home Raised Pen of 3/ Non Black Face
Class 13 – Market Lamb - Home Raised Pen of 3/Black Face
Class 14 -- Market Lamb - Purchased Pen of 3/ Non Black Face
Class 15 -- Market Lamb - Purchased Pen of 3/Black Face
Class 16 – Market Lamb - Sheep Carcass

Division 182 -- Commercial Ewe

Class 12 -- Commercial Ewe - Ewe Lamb
Class 13 -- Commercial Ewe - Yearling Ewe

Division 183 -- Produce of Dam (Sheep)

Class 08 -- Produce of Dam - Home Raised Lamb
Class 12 -- Produce of Dam - Commercial Ewe Lamb
Class 13 -- Produce of Dam - Commercial Yearling Ewe

Sheep Rules

1. **Iowa Exhibitor Youth Code of Ethics, General Rules for All Exhibitors, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules and Regulations apply to this department. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to know and follow these.**
2. A member may weigh any number of lambs at lamb weigh-in for the county fair and out of county shows. From those weighed & identified market lambs, two pens of three can be exhibited, plus two commercial ewes for a total of eight lambs. (A commercial ewe **cannot be shown in a market class** and a market lamb **cannot** be shown as a breeding ewe.) These lambs can all be sold at the Ida County Fair, and the other lambs may be taken on to other shows. If space necessitates, the number of lambs an exhibitor can exhibit may be limited. All lambs are eligible to show as individuals.
3. Sheep going beyond the county fair must be retinal imaged.
4. If numbers necessitate, classes may be combined or split at the discretion of the superintendents.
5. All lambs will be ear-tagged and weighed at lamb weigh-in. Wet lambs will be docked 5 pounds. ALL lambs at the Ida County Fair must be shorn within 14 days of the show. If at the time the lamb is weighed in at the fair, the superintendents feel the lamb was not shorn within that 14-day time-period, they have the authority to require the lamb be shorn, at that time. If the exhibitor does not want to comply with the superintendents' decision, he or she will be unable to exhibit that project.
6. Exhibitors **must** designate their Pen of Three at the time of weighing on entry day. Individual lambs will show first.
7. Lambs will sell by the weight obtained on entry day.
8. There is a rate of gain contest.

9. The minimum weight on lambs will be 90 lbs. Lambs under 90 lbs. will be shown in the feeder class.
10. There will be a class of home raised lambs. A home raised lamb must be dropped by a ewe owned by a member in the immediate family residing at home.
11. When showing lambs at the Ida County Fair the front feet are to remain on the ground at all times. One warning will be given. The next violation the exhibitor will be excused from the show ring.
12. Once the show begins the show catalogs are final.
13. Commercial Ewes will be shown by birth date, not weight.
14. All reproductively intact animals (ewes, does), must have an official scrapie program tag before being shown or sold, unless going directly to a slaughter facility. This would include any ewe lambs shown in market classes.

Produce of Dam

Any animals entered in the produce of dam classes must be the progeny of a ewe formerly enrolled as a project, owned by the exhibitor to be eligible to be exhibited in this class. The exhibitor in this class will be presented two ribbons at the time the ribbons are awarded-one for the animals placing in the class, and the second ribbon for the produce of dam. The dam of produce must have been identified in 4-HOnline of the preceding year.

Sheep Carcass Contest

1. The sheep carcass contest will be open to all sheep exhibitors. Exhibitors may enter any or all lambs for the contest with Fair entries.
2. Carcass measurements will be determined by ultrasound.
3. Exhibitors will be responsible for the cost of ultra-sounding, and payment must be made prior to ultra-sounding and payable to the Ida County Extension Office.
4. The participants will be ranked on the basis of Boneless Retail Value gained per day as determined by the following formula:

((Ending weight x 0.52) – (Beginning Weight x 0.48)) x % Boned Retail Cuts/100/Days on test. This whole figure is then divided by the Average Retail Price, whatever that is at the time.

% Boned Retail Cuts:

50.858 + (Yield Grade x –2) + ((Rib eye area – (1.3 + (Ending weight x 0.52 x.02))) x 10

Swine Department

Superintendents: Alex Conover, Joe Friedrichsen, Jeana Todd, Ben Todd

DEPARTMENT 122 - Swine

Division 190 -- Market Swine

Class 59 – Market Swine – Gilt
Class 60 – Market Swine – Barrow
Class 61 – Market Swine – Pen of 3

Class 62 – Market Swine – Derby
Class 63 – Market Swine – Home Raised
Class 64 – Market Swine – Carcass Value Contest

Division 191 – Breeding Gilts

Class 65 – Breeding Gilts

Division 192 – Produce of Dam

Class 66 – Produce of Dam

Swine Rules

1. **Iowa Exhibitor Youth Code of Ethics, General Rules for All Exhibitors, and 4-H & FFA Livestock Rules and Regulations apply to this department. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to know and follow these.**
2. Any number of pigs may be identified for the purpose of the Ida County Fair and out-of-county shows.
3. An ear notch form should be completed and turned in by May 15. For any possible swine going beyond the county, **left and right ear images must be uploaded in 4hOnline.**
4. A member may exhibit no more than 6 pigs. The maximum number of 6 pigs may be **any combination of Market, Breeding Gilts, or Derby.** For example, a 4Her may bring all the same division/class or a mixture of the divisions/classes.
5. Each member may exhibit a pen of 3 provided that at least 3 pigs are exhibited at the fair. A pig shown in the derby class or breeding gilt class may be used as part of the exhibitor's pen of 3.
6. The first and second placed pig in the live placing of the derby class will be eligible for the individual grand championship show.
7. A member may exhibit purebred market and breeding pigs. Registration papers will be required to be presented at check-in.
8. If a pig weighs under 220 pounds on weigh-in day, that animal will not be eligible to show or sell and the exhibitor will be asked to take the pig home. One re-weigh will be allowed for those under 220 pounds by the end of weigh-in. There will be no upper weight limit on market hogs.
9. Only 6 pigs may be weighed in at the fair.
10. Market hogs will sell by the weight recorded on entry day. **Breeding gilts will not be sold.**
11. An Erysipelas vaccination is highly recommended.
12. Exhibitors will decide at weigh-in on Wednesday (or no later than 2;00 pm on the Swine Show day) if they will sell their pigs or take them home. The exception to this is the "Best in the West Showdown" and "All Iowa Showdown.
13. Any pigs not going to slaughter need to be isolated and re-tested negative for pseudorabies not less than 30 days and not more than 60 days after reaching their destination. Code of Iowa 166D.12(2). This code can be found at: Kyl
14. A farm visit may be made at the discretion of the superintendents.
15. Superintendents reserve the right to send a pig home due to welfare, vet recommendation or packer standards.

Swine Barn Rules

1. Superintendents will assign pens based on total number of entries of Swine
2. Each exhibitor will be in charge of keeping fair pens clean and dry throughout the fair
3. Each exhibitor will be in charge of putting bedding into alley way, **post load out**
4. Bedding will consist of wood chips only. No straw will be allowed.
5. A 1-2 gallon nipple waterer will be allowed in pen. Any leaks/spills must be cleaned up.

Market Pig Rules

1. All market pigs must weigh at or above 220 pounds.
2. Crossbred market pigs will be shown separately as barrows and gilts.
3. **Purebred Market Hogs**:
    a. Purebred hog must be entered as purebred in 4-HOnline or FFA ID sheets and registration papers must be presented at weigh-in.
    a. For Purebred market classes, gilts and barrows will show together.
    c. There must be 3 entries of an individual breed in order to be exhibited by that breed. If there are under 3 entries of an individual breed, that breed will show in the All Other Breeds (AOB) class.
    d. Market Champions will be eligible for the overall championship drive.

Breeding Gilt Rules

1. There will be no weight limitations on Breeding Gilts.
2. Breeding gilts **will not be sold** on sale day during the auction. Breeding Gilts **must go home after the fair.**
3. Breeding gilts may be shown as part of a pen of 3.
4. Determination of breeding gilts must be made at fair weigh-in.
5. **Purebred Breeding Gilts**:
    a.Purebred hog must be entered as purebred in 4-HOnline or FFA ID sheets and registration papers must be presented at weigh-in.
    b. There must be 3 entries of an individual breed in order to be exhibited by that breed. If there are under 3 entries of an individual breed, that breed will show in the All Other Breeds (AOB) class.

Produce of Dam

All animals entered in the produce of dam class must be the progeny of a sow formerly enrolled as a project, owned by the exhibitor to be eligible. The exhibitor will be presented two ribbons; one will be awarded for the animal's placing in the regular class and the second ribbon for the produce of dam. The dam must have been identified on the ID sheet the preceding year.

Home Raised Class Rules

1. All home raised pigs will show in their respective gilt and barrow classes. This class is an extra class to create interest in Ida County home raised pigs.

2. Exhibitor is limited to one home raised pig in this class, or more at the discretion of the swine superintendents based on the total number of home raised pigs.
3. This class is **not** a qualifying class for the championship drive.

Home raised pigs must be farrowed from a sow owned by a member of the immediate family residing at home.

Derby Pig Rules

1. All derby pig entries must be weighed and identified on swine weigh-in day. Maximum weight is 60 pounds.
2. An exhibitor may weigh in **no more than 6 pigs** on fair weigh-in day.
3. A pig identified as a derby pig, but not entered as a derby pig MAY be used as an individual, breeding gilt, or as part of a pen of three in the market classes.
4. Entries must be designated with Fair entries.
5. There will be 2 Champion Derby hogs awarded
   - Champion LGOT Formula - based on LGOT Formula (**see formula below**) and
   - Champion Derby as chosen by the judge on show day.
6. The champion derby **as chosen by the judge** will go onto the champion drive.

LGOT Formula Based on Ultrasound Data on Live Pig

The difference between Pounds of Lean at End of Test and Pounds of Lean at Start of Test is divided by number of days on test to equal LGOT. Use the formula below from the Iowa State Fair 4-H Swine Derby Contest for calculations.

Pounds of Lean at End of Test = 0.833 * sex (barrow=1, gilt=2) – 16.498 * (10^{th} rib backfat, in.) + 5.425 * (10^{th} rib loin muscle area, $in.^2$) + (.291 * live wt., lb.) – 0.534

Pounds of Lean at Start of Test = 0.418 * (starting wt., lb) – 3.650

Pounds of Lean at Market Weight minus **Pounds of Lean on Test** divide by **Days on Test** equals **LGOT**

Carcass Value Contest

The objective of the Carcass Value Contest is to utilize ultrasound scan information taken on ALL MARKET HOGS SHOWN to establish a market value for the live hog at the time of the Ida County Fair. Awards will be presented to the top 10 Carcass Value Animals.

Eligibility

1. All market animals are entered and scanned at the time of weigh-in at the Ida County Fair.

2. Market hogs will show in their respective market classes in addition to being evaluated in this contest.
3. Pigs are not required to be pre-weighed.

This is a unique price matrix to reflect how packers establish the value of a pig carcass. Carcass yield is assumed at 74% for all pigs. Base carcass value is adjusted for:

1. Carcass weight discount. Discounts are used by all major US packers for carcasses that are outside of the desired weight range.
2. Percent lean premium/discount. The majority of US packers offer premiums and discounts based on carcass lean.
3. Carcass with a loin area 10 sq. in. or larger have a $1.00/swt discount. This discount is in response to domestic retailers concerns of loin cuts larger than optimal size.
4. Carcass with less than a .50 in. back fat receive no % lean premium. This discount reflects a reduction in carcass value due to thin bellies and other processing inefficiencies.

Live Weight	Carcass Weight	Carcass Weight Premium/Discount	Actual % Lean	Actual % Lean Premium/Discount
< 210	< 155	$20.00	< 46.0	$10.00
210-219	155-162	$10.00	46.0-46.9	$8.00
220-229	163-169	$8.00	47.0-47.9	$7.00
230-239	170-177	$6.00	48.0-48.9	$6.00
240-249	178-184	$4.00	49.0-49.9	$5.00
250-259	185-192	$2.00	50.0-50.9	$4.00
260-269	193-199	$0.00	51.0-51.9	$3.00
270-279	200-206	$0.00	52.0-52.9	$2.00
280 - 289	207 - 214	$0.00		53.0 - 53.9
290 - 299	215 - 221	$0.00		54.0 - 54.9
300 - 309	222 - 229	$0.00		55.0 - 55.9
310 - 319	230 -236	$3.00		> 55.9
320 - 329	237 - 243	$7.00		
> 329	> 243	$15.00		

Additional Carcass Adjustment:

- < .50 inches 10th rib BF will receive no % lean premium
- > 9.99 sw. in. loin will have a $1.00/CWT discount

Showmanship Department

Superintendents: Superintendents in Each Species

DEPARTMENT 123 – Showmanship

Division 200 – Junior Showmanship – Grades 4, 5, 6

Class 65 - Junior Showmanship – Beef

Class 66 - Junior Showmanship – Swine

Class 67 - Junior Showmanship – Horse
Class 68 - Junior Showmanship – Sheep
Class 69 - Junior Showmanship – Dairy
Class 70 - Junior Showmanship – Rabbit
Class 71 - Junior Showmanship – Poultry
Class 72 - Junior Showmanship – Goat

Division 201 – Senior Showmanship – Grades 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

Class 73 – Senior Showmanship – Beef
Class 74 – Senior Showmanship – Swine
Class 75 – Senior Showmanship – Horse
Class 76 - Senior Showmanship – Sheep
Class 77 - Senior Showmanship – Dairy
Class 78 - Senior Showmanship – Rabbit
Class 79 – Senior Showmanship – Poultry
Class 80 - Senior Showmanship – Goat

Showmanship Rules

1. This contest shall be open to all exhibitors at the Ida County Fair. 4-H'er or FFA members are eligible until and through 12th grade completion.
2. Pre-registration is not required. The 4-H'er does not have to sign-up for showmanship classes on their entry form.
3. Individuals will be placed in order, and will receive a purple, blue, red or white ribbon at the discretion of the judge.
4. Exhibitors must at all times show their own animals unless otherwise directed by the judge or other officials.
5. The above 10 winners will be selected from those exhibitors competing in the respective classes.
6. Exhibitors having completed 4th, 5th or 6th grades will compete in a Junior Showmanship Contest in all species. A junior may be named "Top Junior Showman" in any one species only once.
7. If a junior has been named top junior showman in a previous year, they will then show in the senior showmanship for that species only. They will be eligible for overall showman only in that instance.

It is an expectation that those who qualify for Overall Showmanship will compete on Sunday in all species. A qualifier who fails to compete in the Overall Showmanship Contest will not be eligible to compete in the qualifying species showmanship contest the next year, unless the exhibitor is a junior level 4-Her.

Overall Showmanship Department

Superintendents: Alex Conover, Bob Paulsrud

Overall Showmanship Rules

1. The top three senior contestants in market and breeding beef, swine, sheep, the top two contestants in horse, the single top dairy, and the single top goat exhibitor will be eligible to compete in overall showmanship finals.
2. The overall showmanship contest may be canceled due to any infectious disease concern.
3. The highest ranking received in any species would be the species the exhibitor would be required to show for the overall showmanship. In the event that the exhibitor tied for ranking in two or more species, the first ranking received would be the species he would show. The next place winner in the remaining species would be eligible to compete. (Example: Should one exhibitor win first in both horse and beef, he would be required to show his horse in the finals, and the second-place beef showman would be eligible to compete in the finals.)
4. In the over-all finals, each contestant must exhibit the same animal they showed in the preliminary contest.
5. In the over-all finals, each contestant will be required to show each of the species exhibited. From these exhibitors a Grand Champion Overall Showman will be named.
6. The decision of the judges will be final.
7. The Grand Champion Showman will be ineligible to compete in any future overall showmanship contest at the Ida County Fair. They may compete in a species they have never won, but not be eligible for overall showman.
8. It is an expectation that those who qualify for Overall Showmanship will compete on Sunday in all species. A qualifier who fails to compete in the Overall Showmanship Contest will not be eligible to compete in the qualifying species showmanship contest the next year unless that exhibitor is a junior level 4-Her.

Exhibit Hall Information

Club Booth Evaluation

Each club is responsible for caring for its club booth. Booths must be arranged neatly. The decorating of booths may begin on Sunday before static judging day and must be completed by 3:00 on static judging day. (This time may be adjusted if judging takes longer than expected.) A traveling trophy will be awarded to the outstanding 4-H club booth at the county fair.

- The following criteria will be used in the evaluation:
    - Booth Cleanliness – 20%
    - Exhibits arranged attractively – 30%
    - Theme and Decorations – 50%

Static Exhibit Judging

Tuesday, July 14th in the Exhibit Hall at the fairgrounds

Exhibit Hall Judging Schedule

8:00AM-9:30AM – Logan Hotshots
9:15 AM-9:45AM – Battle Badgers
9:30-10:00AM – Ida County All Stars
9:45AM-11:15AM – Maple Huskies
11:15AM-Noon – Blaine Clovers
Noon – Lunch
12:30PM-Finish – State Fair Selections (Judging area closed at this time)

Club members should arrive during their scheduled time to have their static exhibits judged. Although we try to stick to the schedule, it will vary depending on the numbers of exhibits each club brings.

Static Day Judging Tips

- Make sure you have a complete goal sheet for each exhibit you bring.
  - Make sure your design source is listed.
  - Make sure you've completed design elements/principles for exhibits in visual arts, home improvement, and clothing/sewing exhibits.
- Check the "Foods for Iowa 4-H Fairs – Quick Reference Guide" to make sure your food exhibit is eligible for display.
- Bring a list of your exhibits with the class number to copy onto the Ida County Exhibit Hall Projects sheet at the check-in table.
- Fill out a challenge label for each challenge done and place it in the appropriate space.
- Take the exhibit hall project sheet with you to each judge to mark ribbon placing. Be sure this is done before leaving the judge.
- Pick a judging line to wait patiently in.
- If you see another judge open, leave your project in the line you are in and go to the other judge. You may return to your place in the first line once you are done.
- You may budge in front of a member from another club whose time is after your club's time.
- When all projects are judged, return the exhibit hall sheet to check out and collect your ribbons.
- Place your ribbons on your exhibits and place them in your club booth.

Class Descriptions

Exhibit classes are broad categories. To plan exhibits, 4-H'ers are encouraged to use exhibit tip sheets to determine goals and learning experiences. The ISU Extension and

Outreach has information on exhibiting at
http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/exhibit-tip-sheets.

Questers Heritage Award

Questers will award one 4-Her a certificate and $25.00 for an exhibit that shows preservation, restoration, and education. Selection will be made from exhibits that show an item being at least 50 years old. Your exhibit sheet must answer questions pertaining to how this exhibit has been preserved and restored. Please write a short story and include photos of the steps you took to restore the item to its near original condition for use or display. Full details along with the Questers goal sheet can be found on the Ida County Extension website. There will be a signup sheet in the exhibit building on entry/judging day.

Static Exhibit Rules

1. **Iowa Exhibitor Youth Code of Ethics and General Rules for All Exhibitors apply to this department. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to know and follow these.**
2. 4-H members who have completed 5th grade through 12th grade (or that equivalent) in 2026 are eligible to exhibit at the Iowa State Fair. Exception: Group exhibits from an entire club may include 4th grade members.
3. Eligible exhibits are an outgrowth of work done as a planned part of the 4-H member's participation in 4-H projects or programs during the current 4-H year. Exhibits can be done by an individual or group and may represent all or part of the learning in the project or program.
4. All exhibits must be done within the last 12 months.
5. Explanation of materials, methods for choices, other than those required, may be written on the back of the entry tag. If a garment has been worn and washed or a food has been frozen, state this on the back of the entry tag. State the learning acquired through the exhibit.
6. Clubs will be assigned a time when all members of the club will bring their exhibits and take part in conference judging. 4-H'ers are expected to be there at that time unless there is a conflict. All judge's decisions are final.
7. All exhibit hall items must remain in place until **4:30PM** on the Sunday of the fair and must be removed by **5:00PM** on the Sunday of the fair. **There will be NO early releases.** If the exhibitor cannot be present to pick up exhibits, they must arrange for someone else to pick it up. Each 4-H member is responsible for cleaning the club booth area upon removal of entries.
8. All plastic bags must be removed for judging.
9. Exhibits that do not comply with the class description, size guidelines, copyright restrictions, safety, and approved methods may be disqualified and will not be put on public display.
10. If the exhibitor chooses a display to illustrate what was learned:
    - Posters may not exceed 24 inches by 36 inches in size. (See Classes 10490 and 10530 for smaller requirements.)

- Chart boards, graph boards, project presentation boards, model displays, etc., may not exceed 48 inches by 48 inches in size. Maximum size is determined by measuring the flat (unfolded) dimensions. (See Class 10255 for the smaller requirement.)
- Display boxes may not exceed 28 inches by 22 inches in height or width and 12 inches in depth.

11. Endangered, threatened, and "special concern" plants and animals (including insects), or songbird feathers and nests may NOT be used in any exhibit. Game animals legally taken are acceptable, with the exception of any hogs (Sus species) - per State Law. Live specimens of noxious weeds or invasive species are NOT permitted in any exhibit. Dried specimens are acceptable to use in exhibits, however viable noxious/invasive plant seeds shall not be included. (Links to specific information below)
    - State-listed animals: 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
12. Exhibits may not include actual firearms or live ammunition. Archery equipment is allowed if tips are removed from arrows.
13. 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.)
14. 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 written evaluation comments on the exhibits and a blue, red, or white Iowa State Fair exhibitor's ribbon. Refer to exhibit class evaluation rubrics for detailed evaluation criteria in each class. Evaluations are located at State Fair Evaluations Forms Labels (https://iastate.app.box.com/folder/165781615545?s=fuo1u44a07g0psi8w7swcerz6dpzjqrn).
15. A written explanation is to be included as part of each exhibit 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?

    An exhibit going on to the Iowa State Fair may require an audio recording or video recording. Audio or video should not be longer than 10 minutes and must be uploaded to YouTube.
16. Written goals or explanations are required on any 4-H static exhibit at county fair. The exhibitor should respond briefly to the following questions about the exhibits:
    - **What did you plan to learn or do? (What was your exhibit goal(s)?**

- **What steps did you take to learn or do this?**
- **What were the most important things you learned?**

NOTE: Check for special rules and 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.

17. 4-Hers are discouraged from bringing items that have special meaning and historical value as the exhibit or part of an exhibit. The Ida County Fair and Iowa State University Extension and Outreach will use diligence to ensure the safety of articles entered for exhibition after their arrival and placement. However, they will not be responsible for damage or loss by accident, fire, theft, etc.
18. All exhibits, activities, and programs must represent appropriate safety procedures in the development of the exhibit and during the evaluation process. This includes static exhibits and activities revolving around the communications program.
19. All exhibitors are responsible to read and comply with the Iowa State Fair General Exhibit Rules for the exhibit to be eligible for the Iowa State Fair. The following link will take you to these rules: http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/StateFair/StateFairInfo.htm. The Ida County Extension Office will have paper copies available upon request.
20. If a large article is selected for State Fair, exhibitor will be responsible for transporting to and from State Fair.
21. Design elements and art principles must be described for exhibits in visual arts, home improvement and clothing if appropriate.
22. Exhibitors are not limited to the number of entries per class or lot except photography. If more than one exhibit, goals must be different for each exhibit.
23. Exhibits with a goal that better fits a different department/class will be moved to that department/class at the discretion of the 4-H staff.
24. All judges' decisions are final.

STATIC CLASSES
Animals

Class 10110 Animal Science
An exhibit (other than the animal itself) that shows the 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 any animal is not required.

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

STATIC CLASSES
Agriculture and Natural Resources

Class 10210 Crop Production and Plant Science

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

Class 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.

Class 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.

Class 10224 Fish and Wildlife

Any 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.

Class 10226 Forestry

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

Class 10230 Horticulture and Plant Science

An exhibit that shows learning about the growth, use, and value of plants, soil, small fruit production, vegetable and flower gardens, plant nutrition, careers, etc. (At State Fair, garden crops and herbs are exhibited in classes in the 4-H Horticulture Department under 4-H Livestock and Horticulture.) Youth should visit http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/horticulture for the most up-to-date requirements for preparing vegetable exhibits.

Class 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

Class 10240 Outdoor Adventures

An exhibit that shows learning about backpacking, biking, camping, canoeing, fishing, hiking, or other outdoor activities.

Class 10250 Safety and Education in Shoot 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 is if tips are removed from arrows).

Class 10255 Farm Model Display New Class

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 inches by 36 inches, accompanied by the required written or audio/video explanation of the exhibit. A binder presentation is an acceptable alternative to a physical display.

Class 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.

Agriculture and Natural Resources Special Rules:

1. 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.

STATIC CLASSES

Creative Arts

Class 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.

Class 10320 Photography

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

Photography Special Rules

1. Photographs may be either black and white or color. Photographs must have been taken since your county fair of the previous year.

2. **Photographs should be a minimum of 5 inches x 7 inches.** Finished size (including mounting/matting) of single photographs may not exceed 11 inches x 14 inches. Square photos are allowed within the following dimensions, measured by inches: 7x7, 8x8, 9x9, 10x10, 11x11. Exception: Panoramic photos must not exceed 11 inches high by 24 inches in length.
3. All photographs must be printed on photographic paper and must be mounted and/or matted. Maximum thickness of finished project must not exceed ½ inch thick.
4. Mounted photos can be (a) flush-mounted (no board showing) on mounting board, or (b) with mount 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.

- **4-H'ers are responsible for design decisions such as mounting, matting, color, and size.**
- **Framed photographs (including floating frames) will not be judged**

5. A series is a group of photographs (3 to 5) that are related or tell a step-by-step story. Photographs must be mounted together and numbered in a story order or sequence. Finished size of individual photographs in a series must be a minimum of 5 inches by 7 inches and should not exceed 8 inches by 8 inches.
6. Edited photos should include a copy of the photo before edits.
7. Subject matter of photographs must be in good taste and appropriate for public display in a 4-H setting.
8. Photographs depicting unsafe practices or illegal activities will **not** be displayed.
9. A photography label is required. Exhibitors must use the Photo Exhibit Label to provide required information for photo exhibits. (Label can be found at
10. http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4hfiles/statefair/SFDocuments/SFPHFullSheetPhotoLabel.pdf
11. 9. Youth are limited to entering 8 individual photos for the county fair.
12.
13. Each photography exhibit must have a different and unique goal.

Class 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. The final exhibit could be a composite of multiple photographs. Must include original photograph(s).

Creative Photography Special Rules:

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

3. Photograph/image can be digitally created.
4. Exhibit must have Photo Exhibit Label on back with required information for photo exhibits. Exhibit write-up should include additional information about the processes and decisions used to develop the exhibit.
5. Subject matter must be in good taste and be appropriate for public display in a 4-H setting.
6. Photographs depicting unsafe practices or illegal activities will **not** be displayed.

Class 10345 Photography Idea/Educational Display

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

Class 10540 Digital Storytelling

Any 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.

Class 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 own 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 the exhibit. Describe your inspirations, reasons, feelings, and/or motives for creating this work of art.

Class 10355 Visual Arts – Design, Process, or Technique Exploration

This exploration class emphasizes process and provides an individual 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 still be credited, acknowledged or have copyright permission obtained. See Visual Arts special rule #5.

Class 10360 Visual Arts – Other Visual Arts 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.) 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.
2. Exhibits made from kits or preformed molds will not be accepted. Exception: Preformed molds (greenware, whiteware) 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 of inspiration of the design, design sketches, or other process for creating the object and design must be included. For additional information, see the Visual Arts and Design Elements & Art Principles Exhibit Tip Sheets at www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/exhibit-tip-sheets.
4. If the exhibit is a finished art object 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
7. Design elements and art principle must be described for exhibits in visual arts, home improvement and clothing if appropriate.

- Members in grades 4-6 are responsible only for application of the design element line or color.
- Members in grades 7-8 are responsible only for application of two design elements.
- Members in grades 9-12 are responsible only for application of at least one design element and at least one principle of design.

Class 10370 – Kit Class – Ida County Only – Not Eligible for State Fair

Projects related to Visual Arts but are not eligible for State Fair because they are made from kits or preformed molds. (See Visual Arts rule 1 for clarification of a kit or preformed mold.)

STATIC CLASSES

Family and Consumer Sciences

Class 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.

Class 10420 Clothing and Fashion – Constructed/Sewn Garments and Accessories

A constructed garment or accessory (sewn, knitted, crocheted, or other process) that shows learning about style, fashion, design, thrifty spending, wardrobe planning, types of fabrics, and clothing care. Exhibits must be intended to be worn by humans.

Class 10422 Clothing and Fashion – Purchased Garments and Accessories

Purchased garments or accessories that shows learning about style, fashion, design, thrifty spending, wardrobe planning, types of fabrics, and clothing care. Exhibits must be intended to be worn by humans.

Class 10424 Clothing and Fashion – Other Ideas/Educational Exhibits

Any other educational exhibit that shows learning about clothing and fashion including, but not limited to design illustrations, exploration of clothing styles, careers, clothing care, etc.

Clothing and Fashion Special Rules

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

- Members in grades 4-6 are responsible only for application of the design element line or color.
- Members in grades 7-8 are responsible only for application of two design elements.
- Members in grades 9-12 are responsible only for application of at least one design element and at least one principle of design.

Class 10430 Consumer Management

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

Class 10440 Food and Nutrition – Prepared Product

An exhibit of a prepared food product that shows skills or learning about cooking, baking, eating and choosing healthy foods, safety practices through the making of a prepared food product. See Food and 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 food products.

Class 10442 Food and Nutrition – Preserved Product

An exhibit of a preserved food product that shows skills or learning about food preservation through the making of a prepared or preserved food product. Processed honey may be exhibited in this class. See Food and 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 food products.

Class 10445 Food and Nutrition – Educational Display

An educational exhibit (poster, report, display) that shows skills or learning about cooking, baking, eating and choosing healthy foods, meal planning/preparation and service, safety practices, or food preservation. See *Food and Nutrition Special Rules below and HS 76 "Foods for Iowa 4-H Fairs – Quick Reference Guide"* for additional information regarding prepared and preserved food products. Exhibits showing learning about table settings or menu planning must include a menu.

Food and Nutrition Special Rules

1. Any exhibit considered to be a food safety risk or portray a food safety risk will not be accepted, judged or displayed.
2. All food products/exhibits should be appropriate for human consumption.
3. Due to food safety regulations, no frosting or glaze is permitted. A picture of the product with frosting or glaze may be submitted with the project.
4. Food product exhibits must be prepared, baked or cooked using only food grade utensils and containers.
5. Products that require refrigeration will not be accepted, judged or displayed.
6. Meat jerky products are prohibited.
7. The recipe must be included for any prepared food exhibit; credit the source of recipe.
8. Preserved foods must include the Food Preservation Exhibit Label. Only food processed after August 1, 2025, is acceptable. Current USDA and/or Iowa State University guidelines for home food preservation must be used.
9. Preserved food exhibits **must** include three product samples. One will be opened for evaluation and discarded; the other two will be placed on display and returned to the exhibitor. All perishable food products will be discarded when removed from display.

10. Prepared foods should be placed on a firm disposable plate or flat cardboard. Place food product exhibit in a re-closable plastic bag with entry tag fastened outside the bag. **Recommended number of items to include with the exhibit:**
    a. Cookies, cupcakes, bars, muffins, rolls, etc. – four (4) to six (6) items
    b. Cakes, loafs, pies, etc. – one (1) whole product
11. The use of alcoholic beverages in the preparation or production of 4-H food exhibits is NOT permitted.

Class 10450 Health

An exhibit that shows learning through food choices, safe activities, and skills such as first aid and CPR, careers, and healthy lifestyle choices.

Class 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.

- **Members in grades 4-6 are responsible only for application of the design element line or color.**
- **Members in grades 7-8 are responsible only for application of two design elements.**
- **Members in grades 9-12 are responsible only for application of at least one design element and at least one principle of design.**

Home Improvement Special Rules

1. Exhibits must be ready for display (artwork framed, wall hangings and pictures ready to hand, 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 on 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).

Class 10470 Sewing and Needle Arts – 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, or other items**. Exhibits in this class are not intended to be worn by humans.**

Class 10472 Sewing and Needle Arts – Other Ideas/Educational Exhibits

Any other educational exhibit that shows learning about sewing and needle arts including, but not limited to construction techniques, use and care of fabrics and fibers, design illustrations, decorative processes, careers.

NOTE: Exhibits in classes 10470 and 10472 should include information about application of design elements and art principles if appropriate for the exhibit.

Sewing and Needle Arts Special Rule
Outfits or accessories which will be worn during the Awardrobe Clothing Event may not be entered as a 4-H Iowa State Fair exhibit.

- **Members in grades 4-6 are responsible only for application of the design element line or color.**
- **Members in grades 7-8 are responsible only for application of two design elements.**
- **Members in grades 9-12 are responsible only for application of at least one design element and at least one principle of design.**

Class 10480 Other Family and Consumer Science

An exhibit that demonstrates learning about a family and consumer science topic that does not fit any previous Family & Consumer Science class listed.

Class 10490 Thrifty Meal Challenge

Create a balanced, nutritious meal for 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).

Thrifty Meal Challenge Special Rules:

1. Each county may advance one (1) exhibit in this class to the Iowa State Fair.
2. All entries will receive an evaluation and ribbon.
3. Exhibit may be from an individual or group effort.
4. The total expense on receipt(s) must not exceed $11.
5. The meal must serve four (4) people, with a serving for each person from each of the recommended food groups: Protein, Dairy, Healthy Fats, Vegetables, Fruits, Whole Grains
    a. Recommended serving sizes per person: 3 ounces protein, 1 cup dairy, 1 Tablespoons healthy fats, ½-1 cup vegetables, ½ cup fruit, ½-1 ounce whole 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.
6. The exhibit will be a poster or foam board (maximum size 22 inches x 28 inches or 20 inches x 30 inches) that includes the following:
    a. The menu, a list of food items, and appropriate portion sizes for each food item.

b. Meal type (breakfast, lunch, or dinner).
c. Copy of grocery receipts (up to 2).
d. Photos of the experience: grocery shopping, food preparation, and prepared meal.
e. The completed Thrifty Meal Challenge Worksheet attached to the back of the poster.
f. 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.

STATIC CLASSES
Personal Development

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?

Class 10510 Citizenship and Civic Engagement

An exhibit that shows learning about or contributing to your community, your country or your world.

Class 10520 Communication

An exhibit that shows learning about written, oral, and visual communication skills. Includes learning from participation in Theatre Arts projects or programs such as puppets, state design, etc. May include original creative writing, poetry, fiction, non-fiction, etc. If finished exhibit includes audio or video, it must be uploaded to YouTube.

Class 10530 4-H Poster Communication Exhibit

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'er's 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 Special Rules

1. Only one poster per 4-H'er may be entered.
2. All posters must be designed on, or affixed to, standard poster board or foam core board-size minimum of 14 inches by 20 inches or maximum of 15 inches by 22 inches.
3. Posters may be vertical or horizontal.

4. Posters may be any medium: watercolor, ink, crayon, acrylic, charcoal, oils or collage, digital images, 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.
5. Posters **cannot** be 3-dimesional. Materials used to make the poster may **not** extend more than 1/8 inch above the poster or from the core board.
6. Each poster **must** have a completed Poster Exhibit Entry Form attached to the back.
7. Posters cannot use copyrighted material or exact copies of other promotional designs, such as the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference theme logo.
8. 4-H'ers may include the 4-H clover in the poster.

Class 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.

Class 10550 Leadership

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

Class 10560 Self-Determined

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

IMPORTANT Rules for Personal Development Exhibits

Personal Development Exhibits should also include the following:

1. Member's reasons for choosing this project.
2. Some of the more important ideas the member learned about any of these topics:
    - Information received and how it affects your life
    - Problems solved
    - Decisions made
    - Skills gained
    - Accomplishments
3. Comments about these important ideas should answer the following questions:
    - What did you discover and find significant throughout this project experience?
    - How did you grow personally or benefit from the exhibit?
    - Why was this exhibit important to you as a person?

STATIC CLASSES
Science, Engineering, & Technology

Class 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.

Class 10612 Automotive

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

Class 10613 Automotive

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

Class 10614 Electric

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

Class 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.

Class 16016 Tractor

Repaired or restored tractor (lawnmower or larger) Note if exhibits go on to the Iowa State Fair: A conference judging opportunity for exhibitors of repaired or restored tractors in class 10616 will be offered during exhibit check-in. (Conference judging may not be available during all check-in times). Tractors will be displayed outside throughout the Iowa State Fair. Release time Sunday, August 23, after 7:00PM). Please bring chocks for back tires of tractor.

Class 10617 Tractor

Educational display showing learning related to tractors, tractor mechanics, tractor operations, or tractor safety.

Class 10618 Welding

Constructed item or educational display that shows skills or learning about welding.

Class 10620 Woodworking

Any 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.

Class 10630 Science, Engineering & Technology

Any 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

and networking, earth and climate, geospatial mapping (GPS/GIS) or any other application of Science, Engineering or Technology.

Class 10632 Aerospace

Educational display or other exhibit (including flyable models) showing learning about an aerospace idea or topic.

Class 10634 Robotics

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

Science, Engineering, and Technology Special Rules

1. Exhibitors entered in the 4-H Science, Engineering, and Technology classes are not eligible to exhibit in similar FFA Ag Mechanics classes and vice versa.
2. 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.
3. Due to available space, vehicles will be displayed outdoors. If a vehicle is permitted to be displayed indoors, fuel must be drained before the exhibit can be accepted for evaluation and display. No fuel is allowed inside the building.

CHALLENGE CLASSES
Ida County Only

General Challenge Class Rules

1. All challenge classes are for exhibit only at the Ida County Fair and not eligible for the State Fair.
2. 4-H members may make one entry per challenge class.
3. Challenge classes do not have a class number but will have a challenge tag attached at check-in time.
4. **A 4-H goal sheet does not need to be completed. See each challenge for requirements.**
5. A winner will be picked for each challenge class by 4-H committee members. Winners will be announced at 4-H Night and a prize given by the Ida County 4-H Foundation.
6. No premiums will be awarded for challenge classes.

Carton of Eggs Challenge

1. An entry is one dozen of the same kind of eggs (standard and bantam chicken eggs only) from the exhibitor's flock in a nice egg carton. A carton of 12 eggs from the exhibitor's flock.
2. A carton of one dozen of the same kind of eggs (standard and bantam chicken eggs only).
3. Eggs may be white, brown, or pastels.
4. Due to non-refrigeration at the fair, all entries are deemed inedible and in the interest of consumer safety shall not be returned to the owner and shall be destroyed at the end of the fair.
5. Judging will be done on external qualities. Internal qualities will be judged only to break any ties.

Bucket of Flowers Challenge

2026 Theme: America 250

1. Bucket of Flowers will contain red, white, and blue flowers.
2. Use a 5-gallon bucket with holes in the bottom for drainage.
3. Fill part way with packing peanuts, pop cans, etc.
4. Add dirt and plants (all plants must be real).
5. Label bucket in permanent marker member's name and club.
6. 4-H'er will determine the container design, organization, and materials according to the fair theme. 4-H'er can add their choice of greenery filler to their bucket.
7. Exhibits will be judged on the creativity and health of the plants.
8. Decorating the bucket and adding accents is optional.
9. Buckets will be placed around the fair to beautify the fairgrounds. Buckets can picked up starting at 5:00PM on July 19. All buckets must be removed by the end of fair clean-up on July 21.

Photography Challenge

2026 Theme: The Spirit of America

1. Photo must have been taken since the county fair of the previous year.
2. In order to celebrate America's 250th anniversary, your photo should capture the identify, heritage, story, symbol, emotions, and/or energy that help define the American spirit.
3. Include an explanation of how your photo captures the Spirit of America. Tape your explanation to the back of the photo.
4. Photo must be in good taste and appropriate for public display in a 4-H setting.
5. Photo must be exactly 4" x 6", flat, unmounted, displayed in a plastic bag or page protector.
6. Photo must be printed (on a home printer, from a kiosk, or ordered on-line) on standard photo paper – mat or glossy. Must not be printed on linen paper, canvas, wrap-around, nor printed on cloth.

7. Photo must be taken from a vantage point where the photographer is not put in danger.
8. Photo may be black and white or color.
9. Photo may be enhanced (such as cropped, color enhanced, or sharpened).
10. Photo may not be extremely computer manipulated (such as filters, dramatic colors, or editing out objects).
11. 4-H photographer must not have professional photographers help (added supplemental lighting, use of reflectors).
12. Photo may be taken with any camera (other than a professional studio camera) – film camera, digital camera, cell phone, iPad.

Recipe Challenge

2026 Recipe: Patriotic Bundt Cake

Rules

1. It is important that the recipe be followed as it is written, as your exhibits will be compared with others.
2. Entry should be labeled and packaged the same as any other prepared food that is exhibited (paper plate with clear plastic bag).
3. The purpose of this contest is to use only the following recipe – make, bake, and present your best patriotic cake.

Recipe from Sweet and Savory Meals -
https://sweetandsavorymeals.com/patriotic-bundt-cake-recipe/#recipe

Cake Ingredients:

1 cup white granulated sugar
½ cup unsalted butter softened
2 eggs room temperature
1 cup whole milk
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
2 cups all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
¼ teaspoon salt
5-8 drops red gel food color
5-8 drops blue gel food color

Instructions:

1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F.
2. Grease and flour a silicone or regular bundt pan. If using a silicone bundt pan, place it on top of a baking sheet pan.
3. Add flour, baking powder, and stir to a medium bowl and stir to combine.
4. In the bowl of a mixer, beat together granulated sugar and butter, stopping once to scrape the sides and bottom of the bowl.
5. Add eggs one at a time and beat on medium speed until well blended.

6. Change the speed to low, add the milk and vanilla extract, increase speed back to medium, and mix well.
7. Add the flour mixture little by little and beat until smooth. Stop once to scrape the sides and the bottom of the bowl.
8. Divide the batter into three bowls and stir in gel food color with a spatula until well combined: one bowl should contain red batter, one should contain blue, and one should remain white.
9. Pour the colored batter into the prepared pan, starting with blue, followed by white, and finishing with red.
10. Bake for 30-40 minutes or until a toothpick inserted into the center come out clean. DO NOT OVERBAKE.
11. Let the cake cool in the pan on a wire rack for 10-15 minutes. Gently loosen the cake from the pan and turn it onto a wire rack. Cool completely.
12. DO NOT add any icing or glaze to the cake.

Cookie Challenge

2026: Patriotic Cookies

1. Eligible cookies include any cookies that have a patriotic appearance.
2. It is important that you find a unique recipe, as your exhibits will be compared with others.
3. Entry should be labeled and packaged the same as any other prepared food that is exhibited (paper plate with clear plastic bag). Four cookies should be on the plate.
4. Include your recipe and an explanation of how you altered (if needed) the recipe to give your cookies a patriotic appearance.
5. The purpose of this contest is to use a unique cookie recipe and make the best cookie in the county.

Iowa State Fair Information

1. A special area will be assigned to display all State Fair Exhibits.
2. A packet of information will be provided by the Extension Office on Thursday at 4:00 in the Exhibit Hall when the State Fair picture is taken. Please be in the Exhibit Hall to pick up your information packet.
3. ALL State Fair Exhibitors must complete appropriate paperwork and returned it to the fair office by 5:00 on Sunday of the fair.
4. All state fair projects except baked items need to be at the extension office by August 4th.

COMMUNICATIONS EVENTS

Superintendent: Liz Pinnow

The Communication Event program provides opportunities for 4-H Youth to develop their personal communication skills by sharing talents, knowledge, or information with others. The events provide a series of developmental experiences for different age levels. All Communication Events will happen prior to fair except for Share-The-Fun, which will be judged on Friday night during 4-H Night activities. Complete schedules will be sent out to participants prior to judging day.

General Communication Event Program Rules and Regulations

1. 4-H'ers who have completed 5th-12th grade (or that equivalent) in 2026 are eligible to participate at the Iowa State Fair. Exception: Share-The-Fun and Extemporaneous Speaking - see event rules for age guidelines.
2. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibits may be given by one or more 4-H'ers. Teams consisting of youth of mixed grades will be subject to the time limits based on the grade of the member in the highest grade level (i.e. a team with a 5th grader and an 8th grader will use the times for the intermediate/senior class).
3. Topics selected by the 4-H'er(s) should be an outgrowth of his/her 4-H experience(s) or learning in their project areas. Topics should be appropriate for presentation to a general audience.
4. Participants in the 4-H Communication Programs are expected to wear appropriate clothing representative of the 4-H Youth Program and/or the topic of the presentation.
5. 4-H'ers must use sanitary and safe procedures and methods at all times. Educational Presentations, Pride of Iowa and Working Exhibits involving food must follow established food safety guidelines.
6. Stickers and self-adhesive products may not be used in any Communication Event for any reason.
7. If live animals will be used as part of a Communication Event, the exhibitor must comply with the 2026 Health Requirements for the Exhibition of Livestock, Poultry and Birds at State Fair, District Shows and Exhibitions. This can be found at https://iowaagriculture.gov/animal-industry-bureau/animal-admission-health-requirements. Animals that do not comply will not be allowed in the 4-H Exhibits Building or on the fairgrounds.
6. All participants are expected to comply with all copyright/trademark regulations. Copyrighted material may not be distributed without permission.
7. Entries for all communication events are due to the Extension Office by 4:30PM on June 29.

Communications will be entered in the following divisions. 4-H'ers must have completed these grades in the current year:

Junior: 4th-6th Grades
Intermediate: 7th-8th Grades
Senior: 9th-12th Grades

Class 11100 Educational Presentations

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.

1. Time limit: Junior presentations (5th & 6th grade) must not exceed 15 minutes. Intermediate/Senior Presentations (7th-12th grade) must not exceed 20 minutes. Presenters will be verbally told to "STOP" when they exceed the time limit.
2. Participants must turn in a completed Educational Report Form during event check-in.
3. 4-H'ers may participate in one Educational Presentation per year.
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.

Class 11200 Working Exhibits

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

1. Time limit: All participants/teams will be scheduled for a 30-minute period, with a 10-minute set up before and a 5-minute clean up following the working exhibit.
2. Participants must turn in a completed Working Exhibit Report Form during event check-in.
3. 4-H'ers may participate in one Working Exhibit per year.
4. All methods used should be safe for involvement of audiences of all ages.

Class 11300 Share-The-Fun

Provides an opportunity for 4-H'ers to share their skills and talents before an audience purely for the sake of enjoyment. This will be judged during our Clothing and Communications Day. 4-H'ers will also present their acts during 4-H Night at the Fair in July.

1. State Fair Eligibility: 4-H'ers who have completed 5th grade through 12th grade (or that equivalent) in 2026. 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% of the performing group must be 5th-12th grade in 2026.
2. The performance must not exceed six (6) minutes in length.
3. Skits, songs, stunts, short one-act plays, dance and other entertainment will be acceptable. All performances must be appropriate for presentation to the general audience.
4. Performances can include an individual, small group, large group or an entire 4-H Club.

Class 11400 Extemporaneous Speaking

Encourages 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.

1. Participants must be senior 4-H'ers – completed 9-12th grade (or that equivalent) in 2026.
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 admitted initially and one additional participant per speaking site admitted every 15 minutes as the program progresses. 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 member's own efforts using approved reference material that a participant may bring to the preparation room. No other assistance may be provided. Plain 3"by 5" note cards will be provided for each participant in the preparation room. If notes are used, the 3"by 5" 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 time cards in an ascending order (1, 2, 3, 4, 5) by the time keeper. "Stop" will be said at six minutes.

g. The program timekeeper will introduce each participant by name. 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 not be available.

4. 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.

5. A judge's critique/conference with each participant will be included as a part of the program.

Class 11500 Pride of Iowa

Eligible for Clay County Fair – Not Eligible for State Fair

Provide an opportunity for 4-H members to demonstrate proper cooking skills while showcasing products made in Iowa. These outstanding Iowa products could include meat, eggs, dairy products, grains, honey, etc.

RULES

1. The "Pride of Iowa" judging will be held prior to fair. Complete schedules will be sent out to participants prior to judging day. It is recommended that this project area be for the younger 4-H'ers, encouraging the older 4-H'ers to do other communications.
2. Junior 4-H members (4^{th} – 6^{th} grade) will have 10 minutes for their presentation. Intermediate (7^{th} – 8^{th} grade) and Senior (9^{th} – 12^{th} grade) 4-H members will have 13 minutes for their presentation. Presentations exceeding the time limit will be dropped one ribbon placing.
3. Presentations can be done by an individual, or a team of two 4-H exhibitors.
4. Recipes used by the exhibitor must include at least one outstanding Iowa product, but the selected recipe may use more than one Iowa product.
    - Mixes cannot be the featured Iowa product, but they may be used in the recipe.
5. Exhibitors should wear a 4-H shirt during their presentation. Long hair should be pulled back. An apron may also be worn but is not required.
6. Exhibitors must provide their own ingredients, equipment, and small appliances.
7. Ingredients can be partially prepared ahead of the presentation (ingredients chopped, meat pre-cooked, etc.), but actual preparation of the recipe must happen at the time of the presentation.
8. Presentations must include a poster. Poster requirements are as follows:
    - Full recipe, in font large enough to be read by the audience, with attention drawn to the outstanding Iowa ingredient (different color, font size, or boldface text)
    - Recipe source (Be specific- for cookbooks include the name of cookbook and page number; for recipes found online include website name and author of the recipe; for recipes from someone you know personally, include their name and your relationship to them)

- Exhibitor(s) name and club

9. Exhibitors will be introduced to the audience immediately prior to their presentation, including name(s), 4-H club, and recipe title.
10. During the presentation, exhibitors will prepare or demonstrate how to make their selected recipe. Exhibitors are **not** required to speak while they are preparing their product, but they may speak if they wish. Topics that could be covered during the presentation might include the following:
    - A preview of the recipe ingredients or note about the outstanding Iowa ingredient
    - Descriptions of what is being done (recipe steps or directions)
    - Recipe source and why this recipe was selected
    - Any changes made to the recipe and why
11. If recipes require baking, exhibitors are to bring a completed product for demonstration purposes and as a sample for the judge to taste.
12. Exhibitors will be evaluated on the use of Iowa ingredients, taste and flavor of the

CLOTHING AWARDROBE EVENTS

Superintendent: Liz Pinnow

The 4-H Clothing Event is for 4-H'ers interested in showcasing apparel design and production knowledge, as well as their creativity skills. Judging of the Fashion Revue, Clothing Selection, $20 Challenge and PJ Frenzy will happen prior to fair. Complete schedules will be sent out to participants prior to judging day. State Fair Participant(s) and alternate(s) will be selected from all categories except PJ Frenzy. State Fair entries will come from the Senior Division. A top individual in each of the junior division will be named. Special recognition may be announced in each division. The Style Show for all participants in the Clothing Awardrobe events will be scheduled annually during the fair where those selected for awards will be announced

Entries for all clothing events are due to the Extension Office by 4:30 on June 29th.

Fashion Revue

The purpose of this category to encourage the construction of a personal garment or outfit.

11600 - Fashion Revue (Junior - 4th-6th)
11601 – Fashion Revue (Intermediate – 7th-8th)
11602 - Fashion Revue (Senior - 9th-12th)

1. Consideration is given to fit, color, style, suitability, attractiveness, quality of construction, stage presentation and required care.

2. Youth participants will model a garment or outfit they constructed, hand-knitted, machine-knitted, or crocheted during the current 4-H year.
3. 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.
4. Blouses, shirts, and sweaters are usually considered as garments. If they are used to complete an outfit, they may be constructed or selected.
5. All other accessories and undergarments may be constructed or selected.
6. A picture of the exhibitor wearing their garment should be attached to the Fashion Revue Form.
7. Each 4-H'er will be judged individually.
8. Fashion Revue garment may be entered as a static exhibit **unless chosen for State Fair.**
9. **Limit one outfit.**

Clothing Selection

The purpose of this category is to select and/or purchase an outfit that represents the 4-H'ers goal or intended use for the selected outfit.

11603 - Clothing Selection (Junior - 4th-6th)
11604 - Clothing Selection (Intermediate – 7th-8th)
11605 - Clothing Selection (Senior - 9th-12th)

1. Judging is based on fit, color, style, suitability, quality, and construction features, stage presentation, required care, and cost comparison.
2. There is no consideration in the judging on the amount spent, only in the process of recordkeeping and reflection on the cost of the individual items as part of the process.
3. 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 at the 4-H member selected the item as part of this specific outfit for the stated purpose. Have had individual planned of county experience(s) in choosing shopping alternatives, evaluating fit, quality and construction features, price, and cost comparison.
4. Home-sewn clothing that was not sewn specifically for the participant are acceptable, such as purchases from a used clothing store.
5. A picture of the exhibitor wearing their garment should be attached to the Clothing Selection Form.
6. Each 4-H'er will be judged individually.
7. Clothing Selection garment may be entered as a static exhibit **unless chosen for State Fair.**
8. Limit one outfit.

$20 Challenge

The purpose of the $20 challenge is to expand the 4-H'ers shopping experience to shopping venues emphasizing recycling and reusing.

11605 - $20 Challenge (Junior - 4th-6th)
11606 - $20 Challenge (Intermediate – 7th-8th)
11607 - $20 Challenge (Senior - 9th-12th)

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. This class is **not** for new clothing, regardless of price.

1. Online venues are allowed and **must** be secondhand in nature. Shipping and handling are not included in the total calculations.
2. Traditional shopping venues may not be used, regardless of a low regular or sale price. Hand-me-downs or clothing as gifts so not qualify for this class.
3. Twenty dollars is the purchase price limit including tax. However, some secondhand stores and venues do not charge sales tax.
4. 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.
5. An outfit consists of major clothing pieces such as a shirt, sweater, jacket, and pants and/or a dress. Shoes, undergarments, and accessories are not included in the $20 purchase price limit.
6. Alterations are permitted to achieve a desired look for fit.
7. There are no additional considerations for an outfit that totals less than $20.
8. 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.
9. A picture of the exhibitor wearing their garment should be attached to the $20 Challenge Form.
10. $20 Challenge garment may be entered as a static exhibit **unless chosen for State Fair.**
11. **Limit one outfit.**

12400 Innovative Design

12401 - $20 Challenge (Junior - 4th-6th)
12402 - $20 Challenge (Intermediate – 7th-8th)
12403 - $20 Challenge (Senior - 9th-12th)

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.

<u>Pajama Bottom Frenzy</u> – Ida County Only – Not eligible for State Fair

11608 – PJ Frenzy (Junior - 4th-6th)
11609 – PJ Frenzy (Intermediate – 7th-8th)
11610 – PJ Frenzy (Senior - 9th-12th)

Have you ever had the chance to create/design your own pair of pajama bottoms? Well, here is your chance.

1. Use any pattern you choose to construct and design your own pair of pajama bottoms.
2. Use any fabric of your choice.
3. You may use an assortment of accessories to decorate your pajama bottoms. BE CREATIVE!
4. You may change the length of the pajama bottoms.
5. Wear a white t-shirt during judging and during the Style Show at the fair.
6. A picture of the exhibitor wearing their garment should be attached to the PJ Frenzy Form.
7. Limit one pair of Pajama Bottoms.

You may have your pajama bottoms judged on Static Exhibit day in Clothing Selection also if you want. They will be judged there on your knowledge of sewing and the lines