

4-H Fashion Show — Procedures and Information



4-H contests are open to 4-H members ages 8–18. The 2017 Lancaster County Super Fair Book has information about 4-H contests — see page 15.

In the Fashion Show contest, 4-H'ers learn how to present themselves and gain confidence as they model their clothing projects and show proper fit of their clothing.

4-H members enrolled in clothing projects are eligible to model their garment (this also includes Beyond the Needle, Clothing 1 Non-Wearables and Knitting or Crocheting).

Contest consists of two parts:

- 1) Judging which is held the week before the Lancaster County Super Fair
- 2) Public Fashion Show held during the Lancaster County Super Fair

A parent or helper is allowed to assist youth in preparing for Fashion Show judging and the public Fashion Show.

Fashion Show Judging

Judging is held before Lancaster County Super Fair on **Tuesday, July 25, 8 a.m. at the Lancaster Extension Education Center, 444 Cherrycreek Road.** Prior to judging, a letter will be mailed to participants assigning specific check-in and judging times.

STEAM Clothing 1 Non-Wearables (including Knitting or Crocheting Level 1) participants will not be judged on judging day. Clothing 1 Non-Wearables participants need to preregister and complete the Fashion Show Narration form.

They will receive participation ribbons at the public Fashion Show.

Public Fashion Show

The public Fashion Show is held during the Lancaster County Super Fair, on **Thursday, August 3 at 7 p.m.** at Lancaster Event Center (Exhibit Hall — use east entrance). Invite parents, relatives and friends to this event.

The evening of the public Fashion Show, the 4-H members will model their clothing projects. Dressing rooms will be marked with respective clothing areas. Participants may begin dressing at 5:30 p.m., but must be in line by 6:30 p.m.

Ribbons and trophies will be handed out during the public Fashion Show.

HELPFUL RESOURCES



A YouTube video, "4-H Style Revue" (now called Fashion Show) is online at <http://lancaster.unl.edu/4h/Fair>.

Preregister by July 17

4-H members must preregister for Fashion Show by Monday, July 17. Participants need to fill out one of the following entry forms for EACH entry:

- Fashion Show Narration — sewn item(s); all ages
- Attention Shoppers — purchased item(s); ages 9 & under
- Shopping in Style — purchased item(s); ages 10 & over

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The 4-H Youth Development program abides with the nondiscrimination policies of the University of Nebraska–Lincoln and the United States Department of Agriculture.

On each entry form, 4-H'ers write the narration which will be read as they model their clothing during judging and the public Fashion Show. Be creative in describing your outfit. Samples of past narrations are below.

Forms **MUST** be emailed and are available online as fill-in PDFs at <http://lancaster.unl.edu/4h/fair>. Email forms to kristin.geisert@unl.edu. For sewn garments, a printed copy of the completed Fashion Show Narration form including a fabric sample and sketch/picture of pattern **MUST** also be mailed or delivered to: Nebraska Extension in Lancaster County, 444 Cherrycreek Road, Suite A, Lincoln NE 68528.

If computer submission is not possible, mail or deliver handwritten entries to: Nebraska Extension in Lancaster County, 444 Cherrycreek Road, Suite A, Lincoln NE 68528. All Fashion Show sewn garments, Shopping in Style and Attention Shoppers entries **MUST** also email narration to kristin.geisert@unl.edu.

State Fashion Show

Top models at the county contest will be selected to participate in the State Fashion Show held during the Nebraska State Fair. Any 4-H member who is 10 years old by January 1 of the current year, and is in STEAM Clothing 2, Clothing 3, Beyond the Needle, Knitting or Crocheting, or Shopping In Style is eligible for the State Fashion Show.

Clothing Static Exhibits

All clothing items modeled in the Fashion Show must be entered as a Clothing Static Exhibit to be judged for construction. Static Exhibit check-in is Tuesday, Aug. 1 from 4–8 p.m. in the Lincoln Room at the Lancaster Event Center.

On the Static Exhibit Entry Tag, clearly mark the check box which indicates the item is a Fashion Show article.

All Static Exhibits are released Monday, Aug. 7, 7–11 a.m.

Additional Information

If you have any questions about the Fashion Show, please contact Kristin at 402-441-7180.

Sample Fashion Show Narrations

STEAM Clothing 1

Sarah Doe is ready for school in her close-fitting cotton capri pants and a cotton pullover sleeveless top. Her pants are accented with trim to coordinate with the top making it a complete outfit. Making this outfit was a new experience for her! She plans to wear this outfit to school, church, or when she goes to the mall.

Emily Doe is ready for the heat in her cool summer outfit. This easy pull-on outfit is accented with bright smiley faces. Emily chose 100% cotton because it is breezy and easy to care for. While sewing her first outfit, she learned how to hem and put in elastic. Keep smiling Emily!

STEAM Clothing 2

Jane Doe will be counting ladybugs instead of sheep in her cotton/flannel pajama top and coordinating black cotton/flannel boxer shorts. Her pajama top features a front button placket, patch pocket and long set-in sleeves which Jane found challenging. Watch out for Jane as she'll be the best dressed at the next slumber party!

For Maria Doe's clothing project this year, she chose a plaid jumper made from a wool and rayon fabric with a matching beret. This the first time Judy made pleats. To finish her ensemble, she's wearing a white cotton long-sleeved blouse accented with gold buttons. Maria is looking forward to this fall when she can enjoy wearing this outfit.

STEAM Clothing 3

Becky Doe is showing off her dress she made for a high school dance last January. She chose a 100% polyester crepe in periwinkle blue as her fabric. The close fitting, A-line dress has front princess seams, back crossing straps, and a side zipper. Becky fully lined this short formal dress which was a new experience. Looking elegant, Becky!

Emily Doe is showing fashion from the 1950's. This costume has a blue felt circle skirt complete with a poodle appliqué. Complimenting the skirt is a white cotton semi-fitted blouse with buttons. Putting in a collar, sleeves, and making buttonholes were new skills learned in this project. Way to go, Emily!

Beyond the Needle

Nola Doe decorated this shirt with a few of her favorite things. After learning the skill of stenciling, she stenciled butterflies, caterpillars, bees and flowers on the collar, cuffs, and pocket. Hand sewn beads and bugle beads add intricate detail to her design. This beautiful shirt can be worn over a sun dress, with pants, or with any of her favorite things.

After Monica Doe attended 4-H Camp in Halsey, she was inspired to create this shirt. She tried a new procedure, arranging the leaves on the shirt and lightly spraying it with a bleach mixture and quickly rinsing it to stop the bleaching action. Now she will "blend right in" to the forest the next time she goes hiking. Very creative, Monica!