



Lancaster County

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Overview of Exhibiting in 4-H at Lancaster County Fair



Clover Kids

4-H members ages 5–7 (by January 1 of the current year) are considered 4-H Clover Kids and may:

- enter an individual project,
- enter a group club project, and/or
- participate in Show & Tell.

Clover Kids receive participation ribbons only.
See Fair Book page 33 for complete details.

Youth Ages 8–18

4-H members ages 8–18 (by January 1 of the current year) may:

- enter static exhibits (all non-animal exhibits are called static exhibits),
- enter animal exhibits, and/or
- compete in a contest.

Every exhibit or contest entry earns a ribbon and a monetary “premium.” Ribbons are judged according to merit. Purple ribbons = superior; blue = excellent; red = good; white = fair.

The 2009 Lancaster County Fair will be held August 5–9 at the Lancaster Event Center, 84th & Havelock, Lincoln. Many 4-H youth choose to showcase their finished project(s) at the County Fair.

To exhibit in the 4-H project areas, members **MUST** be enrolled in the respective project unless otherwise stated in the Fair Book. Updated club enrollment forms are due to extension office by June 15 — must list project area(s) each member plans to enter at the county fair.

A specific project can only be entered in one category or class. Each individual is limited to only one entry per class number unless indicated otherwise in the Fair Book.

Fair Books

The Lancaster County Fair Book has complete information about entering exhibits or participating in a contest. Fair Books were mailed to each 4-H family. Extra copies are available at the extension office, Lancaster Event Center, Lincoln City Libraries and other community locations. The 4-H portions of the Fair Book are online at <http://lancaster.unl.edu/4h/Fair>



Exhibitor & Class Numbers

Exhibitor and class numbers are needed for ALL 4-H entries — and must be entered on the appropriate entry form.

Exhibitor numbers are mailed to all club leaders and independent members. You may also call extension at 441-7180 to find out your exhibitor number.

Class numbers are found in the Fair Book to the left of each class description.



Extension is a Division of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln cooperating with the Counties and the United States Department of Agriculture.

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

Deadline Summary

See Fair Book pages 4–5 for complete schedule.

- **Friday, May 29** — 4-H Life Challenge–Seniors Contest preregistrations due to extension
- **Monday, June 1** — 4-H Horse identification forms due to extension
- **Monday, June 15** — 4-H updated club enrollment forms due to extension office — must list project area(s) each member plans to enter at the county fair — 4-H/FFA Sheep/Goats/Swine/Breeding Beef/ Bucket Calves/Dairy Cattle/Rabbits identification forms due to extension
- **Monday, June 22** — 4-H Bicycle Safety Contest preregistrations due to extension
- **Wednesday, July 8** — All 4-H/FFA Animal Entries due to extension (no late animal entries will be accepted!)
- **Friday, July 10** — 4-H Presentations and 4-H Life Challenge–Juniors Contest preregistrations due to extension
- **Monday, July 20** — 4-H Table Setting and Style Revue Contest preregistrations due to extension
- **Friday, July 24** — 4-H Horse Course Challenge preregistrations due to extension
- **Monday, Aug. 3, 4–8 p.m.** — All static exhibits must be physically checked in by 4-H member, parent or leader at the Lancaster Event Center
- **Sunday, Aug. 19, Noon–2 p.m.** — All static exhibits MUST be picked up by someone at the Lancaster Event Center
- **Sunday, Aug. 9, Noon–4 p.m.** — Premium money for static exhibits and contests held before the fair MUST be picked up at the Lancaster Event Center

Entry Forms/Tags

The following is a list of all County Fair 4-H entry tags or forms. All entry forms are available at the extension office and online at <http://lancaster.unl.edu/4h/Fair>

- **Static Exhibit Entry Tag** — entry tag MUST be completed for EACH static exhibit (*Note: entry tag not available online because it is a carbon-copy triplicate. Tags also available at Event Center during static exhibit check-in.*)
- **Clover Kids Entry Tag** — entry tag MUST be completed for EACH static exhibit (tags also available at Event Center during static exhibit check-in)
- **Horse Entry Form** — packet includes registration form and stall reservations. One Horse Entry Form must be completed for each exhibitor exhibiting horse(s).
- **4-H/FFA Livestock Entry Form (4HLEF)** (for beef, dairy, bucket calf, goats, sheep, swine, llama/alpaca and showmanship sign-up) — one entry form MUST be completed for each exhibitor entering livestock
- **Poultry Entry Form** — one form for each exhibitor
- **Rabbit Entry Form** — one form for each exhibitor
- **Dog Entry Form** — one form for each dog entered

- **Cat Entry Form** — one form for each cat entered
- **Household Pets Entry Form** — one form for each animal type or breed entered
- **Presentations Contest Entry Form** — one form per exhibitor or team (one form may be filled out per club)
- **Style Revue Contest Entry Form** — participants need to fill out one of the following entry forms for EACH entry:
 - Attention Shoppers — purchased item(s); ages 11 & under
 - Shopping in Style — purchased item(s); ages 12 & over
 - Style Revue Narration — made item(s); all ages
- **Photography Data Tags** — Data Tag stickers are available at the extension office and Data Tag forms are online at <http://lancaster.unl.edu/4h/Fair>

T-Shirts

Official 4-H or FFA shirt is required for all County Fair animal shows and activities (see horse rules book for appropriate attire for horse show). 4-H attire is encouraged for 4-H contests, but not required.

The 4-H T-shirt (\$6.50), chevrons (\$.65) and arm bands (\$2.00) are available for sale at the extension office before the county fair. They may also be purchased at the fair office during the week of the fair.

Volunteer T-shirts (\$6.50) are also available for sale.

Fair Volunteers Needed

Adults *and* youth ages 12 and up are needed to help during County Fair. Help is especially needed in the following areas:

- In the 4-H Corner Stop food booth from Tuesday, Aug. 4 through Sunday, Aug. 9.
- Static exhibit set-up days on Thursday, July 30 at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 1 at 8 a.m. in the Lincoln Room.
- During judging of static exhibits on Tuesday, Aug. 4.
- Teen tour guides are needed for Fair Fun Day for child care groups on Friday, Aug. 7 at 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

If you, someone from your club or an interested volunteer would like to help, contact the extension office.

New Premium Payout Procedure

All 4-H & FFA animal exhibitors will receive

premium payouts as they exit the show arena. Participants in 4-H contests held during the county fair will receive their premium payout at the contest. Premium payouts for all static exhibits and 4-H contests held PRIOR to the fair (such as Speech or Bicycle Safety) must be picked up on Sunday, Aug. 9, Noon–4 p.m. in the Fair Board Office. Premiums will not be paid out after 4 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 9. With proper identification, parents, guardians, 4-H club leaders, FFA chapter advisors will also be permitted to pick up and sign for exhibitor premiums. No checks will be issued! No changes or corrections will be made on premium amounts after 14 days.

The image shows two forms from Lancaster County Fair. The top form is a '4-H/FFA LIVESTOCK ENTRY FORM' which is green. It has a header with the Lancaster County Fair logo and the text 'LANCASTER COUNTY FAIR 4-H/FFA LIVESTOCK ENTRY FORM'. Below the header is a grid with columns for 'Breed', 'Sex', and 'Name & Reg #'. There are also checkboxes for 'Wetted Call' and 'Wetted Call' and a section for 'Please Indicate # of Stalls Needed' with a '\$6 Bedding Fee Per Head' note. The bottom form is a 'STATIC EXHIBIT ENTRY TAG' which is light blue. It has a header with the Lancaster County Fair logo and the text 'LANCASTER COUNTY FAIR STATIC EXHIBIT ENTRY TAG'. Below the header is a grid for listing exhibits with columns for 'Exhibit Number', 'Name of Article', and 'Please Indicate # of Stalls Needed'. There are also checkboxes for 'Article to be interviewed judged?' and 'Style Review article?' and a section for 'Please Indicate # of Stalls Needed' with a '\$6 Bedding Fee Per Head' note.