



How 4-H Clover Kids May Participate in the Lancaster County Super Fair

The information below is reprinted from the 2025 Lancaster County Super Fair Book, page 15.

Clover Kid exhibitors must be age 5–7 (by January 1 of the current year) and enrolled as 4-H Clover Kids. Exhibitors may choose from any combination of Prepared Speech & Radio PSA Contest, Fashion Show, Static Exhibits, Show & Tell and Animal Showmanship activities. Clubs may choose from any combination of group club projects.

4-H Clover Kids receive participation ribbons only — no trophies, premiums or awards are given. No state fair entry.



PREPARED SPEECH & RADIO PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

2025 contest was held in March.

2026 contest dates:

- **PREPARED SPEECH:** Sunday, March 29, 2026 at 1:30 p.m. — Registration due March 23
- **RADIO PSA:** Entries due March 23, 2026 — 2026 Theme TBA

FASHION SHOW

Register by Monday, July 14

Clover Kids Optional Modeling Practice Session: Tuesday, July 22, any time after 8 a.m. in the morning (Nebraska Extension in Lancaster County Lobby)

Public Fashion Show: Thursday, July 31, 7:30 p.m. (Sandhills Global Event Center – South Hall)

CLOVER KIDS FASHION SHOW PROJECT

Clover Kid members may model or carry 1 item in the Fashion Show. Clover Kids Fashion Show items may NOT be entered for static exhibit judging.

Register by submitting “4-H Clover Kids Fashion Show Entry Form” (available at the Extension office and online at <https://go.unl.edu/lan4h-contests>). Submit to the Extension office or email to Kristin Geisert at kristin.geisert@unl.edu by Monday, July 14.

Clover Kids may:

- Carry and show: pillow, pillowcase, purse, bag or other item they have sewn or decorated/embellished.
- Wear: purchased top, shorts, pants, apron, cape, skirt or dress they have decorated/embellished.
- Wear: top, shorts, pants or apron they have sewn.
- Clover shoppers: wear a purchased outfit on a budget.

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STATIC EXHIBITS

Static Exhibit Check-in: Tuesday, July 29, 4–8 p.m.
(Ag Society Hall)

Static Exhibits Released: Monday, Aug. 4, 7–11 a.m.
(Ag Society Hall)

A static exhibit is any item a Clover Kid member has made at home, at school or with their club that they would like to display. This includes exhibits which do not move on their own (for example from the project areas of Food & Nutrition; Photography; Home Design; Clothing; and Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Math).

Posters must measure no more than 22 inches x 28 inches. No live animals — members may bring pictures, a poster or booklet about their animal activity.

See page 21 of Fair Book for Static Exhibit check-in and release procedures. A Lancaster County Super Fair 4-H Clover Kids Entry Tag **MUST** be completed for each Clover Kids static exhibit. Tags are available at Extension office before the fair and at the Sandhills Global Event Center during static exhibit check-in.

Note: All static exhibits will be on display during the Show & Tell activity.

INDIVIDUAL PROJECT

Clover Kids members may enter up to 5 individual static exhibits.

GROUP CLUB PROJECT

Clubs may enter 1 group static exhibit.

SHOW & TELL

Sign Up: Call the Extension office at 402-441-7180 between July 7 and July 25, or in person Tuesday, July 29, 4–8 p.m.
(Ag Society Hall)

Show & Tell Time: Sunday, Aug. 3, 15 minute time slots 1–2:30 p.m.
(Ag Society Hall – Clover Kids Exhibit Area)

Clover Kids may choose to show & tell from any combination of the following:

STATIC EXHIBIT

Clover Kid members may show & tell 1 static exhibit. Prior to their Show & Tell time slot, find their exhibit in the fair displays and bring it over to Show & Tell. Afterwards, please return the exhibit to the same place in the display.

SMALL ANIMAL EXHIBIT

Clover Kid members may show & tell 1 small animal.

- Only cats, dogs, rabbits or other small pets are allowed.
- Small animals are shown as a Show & Tell activity only.
- Animals must follow all health regulations on Fair Book page 54 and for each animal species (refer to category).
- For safety, small animals must be housed in appropriate cages/ carriers (including dogs).

GROUP CLUB PROJECT

Clubs may choose from one of the following:

- Club members show & tell 1 group static exhibit.
- Skit or song — 5 minutes or less (members participate as a club)



RESOURCE: VIDEOS

YouTube video of Show & Tell, "4-H Clover Kids Show & Tell," is linked at <https://lancaster.unl.edu/4h/clubs/clover-kids>

ANIMAL SHOWMANSHIP

Most livestock shows and the Rabbit Specialty Show include a 4-H Clover Kids Showmanship class for 4-H members ages 5–7 (by Jan. 1 of the current year). Participants must be enrolled in 4-H Online at <https://4honline.com> by June 15. This class is meant to foster an understanding of the show ring, animal handling practices and gain experience for younger youth. To participate, enrolled 4-H Clover Kids should talk to 4-H or FFA members to find an animal (weighing less than 350 pounds) to show and a helper, age 13 or older, to help handle the animal during showmanship. Listen to show announcers for instructions on how 4-H Clover Kids may participate.



NEW in 2025 — Clover Kids may bring their own livestock (weighing less than 350 pounds), poultry or rabbit(s) to exhibit in the 4-H Clover Kids Showmanship class at fair. An animal ID must be submitted by June 15 (poultry do not require an ID). Request a stall/pen by emailing lancaster4H@unl.edu by July 1. Clover Kids may follow animal 4-H & FFA exhibitor load-in and load-out guidelines OR arrive day-of the species show. Animals arriving day-of-show must be in stalls by 8 a.m. and may be released at completion of show.

See Fair Book animal pages 56–65 for livestock, poultry & rabbit show rules, dates, times and locations.

At Clover Kids Show & Tell in the Ag Society Hall on Sunday, Aug. 3, 4-H Clover Kids may show & tell 1 small animal such as a dog, cat, rabbit, household pet — excluding larger livestock such as a bucket calf or goat.

The Nebraska 4-H policy for Animal Exhibits for Clover Kids is online at <https://go.unl.edu/4h-clover-kid-animals>.