2016 Meeker County 4-H

Premium Book

Meeker County Fair
August 4 – August 7, 2016
Thursday, July 14
TBD  Clothing Project Judging (All, but non-wearable garments)
TBD  Fashion Review Judging
7:00 p.m.  Public Review

Monday, July 25
5:00 p.m.  County Fair Clean Up Night
Federation Meeting to Follow
Ambassador Meeting to Follow
7:45 p.m.  Livestock Superintendent Meeting

Tuesday, July 26
5:30 p.m.  4-H Dog Obedience & Rally Show

Saturday, July 30
9:00 a.m.  Horse Training Show
9:30 a.m.  Pleasure Horse Show
12:00 p.m.  Cloverbud Horse Show
         Games Show - Following Cloverbuds, but Not before 1:00 p.m.

Monday, August 1
5:30 p.m.  4-H Dog Agility & Showmanship Show

Wednesday, August 3
Any Time  All livestock entries arrive, 4-H/Open/FFA Classes
         (Including horse)
9:00 - 11:00 a.m. Rube Goldberg Teams Setup in Commercial Building
11:00 a.m.  Rube Goldberg Challenge Judging
1:00 p.m.  Cloverbud Registration Begins
1:30-6:30 p.m. Cloverbud Judging
2:00 p.m.  Exhibitor Registration Begins (Non-Cloverbuds)
2:30-6:30 p.m. General Exhibit Judging - 4-H Building
4:00 p.m.  Club Exhibits due at 4-H Building (excluding scrapbooks & community pride)
3:00-7:00 p.m. 4-H Livestock Interviews/Skill-a-Thons – Beef, Goat, Horse, Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep, Swine (Foodstand)
3:00-7:00 p.m.  Dairy Interviews (Dairy Barn)
6:30 p.m.  Rabbit and Poultry posters due at 4-H Fair office
6:30 p.m.  4-H Exhibit Building Closes
8:00 p.m.  All Rabbits in place
8:00-10:00 p.m. Rabbit Verification/Check-in

Thursday, August 4
7:00 a.m.  All Livestock in Place (Including horse) (Except Rabbits due Wednesday at 8 p.m.)
8:00 a.m.  4-H Rabbit Show (Open Show Arena)
10:00 a.m.  4-H Horse Fun Show
12:30 p.m.  4-H Poultry Show
2:00 p.m.  Horse Fun Show
5:00 p.m.  4-H Beef Show

Thursday, August 4
6:00 p.m.  Camp Courage Program
6:30 p.m.  4-H Blue Ribbon Dairy Auction
1:00 p.m.  4-H Pet Judging
2:00-4:00 p.m. Home Depot Kids Activity, N of Exhibit Building
3:00 p.m.  4-H Dog Demonstration
4:00 p.m.  4-H Fair Jupiter
5:00 p.m.  Arts-In Performance
6:00 p.m.  Round Robin Showmanship Contest, 4-H Building
7:00 p.m.  4-H Market Goat Show
8:00 p.m.  4-H Market Sheep Show

Friday, August 5
9:00 a.m.  4-H Swine Show
9:30 a.m.  4-H Dairy Show
11:00 a.m.  4-H Lamb Lead Interviews
1:00 p.m.  4-H Livestock Auction Registration Deadline - Strict Deadline
2:00 p.m.  4-H Dairy Goat Show to follow, but not before 4:00 p.m.
2:00 p.m.  4-H Horse Fun Show
3:15 p.m.  Share-the-Fun Showcase
3:45 p.m.  Arts-In Performance
4:00 p.m.  Market Livestock Auction Registration Deadline - Strict Deadline
4:00 p.m.  Declare 4-H State Fair Trips - Strict Deadline
7:00 p.m.  4-H Horse Fun Show
8:00 p.m.  4-H Dairy Auction Registration Deadline - Strict Deadline
8:00 p.m.  Horses Released
10:00 p.m.  Horses Must be Removed and Stalls Cleaned

Saturday, August 6
12:30 p.m.  4-H Blue Ribbon Dairy Auction
1:00 p.m.  4-H Pet Judging
2:00-4:00 p.m. Home Depot Kids Activity, N of Exhibit Building
3:00 p.m.  4-H Dog Demonstration
4:00 p.m.  4-H Fair Jupiter
5:00 p.m.  Arts-In Performance
6:00 p.m.  Livestock (Excluding Dairy & Sheep) & General Exhibits Released
6:30 p.m.  Dairy & Sheep Released

Sunday, August 7
11:30 a.m.  State Fair Meeting: General Exhibits & Share the Fun, New Livestock Show Arena
12:00 p.m.  State Fair Meeting: Livestock Exhibitors, New Livestock Show Arena
2:00 p.m.  Round Robin Showmanship Contest, Swine/Goat Show Arena
4:00 p.m.  4-H Livestock Demonstrations (Poultry/Rabbit/Sheep Barn Show Arena)
3:00-3:30 p.m. Market Livestock Auction Participant Thank-you signing, 4-H Building
5:00 p.m.  Round Robin Showmanship Event
5:30 p.m.  Arts-In Performance
6:00 p.m.  Livestock (Excluding Dairy & Sheep) & General Exhibits Released
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Changes for 2016 – PLEASE READ

1. **NEW in 2016 – Science of Animal Education Exhibits will be offered this year. There will be judged following each species 4-H show and displayed in the barns.** – p. 24

2. **NEW in 2016 – We will be having a Round Robin Showmanship Contest on Sunday, August 7th at 2:00 p.m. in the Swine/Goat Show Arean.** – p. 10

3. **NEW in 2016 – Release time for all livestock (excluding dairy & sheep) & general exhibits changed to 6:00 p.m., and 6:30 p.m. for all dairy & sheep.** – p. 6

4. **New in 2016 – The 4-H Poultry show will begin at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 4th** – p. 1

5. **New in 2016 – The 4-H Rabbit show will take place in the open show arena at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 4th.** – p. 1

6. **Changes to Rabbit project to include:**
   a. **Maximum of 3 rabbit per class** – p. 20
   b. **Lionhead added to the small breed classes** – p. 20
   c. **Additional of a Wool Fur class** – p. 21
   d. **Requirement for rabbits to meet weight requirement to avoid being dropped to a lower placing.** – p. 21
   e. **Poster size requirement** – p. 22

7. **Dog Obedience Class changes (Beginner A to Foundation, Beginner B to Beginner).** – p. 15

8. **In addition to members qualifying state fair trip(s), 4-H members may participate in activities such as Share-the-Fun, demonstrations, Arts-In, cooking events, animal science educational exhibits, or judging teams.** – p. 8

9. **Updates to the requirements and exhibit suggestions for the Engineering Design – Aquatic Robotics classes.** – p. 29

10. **Updates to the requirements for the Engineering Design project area.** – p. 29-30

11. **Updates to the requirements for the Engineering Design - Robotics project area.** – p. 29

12. **Updates to the Engineering Design - Rube Goldberg Challenge project area.** – p. 29-30

13. **Updates to the requirements for the Flower Gardening project area.** – p. 31

14. **Updates to the Photography project area.** – p. 36-37

15. **Updates to the requirements for the Vegetable Gardening project area.** – p. 39

16. **Updates to the Video project area.** – p. 39-40

17. **Update to the Community Pride club project area.** – p. 40
4-H EXHIBIT RULES

1. The 4-H division of the Meeker County Fair is open to all youth currently enrolled in 4-H with University of Minnesota Extension–Meeker County.

2. All 4-H exhibits must be registered in advance of the fair. REGISTRATION MATERIALS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE BY JULY 1st. Late registrations can still exhibit at County Fair, however, will result in no ribbon placing higher than a blue, no participation in the market livestock or dairy auctions, and projects are not eligible for state trips. Any projects added after this date are considered late. Late projects will receive premiums earned.

3. 4-H members exhibiting must register with the 4-H Staff at the 4-H Exhibit Building on Wednesday, July 29, between 2:00-6:30 p.m. Cloverbuds only may register beginning at 1:00 p.m. Judging begins at 1:30 p.m. for Cloverbuds and 2:30 p.m. for all other exhibitors.

4. Absentee Judging: To be eligible to exhibit a project while being absent from the conference judging process the following must be in place:
   - Pre-approved with 4-H staff prior to county fair
   - Allowed in extreme situations only such as:
     - Death in the family
     - Once in a lifetime educational opportunity
     - Optional event with no flexibility (wedding of immediate family)
     - Illness/Injury

These exhibits are eligible for Champion/Reserve Champion placing and state fair lineups, but may be at a disadvantage (if equal in quality to another exhibit) to a 4-H member who is at the conference judging process.

If a 4-H member is unable to participate in the conference judging process by himself/herself due to a disability or injury, the 4-H member and/or the member’s immediate family must request permission for a substitute showperson to help with the exhibition of the 4-H member’s livestock project(s). Arrangements and approval for a substitute showperson must be made with 4-H staff prior to the day of the show. The substitute showperson must be a 4-H age-eligible member of the 4-H member’s immediate family or another age-eligible 4-H member from the county of membership.

If a 4-H member is unable to participate in livestock skill-a-thons/interviews by himself/herself due to a disability or injury, the 4-H member and/or the member’s immediate family may request accommodations that will fit the needs of the individual (e.g. someone to read the questions). Arrangements and approval for accommodations must be made with the 4-H staff in advance of the fair.

5. Any General or Livestock State Fair trip winner needs to declare by 4:00 p.m. Friday of fair. This is a strict deadline. Those who do not declare by 4:00 p.m. will be scratched and the next person in the line-up will be awarded the trip.

6. All work on projects entered must be done by the 4-H member and completed during the current 4-H year unless otherwise noted.

7. All General Exhibits must be in place by 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 29. The Exhibit Building will close to 4-H families at 6:30 p.m. and will not re-open until 10:00 a.m. on Thursday. This is done to accommodate our judges.

8. No exhibits may be removed from the fair prior to designated release times on Sunday, August 7. This includes all General Exhibits and Animals. Only exception is horses, which are released at 8:00 p.m. on Friday. These are decisions by the Fair Board, which needs to be respected. Those not complying with this rule will forfeit premium awards and State trips.

9. Judges will have complete discretion on ribbon placings, which are non-negotiable.

10. The Fair Board & 4-H will not be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur.

11. Cloverbuds: The policy states that “a parent, adult or other responsible person (grades 6+) will be with Cloverbud members at all times during Cloverbud activities when in the presence of an animal or when using equipment that is potentially dangerous (scissors, saws, knives, needles, rockets, kitchen appliances, etc.).” Cloverbuds may not exhibit in showmanship. Cloverbuds may exhibit an animal, but when they are at 4-H activities, a parent, adult or other responsible person (such as a teen leader) will be in control of the animal, etc. This means that the parent, adult, or responsible person will lead and/or handle the animal at all times once the animal arrives at the fairgrounds. The
responsible person must be in control of the animal at all times and never turn the control over to the Cloverbud. It is the expectation that the responsible person must be in control of the animal at all times of the 4-H experience including but not limited to: to and from the trailer, to and from the wash rack, to and from the barns, in the barns, in the stall, to and from the show arena and in the show arena. It is not acceptable to use more than one lead rope or halter with any animal as this turns over at least some of the control over to the Cloverbud. During animal judging, the Cloverbud should walk next to the parent/responsible person available to learn from the project leader and/or to dialog with the evaluator/judge. This policy is statewide and it is non-negotiable. The age for Cloverbuds is Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grades. 3rd graders must register for specific projects, not Cloverbuds, unless otherwise determined in consultation between the 4-H family and 4-H staff. Cloverbuds exhibiting non-livestock projects will be evaluated by a Cloverbud judge. They will be given a Cloverbud Participation Ribbon and will receive a premium.

12. Club Projects: Scarecrows, Banners, Potted Flowers, and Barrels must be brought to the 4-H Exhibit Building and be ready for judging by 4:00 p.m. on entry day. Scrapbooks and community pride projects are due at 6:30 p.m.

13. Each 4-H member is strongly encouraged to exhibit a project at the county fair. All exhibitors will receive a complimentary gate pass (bracelet). YOUTH will receive their bracelet at registration on entry day.

14. All State Fair eligible projects listed in this book are marked with an asterisk (*).

15. ALL poster displays may not exceed 22” wide x 28” high; they may be smaller.

16. Education Exhibits/Tri-Fold Exhibits for all project areas may not exceed 12” deep x 24” wide x 36” high (Center back 24” wide x 36”high, right and left wings each 12” wide x 36” high)

17. Over-sized exhibits (i.e. large exhibit such as machinery, etc.) will need prior approval from the Extension Office. Call the Extension Office BEFORE JULY 17. Over-sized exhibits MUST BE IN PLACE BY 1:00 P.M. ON ENTRY DAY AND MAY BE DISPLAYED OUTDOORS.

18. All exhibits must be labeled with name, club, and county. Other appropriate information for the project (i.e., vegetable varieties) should be included. If the exhibit has multiple pieces, each part needs to be labeled and should indicate 1 of 4, 2 of 4, etc.

19. All general exhibits will be evaluated by a conference with the judge. Blue, red, and white ribbons will be awarded. Project judging criteria:
   • Exhibit quality 25%
   • Educational value 25%

20. Decision of the judge is final and may not be appealed.

21. No 4-H’ers or minors will be allowed to stay on the fairgrounds overnight unless authorized by the fair board office and chaperoned by their parents. Those staying overnight need to register with the fair board office!

22. NOTE: If copyrighted materials (i.e. music, cartoon characters, etc.) are being used or duplicated, permission must be granted by the copyrighter.

ANIMAL SCIENCE

1. All beef, dairy, dog, goat, horse, llama, rabbit, sheep and swine shown in 4-H livestock shows must have the required State 4-H ID system, ear tag and/or tattoo. Animals ID data must be submitted online, arrive in the Extension office, or be postmarked no later than May 15th (with the exception of Market Beef due February 15th). All livestock ear tags will be verified on entry day. Exhibitors for each animal will be declared at verification. Animals without required identification will be sent home immediately.

2. All animals exhibited must be owned solely by the member, member’s family or leased by agreement. The family includes the 4-Hers’s parents or guardians and siblings living together as a family unit. The definition of family includes an extended family where the animals may be owned by grandparents as long as the 4-Her’s parents are actively involved with and working on the farm. Animals owned in partnership with non-family members (as defined above) must be leased and follow guidelines within the lease agreement. Registered animals, not leased, must be registered in the exhibitor’s name and/or the exhibitor’s family name. Market animals cannot be leased.

3. 4-H’ers exhibiting livestock at the County Fair are responsible for the care and feeding of animals they exhibit for the entire fair.

4. All livestock exhibits, excluding showmanship, must be pre-registered.

5. All 4-H’ers exhibiting livestock at the fair are eligible and encouraged to participate in showmanship. 4-H’ers must show their own animals.

6. All grooming of livestock, including clipping, trimming and blocking (all species) must be clearly done by the exhibitor, members of the immediate family or any other registered Minnesota 4-H member. Immediate family members are defined as being parents, step parents, legal guardians, grandparents, brothers or sisters. The 4-Her exhibiting the animal should be present and involved in the fitting process at the fair.
7. To show in the registered breed classes, animals must meet the registration requirements for that breed and registration papers must be available. Animals without proper registration papers (crossbreeds and grades) must be shown as commercial.

8. All animal health regulations will be in effect as stipulated by the Minnesota Board of Animal Health and the County Agricultural Society.

9. **IN ALL LIVESTOCK SHOWS, ONLY REGISTERED 4-H MEMBERS ARE ALLOWED TO SHOW ANIMALS.** This includes classes where one exhibitor has more than one animal being exhibited and during State Fair line-up.

10. 4-H members may bring up to two different exhibits per class, unless otherwise stated in that project’s premium book section. Only exception is Cloverbuds, who may exhibit only one animal class per specie and up to four additional exhibit building projects.

11. 4-H livestock can be shown in open class, but not FFA.

12. Feed, halters, and other equipment are to be furnished by the exhibitor and kept free of fairgoer walkways when not in use.

13. 4-H exhibitors are responsible for feeding and caring for their exhibits for the entire fair. Pens and stalls must be kept neat and clean at all times. Unsightly exhibits may be removed, and ribbon placing forfeited, if exhibits are not properly cared for.

14. The Meeker County Agricultural Society (Fair Board) is not responsible for death, loss or accidental injury to animals.

15. Only 4-H horse members and screened 4-H volunteers can ride in the horse arena on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of fair. All 4-H rules apply. No riding beyond the south end of the horse barn.

16. State Fair trip animals must be the same one shown at the county show where the state fair trip was won. Only exceptions are poultry, rabbit fryers, and swine. No other substitutions are allowed. Poultry and rabbit fryers shown at the state fair must be from the same flock or herd as those shown at the county fair. Swine for State Fair must be identified by the May 15 deadline and cannot be shown by another 4-H’er at County Fair.

17. Animal Sales and Advertising: No animals may be advertised for sale.

18. All Livestock exhibits (including horse) (except rabbits, which are due Wednesday at 8 p.m.) must be in place by 7:00 a.m., Thursday, July 31. They may arrive any time on Wednesday. Trucks and Trailers will Enter the North Gate and Exit the West Gate between the 4-H Building & Goat Barn.

19. All livestock animals (excluding horses, which are released at 9:00 p.m. on Friday) will be released on Sunday, August 7. Livestock Release Times - 6:00 p.m.: Goat, Swine, Beef, Poultry and Rabbits. 6:30 p.m.: Sheep and Dairy.

20. There will be livestock skill-a-thons/ interviews on Wednesday, July 30 from 3-7 p.m. for 4-H’ers participating in beef, dairy, goat, horse, poultry, rabbit, sheep, and swine projects at the county fair. Register in the 4-H Foodstand for all, but dairy. Dairy: register in the dairy barn with Carol Warren. All exhibitors are encouraged to participate. Participants will receive a coupon for a free ice cream cone at the ADA Booth.

**4-H LIVESTOCK HERDSMANSHP**

Herdsmanship will be judged by Meeker County Fair Board members.

**COUNTY FAIR EXHIBITION OF LIVESTOCK IN MINNESOTA 2016 REQUIREMENTS**

Minnesota Board of Animal Health

Phone: 651-296-2942 – Fax: 651-296-7417

**GENERAL REQUIREMENTS** - All animals must be examined by the official veterinarian on the day they are admitted to the exhibition and at least once daily during the exhibition. All out-of-state animals must meet Minnesota importation requirements. No animal may enter or be at a public exhibition that is showing clinical signs of any infectious, contagious or communicable disease, including ringworm and warts.

Always check with exhibition management for additional requirements.

The Minnesota Board of Animal Health reminds exhibitors of livestock that animals entering all classes of exhibition need to be officially identified.

The Board of Animal Health rules require official identification of all exhibition animals, except for swine entering slaughter classes and water fowl. Exhibitors are responsible for officially identifying their animals before bringing them to the fair. Additionally, anyone placing an official ID in livestock must keep records. These rules provide better protection of animals and people at the fair by enabling the Board to more quickly locate potentially affected animals during a disease event.

Birds and poultry entering exhibition may be identified with a wing or leg band.

**CATTLE** – Cattle must be officially identified.

**SHEEP AND GOATS** – Sheep and goats must have an official Scrapie ID or have a registered tattoo along with a breed registry number. No sheep or goat that is within 30 days of giving birth may be exhibited without prior approval from the Board.

**POULTRY** – Chickens, turkeys, and game birds, except baby poultry, must be individually identified with a leg or wing band. Chickens, turkeys, game birds, and hatching eggs from these birds must be
accompanied by a certificate or test chart to show that they originated from a hatchery or breeding flock that is classified pullorum-typhoid clean or negative to a pullorum-typhoid test within 90 days prior to the opening date of exhibition. Turkeys and turkey hatching eggs must be accompanied by a certificate or test chart to show that they originate from a hatchery or breeding flock that is classified Mycoplasma gallisepticum clean and Mycoplasma synoviae clean or are negative to a Mycoplasma gallisepticum and a Mycoplasma synoviae test within 90 days prior to the opening date of the exhibition.

SWINE – Breeding and feeding swine must be officially identified, unless in slaughter classes only.

HORSES – Horses, except suckling foals accompanying a negative dam, must be negative to an official equine infectious anemia (Coggins) test conducted within 12 months prior to the opening date of an exhibition.

DOGS – Dogs four months of age or older must be accompanied by a certificate of rabies vaccination issued by a licensed veterinarian. They must also have trimmed nails (front and rear).

IMPORTED ANIMALS – All imported animals must be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection documenting that the dog is currently vaccinated for rabies.

CATS – Cats must be accompanied by a certificate of rabies vaccination issued by a licensed veterinarian. They must also have trimmed nails (front and rear).

6. **Distribution of Unused Livestock Trips:**
   Minnesota 4-H wants to provide as many 4-H members as possible the opportunity to experience the Minnesota State Fair judging process. To ensure that as many youth as possible have the opportunity to participate in a livestock experience at the Minnesota State Fair, when a state fair lineup is exhausted and there are trips left available in a specie area, the following will be implemented: All blue ribbon exhibits within a specie area that are interested in a state fair trip experience (but not part of the state fair lineup) would become part of a “lottery system” whereas the names of the 4-H members are put into a drawing (one time per member) and random selection occurs. If there are still trips available, extra trips will be transferred specie to specie: sheep/swine, dairy/beef, rabbit/poultry, market goat/dairy goat. Pigeon, llama, horse, and dog trips are not interchangeable.

7. All ID’s must be received by the deadline stated for each animal project. If they are not received by the deadline, the participant can still exhibit at county fair, participate in the market livestock auction and receive premium, but will receive no ribbon placing higher than a blue and will not be eligible for State trips.

**STATE FAIR OR STATE SHOW ELIGIBILITY**

1. **Trips for State Fair, State Horse Show, and State Dog Show** will be selected from **State Fair line-up which includes blue ribbon exhibits only as designated by the official project judge.** (See State Dog Show Rules for exceptions). **Exhibit classes eligible for State Fair are marked with an asterisk asterisk.**

2. Members selected to represent the county at State Fair and State Horse Show **must have completed sixth grade,** unless Share the Fun, Rube Goldberg Challenge or State Dog Show.

3. **State Livestock Quality Assurance & Ethics Training Policy:** All youth participating as a State Fair 4-H livestock exhibitor in beef, dairy, sheep, swine, poultry, rabbits, meat goat, dairy goat and lama must have completed a Livestock Quality Assurance and Ethics workshop. Certification is good for three fair seasons. The level of training required is determined by the grade of the youth at the time the training takes place.

4. Along with their qualifying state fair exhibit trip(s), 4-H members may participate in additional State Fair activities such as Share-the-Fun, demonstrations, Arts-In, cooking events, animal science educational exhibits, or judging teams.

5. **Competitive Events Deadline Exemption Option:** Every Minnesota 4-H member is eligible for a "one-time" member exemption. This exemption provides the ability (one-time in a 4-H member’s career) for the 4-H member to acknowledge they missed a 4-H deadline related to enrollment or competitive event participation and waive the consequences for the named deadline.

**4-H MARKET LIVESTOCK AUCTION**

Saturday, August 6, 2016 - 5:00 p.m.
Livestock Show Arena

**RULES & REGULATIONS:**

Participation by 4-H members in this market livestock auction is strictly voluntary.

Participant Criteria: Must complete **all four** of the following requirements, including: 1. Earns a blue ribbon with their market livestock animal; AND 2. Participates in the showmanship contest for the specie auctioning; AND 3. Completes the livestock skill-a-thon/interview held on Wednesday, July, 29 from 3-7 p.m. in the 4-H foodstand for the specie auctioning; AND 4. Has completed 4-H Livestock Quality Assurance and Ethics Training during the past three fair seasons; may participate in the 4-H Market Livestock Auction.

Each 4-H member may sell one animal, pen of poultry or pen of rabbits per auction.

Blue ribbon winners must register for the market auction by 4:00 p.m. on Friday if they will participate. A consignment form can be obtained from the 4-H office at the fair. It must be completely filled out, signed by both the 4-H’er and a parent,
4-H’ers can participate in the market livestock or dairy auction. According to University of Minnesota Extension guidelines, a fee of 20% of the premium value will be deducted from each exhibitor to be used for Meeker County 4-H programs.

Bidding will be for the premium amount only and not factor in weights.

All terms of the sale are cash. The Meeker County Fair Board will not be held responsible for errors in the clerking or settlement of sale.

The Market Livestock Auction Committee will display the buyers name, address, and selling price. Each 4-H member is responsible for bringing his/her animal properly groomed and in show condition to the sale ring. Exhibitor must be dressed as for showmanship. Please no caps, shorts or sandals.

All auction animals are the responsibility of the 4-H members and must be provided for until the animals are released on Sunday.

Everyone assisting with the auction is donating their services – auctioneers, clerks, 4-H volunteers and others. Please remember to thank them for their time!

Each 4-H’er will send a thank you to the buyer of their animal. The thank you will be written on Sunday in the 4-H Building from 3:00-3:30. Checks will be mailed after the thank you has been written. Once checks are available, they will be mailed to auction participants that have completed their thank you.

It is a privilege to participate in the Meeker County 4-H Livestock Auction. Any violation of the above rules can result in loss of auction premium and/or future participation.

Reminder: A mandatory group picture will be taken at 4:30 p.m. prior to the auction. Dress in show clothes. 4-H’ers are asked to be available to greet potential bidders between this picture and the start of the auction. Be sure to have your animal ready prior to picture time!

MEEKER COUNTY 4-H BLUE RIBBON DAIRY AUCTION

Saturday, August 6, 2016, 12:30 p.m.
Livestock Show Arena

* Dairy Auction will take place during a break in the open class dairy show – the open show will stop promptly at 12:30 and resume upon completion of the auction

RULES & REGULATIONS:

Participant Criteria: Must complete all three of the following requirements, including: 1. Earns a blue ribbon in the 4-H dairy show; 2. Participates in the showmanship contest AND; 3. Completes the 4-H dairy interview held on Wednesday, July, 29 from 3-7 p.m. in the dairy barn; may participate in the 4-H Blue Ribbon Dairy Auction.

Anyone meeting the above criteria who plans to participate, please register with Carol Warren by 8:00 p.m. Friday.

All 4-H dairy exhibitors will receive a detailed letter describing the dairy auction rules and format prior to the fair. Please remember that participation by 4-H members in this auction is strictly voluntary.

The auction will be conducted as “premium only”. According to University of Minnesota Extension guidelines, a fee of 20% of the premium value will be deducted from each exhibitor to be used for Meeker County 4-H programs.

All terms of the sale are cash. The Meeker County Fair Board will not be held responsible for errors in the clerking or settlement of sale.

Everyone assisting with the auction is donating their services – auctioneers, clerks, 4-H volunteers and others. Please remember to thank them for their time!

Each 4-H’er will send a thank you to the buyer of their animal, checks will be mailed after this.

It is a privilege to participate in the Dairy Auction. Any violation of the above rules can result in loss of auction premium and/or future participation.

If one of the top five champion individual winners receives less premium than what the individual divided amount earned from the pooled blue ribbon group earnings is, then that individual champion’s earned amount will be added into the group earnings pool and recalculated to divide evenly between that individual champion and all pooled blue ribbon group participants. Therefore, an individual champion will be guaranteed no less than what a blue ribbon pooled group participant receives.
**ROUND ROBIN SHOWMANSHIP COMPETITION**

Sunday, August 7, 2016, 2:00 p.m.
Swine/Goat Show Arena

*New in 2016* - We will be holding a Round Robin Showmanship competition at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 7th in the Swine/Goat show arena. If you are the Champion and Reserve Champion Senior Showman in your specie, you are eligible to participate! Please notify Kayla Huhn or the 4-H Program Coordinator if you will be participating or not by Saturday, August 6th at 12:00 p.m.

**RULES & REGULATIONS:**

1. The Champion and Reserve Champion Senior Showman in Rabbit, Poultry, Beef, Dairy, Goat, Swine, Sheep, and Horse will be invited to participate.
2. If they are not able or wanting to participate, the Champion and Reserve Champion Showman of the Intermediate division will get the opportunity to participate in their place. No one under the Reserve Champion of the Intermediate division will be able to participate this year.
3. Horses will not be shown this year because they have to leave the fair Friday night. Horse showmanship winners are still invited to participate and we will have a horse question portion on the test.
4. Four of the seven remaining species represented will be shown. These 4 will be drawn out of a hat and announced at the Market auction on Saturday night.
5. If your species is one that is drawn, you will be required to provide an animal. This animal does not have to be yours or the animal you won showmanship with, just a 4-H animal at the fair.
6. The three species that are not drawn to be shown and horse will have questions on a test portion of the contest. You will have 40 minutes to complete the test portion.
7. At the contest, the group will be split into two groups, half will be showing first and the other half will be taking the test.
8. The group that is showing will have 10 minutes at each species and will rotate through all four.
9. Each contestant will get 10 free points for their own species, whether they are showing or taking the test portion for your species.
10. The animals used in the contest do not need to be fitted.
11. Proper footwear (at least closed toed shoes) and jeans will be required to show.
12. In order to participate in the Round Robin contest, you must have participated in the Skill-A-Thon or interview for your given species.
13. If a parent or superintendent does not believe that it is safe for a showmanship winner to participate, we will ask the parent or someone familiar with the given species to be available to help if necessary.
14. Superintendents for each species will be the judges for their respective species. If the superintendent has a child participating in the contest, they will have to find someone else with knowledge of that specie to take their place.
ANIMAL SCIENCE PROJECTS

LIVESTOCK DEMONSTRATIONS

K - 2 - 1 All grade levels (Individual)
K - 2 - 2 All grade levels (Team)

Requirements:
- Individual demonstration is recommended. Team demonstration can be done, however, only one State Fair trip is allotted.
- Use of an animal is required.
- At State Fair, the demonstration winner can exhibit the animal just as any other livestock trip winner including the show, interviews, and auction.
- State Fair premium is $30 and the 4-H'er keeps all of this money.

BEEF

Countywide Project Leader: Dennis Fischer 320-857-3044

Birth Dates

Spring Calf Jan 1 – Apr 30, 2016
Fall Calf Sept.1-Dec. 31, 2015
Summer yearling May 1-Aug. 31, 2015
Junior yearling Jan. 1-April 30, 2015
Senior yearling Sept. 1-Dec. 31, 2014
Cow/Calf Calf born on or after January 1, 2016
Prospect Calf Jan 1 – Apr 30, 2016
Market Beef January 1 to August 31, 2015
Market Heifer January 1 to August 31, 2015
Dairy Steer January 1 to August 31, 2015

Bedding will be provided and price will be set according to availability and needs, and is to be paid to Dennis Fischer, Beef Superintendent. Cow/Calf Pairs count as one animal.

BREEDING HEIFER

A - 2 Chianina, Registered
A - 3 Commercial
A - 5 Black Angus, Registered
A - 6 Red Angus, Registered
A - 7 Charolais, Registered
A - 8 Gelbvieh, Registered
A - 9 Hereford, Registered
A - 10 Limousin, Registered
A - 11 Maine Anjou, Registered
A - 12 Salers, Purebred
A - 13 Shorthorn, Registered
A - 14 Shorthorn Plus
A - 15 Simmental, Registered
A - 16 Simmental, (Registered but less than Purebred)
A - 17 South Devon, Registered
A - 18 Other, Registered

Use the following Classes, with the Divisions (breeds) and birth dates above, to indicate the age of your project animal(s):

- 1* Spring Calf
- 2* Fall Calf
- 3* Summer Yearling
- 4* Junior Yearling
- 5* Senior Yearling

Requirements:
- Beef heifer ownership ID forms and/or lease agreements must be on file in the Extension 4-H Office by the May 15th animal ID deadline of the current year.

COW AND CALF

A - 20- 1* Cow and Calf pair

PROSPECT CALF

A - 30- 1* Beef Breeds Calf (Heifers & Steers)
A - 30- 2 Dairy Steer Calf – County Fair Only

MARKET BEEF

A - 40- 1* Market Steer
A - 40- 2* Market Heifer

Requirements:
- Recommended minimum weight for State Fair is 1,000 pounds; maximum weight is 1,500 pounds. Market animals exceeding the maximum weight will not be purple ribbon eligible for State fair.

DAIRY STEER

A - 50- 1* Pure Breed Dairy Steer
A - 50- 2* Crossbred Dairy Steer

Requirements:
- Recommended minimum weight for State Fair is 1,000 pounds; maximum weight is 1,600 pounds. Market animals exceeding the maximum weight will not be purple ribbon eligible for State fair.
- Pure Breed Dairy Steers must be 100% dairy breed. These breeds will be accepted without registration papers: Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein, and Jersey. Milking Shorthorn dairy steers must be registered with American Milking Shorthorn Society and not carry the “S” suffix.

- Dairy Steers showing permanent teeth may be shown, but they can place no higher than a red ribbon and they will not be eligible for State Fair or market livestock auction.

- A Crossbred Dairy Steer Division has been added. Crossbred Dairy Steers must be from the following breeds in any combination: Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein, Jersey, Milking Shorthorn, Montebeliarde, Normande, Red & White Holsteins, Norwegian Red, and Viking Red (Swedish, Danish, & Finnish Red).

**BEEF SHOWMANSHIP**

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**OTHER BEEF**

**A - 70 - 1**

Baby Beef - **County Fair Class Only**! (calf must be born after January 1 but before May 1 of current year).

**CLOVERBUD BEEF**

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**DAIRY**

County Wide Project Leaders:

Carol Warren & Greg Nelson

**Birth Dates:**

- **Junior Calf**: March 1, 2016 to May 2016
- **Winter Calf**: Dec 1, 2015 to Feb 29, 2016
- **Fall Calf**: Sept 1 to Nov 30, 2015
- **Summer Junior Yearling**: June 1 to Aug 31, 2015
- **Spring Junior Yearling**: Mar 1 to May 31, 2015
- **Winter Senior Yearling**: Dec 1, 2014 to Feb 28, 2015
- **Fall Senior Yearling**: Sept 1 to Nov 30, 2014
- **Junior 2-year old**: March 1, to Aug 31, 2014
- **Senior 2-year old**: Sept 1, 2013 to Feb 28, 2014
- **Three year old cows**: Sept 1, 2012 to Aug 31, 2013
- **Four year old cows**: Sept 1, 2011 to Aug 31, 2012
- **Cow, five years & older**: Born before Sept 1, 2011

**B - 1** Ayrshire, Registered & Grade

**B - 2** Brown Swiss, Registered & Grade

**B - 3** Guernsey, Registered & Grade

**B - 5** Jersey, Registered & Grade

**B - 6** Milking Shorthorn, Registered & Grade

**B - 7** Red & White Holstein, Registered

**B - 15** Holstein, Registered

**B - 16** Holstein, Grade (Black & White, Red & White)

**B - 21** Crossbred & Other Breeds

**Requirements:**

- Senior Yearlings that have calved must compete in the two-year-old cow class.
- Advanced classes must show a complete butterfat record for 305 days.

**Dairy Showmanship**

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Dairy Performance Index – 
Animal under 3 years old.

B – 70 - 4  Junior Calf – (LIMITED TO 
MEMBERS 5th GRADE AND 
BELOW AND COUNTY FAIR 
ONLY)

CLOVERBUD DAIRY
B – 62 - 1  Cloverbud Dairy (grades K-2)

DAIRY GOAT
Countywide Project Leaders: Eric Stenmark – 320-
286-5722

*Any animal showing evidence of any disease,
asbscesses or any open contagious lesions will not be 
allowed to exhibit or show.

BIRTH DATES:
Junior Doe Kid  April 1 to June 30, 
2016
Senior Doe Kid  Jan. 1 to Mar. 31, 
2016
Dry Yearling Doe  Born in 2015
Milking Yearling Doe  Born in 2015
Milking two-year Doe  Born in 2014
Milking three-year Doe  Born in 2013
Milking four-year Doe  Born in 2012
Milking five-year Doe  Born in 2011 or before

C – 1  Alpine
C – 2  Lamancha
C – 3  Nigerian Dwarf
C – 4  Nubian
C – 5  Oberhasli
C – 6  Saanen & Sable Saanen
C – 7  Toggenburg
C – 8  Recorded Grade
C – 9  Unrecorded Grade

Use the following Classes, with the Divisions and 
birth dates above, to indicate the age of your project 
animal(s):
- 1*  Junior Doe Kid
- 2*  Senior Doe Kid
- 3*  Dry Yearling Doe
- 4*  Milking Yearling Doe
- 5*  Milking Doe - Two Year Old
- 6*  Milking Doe - Three or Four Years Old
- 7*  Milking Doe - Five Years and Older

NOTE:  Pygmy Goats (all breeds) are classed as Meat 
Goats

For safety reasons all dairy goats must be 
dehorned/disbudded. Regrowth of less than ONE 
inch allowed.

DAIRY GOAT SHOWMANSHIP
C – 60 - 1  Grades 9+
C – 60 - 2  Grades 6-8
C – 60 - 3  Grades 3-5

Members may participate in both dairy & meat 
showmanship, but will only receive premium for one.

OTHER DAIRY GOATS
C – 70 - 1  Production

COSTUME CLASS (County Fair Only)
C – 71 – 1

Requirements:
-Only one market or dairy goat may be shown in this 
class per exhibitor.
-Show your creative side. Create and dress your goat 
in a costume.
- Costumes must be constructed by member, NOT 
purchased, and not reused from previous years.

GOAT POSTERS (County Fair Only)
* A maximum of one educational and one 
promotional poster may be shown per exhibitor.

Educational Poster
C – 72 – 1  Grades 9+
C – 72 – 2  Grades 6-8
C – 72 – 3  Grades 3-5

* Educational Poster to educate the public visiting the 
barns about an aspect related to goats.

Promotional Poster
C – 72 – 4  Grades 9+
C – 72 – 5  Grades 6-8
C – 72 – 6  Grades 3-5

*Promotional Poster to promote an area related to 
goats.

FIBER CLASS (County Fair Only)
C – 73 – 1  Wether Born in 2016
C – 73 – 2  Doe Kid Born in 2016
C – 73 – 3  Wether Born in 2015 or 
Older
C – 73 – 4  Doe Born in 2015 or Older

*NOTE: Each animal can only be entered into ONE 
class. Therefore any animal that is entered for fiber 
class CANNOT be shown in its breed class.
Exhibit Suggestions:
- If you have an animal that has excellent fiber, but lacks body type this is the class for them.

CLOVERBUD GOAT
C - 62 - 1  Cloverbuds may only show 1 Dairy Goat OR 1 Meat Goat, not both.

MEAT GOAT
Countywide Project Leaders: Eric Stenmark – 320-286-5722
*Any animal showing evidence of any disease, abscesses or any open contagious lesions will not be allowed to exhibit or show.

BIRTH DATES:
- Market Goat (altered male/female)
  Jan 1 - April 30, 2016
- Meat Breeding Dry Yearling (registered or grade)
  Born in 2015, never kidded
- Jr. Meat Goat Breeding Doe (registered or grade)
  April 1 - May 31, 2016
- Sr. Meat Goat Breeding Doe (registered or grade)
  Jan 1 - March 31, 2016

NOTE: Pygmy Goats (all breeds) are classed as Meat Goats

MARKET GOAT - (males must be neutered)
D - 20- 1*  Meat Market Goat, altered male, no bucks
D - 20- 2*  Meat Market Goat, female
D - 20- 3*  Dairy Market Goat, altered male, no bucks
D - 20- 4*  Dairy Market Goat, female
D - 30- 1*  Junior Meat Breeding Doe, registered or grade
D - 30- 2*  Senior Meat Breeding Doe, registered or grade
D - 30- 3*  Dry Breeding Yearling, registered or grade

Requirements:
- Market animals must be a minimum of 40 pounds, but not to exceed a maximum of 110 pounds by State Fair.
- Note: For safety reasons, all market goats must be dehorned/disbudded. Re-growth must not exceed 1 inch. Does shown in market classes must be disbudded on accordance with market animal rules. Cut (saws) off horns are not permitted. Meat Breeding Does may have horns and they do not need to be capped or blunted. However, if an animal is deemed a safety concern, additional safety measures may be required.

MARKET GOAT SHOWMANSHIP
D - 60 - 4  Grades 9+
D - 60 - 5  Grades 6-8
D - 60 - 6  Grades 3-5

Members may participate in both dairy & meat showmanship, but will only receive premium for one.

OTHER MARKET CLASSES - NOT State Fair Eligible
D - 21  Boer
D - 22  Pygmy
D - 23  Other Meat Type

Use the following Classes, with the Divisions and birth dates above, to indicate the age of your project animal(s):
- 1  Milking Yearling
- 2  Milking Two Year Old
- 3  Milking Three or Four Year Old
- 4  Milking Five Years and Older

COSTUME CLASS (County Fair Only)
C - 71 - 1

Requirements:
- Only one market or dairy goat may be shown in this class per exhibitor.
- Show your creative side. Create and dress your goat in a costume.
- Costumes must be constructed by member, NOT purchased, and not reused from previous years.

GOAT POSTERS
* A maximum of one educational and one promotional poster may be shown per exhibitor.

Educational Poster
- 1  Grades 9+
- 2  Grades 6-8
- 3  Grades 3-5

- Educational Poster to educate the public visiting the barns about an aspect related to goats.

Promotional Poster
- 4  Grades 9+
- 5  Grades 6-8
- 6  Grades 3-5

- Promotional Poster to promote an area related to goats.

FIBER CLASS (County Fair Only)
C - 73 - 1  Wether Born in 2016
C - 73 - 2  Doe Kid Born in 2016
C - 73 - 3  Wether Born in 2015 or Older
C - 73 - 4  Doe Born in 2015 or Older
*NOTE: Each animal can only be entered into ONE class. Therefore any animal that is entered for fiber class CANNOT be shown in its breed class.

Exhibit Suggestions:
- If you have an animal that has excellent fiber, but lacks body type this is the class for them.

CLOVERBUD GOAT
C - 62 - 1 Cloverbud Goat (grades K-2)

NOTE: Cloverbuds may only show 1 Dairy Goat OR 1 Meat Goat, not both

DOG
Countywide Project Leader: Melissa Baggenstoss

Requirements:
- A dog may be shown in the dog show or the pet show, not both!
- 4-Hers - 3rd grade and up are eligible for county and state dog show.
- 4-Hers shall exhibit in the classes corresponding to the level of training they and their dog have received. Additional information, class requirements, and rules/regulations can be found in the Minnesota 4-H Agility, Obedience, Rally, and Showmanship rules and guidelines (four separate publications) available on the MN 4-H dog project website http://www.extension.umn.edu/youth/mn4-h/.
- All dogs must be vaccinated according to the requirements listed on the MN 4-H Dog Project ID Affidavit & Vaccination Form.
- In order to be State Agility Show eligible, member must have attended at least six county or private trainings.
- In order to begin taking 4-H agility classes, a dog/handler team must have achieved a minimum obedience score of 170 or higher at a county or state 4-H dog show OR lost fewer than 30 points in a sub-novice class at a kennel club show OR must have completed 2 years of obedience training before beginning 4-H agility instruction. A verifiable dog show/match score may be substituted for a county or state show score provided that score was earned by the same dog/handler team. This is to ensure that a working relationship has been established between this handler and dog.
- Dog Demonstrations have been scheduled for Saturday, August 6th at 3:00 p.m. Participation is required in order to receive placings above a blue and/or participate in the State Dog Show.

DOG AGILITY

Z - 1 - 1* Beginner
Z - 1 - 5* Elementary
Z - 1 - 10* Intermediate
Z - 1 - 15* Senior
Z - 1 - 20* Advanced
Z - 1 - 25* Jumpers 1
Z - 1 - 30* Jumpers 2
Z - 1 - 35* Jumpers 3

DOG Obedience

Z - 2 - 1* Foundation
Z - 2 - 2* Beginner
Z - 2 - 3* Graduate Beginner
Z - 2 - 4* Novice
Z - 2 - 5* Graduate Novice
Z - 2 - 6* Pre-Open
Z - 2 - 7* Open
Z - 2 - 8* Graduate Open
Z - 2 - 9* Pre-Utility
Z - 2 - 10* Utility
Z - 2 - 11* Veteran
Z - 2 - 12* Brace - Beginner Score Card will be used in judging.
Z - 2 - 13* Four-Dog Team - Graduate Beginner Score Card will be used in judging.

DOG SHOWMANSHIP

Z - 3 - 1* Novice
Z - 3 - 2* Open

DOG RALLY

Z - 4 - 1* Pre-Novice
Z - 4 - 2* Novice
Z - 4 - 3* Pre-Advanced
Z - 4 - 4* Advanced
Z - 4 - 5* Excellent
Z - 4 - 6* Veteran

4-H HORSE

Horse PDC Members include:
Cherlynn Becker, Allyana Eblen, Cheryl Eblen, Lynda Frenchick, Kayla Kutzke, Crystal Scott, Laura Shoutz, Sara Shoutz

4-H COUNTY & STATE QUALIFYING SHOW DATES:

Sat, July 30 All Training Levels 9:00 a.m.

Sat, July 30 Pleasure Classes 9:30 a.m.

Sat, July 30 Cloverbud Classes 12:00 p.m.

Sat., July 30 Games Following

30 Cloverbuds, not before 1:00 p.m.
Thur., Aug 4
Fun Show 10:00 a.m.
*Show will include Cloverbud Halter/Showmanship, Cloverbud Western Horsemanship, Cloverbud Barrels classes

Thur., Aug 4
Fun Show 2:00 p.m.
*Show will include Cloverbud Barrels class

Thur., Aug 4
Jumping & Dressage Clinic 6:00 p.m.

Fri., Aug 4
Fun Show 2:00 p.m.
*Show will include Cloverbud Western Horsemanship class

Fri., Aug 5
Fun Show 7:00 p.m.
*Show will include Cloverbud Barrels class

All 4-H Horses must be removed, 4-H’ers must have their stalls cleaned, and check out with an adult horse Project Development Committee member between 8 – 10 p.m. on Friday night of fair. Horses may not be removed before 8 p.m.

All non-Cloverbud (3rd grade & up) Horse Project Members will be required to stall one horse in the horse barn for the first two full days of the County Fair (Thursday & Friday). Not doing so will result in loss of premium money, no ribbon placing above a blue (this means ineligibility for county awards, including class and overall champions and reserve champions), and forfeiture of State Horse Show trips. Horses need to be in place by 7:00 a.m. on Thursday and must remain stalled in the barn until 8:00 p.m. on Friday. All horses must be out and their stalls cleaned by 10 p.m. on Friday. There will not be room for 4-H’ers to stall more than one horse. Horses may arrive any time Wednesday. Stalling assignments will be completed by the Extension Office staff after County Fair Registration Forms have been received and will be posted in the barn on entry day of County Fair. Please note that an attempt will be made for clubs to be stalled together.

* Horse Helmet Policy: All 4-Hers participating in any 4-H sponsored mounted activity are required to wear properly fastened ASTM/SEI approved protective headgear. Helmet use is required when mounted. A helmet must be worn for all levels of the training project (ground and astride). This policy also extends to 4-H volunteers when they are working with 4-H youth in a 4-H volunteer role during mounted activities.

**COMPLETING CLASS REGISTRATION**

If you have questions about registering, please feel free to contact any member of the Horse Project Development Committee and/or the Extension Office.

**Important Information**

County Fair premium money will be paid on only the top two placings per exhibitor from the County & State Qualifying Show.

A novice is any beginner or inexperienced 4-H member who has not won a 4-H or other blue ribbon in the class they are entering. Novice classes are not eligible for state show points.

Each exhibitor is limited to two horses to be entered (training horses do not apply).

If riding more than one horse per discipline (games, pleasure), 4-H’ers will declare which horse(s) will be ridden for points & which will not.

Pony height is 14 hands – 56” & under.

A single horse or pony may be entered in a class or event only once. Each horse used needs to:

- Be properly identified to the County Extension Office by the May animal ID deadline of the current year.
- Have a negative equine infectious anemia test (coggins) within 12 months prior to the opening date of the exhibition (this includes all 4-H sponsored events).

**Class Age Divisions – 4-H classes will be divided as follows for all County Horse Show classes:** Cloverbuds (grades K-2), novice (any age/grade 4-H’er who is a beginner, new to that class, or inexperienced), grades 3-5, grades 6-8, and grades 9+. The only exception to this are pony and saddleseat classes (see below for more specifics for these classes). Please note grades listed are those the 4-H’er just complete that school year. 4-H’ers completing grade 9 will now show in the senior age division, rather than intermediate.

**WESTERN & ENGLISH HALTER SHOWMANSHIP**

| Y - 1 - 1* | 9th grade & up |
| Y - 1 - 2* | 6th grade - 8th grade |
| Y - 1 - 3 | 3rd grade - 5th grade |
| Y - 1 - 4 | Novice |
| Y - 1 - 5 | Horseless Halter Showmanship (For kids who don’t have their own horse, but want to show someone else’s horse.) |

**HUNT SEAT ENGLISH EQUITATION**

| Y - 2 - 1* | 9th grade & up |
| Y - 2 - 2* | 6th grade - 8th grade |
| Y - 2 - 3 | 3rd grade - 5th grade |
| Y - 2 - 4 | Novice |
Y - 2 - 5* Saddle Seat 6th grade & older
Y - 2 - 6 Saddle Seat 5th grade & younger
Y - 2 - 7 Hunt Seat Ponies

HUNTING SEAT ENGLISH PLEASURE
Y - 4 - 1* 9th grade & up
Y - 4 - 2* 6th grade - 8th grade
Y - 4 - 3 3rd grade - 5th grade
Y - 4 - 4 Novice
Y - 4 - 5* Saddle Seat 6th grade & older
Y - 4 - 6 Saddle Seat 5th grade & younger
Y - 4 - 7 Hunt Seat Ponies

WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP
Y - 6 - 1* 9th grade & up
Y - 6 - 2* 6th grade - 8th grade
Y - 6 - 3 3rd grade - 5th grade
Y - 6 - 4 Novice
Y - 6 - 5 Ponies

WESTERN PLEASURE
Y - 7 - 1* 9th grade & up
Y - 7 - 2* 6th grade - 8th grade
Y - 7 - 3 3rd grade - 5th grade
Y - 7 - 4 Novice
Y - 7 - 5 Ponies

WESTERN PLEASURE-PLEASURE TYPE
Y - 8 - 1* 9th grade & up
Y - 8 - 2* 6th grade - 8th grade
Y - 8 - 3 3rd grade - 5th grade
Y - 8 - 4 Novice

TRAIL CLASS (Western or English attire)
Y - 9 - 1* 9th grade & up
Y - 9 - 2* 6th grade - 8th grade
Y - 9 - 3 3rd grade - 5th grade
Y - 9 - 4 Novice

POLE WEAVING
Y - 11 - 1* 9th grade & up
Y - 11 - 2* 6th grade - 8th grade
Y - 11 - 3 3rd grade - 5th grade
Y - 11 - 4 Novice

JUMPING FIGURE 8
Y - 12 - 1* 9th grade & up
Y - 12 - 2* 6th grade - 8th grade
Y - 12 - 3 3rd grade - 5th grade
Y - 12 - 4 Novice

KEY RACE
Y - 13 - 1* 9th grade & up
Y - 13 - 2* 6th grade - 8th grade
Y - 13 - 3 3rd grade - 5th grade
Y - 13 - 4 Novice

BARREL RACING
Y - 14 - 1* 9th grade & up
Y - 14 - 2* 6th grade - 8th grade
Y - 14 - 3 3rd grade - 5th grade
Y - 14 - 4 Novice

HORSE TRAINING
Y - 20 - 1* Step 1
Y - 20 - 2* Step 2
Y - 20 - 3* Step 3
Y - 20 - 4* Step 4
Y - 20 - 5* Step 5
Y - 20 - 6* Step 6

NOVICE WALK TROT PLEASURE (English and Western combined)
(Non-Qualifying for State Show) – For County Points Only
Y - 24 - 1 3rd grade and up

NOVICE WALK TROT
EQUITATION/HORSEMANSHIP
(Non-Qualifying for State Show) – For County Points Only
Y - 26 - 1 3rd grade and up

CLOVERBUD HORSE
– Cloverbud Horse Show Classes will be held as part of the County Horse Show on Saturday, July 30th, starting at 12 p.m.

As of 2015 – MN 4-H Rule: Cloverbuds may participate with a horse in three classes: Cloverbud halter/showmanship, Cloverbud western pleasure, and Cloverbud barrels. If the horse is used in a riding setting, the Cloverbud may sit on the back of the horse with a responsible person (grades 6+) in control of the horse at all times. Helmets are required for the Cloverbud in any riding setting.

Y - 62 - 1 Cloverbud
Halter/Showmanship
Y - 62 - 2 Cloverbud Western
Horsemanship or English
Equitation
Y - 62 - 3 Cloverbud Barrels

HORSE RELATED
(THIS is for members whose family
OWNS a horse) – Judged with general exhibits on entry day (Wednesday) of County Fair
Y - 40 - 1* Grades 6+
Y - 40 - 2 Grades 3-5
Requirements:
- Must be enrolled in the Horse project to exhibit in this division.
- Exhibits may be a model, poster, scrapbook, essay, and/or article. The exhibit should show or explain something the 4-H member has made, done, or learned in the project.
- Exhibits are conference judged on entry day during general exhibit judging with the exhibitor present.

**HORSELESS HORSE** (This is for members whose family does NOT own a horse) – Judged with general exhibits on entry day (Wednesday) of County Fair

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Requirements:
- Must be enrolled in Horseless Horse to exhibit in this division and not enrolled in Horse.
- Exhibits may be a model, poster, scrapbook, essay, and/or article. The exhibit should show or explain something the 4-H member has made, done, or learned in the project.
- Exhibits are conference judged on entry day during general exhibit judging with the exhibitor present.

**GENERAL MEEKER COUNTY & QUALIFYING SHOW RULES**

For complete rules see the Minnesota 4-H Horse Program Rule Book. The Rule Book will include information regarding show attire, behavior, discipline, trainer policies, etc. (Copies are available either online or at the Extension Office) Also refer to the Meeker County Horse Project Handbook for more county guidelines and information.

Blue, Red and White ribbons will be awarded at the Judge’s discretion for all disciplines and classes.

**Game Classes:**
A five second penalty will be assessed for each obstacle knocked down. A broken pattern will result in a no time. Upon entering the show arena, you must break forward motion or make a safety circle before proceeding.

**Meeker County Fairgrounds 4-H Adult and Youth riding rules:** All horse riding rules and grounds care must be followed at all times and these include:

- Closed toed shoes when handling
- Helmets must be worn by anyone anytime mounted on a horse
- No riding on blacktopped surfaces; between old bathrooms and new building; on gravel in front of 4-H building
- Proper riding boots and attire must be worn while riding
- All equipment must be returned to it’s storage place after use
- Remove and properly dispose of manure from your animals
- Don’t litter the grounds

- Rake divots
- Shut all gates and doors when you leave
- No riding outside the fairgrounds
- No riding in the barn
- All other fairground rules apply

**EARNING A TRIP TO THE STATE 4-H HORSE SHOW**
Youth 6 grade and up are eligible for State horse trips. Please refer to the Meeker County Horse Project Handbook for specifics.

**COUNTY FAIR**

Important Steps to Follow at the Meeker County Fair:
- Pick up your county fair packet from 4-H staff on Wednesday, August 3rd from 2:00 - 6:30 P.M. This allows the Extension staff to record your registration and for you to receive your wristband. 4-H’ers wearing wristbands are admitted free at the gate. You will not receive a wristband until you register with 4-H staff.
- Bring your horse to the fair by Thursday of Fair no later than 7:00 a.m. Horses may arrive any time Wednesday.
- Take your horse home from 8:00 – 10:00 p.m. on Friday of Fair unless you have made arrangements to stay for the open show. A parent or responsible adult is asked to be present during checkout, regardless of whether the 4-H’er is leaving with their horse, or staying for open class, in case they are required to move stalls. Failure to comply will result in the loss of premium money, placing above a blue, and a State Fair trip as outlined above. All horses must be removed and their stalls cleaned by 10:00 p.m. on Friday.

Exhibitors must make open class stalling arrangements prior to fair with Christine Hokkala-Kuhns (320-857-3069 or christinehk@centurylink.net).

**FUN SHOW**

Exhibitors are asked to participate in one or both days of this show to promote our county fair and the 4-H Horse Project. There will be no premiums awarded for these classes and State Fair points cannot be earned. You will not pre-register for these classes.

As of 2014 – MN 4-H Rule: The only classes that Cloverbuds can ride in the fun show are the same classes that they participated in at the County Horse Show.

**Show attire:**
- Short/long sleeve shirt or t-shirt (no tank tops allowed)
- Jeans/long pants
- Riding Boots
- Helmet – REQUIRED WHENEVER MOUNTED

They may include classes such as: Soccer, Egg & Spoon, Music In Motion, Trail, 4-in-a-Line, Baton,
Pennant, Speed Dash, Costume, Cloverbud classes, etc.

LAMA
E - 1 - All Grades
Use the following Classes, with the Divisions above:
- 1 Costume (Optional)
- 2 Showmanship (Required)
- 3 Obstacle Course
- 4 Public Relations
- 5 Obstacle Course /Public Relations
- 6 Poster
(either class code 3 & 4, or 5 are required classes)
Please Note:
- May be a Regional event based on number of exhibitors.
- Housing of animals TBD.

Requirements:
Birthdates:
4-H Lama projects must be born prior to January 1, 2016.

Gender:
No sexually intact male above 18 months is eligible for exhibition.
All castrated males born prior to January 1, 2016 are eligible for exhibition.
All females born prior to January 1, 2016 are eligible for exhibition.

CLOVERBUD LAMA
Cloverbuds can do one or both of the classes listed below.
E - 62 - 1 Cloverbud Lama
(grades K-2)
E – 62 - 2 Cloverbud Costume (grades K-2)

POULTRY
Countywide Project Leader: Jeff Weckwerth
Hatch Dates:
All exhibited birds (except pigeons) must be of this year’s hatch.
Suggested hatch dates are:
Breeding Poultry and Waterfowl – January 1 or after
Egg Production Chickens – March 1 or after
Market Chickens – March 1 or after (should be 8-10 weeks old at fair) **You may need two hatches of market chickens to accommodate an early county fair and (a late August) State Fair.
Market Domestic Turkey & Waterfowl – March 1 or after

Pigeons - Must have previous year's seamless band or older on.
Doves - Breeding pair must have previous years seamless band or older on.
Guinea - January 1 or after.

Weight Guidelines:
To avoid over-finished market chickens, it is recommended that they be as near 8-10 weeks of age at show time as possible. Market ducks, geese and turkeys should be well filled out in the breast and leg.

Requirements:

- Egg production pen of two pullets will have two separate lots (one for white egg layers, and one for brown egg layers), hybrids recommended. White egg layers must be hybrid. Brown egg layers must be commercial purebred or hybrids.
- Poultry exhibited must be of this year’s hatch (except advanced classes) and same breed when making your market or breeding pens.
- All poultry, except waterfowl, pigeons, and doves must have a “Statement of Origin” indicating birds are from a Pullorum-Typhoid free flock within 12 months prior to entry day in order to exhibit. A copy needs to be turned into the 4-H staff immediately when arriving at the fair.
- Breeding classes will be judged on breed characteristics using the American Standard of Perfection as a guide.
- 4-H exhibitor may show two pens in each breeding pen (all species, both standard and bantams). Only one pen may be shown in market and egg production lots.
- Judge need not judge dirty or unsightly exhibits. Feed and water must be furnished by the exhibitor. Exhibits not cared for will be sent home and awards and State Trips will be forfeited.
- Please remember that July and August are hot and that it is YOUR responsibility to keep your birds watered.

CHICKENS
F - 1 - 1* Market pen of two males or two females
F - 1 - 2* Breeding pen of one male & two females
F - 1 - 3* Bantam Breeding pen of one male & two females
F - 1 - 4* Egg production pen of two pullets

DOVES
F - 2 - 1* Purebred breeding pair
**DUCKS**

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**GUINEA**

Note: ONLY Pearls, Whites and Lavender breeds can be shown:

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**TURKEYS - DOMESTIC ONLY**

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**OTHER POULTRY**

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**POULTRY POSTER**

- Posters are due at 4-H Fair office on Wednesday, July 30 by 6:30 p.m.

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- Educational poster to educate the public visiting the barns about an aspect related to poultry.

**CLOVERBUD POULTRY**

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**RABBITS**

Countywide Project Leaders: Josh Carlson, Crystal & Steve Long

*NOTE: Pre-registration at county fair is required. All animals need to be in place by Wednesday at 8 p.m. to do pre-registration. Members do not need to be present, however make sure that the animals are in the correct cage before leaving as they will be registered to the 4-H'er listed on the stall tag.

**Rules:**

24 RABBITS MAXIMUM PER EXHIBITOR! PEN OF THREE MARKET RABBITS COUNT AS ONE RABBIT.

3 RABBITS MAXIMUM PER CLASS.

- Members are encouraged to keep health/feed records on all rabbits shown.
- Members are highly encouraged to sign up for showmanship.
- Attire: Long sleeved shirts are required for judging.
- Each rabbit must be permanently tattooed in the animal's left ear for identification purposes. A legible tattoo is "a tattoo that shows ink below the skin and must be readable." Permanent marker or ink is not agreeable. Ownership affidavit and lease agreement, if leased, need to be submitted by the identification deadline.
- Classes may be combined, if low class numbers warrant this.

**4 CLASS - SMALL BREEDS**

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G - 24 - Mini Rex
G - 25 - Rhinelander
G - 26 - Silver
G - 27 - Silver Martin
G - 28 - Standard Rex
G - 29 - Tan
G - 30 - Thrianta
G - 31 - Other Small Breed

Use the following Classes, with the Division (breeds) and birth dates above, to indicate the age of your project animal(s):
- 1* Senior Buck over 6 months of age
- 2* Senior Doe over 6 months of age
- 3* Junior Buck under 6 months of age
- 4* Junior Doe under 6 months of age

6 - 8 CLASS - LARGE BREEDS
G - 32 - American
G - 33 - Giant Angora
G - 34 - Beveren
G - 35 - Californian
G - 36 - Champagne de Argent
G - 37 - Checkered Giant
G - 38 - Giant & American Chinchilla
G - 39 - Cinnamon
G - 40 - Crème de Argent
G - 41 - Flemish Giant
G - 42 - Blanc de Hotot
G - 43 - English Lop
G - 44 - French Lop
G - 45 - New Zealand
G - 46 - Palomino
G - 47 - Satin
G - 48 - Silver Fox
G - 49 - Other Large Breed

Use the following Classes, with the Division (breeds) and birth dates above, to indicate the age of your project animal(s):
- 1* Senior Buck over 8 months of age
- 2* Senior Doe over 8 months of age
- 3* Intermediate Buck 6-8 months of age
- 4* Intermediate Doe 6-8 months of age
- 5* Junior Buck under 6 months of age
- 6* Junior Doe under 6 months of age

Requirements:
- Purebred rabbits are those which have a three-generation pedigree showing the ancestral background being of all the same breed, making it eligible for registration.
- All breeds recognized by the American Rabbit Breeders Association are eligible. Rabbits will be judged according to ARBA standards.
- Each rabbit must be permanently tattooed in the left ear for identification purposes.
- No pre-junior rabbits accepted.
- All animals must meet weight requirements. If they do not meet weight requirements (as outlined in the American Rabbit Breeders Association Standard of Perfect – copies are available upon request from the Extension Office), member will receive a lower placing. (i.e. Purple would drop to a blue, blue would drop to a red, red would drop to a white).

MARKET RABBIT
G - 60 - 1* Single fryer, 3 ½ to 5 ½ pounds, not over 70 days old
G - 60- 2* Pen of three fryers, 3 ½ to 5 ½ pounds, not over 70 days old

RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP
G - 61 - 1 Grades 9+
G - 61 - 2 Grades 6-8
G - 61 - 3 Grades 3-5

CLOVERBUD EXHIBIT
G - 62 - 1 Cloverbud Rabbit (grades K-2)

FUR CLASSES (County Fair Only)
G - 63 - 1 Rex
G - 63 - 2 Satin
G - 63 - 3 Commercial/Normal
G - 63 - 4 Wool

- These breeds are able to compete in Commercial fur class: American, Belgian Hare, Britannia Petite, Californian, Champagne D’Argent, Checkered Giant, Giant Chinchilla, Cinnamon, Crème D’Argent, Dutch, English Spot, Florida White, Harlequin, Havana, Himalayan, English Lop, New Zealand, Palomino, Polish, Rhinelander, Silver, Silver Marten, Tan

*NOTE: Each animal can only be entered into ONE class. Therefore any animal that is entered for fur class CANNOT be shown in its breed class.

Exhibit Suggestions:
- If you have an animal that has excellent fur, but lacks body type this is the class for them.

COSTUME (County Fair Only)
G - 64 - 1 Costume Exhibit (All ages)
Requirements:
- Show your creative side. Create and dress your rabbit in a costume. Costumes must be constructed by member, NOT purchased, and not reused from previous years.

RABBIT POSTERS
- Posters are due at 4-H Fair office on Wednesday, July 30 by 6:30 p.m.

Educational Poster
- Educational Poster to educate the public visiting the barns about an aspect related to rabbits.
- Size 14”x11" (state fair requirement)

Promotional Poster
- Promotional Poster to promote an area related to rabbits.
- Size 14”x11" (state fair requirement)

SHEEP
Countywide Project Leader: Gail Schiefelbein

BIRTH DATES
January Ewe Lamb Born in Jan. of current year
February Ewe Lamb Born in Feb. of current year
March Ewe Lamb Born in March of current year
Yearling Ewe Born on or after January 1 of previous year and must not show evidence of four permanent incisors.
Market Lamb Born on or after January 1 of current year

- All market lambs must be closely shorn (to approximately ¼ inch wool length) to be eligible for the market classes.
- For all pair classes, breeding ewes and market lambs, lambs paired together must be two lambs registered and shown by the same 4-H’er.

BREEDING EWE
- H - 4 Registered Columbia
- H - 5 Registered Dorset (fitted & slick shorn)
- H - 6 Registered Hampshire (fitted & slick shorn)
- H - 7 Registered Southdown (fitted & slick shorn)
- H - 8 Registered Suffolk (fitted & slick shorn)
- H - 9 Other Registered Breeds (fitted & slick shorn)
- H - 10 Wether Dam Black Face (Market type ewe, must be slick shorn)
- H - 11 Commercial Black Face (fitted & slick shorn)
- H - 12 Commercial White and Speckle Face (fitted & slick shorn)
- H - 13 Wether Dam White & Speckle Face (Market type ewe, must be slick shorn)

Use the following Classes, with the Divisions (breeds) and birth dates above, to indicate the age of your project animal(s):
- 2* Yearling Ewe
- 3* January Ewe Lamb
- 4* February Ewe Lamb
- 5* March Ewe Lamb
- 6 Pair of Ewe Lambs
- 7 Pair of Yearling Ewes

MARKET LAMB
- Limit two market lambs per exhibitor
- For all pair classes, breeding ewes and market lambs, lambs paired together must be two lambs registered and shown by the same 4-H’er.
- Lambs raised from birth must be bred and raised by the family of the exhibiting 4-H member. There is not a raised from birth class at State Fair, so these lambs would compete in the same classes as all other market lambs.

- Use the same Class/Lot for both lambs.

NOTE: All of the above market lamb class winners will come together at the end for an overall Champion and Reserve Champion Market Lamb and for State Fair Line Up.

Requirements:
Recommended minimum weight for State Fair is 105 pounds; required maximum weight is 170 pounds. Market animals exceeding the maximum weight will not be eligible for State fair.
**LAMB LEAD** (Friday – Interviews @ 11:00 a.m.;  
Lamb Lead Show AND Sheep Show to follow)

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**Requirements:**
- Lamb lead exhibitors must groom and train a sheep and must wear a garment made from at least 60% wool. Garment is defined as a piece of clothing covering a main part of your body (not socks or accessories).
- Exhibitors will be judged based on project knowledge, poise, their outfit, and their lamb.
- Classes may be combined depending on number of entrants
- All Cloverbud rules apply.

**FLEECE**

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**Requirements:**
- All 4-H’ers receiving a blue ribbon on their fleece may exhibit at the State Fair; no housing will be provided!

**SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP**

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**CLOVERBUD SHEEP**
Cloverbuds can do one or both of the classes listed below.

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**SWINE**

**Countywide Project Leaders:** Randy Lipinski

Market Gilts will again be shown at State Fair. (Note: Champion barrows and gilts will never compete against each other, and auction limitations will be in place.)

Each 4-H member may exhibit one market barrow, one market gilt, and one breeding gilt. Each member may also exhibit a ‘litter of three’ (see “Other Swine”, H-70-1).

**BIRTH DATES:**

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| Market Barrow | Born on or after Jan. 1 of current year. Recommended farrow date of Feb. 1 or after. |
| Market Gilt | Born on or after Jan 1 of current year. Recommended farrow date of Feb. 1 or after. |

**BREEDING GILTS**

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**OTHER SWINE (County Fair Only)**

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CLOVERBUD SWINE
I - 62 – 1  Cloverbud Swine (grades K-2)

State Fair trips will be available. Exhibits will be judged during Livestock Weekend and 4-H’ers may exhibit both an animal and a Science of Animal Educational Exhibit.

This new project is modeled after the 2015 Poultry exhibits that resulted from the Avian Flu outbreak when birds were not allowed to be exhibited. Be creative!

LIVESTOCK PREMIUMS AWARDED

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Exhibit Suggestions:
- Items constructed (such as feeding systems or show equipment) or science exhibits focusing on one of the four divisions listed above.
- These projects may be enhanced with 3-dimensional displays, posters or notebooks.
GENERAL 4-H PROJECTS

Conference Judging: Wednesday, August 3, 2016

Cloverbuds (Grades K-2): Judging 1:30 – 6:30 p.m. Cloverbuds only may register beginning at 1:00 p.m.

Grades 3+: Judging 2:30 – 6:30 p.m. May register beginning at 2 p.m.

4-H members may bring up to two different exhibits per lot. Only exception is Cloverbuds, who may exhibit four general projects, plus any livestock, as well as participate in any other events held prior to entry day (food review, demonstration, performing arts, and fashion review). Premium dollar amounts for all project areas are listed on page 57.

Remember: When filling out your fair registration form, list the same project code number twice when you will be exhibiting two projects in the same lot. Two is the max you can exhibit, except Cloverbuds.

**Example:**
- 0-1-1 Aerospace, grade 9+ (first project)
- 0-1-1 Aerospace, grade 9+ (second project)
- N-1-1 Child & Family Development, grade 9+ (first project)
- N-1-1 Child & Family Development, grade 9+ (second project)

### 4-H MARKETING

- P - 490 - 1* Grade 9+
- P - 490 - 2* Grade 6-8
- P - 490 - 3 Grade 3-5

**Requirements:**
- Youth will display what they have done to market 4-H and grow membership and awareness of 4-H.
- Youth must use 4-H name and emblem properly.
- This project does not have its own State Fair class. State Fair exhibits will be shown as Self-Determined projects.

**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- Talking to classrooms about 4-H.
- Recording a 4-H promotion for radio or television.
- Any creative way you can think of to market 4-H.

### BICYCLE

- P - 20 - 1* Grade 9+
- P - 20 - 2* Grade 6-8
- P - 20 - 3 Grade 3-5

**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- Display showing types of bikes, parts of a bike, maintenance, traffic rules, bicycling hazards, how to wear a helmet, equipment used to teach others about bike repair or first aid, etc.
- Notebook or picture story of a bike rodeo or other bike event you helped with or research on some other aspect of bicycling that was presented to a class or service club.

### CAT RELATED (Display)

- P - 30 - 1* Grade 9+
- P - 30 - 2* Grade 6-8
- P - 30 - 3 Grade 3-5

**Requirements:**
- Be prepared to answer questions about your cat exhibit.

**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- Educational exhibits may include models, diagrams or pictures.

### AEROSPACE

- P - 10 - 1* Grade 9+
- P - 10 - 2* Grade 6-8
- P - 10 - 3 Grade 3-5

**Requirements:**
- Flyable models should be ready for flight (do not include fuel); recovery system should be in place and operative.
intended and how the exhibit contributes to the child’s growth, development, and well-being.

- If the exhibit is designed to be interactive with children, the item is to be used with children before exhibiting and a photograph of this activity must accompany the exhibit. Signs of use will not detract from the placing of the exhibit.

Exhibit Suggestions:
- Toy, game, puzzle, puppets, art/craft materials, etc., made from new or recycled/throw-away material.
- Babysitting kit/travel kit/rainy day kit, including at least one item made by exhibitor.
- Scrapbook, photographs, items, reports, video, etc., on family heritage with description of what was learned about self and family.
- A creatively developed program and/or item used for or with a person with a special need (gifted, developmentally delayed, physically impaired, etc.).

CITIZENSHIP

Exhibit Suggestions:
- 3-Ring binder, report binder or 3-sided display reporting on community projects and/or citizenship activities which you or your club completed under your leadership. Include plans of action, as well as the evaluation of each.
- A written narrative and/or visual communication presentation of no more than 8 to 10 minutes, using photos, video and/or slides, to show how you worked with others in your community to solve problems.

CLOTHING AND TEXTILES

CLOTHES YOU MAKE – (Judged prior to County Fair) – July 14

Exhibit Suggestions:
- Each garment must include an information tag listing: Pattern company name and number, fiber content of fabric and care instructions, member name and club.
- Garments may have been worn before showing, but should be cleaned before exhibiting.
- Items constructed should be appropriate for skill level and experience of exhibitor.

Exhibit Suggestions:
- A project such as a dress, pants, pajamas, chef’s apron, skirt or any other wearable garment.
- A constructed garment made from a pattern
- Creative sewing such as wearable art, costume, or use of techniques such as knitting, cross-stitch, etc incorporated into a wearable garment.
- Clothing or textiles display showing a "fact" or "why" related to clothing selection, care.
- Garment mended, repaired or recycled, with color photo of original garment and explanation of steps used.

CLOTHES YOU BUY – (Judged prior to County Fair) – July 14

Requirements:
- The purchased garment or outfit must be accompanied by an 8-1/2”x 11” binder with, at minimum, the following information:
  - Colored photo of member wearing the garment. Label photo with name, county, and color of complexion, hair and eyes.
  - Cost of garment. Explanation of why garment was purchased and examples of ways it will be used in existing wardrobe, and include inventory of wardrobe.
  - Garments may have been worn before showing, but should be cleaned and pressed before exhibiting.

Exhibit Suggestions:
- A purchased garment that fits into your wardrobe plan.
- A poster showing cost comparisons, wardrobe building, accessorizing, care, etc.

NON-WEARABLE GARMENT – (Judged at Fair) – July 29

Requirements:
- Each garment must include an information tag listing: Pattern company name and number, fiber content of fabric and care instructions, member name and club.
- Items constructed should be appropriate for skill level and experience of exhibitor.

Exhibit Suggestions:
- A constructed non-wearable item made from a pattern
- A project such as a pillow top, tote bag, backpack, doll clothes, etc.
FASHION REVIEW
(Judged prior to County Fair) – July 14

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Requirements:
- Participants may model any clothing they have constructed, restyled or purchased as a part of their 4-H clothing project.

CLOVERBUDS (K-2)

J - 1 - 1 Cloverbud Exhibit

This project area is designed for members enrolled in the Cloverbud Project. You may bring up to four exhibits, plus any animal exhibits and participate in any other events held prior to entry day (food review, demonstration, performing arts, fashion review). * Register for Demonstration Day/Food Review, Fashion Review and Animals with the appropriate lot number in their category (found below or in the specific project area).

CLOVERBUD DEMONSTRATION DAY
K - 1 - 7 Cloverbud Demonstration

CLOVERBUD FOOD REVIEW
P - 190 - 10 Cloverbud Food Review

CLOVERBUD FASHION REVIEW
P - 60 - 16 Cloverbud – Clothes You Make
P - 60 - 17 Cloverbud – Clothes You Buy

CLOVERBUD PERFORMING ARTS
P - 300 – 7 Cloverbud Performing Arts

CLOVERBUD LIVESTOCK EXHIBITS
A - 62 - 1 Cloverbud Beef
B - 62 - 1 Cloverbud Dairy
C - 62 - 1 Cloverbud Goat
E - 62 - 1 Cloverbud Lama
F - 62 - 1 Cloverbud Poultry
G - 62 - 1 Cloverbud Rabbit
H - 30 - 4 Cloverbud Lamb Lead - Sheep
H - 62 - 1 Cloverbud Sheep
I - 62 - 1 Cloverbud Swine
Y - 62 - 1 Cloverbud Halter/Showmanship
Y - 62 - 2 Cloverbud Western Horsemanship or English Equitation
Y - 62 - 3 Cloverbud Barrels
P - 310 - 7 Cloverbud Pet Show

Requirements:
- Cloverbud members have completed grades K-2.

COMPUTER

P - 80 - 1* Grade 9+
P - 80 - 2* Grade 6-8
P - 80 - 3 Grade 3-5

Requirements:
- Computers may be used in judging, but emphasis is on documentation, screen print, and summary. 4-H’ers are responsible for providing and securing any hardware used for judging; hardware may not be left on display.
- Reports and written summaries should be bound in a booklet or placed in a folder.

Exhibit Suggestions:
- Display showing the parts of a computer and how they work, consumer choices involved when buying a computer, how computer software can be put to use. Include statement of purpose, written plan for use, and examples of use.
- Program/software developed by the 4-H member including a statement of objectives, and discussion of program.
- Program/software should be original or adapted, by the member, from an existing program.

CONSUMER EDUCATION

P - 90 - 1* Grade 9+
P - 90 - 2* Grade 6-8
P - 90 - 3 Grade 3-5

Requirements:
- Exhibitor must be able to explain his/her choices and the reasons for those choices.

Exhibit Suggestions:
- Label comparison showing different types of labels and/or models of same included.
- Consumer comparison comparing several models of the same item, showing feature, costs, etc., with best item selected and reasons why.

CORN

P - 110 - 1* Grade 9+
P - 110 - 2* Grade 6-8
P - 110 - 3 Grade 3-5
Requirements:
- Crop must be grown on your farm in the previous growing season.
- Include 3 x 5 index card listing the variety.

Exhibit Suggestions:
- A two quart exhibit of shelled corn (no ear corn), must be placed in a clear two quart jar or 2 clear one quart jars.
- An educational display illustrating plant reproduction, soils, plant growth factors, plant characteristics, growing and using plants, plant growth and food production, examples of a plant disease, and the life cycle of that disease explaining causes and control.

CRAFTS AND FINE ARTS

Crafts
P - 100 - 1* Crafts - Grade 9+
P - 100 - 2* Crafts - Grade 6-8
P - 100 - 3 Crafts - Grade 3-5

Requirement:
- Each exhibit will be evaluated on its individual merit as a craft/kit.
- Emphasis is on the creative process and the employment of design elements and principles. The craft/kit exhibit develops from someone else’s ideas and can be exactly replicated or replicated with modifications.
- All art objects must be appropriately finished. Exhibits will be disqualified if not ready for hanging, displaying, etc. (i.e. wire or hooks on paintings, bases for 3 dimensional work, etc.)

Exhibit Suggestions:
- For a beginner, choose a project that teaches new techniques. For advanced, choose a project requiring mastery.
- Original work (no kits) in drawing, painting, sculpture, print process, textiles, pottery, etc.

Fine Arts
P - 100 - 4* Fine Arts - Grade 9+
P - 100 - 5* Fine Arts - Grade 6-8
P - 100 - 6 Fine Arts - Grade 3-5

Requirement:
- Each exhibit will be evaluated on its individual merit as an original fine art.
- Emphasis is on the creative process and the employment of design elements and principles. The fine art exhibit must show proof that it is developed from the 4-Hers own ideas and imagination.
- All art objects must be appropriately finished. Exhibits will be disqualified if not ready for hanging, displaying, etc. (i.e. wire or hooks on paintings, bases for 3 dimensional work, etc.)

DEMONSTRATIONS
(Judged prior to county fair at Demonstration Day)

Premium money will be awarded to those individuals that demonstrated at Demonstration Day prior to the fair. Make sure to mark the appropriate lot number on your county fair registration form in order to receive your premium.

K - 1 - 1* Grades 9+ - Individual
K - 1 - 2* Grades 9+ - Team
K - 1 - 3* Grades 6-8 - Individual
K - 1 - 4* Grades 6-8 - Team
K - 1 - 5 Grades 3-5 - Individual
K - 1 - 6 Grades 3-5 – Team
K - 1 - 7 Cloverbud

Requirements:
- Individual presentations shall not exceed 15 minutes in length and team presentations should not exceed 25 minutes in length.
- Demonstrations are an oral presentation that includes actually demonstrating the hands-on steps required to accomplish a task or process. This most often includes the use of physical objects and actual doing or showing. For example, a demonstration could involve using bedding plants, potting soil and related items to demonstrate how to plant a flower pot. At the end of the Demonstration there should be something of a “finished product”. Demonstrations may also include the use of supporting visuals like posters, charts or overhead transparencies. Supporting visuals can include technology based options like presentation software (i.e. MS PowerPoint). However, the focus of the Demonstration should be on the “doing”, not the supporting visuals.
- Youth in Action presentations are interactive, continuous presentations that are approximately 45 - 50 minutes in length. Topics selected for a Youth in Action demonstration may be related to a project in which the member is enrolled or to any other area of interest or expertise the member has. Involving the audience in the process is the primary focus of Youth in Action and constitutes a major portion of the evaluation results.
- Illustrated presentations provide members with the chance to get in front of a group and give a talk about a subject of interest. Illustrated presentations focus on talking and tell the audience how to do something with the end goal of sharing information for your audience to improve. Members may give individual or team presentations.
LIVESTOCK DEMONSTRATIONS
See page 14.

DOG RELATED (Display)
P - 120 - 1* Grade 9+
P - 120 - 2* Grade 6-8
P - 120 - 3 Grade 3-5
Exhibit Suggestions:
- Educational exhibits may include models, diagrams or pictures.
- Examples: dog diseases, breeding, training, etc.

ELECTRIC
P - 130 - 1* Grade 9+
P - 130 - 2* Grade 6-8
P - 130 - 3 Grade 3-5
Requirements:
A wiring diagram or schematic must accompany all electric and electronic exhibits
Exhibit Suggestions:
- Working electrical item constructed for home, yard, or farm.
- Diagram of wiring in your home/farm showing switch locations, fuse boxes, wire size, capacities, fuse sizes, total bulk wattage, appliance wattage, number of circuits, and type of wiring installation.
- Electronic item built from kit, plan, or own design with an explanation of what it is and how it is used.
- Display ideas: Careers in electrical field, electrical experiment (may or may not have worked), educational display used in teaching others, etc.

ENGINEERING DESIGN
See the link below for more information http://www.extension.umn.edu/youth/mn4-H/projects/set/

AQUATIC ROBOTICS
P - 135 - 1* Grade 9+
P - 135 - 2* Grade 6-8
P - 135 - 3 Grade 3-5
Requirements:
- Design and build their own remote-operated vehicle (ROV)
- Use and adapt it to monitor water quality/AIS education
- Work in teams of at least 3 youth, or individuals may exhibit
- Illustrate the community partnership (example: DNR, Water Resource, or Lake Association)
Exhibit Suggestions:
- Display, binder, poster illustrating the process of doing the activity/project

- Exhibit of ROV
- Display showing their use in AIS education
- Booklet showing their progression in AIS education as a team

ENG - 135 - 4* Grade 9+
ENG - 135 - 5* Grade 6-8
ENG - 135 - 6 Grade 3-5
Requirements:
- Include description of the problem/challenge being solved
- Include description of the engineering design process/steps undergone to solve problem
Exhibit Suggestions:
- Display, binder, poster illustrating the process of doing the activity/project
- Exhibit of engineering design product
- Display, binder, poster, webpage exploring a related career

ROBOTICS
P - 135 - 7* Grade 9+
P - 135 - 8* Grade 6-8
P - 135 - 9 Grade 3-5
Note: The goal of the 4-H robotics program is for the 4-H members to explore science, technology and engineering through designing and building a functioning robot. The robot can be either programmable or remote controlled. The robot can be created by an individual or a group.
Requirements:
- Exhibits must be labeled with name, and county on all pieces of the exhibit
- Include a description of the robots ability to sense, follow a plan, and complete an act
- Exhibits may have a one page report explaining the function, purpose and construction of the robot
Exhibit Suggestions:
- Display, binder, poster, diagrams of programming, booklets, etc.

RUBE GOLDBERG CHALLENGE
P - 135 - 10* Team Member (grades 3-8)
Each member (regardless of age) needs to register in this class
Rube Goldberg is an overly complex contraption designed to accomplish a simple task. The best RGs emulate their namesake by using a variety of everyday items in a whimsical way to create a series of chain-reaction steps to accomplish a simple task. In the contest, youth not only employ physics and engineering, but humor and storytelling, to create their RGs.
This activity is a team event of at least 3 and no more than 10 members.

The 2016 Challenge is crushing a can.

Requirements:
- Please refer to the Rube Goldberg Rule Book at www.4-H.umn.edu/events/engineering-design-challenge/ for complete details.
- Teams of at least 3 youth
- Minimum of 10 steps
- Machine must operate in 2 minutes or less
- Exhibit physical size limited to 6 ft x 6 ft x 6 ft
- Explain one thing/step on the machine that they use science content and skills to help solve a problem/challenge
- Need to keep a written record illustrating the process of doing the project.

Exhibit Suggestions:
- RG machine itself
- Display, binder, poster illustrating the process of the doing the activity/project

The State Fair competition will consist of a team conference judging experience and a showcase public event. The team conference judging experience will be held during the morning or afternoon of the full day of the Encampment. The combined time of conference judging and the showcase may take the full morning or afternoon, although there will be down time. Teams will be able to explain their Rube Goldberg to the judge and demonstrate their contraption as well. These will be scheduled throughout the day and will be set up to avoid any other judging conflicts that team members may have.

The showcase public event is where each team will demonstrate their contraption. Demonstrations will follow the conference judging and will be facilitated by a moderator.

ENTOMOLOGY

Requirements:
Insect Collection exhibits:
- Collections shall be contained in a glass topped case; approximately 19” x 16.5” x 3” to 24” x 18” x 3” (drawers available for purchase in varying sizes). Arrange so that the case may be displayed in a horizontal position. Place project label on lower right corner of glass top.
- Specimens must be collected. Purchased insects are not acceptable.
- Exhibitors must be the collector of the specimens in the project.
- Specimens must be properly pinned with insect pins. Small insects may need to be placed on cardboard points.
- Specimens must be properly labeled.
- Among other information, see Collecting and Preserving Insects, A MN 4-H Entomology Resource, http://www.extension.umn.edu/youth/mn4-H/projects/environment/entomology/.

Non-Collection Project exhibits:
- Emphasis of project must relate to an aspect of entomology.
- Project must demonstrate specific knowledge of insects. Be prepared to discuss references and sources (e.g. books, magazines, internet, interviews with an expert etc.)
- Live projects (e.g. bee or ant colony) will be accepted if the project can be self-sustaining for up to 14 days without special care.
- A written report or journal should accompany the project, introducing the subject, describing the process (materials and method), predicting an outcome, stating the results, and discussing any conclusions. Pictures, drawings, charts, tables or other figures may be used.

Exhibit Suggestions:
- General Insect Collection: must consist of a minimum of 50 species of adult insects representing at least 8 orders.
- Specialty insect collection can include but is not limited to a collection of a single order (e.g. Coleoptera or Lepidoptera), a collection of immature insects, a collection of insects from a particular habitat (e.g. aquatic, forest, or prairie) or a collection of economic pests of a specific crop (e.g. insects attacking corn).
- Non-Collection Project can include, but is not limited to life history displays (e.g. insect life cycle), scientific investigation (e.g. insect habitats or effects of environment factors on insects) or insects in current events.
EXPLORING ANIMALS
P - 150 - 1* Grades 9+
P - 150 - 2* Grades 6-8
P - 150 - 3 Grades 3-5

Requirements:
- This area is for 4-H’ers who wish to learn more about a given species.
- Animal ownership is not required.

Exhibit Suggestions:
- An educational exhibit to show or explain something 4-H’er made, did or learned or may explore consumer issues, breeds or careers.

EXPLORING THE ENVIRONMENT
P - 160 - 1* Grade 9+
P - 160 - 2* Grade 6-8
P - 160 - 3 Grade 3-5

Exhibit Suggestions:
- Display on environmental pollution describing the causes and effects on people and other living things, and methods to correct the situation.
- Display showing features of soils such as color, structure, texture.
- A display or journal of Minnesota plants, insects, animals, birds or fish. Include pictures or drawings and information on habits, foods, and shelter needs.
- Display showing erosion control practices such as minimum tillage, terraces, contour strips, grassed waterways, field windbreaks, water control structures, etc.

FISHING SPORTS
P - 170 - 1* Grade 9+
P - 170 - 2* Grade 6-8
P - 170 - 3 Grade 3-5

Exhibit Suggestions:
- Fish identification. Describe the habitat and food needs of selected Minnesota fish; develop a display explaining the life history of a fish; create a model or exhibit identifying the parts of a fish.
- Fishing Knots. Identify how and where each knot is used; fishing equipment which is made or repaired such as lures, fishing rods and reels, ice fishing rig, or other fishing equipment;
- Safety practices and techniques that are related to fishing or boating.
- Examples of how water quality affects the fish ecosystem.

FLOWER GARDENING
P - 180 - 1* Grade 9+
P - 180 - 2* Grade 6-8
P - 180 - 3 Grade 3-5

Requirements:
- Label each container according to kind or variety.
- Outdoor living flowers and plants are to be exhibited in this area (including Outdoor Fairy Gardens).
- Live plant material will be accepted if it can be maintained in a fresh condition with ease.

Exhibit Suggestions:
- When exhibiting cut flowers, we suggest:
  1. three stems of one variety of annual flower, or
  2. one stem of a hardy perennial, or
  3. one stem of summer flowering bulbs, or
  4. one blossom of a tea rose, or
  5. one stem of a hardy shrub rose.
- Flower bouquet or arrangement of any theme.
- Display of dried flowers with a card explaining the drying method.
- My Flower Garden - Exhibit on poster board, not to exceed 22 x 28”. Include a plan of the garden drawn to scale, the correct variety name and pictures (or photographs) of the flowers grown. Be prepared to discuss the process from soil preparation to blooming.
- Educational Exhibit showing the principles of propagation or reproduction, nutrition, culture and physiology (how a plant lives and grows).

FOODS AND NUTRITION
P - 190 - 1* Grade 9+
P - 190 - 2* Grade 6-8
P - 190 - 3 Grade 3-5

Requirements:
- Exhibit may be food items and/or displays.
- Exhibitors should be prepared to discuss with the judge: references and information sources, nutritional values, methods, menu, costs, etc., as appropriate to that exhibit.
- The exhibit may be a poster, mobile, three-dimensional display, scrapbook, balance beam, charts, journals, pictures, slides, equipment, supplies, photographs, puppet play, skit, judging comparison, taped interview, file of ideas, research study, etc.
- Pictures, food models, plaster, plastic, papier-mâché, etc., are preferable to perishable foods in an educational exhibit. Perishable foods should be used only if they add to or help explain the educational exhibit. If perishable food is a part of
the exhibit, the food is to be brought just for judging.

- Exhibits containing perishable foods, which will be discarded, must include a colored photograph of the food. The photograph should be taken prior to the County Fair and attached to the display. This photograph and a 3x5 note card listing nutrition information and the recipe will be displayed at the exhibit instead of the food.

**Exhibit Suggestions:**

- One serving of a nutritious food (vegetable or fruit dish, snack, bread, dairy, etc.). Include 8½ x 11 poster showing nutritional value, recipe, and a photo of the food.

- Study of nutrients needed for yourself or someone else, using the dietary guidelines and MyPlate.

- Make a food or fitness plan for yourself or someone else and show how it relates to nutritional and energy needs. (Example: an athlete on a volleyball team, a teen who doesn’t have a lot of time).

- Adapt a recipe(s) to show healthier ingredient choices.

- Study of how physical fitness and/or food choices are related to disease (ex.: cancer, heart disease, osteoporosis, diabetes, etc.).

- Study of labels from similar food items, comparing important nutrient content like fat, fiber, and sugar.

- Exhibit showing food and/or kitchen safety.

- Nutrition/food science experiment.

**FOOD PRESERVATION**

P - 190 - 4* Grade 9+
P - 190 - 5* Grade 6-8
P - 190 - 6 Grade 3-5

**Requirements:**

- Exhibitor must be enrolled in Food & Nutrition project.

- All recipes, procedures, and times followed must be according to current USDA and/or National Center for Home Food Preservation recommendations. NO FAMILY RECIPES. Quantities of sugar and juice used in jams and jellies may come from recipes on commercial pectin packages, but the processing method must be USDA or National Center for Home Food Preservation approved methods and recipes.

- All food preservation exhibits must be labeled with a 2" x 3" label. Labels to include county, name, grade, product, style of pack, processing method (boiling water bath or pressure canner), date, processing time. Pressure canned items indicate dial or weighted gauge and how many pounds of pressure used.

- Jars must be heat-tempered glass canning jars.

- All jars must be sealed. Leave screw bands on two piece jar lids. Jellies and jams must be covered with lids.

- Use pint jars for fruit, vegetables, and fish; one-half pint jars for jams and jellies; 2-1 pint jars or one quart jar for pickled products.

- Jellies and jams must be processed in boiling water bath according to USDA and/or University of Minnesota food preservation publications, available through the Extension Office. Note: Paraffin is not acceptable.

- No artificial food coloring should be added to entries.

- Dried foods may be stored in glass jars, self-sealing plastic bags or airtight plastic bags. The quantity of dried foods should be: fruits and vegetables - 1/2 cup or more of each, herbs - 1/4 cup of each in whole leaf form, 3 strips of meat (i.e. venison or beef jerky).

- Preserved within the past year.

**Exhibit suggestions:**

- Vegetables or fruits

- Jams, jellies, preserves, low-sugar spreads (no frozen)

- Pickled products (fermented or added acid, including pickles, sauerkraut, relishes, salsa).

- Meats, poultry and/or fish. (Fish must be in pint jars.)

- Dried vegetables or dried fruits.

- Dried herbs.

- Beef or venison jerky.

- Food science experiment or educational display.

**FOOD REVIEW**

(Judged prior to County Fair)

Premium money will only be awarded to those individuals displaying their Food Review exhibit at County Fair. Make sure you mark the appropriate lot number on your county fair registration form in order to receive the premium.

P - 190 - 7* Grade 9+
P - 190 - 8* Grade 6-8
P - 190 - 9 Grade 3-5
P - 190 - 10 Cloverbud

**Requirements:**

- Exhibitors must bring a single poster no larger than 8½” x 11” displaying their menu, photo and recipe to the fair, for display only. No food items should be brought along for display at the fair.

**FOREST RESOURCES**

P - 200 - 1* Grade 9+
P - 200 - 2* Grade 6-8
P - 200 - 3 Grade 3-5
**Requirement:**
- Exhibits should be mounted on cardboard or other sturdy material.

**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- Collection of leaves or needles with twigs, identified with their common name. Common name should be printed near the identified leaf/needle.
- Photographic display of forest products--include the name of the product/use to identify the photograph.
- Display showing tree growth; annual ring cross-sections; make a seed collection.
- Prepare a report with drawigs about your favorite tree--include name of tree, drawings or pictures of tree, facts and uses of the tree, and other appropriate information.
- Display showing layers of the forest; renewable versus non-renewable resources; forestry careers; leaf and twig identification; taxonomic keys; tree road maps.
- Display showing forest succession; tree and forest measurements; fire’s effect on the forest; how trees grow; forest types; harvesting methods; entomology of the forest; pathology of the forest.
- Display showing forest products, including maple syrup production; wood products; Christmas trees or other forest resources (recreation, wildlife, etc.).
- Display showing specialized woodland management, including shelterbelts/windbreaks and urban forestry.

**FRUIT**

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**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- Display showing a comparison of several varieties of the same fruit (labeled); display using a branch to illustrate proper pruning of fruit trees and explaining the process; illustrate the many uses of fruits (fresh, jams, juices, cooking, baking, salads and recipes); illustrate the use of fruits as natural dyes.
- Educational display illustrating diseases (actual specimens) or insects (actual specimens) and methods of control.

**GEOLOGY**

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**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- Attach specimens securely to a backboard and display in a glass-topped case of the same model as used by the entomologists (approximately 19” x 16.5” x 3”). Specimens should be approximately 2” x 2”. Label each specimen using the label described on page seven of the Geology Manual (available at http://www.extension.umn.edu/youth/mn4-H/projects/environment/geology/index.html). Size of label may be reduced to fit display case, if needed. Attach specimens so they will not fall if case is set on its edge. Member must have knowledge of how specimens are identified as to rock or fossil type.

**GLOBAL CONNECTIONS**

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**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- Poster or report explaining what you learned as a result of a cross-cultural home stay experience.
- Report or display on mission trip, school trip, pen pal, etc.

**HEALTH**

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**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- Report on a health issue (i.e. alcohol and chemical abuse, eating disorders, sexuality, sexually transmitted disease, pregnancy, stress, depression, etc.) of your choice.
- Report on a community project that you conducted on a health issue. Include objectives, audience, timetable, program description, materials, community support, and evaluation.
HOME ENVIRONMENT

P - 260 - 1* Grade 9+
P - 260 - 2* Grade 6-8
P - 260 - 3 Grade 3-5

Requirements:
- Members exhibiting in this project should be prepared to discuss and/or have written information to show how their exhibit applies to the home, how and where it is used or displayed, and all details of how it was made or selected. They should know about the subject matter of the specific exhibit, the materials used, how and why it was done, costs involved, and alternatives considered.
- A photograph and report showing its place in the home environment must accompany exhibits that are items for the home.
- Pictures and wall hangings that are exhibited should be finished and ready to hang.

Purchased kits ARE ALLOWED to be used.

Exhibit Suggestions:
- Finished or refinished wood item or reupholstered furniture.
- Repaired, restored, or remodeled item for the home.
- Chart and/or plan for the care and maintenance of the inside or outside of the home including daily, weekly, monthly, and yearly jobs.
- An article remade or reclaimed for the home with a link to the past, including history of use.
- Description, diagrams/photos, samples, and cost of a redecorating or remodeling plan showing before and after.

INDOOR GARDENING

P - 270 - 1* Grade 9+
P - 270 - 2* Grade 6-8
P - 270 - 3 Grade 3-5

Indoor living flowers and plants are to be exhibited in this area (including Indoor Fairy Gardens)

Requirements:
- Flowering plants should be in bloom.
- Foliage plants should be in vigorous condition.
- Plants should be grown in the exhibited container for at least one month prior to fair.
- Must be an indoor plant and/or an outdoor plant that is wintered indoors.

PLANTS IN HANGING CONTAINERS:
- Container for the plant should not be more than 10” in depth or diameter.
- Maximum total length of hanger and plant should not exceed 4’
- Evaluation will include appropriateness of plant for a hanging container, condition, arrangement, hanger to container to plant relationship, and plants being well established.

TERRARIUMS:
- The terrarium may not exceed 24” in any dimension.
- Terrarium should be planted at least four to six weeks ahead of exhibiting.
- Members must be able to identify all plant materials in their terrariums, and know why they were selected for use (quality, container and design).

Exhibit Suggestions:
- Two or more varieties of houseplants with common and botanical name.
- Terrarium or dish garden; consider terrarium material or general terrarium plant of native and woodland plants of Minnesota.
- Educational exhibit showing plant propagation, plant history, forcing bulbs, life cycle of a flowering plant, etc.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGE

P - 510 - 1* Grades 6+

Requirements:
- Open to youth that are participating in the current year’s 4-H Interstate Exchange.
- This project does not have its own State Fair class. State Fair exhibits will be shown as Self-Determined projects.
- Exhibit may be anything that reports on the experience in general - what was learned, people you met, etc. Use photos as well as written summaries.
- Example Exhibits: scrapbook, recipe book, poster/booklet on some aspect of the partnering county. Use your creativity!

LAWN AND LANDSCAPE DESIGN

P - 280 - 1* Grade 9+
P - 280 - 2* Grade 6-8
P - 280 - 3 Grade 3-5

Requirements:
- Posters showing physiology of a tree are not eligible for state Fair
- Evaluation will be based on design, neatness, plants used, and story told.

Exhibit Suggestions:
- Landscape Plan (not to exceed 22” x 28”) drawn to scale with plants and major areas of yard labeled; should show changes and future plans. Photographs showing “before and after” views are desirable.
- Design a project meeting for this project area (in booklet form) including what you would teach, how
you would teach it, goals of your meeting, activities you would include, and visual aids you would use.

**NEEDLE ARTS**

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**Requirements:**
- Each exhibit must include a consumer information tag, if appropriate, with the following information: pattern company name and number, techniques, fiber content, cost, and care instructions.
- Participants are encouraged to bring instructions/pattern.
- If item is framed, a wall hanging or to be displayed on a wall, it should be finished and ready to hang.

**Exhibit suggestions:**
- Any item made by the member using the techniques of knitting, crocheting, embroidery and crewel,  
counted cross stitch, needlepoint, hardanger, hand quilting, weaving, appliqué, latch hook, tatting, other.
- Consumer Product Analysis: Comparison and evaluation of materials, supplies, or accessories used for a needle arts technique.
- Historical/Cultural Study: Story, poster, or display about a needle arts heirloom from your family or local history museum. Exhibit must include information about how item should be preserved.

**PERFORMING ARTS DAY**

Performing Arts Day (judged prior to fair)

Make sure you mark the appropriate lot number on your county fair registration form in order to receive the premium

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**Requirements:**
- To be eligible for State Fair, the member must be able to discuss the process of selecting, planning, performing and reflection on their project work.
- The performance cannot last longer than 10 minutes.

**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- An individual performance: Vocal, instrumental, speech, magic acts, dancing, etc.

**PERFORMING ARTS FAIR EXHIBIT**

Exhibit at the County Fair (judged at County Fair General Exhibit Judging)

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**Requirements:**
- Any type of exhibit (excluding a performance) that shows a member’s involvement or interest in the performing arts.
- To be eligible for State Fair, the member must be able to discuss the process of selecting, planning, performing and reflection on their project work.
- No performances will be allowed. Performances were judged at Performing Arts Day prior to fair.

**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- Poster or display about your involvement or interest in the performing arts.
- A puppet and script made and created by member.
- A journal or scrapbook (with written statements) of current performing arts experiences.
- An educational display or book

**PETS (Display)**

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**Requirements:**
- Any type of exhibit (excluding a performance) that shows a member’s involvement or interest in the performing arts.
- To be eligible for State Fair, the member must be able to discuss the process of selecting, planning, performing and reflection on their project work.

**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- Educational display explaining pet care, health, nutritional needs, etc.
- Pet related exhibit, i.e. photo album, history of species display, animal care display.

**PET SHOW**

Judging will be held on Saturday, August 6, 2016 - 1:00 p.m.

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**Requirements:**
- **PET MUST BE DOMESTICATED.**
- A dog may be shown in the pet show or the dog show, **not both**.
- Animals that were raised as a part of another project may **not** be shown in the pet show.
- Pets must be owned no later than June 1.
- **DOGS** - Dogs over four months of age must be accompanied by a certificate of rabies vaccination issued by a licensed veterinarian.
- CATS - Cats must be accompanied by a certificate of rabies vaccination issued by a licensed veterinarian. They must also have trimmed nails (front and rear).

- All pets must leave the fairgrounds at the conclusion of the pet show.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Photography – Digital/File

Check this out- tips and suggestions from 4-H photography judges to prepare your 4-H photography exhibit and get ready for judging at your county fair, http://www.extension.umn.edu/youth/mn4-H/projects/docs/photography-tips-suggestionsfor-projects.pdf

Elements of Photography

Exhibit will focus on what makes a good photograph. ONLY overall image corrections are allowed including: cropping, brightness/exposure, color saturation, contrast, sharpening, black and white, sepia, or color conversion and exposure correction.

P - 320 - 1* Grade 9+
P - 320 - 2* Grade 6-8
P - 320 - 3 Grade 3-5

Requirements:

- All photos exhibited MUST have been taken by the exhibitor during the current 4-H year.
- Exhibitor's name, club, county and exhibit class and lot should be printed on the back of the exhibit.
- NO picture frame or glass allowed for safety.
- Allowed exhibits use 4 x 6", 5x7", or 8 x 10" photographs, mounted on mat board or poster board- neutral colors are best (white, tan, grey, or black)
- Do not use construction paper
- Use 14 x 22" board for 5 or more photos. Cut a smaller board for 2 to 4 prints or a panorama.
- When a photo has been cropped, the original (unaltered) 4 x 6" photo must be included on the back of the exhibit

Exhibit Suggestions:

- Photo story of 5 to 7 same size photos matted or displayed on poster board
- Photo story (usually 4 x 6" photos). Some examples might include:
  - Town's history - could include photos of residences: e.g. families, elderly citizens, government officials, veterans, teachers, service officials (fire, police, medical), volunteers, founding families history, etc.

- 4-H project, another member's 4-H project, or your 4-H Club's Community Service projects
- Environmental issue(s) or a community need
- "A Day in the Life" of... (farm or city youth, an elementary, middle school or high school youth, etc.)

- Showing a process (i.e. How to make something or steps to making something)
- Common theme or subject of 3 to 7 photos (4 X 6") (i.e. people, buildings, landscape, animals, seasons, action, nature, weather, shapes, close-ups, etc.)
- Panorama
- Enlargement or multiple 4 X 6" photos to show photographic elements you learned about and includes explaining how you used your camera to take these images. Ideas include: Aperture priority, shutter speed, rule of thirds, leading lines, ISO, etc.)

Creative/Applied Photography

Photographs in this category MUST involve editing. Software editing is required in this category such as selective coloring, text additions, using layers or layouts.

Photos should focus on how photography is used in everyday life, including creative editing, mugs, ornaments, photo gifts, posters, calendars, brochures, and advertising.

P - 320 - 4* Grade 9+
P - 320 - 5* Grade 6-8
P - 320 - 6 Grade 3-5

Requirements:

- All photos exhibited MUST have been taken/produced/enhanced by the exhibitor during the current 4-H year (Exception - an exhibit integrating older photographs).
- Exhibitor's name, club, county and exhibit class and lot should be printed on the back of the exhibit or an outline of steps.
- Enlargements should be 5 X 7" or 8 X10"; multiple photos on project should be 4 X 6".
- Exhibits size should determine the size of the photo(s) used, for example an ornament, a calendar, a poster, or a brochure would use different sized photographs
- Software suggestions include: Photoshop, Picasa, Gimp, Picmonkey, Pixi, Fotoflexer, Microsoft Publisher, Apple Pages, etc.
(Non-affiliated website information can be found online)

**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- Enlarged photograph (5 X 7" or 8 X 10") digitally enhanced on neutral matting (white, tan, grey or black) (the unaltered 4 X 6" photo must be included on the back of the exhibit.)
- Calendar, brochure, event poster, etc. (NO scrapbooks)
- Illustrate software skills: Using multiple layer techniques, selective coloring, HDR etc.
- Slideshow-compilation of photo images-use titles, voice over, background selections, to make a show, etc. For judging can show project on 14 x 22 poster board or computer, tablet or DVD

**PLANT AND SOIL SCIENCE**

- **P - 330 - 1** Grade 9+
- **P - 330 - 2** Grade 6-8
- **P - 330 - 3** Grade 3-5

**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- An educational display illustrating one of the following ideas: plant reproduction, soils, plant growth factors, plant characteristics, growing and using plants, plant growth and food production, examples of a plant disease, and the life cycle of that disease explaining causes and control.

**POTATOES**

- **P - 340 - 1** Grade 9+
- **P - 340 - 2** Grade 6-8
- **P - 340 - 3** Grade 3-5

**Requirement:**
- Twelve potatoes (this year’s crop) similar in size with variety identified on a 3 x 5 card.

**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- Educational display illustrating diseases and control, methods of mulching and reasons, causes and effects of sun scald.

**QUILTING**

- **P - 350 - 1** Grade 9+
- **P - 350 - 2** Grade 6-8
- **P - 350 - 3** Grade 3-5

**Requirement:**
- Each Item should include information listing: pattern book & name, fiber content of fabric & batting, and care instructions. If not quilted or hand tied by the 4-Her, state who tied or hand/machine quilted the final project. (Note: depending on skill level of 4-H’er, someone else may do the final quilting). Item may be either machine quilted, hand quilted or hand tied.

**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- A quilted item, any finishing technique acceptable.
- Repair of an old quilt.
- A display showing the history of quilting, fabrics and patterns used in quilting or a topic of your choice.

**SAFETY**

- **P - 370 - 1** Grade 9+
- **P - 370 - 2** Grade 6-8
- **P - 370 - 3** Grade 3-5

**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- Explore a safety issue of your choice. Ideas include traffic safety, home safety, farm safety, community safety, fire prevention, and first aid kit. Include an item for display representative of project activity.
- Prepare a First Aid Kit and be able to explain the reasons for the items you included.
- Exhibit may be display, binder, poster, etc.

**SCRAPBOOKING**

- **P - 500 - 1** Grade 9+
- **P - 500 - 2** Grade 6-8
- **P - 500 - 3** Grade 3-5

* A State Fair trip will be awarded in this area and exhibited under Self-Determined at the State Fair.

**Requirements:**
- Scrapbooks must be work completed throughout the last year.

**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- Be creative in your design
- Suggested to use sheet protectors to protect your pictures/sheets from fairgoers paging thru.

**SELF DETERMINED**

- **P - 380 - 1** Grade 9+
- **P - 380 - 2** Grade 6-8
- **P - 380 - 3** Grade 3-5

**Requirements:**
- This Division is intended for an exhibit that doesn’t fit in any other project area. This is not a “catch-all” category, but rather intentional self-directed learning.
- To be eligible for State Fair, the member(s) must be able to discuss the process of selection, planning and management of a self-determined learning experience.

**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- Poster, display or notebook showing the process of doing the activity/project.
- Display of finished work.
- Use this project area for Geospatial exhibits and Clowning exhibits in 2016
SHOOTING SPORTS
P - 390 - 1* Grade 9+
P - 390 - 2* Grade 6-8
P - 390 - 3 Grade 3-5

Requirements:
- Exhibit may not exceed 12” deep x 24” wide x 36” high, except that a gun, bow and arrow, or taxidermy item may be included in a display and will not be considered in the calculation of dimensions.
- MN and 4-H regulations for handling and storing firearms must be followed.
- No explosive materials are allowed. Arrows must be secured in such a manner so as to prevent their points or edges from being a hazard. Only sporting firearms and bows will be exhibited, displayed or demonstrated.

Exhibit Suggestions:
- Safety techniques applied to shooting activities (e.g., range commands and range safety, eye and ear protection, cleaning a firearm, dressing for safety-first aid, survival skills, etc.).
- Shooting Skills (e.g., basic safety rules, basic parts and functions of each piece of equipment, care and maintenance, accessories, position, etc.).
- Display illustrating key field identification features of a group of game animals (e.g., distinguishing various species of puddle ducks, differences among five look-alike species of upland game birds, etc.).
- Leadership skills learned in your shooting sports club.
- History and nomenclature of trapping, hunting, and firearms.
- Sportsmanship: Ethical behavior and responsibility, effects of values to wildlife of modern game laws and regulations.

SMALL ENGINES
P - 410 - 1* Grade 9+
P - 410 - 2* Grade 6-8
P - 410 - 3 Grade 3-5

Exhibit Suggestions:
- Small engine that has been reconditioned or repaired.
- A device constructed by a member utilizing a small engine.
- Display on the parts of an engine, etc.
- An educational display of some aspect of small engine use, care, reconditioning, etc.

SHOP
P - 400 - 1* Grade 9+
P - 400 - 2* Grade 6-8
P - 400 - 3 Grade 3-5

Requirements:
- Check space requirements for large exhibits with staff. Large exhibits will be displayed outdoors.
- Attach a card to all exhibits describing construction materials, unusual joinery finishing techniques, and total cost.
- Contact 4-H Staff no later than July 17th if you have an oversized exhibit.

Exhibit Suggestions:
- Article made of wood or metal
- Wooden or metal article repaired, finished, or refinished.
- Display on properties, uses, or processing of wood.
**VEGETABLE GARDENING**

- **P - 430 - 1** Grade 9+
- **P - 430 - 2** Grade 6-8
- **P - 430 - 3** Grade 3-5

**Requirements:**
- Label vegetables with proper variety names.
- When exhibiting a collection of vegetables, it is recommended the collection includes six different kinds of vegetables (1 large specimen + 3 medium specimen + 2 small specimen = 6 different vegetable specimens for this project's choosing any combination of the following:
  - A. One large vegetable specimen (cabbage, squash, melon, pumpkin, cauliflower, etc.)
  - B. Three different medium sized vegetable specimens and 3 of each specimen (tomatoes, onions, peppers, cucumbers, kohlrabi, carrots, beets, turnips, etc.)
  - C. Two small vegetable specimens and 12 of each specimen (green beans, peas, lima beans, etc.)
- Potatoes or cherry tomatoes may not be included.
- If selected for State Fair, vegetable exhibits taken to state fair must contain six different vegetables or be an educational display.

**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- Collection of three or more different vegetables (use the guide above).
- Display showing three varieties of the same vegetable.
- Educational display showing some aspect of vegetable gardening (e.g., the difference in development between thinned vs. unthinned vegetables).
- A mini garden planted in a tub, pail or large planter.

A website is available on how to prepare vegetables for fair.
[http://www.extension.iastate.edu/Publications/4H462.pdf](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/Publications/4H462.pdf)

**VIDEO/ FILMMAKING**

- **P - 450 - 1** Grade 9+
- **P - 450 - 2** Grade 6-8
- **P - 450 - 3** Grade 3-5

**Equipment:**
- Video camera, Camcorder, DSLR, Go Pro, flip camera, digital camera, time lapse camera or trail camera, cell phone, tablet

**Requirements:**
- All video/film footage exhibited must have been recorded/created in the current 4-H year. When appropriate, historical footage can be used, otherwise film/video content must have been taken in the current 4-H year.
- All video/filmmaking exhibits must be made by the exhibitor OR if the exhibit is made by a video/filmmaking production team, the exhibitor must be a member and must have created at least 50 percent of the finished video/film.
- Video/film must be presented on DVD, USB, flash drive or data CD.
- Video/film must include a title and credits.
- The video/film must be original material, portions from other sources must be documented and have a copyright release, including music. Any video/film exhibit which appears to contain copyrighted material, including music, will not be publicly displayed unless the exhibitor has written permission from the producer to use the material in the video/film.
- The exhibitor’s name, grade, club, and exhibit class must be clearly printed on all exhibit pieces.
- A computer with DVD player or USB port will be provided for viewing the video/film during the conference judging. If other equipment is needed for viewing, member is responsible for supplying.
- Video/film must be playable on Windows, use file format including .WMV, .FLV and .MPEG, as well as a playable DVD. This is not a slideshow (see Creative/Applied Photography for slideshow).
- To reduce software incompatibility issues, it is recommended that you supply your own computer. If you choose to use Extension’s, it is your responsibility to make sure that your video will play ahead of time.

**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- A poster that illustrates how a video/film camera works, or how to care for video/film equipment, illustration of computer video/film creation, etc.

**VETERINARY SCIENCE**

- **P - 440 - 1** Grade 9+
- **P - 440 - 2** Grade 6-8
- **P - 440 - 3** Grade 3-5

**Requirements:**
- Exhibit may include: models, diagrams, actual items and/or written articles.

**Exhibit Suggestions:**
- Diagram of your favorite animal with anatomy
- Display or binder on diseases of animals, ringworm, heartworm, displaced abomasums, hip dysphasia, scours, etc.
- A video/film short-limited to 5 minutes or less (to insure full viewing by judge during judging process)
  - Showcase various video/film techniques.
  - A selected subject. Include a short storyboard or outline.
- A video/film made by blending computer technology and traditional camera created video/film.
- A video/film using data from trail camera or time lapse camera (stop action video)
- A video/film using Claymation

**WATER / WETLANDS**

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*Exhibit Suggestions:*
- Display showing the five unique physical properties of water; the hydrologic or water cycle; the quantities and uses made of water by families, municipalities, industries, animals, and plants;
- Display on water quality or management—pollution, conservation, water quality standards, etc.

**WILDLIFE BIOLOGY**

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*Exhibit Suggestions:*
- Display showing the life cycle of your favorite wild animal.
- Birdhouse, birdfeeder or homemade bird book of local birds.
- An animal book of wild animals of Minnesota—describe habitat, food, and shelter needs.
- A wildlife management plan—show practices related to land use and forest management for wildlife.
- Basic concepts of Wildlife Management (waterfowl wingboards, birdhouse trails, game food habits, game animal habitat requirements, history of game management, etc).

**YOUTH LEADERSHIP**

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*Purpose:*
Youth Leadership is a project area that requires the member to discover their skills and then develop those skills and share them with others. This might happen individually or with a group.

*Guidelines:*
- Taking charge, leading a service project and sharing the steps from beginning to end would be one example of a youth leadership project.
- Some ways to present your work would be (but are not limited to): three sided display board, scrapbook and posters.

### 4-H CLUB EXHIBITS & ACTIVITIES

Note: Club key leaders are responsible for entering these exhibits on their club’s fair registration form. Bring these exhibits to the 4-H Exhibit Building (north of the bandshell). Clubs may enter in all lots.

Your club exhibits must be entered by Wednesday, July 30 at **4:00 p.m.** Only exceptions include Scrapbooks and Community Pride projects, which are due by 6:30 p.m. Be sure to have all exhibits identified with your club name.

**CLUB BANNER**

| T - 1 - 1* | Club Banner |

One banner is allowed per club to be displayed in the 4-H Foodstand. It is the club’s responsibility to pick up the exhibit tag, attach the exhibit tag, and hang the banner in the 4-H Foodstand on entry day.

Two banners will be selected for State Fair exhibit.

*Requirement:*
- Banner must be 3’ x 5’ and designed to hang vertically.
- It must be completed and equipped with a dowel (minimum size 3’ 8”) and ready to hang.
- Banner must be of fabric (no paper) and can be one or two-sided.
- Club name on 3 x 5 card pinned to back. (Any assembly technique can be used.)

**COMMUNITY PRIDE**

| T - 1 - 2* | Community Pride |

ONE exhibit will be selected for State Fair.

*Requirements:*
- The exhibit may include a three-sided display (not to exceed 12” deep x 24” wide x 36” high), video or other visual method which visually highlights the entire project or certain parts in a manner which tells the public what positive effects the project has on the community.
- Two club youth who participated in the project must represent the club in conference judging.
- For State Fair, two club members, grades 6+, who will not be exhibiting their own projects must be present for conference judging.

*In 2016, Community Pride participants at State Fair may exhibit another individual project.*
CLUB SCRAPBOOK
T - 1 - 4   Club Scrapbook (County Fair Only)

Requirements:
- Show and explain your club activities and participation in community and county events since last year’s county fair (previous year’s fair entry day - start of current year’s fair entry day).
- Each 4-H club may enter a maximum of two (2) scrapbook exhibits.
- Scrapbooks from previous years not eligible.

SCARECROWS
T - 1 - 5   Scarecrows (County Fair Only)
- Each 4-H club may enter a maximum of two (2) scarecrow exhibits. It must be constructed well enough so that it will remain secure during the fair. Exhibit must be identified with club name.

RECYCLING BARRELS
T - 1 - 6   Recycling Barrels (County Fair Only)
- Each 4-H club may enter a maximum of two (2) recycling barrel exhibits. Barrels must be 30-55 gallon size. Exhibit must be identified with club name.
- Plastic barrels are available from the fairgrounds by calling Carol or Perry @ 320-593-0497

POTTED FLOWERS
T - 1 - 7   Potted Flowers (County Fair Only)
- Each 4-H club may bring a maximum of two (2) potted flower exhibits. Some plants must be in bloom. Entries will be judged on health and vigor of plants plus attractiveness and originality of container. This exhibit is to help beautify the 4-H Building. All exhibits must be identified with club name.
- It is the club’s responsibility to ensure adequate watering during the fair.

SHARE THE FUN
(Judged prior to fair)
T - 1 - 8 Share the Fun
Two exhibits will be selected for State Fair.
- Share the Fun is an event held in February where clubs present skits that promote 4-H. The purposes of Share The Fun include: building club rapport and unity, promoting 4-H, and providing recognition for the club.

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