



MAY 2022



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Iowa 4-H Mission

4-H empowers youth to reach their full potential through youth-adult partnerships and research-based experiences.

Iowa 4-H Vision

Preparing Iowa's youth to be successful, contributing members of society.

Animal Identification Deadline

Mark your calendars - May 15, 2022

May 15 continues as the deadline to identify animals in 4-H Online and FFA Google Form ID. You are able to identify your animals in these systems now, but do not enter any weigh-in animals (Swine, Market Lambs, Market Meat Goats) until after the weigh-ins this spring.

4-H Online Animal ID:

<https://v2.4honline.com>, login, click on member profile, click on Animals from the list on the left.

FFA Animal ID: Visit [https://](https://www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska/page/livestock-exhibiting-information)

www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska/page/livestock-exhibiting-information and scroll down to FFA Animal ID.

You have until **11:59 p.m. on May 15**, but please do not wait until the last minute. Even if you do not have your animals yet, log into 4-H Online and click on Animals to ensure you are able to access your account or test out the FFA Google Form ID and ensure the links work well in advance of May 15.

PLEASE DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE LAST DAY TO ID YOUR ANIMALS!

Clover Kids Corner

May's theme is "Sensational Seeds".

Children will learn parts of a seed and what they need to grow. Master Gardners will attend meeting as a guest speaker.

A Summer Fun Day for all Mahaska County Clover Kids will be held on **June 3rd, 2022 from 9 am to 3 pm**. The fun day will be held at the Extension office. Please call office to register by May 16, 2022. Limit of **16** kids for registration.

If you have any questions, please contact Sara Sims, Office Assistance at sjsims@iastate.edu or 641-673-5841

New 4-H Members

New 4-H members, who have not been in Mahaska County 4-H in the past, have until May 15, 2022 to enroll and pay their registration fee and be eligible to exhibit at the Southern Iowa Fair. Please note that the **75%** attendance policy will apply, so attendance at all club activities from the time of enrollment until July 1 is very important!

4-H Club Attendance Policy

Mahaska County has a **75%** attendance policy in place for 4-H members of community and special-interest clubs. Members attending at least 75% of their clubs' meetings, activities, and/or pre-approved 4-H experiences will have eligibility to exhibit at the county fair. Clubs can set their own parameters within the 75% policy. We recommend if members are part of an **additional** special-interest club, like Honor Council, their attendance combined for both will count toward the 75%.

*This newsletter was prepared and written by
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Welcome Macy Duff



Macy Duff is this years Summer Intern that will be in charge of summer camps. She was apart of 4-H in Wapello for 9 years and a member of Wapello County Council for 5 years.

She has worked at Prime Time Youth Care through the Ottumwa Community School

District for last 5 years. She is super excited to be part of the Mahaska County Extension Office.

Macy is attending Grand View University for Elementary Education. Macy looks forward to working with children and their families during the day camps this summer.

Summer Fun Day Camps

We will once again hold in-person day camps this summer for those who have recently completed Kindergarten-8th grade. These camps fill quickly, so register ASAP!

June 7 & 9—Babysitting Basics—5th-8th grade—\$20

June 7th—Oskaloosa

June 9th—TBD

June 14 & 16—Grossology—Kdg.-2nd—\$20

June 14th—Oskaloosa

June 16th—TBD

June 21 & 23—Art Camp—3rd-5th—\$20

June 21st—Oskaloosa

June 23rd—TBD

June 28 & 30 Passport to Culture—Kdg.-2nd—\$20

June 28th—Oskaloosa

June 30th—TBD

July 6—Photography

9 am—12 pm 4th-6th

1 pm— 4 pm 6th-8th

Find camp details & a registration form at
www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska/

Congratulations, Seniors!

Congratulations to our graduating Senior 4-H members!

Ephraim Van Zante of the **Cedar Livestock**
Tyler Bayliss of the **Cedar Livestock**
Brooke Hol of the **Garfield Boosters**
Nathan Groenendyk of the **Garfield Boosters**
Layla Hargis of the **Heartland Helpers**
Lexi Van Utrecht of the **Heartland Helpers**
Aden Scott of the **Jefferson Go-Getters**
Clayton Hol of the **Jefferson Go-Getters**
Daniel Roose of the **Leighton Strivers**
Emma Veenstra of the **Leighton Strivers**
Jack Vos of the **Leighton Strivers**
Logan Schroeder of the **Leighton Strivers**
Marie Vander Wilt of the **Leighton Strivers**
Lydia Zylstra of the **M & M Peppy Pals**
Raegan Rozenboom of the **Mahaska County 4-H Livestock
Special –Interest Club**
Abby Drost of the **Mahaska Masters**
Olivia Stodghill of the **Mahaska Masters**
Rylie Sytsma of the **Mahaska Masters**
Mandi Rist of the **West Des Moines Livewires**
Samantha Rist of the **West Des Moines Livewires**
Tabitha Gooden of the **West Des Moines Livewires**

We wish you the best in all of your future endeavors and THANK YOU for your dedication to Mahaska County 4-H! These seniors are spotlighted in the Mahaska County 4-H Senior Spotlight Magazine, copies are available at the Extension office.

Attention Seniors!

If you are attending Iowa State University this fall, continue your 4-H adventure with Collegiate 4-H! Collegiate 4-H is a club that is open to all majors and focuses on service, leadership, and fun. Joining Collegiate 4-H is a great way to stay connected with 4-H programs and also build valuable professional skills. Look up Collegiate 4-H on their website <https://www.stuorg.iastate.edu/isucollegiate4-h> or on any of their social media or contact 4hofficers@iastate.edu

2022 Iowa 4-H Youth Conference



This Year's Youth Conference will be held on June 28, 2022 through June 30, 2022 at ISU in Ames. Regular registration is \$180.00 due by **June 1st, 2022**.

To complete registration please visit the site listed below:
[Https://](https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/iowa4h/iowa4hyouthconference)

www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/iowa4h/iowa4hyouthconference

Be sure to check out the Conference Agenda, Workshop Descriptions and Animal Science 4-H Round Up. You can also sign up for the Talent show.

5th Annual Pop Tabs for Jacy 2022

We are collecting pop tabs to donate during the State 4-H Youth Conference in June.

Pop Tabs for Jacy, was in legacy of Jacy, a 4-H member during 2017-2018 State 4-H Council who passed away from his courageous battle with cancer.

If you have any unwanted pop tabs, please turn them in to the Extension office by June 24, 2022.

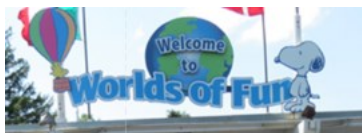
Top 5 counties will be recognized at the State 4-H Youth Conference. Goal is to collect 1,000 lbs. or 10 lbs. per county.

4-H Honor Council

The Honor Council is working on plans for a Farm to Table dinner this fall. This will be held on September 15th, 2022 at 6pm at the Southern Iowa Fairgrounds in the Pavilion. They are also planning to open their online 4-H Merch Store this spring, check Facebook and our website for details!

The next Honor Council meeting will be held on **Monday, June 5, 2022 at 3 pm**. We will be celebrating our Seniors!

Intermediate/Sr Trip to Kansas City



A trip to Kansas City will happen this summer with 4-H members in 7th-12th grade. This trip is open to 4-H members from Mahaska, Marion, Jasper, and Poweshiek Counties.

This trip will take place Wednesday June 7th through Thursday June 8, 2022. Cost is \$290.00 dollars and Mahaska County will reimburse half of this cost back to you upon returning from this trip.

Participants will attend Lakeside Nature Center, The Arabia Steamboat Museum, Kansas City Royals game, Union Station and Worlds of Fun.

Registration is due by **May 9th**, we are limited to 12 slots. To register please fill out a form at the Mahaska Extension Office. Parents are welcome to attend as chaperones, but must also register and pay the fee, complete an Extension Volunteer Background Screening.

Spring Leader Meeting

There will be a leader's meeting held on **May 11th, 2022** in the auditorium at the Mahaska County Extension Office at 6pm. Supper will be served. Please RSVP by **May 9th** to let us know that you are planning to attend.

Topics covered in this meeting County Fair, State Fair, upcoming events and Summer Programs.

Pre-Fair Superintendent Meeting

All livestock superintendents are invited to attend the Pre-Fair meeting to set stall assignments on **Thursday, July 7 at 7:00 PM** in the DAV Building. Note this is 2 weeks before fair!

Southern Iowa Fair Contact Info

If you would like to inquire about camping, renting a fairgrounds building, or exhibiting in the Open Class/Open Bucket/Bottle Show at the Southern Iowa Fair, please contact Erica Antolik at the Southern Iowa Fair office at 641-673-7004 or email sifair@mahaska.org.

Fair Help Me Guide

This guide will be helpful for new families or those needing a refresher. It is currently being updated and will be posted to our website at www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska/page/4-h-fair-award-forms soon!

4-H Accommodations

Any program participants needing accommodations for participation in any 4-H activities is asked to complete a 4-H Accommodations form for each year of participation. The 4-H Accommodations form can be found at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska/page/how-do-i-enroll-4-h-club>.

If assistance is needed to complete the 4-H Accommodation form, please call 641-673-5841 or email mahaska4H@iastate.edu.

Pre-Fair Barn Clean-up

Last year's barn clean-up and set-up night was a great success! We will hold the work night on **Thursday, July 14** from **5:00-7:00 PM** in the barns on the fairgrounds. We hope to have a To-Do list for each barn. Some barns may require more work than others. Stall Assignments will be posted in each barn at 7:00 PM.

4-H & Clover Kids Clothing Event

Do you like to shop, find a bargain, or just assemble fashionable outfits? You should take part in the 4-H & Clover Kids Awardrobe Clothing Event! This event is open to any 4-H or Clover Kids members in Mahaska County. 4-H members may exhibit as many outfits as they'd like and Clover Kids may exhibit one outfit in each class.

Classes include:

Clothing Selection - purchased garments of any price
\$15.00 Challenge - purchased garments from
consignment, outreach, or garage sale totaling
under \$15.00. **MUST have receipts!**

Fashion Revue - garments made by the exhibitor via
hand sewing, machine sewing, or other method
(knitting, crocheting, felting, etc.)

Judging will take place on June 9 from 3:30-6:00 PM at the Extension office, you will be judged wearing your garment. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/awardrobe> by **Tuesday, June 1.**

FairEntry Opening June 1

PLEASE READ THIS ARTICLE THOROUGHLY IF YOU PLAN TO EXHIBIT AT THE SOUTHERN IOWA FAIR!

We will once again use FairEntry for 4-H & FFA animal and static exhibit entries for the Southern Iowa Fair. We are in the process of setting up this year's fair and will open the system on June 1, 2022.

Animals **MUST BE IDENTIFIED IN 4-H ONLINE** or on the FFA ID **GOOGLE FORMS** by May 15 for any animals to be eligible to be exhibited at the fair.

Don't forget to complete your YQCA training if you plan to exhibit Rabbit, Poultry, Sheep, Beef, Dairy, Swine, Meat Goats, or Myotonic Goats. YQCA is not required for Horse, Llama/Alpaca, Dog, Bucket Bottle, or Pets. Your YQCA certification number is required in your animal entry in FairEntry, so have it available.

Livestock Entry for the Southern Iowa Fair will close on July 9, 2022. Static exhibit entry will close on July 15, 2022.

YQCA for Livestock Exhibitors

YQCA stands for Youth for the Quality Care of Animals and is required for 4-H & FFA members exhibiting Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep, Beef, Dairy, Swine, Meat Goat, & Myotonic Goat. It is not required for Bucket/Bottle, Llama/Alpaca, or Horse project exhibitors.

YQCA is an online training that can be completed at home or at the Extension office (by appointment). Cost to take the online training is **\$12.00** each year. Those who complete a financial aid application at the Extension office will automatically receive a coupon code to use.

YQCA must be completed by **JULY 1** for members to be eligible to exhibit livestock at the county and/or state fair. The YQCA online program includes three components for each topic

(food safety, animal well-being, and character development):

1) knowledge building, 2) skills lab, 3) quiz for each content topic, and are designed specifically for each age group. The online program is very interactive, bright, colorful, relatable, and fun! More information can be found at

<http://yqca.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/GettingYourYQCAOnlineCertification.pdf>.

**** IMPORTANT INFORMATION****

YQCA has a new platform. An email was sent out prompting anyone who has completed the training to download their certificate from the old platform before March 22nd. Those who have downloaded their certificate need to upload it to the new platform. A new account can be created at yqcaprogram.org. If you have any questions, please contact programmanager@yqcaprogram.org. If you had problems downloading and saving your YQCA certificate from the previous site, please email Amy Alderson at amy@registrationmax.com. She will be able to assist you with a PDF or a screenshot of your current certificate.

4-H & FFA Fair Rule Booklets

The 2022 Southern Iowa Fair 4-H & FFA Rule Booklet has been updated and is available at www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska/page/4-h-fair-award-forms. If you would like a printed copy, they are available at the Extension Office.

Livestock Summary Guide

This is a helpful guide for any 4-H or FFA member planning to exhibit livestock at the county or state fair. Visit [Livestock Summary2021-22.pdf](http://LivestockSummary2021-22.pdf)

Mahaska County Code of Conduct

Every 4-H member in Mahaska County is required to complete the Mahaska County 4-H Code of Good Conduct form once ever. Deadline to complete the Code of Conduct, either paper form or electronic form, is **May 15, 2022**. This form must be submitted in order for 4-H members to be eligible to exhibit at the Southern Iowa Fair. Visit <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska/news/mahaska-county-4-h-code-good-conduct-form> to learn more.

Class Exhibiting Requirements

Mahaska County has a policy for classes and shows for the county fair. In order to hold a show at the Southern Iowa Fair, we must have a **minimum of 3 youth from 2 different families (4-H or FFA)** registered to exhibit a particular species. Don't forget animals must be registered in 4-H Online/FFA Google Form ID by **May 15**. Classes with fewer than 3 exhibitors from 2 different families will be placed on hold for the current year. Classes will be determined after all ID information has been received on May 15.

If classes meet the minimum requirement by identification in May, the show(s) will be held.

FFA Animal Identification

FFA members will once again use Google Forms to identify their animals for the fair. The Google Forms are NOW OPEN!

FFA Animal IDs are due May 15, 2022 (with the exception of Market Beef as outlined on page 1 of this newsletter). **Information will need to be filled out all the way and correctly for every entry to be eligible.** Forms can be found at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska/page/livestock-exhibiting-information>.

4-H Livestock Rules (4H 202)

If you plan to exhibit livestock at the county or state fair in 2022, please read the 4H 202 document very thoroughly. The 4H 202 can be found at <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/194.pdf>. It includes important information for each species, including identification requirements. It is the responsibility of the 4-H family to read these requirements and abide by the rules set by the county and state 4-H program.

Help Day for 4-H Online

We are hosting a help day for exhibitors who need help with 4-H Online. Kat and Sara will be available to help exhibitors in the auditorium at the Mahaska County Extension Office from 5 pm to 7pm on May 12, 2022. If you are unable to attend, please call the office to schedule a time for assistance. **Staff will NOT be available over the weekend to help with questions and late entries will NOT BE ACCEPTED for 4-H or FFA animal identification entries. NO EXCPTIONS!**

Sheep & Meat Goat Weigh-in

The 4-H & FFA Sheep & Meat Goat Weigh-in will be held on **Saturday, May 7** from **8:00-10:00 AM** at the scale on the Southern Iowa Fairgrounds. **Tags are \$3.00 each. State Fair Verification is \$5.00/hd.** Breeding Lambs & Goats do not need to attend this weigh-in unless you plan to exhibit at the Iowa State Fair. Retinal Images will need to be taken on all the lambs & goats going to the Iowa State Fair. All Lambs & Goats **MUST** be entered into 4-H Online by the families by May 15. Bottle Lambs & Bottle Goats are **not** required to attend the weigh-in.

Bucket'o'Junk Contest

Bucket'o'Junk registration is now closed. All participants will be contacted via email by Sara for confirmation of sign up. Participants will be notified via email with details for pick up times once this is determined.

Members do not need to be present for pick up. Please note that the buckets will be full of scrap metal and will be heavy!

Rabbit Tattoo Clinic May 9

Anyone with rabbits that need to be tattooed for fair identification purposes can attend the clinic on **May 9th, 2022 from 6pm-8pm at the DAV Building** located at the Southern Iowa Fairgrounds. Adam Antolik, Rabbit Superintendent, will be present to answer questions and to tattoo rabbits. Rabbits that are already tattooed do not need to attend this clinic. Youth are not required to attend this clinic, it is just an option available to families.

Bucket/Bottle Animal Packets—NEW!

Now that it is May, all bucket/bottle animals must be in the youth exhibitor's possession within **two** weeks of the animal's birth (must have been born by April 30) and must be bottle/bucket fed. Packets for Bucket/Bottle animals are available at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska/page/livestock-exhibiting-information>.

New this year, the Bucket Bottle Animal Interviews will be held July 14th at the Extension Office in the Auditorium from 3-7 PM.

Swine DNA Tags for State Fair

4-H Swine DNA Tags for State Fair are available at the Extension office. **Tags are \$9/tag.** There is a **5 day sign out for the taggers.** **Tags must be in the animal and envelopes returned to the Mahaska County Extension Office by May 15th.** **FFA exhibitors need to contact their advisor about DNA samples for State Fair.** If you have any questions on if a tagger is available or other information about the DNA tags, please call the office.

Market Broiler Poultry Project

Chicks will arrive Memorial Day weekend be looking for an email from Sarah Hol at holskitchen@yahoo.com with more details. Chick Pick-up will take place at the Extension office. Date & time TBD. If you have any questions regarding the Market Broiler project, please contact Sarah.

Carcass Beef Contest Details

If you identified a carcass beef project at the December weigh-in, please mark the following dates on your calendar!

June 8: 9 AM— Live Evaluation at Fairgrounds Scale

June 13: 1 PM— Locker Evaluation at Leighton Locker

Horse Educational Events

Every 4-H & FFA member who plans to exhibit horses, ponies, donkeys, or mules at the 2022 Southern Iowa Fair must complete at least 3 Horse educational events to be eligible to exhibit.

April 5 - Review rules, legal equipment, requirements to show at fair, and grooming (no horses needed)

April 19 - Halter/Showmanship

May 3 - Western Pleasure/Walk-Trot

May 17 - Trail

June 7 - English Pleasure/Equitation

June 19 - Open Youth Invitational Show

June 21 - Poles/Barrels/Flags

July 12 - Horsemanship

Vet Check Date TBD

Keep an eye on the Mahaska County 4-H Facebook page, the 4-H & FFA Horse Project Facebook group, and the Extension website for the latest Horse project details.

If you have any questions about the Horse Project Area, please contact a Horse Superintendent listed below:

Heather Angle-Gardner—h_ponygirl@yahoo.com 641-777-2334

Jodi Wilcox— jodihillwilcox@gmail.com 641-295-6490

Marcy Wanders— marcywanders5@yahoo.com 515-238-2609

Dog Classes

Dog Classes will begin April 25, 2022. Classes will be held every Monday at 6 PM from April 25th, 2022 through the start of the fair. Practice will take place by the sheep barn at the Southern Iowa Fair grounds. NO SIGN UP REQUIRED. If this is your first year as a participant, you do not need to bring your dog to the first practice. First year dogs have to attend a minimum of 8 classes to be eligible to show at the fair. May 30th and July 4th practices will be moved to May 31st and July 5th due to the holidays. If you have any questions, please contact Regina Hoy(641-660-0772), Sharis Claver (641-799-4085), or LaCinda Shilling (641-295-4478).

Static Exhibit Judging at Fair

Static exhibit judging will be held on **Saturday, July 16**. We will offer conference (in-person) judging this year.

Please complete this survey by **June 15**: <https://tinyurl.com/nonconferencejudging>

In-person conference judging, written comment sheets will not be provided. Each club has been assigned a time for in-person conference judging.

Saturday Exhibit Judging Schedule:

9:00-9:30 AM	4-H Honor Council
9:30-10:30 AM	Heartland Helpers Independent 4-H Jefferson Go-Getters
10:30-11:30 AM	Leighton Strivers Mahaska Masters
11:30 AM-12:30 PM	Mahaska Livestock Special-Interest M&M Peppy Pals
12:30-1:00 PM	Spring Creek Achievers West Des Moines Livewires Adams Champs
1:00-2:00 PM	Clover Kids (at Clover Kids display area)
1:30-3:00 PM	Cedar Livestock Garfield Boosters Harrison Hustlers
3:00-3:30 PM	State Fair Selection (buildings not open to the public)

Tentative Fair Schedule

Saturday, July 16

9:00 AM - Static Exhibit Judging in Exhibit Hall & 4-H Building, state fair selection to follow

Sunday July 17

6:00 PM - Horse Speed Events at Outdoor Arena

6:00-8:00 PM - Swine Vet Check near Swine Barn

Monday, July 18

7:00-10:00 AM - Swine Weigh-in at scale

9:00-11:00 AM - Poultry Check-in at cages

10:00 AM - Advanced Cattle Feeder Pen Weigh-in & ultrasound at scale

10:00 AM-Noon - Rabbit Check-in at cages

10:30 AM - Advanced Lamb Feeder Pen Weigh-in & ultrasound at scale

10:30 AM - Advanced Cattle Feeder Interviews at pens

11:00 AM - Advanced Lamb Feeder Pen Interviews at pens

11:00 AM-12:00 PM - Sheep Weigh-in at scale

1:00-2:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Bottle Lamb & Goat Check-in in barns

1:00-2:00 PM - Myotonic Goat Check-in at pens

2:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Llama & Alpaca Show in Pavilion

4:00-5:00 PM - Meat Goat Weigh-in at scale & Breeding Check-in at stalls

5:00 PM - 4-H, FFA, & Clover Kids Dog Show in Pavilion

5:30-7:00 PM - Beef Weigh-in at scale, Breeding Check-in at West end of B/B Barn

by 6:00 PM - Dairy check-in at stalls with Superintendents

by 6:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Bucket/Bottle Calf Check-in at stalls with Superintendents

Tuesday, July 19

9:00 AM - Poultry Show in Sale Ring

9:00-1:00 PM - Communications: Educ. Pres., Share-the-Fun, Extemp Spkg. at Free Stage

1:00 PM - Advanced Feeder Pen Conferences location TBD

2:00-4:00 PM - 4-H Horticulture Judging in 4-H Building

4:00-6:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Horse Check-in at barns

6:00 PM - Mandatory Horse Exhibitor Meeting at check-in area

6:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Swine Show in Pavilion

Wednesday, July 20

8:00 AM - 4-H & FFA Sheep Show in Pavilion

9:00 AM-Noon - Communications Working Exhibit Judging in Free Stage

11:30 AM - 4-H & FFA Bottle Goat Show in Pavilion

12:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Bottle Lamb Show in Pavilion

12:30-2:15 PM - Dairy Cattle & Goat Show in Pavilion

2:30-5:00 PM - Meat Goat Show in Pavilion

5:00 PM - **Auction Exhibitor Verification in Fair Board Office – by 5:00 PM, NO EXCEPTIONS!**

6:30 PM - 4-H & FFA Rabbit Show in Sale Ring

Thursday, July 21

8:00 AM-Noon approx. - 4-H & FFA Beef Show in Pavilion

1:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Bucket/Bottle Calf Show in Pavilion

2:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Myotonic Goat Show in Pavilion

Friday, July 22

8:00 AM - 4-H & FFA Horse Show at Outdoor Arena (no K-3 show this year)

10:00 AM - 4-H & Clover Kids Pet Show at Free Stage

5:00-7:00 PM - Supreme Showmanship Contest in Pavilion

Saturday, July 23

4-H Office will be CLOSED

8:00 AM - Livestock Ribbon Auction in Sale Ring

12:00 PM - ALL Livestock & Non-Livestock Exhibits Released (*no early release due to weather*)

Sunday, July 24

Animals Must Be Gone by 5:00 PM

Exhibits Must Be Gone between 1:00-3:00 PM in the Exhibit Hall & 4-H Building

This schedule and events are subject to change

Livestock Identification Details

If you plan to show small animals, livestock, and horses at the Southern Iowa Fair or Iowa State Fair, please read on. Each species is listed with details for identification in 4-H Online. If you plan to exhibit at the Iowa State Fair, the animal must first be identified in 4-H Online by May 15 to have state fair eligibility. The only species requiring photos is Horses. You do not have to upload a photo for any species, besides horses.

Market Beef (incl. Carcass & Advanced Feeder Pens) - These animals were identified at the weigh-in last December. Members should have gone into 4-H Online and entered ID information before February 1st.

Breeding Beef—We will not hold a Heifer Tattooing this year. Please make sure your heifer either has a registration tattoo or 4-H ear tag and identify using 4-H Online. The tattoos must match the registration papers and tags must match the identification report at fair check-in or the animal will be disqualified.

Market Sheep (Market, Derby, Commercial Ewes)— These animals will be identified at the May 7 weigh-in. All information from the ID form will be entered into 4-H Online by the families. Please check the paper ID form for accuracy, if you find a mistake, please call us to get it fixed. If the information is correct, please identify each animal in 4-H Online by May 15.

Breeding Sheep (Purebred & Yearling Ewes)— These animals must be identified by the exhibitor in 4-H Online by May 15. Ear tag can be a 4-H tag or farm tag. Scrapie tags are required for any sexually intact lamb.

Meat Goats (Market & Breeding)—These animals will be identified at the May 1 weigh-in. All information from the ID form will be entered into 4-H Online by the families. Please check the paper ID form for accuracy, if you find a mistake, please call us to get it fixed. If the information is correct, please identify each animal in 4-H Online by May 15.

Myotonic (Fainting) Goats— These animals must be identified by the exhibitor in 4-H Online by May 15. Type MYOTONIC in the Scrapie Flock ID line to notify us that the goat is a Myotonic goat. Myotonic goats must be registered with the Myotonic Goat Registry.

Dairy Goats—These animals must be identified by the exhibitor in 4-H Online under *Goats, Dairy* by May 15. Tattoo and birthdate are required. Scrapie tags are required for any sexually intact goat.

Livestock Identification Details (cont'd.)

Dairy Cattle— These animals must be identified by the exhibitor in 4-H Online under *Dairy Cattle* by May 15.

Swine—These animals were already identified at the weigh-in in March. All information from the ID form will be entered into 4-H Online by the families. Please check the paper ID form for accuracy, if you find a mistake, please call us to get it fixed. If the information is correct, please identify each animal in 4-H Online by May 15. All Iowa State Fair Swine must be tagged with special DNA punch tags (tagged by families) and entered into 4-H Online by May 15.

Bucket/Bottle Calf, Goat, & Lamb—These animals must be identified by the exhibitor in 4-H Online under *Bucket/Bottle Calf, Bucket/Bottle Goat, or Bucket/Bottle Lamb* by May 15.

Animals must have a tag, either 4-H or farm tag in their ear to be eligible for the fair. Exhibitors may identify more than one in each division, but only one in each division may be exhibited at the fair.

Llamas/Alpacas— These animals must be identified by the exhibitor in 4-H Online under *Llamas* by May 15. If leasing a llama/alpaca, the lease must be turned in to the Extension office by 4:30 p.m. on May 15. Lease forms are available on our website and at the Extension office.

Rabbits— These animals must be identified by the exhibitor in 4-H Online under *Rabbits* by May 15. All rabbits must have tattoos in their ears, left ear preferred.

Poultry—These animals must be identified by the exhibitor in 4-H Online under *Poultry* by May 15. If you have a pen of the special Market Broilers, please be sure to note that in your entry

Dog—These animals must be identified by the exhibitor in 4-H Online under *Dogs* by May 15. We must have the rabies vaccination serial numbers and dates in 4-H Online by May 15. If your puppy is too young for the rabies vaccination, please contact the Extension office as soon as the vaccination is given. All dogs must be vaccinated to be eligible for the fair.

Horses—These animals must be identified by the exhibitor in 4-H Online under *Horses* by May 15. Photos of horses must be uploaded. If you are leasing a horse, the lease must also be uploaded to 4-H Online. If you plan to exhibit your horse at the Iowa State Fair, you must also upload your Registration Form to 4-H Online.

Scrapie Tags—**ANY sexually intact sheep or goat must have a scrapie tag or scrapie tattoo prior to leaving home to arrive at the fair. You may obtain more scrapie tag info from IDALS at 1-866-USDA-TAG or <http://www.iowaagriculture.gov/animalindustry/scrapieProgramIDrequirements.asp>. 4-H Online is no longer using the NON-Weigh in option. If you do not have a beginning weight, please enter N/A or 0.0**



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