Table Setting

In the Table Setting project, Clover Kids learn a fun way to properly set a table, plan nutritious meals, express originality and creativity in choosing a theme, present to a judge, express knowledge of food, nutrition and food safety, and have fun planning a special occasion meal for entertaining.

- Clover Kids may work as an individual or in a team of two members.
- Clover Kids must bring a card table for the display, except for the casual themed picnic table setting which may use a blanket or other appropriate covering to be placed on the floor.
- Participants are to display one place setting including table coverings, dishes, glassware, silverware, centerpiece and menu.
- A handout and additional resources on the Table Setting Contest procedure and guidelines is available from the Extension office.
- Clover Kids is non-competitive. A participation ribbon will be given, no premiums.

Clover Kids Table Setting Judging & Display: Sunday, July 10 at 3:00 PM—

Fashion Review/$15 Challenge/Clothing Selection Events

In the Fashion Review, $15 Challenge and Clothing Selection events, Clover Kids show their skills in selecting and purchasing an outfit for a particular purpose at a set price limit.

- **Fashion Review**: model a garment or outfit the entrant has constructed, hand-knitted, machine-knitted, or crocheted during the past year.
- **$15 Challenge**: purchase an outfit that represents the Clover Kid’s goal or intended use for the selected outfit. Must be selected and/or purchased from a garage sale, consignment store, or similar place of this type. *Hand-me-downs or clothing as gifts belong in the Clothing Selection if the Clover Kid selected these items. Cost of outfit must be $15 or less, not including shoes, accessories or undergarments.
- **Clothing Selection**: select and purchase an outfit that represents the Clover Kid’s goal or intended use for the selected outfit. Clover Kid should experience choosing shopping alternatives, evaluating fit, quality and construction features, price and cost comparison.
- Clover Kid must turn in a Clothing Event Report Form obtained from the Extension office for the events listed above.
- **Clover Kids Fashion Review/$15 Challenge/Selection Judging**: Sunday, July 10 from 1:00 to 3:30 PM at the Wilson Performing Arts Center.
- **See 2016 Fair Book for more details regarding events.**

**SCHEDULE OF CLOVER KIDS EVENTS**

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Calling all Clovers Kids!

The Clover Kids program in Montgomery County is a fun 4-H program for children in Kindergarten through 3rd grade. The program offers a variety of hands-on experiences uniquely suited for this age group. One of the opportunities that Clover Kids have is participation at the County Fair. The Montgomery County Fair provides a wonderful setting for children to come and exhibit what they have been learning throughout the past year. We invite any child who has attended a Clover Kids event (Afterschool Program or Clover Kids Meeting) in the past year to participate. *Children must be enrolled in the 4hOnline system to participate.

General Guidelines

- **Attire:** Clothing should be neat and clean for judging. Wearing Clover Kids shirts is required. Clover Kids shirts are available for purchase at the Extension office. Jeans or dark pants and closed toe shoes are required while showing livestock.

- **Copyrighted materials and designs** may not be used in an exhibit that is presented as original work by the exhibitor. Exhibitors must include permission from the copyright holder/owner when using copyrighted materials. Exhibitors must give proper credit to the original source of all materials/designs used in exhibits.

- **Clover Kids participation** is non-competitive. No premiums will be distributed and adult supervision is required. Participation ribbons will be given.

- **NEW in 2016: Animal Share Program**
  - *Animal Share* forms are due to the Montgomery County Extension Office by **June 29, 2016**.

- Additional information on project areas can be found at: [Http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects)

Contact the Extension Office with any questions. We can be reached via:

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Non-Livestock Exhibit Ideas

When deciding what to bring as an exhibit to the fair, it is important to keep in mind that the goal of a Clover Kid exhibit is to showcase their learning. Let them take the lead in doing the project, even if the results aren’t perfect. Our judges are great at asking questions and bringing out answers from the kids that show their growth. That is what we really want to see.

Here are just a few ideas of projects that are appropriate at this stage of a child’s development. This is not exhaustive, so feel free to brainstorm your own exhibit ideas.

**Class A: Animals**
- Poster of their pet and how they care for it.
- Created model of a favorite animal.
- Model of animal habitat

**Class B: Creative Arts**
- An original painting, sketch, clay sculpture, collage, or craft project.
- Photographs taken by Clover Kid
- Poster about favorite singer or band

**Class C: Ag & Natural Resources**
- Flowers or vegetables grown in personal garden
- Poster about rainforest
- Tree identification booklet using leaf rubbing, seed pods, etc.

**Class D: Family and Consumer Science**
- Bake some cookies or bars and select the best 6 to bring.
- Hand-stitch or weave a project
- Make a tie blanket or pillow

**Class E: Personal Development**
- Write a story, poem, or play
- Create poster about your community
- Build a model of a local landmark

**Class F: Science, Engineering and Technology**
- Design a rocket, robot or machine
- Build a birdhouse, squirrel feeder, or toolbox
- Conduct a science experiment and present the results in a poster or binder

**Class G: Other**
- Let your imagination lead you!

*ATTENTION Parents:

June Clover Kids Meetings are designed to allow time for parents and youth to work on fair projects. Please bring any materials for your child’s selected projects. The Leader will provide some basic ideas and materials.
Non-Livestock Showcase

Open to all children in Kindergarten through 3rd grade in Montgomery County. Clover Kids will have the opportunity to discuss their showcase items with a caring adult as items are entered.

- There is no limit to the number of showcase items entered by a Clover Kid. However, all items must be made by the Clover Kid under adult supervision. Items may be made at home, in school, at day care, camp or Clover Kids meeting.

- Showcase items will be entered on Tuesday, July 12th from 2:30 PM to 4:00 PM at the 4-H Exhibit Building on the Montgomery County Fairgrounds.

- All showcase items will receive a participation ribbon; no premium money will be given for these items.

- Clover Kids are required to wear 4-H uniform (Clover Kids shirt) during Clover Kids events.

- All showcase items will be on display at the Montgomery County Fair until Sunday, July 17th. Items will be released at 12:30 PM and may be picked up at this time. Items not picked up at the fairgrounds will be available for pick-up at the Montgomery Extension Office during normal office hours.

- The Montgomery County Extension Office and the Montgomery County Fair Board will use diligence to ensure the safety of all items entered at the Montgomery County Fair. However, we are not responsible for damage or loss by fire, theft, etc.

- Showcase items may be in any of the following categories:

  **Class A: Animals** – Showcase items related to all species and types of animals. The actual animal may not be brought to the fair.

  **Class B: Creative Arts** – Items related to art, photography, and music.

  **Class C: Agriculture and Natural Resources** – Items related to plants, agriculture, and the environment. Notice: Due to the risk of bringing live plants to the county fair, you will be totally responsible for the care of your plant(s) while they are at the fair.

  **Class D: Family and Consumer Science** – Items related to food, clothing, or home decorating. Sewn or home-crafted items can be included in this class.

  **Class E: Personal Development** – Items related to, or created by the child, such as stories, poems, etc.

  **Class F: Science, Engineering, and Technology** – Showcase items related to science, engineering, technology, or items designed and built by the child, such as wood items.

  **Class G: Other** – Showcase items not included under any of the above classes.

Animal Share Program

The Animal Share Program is a great way for Clover Kids to get started in a livestock project area. Clover Kids have the opportunity to engage in hands-on learning and exhibiting age appropriate livestock. Appropriate animals for this age (K—3rd grade) are goat, lamb, rabbit and poultry.

Select up to 2 working livestock projects and be paired with an experienced 4-Her who participates in the specific project selected. 4-Hers will share their animal with a Clover Kid and teach him/her about the health, nutrition and environmental needs of the selected animal. 4-Hers will act as a “mentor” in the show area and assist the Clover Kid while exhibiting.

- Clover Kids are required to meet with their 4-H mentor during the week of fair to learn about the animal prior to the Clover Kids Show on Saturday, July 16th.

- Contact information will be shared with 4-H mentor and Clover Kid after July 1.

- Clover Kids Show will be held on **Saturday, July 16 at 3:00 PM in the Livestock Pavilion**. Clover Kids will meet with 4-H mentor prior to show time to prepare animal for show. 4-H mentor will accompany Clover Kid in show area.

- Animal Share registration forms are due to the Montgomery County Extension Office by June 29, 2016.

- Each Animal Share exhibitor will be charged a $1 entry fee payable to the ISU Extension and Outreach Montgomery County. The fee is applied to event insurance.

- Clover Kids are encouraged to attend the 4-H show of their selected projects prior to the Clover Kids Show to see their 4-H mentor in action.

- Parent/guardian supervision is required at all times.

**WHAT IS THE JUDGE LOOKING FOR?**

Clover Kids participating in the Animal Share program will be asked to do the following:

- Exhibit an animal that is clean and neat.

- Handle the animal with minimal assistance.

- Keep animal between themselves and judge.

- Why did you choose to show this animal?
  - Where does this animal live?
  - What does this animal eat? How often?
  - What do you like most about this animal?
Clover Kid GOAT Project
In the goat project, Clover Kids learn about breeds, health care, grooming, production, management and showmanship.

- Clover Kids are required to meet with their 4-H mentor the week of fair to learn about care management, health and general knowledge about the project.
- Clover Kids are encouraged to attend and observe the 4-H Goat Show on Friday, July 15 @ 1:00 PM
- Clover Kids Show—Saturday, July 16th @ 3:00 PM

Clover Kid LAMB Project
In the lamb project, Clover Kids learn how to properly care for and prepare the animal for show. Youth will also learn about sheep products and byproducts.

- Clover Kids are required to meet with their 4-H mentor the week of fair to learn about care management, health and general knowledge about the project.
- Clover Kids are encouraged to attend and observe the 4-H Lamb Show on Thursday, July 14 @ 2:00 PM
- Clover Kids Show—Saturday, July 16th @ 3:00 PM

Clover Kid RABBIT Project
In the rabbit project, Clover Kids learn how to select, care for and train a rabbit for personal or family enjoyment.

- Clover Kids are required to meet with their 4-H mentor the week of fair to learn about care management, health and general knowledge about the project.
- Clover Kids are encouraged to attend and observe the 4-H Rabbit Show on Thursday, July 14 @ 8:00 AM
- Clover Kids Show—Saturday, July 16th @ 3:00 PM

Clover Kid POULTRY Project
In the poultry project, Clover Kids learn about chickens from the egg to table, including duck and turkey.

- Clover Kids are required to meet with their 4-H mentor the week of fair to learn about care management, health and general knowledge about the project.
- Clover Kids are encouraged to attend and observe the 4-H Poultry Show on Wednesday, July 13 @ 1:00 PM
- Clover Kids Show—Saturday, July 16th @ 3:00 PM

Iowa 4-H Policy
Regarding Clover Kids Members Working with Animals

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach and Iowa 4-H Youth Development programs support safe, educational, and developmentally sound small animal activities for Clover Kids groups. Appropriate animals for this age group (K – 3rd grade) are pets and bucket bottle projects. Specifically excluded animals are swine, horse, beef (other than bucket bottle), and dairy (other than bucket bottle).

In fair settings, 4-H Clover Kids members who have engaged in a group activity may exhibit or showcase their work in a noncompetitive event or activity. **All Clover Kids animal exhibiting/showcasing opportunities must be cooperative and not competitive.** 4-H Clover Kids are not eligible to receive premium funds as a result of exhibition. 4-H Clover Kids may receive participatory ribbons, but may not receive regular competitive purple, blue, red, or white 4-H fair/exhibit ribbons.

The physical and emotional safety of children is a prime consideration. **Special procedures, such as joint leading and/or close proximity of adults need to be employed to promote and protect children’s safety.** In general, the handling of all animals requires discipline and motor skills that have yet to be fully developed in most K - 3rd grade children, and when coupled with animals’ unpredictable behavior, does not provide optimal safe educational environments.

Insurance coverage (accident or liability) for Clover Kids programs involving small animals is contingent upon conducting age appropriate programs that are in compliance with Iowa State University, ISU Extension and Outreach, and Iowa 4-H policies, regulations, and guidelines. Contact your local county Extension and Outreach office to learn more about securing insurance coverage for Clover Kids programs.