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New Member Newsletter
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Washington County Extension and Outreach

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Dear Clover: I've been to the county fair before and watched my friend show animals, but I don't live on a farm, what else can I do in 4-H at the county fair?

4-H has endless possibilities if you wish to be a part of the county fair as a showcase of your learning and involvement throughout the year.

- We have shared in other newsletters about **Communication Events**. You can give an educational presentation (give an informative speech), a working exhibit (teach, show & help someone do something), share-the fun (show your talents to others like a talent show), or Pride of Iowa (share food samples and recipe).
- **Non-Livestock/Static Exhibits** are projects that do not breath. :) Those exhibits are on display in Dallmeyer Hall Saturday-Friday of the county fair. They show something you have learned. They can be a write up, poster, model, artwork, food, etc. Some of most common non-livestock projects areas : photography, gardening, woodworking, food & nutrition, sewing, visual arts, technology, agriculture & natural resources, science, mechanics & engineering, personal development, or family history.
- Revamped for #washfair23 we are excited about the Clothing Awardrobe Event. This is for any 4-Her who wears clothes! There are four classes to choose from with judging to take place July 9 and with a county fair show too! See the [flyer included](#) for details.
- Families who live in town can always participate in the small animal departments like **pet, poultry, dog or rabbit project** areas.

If you have a project area or exhibit you'd like to do but are unsure if it will work, ask your leader and if he/she doesn't know - that's what the staff at the Extension Office are for. Contact them and they will be able to help you. You can reach them at 319/653-4811.

Sincerely, Clover

PS: We are so glad to have as a part of Washington County 4-H!

We know many of you have been participating at club and county-wide events....so why not be awarded for that participation too?

4-H offers many other opportunities besides the county fair. With your club, we hope you have completed a community service project. At a club meeting you will give a presentation. There are several countywide activities throughout the year such as a skating party, project workshops, new member FIRE UP, Prepare for Fair Event and more!

In November annually, there is an Awards Event and the CBI Bank Participation Award could be just for you if you have been an active member this year! (OR there is still time for you to GET ACTIVE!) Check out the award specifics [here](#) and be ready to apply this fall. We want to celebrate and congratulate you!

YQCA online training is required if showing livestock at the fair that may enter the food chain. Call us to get a coupon code to complete at home or RSVP to use our computers.

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Thank you for PANCAKE greatness on April 22.

To those who volunteered or those who came to eat with us—thank you! It's an excellent time to be a part of the #washco4h family! We had the BIGGEST crowd ever!



MAY 15 is important!

All animals must be entered into your 4hOnline account to show at the fair !

4-H Pledge

I pledge my **head** to clearer thinking, my **heart** to greater loyalty, my **hands** to larger service, my **health** to better living, for my club, my community, my country and my world.



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4-H Awardrobe Clothing Event Class Options

**you may participate in all four*

Clothing Selection: 4-H'er models a garment purchased from any source and describes to the judge why the particular outfit was selected.

Fashion Revue: 4-H'er models a garment they constructed, hand-knitted, machine-knitted, or crocheted during the 4-H year and describes to the judge why the particular fabric, pattern, design, etc. was selected.

\$20 Challenge: 4-H'er models an outfit purchased from a second-hand store, such as Goodwill, Salvation Army, garage sale, etc. that costs \$20 or less. This does not include shoes, accessories, or undergarments. Receipts must be turned in with report form.

Innovative Design: The innovative design class encourages creativity and out-of-the-box thinking when creating an outfit. These designs can be theatrical costumes, cosplay, wearable technology, sustainable/upcycled fashion, and/or outfits that use unconventional materials. The garment(s) may be modeled by the exhibitor or the individual it was designed for.

This is a project area for anyone who wears clothes !

Each class may include garments in any of the following categories:

- **Athletic wear**
- **Formal wear**
- **Everyday wear**
- **Costume**

Sign-up by June 15

Report forms + judging schedule mailed after this registration date.

Judging: Sunday, July 9

Starts at 1:00 PM at the Extension Office. Assigned times mailed after June 15 deadline

Results & Runway Show Sunday, July 9, 6 PM

Open to public. Results, runway modeling with class, light snacks served.

County Fair Runway Show: Monday, July 17 - 3 PM

with Share the Fun at the Community Center

Awardrobe Clothing Event Registration due June 15

1. Register by June 15 at Fair Entry <https://washingtoncounty.fairentry.com> Help sheets to register are available on the Fair Forms website at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/washington/county-fair> or contact the Extension Office for help
2. Select age division (Junior = 4th-6th grade, Intermediate = 7th-8th grade, Senior = 9th-12th grade)
3. A judging schedule will be made after June 15 and sent to all families.
4. Participants need to complete forms for each class they compete in. All Report Forms can be found under "Clothing Events" at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/washington/county-fair>
5. If this is at least your second year in the 4-H Clothing Event, would you be interested in mentoring a Clover Kid? We appreciate those willing to share their expertise and leadership in this mentoring opportunity. Contact the Extension Office if you would like to serve as a Clover Kid mentor for the Clothing Event.

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RESULTS & RUNWAY SHOW



Sunday, July 9



Join us for
refreshments & results
of the #washfair23
Clover Kid and 4-H
Clothing Event

Dallmeyer Hall Basement
6 PM

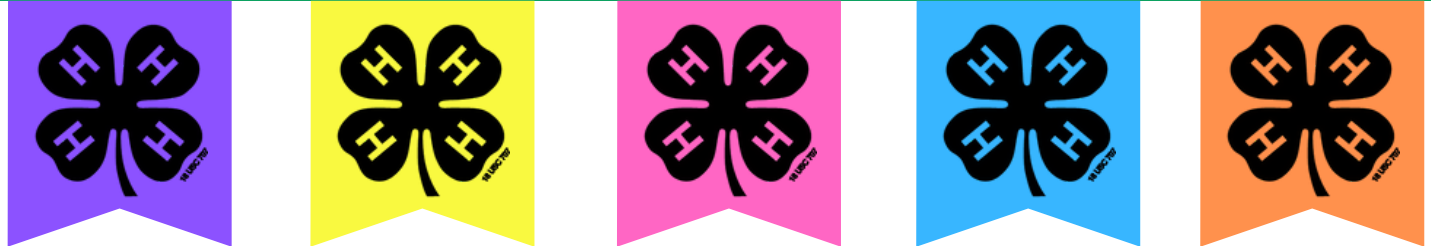
*4-H Friends, Family, and Community,
ALL ARE WELCOME. Free admission.*



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Prepare for Fair



June 15
6:30 PM

Washington County Extension Office



**Join us for an introductory workshop for all
things county fair, including:**

- **Brainstorm Project Ideas**
- **Fair Entry Help**
- **Exhibit Forms**
- **See Sample Exhibits**
- **Meet Project Superintendents**
- **Tour Fairgrounds**

Register by June 8 at
<https://tinyurl.com/PrepareForFair23>



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Washington County Fair

3 STEPS

to register

4-H LIVESTOCK

The following three steps must be completed annually to exhibit livestock. NOTE: Each step has a unique deadline and unique website. All three must be completed. Contact the Extension Office with questions at 319-653-4811 or washington4h@iastate.edu. Families are STRONGLY encouraged to take action early and do not wait until the deadlines. If all three steps are not completed by set deadlines, youth risk ineligibility

Animal ID



Who: All animals but poultry
Where: v2.4honline.com
When:

- Market Beef by January 31
- All other animals by May 15

YQCA training



Who: All animals that could enter the food chain
Where: yqcaprogram.org
When: By June 1

Fair Entry



Who: All animal projects
Where: washingtoncounty.fairentry.com
When: June 1 - July 1



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4-H Exhibit Form



Name: _____ Club Name: _____

Class No.: _____ Class Name: _____

of Years in Project: _____ Grade Completed: _____ County: Washington

What was your exhibit goal(s)? (What did you plan to learn or do?)

Remember, a goal should include:

a) **Action** – *how* you are going to do it

b) **Result** – *what* you will do

c) **Timetable** – *when* you plan to have it done

Example: a) I want to take photos

b) that use the rule of thirds

c) before the March meeting.

What steps did you take to learn or do this? (Explain what you did so it is easily understood.
The judge wants to know & understand the steps you used to make your exhibit)

What were the most important things you learned?

What citizenship or leadership experiences have you had related to this project?

If your project is a **Visual Arts, Home Improvement, or Clothing** project, the following also needs to be completed. Please identify the design elements and/or art principles used in the exhibit and how they are used. **See General Exhibit Rule #9 in the fair book for specific requirements.** (Design Elements include line, shape, color, texture, and space. Art Principles include rhythm, proportion, emphasis, balance, and unity.)

(If applicable) Copyright logos, designs, or trademark materials should not be used for exhibits on public display at a fair or other setting without written permission. If written permission has been obtained for an exhibit, it should be included in the written support materials of this exhibit. Provide proof of permission and list the sources you used for your project (books, magazines, people, projects you have seen in a store, craft shop, etc.) **See General Exhibit Rule #6 and Visual Arts Special Rule #4 for more information on copyright.**

General Financial Summary

Expense Items	Amount	Income Items	Amount
Total Expense		Total Income	

RECOGNITION: List any recognition you have received.

Place the 4-H Exhibit Form in your record book after fair judging.