



Buchanan County 4-H General Clover Kid Rule Book



****General 4-H/FFA Livestock Rules Apply***

Where children experience the joy of learning in a supportive, creative, challenging and fun environment!

Clover Kid members are eligible to participate in developmentally age-appropriate opportunities.

Clover Kids Animal Shows General Guidelines

1. Open to all children in Kindergarten through 3rd grade in Buchanan County.
2. Pre-fair entry is required. Must identify animals on 4hOnline before or on **May 15th** to make animals eligible for animal fair entry. Animal fair entries are to be made on Fair Entry. Deadline is **June 15th**, 4:30 pm and fees must be postmarked by June 15th.
3. Clover Kids will have the opportunity to show the audience their animal and tell a caring adult about their animal.
4. Clover Kids show animals are **only allowed** on the fairground during the check-in and show time. After the show, the animal must go home unless prior arrangements are made with the County Youth Coordinator.
5. All animals must come properly restrained or contained. Appropriate examples include on a leash or in a box, cage or bowl.
6. Livestock animals such as swine and horses are not to be shown in the Clover Kids Shows. **All other animals must be less than 200 pounds in order to be shown.**
7. Clover Kids and animals must be supervised by an adult at all times. The adult is responsible for both the Clover Kid and animal. Clover Kids and animals will be allowed in the show ring and a responsible adult may ensure the safety of the animal, the Clover Kid and the audience.
8. Cats and dogs must have a current rabies certificate. (Same health requirements for the 4-H dog, cat and pet shows).
9. Any female animal in season cannot be shown.
10. Participants will receive a participation ribbon; no premium money will be given.
11. **Animals will be vet checked prior to the show.**
12. Clover Kids may show animals in the following classes & they will exhibit at beginning of each 4-H/FFA show, unless decided upon superintendent:
 - Class 32504:** Cats *see cat/pet rule book
 - Class 30300:** Dogs (Only Agility & Costume Day) *see dog rule book
 - Class 32301:** Pets * see/cat/pet rule book
 - Class 24700:** Poultry *see poultry rule book
 - Class 25000:** Broiler Project *see broiler project rule book
 - Class 27401:** Rabbits *see rabbit rule book
 - Class 20303:** Beef Bucket Bottle *see rules below
 - Class 21904:** Dairy Bucket Bottle *see rules below
 - Class 23603:** Meat Goat *see rules below
 - Class 24501:** Sheep * see rules below

****Clover Kids can only show one animal per Clover Kid class listed above. Judging will be a show and tell experience for each member to talk about their animal.***

Clover Kid Bucket Bottle Calf Show

Purposes:

- A. To design a developmentally appropriate beef/dairy project to fit the physical and maturity level of young children in Kindergarten thru 3rd grade.
- B. To introduce children to health, nutrition and environmental needs of bucket bottle calves.
- C. To provide children opportunities to learn basic record keeping and communication skills.
- D. To nurture children's understanding of the beef/dairy industry.

Rules:

1. All K-3rd grade animal exhibit opportunities will be cooperative; not competitive.
2. Project is open to all Buchanan County Clover Kids (Kindergarten-3rd grade).
3. Clover Kids must be accompanied by an adult in the show ring at all times.
4. Calves must be steers or heifers born between January 1 and April 30 of the current fair year and must be in the exhibitor's ownership, possession and care within 2 weeks of birth. No bulls allowed. Calves need to be castrated by May 15. There are no stall fees and calves must be brought the day of show.

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Clover Kid Bucket Bottle Calf Show Rules Continued

5. All calves must be identified by a 4-H ear tag. A tag can be purchased at the Extension office. All calves (beef and dairy) must be identified on 4hOnline by 11:59 pm on May 15th. <https://ia.4honline.com>
6. You must have completed a fair entry for all calves using Fair Entry on or before June 15th. <https://buchanan.fairentry.com>
7. Calves must be bucket or bottle fed (no nursing permitted).
8. All exhibitors will turn in the Bucket/Bottle Project Summary (available at the Extension office) no later than 5:00 pm on the day prior to the show at the 4-H fair office on the fairgrounds. All summaries may be picked up at the 4-H fair office by the exhibitor following the show.
9. Calves will be shown on halter and should be cleaned and groomed. Short interviews will be conducted during the show.
10. Judging will be done in either the beef or dairy show, depending on the breed.
11. Bucket/Bottle calves are not eligible for showmanship.
12. Calf must be bucket or bottle fed; no nursing permitted.
13. **An exhibitor is limited to a maximum of one calf exhibited at the fair.**
14. Children will be asked the following questions during judging:
 - a. Care and management of raising the calf.
 - b. Showing/handling of the calf.
 - c. Fitting, general health and condition of the calf and child's knowledge of the project.
 - d. Appropriate record keeping.
 - e. What the exhibitor has learned

NOTE: Quality and conformation of the calf will NOT be considered in the bucket bottle program.

15. Bucket bottle calf exhibitors must follow the fair's rules and health requirements as stated in the fair book. These include, but are not limited to the following:
 - a. No evidence of warts, ringworm, pinkeye, or other infectious conditions will be allowed.
 - b. All exhibitors must show his/her own animal in partnership with a caring adult.
 - c. Each exhibitor is responsible for the care of his or her animal in partnership with a caring adult.
16. Calves will be brought to the fair on the day of the show and return home the same day.
17. A participation ribbon will be awarded to all K-3 exhibitors.

Clover Kid Sheep and Goat Class Rules**Objectives:**

1. **To learn proper health care and nutritional requirements of sheep and meat goats.**
2. **To learn basic management skills.**
3. **To learn basic record keeping skills.**
4. **To gain a learning experience by exhibiting the animals and talking with the judge.**

Rules:

1. Open to Clover Kids in grades K-3rd.
2. Sheep and goats must be born between February 1st and April 30th 2023. They must be fed and cared for within two weeks of birth.
3. Sheep and goats must be identified on 4-H Online by May 15th using <https://v2.4honline.com/>. Exhibitors can only show one animal per species.
4. Animals must be clean and will be shown with a halter. Clipping and grooming is not necessary.
5. The judge will talk with each clover kid on an individual basis asking questions based on what the exhibitor has learned, feeding, animal health, and basic management questions.
6. Sheep and goats must be brought to the fairgrounds on the day of the show, and then will be released after the show. If you

would like other accommodations, please contact the County Youth Coordinator or species superintendent.

Clover Kid Sheep and Goat Class Rules continued:

7. The clover kids shows will be conducted at the beginning of the regular 4-H/FFA show.
8. Clover Kids will be given a participation ribbon as clover kids are not to be competitive.