2015 FAIR

Buchanan County ISU Extension and Outreach
Monday, July 6th – 4-H Building
Building Judging – Superintendent Allison Johnson
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4-H and FFA General Rules

1. Buchanan County Fair exhibitions are open to qualified 4-H and FFA members. Qualifications are:
   a. Members must be enrolled by May 15 in a Buchanan County 4-H Club or FFA Chapter.
   b. FFA members will be able to show livestock until age 21 or three years after high school.
   c. 4-H’ers who have completed the following grades (or that equivalent) of the completed school year (2015) are eligible in these divisions:
      - Seniors: 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th grades
      - Intermediates: 7th and 8th grades
      - Juniors: 4th, 5th and 6th grades
      - Clover Kids: K-3rd grade. May participate in noncompetitive, non-premium classes: building exhibits, garden judging, dogs, cats, pets, poultry, rabbits and bucket bottle.

2. Must be FSQA certified if showing market and breeding beef, swine, sheep, dairy (both dairy cattle and dairy goat), meat goat, rabbit and poultry. Grades 4th-12th & those FFA members showing until age 21. Contact Extension Office to learn more.

3. 4-H’ers who have completed 5th through 12th grade (or that equivalent) of the completed school year (2015), are eligible for State Fair. Each exhibit must be the work of the member during the current year. The exhibit is to be an outgrowth of work done as a planned part of a 4-H or FFA project. Exhibits can be prepared by an individual 4-H’er, as a team of 4-H’ers or may be the result of a group effort. All 4-H’ers, individual or group, must meet the age requirements to be eligible for State Fair exhibiting. For example, if a 4-H group wishes to enter a notebook describing their club citizenship effort, the documentation should recognize the contributions of all members, but be prepared by those who meet the age restrictions. Exhibits might be, but not limited to, an actual product, poster, display box, report, notebook, model, DVD, CD, etc.

4. School projects are eligible exhibits. If a 4-H’er has set a goal(s) that can be accomplished by both a classroom assignment and an outgrowth of a 4-H project goal, that’s OK. The intent is that a pre-determined goal has been set. Each exhibitor should be able to answer these 4 questions: 1) What was (were) your goal(s)? 2) How did you go about working toward your goal(s)? 3) What were the most important things you learned as you worked toward your goal(s)? 4) What are your ideas of what you would like to do in this project area next year?

5. All Clover Kids, 4-H and FFA members must identify all animals on 4hOnline by May 15, 11:59 pm no exceptions. FFA members do not have to identifying on 4hOnline so members will fill out an identification form provided by the Extension Office. There will be no deadline extension in identifying on 4hOnline as the state will not allow families or any staff to identify after the deadline. This is not the final step.

6. After completing the May 15 identification process, the next deadline is using the database FairEntry.com to complete the animal entry. This program integrates with 4hOnline and only the animals identified on 4hOnline will transfer over to FairEntry.com. This needs to be completed before or by June 15 to the Extension Office. All bedding, scanning, pen and entry fees are due at this time for all species. May be postmarked for June 15.

7. All entries must be done on FairEntry.com, provided by the Buchanan County Extension office.

8. Garden entries are due on or before May 15th. If the due date falls on a weekend or holiday, it will be accepted by 4:30 pm on the next business day at the Buchanan County Extension office.

9. Building exhibit entry cards are due at the check-out table at the fair on Monday, July 6 to receive premium points.

10. When an issue or problem arises while on the fairgrounds, it should be taken to the species superintendent. If needed the superintendent will take this to the County Youth Coordinator and Executive Director, who in turn may involve Fair Board livestock committee and Youth Advisory Committee. Superintendent Extension Staff joint Fair Board & YAC.

11. NO exhibits are allowed to be loaded before that department’s release time. All exhibits may be removed between 8:00 am-12:00 pm Sunday, July 12. Early removal of 4-H/FFA exhibits without permission will result in the loss of all 4-H/FFA premiums and one year ineligibility to exhibit in any 4-H/FFA project at the Buchanan County
Fair. In order to gain eligibility to show the following year, the member must pay a $50.00 fine to be deposited in the 4-H fund.

12. No exhibits shall be exhibited in more than one class, except in the case of livestock.

13. Awards will be made on the basis of blue, red and white groupings according to individual merit. There is no extra premium money awarded to purple placings.

14. Premium money will be prorated to all exhibits worthy of awards. The total amount will be determined by the Fair Board. All premiums are calculated using a computer program.

15. The Fair Board reserves the right to withhold prize money from any exhibitor for misconduct or disobeying the rules.

16. In any situation relative to 4-H or FFA exhibits not covered in the rules or in case of conflict or misunderstanding, final authority rests with the Extension County Youth Coordinator and Extension Executive Director.

17. 4-H clubs will be assigned 4-H building hosting duties. A schedule will be sent out prior to the fair.

18. The Buchanan County Fair Management will use diligence to ensure the safety of animals and articles entered for exhibition after their arrival and placement, but under no circumstances will they be responsible for any loss, injury, or damage.

19. Exhibitors interested in selling their livestock at the auction must notify the superintendent and 4-H fair office by 6:00 pm on beef show day or immediately following the beef show if it runs past 6:00 pm. One animal per eligible species per exhibitor may be offered for sale. All auction animals must be an exhibit at the current Buchanan County Fair.

20. Errors and any clarification in rules will be addressed by the Youth Advisory Committee at their next scheduled meeting.

21. Any violation of rules will result in action taken by the assigned committee for that department. General rule violations will result in action taken by the Buchanan County Youth Coordinator.

22. Any discourteous 4-H/FFA member will be disqualified at the discretion of the judge, committee or Extension staff.

23. When the number of exhibits/entries in a class is fewer than three for two consecutive years, that class will be reviewed by the Youth Advisory Committee with a decision to be made to either discontinue the class or combine it with another class within the department unless evidence is found that indicates a need to continue it for an additional year.

24. Exhibitors will care for their livestock at all times while the animal is on the Fairgrounds. Lack of proper care/treatment will result in:
   1st offense – Exhibitor will receive a warning and be educated on the proper care of the livestock;
   2nd offense – Exhibitor will relinquish all premiums;
   3rd offense – Exhibitor will relinquish all premiums, awards and be ineligible to show for a period of one year. The exhibitor will also be asked to remove their animal from the grounds immediately.

The Extension office will not be held responsible or liable for any forms not received or any forms received late. This also includes identifying on 4hOnline and completing animal entries on FairEntry.com. All families are responsible.
Iowa Youth Code of Ethics

Youth are expected to be sincere, honest and act in sportsmanlike ways at all times. Youth represent the entire program and their behavior reflects on their parents, leaders, club and the entire youth program. All adults involved with the youth program, leaders as well as parents, are expected to set positive examples and serve as positive role models by what they say and do. Any youth who breaks the code of ethics or allows another person (adult or peer) to talk them into violating the code of ethics agrees to forfeit all prizes, awards and premiums. The youth may also be prohibited from exhibiting at this and future exhibitions including the Iowa State Fair and other county, state or regional exhibitions.

Youth agree to follow these guidelines:

1. I will do my own work, appropriate for my age and physical and mental development. This includes research and writing of exhibit explanations, preparing exhibits (such as sewing, cooking, refinishing, etc.), care and grooming of animals, etc. Adult assistance should help guide and support me, not do it for me.
2. All exhibits will be a true representation of my work. Any attempt to take credit for other’s work, alter the conformation of animals, or alter their performance is prohibited. Copyright violation or allowing others to complete your exhibit is considered misrepresentation and is prohibited.
3. I will treat all people and animals with respect. I will provide appropriate care for animals.
4. I will present exhibits that are safe for consumption. All food exhibits will be safe to exhibit and for judges to evaluate. Other exhibits will be safe for judges to evaluate and for exhibition.
5. All food animals that may be harvested immediately following the show shall be safe for consumers, and shall have met all withdrawal times for all medications, and be free of violative drug residue.
6. If any animal requires medical treatment while at the fair or exhibition, only a licensed veterinarian may administer the treatment. All medications that are administered shall be done according to the label instructions of the medication used.
7. My animal’s appearance or performance shall not be altered by any means, including medications, external applications and surgical procedures. Any animal that is found to have changed its appearance or its performance shall be disqualified from the show, and have penalties assessed against the exhibitor, parent and/or guardian by the management of the fair or exhibition.
8. I will follow all ownership and possession rules and, if requested, will provide the necessary documentation.
9. I will follow all livestock health requirements for this fair or exhibition, according to the state health requirements as printed in the premium book of the fair or exhibition. I will provide animal health certificates from a licensed veterinarian upon request from the management of the fair or exhibition.
10. By my entering an animal in this fair or exhibition, I am giving consent to the management of the fair or exhibition to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. If the laboratory report on the analysis of any sample indicates a presence of forbidden drugs, this shall be evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample tested by the laboratory to which it is sent is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with the burden on the exhibitor, parent and/or guardian to prove otherwise.
11. I am responsible for my exhibit and I will not allow others to violate this code on my behalf. By my entering an exhibit in this fair or exhibition I will accept any disciplinary action taken by the management of this fair or exhibition for any violation of this code of ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or exhibition without recourse against the fair or exhibition.
12. I want my exhibit to be an example of how to accept what life has to offer, both good and not so good, and how to live with and learn from the outcome.
13. I will not be involved in any illegal activities while participating in 4-H and FFA events, including but not limited to alcohol, tobacco or drug use.

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Buchanan County Fair Deadline Policy

4-H/FFA members and their families should understand the importance of deadlines. Part of the goal of 4-H and youth development is to foster a strong sense of responsibility in our youth. Late entries reduce the efficiency of the 4-H/Youth Program administration and may adversely affect the credibility of the Buchanan County Fair.

Home Garden Entry Forms must be received by Extension Office 4:30 pm on May 15 or postmarked on or before May 15. If the due date falls on a weekend or holiday, it will be accepted by 4:30 p.m. on the next business day at the Buchanan County Extension Office.

Livestock Identification on 4hOnline deadline is May 15th 11:59 pm, NO exceptions. Note: this is not the last step before fair. Members will need to complete an animal entry. Help sheets can be found at http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/4honline-information-families-and-leaders to identify animals.

Animal Fair Entry deadline is June 15 on FairEntry.com with the fees paid directly to the Extension Office by or before June 15, 4:30 pm or post marked on June 15 or earlier. All families who completed the 4hOnline Livestock Identification step will log into FairEntry.com and use their same username and password from 4hOnline to complete their fair entry. By having two deadlines, families will have a better idea of what animals will be brought to fair. Late entries will be accepted up to and on the fifth business day after the June 15 deadline with a $25.00 late fee per exhibitor, maximum of $100.00 per family.

Building Fair Entry - all entries must have an official entry tag (provided by the Extension office) attached to the exhibit. Families will go on FairEntry.com in June/July and pre-select the classes they would like to participate in. This will help the Extension office print off the entry cards before the day of judging. If this is not done before check-in, there will be a longer wait. Youth will pick up their entry cards at the check-in table and then will be directed to their first judging waiting area. Following judging, entry cards must be taken back to the check-out table to receive premium points.

Grievance (Complaint) Policy

Any participant in the county fair (exhibitors, parents, volunteers, etc.) shall have 24 hours to file a claim concerning any protests, challenges of disciplinary action, or complaints concerning any rules/decisions. No claims will be considered based on the quality of the judges. All claims must be written on the official Grievance Form which will be made available at the 4-H Fair Office. All claims must be accompanied by a non-refundable $25 cash deposit which must be submitted to a 4-H staff member in the 4-H Fair Office. Once a claim is filed it will be reviewed by the County Youth Coordinator and the Extension Executive Director as speedily as possible. Their decision in the matter will be final.

If a participant, parent, volunteer, etc. has a complaint they shall follow the procedures in the aforementioned paragraph. In the event that a participant’s behavior becomes disrespectful (yelling, swearing, throwing items, etc.) the participant will be asked to leave the fairgrounds for a minimum of one hour to calm down. If the participant does not leave willingly, a member of the fair board will be called to the incident. The fair board member has the right to escort the participant from the grounds or call the police/sheriff’s department for assistance. Depending on the severity of the behavior, the participant may be prohibited from all activities at the fair and/or banned from the fairgrounds. In the event that the participant needs to be banned from the fairgrounds, a meeting between the County Youth Coordinator, Extension Executive Director, a Fair Board member, and an Extension Council member will be conducted to determine the future eligibility of the participant to be involved in the 4-H program and the length of time the participant will be banned from the fairgrounds. In extreme cases, the State 4-H Office will be contacted for assistance.
General Exhibit Rules

1. 4-H’ers who have completed Kindergarten through 12th grade (or that equivalent) are eligible to exhibit at the Buchanan County Fair. Kindergarten through 3rd grade members will have all of their exhibits evaluated by the Clover Kids judge. FFA members who have just completed 9th through 12th grade and have enrollment paperwork on file in the Buchanan County Extension office are also eligible to exhibit at the Buchanan County Fair.

2. Eligible exhibits are an outgrowth of work done as a planned part of the 4-H’ers participation in 4-H projects or programs during the current 4-H year. Exhibits can be done by an individual or group and may represent all or part of the learning in the project or program.

3. Exhibitors in 4-H classes are not eligible to exhibit in a similar department of the FFA divisions or vice-versa.

4. Exhibits previously entered in an FFA Ag Science Fair or any other FFA event or competition may not be entered in any 4-H exhibit class. Note: This rule does not prohibit 4-H members from preparing exhibits using learning as part of an ag science class provided the exhibit/experience was not entered in an FFA event or completion.

5. Exhibits that do not comply with the class description, size guidelines, copyright restrictions, safety and approved methods will be disqualified and not put on public display.

6. If the exhibitor chooses a display to illustrate what was learned:
   - Posters may not exceed 24” x 36” in size (does not apply to posters in class 10503.)
   - Chart boards, graph boards, project presentation boards, model displays, etc., may not exceed 48” x 48” in size. Maximum size is determined by measuring the flat (unfolded) dimensions.
   - Display boxes may not exceed 28” x 22” in height or width and 12” in depth.

7. Endangered and threatened plants and animals (includes insects), or songbird feathers and nests may NOT be used in any exhibit.

8. 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. (See special rules for Visual Arts under the Visual Arts category and general copyright information for 4-H’ers in this book.)

9. The 4-H’er’s goal and applicable exhibit standards will form the basis of the evaluation process. Evaluation criteria will include demonstrated learning, workmanship and techniques, and general appearance and design. Exhibitors will receive written evaluation comments on the exhibits and a ribbon.

10. A written explanation, audio recording, or video recording is to be included as part of each exhibit. The exhibitor should respond briefly to the following questions about the exhibit:
    - What did you plan to learn or do? (What was your exhibit goal(s)?)
    - What steps did you take to learn or do this?
    - What were the most important things you learned?

***Check for additional requirements in exhibit classes: food & nutrition, photography and visual art classes.

11. All judges’ decisions are final.

12. All entries must have an official entry tag (provided by the Buchanan County Extension Office) attached to the exhibit. Families will go on FairEntry.com in June/July and pre-select the classes they would like to participate in. This will help the Extension office print off entry cards before the day of judging. If this is not done before check-in, there will be a longer wait. Youth will pick up their entry cards at the check-in table and be directed to waiting area.

13. No entry fee is required.
14. All exhibits must be judged in the 4-H Building at the Buchanan County Fairgrounds on entry day, Monday, July 6. Members are asked to come during the time assigned to their club.

15. All exhibits must remain until Sunday, July 12. RELEASE TIME 8:00 am-12:00 pm. All persons picking up (one or more) exhibits must adhere to the schedule.

16. If an exhibit is especially large, such as a tractor, please notify the Buchanan County Extension office at least one week before the fair as space is limited.

17. Each judge (except the Clover Kids judge) will select one exhibitor for a showmanship award. The award will be based on the following criteria: self-presentation, knowledge of the exhibit, and the ability to respond to the questions above (rule #10).

18. Exhibitors may only have 3 entries per class. Some exhibits could fit in more than one class but entries should be determined by which class relates best to the goal.

19. All Clover Kid, 4-H and FFA exhibit entries will be completed on FairEntry.com, provided by the Buchanan County Extension Office. Entry cards will be printed off before or when exhibitor checks-in on the designated judging day. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to check-in when arriving and check-out before leaving. Be sure to have projects selected on Fairentry.com the week before building judging.

20. A written explanation of the Elements & Principles of Design is not required (but recommended) for Visual Arts, Home Improvement, Clothing or Sewing. Exhibitors should be prepared to tell the judge which elements and principles were used. Exhibits in these departments that advance to the State Fair will need a written explanation of the Elements & Principles of Design.

**Other Exhibit Information**

1. Due to security, 4-H’ers are discouraged from bringing items that have special meaning and historical value as the exhibit or part of an exhibit. The Buchanan County Extension Office and the Buchanan County Fair Association will use diligence to ensure the safety of articles entered for exhibition after their arrival and placement. However, they will not be responsible for damage or loss by accident, fire, theft, etc.

2. Exhibits that are selected to advance to the Iowa State Fair must be completed by 4-H members who have completed 5th through 12th grade (or that equivalent). Exception: Group exhibits from an entire club may include 4th grade members. However, no exhibits completed and entered by FFA members can advance to the Iowa State Fair from the county fair.

**Exhibitor Recommendation**

1. All exhibitors are strongly encouraged to learn more about their project area by visiting www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects.

2. The 4-H projects website provides information in the following formats:
   a. Hot Sheets – project area overview, exhibit ideas, ways to use your knowledge, etc.
   b. Tip Sheets - exhibit evaluation criteria, links to additional information, ideas on preparing exhibits, etc.
   c. Additional Items - rules about the Elements & Principles of Design, photography write-up information, necessary paperwork, etc.

3. Copyright material information can be found on the Buchanan County Extension 4-H Webpage.
Class Descriptions

ANIMALS

10101 Animal Science
An exhibit (other than the animal itself) that shows learning about a large or small animal including beef, dairy cattle, dairy goats, dogs, horse & pony, meat goats, pets, poultry, rabbits, sheep and swine. Ownership of any animal is not required.

10102 Veterinary Science
An exhibit that shows learning about keeping animals healthy.

AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

10201 Crop Production
An exhibit that shows learning about the growth, use and value of field crops.

10202 Environment and Sustainability
An exhibit that shows the connections between humans and their environment including energy, stewardship, conservation, entomology, fish and wildlife or forestry. Includes collections.

10203 Horticulture
An exhibit that shows learning about the growth, use, and value of plants, small fruits, vegetable and flower gardens and landscape design. Flowers and vegetables are not eligible for state fair.

10204 Outdoor Adventures
An exhibit that shows learning about backpacking, biking, camping, canoeing, fishing, hiking or other outdoor activities.

10205 Safety and Education in Shooting Sports
An exhibit that shows learning about safe and responsible use of firearms and archery equipment or wildlife management. (The exhibit may not include actual firearms; archery equipment allowed if tips are removed from arrows).

10206 Other Agriculture and Natural Resources
An exhibit that shows learning about agriculture or natural resources and does not fit in any of the classes listed above.

10207 Bucket of Flowers
A bucket of flowers is a container (may be decorated) with plants and or flowers. These planters will be used during the fair to help beautify the grounds. Buckets will be judged and then placed by the 4-H’er on the fairgrounds. After the fair the exhibitor must take home his/her bucket unless it is purchased in the auction. Exhibitors wishing to participate in the Bucket of Flowers auction will need to sign up at the Extension Office at least 1 week before judging day. Exhibitors will be asked they would like to enter their bucket into the auction. Exhibitor must be present at the auction or the bucket will not be sold. This exhibit is not eligible for State Fair.
CREATIVE ARTS

10301 Music
An exhibit that shows learning about musical performance, composition and arrangements, instruments, musical styles or history.

10302 Photography
An exhibit, either photo(s) or an educational display that shows learning about photography from choosing a camera to modifying your photo. Still photos only, not video. Exhibitors entered in 4-H Photography are not eligible to exhibit in the FFA Photography show and vice-versa.

Photography Special Rules:
1. Photographs may be either black and white or color. They may be processed from negatives, slides or digital cameras and computer manipulation programs. Photographs must have been taken since the county fair of the previous year.
2. Photographs should be a minimum of 4” x 6”. Finished size (including mounting/matting) of photographs should not exceed 16” in height or width.
3. All photographs must be printed on photographic paper. Photos printed on canvas, fabric, ceramic, etc. will only be accepted as part of an educational display that shows learning about photography printing techniques, display, merchandising, etc.
4. Mounted photographs (including floating frames) will not be judged.
5. Non-mounted photos may be exhibited in a clear plastic covering.
6. A series is a group of photographs or slides [3 to 5] that are related or tell a step-by-step story. Photographs must be mounted together in story order or sequence. Slides should be numbered.
7. Digitally altered photos should include a copy of the photo before changes.
8. Subject matter of photographs must be in good taste and be appropriate for public display in a 4-H setting.
9. Photographs depicting unsafe practices or illegal activities will not be displayed.
10. Photo label is not required but is required if the exhibit goes onto the state fair.
11. A write-up is required for each photography exhibit.
12. Exhibitors entered in 4-H Photography are not eligible to exhibit in the FFA Photography show and vice-versa.

10303 Digital Photography Exhibit
A photo or series of photos submitted electronically, not printed. Photos in this class will be submitted, viewed, evaluated and displayed electronically.

Digital Photography Exhibit Special Rules:
1. Photographs may be either black and white or color.
2. Photographs will not be printed.
3. Entries may be a single photo or a series of photos. A series is a group of photographs (3 to 5) that are related or tell a step-by-step story. Series photo entries must have all photos in the series viewable at the same time.
4. Photos entered should be submitted in the highest resolution possible. A finished file size of 1 MB – 3 MB is recommended.
5. Photos should be submitted in an acceptable and commonly used format for ease of viewing.
6. Subject matter of photographs must be in good taste and be appropriate for public display in a 4-H setting.
7. Photographs depicting unsafe practices or illegal activities will not be displayed.
8. State Fair selected exhibitors must use the Photo Exhibit Label to provide required information for photo exhibits. The Photo Exhibit Label may be submitted electronically with the photo entry.
9. Photos entered in this class will be evaluated on the same evaluation criteria used for printed photographs.
10. Exhibitors entered in 4-H Photography are not eligible to exhibit in the FFA Photography show and vice-versa.
630 Visual Arts
An exhibit that shows learning through original art, exploration of an art technique or study of any other visual arts topic.

Visual Arts Special Rules:
1. Exhibits made from kits or preformed molds will not be accepted. Exception: Preformed molds (greenware, whiteware) may be used to provide the appropriate surface for a process technique or application of original design.
2. If the exhibit is a finished art object, the source or inspiration of the design, design sketches or other process for creating the object and design must be included.
3. Original works of art must be a creative expression of a design unique to the artist, or represent a significant modification to an existing design to make a new and original statement by the artist.
4. Exhibition of derivative works created by a 4-H’er is prohibited without the written permission of the original copyright holder/owner. Use of copyrighted or tradmarked designs, images, logos, or materials in 4-H visual arts exhibits is prohibited unless written permission has been obtained from the copyright or trademark holder/owner. For additional information, see 4-H Exhibit Copyright Information at http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/visualart.htm

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES

10401 Child Development
An exhibit that shows learning about children. Examples: child care, growth and development, safety and health, children with special needs and careers in child development.

10402 Clothing and Fashion
An exhibit that shows learning about style, fashion, design, thrifty spending, wardrobe planning, types of fabrics and clothing care. Exhibits may include constructed or purchased clothing and accessories.

10403 Consumer Management
An exhibit that shows learning through savvy budgeting, comparison shopping, money management and consumer rights and responsibilities.

10404 Food & Nutrition
An exhibit that shows learning through cooking, baking, eating and choosing healthy foods, including safety practices. Exhibits may include prepared products or educational displays. See publication “4-H 3023” Inappropriate Food Exhibits for Iowa 4-H Fairs for additional information regarding prepared and preserved food products.

Food & Nutrition Special Rules:
1. Any exhibit considered to be a food safety risk or portray a food safety risk will not be accepted, judged or displayed.
2. All food products/exhibits should be appropriate for human consumption.
3. Food product exhibits must be prepared, baked or cooked using only food grade utensils and containers.
4. Products that require refrigeration will not be accepted, judged or displayed.
5. Meat jerky products are prohibited.
6. The recipe must be included for any prepared food exhibit; credit the source of the recipe.
7. Preserved foods must include the Food Preservation Exhibit Label. Only food processed after August 1, 2014 is acceptable. Current USDA and/or Iowa State University guidelines for home food preservation must be used.
8. Preserved food exhibits must include two product samples. One will be opened for evaluation and discarded; the second will be placed on display and returned to the exhibitor. All perishable food products will be discarded when removed from display.
9. Prepared foods should be placed on a firm disposable plate or flat cardboard. Place food product exhibit in a reclosable plastic bag with entry tag fastened outside the bag.
10. The use of alcoholic beverages in the preparation or production of 4-H food exhibits is NOT permitted.
11. Cookies and bars should have at least 6 items on a plate; 2 loaves of bread should be provided to evaluate uniformity.
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10405 Health
An exhibit that shows learning through food choices, safe activities and skills such as first aid and CPR, careers and healthy lifestyle choices.

10406 Home Improvement
An exhibit that shows learning in planning, improving and caring for your home living space. Exhibits may include new or refinished/reclaimed/restored items.

10407 Sewing and Needle Arts
An exhibit that shows learning and skill in sewing, knitting, crocheting, or other needle arts, the use and care of fabrics and fibers, or the construction of clothing and other items. Outfits or accessories which will be worn during the Awardrobe Clothing Event may not be entered as a 4-H Iowa State Fair exhibit.

10408 Other Family and Consumer Science
An exhibit that demonstrates learning about a family and consumer science topic that does not fit any previous Family & Consumer Science class listed.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

10501 Citizenship
An exhibit that shows learning about or contributing to your community, your country or your world.

10502 Communication
An exhibit that shows learning about written, oral and visual communication skills in their many forms.

10503 4-H Poster Communication Exhibit
Special poster exhibit to visually tell a story or idea about 4-H to the general public. Exhibitors must use one of the following themes:
- 4-H is...(open to 4-H’er’s interpretation)
- Join 4-H
- Dare to Discover (2015 Iowa 4-H Youth Conference theme)
- Nothing Compares (Iowa State Fair theme)

Poster Communication Special Rules:
1. Only one poster per 4-H’er may be entered.
2. All posters must be designed on, or affixed to, standard poster board or foam core board—size minimum of 14” x 20” or maximum of 15” x 22”.
3. Posters may be vertical or horizontal. Posters may be any medium: watercolor, ink, crayon, acrylic, charcoal, oils and or collage.
4. Posters cannot be 3-dimensional. Materials used to make the poster may not extend more than 1/8 inch above the poster or foam core board.
5. Each poster must have the completed Poster Exhibit Entry Form attached to the back.
6. Posters cannot use copyrighted material or exact copies of other promotional designs, such as the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference theme logo.
7. 4-H’ers may include the 4-H clover in the poster.

10504 Digital Storytelling
Any exhibit that demonstrates the application of technology to produce a creative movie/film/video. Exhibits may include a finished movie or video, creation of a detailed storyboard, editing techniques using digital video software, production techniques or other display to share what was learned. Copyright permission must be obtained for any non-original material included as part of a film/movie/video.
10505 Leadership
An exhibit that shows learning about leadership skills and influencing others in a positive way.

10506 Self-Determined
An exhibit that shows learning as part of your 4-H adventure.

SCIENCE, ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY

10601 Mechanics
Any exhibit that shows skills or learning in automotive, electrical, small and large engines, tractors, welding and restoration.

10602 Woodworking
Any exhibit that shows learning about wood, woodworking techniques and safe uses of woodworking tools and machines. Exhibits may include newly constructed or refinished/reclaimed/restored wood items.

10603 Science, Engineering & Technology
Any exhibit that shows learning about or helps explain how science and technology help us interact with the world. Topics include aerospace, biological and chemical sciences, computers & networking, earth & climate, geospatial mapping (GPS/GIS), robotics, or any other application of Science, Engineering, or Technology.

Science, Engineering & Technology Special Rule:
Exhibitors entered in the 4-H Science, Engineering & Technology classes may not enter in similar FFA Ag Mechanics classes and vice-versa.
Clover Kids
Where children experience the joy of learning
in a supportive, creative, challenging and fun environment.

Clover Kids County Fair

Clover Kids members are eligible to participate in developmentally age-appropriate opportunities at local county fairs.

Clover Kids Fair Building Projects
1. Open to all children in Kindergarten through 3rd grade in Buchanan County.
2. Clover Kids will have the opportunity to discuss their building projects with a caring adult as items are entered.
3. There is no limit to the number of building projects 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, or at camp.
4. Building project items are highly encouraged to be entered on FairEntry before Building Judging Day at the 4-H Building, to ensure that the line runs smoothly.
5. All building project items will receive a participation ribbon; no premium money will be given for these items.
6. All building projects will be on display at the Buchanan County Fair until building release time. Items may be picked up during that time. Items not picked up at the fairgrounds will be available for pick-up at the Buchanan County Extension Office during normal office hours.
7. The Buchanan County Extension Office and the Buchanan County Fair Board will use diligence to ensure the safety of all items entered at Buchanan County Fair; however, we are not responsible for damage or loss by fire, theft, etc.
8. 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 – Showcase items related to art, photography and music.
   Class C: Agriculture and Natural Resources – Showcase items related to plants, agriculture, and the environment.
   Class D: Family and Consumer Science – Showcase items related to food, clothing or home decorating. Sewn or home-crafted items can be included in this class.
   Class E: Personal Development – Showcase items related to or created by the child, 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.
Copyright

Instruction on obtaining permission to use copyright materials

Often we get “ideas” by observation of others’ works of art, crafts, recipes, etc. It is very important to give credit to those individuals or companies who have created materials, resources, logos, trademarks, photographs, etc. that you may want to incorporate into a 4-H exhibit for a county fair. In many cases requesting permission can do this.

The next page provides a sample letter, which you should modify to meet your particular need. This permission is needed when an item made by you is going to be on public display. Getting permission to use someone’s work often takes a long time. Act today.

You will want to send two copies of your letter to the person or company from whom you are requesting permission. They will keep one copy and return the other to you. You should also send a self-addressed, pre-stamped, envelope to aid in their convenience to respond to you. Remember they do not have to grant you permission, but if you explain fully how you plan to use their work, they are more likely to grant permission.

It is important to remember that giving credit to someone else is very important in any area of your work. In written papers, it may be through the use of footnotes; with exhibit items, credit and permission are included in the accompanying folders. As you put your ideas together, be sure to keep a list of where you get your ideas. If it is a book, magazine, or other printed material, include the name of the publication, the issue, volume, year, and page number from which it was taken. This type of documentation supports your efforts to give credit to the original individual or source.

Remember, when in doubt, ask permission.

Copyright for Pinterest

Pinterest to Original Source in 3 Easy Steps:

1) Find item/recipe on Pinterest – “Wow, that cheeseburger casserole really looks good!”. Click on the image.

2) Clicking on the image brings up a page just for the cheeseburger casserole. Still on a Pinterest page – but wait! Scroll the mouse over the casserole picture and a “Visit number=2-pencil.com” icon pops up below the image. Now we’re getting somewhere that’s starting to look like an original source. Not Pinterest, but number-2-pencil.com. (We could live with citing number-2-pencil.com as the source, but we can do better.) Click on either the image of the casserole or on the “Visit number=2-pencil.com” icon.

3) Voila! A new window pops up on a page from the original website of the recipe – number-2-pencil.com. Scrolling down even tells us that Melissa at number-2-pencil.com is the author and there’s even a button to print the recipe for our recipe book. Now we’ve actually found the original source.
Sample letter for copyright/trademark use

Your Address
City  State  Zip
Date

To Copyright Holder
Address
City  State  Zip

REQUEST FOR PERMISSION

Dear Copyright Holder:

I am a 4-H member in _________________ County, Iowa.  4-H is a non-formal youth education program connected with Iowa State University Extension.  I am learning about _________________ (drawing, sculpting, welding, quilting, etc.) in my 4-H activities.

I would like permission to use _________________ (your logo, trademark, copyrighted ad, painting, etc.) in my _________________ (watercolor, pencil sketch, pottery, quilt, woodworking, etc.) item.

Material to be used:  (your logo, trademark, copyrighted ad, painting, etc.)
Taken from:  (sports item, tractor, packaging container, magazine, or book—including publisher, date, page, etc.)

My finished item may be exhibited at the ________________ County Fair and Iowa State Fair in the 4-H (visual arts, etc) show.  This item will not be sold or reproduced for profit.

Please sign both copies of this form as provided below and return one to me in the self-addressed, stamped, envelope enclosed.  If you have any additional conditions of use, please include these at the bottom of this form.

If you are not the holder of these rights, please advise me of the name and address of the correct party I should contact.

Sincerely,

4-H’ers Name typed below signature

Enclosure:  SASE, copy of form

_____ Permission is granted as stated above.  _____ Permission is not granted.

Printed Name  Title  Company

Signed  Date

The credit line should read ____________________________________________________

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