



Calhoun County 4-H Clover Kids News



From the Desk of Tiffany Blair

As you begin to learn the 4-H Pledge and what each part stands for, let's focus on the "hand" part of the pledge as we enter this wonderful time of year. "I Pledge my hands to larger service." Little acts of kindness go a long way to make our country a better place to be. Take a moment to write a thank you note to someone who has made a difference in your life or bake cookies and donate them to a local organization. This is the perfect time of year to show your appreciation for those who are important in your life.



The 2020 Calhoun County Expo is quickly approaching, ready or not. It is time to start the conversations about your options for exhibiting at the Fair if you are interested. As Clover Kids, youth have the option to exhibit clothing and communications exhibits in April (NEW FOR 2020) and livestock and building (static) exhibits during the fair in July. Please be sure to watch this newsletter for all of those important details that will be coming this Winter and early Spring. There are a few important deadlines that you will not want to miss if you plan to exhibit.



If you have not paid your enrollment fee yet, please do so ASAP to finalize your child's enrollment. If your account on 4HOnline is still showing PENDING, then that means we have not received your payment yet. All paid enrollments have been moved to an ACTIVE status. Reminder, the enrollment fee is \$15 per member, with a max of \$30 per family. Payments can be mailed to our office at PO Box 233, Rockwell City, IA 50579.



If you have any questions about anything in this newsletter or any other Clover Kids items, please reach out at any time!



Sincerely,
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Calhoun County 4-H Apparel Available for All

Calhoun County 4-H t-shirts, sweatshirts, and hats are now available for purchase. Later this week, you should be receiving a copy of your family's order form in the mail. If you need additional copies, please let me know. Order forms and payments are due back to the Extension office February 28, 2020. In March/April I will be sending out order forms for Calhoun County Clover Kids shirts for Clover Kids and their families. Clover Kids are part of our 4-H program in Calhoun so either shirt will be fine to wear for exhibiting or supporting Calhoun County 4-H.

Please be sure to pay close attention to the available sizes as not all shirts are available in the 'youth' sizes. If you have questions or need additional copies, please give me a call at 712-297-8611 or email me at tifblair@iastate.edu.

Ordering information from the catalog:

- 1.** 8000 Gildan Youth or Adult Short Sleeve T-Shirt - Irish Green Youth S-L - \$10, 2XL-3XL - \$12
- 2.** 2000 Gildan Youth or Adult Short Sleeve T-Shirt - Charcoal Youth S-L - \$10, S-XL - \$10, 2XL-3XL - \$12
- 3.** 18000 Gildan Crew Sweatshirt Irish Green S-2XL - \$12, 3XL - \$18
- 4.** 18500 Gildan Hooded Sweatshirt Charcoal S-XL - \$20, 2XL - 3XL - \$23
- 5.** 3322 Rabbit Skin Infant Short Sleeve T-Shirt Kelly Green 6mo/12mo/18mo/24mo - \$9
- 6.** 8000 Gildan Youth or Adult Short Sleeve T-Shirt - Black Youth S-L - \$10, S-XL - \$10, 2XL-3XL - \$12
- 7.** 8000 Gildan Youth or Adult Short Sleeve T-Shirt - Black Youth S-L - \$10, S-XL - \$10, 2XL-3XL - \$12
- 8.** 3321 Rabbit Skin Toddler Short Sleeve T-Shirt Kelly Green 2T/3T/4T/5-6/7 - \$9
- 9.** H204 New Era Cap Black/Black \$15
- 10.** V67 Pacific Headwear Cap Charcoal/Black \$15
- 11.** SP12 Sportman 12" Beanie Charcoal Heather \$12
- 12.** SP15 Sportman Pom Beanie Charcoal Heather \$12

Orders Due By: 2/28/2020
 Orders Due To: Calhoun County Extension Office | 325 Court St | PO Box 233 | Rockwell City
 Check Payable To: Calhoun County Extension Office

Clover Kids Clothing and Communications Day Judging

NEW FOR 2020! Clover Kids will now be able to participate with the older 4-H'ers on Clothing and Communications Day judging on April 25. Clover Kids will have the option to participate in the \$15 Challenge, Clothing Selection, and Share the Fun. Rules for each of these classes can be found below.

Division- Clover Kids Clothing and Communication Events- Members may enter 1 project from each of the available classes for Clothing and Communication judging. Member must be enrolled in the Calhoun County Clover Kids program to participate. All Clover Kids Clothing and Communications exhibits will be awarded participation ribbons. No premiums or placing will be awarded.

Class 4100– Clover Kids \$15 Challenge. Clover Kids will purchase and model an outfit of their choice that cost \$15 or less. Clothing must be a second-hand outfit and purchased from either a garage sale, consignment store, Goodwill, Salvation Army, or similar type place. Member will talk with a judge about how and why they selected their outfit. Receipts must be provided as well.

Class 41001– Clover Kids Clothing Selection. Clover Kids will purchase any outfit of their choice and model their outfit for a judge. The outfit can be purchased new or used and no price limit is set. The outfit should be for a 'theme' of the member's choice. Such as: casual clothing, sports clothing, swimwear clothing, special event clothing, etc. Member will talk with the judge about how and why they selected their outfit. Receipts must be provided as well.

Clover Kids Clothing and Communications Day Judging Cont.

Class 41002– Clover Kids Share the Fun. Clover Kids will have an opportunity to perform before an audience, purely for the sake of enjoyment and fun! Think of this as a talent show! Performances can be skits, songs, stunts, short one act play, dances, etc. Clover Kids Share the Fun can be done solo or in small group of 2-4 Clover Kids members. After their performance, members will talk with a judge about how they prepared for the performance.

Registration for these events will begin in March. Please look for instructions in the February newsletter. If you have any questions about how to prepare for these events or need clarification of the class rules, please let me know and I would be happy to answer any questions. Reminder, judging for these events will be held on April 25 in Rockwell City at the SCC middle school. Specific times for judging will be provided after registration is closed in early April.

Clover Kids Static Exhibit Classes for the Fair

Clover Kids will also have an opportunity to participate in different challenges during static judging at the start of the Calhoun County Expo. Static judging will be held on July 8. Below is a list of available static classes that will be available to Clover Kids. General class descriptions are listed with the classes, detailed class rules will be available soon.

Division– Clover Kids Static

Members may enter 1 project from each of the available classes for static judging. Member must be enrolled in the Calhoun County Clover Kids program to participate. All Clover Kids static exhibits will be awarded participation ribbons. No premiums or placing will be awarded.

Class 42001-Clover Kids Bucket of Flowers. Theme for 2020– “Dazzling Daisy” Members may plant a 5 gallon bucket full of flowers following the theme for the year. Buckets will be used to decorate the fairgrounds during the week of fair.

Class 42002-Clover Kids Food Challenge. 2020 Recipe- “Pineapple Snack Cakes” Members will follow a provided recipe and bring in their finished product to the fair. Members must follow the recipe exactly and will talk with a judge about what they learned and the challenges/ accomplishments they had while preparing their recipe.

Class 42003-Clover Kids Photography Challenge. 2020 Theme- “Insects” Members will take a picture and print it following the theme for the year. Members will talk with the judge about what they learned while practicing using a camera.

Class 42004-Clover Kids Other Homemade Exhibit. Members may bring in 1 additional project that is something they made of their choice. Projects should be something that is made by the member at home not in school. If this project is something cooked, member will provide and follow an approved recipe.

Clover Kids Livestock Classes for the Fair

Last but certainly not least, Clover Kids also have the option to exhibit livestock at the Calhoun County Expo in July. Listed below are the available classes for Clover Kids. If you are planning to exhibit livestock this year, please watch this newsletter each month as there are very specific rules and registration dates for livestock that you will not want to miss. Missing deadlines for livestock means you may not be able to exhibit them! *If you have exhibited Clover Kids livestock in the past, you will notice there is an additional option for beef this year and that the dates of birth have changed for animal eligibility!* Below you will find the available classes and the specific class rules.

Division– Clover Kids Livestock

Members may enter 1 project from each of the available classes for livestock judging. Member must be enrolled in the Calhoun County Clover Kids program to participate. All Clover Kids livestock exhibits will be awarded participation ribbons. No premiums or placing will be awarded.

Class- 40001 Bucket/Bottle or Nursing Calf (NEW FOR 2020). Bucket/Bottle calves must be born between January 1 and May 15 of the current year. The calf must have been on a bottle or bucket no later than one week after birth. Nursing calves must be born between January 1 and May 15 of the current year. Nursing calves must be weaned by the time they arrive to the fair as cows will NOT be permitted onto the grounds with Clover Kids members. The only exception to this rule is if an older sibling in 4-H or FFA has identified the cow/calf to exhibit as a cow/calf pair, then the calf can still be nursing.

Class- 40002 Bucket/Bottle Goat. Goat must be born between January 1 and May 15 of the current year. Goat must have been on the bottle no later than one week after birth.

Class- 40003 Bucket/Bottle Lamb. Lamb must be born between January 1 and May 15 of the current year. Lamb must have been on the bottle no later than one week after birth.

Class-40004 Pet. Member (or member's immediate family) must own the pet. Pet must be pre-approved as a pet by the Extension Office prior to registration. Pigs will not be allowed in the pet show.

Class-40005 Poultry. Members may choose to exhibit 1 of the following poultry types in this class.

- Production Pullets (0-18 weeks)
- Production Layers (18 + weeks)
- Waterfowl

Class-40006 Rabbit. Members may choose to exhibit 1 of the following rabbit types in this class.

- Commercial Rabbit (included California, Palomino, Satin, New Zealand, and American Breeds)
- Fancy Rabbit (includes Dutch, Rex, Netherland Dwarf, and Mini lop Breeds)

SPECIAL RULES FOR CLOVER KIDS LIVESTOCK:

1. General rules and regulations and health requirements in the fairbook apply to this department.
2. All livestock will be identified in 4HOnline by May 15th in order to exhibit at the county fair.
3. Calves, goats, and lambs must be on a halter at all times in the show ring. Member must be accompanied by an adult (of their choice) in the show ring. Adult will have a second hand on the halter and will help the member control the animal when needed.
4. Pets will be shown in the show ring. Animal must be on a leash or in a cage at all times. Member will have an adult ready to assist them if needed.
5. Rabbits and Poultry will be shown in the barn in their cages. Animals will not be removed from their cages unless the judge is the one handling the animal.
6. The calf hood vaccination tattoo is not an acceptable identification. 4-H tags or tattoos are required for bucket/bottle and nursing calves.
7. BVD Testing will be done on all bucket/bottle and nursing calves in June.
8. All sexually intact sheep and goats must have an individual scrapie flock of origin identification tag in the ear. 4-H tags are required for all sheep and goats.
9. Goats and Lambs must be weighed in between 5:30- 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday. Animals not on grounds at designated check-in time will not be allowed to exhibit. Animal will remain on the grounds until the scheduled release time at the end of the fair.
10. Calves must be on the grounds and weighed in between 7:00- 10:00 a.m. on Thursday. Animals not on grounds at designated check-in time will not be allowed to exhibit. Animal will remain on the grounds until the scheduled release time at the end of the fair.
11. Pets must be an approved pet from the Extension Office prior to registering.
12. The Pet Show will be held Thursday. Check-in will be from 1:00- 1:30 p.m. with the show following check-in. Animals not on grounds at designated check-in time will not be allowed to exhibit.
13. Pets are to be on the fairgrounds only when the show is being held. All animals must be leashed or crated while waiting for their class to be called.
14. All dogs and cats exhibited must have a current rabies vaccination certificate.
15. Poultry and Rabbits need to be checked in between 12:30– 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday. Animals not on grounds at designated check-in time will not be allowed to exhibit. Animal will remain on the grounds until the scheduled release time at the end of the fair.
16. Cages will be provided for poultry and rabbits. If the member wishes to lock their cage, they will need to provide their own lock.
17. All poultry exhibited must come from U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid clean or equivalent flocks, or have had a negative Pullorum-Typhoid test within 90 days of public exhibition, and the test must have been performed by an authorized tester. All poultry exhibited must provide documentation of this check.
18. All rabbits must be tattooed in the left ear. A small animal tattoo kit is available to check out at the ISU Extension-Calhoun County office.

Clover Kids Schedule of Events at the Expo

Calhoun County Expo– July 8-12, 2020

Wednesday, July 8, 2020

8:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. Static 4-H and Clover Kids Building check-in and judging
12:30 P.M.-2:00 P.M. ALL Poultry/Rabbit/Horse Check in
2:00 P.M.-5:00 P.M. Horse Show
5:30 P.M.-7:30 P.M. ALL Sheep/Goat/Swine weigh in and check in

Thursday, July 9, 2020

7:00 A.M.-10:00 A.M. ALL Beef weigh in and check in
12:00 P.M.-8:00 P.M. 4-H Building Open
1:00 P.M.-1:30 P.M. ALL Pet check in
1:30 P.M. Clover Kids Pet Show then 4-H/FFA Pet Show immediately following
2:30 P.M. Clover Kids Rabbit and Poultry Show then 4-H/FFA Rabbit and Poultry Show immediately following

Friday, July 10, 2020

8:00 A.M. 4-H/FFA Swine Show
12:00 P.M.-8:00 P.M. 4-H Building Open
2:00 P.M. Clover Kids Livestock Costume Show
4:00 P.M. Clover Kids Sheep and Goat Show then 4-H/FFA Sheep and Goat Show immediately following

Saturday, July 11, 2020

8:00 A.M. 4-H/FFA Beef Show then Clover Kids Bucket Bottle Show immediately following
12:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. 4-H Building Open

Sunday, July 12, 2020

10:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M. 4-H Building Open
1:00 P.M. 4-H/FFA Alumni Showmanship Show
3:30 P.M. State Fair Selection Photos
4:00 P.M. 4-H and Clover Kids Building Release
4:00 P.M. 4-H, Clover Kids, and FFA Livestock Release

Save the Date! The 2021 Calhoun County Expo will be July 7-11

New Livestock Classes for the Expo!

On the Friday of the Expo, we will be having a Clover Kids costume show! This will give the Clover Kids another opportunity to show off their animals in the arena. Clover Kids will get to dress up their animals and themselves in matching costumes/themed ware. More details and show rules will be coming soon!

On Sunday, we will be giving our 4-H and FFA Parent Alumni a chance to dust off their showmanship skills and show these kids what they are made of! Alumni will need to find an animal already on the grounds to exhibit and will not be permitted to bring additional animals on the grounds. More details and show rules will be coming soon!