

DECORATOR SHOWCASE

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How would you like to get rid of everything in your room and start over to decorate with no limitations? Decorator's Showcase gives you an opportunity to do just that as you show us how you would decorate a room.



You get to select colors and textures and put them into a display. Local businesses have donated supplies like wallpaper, paint chips, carpeting, upholstery fabrics, and drapery samples. You will be given one hour to sort through these samples as you decorate your own room.

- Juniors get to decorate a bedroom.
- Intermediates may select any room.
- Seniors will be given a special decorating challenge which includes designing a floor plan.

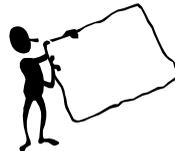
The best part of this contest is that everything is done at the county fair! Don't forget there is a kit to check out at the Extension Office to practice.

POSTER CONTEST

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You may participate in communications by exhibiting a poster relating to one of the following themes:

1. "4-H is...."
2. "Join 4-H"
3. "4-H Grows....."
4. "Strive for Gold"
5. "How do you 4-H"



Posters must be between 14" x 20" and 15"x22" in dimension. There is no pre-entry for this contest. Bring it to be judged on Static Exhibit Judging Day with the rest of your fair exhibits.

WORKING EXHIBITS

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In a Working Exhibit, you get to tell, show, and help other people do something such as a craft or activity. You communicate a process, fact or idea to the audience.



The audience is normally standing, having been stopped as they walk by. The audience may be few or large in number and may ask questions at any time. Your exhibit needs attractions such as posters, pictures, examples/samples of the final products and action to interest people in stopping to look and listen. Questions like "Have you seen...?" or "Would you like to know how to...?" might help get them started. Many stages of the exhibit or product process should be ready so that any step of your exhibit can be discussed. It is a hands-on explanation/discussion between you and the audience.

The purpose might be to:

Introduce ... something new or different

Motivate ... get people interested

Inform ... give facts, thoughts, so people have knowledge

Explain ... the how and why so people understand

Get Action ... people will do what you teach them

Giving a working exhibit makes you the "*teacher*". Your topic is presented more informally, with no prepared speech. Helping guide the audience through hands-on activities, crafts and displays that the audience can take with them work the best. Think of creative way to get those passing-by involved!

EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING

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Senior 4-H'ers, here is an opportunity for you! Do you enjoy planning, presenting, and answering questions in a short amount of time? Consider entering the Extemporaneous Speaking Contest.



Participants will select one of three 4-H related topics and have 30 minutes to prepare a 4 to 6 minute speech.

Participating in the Extemporaneous Speaking contest is a wonderful opportunity to enhance your communication skills, as you will use them throughout your life.

SHARE-THE-FUN

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Do you like to have a good time? Do you enjoy smiling and laughing with your friends? Do you have a special talent that you would like to share with the rest of the world, but have not found the right time and place? The answer is right in front of you. Participate in Share-The-Fun!

- Performance of creative communication talents in friendly, but competitive setting
- Sing, dance, act out a skit, perform a monologue, play an instrument, or lip sync.

The key things, Share-The-Fun focuses on, is the **Quality, Showmanship, Appearance**, along with **Fun**. Participants can be of any age and can be in a group or by themselves.

A special award for best use of music is presented by the Tuesday Music Club – **Get creative!*

How to Enter....

Included on purple colored sheet in fairbook (or you can also get them at the office or the Extension website. All registrations will be due to the Extension Office by **July 2**. No late entries are accepted.

If you have questions on these activities, ask your 4-H club leader or call the Extension Office at 243-1132.

Try something new this year!

CLOTHING SELECTION & FASHION REVUE

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Do you like to shop for new clothes? Do you want to learn to sew? Everyone has to wear clothes, so this is a contest for you! Share your clothes outfit by participating in Clothing Selection of Fashion Revue.

Clothing Selection – You purchase an outfit, either new or used. You do **not** have to be enrolled in clothing to participate. You will model your outfit for the judge and talk about the reason you selected it, how you will take care of your outfit and the cost. Outfits may be purchased for a special occasion or for casual wear.

Fashion Revue – You make your outfit and **do not** need to be enrolled in clothing to participate in this. You will model the outfit you have made in front of the judge and will be evaluated on your grooming, how your outfit looks on you, and sewing as it affects the appearance.

The judging for these contests will be held **July 15 at the Cass County Community Building.**

You will also get to model your outfit at the Style Show at County Fair. Plaques are awarded to the winners in each division and senior 4-H'ers may be selected to advance to the state contest.

BEST OF IOWA

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Do you like to cook? The Best of Iowa Contest gives you the chance to share your culinary skills at County Fair. Each age division is assigned a category:

- Juniors (4-6 grade) – **Fruits**
- Intermediates (7-8 grade) – **Ground Meat**
- Seniors (9-12 grade) – **Ethnic Foods**



You can prepare any type of dish (snack, appetizer, main dish, salad, dessert, etc.) that falls in the appropriate category. Since this contest is called the 'Best of Iowa' we want you to select a recipe that uses Iowa products.

You will only have 20 minutes in front of the judge to prepare your dish. (This does not include cooking time).

When your food is done, you will serve the judge the finished product. After you have been judged, your food goes to a tasting table for the audience to sample your recipe. And you can also sample what other 4-H'ers have prepared. Yum! Yum!

EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

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Everyone in 4-H has the opportunity and the responsibility of giving an Educational Presentation to their 4-H club each year. An Educational Presentation includes:

- Catchy Title
- Introduction
- Body
- Conclusion



Once you have shared your Educational Presentation with your 4-H club, why not enter the county contest and share it with even more people! Juniors may not exceed 15 minutes; Intermediates/Seniors may not exceed 20 minutes.

2020 Cass County Fair Activities

July 22 - July 28

Information on Fair Activities including:

- Poster
- Best of Iowa
- Share-The-Fun
- Working Exhibits
- Decorator Showcase
- Educational Presentations
- Extemporaneous Speaking
- Clothing Selection/Fashion Revue

All Entries due July 2