



July 10, 2023

### 4-H Static (Non-livestock) Exhibitors

We are so glad that your 4-Her is signed up to participate in static (non-livestock) judging at the Hancock County Fair. This letter explains the judging process and what you need to do to prepare.

#### Static Exhibit Judging Times: 8:30 am – 1:30 pm

8:30 am – 9:30 am	Britt Broncos
	Garfield Sluggers
9:30 am – 10:30 am	Northwest Chargers
	Concord Challengers
10:30 am – 11:30 am	Orthel Jolly Workers
	Bulls Eye Bunch
11:30 am – 12:30 pm	Elcon Indians
	Independent members
1:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Valiant Vikings
	FLL teams

Back by popular demand: we have assigned times to be judged based on what club/team you are a part of. Please come during your assigned judging time. If you have a conflict and can't come during that time, please contact our office at 641-923-2856.

**4-H/FFA exhibition phone line: 641-843-0528**  
**General fair office phone line: 641-843-3820**

#### Prior to fair:

- Complete the 4-H Exhibit Goal sheet available on google doc online: ([https://www.extension.iastate.edu/hancock/4h/hancockcounty\\_districtfair](https://www.extension.iastate.edu/hancock/4h/hancockcounty_districtfair)) and gather all supporting materials such as photos, plans, receipts. For photos be sure to use the Photography label. Refer to the fairbook for additional guidelines on exhibits. Consider putting all your documents in a folder or plastic sleeves to contain them.
- Attach your enclosed exhibit tags to your projects so we know who to recognize for your hard work. You can do this by string or tape. It is best to attach directly to the exhibit in case your exhibit gets separated from your write up and supporting paperwork.
- Wearing a 4-H t-shirt for judging is encouraged. T-shirts are \$8 and can be purchased at the Extension Office or at the fair office during fair.
- Make yourself an exhibit kit, including a pen, tape, string, stapler, and other things you may need to prepare or set up your exhibit at the fair.

#### Steps at fair:

- Come during your assigned club/team time.
- Check in at the 4-H Exhibits Building. You will receive your exhibitor judging list that the judges will record your placings on.
- Tables will be set up in both the 4-H exhibit building and the Red Brick building for exhibit staging so you can set down your exhibits and prepare them for judging.
- Sit with the judge and talk about your exhibit and what you learned.
- Once you are done talking with all judges, take your exhibit list sheet to the ribbon table to receive your exhibit ribbons.
- Attach your ribbon on your exhibit and place it on the display tables along with your name card in the 4-H exhibit building. (If the judge is holding your exhibit back to be considered for State Fair, those exhibits will stay behind the individual judges.)
- Take your exhibit list sheet to the fair office to get paid for your premiums.

**Exhibit pick up:**

- All Exhibits will be released at 4:30 pm on Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup>.
- If you have exhibits that were selected for State Fair, please be sure to read the note attached to your exhibit and connect with 4-H staff about additional instructions.

**Static Exhibit Online Auction**

Each 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade 4-H member has the option to put one exhibit on our new 4-H Static Exhibit online auction. Participation is optional. The auction item you choose will be sold to the highest bidder and not be returned to the 4-H member. You will be asked at check in to indicate which item, if any, you are designating to be sold on the auction.

If an auction item gets selected to advance to State Fair you have 2 choices:

1. Send only a binder with detailed photos and all your paperwork, goal sheet, and supporting material to the State Fair and auction the exhibit at county fair.
2. Select an alternate exhibit to be auctioned and send your State Fair selected exhibit to State Fair.

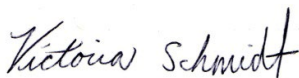
**Food:** If you choose to auction a baked good, you must provide a fresh item to be picked up on Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm for the auction buyer.

Please read the enclosed flyer and FAQ document for additional details on the Static Exhibit Online Auction or call us at 641-923-2856.

**Garden Judging – NEW JUDGING TIME**

There is no pre-entry for horticulture judging. Flowers and vegetables will be judged on Tuesday, July 25 from 12:00 pm – 3:30 pm. Please refer to the *Preparing Flowers & Plants for Exhibition 4-H 464* and *Harvesting and Preparing Vegetables for Exhibit 4-H 394* documents for information on how to display your exhibits.

Prior to the fair please call the Hancock County Extension Office at 641-923-2856 or email [vschmidt@iastate.edu](mailto:vschmidt@iastate.edu) or [karast@iastate.edu](mailto:karast@iastate.edu) if you have any questions. For 4-H/FFA exhibition related questions during the fair please call 641-843-0528. Extension staff will be answering this line. For questions related to other fair events please call the main fair office: 641-843-3820.

**See you at the Fair!**

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**County Youth Coordinator**



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**Youth Outreach Coordinator**

**Enclosures:**

Static Exhibit tags  
Fair 4-H/FFA schedule  
Fairgrounds map  
Static Auction Flyer  
Static Online Auction FAQ