

## Howard County 4-H Spring Fair Event Descriptions

Public Program – Saturday, April 6, 2024 at 1:00 PM, Cresco Community Chapel, Cresco

**All Spring Fair Exhibitors will share their talents again during the Mighty Howard County Fair and at that time each 4-H'er will receive their ribbon(s).**

### **Educational Presentations:**

(scheduled by the Extension Office; 8:30-Noon)

- Opportunity for 4-H'ers to demonstrate communication skills by presenting knowledge, information, or a process to an audience in order to gain a desired response
- Maybe given by one or more 4-H'ers – teams consisting of youth in mixed grades will be entered in the class of the member in the highest grade level
- Maximum length of presentations: Juniors – 15 minutes and Intermediate/Senior – 20 minutes
- Use of sanitary, safe procedures and methods is always, particularly if food samples are available to audience
- Presenters are expected to comply with all copyright/trademark regulations. Copyrighted material may not be distributed without permission.
- Members in grades 5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> are eligible to represent Howard County at the Iowa State Fair in August

### **Working Exhibits:** (scheduled by the Extension Office; 11:30 AM-12:15 PM)

- Opportunity for 4-H'ers to communicate, interact with, and teach an audience in an informal and experiential way
- May be given by one or more 4-H'ers – teams consisting of youth in mixed grades will be entered in the class of the member in the highest grade level
- Use of sanitary, safe procedures and methods, particularly if food samples are available to audience
- Presenters are expected to comply with all copyright/trademark regulations. Copyrighted material may not be distributed without permission.
- Members in grades 5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> are eligible to represent Howard County at the Iowa State Fair in August

### **Share-the-Fun:** (scheduled by the Extension Office; 8:30-11:30 AM)

- Opportunity for 4-H'ers to share their skills and talents before an audience purely for the sake of enjoyment
- May not exceed 8 minutes in length
- Members in grades 5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> are eligible to represent Howard County at the State Fair in August. Those selected for the State Fair will perform in the Spring Fair afternoon public program.

### **Clothing Selection:** (family calls Extension Office to schedule evaluation time)

- Select and/or purchase an outfit that represents the 4-H'ers goal or intended use for the selected outfit.
- Have had individual planned or county experience(s) in choosing shopping alternatives, evaluating fit, quality and construction features, price, and cost comparison.
- Members 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades are eligible to be selected to represent Howard County at the Iowa State Fair.

### **Fashion Revue:** (family calls Extension Office to schedule evaluation time)

- Model a garment or outfit the participant has constructed, hand-knitted, machine-knitted, or crocheted during the current year 4-H year.
- A garment or outfit consisting of one to three pieces such as party clothes, tailored suits, vest, slacks, shirt, skirt, active sportswear and/or coats are acceptable as entries
- Blouses, shirts, and sweaters are usually considered as garments. If they are used to complete the outfit, they may be constructed or selected.
- All other accessories and undergarments may be constructed or selected
- Members 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades are eligible to be selected to represent Howard County at the Iowa State Fair.

### **The \$20 Clothing Challenge:** (family calls Extension Office to schedule evaluation time)

- Purchase an outfit that represents the 4-H'ers goal or intended use for the purchased outfit.
- Have had individual planned or county experience(s) in choosing shopping alternatives, evaluating fit, quality and construction features, price, and cost comparison.
- Outfits must be purchased at a garage sale, consignment store, or resale shop (i.e. Goodwill, Salvation Army, Unique Boutique, and other stores of this type.)
- Receipts must be turned in with the report form.
- Members 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades are eligible to be selected to represent Howard County at the Iowa State Fair.

### **Innovative Design Class -**

This class encourages creativity and out of the box thinking in creating an outfit. Can be Theatrical, costume play, wearable technology, sustainable/upcycled fashion, accessible fashion, and/or outfits that use unconventional materials. Showcased as a worn garment model by the exhibitor or by the individual it was designed for. Exhibitor may make their own garment entirely, or permanently alter the silhouette of pre-existing materials through some method of permanent alteration or addition.

At Spring Fair clothing projects will be modeled during the public program before results are shared with the participants.