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Iowa 4-H Mission

4-H empowers youth to reach their full potential through youth-adult partnerships and research-based experiences.

Iowa 4-H Vision

Preparing Iowa's youth to be successful, contributing members of society.



2019 Southern Iowa Fair

Planning to exhibit at the 2019 Southern Iowa Fair? NOW is the time to prepare yourself. Please do not wait until the last minute. Being prepared for the county fair is the best thing you can do to have an enjoyable fair experience!

Monday, July 15

Non-Livestock 4-H Exhibit Judging will be held on Monday, July 15 in the Exhibit Hall and 4-H Building from 8:30-2:30 PM. This judging is also referred to as Static Exhibit Judging. Please see your 4-H & FFA Fair Rule Booklet on pages 40-51 for full class descriptions and more details about preparing exhibits for the fair. Several livestock weigh-ins and check-ins will also take place on Monday, July 15, so please check out the schedule on page 9 of this newsletter. If you are involved in several fair events, please check the schedule and create your own family schedule for fair week, #organization! Additionally, the Llama and Dog Shows will take place on Monday.

Tuesday, July 17

4-H Horticulture Judging will take place in the 4-H Building between 2:00-4:00 PM. Full details can be found on pages 52-53 of the 4-H & FFA Fair Rule Booklet.

Clover Kids Corner

Registration for the Summer Fun Day is now closed. The Clover Kids Summer Fun Day will be held on **Friday, June 21** from **9:00 AM-4:00 PM** in the Auditorium of the Extension office and at the fairgrounds, weather permitting.

Clover Kids are eligible to participate in the Southern Iowa Fair. They may bring up to 5 exhibits in the Exhibit Hall, Pets in the Pet Show, and a Dog in the Dog Show (must complete the required 4-H & Clover Kids Dog Classes to be eligible). Dogs must have been pre-registered in 4hOnline Animal Identification by May 15.

Clover Kids will receive tickets to the Key Coop BBQ and Chamber & Farm Bureau BBQ during the Summer Fun Day. If you are unable to attend the Summer Fun Day and plan to exhibit at the fair, please contact Ashtin for additional details and to request BBQ tickets.

If you have any other questions about Clover Kids, please contact Ashtin Harris at acharris@iastate.edu or 673-5841 ext. 11.

2019-20 Clover Kids will begin in October.

Clover Kids Judging & Hall Monitoring

Clover Kids have their own assigned exhibit judging time during the Southern Iowa Fair. Clover Kids may bring their exhibits (no more than 5) to the Exhibit Hall on **Monday, July 15** for judging from 2:00-3:00 PM. Clover Kids must wear a Clover Kids shirt for exhibit judging. If you need an additional shirt, a limited quantity of various sizes are available at the Extension office for \$15.00 each. Clover Kids shirts must be worn for exhibit judging, Dog Show, and Pet Show. All Clover Kids exhibiting at the fair will receive a special participation ribbon. Exhibits will remain on display in the Exhibit Hall for the duration of the fair and can be removed from display between 8:00-9:00 PM on Saturday, July 20 or between 1:00-3:00 PM on Sunday, July 21.

Clover Kids members, leaders, and parents are asked to cover a shift for monitoring the Exhibit Hall/4-H Building.

Friday, July 19 (4-H Building)

6:00-8:00 PM—AgMechTech Clover Kids

Saturday, July 20 (Exhibit Hall)

9:00-11:00 AM—North Mahaska Clover Kids

11:00 AM-1:00 PM—Oskaloosa/Osky Christian Clover Kids

1:00-3:00 PM—Eddyville Clover Kids

3:00-5:00 PM—Fremont Clover Kids

4-H & Clover Kids Clothing Event

The 4-H & Clover Kids Awardrobe Clothing Event Judging will take place on **Tuesday, June 18th** between 3:00-5:30 PM in the Auditorium of the Extension office.

Clover Kids may bring 1 outfit for each category they choose. 4-H'ers may bring an unlimited number of outfits for each category.

Categories include Clothing Selection (purchased garment), \$15 Challenge (purchased garment from consignment or garage sale totaling under \$15), and Fashion Revue (constructed garment). Registrations are due to the Extension office by **Friday, June 7th**. Report forms will be emailed to participants after the June 7 deadline, if you'd like copies mailed to you please let Amy know by calling 641-673-5841 or emailing vermeerA@iastate.edu. Report forms are also located on our website at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska/page/4-h-fair-award-forms> (scroll down to Clothing Event Information).

4-H Livestock Rules (4H 202)

If you plan to exhibit livestock at the county or state fair in 2019, please read the 4H 202 document very thoroughly. The 4H 202 can be found at <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/194.pdf>. It includes important information for each species, including identification requirements. It is the responsibility of the 4-H family to read these requirements and abide by the rules set by the county and state 4-H program.

Poultry Exhibitor Information

Pullorum Testing is required to be completed prior to the fair. Currently, Pullorum Testing is scheduled for **Saturday, June 15** between **9:00-11:00 AM** on the Southern Iowa Fairgrounds. This excludes doves and pigeons. Cost is 25¢ per bird. There is a nationwide shortage of pullorum antigen, so this testing may either be postponed or cancelled. We will post on Facebook and email those on our Poultry ID list once we know more about obtaining the antigen. If you have any questions about pullorum testing or exhibiting Poultry, please contact Helena Hayes at 641-673-0876 or Lindsay Maxwell at 641-660-3246.

Horse Project Information

Every 4-H & FFA member who plans to exhibit horses, ponies, or mules at the 2019 Southern Iowa Fair must complete at least 1 *clinic and 2 *ride nights to gain eligibility to exhibit at the county fair.

The first Tuesday of each month, starting in April, will be a Mahaska County 4-H Horse Clinic. The third Tuesday of each month, starting in April, will be a Mahaska County 4-H Horse Ride Night. Youth must bring horses and ride for the Ride Night to count. Clinics and Ride Nights will be held at the Outdoor Arena on the Southern Iowa Fairgrounds, unless otherwise noted. Clinics and Ride Nights will begin at 6:30 p.m.

REMAINING CLINICS:

June 4 - Trail/Obstacle Clinic

REMAINING RIDE NIGHTS:

*June 18—Speed Classes Ride Night
Makeup Ride Night Date TBA*

An optional Pre-Fair Vet Check will be held this summer. Details can be found on page 5 of this newsletter.

All clinics and ride nights will be open at 6:30 p.m. on the scheduled date, if no one arrives within 15 minutes, the superintendents and speakers will leave and the event will be over. *A Horse Project Facebook group has been created, please search for Mahaska County FFA & 4H Project.*

* Approved clinics must be offered by the Mahaska County 4-H Horse Superintendents or pre-approved by the Mahaska County 4-H Horse Superintendents. Photo proof of exhibitor attending other event must be emailed to the 4-H Horse Superintendent group at:

Jennifer Fynaardt – jenniferfynaardt@gmail.com, 402-917-0533
Lisa Fields – feldsL599@gmail.com, 563-212-2905
Jennifer Hoy – jenncnolan@hotmail.com, 641-436-6323

* Approved ride nights must be offered by the Mahaska County 4-H Horse Superintendents, Mahaska County Saddle Club Fun Show, or Mahaska County Saddle Club Barrel Series. Exhibitors MUST ride horses for these to count as a Ride Night. Photos of exhibitors riding at the Mahaska County Saddle Club events must be submitted to the 4-H Horse Superintendent group at the addresses above.

Bucket/Bottle Animal Packets

Project packets must be completed for Bucket/Bottle animals and are available at the Extension office and on our website at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska/page/livestock-exhibiting-information>. We have recently revised the Bottle Lamb & Goat packet. All bucket/bottle animals must have been identified in 4hOnline on May 15, 2019. You may have identified more than one bucket/bottle animal, but may only exhibit one of each at the fair. All Bucket/Bottle animal packets (along with 2 black & white copies) are due to the Extension office by 4:30 p.m. on **Friday, July 5th**. **Bottle Lambs and Goats did not need to attend the weigh-in this year.**

Horse Vet Check Options

Thursday, July 11—Optional Pre-Fair Vet Check 6:30 PM

This vet check will be held at the Southern Iowa Fairgrounds. Horses will be checked by a vet and Official Health Papers will be provided free of charge. Papers will be good for county and state fair (if needed). Exhibitors taking part in this option will be able to arrive at the fair and check in with the 4-H horse superintendents, since they have already been checked by a vet.

Tuesday, July 16—Fair Check-in 4:00-6:00 PM

Horses will be checked (trailer to trailer—park to the west of the Horse Barns) by an Official Fair Veterinarian. Horses can stand outside of the trailer, but may not check into stalls until the vet has checked them over. Exhibitors may use the wait time to bring tack, bedding, etc. to the stalls. Official Health Papers will not be issued.

Alternate Options

Families may schedule an appointment with their own vet (within 30 days of fair) to receive Official Health Papers and present those papers to the 4-H Horse Superintendents at fair check-in.

Pre-Fair Superintendent Meeting

All livestock superintendents are invited to attend the Pre-Fair meeting to set stall assignments on **Tuesday, July 9 at 7:00 PM** in the DAV Building.

Summer Fun Day Camps

We are still accepting registrations for our upcoming Summer Fun Day Camps! Don't hesitate, these camps fill quickly!
Visit www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska to find a registration form.

Remaining Camp Openings:

June 22 – Cooking 101 – 3rd-4th graders - \$20.00 (Limit 12)

Registration deadline—June 7

June 24-25 – STEAMblast – 3rd-5th graders - \$25.00 (Limit 24)

Registration deadline—June 7

JULY 22-23 – Drone Discovery – 6th-8th graders - \$25.00 (Limit 10)

Registration deadline—June 28

4-H Summer Fun Day Camps will be coordinated by Holly Hanselman and Megan Ver Steegh. Both have degrees in education and are excited for the fun day camps and 4-H activities this summer!

Teen Council Meeting

The next Teen Council meeting will be held on **Monday, June 10 at 7:00 PM** in the Extension office. We will discuss 4-H Summer Activities, the Southern Iowa Fair, and Changes for next year's Teen Council. Attendance at this meeting is required, your input is NEEDED and VALUED!

Annual Volunteer Training

If you missed the Annual Volunteer Training on May 1st, please contact Amy soon so you can complete the online training. All 4-H & Clover Kids Leader Training must be completed by June 30th! Those who do not complete the annual training will need to be re-screened and must complete the New Volunteer Training next year.

New Volunteer Training

If you have not yet completed the New Volunteer Training, please plan to attend an upcoming training. Ottumwa will host a training on **Sunday, June 2nd** and the Region 14 training in Montezuma on **Saturday, September 21st**. Details and registration links are at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/volunteertraining>.

4-H Club Financial Policy Update

VERY IMPORTANT—PLEASE READ!

Club Accounts must be transferred to the Extension office **THIS MONTH**. We must have the following items in order to transfer your account:

- 4-H Club Deposit Form
- Most recent bank statement that matches the amount of the check being provided to the Extension office
- Transfer must be made in-person, feel free to call the Extension office to set up an appointment so we have plenty of time available to go over all of the details with you.

4-H Club Financial forms and details can be found at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska/page/club-support> (scroll down to UPDATED 4-H Club Financial Information.)

Dr. John Lawrence, VP of ISU Extension and Outreach would like to have a large number of clubs transitioned by June 30, 2019.

Fair Judging Schedule

The full club judging schedule for Monday, July 15 static exhibit judging is below; if you are unable to be present during your club's assigned time, please make prior arrangements with Amy by calling 641-673-5841 or emailing vermeerA@iastate.edu.

8:15 AM—Teen Council

8:45 AM—Garfield Boosters

Harrison Hustlers

10:00 AM—Harrison Zippers

Heartland Helpers

11:00 AM—Independent 4-H

Jefferson Go-Getters

11:30 AM—Leighton Strivers

Mahaska Masters

12:30 PM—M&M Peppy Pals

Spring Creek Achievers

West Des Moines Livewires

1:30 PM—Adams Champs

Cedar Livestock

YQCA for Livestock Exhibitors

We are now using YQCA (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals) for all livestock exhibitors—**4-H & FFA**. YQCA is required for anyone planning to exhibit Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep, Beef, Dairy, Swine, Myotonic Goats, or Meat Goats. It is not required for Bucket/Bottle animals, Dog, Llama, Horses, or Pets.

Those who are certified for the FSQA Test are good until the current test certification expires. Once that date expires, exhibitors must complete YQCA online. YQCA is an online training that can be completed at home or at the Extension office (by appointment). Cost to take the online training is \$12.00 each year. Those who complete a financial aid application at the Extension office will automatically receive a coupon code to use.

YQCA must be completed by **JULY 1** for members to be eligible to exhibit livestock at the county and/or state fair. The YQCA online program includes three components for each topic (food safety, animal well-being, and character development): 1) knowledge building, 2) skills lab, 3) quiz for each content topic, and are designed specifically for each age group. The online program is very interactive, bright, colorful, relatable, and fun! More information can be found at <http://yqca.org/about/curriculum>.

A Help Sheet is available at the Extension office and at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska/page/livestock-exhibiting-information>.

Carcass Beef Contest

Those who verified cattle in December for the Carcass Beef Contest will need to attend the Live Evaluation and Locker Evaluation later this year.

Live Evaluation—Monday, June 17 9:00 AM

Fairgrounds Scale

Locker Evaluation—Wednesday, June 26 1:00 PM

Leighton Processed Meats

Members and Parents are encouraged to attend both evaluations. Patrick Wall, ISU Extension and Outreach Beef Specialist, will be present at both evaluations to answer questions and provide participants with more information. Participants will want to bring a jacket to the Locker Evaluation. Please have all of the meat arrangements made prior to the Locker Evaluation so you can provide the locker with that information before leaving.

Tentative 4-H & FFA Fair Schedule

Monday, July 15

7:00-9:30 AM - Swine Weigh-in at scale
8:30 AM-2:30 PM - 4-H Static Exhibit Judging in Exhibit Hall & 4-H Building
9:00-11:00 AM - Poultry Check-in in Poultry barn
9:30 AM - Advanced Cattle Feeder Pen Weigh-in at scale
10:00 AM - Advanced Cattle Feeder Interviews at pens
10:00-11:30 AM - Sheep Weigh-in at scale
10:30 AM - Advanced Lamb Feeder Pen Interviews at pens
10:00 AM-Noon - Rabbit Check-in at cages
1:00-2:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Bottle Lamb & Goat Check-in in barns
1:00-2:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Myotonic Goat & Bottle Lamb & Goat Check-in at pens
2:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Llama Show in Pavilion
4:00-5:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Meat Goat Weigh-in at scale & Breeding Check-in at stalls
by 6:00 PM - Dairy Check-in at Dairy stalls w/Superintendents
by 6:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Bucket/Bottle Calf Check-in at Stalls with Superintendents
6:00 PM - 4-H, FFA, and Clover Kids Dog Show in Pavilion
6:00-8:00 PM - Beef Weigh-in at scale, Breeding Check-in at West end of B/B Barn

Tuesday, July 16

9:00 AM - 4-H & FFA Poultry Show Sale Ring
9:00 -11:00 AM & 12:00-2:00 PM - Communications: Educational Presentation, Share the Fun, & Extemporaneous Speaking Judging at Free Stage
1:00 PM - Advanced Feeder Pen Conferences in DAV Building
2:00-4:00 PM - 4-H Horticulture Judging in 4-H Building
3:00-4:30 PM - 4-H & FFA Bottle Lamb & Goat Interviews in DAV Building
4:00-6:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Horse Check-in at barns
6:00 PM - Mandatory 4-H & FFA Horse Exhibitor Meeting at check-in area
6:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Swine Show in Pavilion

Wednesday, July 17

8:00 AM - 4-H & FFA Sheep Show in Pavilion
10:00-11:00 AM - Farm Safety Stations
11:30 AM - 4-H & FFA Bottle Goat Show in Pavilion
12:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Bottle Lamb Show in Pavilion
9:00 AM-Noon - Communications: Working Exhibit Judging at Free Stage
12:30-2:15 PM - 4-H & FFA Dairy Show in Pavilion
1:00-3:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Bucket/Bottle Calf Interviews in DAV Building
2:00-4:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Meat Goat Show in Pavilion
3:00-4:00 PM - Farm Safety Stations
6:00-7:00 PM - Farm Safety Stations
6:30 PM - 4-H & FFA Rabbit Show in Sale Ring

Thursday, July 18

5:00 AM approx. - Swine on truck, weather permitting
8:00 AM-Noon approx. - 4-H & FFA Beef Show in Pavilion
1:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Bucket/Bottle Calf Show in Pavilion
2:00 PM - 4-H & FFA Myotonic Goat Show in Pavilion
3:00-4:00 PM - 4-H & Clover Kids Pet Show at Free Stage
5:00-6:00 PM - MCARD & Farm Bureau BBQ in Pavilion
6:00 PM - Barnyard Games in Pavilion

Friday, July 19

8:00 AM - 4-H & FFA Horse Show at Outdoor Arena
Auction Animal Verification in Fair Board Office – by 10:00 AM, NO EXCEPTIONS!
Must have affidavit (Market Beef, Meat Goats, Market Lambs, Rabbits, & Poultry) on file at Fair Board Office for animal to be eligible for the auction!
1:30-2:00 PM - Livestock Judging Contest Registration in Pavilion
2:00 PM - Livestock Judging Contest in Pavilion
5:00 PM - Supreme Livestock Showmanship Contest in Pavilion
8:00 PM - Non-Auction Livestock Released (*no early release due to weather*)

Saturday, July 20

4-H Office will be CLOSED
8:00 AM - Livestock Auction (following Buyer's Breakfast) in Sale Ring
8:00-9:00 PM - Non-Livestock Exhibits Released from Exhibit Hall & 4-H Building

Sunday, July 21

Animals Must Be Gone by 5:00 PM
Exhibits Must Be Gone between 1:00-3:00 PM in the Exhibit Hall & 4-H Building

This schedule is subject to change due to conflicts and weather.

Dog Classes

Dog Classes began in April. First year dogs must attend at least 8 of the Mahaska County 4-H offered classes and second year+ dogs must attend at least 6 of the Mahaska County 4-H offered classes to be eligible to exhibit at the Southern Iowa Fair.

Complete Dog Class Schedule:

April 22 & 29
May 6, 13, 20, & 28
June 3, 10, 17, & 24
July 1 & 8
Fair Show July 15

Classes will be held at the Southern Iowa Fairgrounds from 6:00-7:30 p.m. each week.

Clover Kids Dog Classes began on May 6 and follow the same schedule listed above.

Please contact a Dog Superintendent with any questions:

Regina Hoy—641-660-0772
Sharis Claver—641-799-4085
Jennifer Hoy—641-436-6323
LaCinda Shilling—641-295-4478
Crystal Salfen (Clover Kids)—641-670-0410

Southern Iowa Fair Contact Info

If you would like to inquire about camping, renting a fairgrounds building, or exhibiting in the Open Class at the Southern Iowa Fair, please contact Erica Antolik at the Southern Iowa Fair office at 641-673-7004 or email sifair@mahaska.org.

Free Event Ticket at Fair

Mahaska County 4-H & FFA members will receive 1 free ticket to the Tuesday night races or the Demo Derby on Friday night. Tickets are being donated by the Southern Iowa Fair Board, please collect your ticket from the Fair Board Office during the fair and remember to thank the Fair Board!

Post-Fair Meeting

Save the date for the Post-Fair meeting on Wednesday, July 31 from 7:00-8:00 PM at the Mahaska County Extension office. Fair comments will be shared, reviewed, and discussed at this meeting. RSVP is not required.

Prepare for Fair Workshop

Static Exhibits—Prepare for Fair Workshop

Friday, June 28

Noon-1:00 PM

FREE (Mahaska County 4-H members only)

Stop by the Extension office with your fair exhibits and receive all of the forms and tags you need for the fair. This is a great time to determine classes for the exhibits you're unsure about.

RSVP is required by Friday, June 21.

We must have at least 5 RSVPs in to hold this workshop.

Call 641-673-5841 or email vermeerA@iastate.edu to RSVP.

Livestock Showmanship Workshops

If you have experience with livestock showmanship and are interested in leading a workshop prior to the fair, please contact Ashtin Harris at acharris@iastate.edu. We would love to be able to offer some livestock workshops prior to the fair!

Exhibit Building Clean-up & Set-up

Thursday, July 11

5:00-7:00 PM

Southern Iowa Fairgrounds

Exhibit Hall & 4-H Building

We will meet in the Exhibit Hall to start cleaning and setting up exhibit display booths, tables, and chairs and will eventually move to the 4-H Building to do the same.

Please note that the Teen Council will be setting up the club booths, but feel free to stop in and help out!

Clubs may come in and decorate their booths from 6:00-7:00 PM on July 11 or during exhibit judging on Monday, July 15.

Exhibit booths must be ready for display by 8:00 AM on Tuesday, July 16.

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4-H & FFA Fair Rule Booklets

4-H Leaders have been provided with the requested 4-H & FFA Fair Rule Booklets. The updated fair booklet has been posted to www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska/page/4-h-fair-award-forms.

Mahaska County 4-H App

>>>DOWNLOAD THIS APP, PLEASE<<<

The NEW Mahaska County 4-H App is available in the Google Play Store and Apple Store!

This app is FREE and includes direct links to many, many helpful resources, including the 4-H & FFA Fair Rule Booklet, newsletter, YQCA, 4hOnline, Facebook, and more! You won't regret adding this app to your phone or tablet, especially at fair time!

State Fair Livestock Exhibitor Info

All Iowa State Fair registrations for livestock, small animals, and horticulture will need to be completed by July 1st. Register at <https://fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/2672> (Open from June 1-July 1). Iowa State Fair Livestock information can be found at www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/statefair/livestock.

Fair "Help Me!" Guide

Anyone new to 4-H or needing a refresher will want to check out the Mahaska County Fair Help Me Guide. This guide is available at the Extension office and at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska/sites/www.extension.iastate.edu/files/mahaska/HelpGuide%2019.pdf>.

Check Your Cattle!

The Beef Superintendents would like to remind you to be on the lookout for warts and/or ringworm. If you're needing help with a remedy, please contact a Beef Superintendent. Also, don't forget that No Fit calves cannot be clipped prior to fair. If they have been clipped, they can be shown at the fair but will be moved to the market steer or commercial heifer class.

Communications Event Entry Due 6/14!

Do you enjoy giving presentations, interacting with and teaching kids, or sharing your talents? Then you should sign up for the Communications Event! This event is open to ANY Mahaska County 4-H member. The registration deadline is **Friday, June 14**. The entry form can be found at the Extension office and online at:

<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska/sites/www.extension.iastate.edu/files/mahaska/Communications%20Entry%20Form%202019.pdf>.

Categories include:

Share-the-Fun—Share a talent or skill (play an instrument, share a prose, dance, sing, do a skit, etc.); can be done as an individual, pair, or group

Educational Presentation—Share your knowledge with others by giving an on-stage presentation about a topic of your choice. Presentations can include posters or *electronic visual aids (video, Powerpoint, etc.); can be done as an individual, pair, or small group. *Please check in advance with the Extension office to make sure your electronics are compatible with the projector.

Working Exhibit—Teach others how to do something. This is an interactive educational exhibit that is done at tables (not on stage). Exhibits can be done as an individual, pair, or small group.

Extemporaneous Speaking—Prepare and give an educational speech about a selected topic (prepared and shared during the fair). This category is only open to 4-H'ers who have completed 9th-12th grade.

Full details for the 4-H Communications Event can be found in the 2019 4-H & FFA Fair Rule Booklet on pages 56-58.

Supreme Showmanship Sponsors

If you would like to become a sponsor for the Supreme Showmanship Contest at the fair, please contact Ashtin at the Extension office. Minimum sponsorship is \$25.00. Ashtin can be reached by phone at 641-673-5841 or email at acharris@iastate.edu.

Sheep & Goat Scrapie Tag Requirements

IF YOU ARE GOING TO EXHIBIT SHEEP AND/OR GOATS AT THE SOUTHERN IOWA FAIR, PLEASE READ THOROUGHLY!

Animals arriving at the fair without scrapie tags in place will not be permitted to be exhibited!

Sheep & Goats (Meat, Dairy, Myotonic) -

All sexually intact sheep must have an individual Scrapie Flock of Origin identification tag (Ex. IA] 234-5678) or another official Scrapie tag. All sexually intact goats must be identified with an individual Scrapie Flock of Origin identification tag (Ex. IA 1234-5678), another official Scrapie tag, or by an official tattoo registered with USDA (to register, call 1-866-USDA-TAG; 1-866-873-2824). Wethers less than 18 months of age are required to have an individual identification and a scrapie tag may be used, but a scrapie tag is not required, unless going through the auction at the fair.

Livestock Drug Affidavits

The Livestock Affidavits are the Iowa 4-H Animal Care and Management Disclosure Statements (records of your animal's medication/treatments). **These forms are due by no later than 10:00 AM on Friday, July 19 in the FAIR BOARD OFFICE at the fairgrounds.** These forms are required for 4-H & FFA animals in the following species:

Poultry, Rabbit, Market Lambs, Beef, Swine, Meat Goats, and Horses ONLY. Horse Affidavits can be turned in at the Vet Check prior to fair or during fair check-in. Animals will not be permitted to sell in the Fair Auction without this form! Forms can be obtained at the Extension office and online at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/mahaska/page/livestock-exhibiting-information>.

Auction Verification at Fair

Anyone planning to sell 4-H or FFA animals at the Southern Iowa Fair must verify those animals in the FAIR BOARD OFFICE by **10:00 AM on Friday, July 19, NO EXCEPTIONS!** If you have any questions about the auction, please call 641-673-7004 or email sifair@mahaska.org.

4-H & FFA Youth Shows Sponsorship

The Southern Iowa Fair is quickly approaching and our 4-H and FFA members are working very hard to complete their projects and create exhibits to be judged at the county fair. To provide a quality experience for the youth, we hire judges with experience and training in youth development for our exhibiting classes. The judges that we hire come at a price and we are in need of 4-H and FFA Fair Judge Sponsors. The average livestock judge's fee is around \$300.00 and the average non-livestock judge's fee is around \$150.00. Last year, the 4-H and FFA judges' fees totaled around \$5,000.

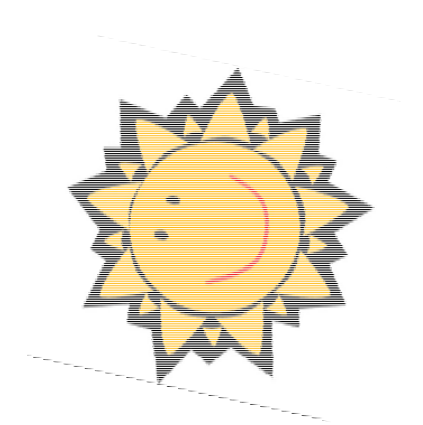
Another cost of the youth shows at the Southern Iowa Fair is premiums. Each 4-H and FFA member receives money for the ribbons they earn. Purple and blue ribbons are \$2.00 each, red ribbons are \$1.00 each, and white ribbons are \$.50 each. Last year, the premium payout for 4-H and FFA youth was just under \$3,000.

The final cost of the youth shows at the Southern Iowa Fair is awards and recognition. Trophies, banners, plaques, and ribbons are awarded to those who do very well in their fair classes. These materials are purchased early and locally to save on the cost but still end up costing quite a bit. The awards and recognition items have been paid for by local sponsors in the past. We are no longer asking for specific trophy donors, but are asking for 4-H and FFA Youth Show Sponsors. Last year, we spent over \$5,500 on trophies, plaques, banners, and ribbons.

We have set up sponsorship levels for the 4-H and FFA Youth Shows Fund and the levels are as follows:

- Platinum—\$1000.00 and above**
- Gold—\$500.00-\$999.00**
- Silver—\$250.00-\$499.00**
- Bronze—\$125.00-\$249.00**
- Contributing—\$75.00-\$124.00**

Each sponsor will be listed on the 4-H and FFA Youth Show Sponsors board at the Southern Iowa Fair (outside of the sale ring near the Pavilion), on posters that will be posted around the fairgrounds, on 4-H and Extension ads leading up to and following the fair, on show orders at the fair, and will be announced during the 4-H and FFA livestock shows. Recognition can be guaranteed if donations are received at the Extension office by **Friday, June 14, 2019**.



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