Dates to Remember

**JULY**

- **July 1**: Deadline to ID rabbits & poultry in 4HOnline
- **July 3**: Office Closed – 4th of July holiday observed
- **July 5**: Dog Practice – 5:00 PM @ fairgrounds
- **July 5**: Horse Practice – 6:00 PM @ fairgrounds arena
- **July 7**: Clothing Event Judging at office – 4:00-8:00 PM (will have scheduled times)
- **July 7**: 4-H Shooting Sports Mtg. – 6:30 PM @ Sportsman’s Park – please note change in date & time
- **July 9**: Communication Judging at office – starting at 2:00 PM (will have scheduled times)
- **July 10**: State Fair Livestock Entry Deadline
- **July 14**: Pre-fair Judging Day – all exhibits in Exhibits Building + flowers & Vegetables—9:00 AM-3:00 PM—please come at your assigned time
- **July 14-19**: PALO ALTO COUNTY FAIR
- **July 28**: 2020 Junior Day Camp w/ Pocahontas—Meredith Park—8:30AM-3:15PM

**AUGUST**

- Events will be announced as more details become available—I will put out a 4-H August newsletter around August 1st.

2020 Fair Special Edition: Iowa 4-H and FFA Livestock Show

In the spirit of tradition, the Iowa State Fairgrounds are excited to host the 2020 Fair Special Edition: Iowa 4-H and FFA Livestock Show. Held with the same prestige and competition found at the Iowa State Fair, this 2020 Special Edition will showcase the superior showmanship, hard work, and determination of Iowa’s 4-H and FFA youth. This Special Edition show will follow all Iowa Department of Public Health and CDC recommendations for social distancing, hand washing and sanitization, so although it will be held in August and on the Iowa State Fairgrounds, you may notice some “special” considerations for this stand-alone event.

Iowa 4-H Livestock State Fair website – https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/statefair/livestock - Premium Book rules, Schedule, Exhibitor Letters, and other information as the fair nears

4-H Livestock Schedule 2020
To order tickets to the State 4-H & FFA Livestock Shows – https://www.etix.com/ticket/p/7790691/2020-fair-special-editioniowa-4h-and-ffa-livestock-show-des-
State Fair 4-H Livestock Entries

These are due July 10th at 11:59 PM. State Fair livestock entries no longer go through our office. Exhibitors are to make entry online through the Fair Entry system. All payments, whether by check or credit card, will go directly to the State Fair Office. You will need to send a copy of your invoice along with your personal check if you use that payment method. The 2020 State Fair Entry is now open. Access the Fair Entry system using the link: https://iowastatefair4hlivestock.fairentry.com. A Family Help Sheet is also posted on the State Fair Livestock webpage.

4-H Show Iowa

We have just received word that a state level virtual celebration of 4-H Exhibits, Communications Events, and Awardrobe Clothing Selection will be held. 4-H Show Iowa will provide state level recognition to partially replace the loss of these opportunities due to the postponement of the 2020 Iowa State Fair.

Because of this announcement, Palo Alto County will still select exhibits for this special exhibition. We will submit exhibit photo(s) of the exhibit, an exhibit “write up” that provides responses to the three required questions, and a brief summary of the exhibit.

For communication events, video links will be submitted and an event report form will be uploaded. Awardrobe participants will provide photo(s), the event report form, and a style show narrative.

Ribbons will be awarded as in previous years through support of the Iowa 4-H Foundation. Outstanding exhibits and communication participants will be selected in all departments and will receive special recognition. (Exception—Share-the-Fun—participation only.) The Awardrobe event will continue to select five outstanding participants in each division.

A public showcase of all entries will be made available using the photos of entries and summary information. The intent to first release the public exhibition during the typical Iowa State Fair dates, August 13-23.

All information for 4-H Show Iowa will be posted to a new web page for this event—https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/2020-4-h-show-iowa.

Horse Practices

Horse practices are held weekly on Sunday evenings, beginning at 6:00 PM. Be sure you are attending these practices so you will know what to expect at the fair. Since we have new horse leaders, I would like all exhibitors who plan to show at the fair to attend at least one practice so the leaders know who and what they are working with.

Dog Obedience/Showmanship/Agility Practices

Practices are now being held weekly on Sunday evenings, beginning at 5:00 PM. Since they are starting a little later than usual this year, attendance at practices is important. Please attend as many practices as possible.

Clothing Event Judging

Our annual Clothing Event Judging will take place on Tuesday, July 7th @ 4:00 PM at the Extension Office. Sign up now to be a part of the Clothing Event! Participants can enter in any of the 3 categories – Fashion Revue (you sew your own garment), Clothing Selection (you purchase your own garment), or $15 Challenge (you purchase an outfit at a garage sale, consignment store, or resale shop for a cost of $15 or less, not including shoes, accessories, or undergarments). A judge will make award selections. For more information see the fair book. This is a fun and easy way to get new clothes and have a fair project! Clothing Event Registration Form

*Interviews will be scheduled and participants will need to pick up their award/ribbons from the office at a later date.

Communications Event Judging

Our annual Communications Event Judging will take place on Thursday, July 9th beginning at 2:00 PM at the Extension Office. Sign up now to be a part of this event! Exhibitors can learn how to improve their communication skills by doing an educational presentation, working exhibit, extemporaneous speaking, or a Share-the-Fun act! A judge will be on hand to give you helpful hints and award ribbons. School and club presentations make great educational presentations for this event. Share-the-Fun acts can include skits, speeches, vocal selections, instrumental pieces, dance recital pieces, etc. Need help coming up with a working exhibit? Pinterest has some great simple ideas that any 4-Her can teach to make!

*Entries will be scheduled and participants will need to pick up their awards/ribbons from the office at a later date.

2020 Judging Schedule For Non-Livestock Exhibits

Tuesday, July 14th

The 2020 static exhibit judging will be done a little differently this year. Judging will begin at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, July 14th and will continue to approximately 3:00 PM. We will be judging both static exhibits and horticulture exhibits (including George of the Jungle buckets) all on the same day. We will be using both the Exhibits Building and North Commercial Building to spread out people for easier physical distancing. We will NOT be judging Clover Kid exhibits this year. Exhibits considered for additional recognition may be held back for further evaluation – all other exhibits will receive a ribbon and be sent home immediately after judging.
Judging will be done as in the past in that one judge will judge all Clothing, another will judge all Food & Nutrition, etc., and exhibitors will have to get in the line that pertains to each one of their exhibits.

Other rules for 2020:
- Buildings will be closed to the public – only exhibitor and one parent will be allowed
- It is strongly recommended that volunteers, participants, and families use face coverings
- Exhibitors will be expected to physical distance while waiting to be judged
- Exhibitors will need to be patient so tables can be wiped off between exhibitors
- Exhibitors will be expected to adhere to their scheduled judging time
- Exhibitors will still need to fill out the Non-Livestock Entry Form and bring it with their exhibits the day of judging. That form will still need to be turned in to the front desk before leaving. Exhibitors will be asked to not leave until we have a photo of them with each of their exhibits.
- There will be 5 judges per building. Exhibitors will need to wait outside until given directions to enter the building.
- Any individual (parent or exhibitor) who is currently experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 or has been in recent contact with an individual who has shown symptoms should not enter the fairgrounds for any reason.

8:30-9:00: Judges’ Briefing
8:45: Judges’ Helpers Briefing
9:00-10:00: All exhibitors whose last name begins with the letters A-F
10:00-11:00: All exhibitors whose last name begins with the letters G-L
11:00-12:00: All exhibitors whose last name begins with the letters M-R
12:00-12:45: Lunch for Judges & Judges Helpers
1:00-2:00: All exhibitors whose last name begins with the letters S-Z
2:00-3:00: Finish up judging and clean up Building

Fair Animal/Livestock Judging Schedule

Pet Show – Tuesday, July 14th beginning @ 3:00 PM
Bucket/Bottle Calf Interviews & Show – Tuesday, July 14th – interviews beginning at 5:00 PM – show at 6:30 PM
Bottle Lamb/Meat Goat Interviews & Show – Tuesday, July 14th – interviews to follow bucket/bottle calf interviews (approximately 5:30 PM) – show to follow Bucket/Bottle Calf Show at approximately 7:00 PM
Rabbit Show – Wednesday, July 15th – beginning at 6:30 PM
Dog Show – Thursday, July 16th – beginning at 9:00 AM

Poultry Show – Thursday, July 16th – beginning at 6:30 PM
Swine Show – Friday, July 17th – beginning at 9:00 AM – weigh-in from 6:30-8:00 AM
Sheep Show – Friday, July 17th – beginning at 6:30 PM – weigh-in from 5:00-5:30 PM
Meat Goat Show – Friday, July 17th – immediately following sheep show – weigh-in from 5:00-5:30 PM
Horse Show (Performance & Game Classes) – Saturday, July 18th – beginning at 9:00 AM
Beef Show – Saturday, July 18th – beginning at 9:30 AM – weigh-in from 7:00-8:00 AM
Feeder Pen Show – weigh-in on Saturday, July 18th from 7:00-8:00 PM – show on Sunday, July 19th beginning at 9:00 AM

Fair Entry Forms

Just a quick note that all fair forms are now on our website at www.extension.iastate.edu/paloalto/4h. Scroll down the page and look for the heading “Fair Entry Forms” and “Fair Help Sheets”. If I missed something, please let me know.

2020 Palo Alto County Fair Book

The 2020 Fair Book is now completed and is on our website at www.extension.iastate.edu/paloalto/4h. This is a must see if you plan to bring exhibits to the Palo Alto County Fair. The fair book includes rules, fair classes and descriptions, premiums, etc. Please use this updated version and read before you exhibit! There were a number of changes in the non-livestock classes.

Food for Iowa 4-H Fairs – this publication has been updated so please use this one as you plan your food exhibits for fair.
https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/6434

Copyright Info for Fair – Here is a video explaining copyright. You can access the video here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O8N_X2sRvtyk&feature=youtu.be. For a matrix to help with copyright click here. As you prepare fair exhibits please take a look at these important pieces and if this doesn’t answer your questions feel free to ask.

Fair T-shirts

Exhibitors will still be required to wear a fair exhibitor T-shirt when showing at the fair just like in the past. Again this year all new 4-H & FFA exhibitors will receive a free exhibitor T-shirt. 4-Hers must have a static or livestock exhibit to qualify for the free T-shirt. Additional T-shirts will be available for a cost of $8.00. This year we will ask exhibitors to purchase/pick up T-shirts from our office since the fair office will not be open to the public.
NEW for Fair: “Put Your Best Face Mask Forward” Contests

As a way to make the wearing of face masks a bit more fun, we are introducing the one-time only best face mask contests for 4-Hers at the Palo Alto County Fair. There will be two divisions, mask wearing and mask sewing. There will be no age breakdowns within the divisions as juniors, intermediates, and seniors will all compete together.

Division 1: Mask Wearing – Just wear your favorite cloth face mask for static exhibit judging. Have your photo taken for the contest. Mask does not need to be created/sewn by the 4-Her. Origin of the mask is not a criteria. Use your creativity. Mask must cover mouth and nose.

Division 2: Mask Sewing – Mask must be sewn/created by exhibitor. This will be a challenge class type competition. Masks need to be have name and club attached (labels will be available at the fair). The mask is to be dropped off at your assigned judging time and left for judging at the end of the day. Sewing, functionality, and originality/personality will be included in the judging criteria. Contest is for mask only, no additional paperwork.

In both classes the top three masks will win a cash prize. There is no established criteria, subject to judge(s) opinion.

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George of the Jungle Contest

All 4-Hers are encouraged to participate in our George of the Jungle Contest again this year. Participants will use a 5-gallon pail as a planter. Participants may use any live plant material of their choice. The buckets will be judged on their creativity. The bucket itself may also be decorated and will be considered part of the entry. Buckets should be brought to the fair to be judged on Tuesday, July 14th with 4-Her’s other exhibits. Cash prizes will paid out to the top 5 buckets. After judging, buckets can be left to be displayed around the fairgrounds the rest of the week or taken home.

Red Star Yeast Donation

Red Star Yeast is donating prizes and yeast packages to be given to 4-Hers who exhibit a yeast product. We will have our Food & Nutrition judge pick the top 3 yeast products to receive the prizes and everyone else with a yeast project will receive some yeast to take home.

2020 Challenge Class for Food & Nutrition

Rules:
1. Open to all 4-H members & Clover Kids.
2. Entries in this class will not be eligible for state fair. A designated judge will judge all entries in the class and select winners. This class WILL be conferenced judged.

3. An entry should include 4 standard-sized muffins on a paper plate/flat piece of cardboard. Limit – one entry per exhibitor.

4. Entries should be brought to fairgrounds on judging day with their other exhibits.

5. 4-H members will need to include the fair entry tag/goal sheet with their entry (the same form that is used with their other exhibits – the one with the 3 questions). This should be attached in the same manner as with any of their other static exhibits.

6. All entries will receive a blue, red, or white ribbon. 4-Hers will receive a premium for their entry just like they do for their other entries: Blue - $2.00, Red - $1.50, White - $1.00

7. An overall champion and reserve champion will be selected from the entries. Medallions will be awarded to these top two entries.

Challenge Class Recipe: Please follow this recipe exactly:

Muffins Your Way

Ingredients:
- 1 cup all-purpose flour, sifted
- ¾ cup whole wheat flour (or other whole grain flour)
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- ¼ cup sugar
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 2 eggs, beaten
- ¼ cup melted butter
- ¼ cup milk

Variations:
With the last few strokes, add one or more of the following:
- ¼ cup nuts
- ½ cup shredded coconut
- ¼ cup raisins
- ¼ cup apples, chopped
- ¼ cup blueberries (drained if canned or frozen)
- ¼ cup grated cheese

Instructions:
1. Sift together the dry ingredients – flours, salt, sugar, and baking powder.
2. Beat the eggs in a separate bowl. Combine the melted butter and milk. Add to the eggs.
3. Make a well in the center of the dry ingredients and pour in the liquid ingredients. Stir the ingredients together until moistened (10-20 seconds only).
4. Fill greased muffin tins or paper-lined muffin tins two-thirds full.

Source – “Let’s Bake Quick Breads” - Ohio State University Extension

2020 Fair Auction

Due to the current situation with COVID-19 we will not
be holding a live livestock premium auction. Instead we
are starting a Livestock Project Premium Fund where any
individual or business wanting to donate to the auction will
have until noon on the last day of the fair (Sunday, July
19th this year) to make a donation. The pool of money will
be divided equally between all livestock exhibitors in beef,
sheep, swine, and meat goat. Youth exhibiting more than
one species will get one premium per specie shown at the
fair. 4-Hers/FFA members and their families are also en-
couraged to solicit donations to help get this fund growing.
Checks should be made out to the Palo Alto County Fair
Auction and can be sent or dropped off at the Palo Alto
County Extension Office at 2008 10th St., Emmetsburg or
they can be dropped off at the fair office during the fair.

Ribbon & Auction Premium
Distribution

We will open the office on Thursday evening, July 30th,
from 5:30-7:30 PM as one option for families to pick up
ribbon and auction premiums. Ribbon and auction premi-
sums can also be picked up at the Extension Office
from 9:00AM-4:30PM Monday through Friday starting Fri-
day, July 31st. Premiums not picked up by Monday, Aug.
31st will be forfeited to the fair general fund. NO ribbon/
auction premiums will be mailed out this year.

Fair Clarification

- Immediate family includes parents/guardians, grand-
parents, and siblings.
- If you need assistance from a non-family member for
fitting your animal this will be allowed at your trailer
site only.

County Council Recruitment

Now is the time for senior 4-Hers to consider being a
part of the Palo Alto 4-H County Council for 2020-2021.
It's a great way to promote 4-H activities, gain leadership
skills, get in on the planning of 4-H activities, and have
some fun with other 4-Hers in the county. Any 4-H'er
who will be entering 9th grade or above in the fall is
eligible. Please contact the Extension office if you are
interested. Applications will be available for pick-up at
the office or on the fairgrounds. We are losing some
very good members of our group so there will be plenty
of room for new members and their energy and enthusi-
asms!

2020 Palo Alto/Pocahontas Junior
Day Camp

On Tuesday, July 28th 4-Hers just completing 4th-6th
grades are encouraged to participate in the 2020 Palo
Alto/Pocahontas 4-H Junior Day Camp to be held at
Meredith Park (a.k.a. Plover Pit). 4-Hers from Palo Alto
and Pocahontas counties will come together to experi-
ence things like canoeing or kayaking, a conservation
program with James, and making a survival paracord
bracelet. For those who like to be creative there will be
T-shirt designing, painting decorative jars and terra cotta
pots, and sand castle building. This camp is sure to
have something for everyone!!! Pre-registration is re-
quired and is due July 13th to the Extension Office. Cost
is $20 which includes all craft supplies and an afternoon
snack. See enclosed brochure for more information and
to register.
2020 Palo Alto County Fair Judging Schedule

*This is our tentative schedule at this time and is subject to change. Keep watching for updates.

**Clothing Event Judging**
Date & Time: Tuesday, July 7, 2020 beginning at 4:00 PM
Location: Extension Office
- Will include Clothing Selection, Fashion Revue, & $15 Challenge for all 4-Hers
- Social distancing will be expected by all involved
- Wearing of face coverings will be strongly encouraged
- Only one adult should come with participant
- Participants will have scheduled times to come (must be signed up ahead of time) – should plan to come dressed (will be allowed to change in bathroom if they have a second outfit entered in the event)
- Upon completion of judging youth will have a photo taken to be used in newspaper and on Facebook
- Ribbons and evaluation forms will be mailed to participants after the event
- There will be no Style Show during the fair this year. Exhibitors are encouraged to use their clothing entry from this event as an exhibit on static exhibit judging day, though.

**Communications Event Judging**
Date & Time: Thursday, July 9, 2020 beginning at 2:00 PM
Location: Extension Office Meeting Room
- Will include Working Exhibits, Educational Presentations, Share-the-Fun, and Extemporaneous Speaking
- Social distancing will be expected by all involved
- Wearing of face coverings will be strongly encouraged with the exception of the presenter when presenting
- Exhibitor's immediate family only may be in the audience
- Participants will have scheduled times to come (must be signed up ahead of time) and will leave after visiting with the judge
- Upon completion of judging youth will have a photo taken to be used in newspaper and on Facebook
- Ribbons and evaluation forms will be mailed to participants after the event

**Static Exhibit Judging/Horticulture Judging**
Date & Time: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 beginning at 9:00 AM
Location: Exhibit Building & North Commercial Building
- Buildings will be closed to the public – only exhibitor and one adult will be allowed
- It is recommended that volunteers, participants, and families use face coverings
- Exhibitors will be expected to social distance while waiting to be judged
- Exhibitors will be expected to adhere to their scheduled judging time
- All exhibits, with the exception of those set back for State Fair and Junior Recognition consideration, will receive a ribbon and go home immediately after judging
- Exhibits set back will need to be picked up at another time during the fair
• There will be 5 judges per building. Exhibitors will need to wait at the door before entering each building.
  o Food & Nutrition
  o Home Improvement
  o Clothing & Fashion/Sewing & Needle Arts
  o Photography – 2 – limit of 5 photography entries per member for this year
  o SET/Ag & Natural Resources
  o Visual Arts & Music
  o Horticulture (flowers & vegetables)
  o Child Dev./Health/Consumer Mgmt./Personal Dev./Poster Art/Food Challenge Class
  o Wherever Needed Judge

Judging Schedule
- 8:30-9:00 AM  Judges’ Briefing
- 8:45 AM  Judges’ Helpers Briefing
- 9:00-10:00 AM  All exhibitors whose last name begins with the letters A-F
- 10:00-11:00 AM  All exhibitors whose last name begins with the letters G-L
- 11:00AM-12:00PM  All exhibitors whose last name begins with the letters M-R
- 12:00-12:45 PM  Lunch for Judges & Judges Helpers
- 1:00-2:00 PM  All exhibitors whose last name begins with the letters S-Z
- 2:00-3:00 PM  Finish up judging and clean up building

Livestock/Animal Shows

Pet Show (4-H/FFA only)
Date & Time: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 – beginning @ 3:00 PM
Location: pavilion
  • Show closed to the public – exhibitors’ immediate families only
  • No open class (K-3) this year
  • It is recommended that volunteers, participants, and families use face coverings
  • Exhibitors are required to wear the official 4-H/FFA exhibitor T-shirt to show in
  • No sharing of supplies/equipment outside of immediate family
  • Social distancing will be expected for all involved, including family watching in the pavilion
  • Exhibitors and pets should check in by 2:45 PM and will be released immediately after the show

Bucket/Bottle Calf Interviews & Show (4-H/FFA only)
Date & Time: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 – Interviews beginning at 5:00 PM – Show at 6:30 PM
Location: pavilion
  • Show closed to the public – exhibitors’ immediate families only
  • No open class (K-3) this year
  • No sharing of supplies/equipment outside of immediate family
  • It is recommended that volunteers, participants, and families use face coverings
  • Social distancing will be expected for all involved, including family watching in the pavilion
• Calves will not be put into pens on the fairgrounds but will instead stay in the trailer or tied just outside of the trailer until it is time for them to show. Only exhibitor and paperwork (no calf) for the interview portion – no spectators. Interviews will take place in the pavilion.
• Calves must be healthy. All calves must be free of warts, ringworm, or any other contagious or infectious conditions.
• All calves are to be halter broke and will be shown at halter.
• Exhibitors must not wear open-toed shoes (sandals, thongs, etc.) in the show ring.
• Exhibitors are required to wear the official 4-H/FFA exhibitor T-shirt to show in.
• All bucket/bottle calves will go home after the show.

**Bottle Lamb/Meat Goat Interviews & Show** (4-H/FFA only)
Date & Time: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 – Interviews to follow bucket/bottle calf interviews (approximately 5:30 PM) – Show at 7:00 PM following Bucket/Bottle Calf Show
Location: pavilion
• Show closed to the public – exhibitors' immediate families only
• No open class (K-3) this year
• No sharing of supplies/equipment outside of immediate family
• It is recommended that volunteers, participants, and families use face coverings
• Social distancing will be expected for all involved, including family watching in the pavilion
• Lamb/meat goats will not be put into pens on the fairgrounds but will instead stay in the trailer or tied just outside of the trailer until it is time for them to show. Only exhibitor and paperwork (no lamb or meat goat) for the interview portion – no spectators. Interviews will take place in the pavilion.
• Lambs/meat goats must be healthy. All lambs/meat goats must be free of warts, ringworm, or any other contagious or infectious conditions.
• All lambs/meat goats are to be halter broke and will be shown at halter.
• Exhibitors must not wear open-toed shoes (sandals, thongs, etc.) in the show ring.
• Exhibitors are required to wear the official 4-H/FFA exhibitor T-shirt to show in.
• All lambs/meat goats will go home after the show.

**Rabbit Show**
Date & Time: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 beginning at 6:30 PM
Location: pavilion or outside somewhere w/ multiple tables
• Show closed to the public – exhibitors' immediate families only
• It is recommended that volunteers, participants, and families use face coverings
• Social distancing will be expected for all involved, including family watching in the pavilion
• No sharing of supplies/equipment outside of immediate family
• Exhibitors will need to provide their own cages for their rabbits so they have a place to put them when not showing
• Tattoos need to be readable!
• Exhibitors are required to wear the official 4-H/FFA exhibitor T-shirt to show in
• Exhibitors and rabbits should check in by 6:00 PM and will be released immediately after the show.

**Dog Show**
Date & Time: Thursday, July 16, 2020 beginning at 9:00 AM
Location: both Agility and Obedience/Showmanship in fenced in agility area
  • Show closed to the public – exhibitors’ immediate families only
  • Spectators will need to bring their own lawn chairs – families will need to social
distance around the fenced in area
  • It is recommended that volunteers, participants, and families use face coverings
  • Exhibitors will not be expected to wear face masks during the agility part of the show
  • Social distancing will be expected for all involved
  • No sharing of supplies/equipment outside of immediate family
  • Exhibitors are required to wear the official 4-H/FFA exhibitor T-shirt to show in
  • Exhibitors and dogs will check in at 8:30 AM and will be released immediately after the
show

**Poultry Show**
Date & Time: Thursday, July 16, 2020 beginning at 6:30 PM
Location: pavilion w/ multiple tables
  • Show closed to the public – exhibitors’ immediate families only
  • It is recommended that volunteers, participants, and families use face coverings
  • Social distancing will be expected for all involved, including family watching in the
pavilion
  • No sharing of supplies/equipment outside of immediate family
  • Exhibitors will need to provide their own cages for their poultry so they have a place to
put them when not showing
  • Exhibitors are required to wear the official 4-H/FFA exhibitor T-shirt to show in
  • Exhibitors and poultry should check in by 5:30 PM and will be released immediately
after the show
  • Poultry show exhibitors will still need to turn in a Poultry Class Entry Form before the
fair

**Swine Show**
Date & Time: Friday, July 17, 2020 beginning at 9:00 AM – Weigh-In from 6:30-8:00 AM
Location: pavilion
  • Show closed to the public – exhibitors’ immediate families only
  • It is recommended that volunteers, participants, and families use face coverings
  • Social distancing will be expected for all involved, including family watching in the
pavilion
  • Pigs will be allowed in the pens in the front of the swine barn to make it easier to get
them to and from the show ring – families will be assigned specific pens – if bedding is
used it will be the 4-Her’s responsibility to clean out their pen(s) and dispose of the it
directly in the manure spreader provided
  • No sharing of supplies/equipment with others outside of immediate family
  • There will be no pen of 3 class.
  • Exhibitors are required to wear the official 4-H/FFA exhibitor T-shirt to show in
  • The show will begin with the breeding gilt(s)
  • All pigs will go home after the show – there will be no market outlet for swine.

**Sheep Show**
Date & Time: Friday, July 17, 2020 beginning at 6:30 PM – Weigh-In from 5:00-5:30 PM
Location: pavilion
- Show closed to the public – exhibitors’ immediate families only
- It is recommended that volunteers, participants, and families use face coverings
- Social distancing will be expected for all involved, including family watching in the pavilion
- Sheep will not be put into pens on the fairgrounds but will instead stay in trailers (or tied outside) until it is time for them to show.
- No sharing of supplies/equipment outside of immediate family
- There will be no pen of 3 class or rate of gain class
- Exhibitors are required to wear the official 4-H/FFA exhibitor T-shirt to show in
- All sheep will go home after the show

Meat Goat Show
Date & Time: Friday, July 17, 2020 – to follow sheep show – Weigh-In from 5:00-5:30 PM
Location: pavilion
- Show closed to the public – exhibitors' families only
- It is recommended that volunteers, participants, and families use face coverings
- Social distancing will be expected for all involved, including family watching in the pavilion
- Meat goats will not be put into pens on the fairgrounds but will instead stay in trailers (or tied outside) until it is time for them to show.
- No sharing of supplies/equipment outside of immediate family
- There will be no rate of gain class
- Exhibitors are required to wear the official 4-H/FFA exhibitor T-shirt to show in
- All meat goats will go home after the show

Horse Show (Performance Classes & Game Classes)
Date & Time: Saturday, July 18, 2020 beginning at 9:00 AM
Location: horse arena
- Show closed to the public – exhibitors’ immediate families only
- Spectators will need to bring their own lawn chairs – families will need to social distance around the arena
- It is recommended that volunteers, participants, and families use face coverings – exhibitors will not be expected to wear a face mask while wearing a helmet
- Social distancing will be expected for all involved, both inside and outside the arena.
- Horses will not be stalled at the fairgrounds. Exhibitors will need to work out of their trailers.
- No sharing of supplies/equipment outside of immediate family
- There will be no gate trail obstacle and any other obstacle that is typically used that involves members handling an object (mailbox, rain slicker, etc.)
- There must be at least 2 entries in a class in order to have the class
- Games will follow the performance classes with a short break between them
- Horses will be released after immediately after the show

Beef Show
Date & Time: Saturday, July 18, 2020 beginning at 9:30 AM. Weigh-in will be from 7:00-8:00 AM with the exception of feeder pens
Location: pavilion
• Show closed to the public – exhibitors’ immediate families only
• It is recommended that volunteers, participants, and families use face coverings
• No sharing of supplies/equipment outside of immediate family
• Social distancing will be expected for all involved, including family watching in the pavilion.
• Breeding Beef will be first – those animals must be on the grounds and checked in by 8:30 AM
• Cattle will not be put into pens/stalls on the fairgrounds but will instead stay in trailers/grooming chutes/tie outs until it is time for them to show
• Wash racks will be available for use
• Exhibitors are required to wear the official 4-H/FFA exhibitor T-shirt to show in
• All beef animals will be released right after the show
• Beef animals going on the truck will need to be brought back to the fairgrounds on Sunday, July 19th by 4:00 PM.

**Feeder Pen Show**
**Date & Time:** Sunday, July 19, 2020 beginning at 9:00 AM. Weigh-in will be Saturday evening from 7:00-8:00 PM
**Location:** pen outside beef barn
• Feeder pen calves will spend Saturday night on the fairgrounds in the feeder pen barn
• Exhibitors will be expected to fill out the feeder pen information form after weigh-in and bring it with them for the judging on Sunday morning
• Show closed to the public – exhibitors’ immediate families only
• It is recommended that volunteers, participants, and families use face coverings
• No sharing of supplies/equipment outside of immediate family
• Exhibitors are required to wear the official 4-H/FFA exhibitor T-shirt to show in
• Beef animals not going on the truck to Tyson will be released right after the show

**Other Items**

**Carcass Contest**
Tyson has agreed to work with us for our carcass contest with one major change. All market beef going on the truck to Tyson will need an electronic ID tag. This will be in addition to the 4-H tag. Due to the current situation with COVID-19 there are no outside contractors allowed inside the plant. Tyson has an EID tag reader that would capture the identification for each individual animal. Once the Extension Office gets the new tags families will be notified to come and pick them up. It will be the family’s responsibility to get the tags in the animals’ ears.

*With the rapidly changing environment due to the virus, families need to be aware that this opportunity with Tyson may be rescinded at any time. If this should happen, all beef animals will need to return home with the exhibitor.

**Auction**
Due to the current situation with COVID-19 we will not be holding a live livestock premium auction. Instead we are starting a Livestock Project Premium Fund where any individual or business wanting to donate to the auction will have until noon on the last day of the fair (Sunday, July 19th this year) to make a donation. The pool of money will be divided equally between all livestock exhibitors in beef, sheep, swine, and meat goat. Youth exhibiting more
than one species will get one premium per specie shown at the fair. 4-Hers/FFA members and their families are also encouraged to solicit donations to help get this fund growing. Checks should be made out to the Palo Alto County Fair Auction and can be sent or dropped off at the Palo Alto County Extension Office at 2008 10th St., Emmetsburg or they can be dropped off at the fair office during the fair.

**Ribbon & Auction Premium Distribution**
We will open the office on Thursday evening, July 30th, from 5:30-7:30 PM as one option for families to pick up ribbon and auction premiums. Ribbon and auction premiums can also be picked up at the Extension Office from 9:00AM-4:30PM Monday through Friday starting Friday, July 31st. Premiums not picked up by Monday, Aug. 31st will be forfeited to the fair general fund. NO ribbon/auction premiums will be mailed out this year.

**Clarification**
- Immediate family includes parents/guardians, grandparents, and siblings.
- If you need assistance from a non-family member for fitting your animal this will be allowed at your trailer site only.
We are not looking for an extraordinary project, we are looking for extraordinary learning! It is important that in preparing youth for the fair that 4-H volunteers and staff utilize our Experiential Learning Model and are able to reflect the “Do, Reflect, Apply” process that they have utilized. Youth need to be able to demonstrate not only their exhibit, but what they have learned and how they reached their goal.

Preparation
- **Review the questions listed in this resource guide.** Consider what types of questions you can ask youth as you help to prepare them for the fair.
- **Practice.** Working with the youth on preparation questions in advance helps the youth to prepare for the judging experience and allows them to process and reflect on their learning, a part of the Experiential Learning Model. Time with the judge is usually seven to ten minutes; be prepared to showcase learning in this time frame.
- **Review the information that should be included in the written summary.** Most counties require youth to complete a written summary with their exhibit.

Questions
For all exhibits, 4-H’ers should be prepared to answer these 3 questions from their judge regarding their exhibit. Consider preparing youth for these questions by utilizing other club members, conducting mock judging experiences, asking older youth to mentor younger youth and reviewing the questions, etc.
- What did you plan to learn or do?
- What steps did you take to learn and do this?
- What were the most important things you learned?

Other questions to include as you work to help prepare youth for the fair may include:
- What was your goal for the project?
- What did you do?
- What key points did you learn?
- How did you handle problems?
- What could someone else learn from your work?
Written Summary
Helping youth prepare for the judging experience includes helping them prepare their written summary. Below are highlights and tips of what and how to complete a written summary.

- Should be sufficient to provide needed information.
- Should be easy to find important information.
- Longer is not always better.
- Describe how the 4-H exhibit relates to their project area learning.

Resources Available to Help Prepare Youth for the Fair
- Project area information can be found on the Iowa 4-H Youth Development website. From the home page https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/, choose “projects” from the menu.
- Choose a project. Each project area page has a section in the sidebar titled “Project Helpers” where youth can find the Project Hot Sheet and record keeping forms.
- County Fair flowcharts found on the Volunteer Resources page of the 4-H website. https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/volunteerresources
- Strengthening Goal-Centered Learning 4-H 203 document (an adult version and a youth version can be located on the Volunteer Resources page https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/volunteerresources
Palo Alto/Pocahontas 4-H Junior Day Camp
Tuesday, July 28, 2020

Name ________________________________________________________________

Address ____________________________________________________________________________

City ___________________________ County ________________________________

Parents’ Names ________________________________________________________________

Family Email ________________________________________________________________

Home Phone ________________________________________________________________

Last Grade Completed (circle one) 4 5 6  Gender  M  F

Cell Phone and/or Emergency Phone ____________________________________________

T-Shirt Size (circle one)
Youth Med.  Youth Lg.  Adult Sm.  Adult Med.  Adult Lg.

Mail registration by July 13th to:
Palo Alto County Extension Office
2008 10th St.
Emmetsburg, IA 50536

Cost is $20.00 which includes all craft supplies & an afternoon snack.
   No refunds after July 10th.
Make checks payable to: Palo Alto County Extension.

* The fees for service will be used to off-set direct expenses and to support the 4-H
Youth Development County Extension Program.

Please list any special dietary or health concerns we need to be aware of.

For 4th, 5th, & 6th Graders

Tuesday, July 28, 2020
at
Meredith Park - Plover, Iowa
8:30 AM - 3:15 PM

Palo Alto & Pocahontas Counties
Come join us as we take part in some favorite summer pastimes!

Meet other 4-H'ers from Palo Alto and Potomac Counties!

Agenda:

- Registration & Opening: 8:30-9:00 AM
- Session #1 - Patriotic Jars & Terra Cotta Pot Crafts/Conservation Pro-Project: 9:00-11:00
- Session #2 - Patriotic Jars & Terra Cotta Pot Crafts/Conservation Pro-Project: 10:00-11:00
- Session #3 - Patriotic Jars & Terra Cotta Pot Crafts/Conservation Pro-Project: 11:00-12:00
- Session #4 - Canoeing or Kayaking: 1:00-2:00
- Session #5 - Canoeing or Kayaking: 2:00-3:00
- Session #6 - Canoeing or Kayaking: 3:00-4:15 PM

Paracord Bracelets

Sandcastle Building/Recess

Sack Lunch Brought from Home/Bring a Sack Lunch for Noon, Sunscreen, Bug Spray, and Maybe a Camera. Tool is needed to bring a sack lunch for noon. A camera, tool is provided.

Camper are asked to wear comfortable (old) shoes and other clothing appropriate for the weather and gear. You will need comfortable (old) shoes.

Camper will have something for everyone! Meet other 4-H'ers from Palo Alto and Potomac Counties!