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July Dates to Remember

July 2- Fair Entry Closes at midnight

July 4- Independence Day, Extension Office Closed

July 7-10- Pre-Fair set up and static events judged

July 11-15- WyCo Fair

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2023 Wyandotte County Fair & 4-H Summer Showcase

4-H Summer Showcase and Fair Book

The Fair Book can be found on the Wyandotte County 4-H Facebook page and the Wyandotte County Extension Office website.

Direct link to the Fair Book here.

Fair Entry will **CLOSE** at MIDNIGHT

Sunday, July 2!!!

Get those entries in!!!

There has been a change in the schedule for all Clothing Divisions and Communications Judging.
The DAY OF JUDGING has been moved to Friday July 7th. Time, location, and all rules will remain the same as before.

The Extension Office has white photo boards and clear protective sleeves available for purchase.

Photo boards are \$1 each. Clear sleeves are 25 cents each.
They can be purchased during normal office hours.
Monday through Friday 8am to 4:30pm.

Rabbit and Poultry Show Update

Rabbit and Poultry will NOT be Show and Go at the fair this year. All birds and rabbits that are shown will need to stay on the fair grounds through the duration of the fair. The rabbits and birds will be released to go home at the same time as the rest of the livestock exhibits.

Please make the necessary preparations to care for your animal(s) on the fairgrounds.

If you have any questions please reach out to the Rabbit/Poultry Fair Superintendent Kristi Priddy (913)908-5908 or priddypoultry@yahoo.com





Fair Parking Passes

There will not be a charge for parking at the fair this year. However, parking passes will be needed for Lot A/4-H Parking when the fair is open to the public (July 11-15). A 4-H parking pass does <u>not</u> guarantee a parking spot in Lot A/4-H Lot. The lot will be shared with fair personnel.

Where do I get my parking pass?

- Static Exhibitors parking passes will be included in exhibit tag packets
- Livestock/Animal Exhibitors: project leaders and superintendents will have parking passes
- Additional passes will be available at the Red Barn

Parking: 4-H families may park in Lot A/4-H Lot (by the red barn) with the 4-H Parking Pass. Having a parking pass does <u>not</u> guarantee a spot in Lot A. Other parking areas will be used for overflow.

Traffic Control: The fair board has been working closely with the Kansas Highway Patrol, Police, Fire, and The Sheriff's Office to develop a traffic control plan to get fairgoers into the grounds & parked more efficiently. Be on the lookout for updates posted on the WyCo Fair website and the 4-H Facebook page.

Fair Admission Tickets- Per the Fair Board's decision, this year there will not be admission tickets given to 4-Hers. Please arrive at the fairgrounds before 5pm during the fair to avoid being stopped at the entry gate. If you are stopped at the entry gate, inform them you are a 4-H member and exhibitor.

If there are any problems entering, please call Wanda Schmieding (913)956-9595 or Roy Mortell (913)669-8596.

Entry Cards and Labels

The entry tag/card process may vary by area. Please see below!

Where & how can I get my Entry Cards?

Livestock & Other Animals - Entry cards may not be required for all Livestock & Animal Projects. Project leaders and superintendents will have entry tags and/or cards available at the time of weigh-in/check-in and showtimes as needed.

Static/Red Barn Exhibits - Entry tags may be picked up at the Extension Office the week before the fair. Entry tags will then be available at the red barn. (See pick up schedule below). 4-H'ers should plan to bring their own supplies to attach entry cards.

- -Available for pick up at the Extension Office:
 - July 5 (7:30am-4:30pm)
 - July 6 (7:30am-4:30pm)
 - July 7 (7:30am-4:30pm)
- -Available for pick up at the **Red Barn**:
 - July 8 (12:00pm-4:00pm)
 - July 9 (12:00pm-4:00pm)
 - July 10 (7:30am 10:00am)

If you have questions or need additional resources, information, or assistance please reach out to the Extension Office. We are happy to help!

Static and Consultative Judging

Static Exhibit Check-In, Exhibits may be checked into the Red Barn:

- Saturday, July 8 (12-4pm): all static exhibits (excluding foods & plants)
- Sunday, July 9 (12-4pm): all static exhibits (excluding foods & plants)
- Monday, July 10 (7:30am 10:00am): all static & food exhibits (excluding plants)
- Tuesday, July 11 (7:30am 9:00am): plants only

Static Exhibit Judging, Exhibits should be checked in <u>before</u> the start of judging

- Monday, July 10 (9:00am): Foods
- Monday, July 10 (10:00am): Static (excluding foods & plants)
- Tuesday, July 11 (9:00am): Plants

<u>Exhibitors NOT participating in consultative judging are encouraged to check-in exhibits on July 8 & 9 OR on Monday, July 10th before 10 am.</u>

Static exhibit (excluding foods & plant/horticulture exhibits) judging will begin at 10 am on Monday, July 10. Exhibitors should make their best efforts to have exhibits in place by 10 am. Judging is scheduled from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm, however, judges may be released early should there be no 4-H'ers, or additional exhibits present for judging for an extended period.

Consultative Judging: Consultative judging is first come first served. Exhibitors will sign up upon checking in exhibits. Parents, guardians, or other adults may be within viewing distance of consultative judging but should not speak to the judges or 4-H'ers during judging. Adults interjecting in the consultative judging process may result in lowered ribbon or award placings as deemed appropriate by the judge & superintendent. All ribbon/award decisions are final.

Exhibit Release: All static & animal exhibits must stay in place until 9:30pm on Saturday, July 15. 4-H'ers may pick up exhibits beginning at 9:30pm on Saturday, July 15.

Rule Changes!

Please note the following rule changes. These rule changes were put into place at the state level and will be enforced this year at the Kansas State Fair.

Foods and Nutrition

Rule #9. For food safety purposes, any entries with frostings and fillings must calculate the amount of sugar in the frosting/filling recipe only. Calculation must be attached to entry, or the placing will be lowered one ribbon when judged. Frosting and fillings need to contain more than 65% sugar for safety. Examples on how to calculate this percentage are included in the publication located at:

https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/MF3544.pdf.

STEM Architectural Block Construction (Lego)

Rule #5. The minimum exhibit dimensions must be at least 6 inches wide and deep. Rule #6 All exhibits should be placed in a sturdy see through enclosure with a top, bottom, and 4 sides. A clear tub turned upside down with the exhibit placed on the lid would be an acceptable enclosure. This is to keep exhibit components from being "scattered to parts unknown" at the fair. The outer dimensions of the enclosure do not count towards the total exhibit dimensions but should not be excessive.

Always read the rule book before entering a project into competition. Understanding the rules and guidelines for your division will help you prepare a project that will receive a higher score and ribbon placing.

4-H Showcase Schedule, July 8-15, 2023

Wyandotte County Fairgrounds 13700 Polfer Road Kansas City, Kansas

All 4-H Events will take place on the Wyandotte County Fairgrounds, unless otherwise noted. 4-H Showcas Schedule is subject to change. Schedule changes will be shared via email & social media.

Friday, July 7

11:00am Clothing Divisions Judging @ WY Co. Extension Office Room 1200

1:00pm Communications/demonstrations Judging @ WY Co. Extension Office Room 1208

Saturday, July 8

8:00am Dog Show @ Wild Vine Aussies, 9430 Nelson Lane, Kansas City, KS 66109

12:00pm - 4:00 pm Static exhibits accepted @ Red Barn (excluding foods & plant/horticulture exhibits)

Sunday, July 9

12:00pm - 4:00 pm Static exhibits accepted @ Reb Barn (excluding foods & plant/horticulture exhibits)

Monday, July 10

7:30am - 9:00am Food exhibits accepted @ Red Barn (judging to begin at 9:00am)

7:30am - 10:00am Static exhibits accepted @ Reb Barn (excluding foods & plant/horticulture exhibits)

10:00am - 1:00pm Static Exhibits Judging- Cloverbuds, Communications, Energy Management,

Entomology, Fiber Arts, Geology and Lapidary, Home Environment, Performing Arts, Photography, Shooting Sports, STEM Architectural Block Construction (Lego), STEM Robotics, Table Place Setting, Visual Arts, Wildlife. Wood Science

Note: Static Exhibit judging (excluding foods & plant/horticulture exhibits) will begin at 10:00am on Monday, July 10. Exhibitors should make their best effort to have exhibits in place by 10:00am. Especially exhibitors who wish to participate in consultative judging. Consultative judging is on a first come, first served bases. Judging is scheduled from 10:00am to 1:00pm, however judges may be released early should there be no 4-Her's or additional exhibits present for judging for an extended period.

Tuesday, July 11

7:30am - 9:00am Plant Science exhibits accepted (Judging to follow)

8:00am Animals in place (large and small livestock, horses)

8:30am Livestock Weigh-In

9:00am Rabbit & Poultry - Showmanship & Judging

9:00am Goats milked out

5:30pm Sheep Show, Goat show to immediately follow

Wednesday, July 12

9:00am Beef Show, Bucket Calf Show to immediately follow

6:00pm Horse Show - Racing Events

6:30pm Treat & Greet with Casey, New Wyandotte County 4-H Agent- Livestock Pavilion

7:00pm Swine Show

Thursday, July 13

8:00am Intent to Sell & Residue Avoidance forms due

9:00am Horse Show - Showmanship & English Events

6:00pm Great Plains Adaptive Riding Exhibition

7:00pm Round Robin Competition

Friday, July 14

9:00am Horse Show - Western, Ranch, and Trail

5:30pm Livestock Buyers Reception

7:00pm Livestock Auction

Saturday, July 15

9:30pm All 4-H Exhibits Released from Red Barn

Sunday, July 16

12:00pm - 4:00pm Red Barn open to pick up Static Exhibits



Shows and Contests

State 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest

Mark your calendars! The State 4-H Horticulture Judging Contest is planned for **Saturday, August 12, 2023** on the campus of Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS.

Study resources and materials have been updated and are available at www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/contests/horticulture-judging/index.html



Registration is due by August 4th.

4-H Livestock Sweepstakes

All Kansas 4-H'ers are invited to participate in this livestock learning and competition experience. The Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes includes the state 4-H livestock judging contest, meat judging contest, livestock skillathon, and livestock quiz bowl in one action-packed weekend. 4-H'ers can test their knowledge and display their expertise in a variety of livestock-related events. This is also the qualifying event to select youth who will represent Kansas at each of the national 4-H contests. Awards will be given in each contest, in addition to overall Sweepstakes buckles to the team and individual placing the highest in all four contests!

All entries must be submitted online through local extension units by **August 1**

The 2023 Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes will tentatively be hosted on the K-State campus in Manhattan August 19-20.





Have a star 4-Her that deserves recognition?

Have a picture from a project meeting or 4-H event that you would like to share with the community?

Let us know! Email csling@ksu.edu



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