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Fair Time



WOODSON

COUNTY FAIR



— YATES CENTER, KANSAS —

• JULY 17TH - 21ST •

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2026 Woodson County Fair Schedule

Saturday, July 11th

9 am Horse Show

Tuesday, July 14th

6 pm 4-H and Open Class Set Up – Static (indoor)

Entry Cards will be distributed

Open Class Superintendents Meeting

Wednesday, July 15th

2:00pm Clothing and Fiber Arts Judging at New York

Valley Church

6 pm Public Style Revue at New York Valley Church

Thursday, July 16th

4-H Static Exhibit Check In and Judging

5 – 6 pm Piqua

6 – 7 pm 3-in-1

7 –8 pm Eager Beavers

Friday, July 17th

7-10 am Drop Off of Open Class Items
 7-11 am All Livestock Weigh In
 10 am Open Class Exhibit Judging, basement closed
 9 – 11 am 4-H Food Sale (Purple Ribbon Entries)
 Timing on this last year was not well received
 9 – 11 am 4-Hers vote for Photography Choice
 Awards
 11:30 am Exhibitor Meeting
 3 – 5 pm Paint & Sip sponsored by OPT Organization
 6 – 8 pm Popcorn and water sponsored by GN Bank
 7 pm Swine Show

Saturday, July 18th

9 am Poultry and Rabbit Show
 1 – 4 pm 4-H Scavenger Hunt starting at Bressner Hall
 2 pm Pedal Pull & watermelon feed by PSI Insurance
 6 pm Bucket Calf Show, followed by Beef Show and Dairy Show
 7 pm Laser Tag
 7:30 pm Music Concert at Saddle Club Horse Arena

Sunday, July 19th

7 – 8 am Breakfast sponsored by Woodson County

Conservation District
 8 am Church Service at the Arena
 9 am Sheep and Goat Show
 2-4 pm 4-H Judging Contests – Horticulture, FCS, Photography, Entomology
 2 pm Open Class Pet Show
 6 pm Round Robin
 8 pm Barnyard Olympics, immediately following Round Robin
 9 pm Cornhole Tournament

Monday, July 20th

9 am 4-H Livestock Judging Contest
 11 am – 1 pm Static Exhibit and Non-Sale Animal Check Out
 1 pm Building Clean Up/Set Up
 5:30 pm Buyers Meal & 4-H Awards Presentation & Pictures at Community Building
 7 pm Premium Sale

Tuesday, July 21st

5:30 pm Clean Up
 6:30 pm Yates Center City Pool

County Fair General Rules

The management of the Woodson County Fair Association reserves to its board the final rights to interpret the rules and regulations and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences thereto. When no rule appears to cover a given situation, the board will make such rules as are necessary and determine its application to the situation. The rules and regulations of the Kansas State Fair will be used as a guide in matters not otherwise covered in this book. In no event shall the Woodson County Fair Association or its officers, directors or members be held responsible for any loss or damage to the property or person of exhibitor or other persons on the fairgrounds.

1. Failure to comply with any of the rules and regulations will be grounds for withholding premium awards.
2. Exhibits removed from the fair prior to check out without consent shall forfeit all premiums and. The Fair Association nor the Extension Office will be responsible for exhibits that are not picked up during check out.
3. Shavings must be used for livestock bedding, no straw allowed. It is the responsibility of all animal exhibitors to ensure their livestock are fed and watered. Shavings will NOT be provided by the Fair Board.
4. There will be no overnight stays at the fair. The fairgrounds close at midnight.
5. No alcoholic beverages on the Fairgrounds. Violators of this rule will be asked to leave the Fairgrounds
6. Dogs must be on a leash at all times.
7. Division superintendents are subject to change without notice.
8. In classes where there is only one exhibitor, the judges reserve the right to place the entry as they see fit. If no entries in a division are considered high enough quality, the judge has the right to withhold any awards.
9. Exhibitors and their parents are **NOT** to confront the judges.
10. Conference judging shall include the judge, superintendent and assistant, exhibitor, and parents.

GRIEVANCE

11. All complaints and grievances must be handled through the grievance committee.
12. An extension agent, together with the local extension board or governing district body, has the authority to make appropriate decisions on local 4-H disputes. These decisions will be formulated by this policy or as dictated by law.
13. District and state 4-H staff may provide resources for the situation when asked by the extension agent.
14. All protests must be submitted in writing **AND** signed by the protester. The written protest must include:
 - a) Names of persons involved AND cause of complaint or appeal
 - b) Situation and documentation AND recommendations for correction
 - c) Specific action, rule, etc., in question
 - d) Additional persons the committee may contact for further clarification
 - e) Procedures and/or steps carried out by the person involved prior to submission of the protest to the Protest Committee
15. Protests will not be accepted after the exhibit or event/activity is completed/released.
16. The protest will be acknowledged after receiving the written protest and will be responded to in a timely manner.
17. Protests related to judges' integrity, decisions, placings or other evaluations will not be accepted.
18. A \$100 deposit will accompany the written protest, which will be forfeited if the protester does not attend the protest resolution meeting. The deposit will be returned upon completion of the process. The committee will review the written protest. They may call for a face-to-face meeting with affected persons and event leadership to discuss the situation and the official ruling. Recommendations will be developed, followed, and communicated both verbally and in writing to the individual or group affected.
19. Failure of the protester to attend the face-to-face meeting with the Protest Committee will result in no action and forfeiture of the deposit.
20. In cases of protest, the 4-H youth/parent/volunteer may continue to participate. Results of participation will be subject to change based on the outcome of the protest process. The Protest Committee and Event Leadership reserves the right to withhold any award. The 4-H youth/parent/volunteer may be excluded from 4-H if action warrants.

Open Class Entries

1. All non-livestock entries are to be submitted during Open Class exhibit drop off at fair. Each item should have an entry tag attached with exhibitor information. All entries are to be checked in with the Superintendent of each division. Livestock entries are to be submitted by July 1st to the Extension Office using the pen registration form available on the Woodson County Fair webpage. **All livestock must be checked in by 11am Friday.**
2. Entries are limited to Woodson County and adjoining counties residents. All ~~Open Class~~ entries will receive a ribbon. Entries must be bona fide property of the exhibitor made within the last year except for Heirlooms. The Woodson County Fair Association reserves the right to accept or reject any entries or exhibitors.
3. The 4-H Building basement is closed during judging.
4. **All livestock exhibitors must wear a white shirt and blue jeans while showing their animal(s).**
5. **All non-livestock entries will have a Senior (14 & up) and Junior (13 and under) division.**
6. Classes are as listed until 3 like entries in the "Other Class" warrant adding a class.
7. Exhibits are to remain in place until the time of check out as noted in the Fair schedule. Premiums will be paid during the release of exhibits in the 4-H Building basement. Premiums not picked up will be returned to the Fair Association. All Open Class awards will be given out at the time of check out.

OPEN CLASS BEEF – DEPARTMENT A

Superintendents: Nick Barney, Garrett Eggers, Michael Old

Breeds will show separately and will be determined at entry time.

Each exhibitor is limited to one fan per two animals. All fans must have factory guards on them – NO EXCEPTIONS!

All fans must be hung from wooden rafters.

Classes

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| 1. Heifer Calves: 0 – 9 months | 6. Cows |
| 2. Senior Calves: 9 – 12 months | 7. Champion Female by Breed |
| 3. Summer Yearlings: 12 – 16 months | 8. Market Steer (all breeds) |
| 4. Junior Yearling Heifers: 16 – 20 months | 9. Bucket Calves |
| 5. 2-Year-Olds: 20 – 24 months | 10. Cow-Calf Pair |

OPEN CLASS GOATS – DEPARTMENT B

Superintendents: Pat Collins, Steve Morrison, John Pringle, Michael Morrison

Classes

1. Market Goats

OPEN CLASS HORSE – DEPARTMENT C

Superintendents: Tasha Steele, Teena Tracy

1. Proof of negative Coggins test taken within the past 12 months.
2. Judging starts immediately after 4-H Show.
3. All classes will be held in accordance with the Kansas 4-H Horse Show Rule Book.

Division: Halter

Classes

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|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Weanling Filly | 7. 2-Year-Old Colt |
| 2. Yearling Filly | 8. 3-Year-Old and older Stud |
| 3. 2-Year-Old Filly | 9. Yearling Gelding |
| 4. 3-Year-Old and older Filly | 10. 2-Year-Old Gelding |
| 5. Weanling Colt | 11. 3-Year-Old and older Gelding |
| 6. Yearling Colt | 12. Pony Class (56" and under) |

Division: Performance

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| 13. Western Horsemanship | 17. Barrel Racing |
| 14. Western Pleasure | 18. Pole Bending |
| 15. Reining | 19. Flag Race |
| 16. English Pleasure | |

OPEN CLASS POULTRY – DEPARTMENT D

Superintendent: Cindy Baker

1. **Cage assignments are made by the superintendent. Unauthorized relocation may result in disqualification.**
2. Entries **MUST** be tested for Avian influenza and Pullorum prior to entering the Fairgrounds. Birds showing any sign of disease or infection of any type will be denied entry.
3. Breeds should be stated at time of pre-entry. Entries will be accepted in all standard breeds.

4. The Comparison System of judging as outlined in the Standard of Perfection will be used.
5. Exhibitors may have up to 20 total birds.
6. The same birds cannot compete in both single and trio classes, except for Champion awards.
7. Birds may not be removed from the barn without permission of the superintendent.
8. Eggs laid during the fair will be gathered and will be the property of the Fair Association.

Classes

Standard Large Breeds:

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| 1. Cock | 6. Young Trio: 1 cock and 2 hens, one breed |
| 2. Hen | 7. Broilers: 2.5 - 3 lbs. meat |
| 3. Cockerel | 8. Capons: meat bread |
| 4. Pullet | |
| 5. Old Trio: 1 cock and 2 hens, one breed | |

Bantams:

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| 9. Cock | 12. Pullet |
| 10. Hen | 13. Old Trio: 1 cock and 2 hens, one breed |
| 11. Cockerel | 14. Young Trio: 1 cock and 2 hens, one breed |

Turkeys:

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| 15. All breeds, one bird, either sex | 16. All breeds, one bird, either sex |
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Geese:

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| 17. All breeds, one bird, either sex | 18. All breeds, one bird, either sex |
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Peafowl:

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| 19. All breeds, one (1) bird, either sex | 20. Old cock | 22. Young cock |
| | 21. Old hen | 23. Young hen |

Creative Classes

24. For display only, not judged, must furnish own cage.
25. Eggs – one dozen

OPEN CLASS RABBITS – DEPARTMENT E

Superintendent: Cindy Baker

1. **Cage assignments are made by the superintendent. Unauthorized relocation may result in disqualification.**
2. Breeds should be stated at the time of entry. Entries will be accepted in all standard breeds.
3. Only rabbits of outstanding quality, health, and vigor will be allowed to enter.
4. One entry per class accepted.

Classes

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|-----------------------------------|---|
| 1. Junior Doe: 0 – 6 months | 5. Intermediate Buck: 6 – 8 months |
| 2. Intermediate Doe: 6 – 8 months | 6. Senior Buck: 8 months and over |
| 3. Senior Doe: 8 months and over | 7. Meat Pen of 3: All one breed, max weight 5 lbs./each |
| 4. Junior Buck: 0 – 6 months | |

OPEN CLASS SHEEP – DEPARTMENT F

Superintendents: Steve Morrison, Pat Collins, John Pringle, Michael Morrison

1. Breeds should be stated at time of entry.

Classes

1. Market Lamb

OPEN CLASS SWINE – DEPARTMENT G

Superintendents: John Kramer, Philip Collins, John Weseloh

Classes

1. Market Hog

OPEN CLASS CLOTHING & NEEDLEWORK – DEPARTMENT H

Superintendents: Cindy Raaf, Caitlin Ralstin

1. Items must be clean and displayed in garment bags.

Classes

Ladies Garments

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|--------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| 1. Vest | 5. Dress | 9. Active wear |
| 2. Blouse | 6. Formal Dress | 10. Sleep wear |
| 3. Jumper | 7. Jacket - unlined | 11. Outerwear |
| 4. Skirt or slacks | 8. Jacket - lined | 12. Other |

Men's Garments

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|------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 13. Shirt | 15. Sport Coat | 17. Outerwear |
| 14. Slacks | 16. Active wear | 18. Other |

Children's Garments

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|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 19. Dress | 21. Skirt or Pants | 23. Play clothes |
| 20. Coat or Jacket | 22. Top | 24. Sleep wear |

Knitting

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| 25. Shawl, stole, shrug | 29. Afghan | 33. Toy |
| 26. Sweater/Vest | 30. Baby item | 34. Other |
| 27. Mittens/Gloves | 31. Doily | |
| 28. Potholder | 32. Pillow | |

Crocheting

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|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 35. Shawl, stole, shrug | 39. Pillow | 43. Tablecloth |
| 36. Sweater/Vest | 40. Centerpiece | 44. Bedspread |
| 37. Afghan | 41. Article/crochet trim | 45. Best Heirloom – display |
| 38. Baby item | 42. Hotpad | |

Embroidery

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| 46. Pillowcases | 50. Huck Weaving | 54. Candlewicking |
| 47. Dresser scarf or set | 51. Machine Embroidery | 55. Other |
| 48. Tea Towels (3-7 pc. Set) | 52. Machine Applique | |
| 49. Hand Towels | 53. Throw Pillow | |

Cross Stitch

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| 56. Counted – framed article | 58. Counted - unframed | 60. Waste Canvas |
| 57. Stamped – framed article | 59. Stamped - unframed | 61. Other |

Miscellaneous

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| 62. Applique Item | 66. Woven Item | 69. Dressed Doll |
| 63. Plastic Canvas | 67. Latch Hook | 70. Household Accessory |
| 64. Stuffed Toy | 68. Needlepoint | 71. Other |
| 65. Stuffed Pillow | | |

OPEN CLASS FARM, GARDEN AND ORCHARD – DIVISION I

Superintendents: Don and Shelia Lampe

Limit 1 entry per person per class.

Entries must be in clear glass jars when so listed.

Classes – Farm

Division 1: Corn

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| 1. 10 ears corn – hybrid | 4. 10 ears popcorn |
| 2. 10 ears corn – any variety | 5. Best stalk of corn roots - washed |
| 3. Longest ear of corn | |

Division 2: Small Grain, Legume, Grass

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| 1. Wheat, gallon | 8. 10 stalks forage sorghum – hybrid |
| 2. Oats, gallon | 9. Alfalfa seed – gallon |
| 3. Barley, gallon | 10. Sweet Clover seed – gallon |
| 4. Soybeans, 4 stalks | 11. Brome seed – gallon |
| 5. 10 head grain sorghum – standard | 12. Sunflower |
| 6. 10 head grain sorghum – hybrid | 13. Other |
| 7. 10 stalks forage sorghum - standard | |

Division 3: Hay

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|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Alfalfa hay, 1 flake | 4. Lespedeza hay, 1 flake |
| 2. Brome hay, 1 flake | 5. Prairie hay, 1 flake |
| 3. Fescue hay, 1 flake | 6. Red Clover hay, 1 flake |

Score Card for Potatoes, Cabbage, Root Crops, etc:

Condition: Free from dirt, disease, and blemishes; edible; maturity – 25%

Quality: Crispness, flavor, and firmness – 20%

Trueness to type – 20%

Uniformity: Size, color, and shape – 20%

Size: Should conform to market demands – 15%

Division 4: Garden

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| 1. Irish potatoes, 5 | 23. Other vegetables |
| 2. Red potatoes, 5 | 24. Exhibit 5 fresh vegetables |
| 3. Sweet potatoes, 5 | 25. Gourds |
| 4. Red onions, 5 | 26. Squash |
| 5. Yellow onions, 5 | 27. Largest squash |
| 6. White onions, 5 | 28. Most unusual squash |
| 7. Tomatoes, 5 | 29. Pumpkin, field |
| 8. Catsup tomatoes, 5 | 30. Pumpkin, pie |
| 9. Cherry tomatoes, 5 | 31. Largest pumpkin |
| 10. Largest tomato | 32. Cantaloupe |
| 11. Beets, 5 | 33. Watermelon |
| 12. Carrots, 5 | 34. Largest Watermelon |
| 13. Cabbage, 1 head | 35. Red Delicious apples, 5 |
| 14. Cucumbers, 5 | 36. Winesap apples, 5 |
| 15. Parsnips, 5 | 37. Other variety apple, 5 |
| 16. Eggplant, 1 | 38. Peaches, 5, state variety |
| 17. Hot peppers, 5 | 39. Pears, 5, state variety |
| 18. Sweet peppers, 5 | 40. Plums, 5, state variety |
| 19. Sweet Corn, 5 | 41. Grapes, state variety |
| 20. Okra, 5 | 42. Other fruit |

21. Green beans, 12
22. Lima beans, 12

43. Honey – 1 pint, strained
44. Honey – 1 pint, comb

OPEN CLASS FINE ARTS – DEPARTMENT J

Superintendents: Grace Stacy, Belinda Dyer

11. All pictures, drawings, and photographs must be in a frame and have wire on back to hang.
2. Photos showing the theme of “Love of Country” entered in Open Class or 4-H photography divisions will be eligible for 3 overall cash awards sponsored by the Woodson County Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber of Commerce requests access to use winning photos.

Classes – Painting / Drawing

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| 1. Mixed media | 6. Pencil drawing |
| 2. Oil or Acrylic | 7. Pen and Ink |
| 3. Watercolor | 8. Number painting |
| 4. Pastels | 9. 3-Dimensional art |
| 5. Charcoal drawing | 10. Other |

Photography

Color – 8x10 or larger

11. Nature
12. People
13. Animals
14. Humorous
15. Other

Black/White – 8x10 or larger

16. Nature
17. People
18. Animals
19. Humorous
20. Other

Photography Fun Class:

o All ages

o Theme: For the Love of Your Country

- This is in celebration of the 250th anniversary of America. The photo must be of something in your county. A photo winner will be selected not just from how the photo looks, but also from the note card.
- Must include a 3x5 note card with the following:
 - Name
 - Where the picture was taken
 - How does this picture represent your county

OPEN CLASS FLORICULTURE – DEPARTMENT K

Superintendents: Carolyn Shlotterbeck, Rickye Heffner, Beverly Holcomb

1. The item must be grown by the exhibitor, and the container must be furnished. No purchased fillers or flowers.
- 2. Commercial florists will be judged separately.**
3. Collections – blooms must be all one color.
4. Wildflowers or dried arrangements are not trophy eligible.
5. Limit 2 entries per class per person.

Classes - Single

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|-------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Rose, one bloom | 7. Geranium, 1 stem |
| 2. Lily, one bloom | 8. Sunflower, 1 head |
| 3. Dahlia, one bloom | 9. Zinnia, one bloom |
| 4. Gladiolus, one spike | 10. Marigold, 1 stem |
| 5. Begonia, 1 stem | 11. Hibiscus |

6. Canna, 1 stem

Collections:

13. Zinnia, 3 blooms

14. Marigold, 3 blooms

15. Dahlias, 3 blooms

16. Gladiolas, 3 spikes

House Plants

20. Pot – Any flowering

21. Pot – Any foliage

22. Pot – Succulent

Arrangements and Bouquets

26. Bouquet – wildflower

27. Bouquet – garden flower

28. Arrangement – wildflower

12. Other

17. Roses, 3 stems

18. Best Display – Annual – one variety

19. Best Display – Perennial – one variety

23. Hanging Basket – flowering

24. Hanging Basket – foliage

25. Other

29. Arrangement - garden flower

30. Arrangement - holiday

OPEN CLASS FOOD PREPARATION – DEPARTMENT L

Superintendents: Linda Mentzer, Karen Adams, Julie Boone

1. Any baked product that can be removed from the pan should be placed on a plate, covered cardboard, or disposable container. Exhibits should be presented in food-grade plastic bags.

2. No mixes will be accepted, except as an ingredient in a recipe. All breads must be a loaf, at least 3 inches by 8 inches. Decorated cakes will be kept for display.

3. A portion of food will be kept for display. The rest is available at Open Class Food Sale following the judging.

4. Perishable foods are not allowed. These include custard and cream cheese type fillings or frosting, and any food requiring refrigeration.

5. No cupcake liners or papers are allowed.

Classes

Breads:

1. White bread - loaf

2. Whole Wheat bread – loaf

3. Nut bread – loaf

4. Coffee Cake

5. White roll – 3

6. Whole Wheat roll – 3

7. Cinnamon roll – 3

8. Muffins – 3

9. Baking Powder biscuit - 3

10. Cornbread

11. Bread Machine – no mixes

12. Bread sculptures – see KS State

Fair rule @www.bit.ly/KSbread

Cakes:

13. Best decorated – whole

14. White Angel Food – not frosted

15. Sponge – not frosted

16. Chiffon – not frosted

17. Chocolate - frosted

18. White – frosted

19. Spice – frosted

20. Bundt – frosted

21. Sugar-free

22. Other

23. Cupcakes – 3 frosted

Cookies:

24. Plain Sugar – 3

25. Oatmeal - 3

32. Brownies - 3

33. Chocolate Chip – 3

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| 26. Decorated – 3 | 34. Ginger Snaps – 3 |
| 27. Bar – 3 | 35. No-bake – 3 |
| 28. Pressed – 3 | 36. Cereal Treats – 3 |
| 29. Dropped – 3 | 37. Snickerdoodles – 3 |
| 30. Refrigerator – 3 | 38. Sugar-free – 3 |
| 31. Peanut Butter – 3 | 39. Other – 3 |

Pies – Non-perishable only:

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| 40. Cherry | 44. Apricot |
| 41. Apple | 45. Sugar-free |
| 42. Berry | 46. Other |
| 43. Peach | |

Candy:

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| 47. Fudge | 49. Dipped Candy |
| 48. Brittle | 50. Miscellaneous |

OPEN CLASS FOOD PRESERVATION – DEPARTMENT M

Superintendents: Ellen Jackson, Brenda Schinstock

1. All entries must have been prepared since the previous fair. Exhibits must be sealed in clean standard canning jars with new two-piece lids. Only standard clear (not tinted) home canning jars with brand name on the jar will be accepted. All jars must be sealed when entered.
2. Recommended method of processing must be used. Recipes must be from 1995 to present. Processing methods that will be disqualified include open kettle canning, oven canning, sun canning, and using electric multi-cookers. For more information on electric multi-cookers, call the Extension office. Untested recipes will be disqualified for food safety reasons. Tested recipe resources are available at the Extension office.
3. Pickles and sweet spreads must be finished by the water bath process. Low-acid products must be pressure processed.
4. Each jar exhibited must be labeled with a uniform label placed 1" from the base of the jar. The label must not cover the brand name of jar. The label must include the canning method and process time, pressure (PSI), and the date processed (month and year)

Classes

Fruits:

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| 1. Applesauce | 7. Plums |
| 2. Apples | 8. Blackberries |
| 3. Cherries, red sour | 9. Other |
| 4. Apricots | 10. Collection of Best of 3 different,
must be marked |
| 5. Peaches | |
| 6. Pears | |

Vegetables:

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|------------------------|--|
| 11. Green Beans, snap | 17. Potatoes |
| 12. Yellow Beans, snap | 18. Other |
| 13. Peas | 19. Soup |
| 14. Greens | 20. Best of 3 different,
must be marked |
| 15. Corn | |
| 16. Carrots | |

Tomato or Tomato Products:

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|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 21. Tomatoes, whole or cut | 25. Sauce: chili, pizza, taco, |
| 22. Tomato juice | spaghetti, barbecue |
| 23. Catsup | 26. Other |
| 24. Salsa | |

Meats:

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|-------------|---------------|
| 27. Beef | 30. Wild Game |
| 28. Pork | 31. Fish |
| 29. Chicken | 32. Other |

Jellies:

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|---|---------------|
| 33. Best of 3 different, must be marked | 37. Plum |
| 34. Blackberry | 38. Raspberry |
| 35. Crabapple | 39. Other |
| 36. Grape | |

Jams and Butters:

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| 40. Best of 3 different, jam or butter,
must be marked. | 43. Apple Butter |
| 41. Blackberry | 44. Plum Butter |
| 42. Strawberry | 45. Other |

Preserves:

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|---|----------------------|
| 47. Best of 3 different, must be marked | 51. Strawberry |
| 48. Cherry | 52. Tomato |
| 49. Peach | 53. Orange Marmalade |
| 50. Pear | |

Pickles:

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|------------------------------|---|
| 54. Sweet Cucumber Pickles | 59. Other Pickles |
| 55. Bread and Butter Pickles | 60. Pickled Relishes |
| 56. Dill Pickles | 61. Other Pickled Products |
| 57. Beet Pickles | 62. Best of 3 different kinds,
must be marked. |
| 58. Mixed Pickles | |

OPEN CLASS HAND CRAFTS – DEPARTMENT N*Superintendents: Elaine Morris, Gail Thornbrugh*

1. Wall hangings must be finished to hang.
2. Information pertaining to the barn quilt class: To be eligible for the Kansas State Fair, quilt blocks must be a 2'x2' square for youth (18 and under) and 4'x4' square for adults; quilt block cannot be on point (diamond shaped). It is recommended to use 3/8" or 1/2" thick MDO board.

Classes:

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| 1. Leatherwork | 15. Scrapbooking |
| 2. Jewelry | 16. Decorative Painting |
| 3. Jewel art | 17. Fabric Painting |
| 4. String art | 18. Barn Quilt |
| 5. Beadwork | 19. Dolls and Animals |
| 6. Basket weaving | 20. Ceramic - glazed |
| 7. Wood carving | 21. Ceramic - stained |
| 8. Woodburning | 22. Ceramic - dry-brushed |
| 9. Macrame | 23. Model - glue |

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| 10. Stained glass | 24. Model - snap |
| 11. Candles | 25. Arrangement |
| 12. Wall hanging | 26. Wreath or swag |
| 13. Paper craft | 27. Kit |
| 14. Tie Dye | 28. Other |

OPEN CLASS QUILTS – DEPARTMENT O

Superintendents: Donna Patterson, Sharon Suske

Classes:

Quilts and Quilted Items Smaller than 45" x 54" (perimeter 198" or less)

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| 1. Hand Pieced | 12. Raw Edge Pieced |
| 2. Machine Pieced | 13. Wall Hanging Pieced |
| 3. Hand Quilted | 14. Wall Hanging Appliqued |
| 4. Machine Quilted | 15. Wall Hanging |
| 5. Hand Appliqued | 16. Landscape/Portrait |
| 6. Machine Appliqued | 17. Table Runner |
| 7. Hand Embroidered | 18. Fleece Throw |
| 8. Machine Embroidered | 19. Pillow - Pieced |
| 9. Pieced, embroidered, and appliqued, hand-quilted | 20. Pillow - Appliqued |
| 10. Pieced, embroidered, and appliqued, machine quilted | 21. Wearing Apparel - Pieced |
| 11. Raw Edge Appliqued | 22. Wearing Apparel - Appliqued |
| | 23. Other |

Quilts Larger Than 45" x 54" (Perimeter greater than 198")

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| 24. Hand Pieced | 32. Pieced, embroidered, and appliqued, hand quilted |
| 25. Machine Pieced | 33. Pieced, embroidered, and appliqued, machine quilted |
| 26. Hand Quilted | 34. Raw Edge Appliqued |
| 27. Machine Quilted | 35. Raw Edge Pieced |
| 28. Hand Appliqued | 36. Tied Comforter |
| 29. Machine Appliqued | 37. T-Shirt Quilt |
| 30. Hand Embroidered | 38. Scrap Crazy Quilt |
| 31. Machine Embroidered | 39. Other |

OPEN CLASS WELDING – DEPARTMENT P

Superintendent: Chuck Sievers

1. Items displayed are not required to have a fresh paint job.

Classes:

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| 1. Item less than \$15 | 3. Item \$30 - \$50 |
| 2. Item \$15 - \$30 | 4. Item over \$50 |

OPEN CLASS WOODWORKING – DEPARTMENT Q

Superintendent: Chuck Sievers

1. A drawing or plan must be exhibited with the article. Designate if it is a kit or original construction.
2. If there is glass in the exhibit, it must be secured.
3. Judging considerations: usefulness, attractiveness, workmanship, design, choice of wood and quality of wood.

Classes:

1. Item for Farm/Shop use
2. Furniture
3. Refinished Wood Item
4. Item made at school
5. Other

OPEN CLASS ASSISTED LIVING PROJECTS – DEPARTMENT R

Superintendent: Carolyn Steinforth

1. Open only to residents of assisted living homes.

Classes:

1. Classes will be named at time of entry. Almost anything goes!

Open Class Premiums Large Livestock – Blue: \$5.00, Red: \$4.00, White: \$3.00 Small Livestock – Rabbits and Poultry Blue: \$4.00, Red: \$3.00, White: \$2.00
4-H Premiums Large Livestock – Blue: \$6.00, Red: \$4.00, White: \$3.00 Showmanship – Blue: \$4.00, Red: \$2.00, White: \$1.00 Small Livestock – Rabbits and Poultry Blue: \$4.00, Red: \$3.00, White: \$2.00 Showmanship – Blue: \$3.00, Red: \$2.00, White: \$1.00 Non-Livestock – Blue: \$3.00, Red: \$2.00, White: \$1.00

4-H/FFA Rules

1. **Age classes are Junior (7-9), Intermediate (10-13), and Senior (14-18). Ages are as of January 1 of the current year.**
2. All exhibitors must be Woodson County 4-H or FFA members and are eligible to enter and compete for prizes.
3. Exhibitors can exhibit only in those phases of the project in which they are enrolled in by May 1. No exchange of projects is permitted. All exhibits must be the result of the current 4-H year.
4. Entries in all classes must be made on FairEntry by July 1. A fee of \$25 per exhibitor will be charged for late entries, payable to 4-H Council.
5. Exhibitors must be present to exhibit and sell their entries. If an exhibitor is unable to exhibit, the extension office must be notified as soon as possible.
6. All static exhibits must have the corresponding fair entry card attached during and after judging.

7. Each exhibit will be judged according to the Danish System. The Danish system of judging is a method of evaluation where an exhibit or process is evaluated against a set of standards, and recognition is awarded on the degree to which the standard has been met by each 4-H member. The following ribbons apply:

Purple – Superior, outstanding on all standards.

Blue - Excellent, minor improvements needed. Exceeds minimum standards. Red - Good, some improvements needed. Meets minimum standards.

White - Fair, denotes much improvement needed. Fails to meet minimum standards.

8. Only static exhibits with purple ribbons are eligible to exhibit at the Kansas State Fair. Exhibitors must be 9 years of age by January 1 of the current year to qualify for State Fair. Some project areas are subject to limitations.

Judging

Qualified judges have been obtained for all departments. Extension Staff is responsible for hiring all 4-H judges. In classes where there is only one exhibitor, the judges reserve the right to place the entry as they see fit. They can award any additional award as they see fit. All judges' decisions are final. Exhibitors and their parents are not to confront the judges for any reason.

Livestock Rules

1. Each 4-H and FFA member enrolled in livestock projects are eligible to exhibit 3 market animals per species.

Animals must be shown as market or breeding, not both.

2. All market livestock must have been tagged and weighed at their respective weigh-in.

3. Families are allowed to nominate animals by household. Individual ownership must be determined at county fair weigh-in.

4. No weigh backs are allowed. If an animal does not meet weight requirements, the animal will be taken off the scales, the scale re-balanced, and the animal re-weighed immediately. That will be the official weight.

5. Minimum weight requirements per species: Steers 1,000 lbs., Lambs 100 lbs., Swine 210 lbs., Goats 60 lbs.

6. All animals are subject to examination and shall be free of clinical signs of infectious or contagious disease.

7. Animals determined to have not met listed requirements will not be permitted to exhibit.

8. Showmanship will be offered for each show and shown by age divisions. Those ages divisions are Junior (7-9), Intermediate (10-13), and Senior (14-18).

~~9. To exhibit at the Kansas State Fair, livestock exhibitors must have received a blue ribbon.~~ Deleted 6/23/26

10. Penning assignments: 4-H exhibitors must enter the number of pens they need per species in the Fair Entry system. A form for Open Class pens will be available at the Extension Office and is due by July 1st.

11. All market animals not going through the Premium Sale are released after the respective show to be processed at Woodson County Prime Meats. All other animals are required to stay on the fairgrounds until check out.

12. All livestock exhibitors (4-H, FFA, Open Class) must wear a white shirt and blue jeans while showing their animal(s) in order to sell at the Premium Sale. The Fair Board enforces this rule.

Round Robin

Competition among the top two Overall Intermediate and Senior showmen in beef, horse, meat goat, sheep, and swine will be eligible to compete. The Extension office will determine participants if the top two qualifiers are in multiple species based on the top 5 showmen per species.

Carcass Contest

The carcass contest is open to all 4-H market beef that are processed at Woodson County Prime Meats. Those animals are automatically entered into this contest. Results will be announced at the 4-H Achievement Banquet in the fall.

Premium Sale Rules

1. The Woodson County Premium Sale is managed by the Sale Committee of the Woodson County Fair Board. This is a **non-terminal sale**. All items must have been exhibited at the fair to be eligible for sale.

2. Each exhibitor is eligible to sell two items. The items cannot be from the same project area. All animals must have met the minimum weight requirement.

3. Each 4-H exhibitor is required to attend five monthly meetings of the club in which they are enrolled to participate in the premium sale. Attendance will be counted from October 1st – June 30th, with the official record

being the 4-H Club Secretary's attendance record.

4. Each FFA exhibitor must be in good standing with the chapter of which they are members of, as described by the Kansas FFA Association. Their chapter advisor shall provide the official record.
5. Ribbons for premium buyers will be given to the exhibitor during the sale. The exhibitor will deliver the ribbon to their buyer(s) immediately after their animal leaves the ring. Additional ribbons may be requested after the sale for additional buyers.
6. The item will be sold to the highest bidder. Members will obtain their premium and base bid money directly from the buyer at their place of business. Any add-on buyer is encouraged to notify the sale clerk about the exhibitor and the amount at the conclusion of the sale. All add-on information is due within 24 hours of the sale to the Extension Office.
7. Each exhibitor is required to pay a \$15 fee per item. Payment is due to the Extension Office upon completion of FairEntry submissions by July 1st. Checks can be made payable to the Woodson County Fair Premium Sale.
8. It will be the responsibility of the exhibitor to notify the Sale Committee of the destination of all animals. Destination cards must be submitted to the Livestock Agent 30 minutes following the Sheep Show on Saturday. All decisions on cards are considered final.
9. Grand and Reserve items will be sold first, followed by the Breed/Class Champions, and blue, red, and white.
10. Failure to comply with premium sale rules prior to or following the sale will subject the following consequences, including but not limited to disqualification from participation in the following years' livestock sale, removal of awards, ribbons, and ribbon premiums.

4-H LIVESTOCK DIVISIONS

BEEF

Superintendents: Michael Old, Nick Barney, Garrett Eggers

1. Cattle determined by exhibition staff to have lesions of ringworm, warts or infested with mange will not be permitted to exhibit.
2. Every 4-H steer may be mouthed. Determination as to whether steer entries fall within desired age limits for show steers will be based only on the development of the teeth. Any steers that, in the opinion of the official in charge, have their permanent incisors up and in wear will be excluded from entry in the show.
3. Each exhibitor is limited to 2 fans per exhibitor. All fans must have factory guards on them. All fans must be hung from wooden rafters.
4. Cattle will be shown by Purebred English or Crossbred and then by weight. Minimum weight is 1000 lbs. Heifers can be shown in Market Classes.

Breeding Heifer Classes

1. English
2. Continental
3. Crossbred
4. Cow-calf pair

Market Classes

5. English
6. Continental
7. Crossbred
8. 2nd Year Bucket Calf
9. Market Heifer

Showmanship Classes

10. Junior
11. Intermediate
12. Senior

BUCKET CALF

Superintendents: Becky Farha

1. Calves must be born on or after January 1 of the current year and before weigh-in.
2. It is recommended calves be a steer or heifer.
3. Only exhibitors ages 12 & younger by Jan. 1 of the current year are eligible to compete in this division.
4. Calves will not be judged on conformation, but emphasis is on knowledge of project, showmanship, and grooming.
5. Classes will be divided based on the 4-H'ers age as of January 1 of the current year.

Classes

1. Ages 7-8
2. Ages 9-10
3. Ages 11-12

DAIRY

Superintendent: Steve Morrison

1. Each exhibitor is limited to 2 fans per exhibitor. All fans must have factory guards on them. All fans must be hung from wooden rafters.
2. Cattle determined by exhibition staff to have lesions of ringworm, warts or infested with mange will not be permitted to exhibit.
3. Goats must be free of any sign of sore mouth and active fungal infections (ringworm).

Dairy Cattle Classes

1. Heifer Calves, under 1 year
2. Yearling Heifers, 1 year and under 2 years
3. Heifers, 2 years and under 3 years
4. Cows over 3 years

Dairy Goat Classes

5. Nanny kids under 1 year
6. Does over 1 year

Showmanship Classes

7. Junior
8. Intermediate
9. Senior

DOG

Dog show opportunities are available. Contact the office for registration information. Registration for show(s) will not be integrated with the Fair Entry System.

HORSE

Superintendents: Tasha Steele, Teena Tracy

1. All horse show rules must be met. Reference the Kansas Horse Show Rule Book at <https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/Item.aspx?catId=744&pubId=1709> for a complete list of rules.
2. All horses are required to have ID papers submitted to the Extension Office by June 1 of current year.

3. For timed events, the use of an over-under or the use of a bat, whip, spurs, reins, etc. in front of the cinch will be penalized by disqualification. Misuse of hands and excessive roughness toward the mount may be penalized.
4. For timed events, the horse must enter the arena and hesitate prior to starting the run. The gate must be kept closed until the runner stops. For safety reasons, horses must enter under the control of the rider. An unmounted or mounted person cannot lead it into the arena.

Halter Classes

1. Weanlings
2. Yearlings
3. Two-Year-Old Geldings
4. Aged Geldings (3+)
5. Two-Year-Old Mares
6. Aged Mares (3+)
7. Donkeys

Performance Classes

8. Western Horsemanship
9. Walk-Trot Horsemanship (1st year exhibitors only)
10. Western Pleasure
11. English Pleasure
12. Reining

Timed Events

13. Trail
14. Poles
15. Barrels
16. Flag Race

MEAT GOAT

Superintendents: Steve Morrison, Pat Collins, John Pringle, Michael Morrison

1. All goats must be identified with an official USDA premises ID tag (Scrapie tag), free of any signs of sore mouth, and free of clinical signs of active fungal (ringworm) infection.
2. Market animals must have all milk teeth in place.
3. It is recommended that goats be dehorned or have horned topped to no less than the diameter of a dime at the end. Horns should not be sharp pointed. Animals must be slick shorn.
4. Market and breeding goats will be shown by weight. Minimum weight is 60 lbs.

Breeding Classes

1. Breeding Doe

Market Classes

2. Market Goat

Showmanship Classes

3. Junior
4. Intermediate
5. Senior

SHEEP

Superintendents: Steve Morrison, Pat Collins, John Pringle, Michael Morrison

1. All sheep must be identified with an official USDA premises ID tag (Scrapie tag), free of any signs of sore mouth, free of clinical signs of active fungal (ringworm) infection, including club lamb fungus.
2. Market lambs will be shown by weight. Minimum weight is 100 lbs.

3. All market lambs must be “slick shorn” above the knee and hock joints, including the head.

Breeding Classes

1. Ewe Lamb (born after Jan. 1 of current year)
2. Ewe, yearling and older (born before Jan. 1 of current year)

Market Classes

3. Market Lamb

Showmanship Classes

4. Junior
5. Intermediate
6. Senior

SWINE

Superintendents: John Kramer, Philip Collins, John Weseloh

1. All clipping and/or shearing of swine is prohibited on the fairgrounds.
2. No swine may be restrained by snare, wire, rope, or other means unless under the supervision of a vet.
3. Milk or milk replacer cannot be fed while on the fairgrounds. Violators will be barred from selling those animals through the Premium Sale.
4. Market swine will be shown by weight. Minimum weight is 210 lbs. Underweight swine will be shown in an underweight class.

Classes

1. Breeding Gilt
2. Market Swine
3. Underweight

Showmanship Classes

4. Junior
5. Intermediate
6. Senior

HERDSMANSHIP CONTEST

Superintendents TBA

1. Judged as a club exhibit and each club/chapter represented will compete for the award. Species included: beef, dairy, swine, goats, sheep, rabbits, and poultry.
2. Will be judged throughout the fair. Inspections unannounced and unscheduled, but not during any livestock show.

Scoring

1. Attractiveness – 25 points: pens and group properly identified with exhibitor names and stall card info. Exhibits organized, attractive, and eye-catching.
2. Management – 25 points: clean animals and pens, neat tack storage out of public way, animal care and handling, good sportsmanship and public courtesy.
3. Safety – 25 points: members implement safe practices for public and animals including proper penning, regular animal checks and clear walkways.
4. Cleanliness – 25 points: pens, walkways and trash around barns.

AEROSPACE/ROCKETRY

Superintendent: Linda Wille

1. Each exhibitor may enter one exhibit per class.
2. For rules specific to this project division, please refer to the Kansas State Fair Book: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/index.html>

Ages 7-8

1. Rocket made from “beginners kit”. Include plans. Rockets in this class may have pre-assembled fin units (plastic). (This class is for first and second year 4-H members to explore the rocketry project).
2. Scale Model Rocket made from kit. Include plans.
3. Rocketry Educational Display, Notebook, or Poster Board

Ages 9-13

1. Rocket made from a kit, without pre-assembled fin units. Include plans.
2. Scale Model Rocket made from a kit. Include Plans
3. Rocketry Educational Display, Notebook, or Poster Board

Ages 11-13

1. Scale Model Rocket designed by exhibitor: not merely a modification of an existing kit. Include original plans and stability testing.
2. Rocket designed by exhibitor: not merely a modification of an existing kit. Include original plans.
3. Rocketry Educational Display, Notebook, or Poster Board

Ages 11 and over

1. Rocket designed by 2 or more exhibitors: not merely a modification of an existing kit. Include original plans.

Ages 14 and over

2. Rocket made from a kit, without pre-assembled fin units. Include plans.
3. Rocket designed by exhibitor: not merely a modification of an existing kit. Include original plans.
4. Scale Model Rocket made from kit. Include plans.
5. Mid-power rocket made from kit or original design.
6. High power rocket made from kit or original design.
7. Rocketry Educational Display, Notebook, or Poster Board.

AG MECHANICS

Superintendent: Chuck Sievers

1. Each exhibitor may enter one exhibit per class.
2. Wheeled exhibits must utilize a braking mechanism that prevents the exhibit from freely rolling while on display.
3. No sealed vessels are allowed. All vessels must be properly vented.
3. For rules specific to this project division, please refer to the Kansas State Fair Book: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/index.html>

Classes:

1. Welding (Ag or General Repair, Artistic or General Fabrication)
2. Other Metal Work (Repair or Fabrication)
4. Smithing (JR and Intermediate) A design forged with at least two different formed elements (Ex: twists & spirals).
5. Smithing (Seniors) A design forged with at least three different formed elements (Ex: twists, spirals, & bulbs).
6. Educational Display, Notebook, or Poster Board.

AGRONOMY

Superintendent: TBA

1. Entries should be as mature as possible and be identified by hybrid or variety name.
2. Each exhibitor is limited to two entries per vegetable or crop class.
3. Classes calling for a gallon sample may have a 2 ½ - 3 inch diameter cylinder placed in jar to reduce the amount of grain to 3 quarts.
4. Hay samples should be approximately 15x12x6. Hay samples should be tied with a "T" like a gift package.

Classes

1. Wheat Variety Plot Display
2. Weed Control: has specific requirements; see Kansas State Fair Book
3. Yellow Corn, 10 ears, variety or hybrid named
4. White Corn, 10 ears, variety or hybrid named
5. Corn, 1-gallon, variety named
6. Hybrid grain sorghum, 10 head, hybrid named
7. Hybrid forage sorghum, entire plant; no roots, hybrid named. 5" bundle tied
8. Other forage sorghum, entire plant; no roots, hybrid named. 5" bundle tied
9. Soft red winter wheat, one gallon, variety or hybrid named
10. Hard red winter wheat, one gallon, variety or hybrid name
11. Hard white wheat, one gallon, variety or hybrid named
12. Sunflower Confectionery heads, 3 heads
13. Sunflower Confectionery seeds, 1-gallon jar
14. Sunflower Oil seed heads
15. Sunflower Oil seeds, 1-gallon jar
16. Oats, 1-gallon sample, variety named
17. Barley, 1-gallon sample, variety named
18. Brome Grass Seed, 1-gallon sample
19. Other Tame Grass Seed, 1-gallon sample
20. Edible field beans, 1-gallon sample of seed from most recent harvest
21. Edible field beans, bundle of 5 plants with roots intact from most recent harvest
22. Miscellaneous Crops, 1-gallon sample of seed or 10 heads, variety named
23. Cotton, 10 open bolls placed in breathable bag
24. Alfalfa Hay, 1 flake or slice
25. Native Grass Hay, 10-inch flake or slice
26. Cool Season Grass Hay, 10-inch flake
27. Soybeans, 1-gallon sample of seed
28. Soybeans, bundle of 5

ASTRONOMY

Superintendent: Linda Wille

For rules specific to this project division, please refer to the Kansas State Fair Book: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/index.html>

Classes

1. Telescope made from kit
2. Telescope made from original design
3. Educational Display, Notebook, Poster

BUILDING BLOCK ENGINEERING

Superintendent: Linda Wille

1. All exhibits are required to 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.
2. Cases are to be removable and should not be bolted down, glued, or sealed in any way that prevents judges from touching the actual display. (Locking handles and snap shut lids are fine.)
2. Total exhibit dimensions may not exceed 2' high by 2' wide, by 2' deep.
3. For all rules specific to this project division, please refer to the Kansas State Fair Book: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/index.html>

Classes

1. Interlocking brick diorama built from scratch (Juniors and Intermediates)
2. Advanced Interlocking brick diorama built from scratch (Seniors)
3. Educational Display, Notebook, or Poster

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Superintendent: Linda Wille

For rules specific to this project division, please refer to the Kansas State Fair Book: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/index.html>

Classes

1. Computer program, application, app, script, or coded system that is new and unique (not merely a file run in a program, such as a 'Word document' or a picture drawn in 'Microsoft Paint.')
2. Coded website built entirely by the 4-H member (not using a pre-made template generator such as Wix or Squarespace). Items in this class could be coded in HTML, CSS, Javascript, Wordpress, or other web-based programming languages or platforms
3. Microcontroller or microcomputer application – a small circuit board that is programmed to accomplish a specific task.
4. Educational Poster, Notebook, or Display Board

ELECTRIC & RENEWABLE ENERGY

Superintendent: Linda Wille

For rules specific to this project division, please refer to the Kansas State Fair Book: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/index.html>

Classes

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| 1. AC Electric | 4. Educational Displays and Exhibits |
| 2. DC Electric | 5. Alternative Energy Educational Display |
| 3. Electronic | 6. Alternative Energy Experiment |

ENTOMOLOGY

Superintendents: Linda Wille

1. An exhibitor may choose to exhibit in the Collection, Notebook, and/or Educational Classes. 4-H members who have been previously exhibited in Notebooks or Educational displays need to start with the Beginning Phase of Entomology Collections, not the Introductory phase. Introductory classes are not eligible for the State Fair.

* All entries should be submitted in an 18" x 24" x 3.5" wooden display box with a clear plastic top. Boxes can be handmade or purchased as long as they are of the correct size and do not have a glass top.

* Identification should follow the taxonomy as printed in "Insects of Kansas" book or www.bugguide.net

* Each exhibitor is required to identify each box by placing an identification label bearing the exhibitor's name, county or district and the class. One label goes in the upper left corner of the box (inside) and the other on the lower right corner of the box (outside). Arrange specimens in the box so it can be displayed lengthwise. The number of orders, specimens (and families where required) must be included on the exhibitor's box identification label. Only adult specimens can be used in collection boxes.

2. See class descriptions for additional requirements. Not all rules will be listed here; see additional rules in the Kansas State Fair Book: www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/index.html. Rules pertaining to labeling, specimens, violations, as well as out-of-state specimen rules can also be found in the Kansas State Fair Book.

3. After the first year in Entomology, all 4-H members need to add an 8 ½ by 11-inch sheet of paper to their collection that states what they did to improve their collection for the current year. This should include how many new insects were added to the display box (please list), how many insects were replaced in the display box (please list), and the number of new orders and/or families added to the display box. Other optional things that could be included are number of insects caught for the year, number of new Orders added this year, number of talks and/or demonstrations given, activities participated in, leadership roles, etc. This paper should be taped to the upper left corner on the front of your display box.

4. The following insects are listed as Threatened or Endangered by the Fish and Wildlife Service. Because of this, no specimens of the below species may be caught or displayed in insect collections or educational displays. If specimens of these species are included in collections or educational displays, it will be counted as a major violation. Any major violation of rules will result in the exhibit being dropped one ribbon placing. Please refer to www.kansas-h.org on the Entomology project page for more information.

American Burying Beetle (*Nicrophorus americanus*)

Monarch Butterfly (*Danaus Plexippus*)

Eastern Regal Fritillary Butterfly (*Argynnis idalia* or *Speyeria idalia*)

Western Regal Fritillary Butterfly (*Argynnis idalia occidentalis* or *Speyeria occidentalis*)

Great Spangled Fritillary (*Speyeria Cybele*)

5. A minimum of 10 new specimens must be added and/or replaced each year.

NEW FOR 2026: Do not put the spindle-shaped bag of a Bagworm in your collections (as a female example of the species). These bags must be cut open to determine if the caterpillar inside is a male or female. Opening the box to confirm the ID correctness could pose a significant risk to the collection.

Collection Classes

1. Introductory Collection: Minimum of 15 and maximum of 30 specimens, representing 6 orders. Introductory Phase collections are not eligible for the State Fair.

2. Beginning I Collection: Display in one standard box a minimum of 50 and a maximum of 125 species representing at least 7 orders. Members can exhibit in this class for a maximum of 3 years or until they receive a purple ribbon at the Kansas State Fair, whichever comes first.

3. Beginning II Collection: Display in one standard box a minimum of 75 and a maximum of 150 species representing at least 9 orders. Members can exhibit in this class for a maximum of 3 years or until they receive a purple ribbon at the Kansas State Fair, whichever comes first.

3. Intermediate Collection: Display a minimum of 100 and a maximum of 300 species representing at least 10 orders. Two standard boxes can be used. Members should list on a piece of paper what was done to improve the

collection during the current year. Family identification is required. Members can exhibit in this class for a maximum of 3 years. A 4-H'er may move up if they receive a purple ribbon.

4. Advanced Collection: Display a minimum of 150 and maximum of 450 specimens, representing 12 orders. Three standard boxes can be used. Family identification is required. Members may continue to exhibit in this class at the Kansas State Fair for an unrestricted number of years as long as they remain eligible for 4-H membership.

Notebook Classes:

5. Individual entries are to be placed for display in a three-ring notebook for competition. For the Intermediate and Advanced level, two notebooks may be used. A Title Page must be placed in the front of the second notebook. Introductory Entomology Notebook: Display a minimum of 10 and a maximum of 30 insect species representing at least 6 different orders. Follow the general guidelines listed for Notebooks, including the Special project. A 4-H'er may exhibit in this class for a maximum of two years.

6. Beginning I Entomology Notebook: Display a minimum of 20 and a maximum of 50 insect species representing at least 7 different orders. Follow the general guidelines listed for Notebooks, including the Special project. A 4-H'er may exhibit in this class for a maximum of three years.

7. Beginning II Entomology Notebook: Display a minimum of 40 and a maximum of 70 insect species representing at least 8 different orders. Follow the general guidelines listed for Notebooks, including the Special project. A 4-H'er may exhibit in this class for a maximum of three years.

8. Intermediate Entomology Notebook: Display a minimum of 60 and a maximum of 100 species representing at least 9 orders. Follow the general guidelines listed for Notebooks, including the Special project. In addition, family identification is required for all insects. A 4-H'er may exhibit in this class for a maximum of three years.

9. Advanced Entomology Notebook: Display a minimum of 100 and a maximum of 200 species representing at least 12 orders. Family identification is required.

Educational Display Classes

10. Beginning: A 4-H'er may enroll in this class if enrolled in Beginning I or II Collection/Notebook classes or if age 9 – 12.

11. Intermediate: A 4-H'er may enroll in this class if enrolled in Intermediate Collection/ Notebook classes or if age 11 -14.

12. Advanced: A 4-H'er may enroll in this class if enrolled in Advanced Collection classes or if age 13 or older.

Monarch Butterfly Educational Display Rules - Monarch butterflies were officially put on the Endangered Species List on July 21, 2022. Having the scientific name *Danatus plexippus*, this migratory butterfly is well known for its spectacular annual journey of up to 3,000 miles across the Americas. It is now threatened with extinction due to habitat loss and climate change. 4-Hers can play a critical role in helping to bring habitat back for the Monarch Butterfly. They can help educate the public on ways to establish food sanctuaries for this butterfly species and help bring them back from the threat of extinction.

Exhibits should teach the public about the Monarch Butterfly and/or ways to protect and conserve it. The information could show nectar sources for adult butterflies and food sources for caterpillars, Monarch tagging activities, collection of native milkweed and then packaging it to give to others to plant, a group working together to plant a Monarch-friendly garden, et cetera.

4-Hers may create a poster, notebook, standard size trifold, diorama, slide show or other visual display that shows information on Monarch Butterflies.

NEW FOR 2026: 5. Specimens of the actual Monarch Butterfly insect, caterpillars, or chrysalis MAY NOT BE USED in these displays.

If a slide show is created, it should be presented on a zip drive along with a printed copy of the presentation.

Monarch Butterfly Classes

13. Beginning: for 4-H members enrolled in Beginning I or II Entomology.

14. Intermediate: for 4-H members enrolled in Intermediate Entomology.

15. Advanced: for 4-H members enrolled in Advanced Entomology.

FIBER ARTS

Superintendents: Cindy Raaf, Sandi Eggers

1. Fiber arts exhibits cannot be entered in any of the Clothing & Textile classes.
2. Identification Labels: Type or print on 3" x 2 1/2" piece of cloth: class number, county or district, and exhibitor's name; sew or safety-pin this ID label on the corner of the article.
3. For garments, attach an ID label to the front left shoulder seam, or left side of waistband, as if you were wearing the garment, or lower left corner of flat articles.
4. When articles that are normally worn as a pair are exhibited, both articles must be shown together. Fasten articles together securely with yarn.
5. Special consideration will be given to articles that are of original design. Such articles should have a note attached explaining the original design.
6. The exhibitor may attach an index card, no larger than 4" x 6", with the entry form to give the judge any information that the exhibitor thinks would be helpful for the judge to know. For all items, indicate if the item was made from a kit. For all items, indicate fiber content, and specifically if they are made of at least 60% wool. For quilted items, indicate who did the quilting and binding.
7. Exhibitors are expected to be enrolled in the fiber art project in which they are entered. When the exhibit is a sewed garment that also includes one or more fiber art techniques (e.g., knitting, crochet, needle arts, or patchwork and quilting), the determination of what division (Clothing or Fiber Arts) and class in which to enter will be left with the 4-H participant.
8. All exhibits that need to be hung MUST have the appropriate hanger, rod, wire, or other mechanism attached to be properly displayed.
9. There are no age-specific classes in fiber arts. The exhibitor's age and years in the project will be considered by judges.
10. A member may enter only one exhibit in each class, with a total of up to 3 Fiber Arts Exhibits. All article/garments must be finished for use.

Classes:

1. Crochet
2. Knitting
3. Needlework – includes embroidery, cross-stitch, needlepoint, candle wicking, crewel, lace work, applique
4. Rug Making
5. Spinning – a skein, minimum 10 yards in length
6. Weaving
7. Ethnic Arts
8. Macramé
9. Patchwork/Quilted article
10. Educational Notebook

FOOD PREPARATION

Superintendents: Stephanie Wendland, Jeanie Shaffer

1. Exhibitors are limited to six entries (4 non-perishable, 1 educational exhibit, and 1 gift package).
2. Recipes are required for all entries including gift baskets. If none, placing will be lowered by one ribbon.
3. Attach label to bottom of plates with class, name of product, exhibitor name, and club.
4. Mixes may be used in the junior division only. Bread machines may be used in all age divisions.
5. All unfrosted cakes should be exhibited in an upright position with crust showing, except for those cakes made with special designs such as Bundt cakes. They should have the top crust side down.
6. Any baked product that can be removed from the pan should be. Loaves and cakes must be whole and uncut. Small items, such as cookies and rolls, should be the same shape and from the same recipe. Exhibit 3 cookies, 3

muffins, 3 breadsticks, 1 loaf bread, etc.

7. For food safety purposes, any food with custard and dairy-based type fillings and frostings (ex., cream cheese), raw eggs, flavored oils, “canned” bread or bread or cakes in a jar, cut fresh fruit, or any food requiring refrigeration (ex. bacon) will be disqualified and not judged.

8. Alcohol is not allowed as an ingredient in food entries. Entries with alcohol in the recipe will be disqualified and not be judged.

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. Frostings 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>. A worksheet is available at: https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/item/frostings-and-fillings-worksheet_4H1171

10. Educational exhibits may be in the form of a poster, notebook or display. Follow copyright laws. Take care to select materials that will withstand fair conditions. No card table displays are allowed. If the exhibit is a poster, it must not be larger than 22”x28”. Displays are not to exceed a standard commercial 3’x4’ tri- fold display board.

11. A food gift package must contain at least 3 different non-perishable food items prepared by the exhibitor in a suitable container no larger than 18”x18”x18”. Additional homemade food items beyond the 3 minimum or purchased items may be included in the gift basket. Food products will not be opened or tasted. No alcoholic beverages will be allowed. Packaging should allow all or part of the product to be seen. Attach a card answering these questions: a) What is the intended use; b) What food safety precautions were taken during and after preparation. Failure to do so will result in placing being lowered by one ribbon. **NEW FOR 2026: Any brand name products in the basket must have the labels covered. Do not cellophane wrap your basket. All items in the gift basket must be non-perishable and if they have frosting or glaze, you must include the sugar percentage worksheet.**

12. Home canned foods must follow Food Preservation rules. Canning jars should not be used for baking per manufacturer’s instructions. They could break during baking.

13. A decorated food entry must be a food item. If not, it will be disqualified. Judging is based on decoration only.

14. Each 4-H Club is responsible for the decoration of their Foods table.

15. Recipe Collection: A collection of your favorite recipes in a recipe box or notebook. Include your name on each recipe card, as well as the current year. Your name, club, address, county or district, and class number must be clearly marked on all exhibits.

16. All classes will be judged by age divisions: Junior, Intermediate, Senior.

Classes:

1. Non-perishable food product
2. Educational Exhibit
3. Gift Package

FOODS PRESERVATION

Superintendents: Stephanie Wendland, Jeanie Shaffer

1. Exhibits must have been preserved since the member’s previous year’s county fair.

2. Recipes and processing methods from the sources below are recommended. Recipes must be from current, tested resources listed below AND MUST BE ADJUSTED FOR ALTITUDE based on your processing location, or it will be disqualified. Processing methods that will be disqualified include: open kettle- canning, oven canning, sun canning and using electric multi-cookers. If using the Presto Precise® Digital Pressure Canner, please indicate the appliance is used for either water bath or pressure canning. Untested recipes will be disqualified for food safety reasons. Tested recipe resources include: K-State Research and Extension Food Preservation publications, Other

University Extension Food Preservation publications, USDA Complete Guide to Home Canning, @2015, So Easy to Preserve, 6th edition, The University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service, Ball® Blue Book Guide to Preserving, Edition 38, Ball® Complete Book of Home Preserving, @2024, Canning mixes (i.e. Mrs. Wage's, Ball®), Pectin manufacturers (i.e. SureJell, Ball®), KSRE Rapid Response Center Recipes, National Center for Home Food Preservation, Ball™ and Kerr

3. Alcohol is not allowed as an ingredient in food preservation entries. Entries with alcohol in the recipe will be disqualified and not be judged.
4. There are no safe recommendations to can white peaches or elderberries.
5. Each exhibit must have the complete recipe and instructions attached with the entry card, or it will be disqualified. Recipe must include exhibitor name, recipe source, date of publication, and elevation, where food was processed. If using Mrs. Wage's or Ball® mixes, indicate the date the mix was purchased.
6. Exhibits must be heat processed in clean, clear standard canning jars, with new matching brand (ex: use Ball® lids on Ball®) two- piece lids. This includes fermented foods. Do not use colored jars, fancy padded lids, fabric over wraps or cozies as they interfere with the judging process. Do not reuse jars from commercial food products (ex: spaghetti sauce jars). No fancy packs unless recipe states to do so (ex: Pickled asparagus). Jars must be sealed when entered. For food safety reasons, the size of jars used must not be larger than the jar size stated in the recipe (ex: Salsa is canned in pint jars only, no quarts). Note: There are 12-ounce, 24- ounce and 28-ounce canning jars available and may be used. Use pint jar process recommendations for 12-ounce jars. Use quart jar process recommendations for 24 ounce and 28-ounce jars.
7. Each jar exhibited must be labeled. The label must not cover brand name of jar. The label must give: Class Number, Product, elevation where processed, Canning Method (water bath, weighted gauge or dial gauge pressure method), Process Time, Pressure (psi), Date processed including month and year, Name, and County/District.
8. Hole punch the entry card and use a rubber band to attach the entry card and recipe around the top of the jar.
9. If dried food product is not in a canning jar, it will be lowered one ribbon rating. Suggested amount: 1/3 – ½ cup, or three or four pieces per exhibit. Dried products must include the recipe, preparation steps and heating instructions.

All meat jerky must be heated to an internal temperature of 160 degrees F before or after drying. This is not the drying temperature! Jerky not heated to an internal temperature of 160 degrees F will be disqualified and not be judged. Heating information can be found in "Dry Meat Safely at Home."

Classes:

1. Sweet spreads (fruit and/or vegetables) syrups; one jar
2. Fruits juices, and fruit mixtures (salsa, pie filling, etc.); one jar
3. Tomatoes / tomato products, tomato juice and tomato salsa; (salsa in pints only, no quart); one jar
4. Low acid vegetables (green beans, corn, or vegetable mixtures, etc.); one jar
5. Pickles (fruit or vegetables), fermented foods and relishes or chutney; one jar
6. Canned meats; one jar
7. Dried foods; one jar (Does NOT include Freeze Dried

FORESTRY

Superintendent: TBA

1. All leaf exhibits are to be mounted on 8½" x 11" heavy stock paper and placed in loose leaf binders. (Magnetic or adhesive filler sheets for photographic prints or sheet protectors are recommended.) Twigs and fruit collections may be exhibited in whatever manner you choose. Maximum tri fold size is 3' x 4'. Resources for exhibiting are located on the Kansas 4-H forestry project webpage.
2. Leaves should be identified with an appropriate label located near the leaf on the same page. These labels should include (1) The proper common name as listed in the 4H334, "List of Native Kansas Forest Trees", (2) Scientific Name (Optional in 2025 and required in 2026) (3) Location (city and or county) where collected; and (4) date (day, month, year) or (month, day, year) collected.
3. New specimens are those specimens collected during the current 4-H year and cannot be a duplicate tree species of previously displayed specimens.
4. Divide specimens into the following two sections: Native Kansas Trees, and Non-Native Trees.
5. Group specimens according to the years collected (ex. "old-previous years" and "new").
6. If you retrieve information for your forestry exhibit, you must include a reference citation to the source.
7. In all leaf collections, exhibit one complete leaf where possible. If leaf is too large, exhibit as much as possible. Sketch in reduced scale the entire leaf and illustrate where the exhibited portion is from. Note: A "leaflet" is incorrect when displayed as the complete leaf for the tree.
8. When replacing previously displayed samples, due to degradation, improper mounting or incorrect identification, the specimen label must also be updated. Replacements do not count as new specimens. Replacements should be displayed in the "old previous" section of the display.
9. All work must show originality. Leaf collections and displays should not closely resemble work done by others in the same club.

Classes

1. How Forests Serve Us
2. Tree Culture Display/Notebook
3. Growing and Protecting Trees Display/Notebook
4. Tree Appreciation Notebook
5. How a Tree Grows Notebook
6. Educational/Creative Exhibit
7. Forestry Collection (Leaf Collections)

Forestry Collection: (Choose either A or B) Only those exhibiting at the state fair for the **first** year may enter this class.

A. Exhibit a minimum of 10 different leaves from native Kansas trees collected within the year. Exhibit can include non-native leaves in addition to the required number of leaf specimens collected from native Kansas trees.

B. Exhibit a minimum of 5 native Kansas trees showing leaf, twig and fruit from each species collected.

Forestry Collection: (Choose either A or B) This class is open to those exhibiting either for the **first** or **second** time at the state fair.

A. Exhibit a minimum of 20 different leaves (including 10 new specimens) from native Kansas trees.

Exhibit can include non-native leaves in addition to the required number of leaf specimens collected from native Kansas trees

B. Exhibit a minimum of 10 native Kansas trees showing leaf, twig and fruit from each species collected.

This exhibit must include 5 new leaf, twig and fruit specimens.

Forestry Collection: (Choose either A or B) This class is open to those exhibiting either for the **third** or **fourth** time at the state fair.

A. Exhibit a minimum of 30 different leaves (including 10 new specimens) from native Kansas trees. Exhibit can include non-native leaves in addition to the required number of leaf specimens collected from native Kansas trees.

B. Exhibit a minimum of 15 native Kansas trees showing leaf, twig, and fruit from each species collected. This exhibit must include 5 new leaf, twig and fruit specimens.

Forestry Collection: (Choose either A or B) This class is open to those exhibiting the **fifth** time or more at the state fair.

A. Exhibit a minimum of 40 different leaves (including 20 new specimens) from native Kansas trees. Exhibit can include non-native leaves in addition to the required number of leaf specimens collected from native Kansas trees.

B. Exhibit a minimum of 20 native Kansas trees showing leaf, twig, and fruit from each species collected. This exhibit must include 10 new leaf, twig and fruit specimens.

GEOLOGY

Superintendent: Linda Wille

1. Limited to one entry per class per exhibitor.
2. The standard size exhibit box should be 18"x24"x3-1/2". All specimens are to be arranged across the narrow (18") dimension of the exhibit box, making the exhibit 18" across the top and 24" deep. If a box has a sliding Plexiglass, it must be removable from the top. Screw, locks or other devices that would prevent judges from removing glass cover should not be used. Plexiglass is required.
3. Each exhibitor is required to identify each display box by placing an identification label bearing name, county, and number of specimens in the upper left-hand corner of the box (inside), and by attaching a label with the same information on the lower right corner of the box (outside).
4. Geology specimens should be labeled with the number of the specimens, date collected, specimen name or description, and location (county) where collected.
5. All specimens must be collected in the state of Kansas during the current 4-H year. Exceptions are listed in Kansas State Fair Book.
6. For the first three classes specimens should be mounted in the box by proper groups — rocks, minerals, fossils.
7. For rules specific to this project division, please refer to the Kansas State Fair Book: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/index.html>

Classes

1. Geology - Display at least 15 rocks, minerals and fossils collected during the current 4-H year. Limited to one exhibit box 18"x 24"x 3-1/2". Only those exhibiting at the state fair for the first time may enter this class. Fossils must be identified to the Phylum level.
2. Geology - Display at least 30 rocks, minerals and fossils, at least 5 of each. Fifteen must be collected during the current 4-H year. Limited to one exhibit box 18"x 24"x 3-1/2". This class is open to those exhibiting either the first or second time at the state fair. Fossils must be identified to the Phylum level.
3. Geology - Display at least 45 rocks, minerals, or fossils, at least 5 of each. More than one specimen of the same kind of rock or mineral or species of fossil may be exhibited if this duplication represents different geological formations. Specimen labels must show this distinction. See Kansas State Fair Book for remainder of requirements.
4. Geology - Display at least 60 rocks, minerals, or fossils, at least 5 of each. More than one specimen of the same kind of rock or mineral or species of a fossil may be exhibited if this duplication represents different geological formations. Specimen label must show this distinction. See Kansas State Fair Book for remainder of requirements.

5. Geology Educational Exhibit: See Kansas State Fair Book for required rules.
6. Mineralogy: See Kansas State Fair Book for required rules.
7. Lapidary: See Kansas State Fair Book for required rules.
8. Rocks: See Kansas State Fair Book for required rules.
9. Paleontology: See Kansas State Fair Book for required rules.

HORTICULTURE & LANDSCAPE DESIGN

Superintendent: TBA

1. Each exhibitor is limited to two entries per Produce class as long as each entry is a different type of produce.
2. All exhibits must be grown by exhibitor.
3. Secure entry form to disposable plate or container with string or tape. Use a sturdy disposable plate, bowl or container that will support the weight of the produce.
4. An exhibitor earning a purple ribbon at their county/district fair on an out-of-season vegetable/fruit/herb (ex. Early peas) may substitute another vegetable/fruit/herb (ex. Pumpkin) in its place at the State Fair.

Produce Classes

1. Garden Display: The Garden Display must be exhibited in a tray, basket or container that can be easily moved. Exhibit consists of five different types of fresh vegetables or fruits. Canned products and shelled vegetables are not acceptable. Only one variety of each type of vegetable or fruit may be exhibited. The numbers of the five types of vegetables or fruits to be exhibited are as follows:
 - *Large Vegetables (One Each): Cabbage, Cantaloupe, Eggplant, Large Pumpkin, Squash, Watermelon
 - *Medium Vegetables (Five Each): Beets, Carrots, Cucumbers, Decorative Gourds, Potatoes, Miniature Pumpkins, Okra, Onions, Peppers, Radishes, Sweet Potatoes, Tomatoes, or other similar sized vegetable
 - *Vegetables (Twelve Each): Green snap beans, wax beans, English peas, or other similar sized vegetables
 - *Small fruits (One half pint box): Strawberries, blackberries, raspberries, or other similar sized fruits.
 - *Tree fruits (5 each): Apples, pears, peaches, or similar sized fruits.
 - *Grapes (2 bunches)
2. Small vegetable specimen plate (12) Ex: green snap beans, yellow wax beans, cherry tomatoes other small vegetables.
3. Medium vegetable specimen plate (5) Ex: cucumbers, cherry tomatoes, tomatoes, beets, white onions, yellow onions, red onions, bell peppers, other peppers, okra, parsnips, radishes, turnips, sweet potatoes, red potatoes, white or Russet potatoes, carrots, miniature pumpkin, decorative gourds, or other medium vegetables.
4. Large vegetable specimen plate (1) Ex: watermelon, summer squash, winter squash, large type pumpkin, eggplant, cabbage, cantaloupe, other large vegetable.
5. Fresh Culinary herbs (6) ex: parsley, basil, dill, etc. Six stems (or a comparable quantity) of one variety of fresh herbs must be exhibited in a disposable container of water. Dried herbs are not accepted.
6. Small fruits (one half pint box) Ex. Strawberries, blackberries, raspberries, or other similar sized fruits. (if other, please include name of fruit on entry).
7. Tree fruits (plate of 5) Ex. apples, pears, peaches, or similar sized fruits.
8. Grapes (plate of 2 bunches)

Floral Exhibits

1. Each exhibitor is limited to two entries per floral class as long as the flower specimen is of a different species.
2. Each exhibitor may enter one horticulture notebook.
3. Members are encouraged to exhibit cut flowers and fresh floral arrangements in disposable containers.

4. All floral materials must be grown and/or collected by the exhibitors.
5. Attached entry card to container with rubber band
6. Do not use purchased plant materials.
7. Potted plants are not accepted.
8. All entries must be freestanding, easily moved, and not require any special equipment to display. Hanging entries are not accepted.

Floral Classes

9. Annual Garden Flower, cut specimen, single stem.
10. Perennial Garden Flower, cut specimen, single stem.
11. Fresh Flower Arrangement - Flower materials must be grown and/or collected by exhibitor, not purchased.
12. Dried Flower Arrangement, no fabric or plastic material allowed.
13. Horticulture Notebook - Entry shall consist of a notebook or three ring binder of written narrative describing a horticulture project such as a landscape design, landscape installation, lawn renovation, water garden, flower garden, vegetable garden, lawn mowing service, landscape maintenance business, farmer's market business, or other horticultural project. 4-Hers are encouraged to include photographs, illustrations and/or landscape drawings that help explain work done by the member.

INTERIOR DESIGN & ARCHITECTURE

Superintendents: TBA

1. An entry card must be attached to the exhibit with material appropriate to the exhibit: safety pins, tape, string, etc.
 2. Projects with missing or insufficient summary will be lowered one ribbon placement
 3. An exhibitor may only exhibit one item in each class.
- Please see the Kansas State Fair Book for details and specific class rules.

Classes

1. Interior Room Design Board
2. Two Collages on Design Board
3. Two Diorama Models
4. Marble Maze or Enclosure
5. Marble Maze Presentation Board Only

PETS

Superintendents: TBA

1. See Educational Exhibit Guidelines in 4-H General Rules. 4-H exhibitors must be enrolled in the project related to the exhibit.
2. Exhibit must include name, club, and district/county.
3. Exhibits will be judged on completeness, quality of work and neatness.
4. Exhibit is not Kansas State Fair eligible.

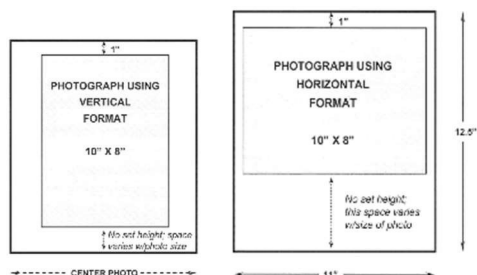
Classes

1. Educational Display
2. Promotional Poster
3. Notebook

PHOTOGRAPHY

Superintendent: Carol Stuber

1. Photographs entered must be the result of the current year's project work by the 4-H member.
2. Photographs taken with a digital camera are allowed no more adjustments than exposure, color intensity or correction, one click filter effects, red eye removal, cropping, dodging and burning, and HDR (high dynamic range). **NEW FOR 2026: AI (artificial intelligence) modified images are not allowed.**
3. The black and white classes are for black and white photos only. Monochromatic prints, including sepia prints are considered color photos and must be entered in the appropriate color photo class.
4. Color and Black and White Photo classes will be broken by years in the project: 3 or less, 4-7, 8 or more.
5. Exhibitors, age 9 by Jan. 1 of the current year, winning a purple ribbon are eligible to exhibit at the Kansas State Fair with limitations based on years in the project.
6. All photos must be no larger than 8"x 10" and no smaller than 7"x 9" after trimming.
7. Appropriate photo subject matter: Photographic subject matter is expected to follow 4-H standards. For a sense of prohibited subject matter, review the Kansas 4-H member Code of Conduct; in general, if it is not allowable at a 4-H event, it is not allowable in a 4-H photograph.
8. Photos with live subject(s) on a railroad right of way or taken from railroad right of way property will not be displayed in Kansas 4-H Photography and will be disqualified and not judged.
9. Copyright protections must be observed.
10. Photos are to be mounted across the narrow (11") dimension of an 11"x 12-1/2" sheet of white or cream studio matte board. Mounting boards may be purchased in the Extension Office. (Note mat board dimension.) Photos must be mounted with the top edge of the print 1" below the top of the mount. (Board is always oriented narrow side up). The sides of the print must be equal distance from the two sides of the mount. (Note mounting location.)



11. A permanent mount must be made by using photographic adhesive. (No household glues, double stick tape, etc.)
12. No lettering, including dates, is permitted on the front of the mount or on the photo, only on the form provided. No underlays or borders are to be used.
13. To protect exhibits from dust and moisture, place mounted photos in protective plastic bags.
- NEW FOR 2026: 14. No lettering, names, addresses, descriptions, or personal information pertaining to the photo or exhibitor should be written on the back of the photo mat board. The back of the board should remain blank.**
15. Improperly mounted photos, oversize or undersize photos with white borders not removed or lettering (including dates) on the photo, will be awarded a ribbon one placing lower than the placing determined by the judge.
16. Exhibitors may enter up to four photos of any class combination.
17. Photos showing a theme of "Love for Your County" entered in Open Class or 4-H photography divisions will be eligible for 3 overall cash awards sponsored by the Woodson County Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber of Commerce requests access to use winning photos.
18. For Portfolio and Display Classes, please refer to the Kansas State Fair Book: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/index.html>

CLASSES

1. Color photo
2. Black and White photo

3. Growth Portfolio
4. Career Portfolio
5. My Favorite 4-H Display (for exhibitors with 10 or more years in Photography project)

Photography Fun Class:

- o All ages
- o Theme: For the Love of Your Country
 - This is in celebration of the 250th anniversary of America. The photo must be of something in your county. A photo winner will be selected not just from how the photo looks, but also from the note card.
 - Must include a 3x5 note card with the following:
 - Name
 - Where the picture was taken
 - How does this picture represent your county

POULTRY

Superintendent: Cindy Baker

1. Birds that originate from Kansas do not need to be tested before the fair until 2027. Birds will then be tested every 5 years.
2. If your bird comes from out of state you will be required to test within 90 days of the fair.
3. All animals will be inspected. If ear mites or other transferable pests/diseases are found, animals will be sent home.
4. The Grand and Reserve Champion Meat Pens are eligible to sell through the Premium Sale.
5. For any animal that requires a smaller cage than the ones provided, the exhibitor is in charge of supplying the cage.
6. There is a limit of three birds per class, per exhibitor.
7. PENS ARE ASSIGNED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT AND ARE NOT TO BE CHANGED.

Classes

1. Standard Breeds – Large Fowl; One young bird of either sex.
2. Standard Breeds - Large Fowl; One old bird of either sex
3. Standard Breeds - Bantams; One young bird of either sex
4. Standard Breeds - Bantams; One old bird of either sex
5. Production Pullets - Pen of 3. Standard bred, crossbred or strain cross pullets to be judged on egg production qualities.
6. Production Hens - Pen of 3. Standard bred, crossbred or strain cross hens to be judged on egg production qualities.
7. Dual Purpose Pullets - Pen of 3, such as Rhode Island Reds, New Hampshire, Plymouth Rocks, etc.
8. Dual Purpose Hens - Pen of 3, such as Rhode Island Reds, New Hampshire, Plymouth Rocks, etc.
9. Turkeys - all breeds; one bird of either sex
10. Ducks - Call or Bantam, all breeds; one bird of either sex
11. Ducks - all breeds; one bird of either sex
12. Geese - all breeds; one bird of either sex
13. Game Birds (Not eligible for State Fair)
14. Pigeons – Old Cock (hatched in previous calendar year), Old Hen, Young Cock (hatched in this calendar year), Young Hen (Not eligible for State Fair)

Showmanship Classes

15. Junior
16. Intermediate
17. Senior

RABBIT

Superintendent: Cindy Baker

1. Animal must receive a blue or purple ribbon to qualify for the Kansas State Fair.
2. All rabbits will be divided into classes by ages and judged according to their breed standard as listed in the ARBA "Standard of Perfection." Only breeds approved by ARBA may be shown, no mixed breed rabbits will be allowed.
3. Exhibitors must provide feeders and waterers, which should be marked for identification.
4. The Grand and Reserve Champion Meat Pens are eligible to sell through the Premium Sale.
5. All animals will be inspected. If ear mites or other transferable pest/diseases are found, animals will be sent home.
6. There is a limit of three birds per class, per exhibitor.
7. PENS ARE ASSIGNED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT AND ARE NOT TO BE CHANGED.

Classes

1. Senior Buck (8 months and up)
2. Senior Doe (8 months and up)
3. Intermediate Buck (6-8 months)
4. Intermediate Doe (6-8 months)
5. Junior Buck (3-6 months)
6. Junior Doe (3-6 months)
7. Pre-Junior Buck (0-3 months)
8. Pre-Junior Doe (0-3 months)
9. Meat Pen – Three (3) rabbits, all one recognized breed and variety (broken varieties must be the same color). Minimum weight 3 ½ pounds each. Maximum weight 5 ½ pounds each, and not over 70 days of age. Will be judged on their meat qualities, condition, uniformity, and fur.

Fur Classes

10. Normal White Fur
11. Normal Colored Fur
12. White Satin Fur
13. Colored Satin Fur
14. White Rex Fur
15. Colored Rex Fur
16. White Wool Fur
17. Colored Wool Fur

Showmanship Classes

18. Junior
19. Intermediate
20. Senior

READING ADVENTURES

Superintendent: TBD

1. Posters
2. Book Report (in ink)
3. Diorama
4. Other

ROBOTICS

Superintendent: Linda Wille

1. Each robot must be free-standing, without the need for additional supports in order to be moved or exhibited.
2. Each exhibit must include a robot, information packets are not a sufficient exhibit.
3. Each exhibitor is required to complete the "4-H Robotics Exhibit Information Form" which is available through your K-State Extension office or at <https://robotics.engtech4ks.com/> . This form must be attached to the outside of a 10" X 13" manila envelope. All revisions of all forms previously released for the Engineering and Technology division either undated or dated prior to current year are void for use and new forms must be obtained and used that are dated by the State 4-H office for the current year. Use of old forms should result in the loss of one ribbon placing for exhibits.
4. Robot dimensions should not exceed 2 feet high, by 2 feet wide, by 2 feet deep. Weight may not exceed 15 pounds.
5. If displayed in a case (not required or encouraged for the state fair, but strongly encouraged for county fairs) the outside case dimensions may not be more than 26 inches in height, width, or depth.
6. All electric components of the robot must be adequately covered or concealed with a protective enclosure. Paper is NOT considered an adequate enclosure or covering for electrical components.
7. Each robot must be in working condition. The judges will operate each robot to evaluate its workmanship and its ability to complete its intended task. In the event the robot uses a phone, tablet, or similar device for both programming AND control of the robot a video will be used to evaluate the working condition of the robot. It should follow the operating instructions so that the judge can follow along.
8. For an extensive list of rules and class descriptions, please reference the Kansas State Fair Book

Classes

1. Robot made from a commercial (purchased) kit (No programming, just assembly).
2. Robot designed by exhibitor. The robot must not be a mere modification of an existing robot kit or plan.
3. Programmable robot made from a commercial (purchased) kit.
4. Robot designed and constructed by exhibitor or from a commercial kit, that is operated by a remote-controlled device.
5. Junk Drawer Robotics
6. Team Project - Robot designed and constructed by two or more 4-H members.
7. Educational Poster, notebook, poster, display board (see Educational Exhibit rules in KSF Book)

SELF DETERMINED

Superintendent: TBA

1. 4-H exhibitors must be enrolled in the project related to the exhibit.
2. Exhibit must include name and club.
3. Exhibits will be judged on completeness, quality of work and neatness.
4. Exhibit is not Kansas State Fair eligible.

Classes

1. Communications Educational Display, Promotional Poster, or Notebook
2. Leadership Educational Display, Promotional Poster, or Notebook
3. Family Studies Educational Display, Promotional Poster, or Notebook
4. Civic Engagement Educational Display, Promotional Poster, or Notebook
5. Environmental Science Educational Display, Promotional Poster, or Notebook
6. Performing Arts Educational Display, Promotional Poster, or Notebook
7. Health and Wellness Educational Display, Promotional Poster, or Notebook

8. Self Determined Educational Display, Promotional Poster, or Notebook

SEWING & TEXTILE DESIGN

Superintendents: Sandi Eggers, Toni O'Hare, Cindy Raaf

1. Exhibitors may enter up to two sewing and textile design outfits, one educational display, and one sewing box. Separate entries are required for sewing and textile items and fashion revue if the exhibitors wishes to model their outfit.
2. All garments judged must be brought to the fair to get ribbons and premiums. Exhibitors must be judged and participate in the Public Fashion Revue to receive ribbons and premiums.
3. Ready-made labels will be available in the Extension Office or use a 3x2-1/2" piece of white cloth. Sew label to the center back of the neck or waistband or left end of apron band. Labels must have name, address, club, and class name.
4. Place outfits or garments on hangers with hook toward the right shoulder. Please use a string to tie together the hangers of exhibits that require more than one hanger. Examples: dress and jacket, top and skirts.
5. Pre-cut kits are acceptable for all clothing classes. All articles/garments must be finished for use.

Educational Exhibit Classes – Share with others what you learned in the Sewing and Textile Exhibits. May be in the form of a poster, notebook or display. Follow copyright laws as explained in the General Rules as you are preparing your exhibit. Take care to select durable materials that will withstand State Fair conditions. No card table displays are allowed. If the exhibit is a poster, it must not be larger than 22"x 28". If the exhibit is a display, maximum size is not to exceed a standard commercial 3' x 4' tri-fold display board. Name and county/district must be clearly marked on educational exhibits.

Recycled Clothing Project – An item made of at least 50% recycled material (recycled means reusing an existing item in a new way). Could be remaking/ redesigning a garment, re-purposing a clothing item for a new use, etc. Must include sewing of some kind. An index card (no larger than 4"x6") MUST accompany entry describing the recycled materials and how they were used in the item.

Classes

1. Article, garment, or outfit constructed by a Junior
2. Article, garment, or outfit constructed by an Intermediate
3. Article, garment, or outfit constructed by a Senior
4. Educational Exhibit
5. Recycled Clothing Project
6. Sewing Box
7. Fashion Revue (this is for wearable constructed items)

SHOPPING IN STYLE – DISPLAY/POSTER

Superintendent: TBA

1. Posters can be flat poster board or foam board, no larger than 22" x 28." Tri-fold educational displays must be free standing and no larger than 36" x 48."
2. Photos of 4-H member in purchased outfit must demonstrate criteria as outlined on scoresheet. Consider multiple angles, good light and highlight details so that the judge may accurately evaluate the exhibit.
3. Exhibits should include actual photos of 4-H member in garments, and may also include pictures from magazines or the internet
4. A 4-H member may make only one entry in this division.

Classes: Exhibit one of the following options that align with the appropriate Shopping in Style level:

Junior: Exhibit should consist of poster that showcases:

- A. a garment you purchased that reflects your personal style and explains how this garment reflects your style and how it influences what others think of you; **OR**
- B. a garment you purchased and explains how your personal style either aligns or contradicts what is considered to be “in style” today. **OR**
- C. a garment you purchased and explains or illustrates how this garment is a modern version of a fad or fashion from an earlier decade; **OR**
- D. a garment you purchased and explains how this garment reflects a different ethnic or cultural influence; **OR**
- E. a garment you purchased and includes a color discussion that provides an overview of how different colors complement different hair colors and skin tones and how that influenced garment selection.

Intermediate: Exhibit should consist of a display that showcases:

- A. an outfit you purchased to wear with a clothing item that was already in your wardrobe that still fit but you didn’t wear anymore. Explains why the clothing item was not being worn and what you did to transform it into a wearable garment again. **OR**
- B. a top and bottom that you purchased, as well as at least three pieces of clothing in your existing wardrobe that you can mix and match with the new items to create multiple outfits. Includes a clothing inventory and explain what you have learned by completing this activity. **OR**
- C. an outfit you purchased and explain why you selected the garment you did, your shopping budget, and cost per wear; **OR**
- D. an outfit you purchased and explain how advertising influences clothing purchases making a distinction between wants and needs. Include your shopping budget and cost per wear. **OR**
- E. an outfit you purchased along with a cost comparison between garments/accessories purchased vs. sewing/constructing the outfit. Comparison should include variety of shopping options and/or price tracking at stores over a period of time.

Senior: Exhibit should consist of a display that showcases:

- A. an outfit you purchased and care requirements not only for this garment but also for garments made of other natural and synthetic fibers. Display should also include a care cost analysis for garments of different fibers; **OR**
- B. an outfit you purchased which you have repaired or altered. Include a clothing inventory list which includes cost savings for repaired items as compared to purchasing replacement garments; **OR**
- C. an outfit you purchased along with plans and commentary for a fashion show that that would capture the attention of an audience. Plans should identify target audience, venue, theme, budget, and logistical plan for the fashion show; **OR**
- D. an outfit you purchased and explain 3 methods of clothing repair that you have learned, i.e. torn seam, torn hem, replacing a button, etc. Display should also include photos and list of your assembled clothing first aid kit. Include itemized expenses; **OR**
- E. An outfit you purchased, and feature any other completed activity from the Shopping In Style curriculum of your choosing that isn’t listed above.

SHOPPING IN STYLE - FASHION REVUE

Superintendents: Sandi Eggers, Toni O’Hare, Cindy Raaf

1. Exhibitors may enter up to three outfits for Shopping in Style. Each exhibitor is allowed to model two outfits from Shopping in Style and/or Sewing & Textile Design for the Public Fashion Revue. Entries for this division are SEPARATE from Shopping in Style.
2. All garments judged must be brought to the fair to get ribbons and premiums. Exhibitors must be judges and participate in the Public Style Revue to receive ribbons and premiums.
3. Ready-made labels will be available in the Extension Office or use a 3x2-1/2” piece of white cloth. Sew label to the center back of the neck or waistband or left end of apron band. Labels must have name, address, club,

and class name.

4. Place outfits or garments on hangers with hook toward the right shoulder. Attach skirts and shorts to hanger with large safety pins.
5. Completed Cost Per Wear forms are required for each outfit and are available on the Southwind website.
6. All classes will be judged by age division of: Junior, Intermediate, Senior.

Classes

1. Junior
2. Intermediate
3. Senior

SHOOTING SPORTS

Superintendent: TBA

1. National Minimum Standards and Best Practices <https://4-hshootingsports.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/12.13.23-Minimum-Standards-Update.pdf> MUST be followed as well as Kansas 4-H Shooting Sports Handbook. https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/kansas-4-h-shooting-sports-handbook_4H1101.pdf Exhibits outside these standards will be disqualified.
2. The exhibit size rule will be strictly enforced. Exhibits exceeding the size guidelines will be disqualified. Maximum exhibit size for all exhibits in this division is 4'X6'.
3. For rules specific to this project division, please refer to the Kansas State Fair Book: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/index.html>

Experiential Classes

1. Shooting Aid or Accessory
2. Storage Case
3. Practice Game or Activity

Educational Classes

4. Educational Display
5. Promotional Poster
6. Notebook

SMALL ENGINES

Superintendent: Linda Wille

1. All exhibits should involve engines smaller than 20 horsepower. Engine should contain no fuel in tank or carburetor.
2. Each Small Engines exhibit must include a "4-H Small Engines Information Form", which is available through your local K-State Research and Extension office or at <http://smallengines/engtechrks.com/>. This form must be attached to the outside of a 10' X 13" manila envelope. Place them inside the manila envelope. For notebooks, display boards, and posters, no additional exhibit information is required; no manila envelope is needed for these exhibits.
3. Items that have been in use should be cleaned for exhibit.
4. A sheet of operating instructions must be included in the p
5. As exhibitors prepare their exhibits, appropriate PPE (Personal Protection Equipment) is required.
6. Cutting surfaces, such as blades, are to have a protective covering over them to prevent injury. The covering should be easily removed and reinstalled for judging. Foam "pool noodles" and multiple layers of cardboard are acceptable.

7. For additional rules specific to this project division, please refer to the Kansas State Fair Book: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/index.html>

Classes

1. Display – Exhibit a display, selecting one of the following options: 1) a display identifying different engine or lawn and garden equipment parts or a display showing the function of the various engine or lawn and garden parts; OR 2) a display identifying and explaining the function(s) of different special tools needed for small engine work; OR 3) a display illustrating and providing the results of any one of experiments that are included in the project books. No complete engines, lawn tractors, tillers, or chainsaws are permitted for display. Maximum tri-fold size is 3'x4'.
2. Maintenance – Exhibit a display that illustrates either 1) Routine maintenance procedures OR 2) Diagnosing and trouble-shooting specific problems in an engine. No complete engines, lawn tractors, tillers, chainsaws, ext. are permitted for display, using a maximum tri-fold size of 3'x4'.
3. Operation – Exhibit an operable small engine (no more than 20 HP) overhauled or rebuilt by the exhibitor. Include a maintenance schedule for the engine and a brief description of the steps taken by the exhibitor to overhaul or rebuild the engine. Maximum tri-fold size is 3'x4'. Engine should contain no fuel in the tank or carburetor.

UNCREWED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS

Superintendent: Linda Wille

The information that accompanies the UAS must be limited to the 4-H Engineering & Technology Exhibit Information Form which is affixed to a 10" x 13" envelope. This envelope should NOT be attached to the UAS. This may be downloaded from <http://uas.engtech4ks.com/>.

For rules specific to this project division, please refer to the Kansas State Fair Book: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/index.html>

Classes

1. Unmanned Aircraft System designed and constructed by exhibitor that is operated by a remote controlled device. The UAS must not be a mere modification of an existing kit or plan. You may not exhibit a UAS that is purchased off the shelf in this class.
2. Practical application of an Unmanned Aerial System constructed from a commercial (purchased) kit. This includes the UAS, plus one or more of the following: video, notebook, poster, display board, etc. This class is separate from educational exhibits. A tangible use would be mapping Russian olive trees, eroded soils, and bindweed in fields, etc. There are also many other non-agricultural UAS uses that would be appropriate for this class.
3. Educational Poster, notebook, display board (see rules in KSF Book)

VETERINARY SCIENCE

Superintendents: TBA

1. A Veterinary Science exhibit may consist of a poster, notebook, project display, or diorama.
2. The exhibit may represent material from any of the Veterinary Science projects including entry level exhibits from Unit I.
3. For rules specific to this project division, please refer to the Kansas State Fair Book: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/index.html>

Classes

1. 4-H Veterinary Science Notebook

2. 4-H Veterinary Science Poster
3. 4-H Veterinary Science Project Display
4. 4-H Veterinary Science Diorama

VISUAL ARTS

Superintendent: Sheila Proper

1. All exhibits that need to be hung must have a wire or saw tooth hanger attached in order to be properly displayed. If not ready to hang, placing will be lowered by one ribbon.
2. Exhibitors may enter up to 10 items in the class or classes of their choice but no more than 10 items total.
3. Classes will be broken and judged by age divisions: Junior, Intermediate, Senior.
4. Copyrighted kits and preformed molds are not considered original and are not acceptable in any Visual Arts Class.
5. Combining parts of different patterns (pictures, photographs, images from the internet or a magazine) with the member's own ideas can result in an original design, but simply changing the color, pattern, and/or size of a pattern does not make the design original. If you create a replica of what you see somewhere else (e.g. Pinterest), it is not your original design. If a photo, sketch, or other idea source was used, submit it with your entry, firmly attached to your exhibit.
6. Projects with "fractal burning" are not allowed in the 4-H Division. (Example – electrical burning to wood to make black linework on artwork.) This is in agreement with recommendations from the American Association of Woodturners (AAW).

Classes

1. Fine Arts. Oil, chalk, charcoal, dyes, pastels, pencil, ink, acrylic, or watercolor on canvas, canvas board, paper, wood, metal, or textiles, framed as a picture, prepared for hanging. Stretched canvas art on a wooden frame is considered prepared for hanging provided that frame has a hanger.
2. Clay and Ceramics. Any original item made of clay may be fired or unfired, hand-formed, or thrown on a wheel. Self-hardening, fire/oven-cured, and/or cornstarch clays are acceptable. Items can include, but are not limited to, clay statues, bowls, etc.
3. Leather and Jewelry. Any leather stamping, carving, tooling, lacing, or stitching piece or any jewelry piece made from any medium are acceptable exhibits.
4. Three-Dimensional. The piece must be observable on at least three sides and should be either free-standing or prepared to be hung. Craft and pre-formed or assembled projects are not acceptable.
5. General Crafts. This category incorporates miscellaneous pieces that do not correspond to the four categories mentioned above.

WILDLIFE

Superintendent: Linda Wille

1. Exhibitors must comply with state and federal laws. It is illegal to possess threatened or endangered wildlife, or the feathers, nests, or eggs of non-game birds. Game birds and game animals taken legally during an open season may be used. Every wildlife on display must have a statement about how they were obtained legally. The use of live wild animals in educational exhibits is prohibited.
2. Exhibits in this division are open to educational displays, promotional posters, or experiential displays. Exhibits should reflect learning in the project area. Follow copyright laws as explained in the General Rules as you are preparing your exhibit. Take care to select durable materials to withstand State Fair conditions.
3. Wildlife exhibits that reflect harvesting of wildlife must follow National Minimum Standards and Best Practices <https://4-hshootingsports.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/12.13.23-Minimum-Standards-Update.pdf> and Kansas 4-H Shooting Sports Handbook <https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/kansas-4-h->

shooting-

4. Taxidermy: The exhibitor is responsible for following all laws, rules, and regulations, and when licenses, tags, etc, are required, to include those and/or the information required with the exhibit. For taxidermy, please reference hunting and furbearer laws for Kansas. <https://ksoutdoors.gov/Hunting/Hunting-Regulations/Furbearers>

4. For rules specific to this project division, please refer to the Kansas State Fair Book: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/fairs/kansas-state-fair/index.html>

Classes

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| 1. Notebook | 8. Inventing Wildlife/Fish Harvesting Equipment |
| 2. Promotional Poster | 9. Tanned Hides |
| 3. Educational Display | 10. Taxidermy |
| 4. Fish Harvesting Equipment | 11. Wildlife Tracks |
| 5. Build a Fishing Rod | 12. Wildlife Knowledge Check |
| 6. Casting Target | 13. Houses |
| 7. Wildlife Harvesting Equipment | 14. Feeders/Water |

WOODWORKING

Superintendent: Chuck Sievers

1. The plan from which it was constructed must be with the article exhibited. The plan may be a photocopy, the actual pattern, or a scale drawing. It must be complete and accurate to the extent that a duplicate article could be built using the plan as a guide. Please note: a set of step-by- step instructions is not a plan.

2. If there is glass in the exhibit it must be secured.

3. In judging woodwork articles, consideration will be given to the usefulness, attractiveness, workmanship, design, choice of wood and quality of wood.

4. Projects with “fractal burning” are NOT ALLOWED in any Kansas State Fair Exhibits in the 4-H Youth Development Department. (Example – electrical burning to make black linework on artwork.) This aligns with The American Association of Woodturners (AAW).

5. During construction of exhibits, PPE (personal protective equipment) is to be worn by those in the workspace.

CLASSES

4-H members may enter any woodworking item of their choice in the appropriate age division class. This allows exhibitors to showcase creativity, craftsmanship, and skills appropriate to their age and experience rather than selecting from specific categories.

1. Junior (Ages 7-8)
2. Intermediate (Ages 9-13)
3. Senior (Ages 14 and older)

2026 Fair Awards

4-H

Belt Buckles

Grand Champion Beef
Reserve Champion Beef
Grand Champion Beef Carcass
Reserve Grand Champion Beef Carcass
Grand Champion Lamb
Reserve Champion Lamb
Grand Champion Meat Goat
Reserve Champion Meat Goat
Grand Champion Showman Round Robin
Reserve Champion Showman Round Robin
Grand Champion Swine
Reserve Champion Swine

Banners

Grand Champion Beef
Reserve Champion Beef
Grand Champion Lamb
Reserve Champion Lamb
Grand Champion Meat Goat
Reserve Champion Meat Goat
Grand Champion Showman Round Robin
Reserve Champion Showman Round Robin
Grand Champion Swine
Reserve Champion Swine
Champion Barrel Racer
Champion Beef Rate of Gain
Champion Beef Showman, Junior
Champion Beef Showman, Intermediate
Champion Beef Showman, Senior
Champion Breeding Doe
Champion Breeding Gilt
Champion Bucket Calf
Reserve Champion Bucket Calf
Champion Cow/Calf Pair
Champion Crossbred Steer
Champion Doe
Champion English Bred Steer
Champion Ewe
Champion Gelding
Champion Heifer
Champion Horse Showmanship, Junior
Champion Horse Showmanship, Intermediate
Champion Mare
Champion Meat Goat Rate of Gain
Champion Meat Goat Showman, Junior
Champion Meat Goat Showman, Intermediate
Champion Meat Goat Showman, Senior
Grand Champion Poultry
Champion Poultry Meat Pen

C&H Cattle & Hay, In Memory of Bud and Dorothy Driskell
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Philip Collins
Woodson County Title
Jerry and Mary Ann Sedlacek
Rick and Deanna Cummings
Pat and Norma Collins
Proper Farms
J Bar S Ranch, James and Trisha Farmer
City of Yates Center
Nedra Yoho, In Memory of Galen Yoho
Johnson Harvesting

Yoho Livestock – Aidan Yoho
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Yates Center Saddle Club
Livestock Forage Services
Barney Farms
Barney Farms
Turkey Creek Cattle Co.
John and Linda Weseloh
Piqua Farmer's Co-op Association
Philip Collins
Jeremy and Regan Jacobs family
Sandstone Farms – Craig and Tiffany Stockebrand
Philip Collins
John and Linda Weseloh
Philip Collins
Spencer/Jaynes Insurance
In Memory of Jerry Mentzer
Turkey Creek Cattle Co.
Livestock Forage Service
Still Waters Edge Retreat
Eric Boone Electric and Tree Service
Ray and Sheila Proper
Woodson County Sheep Auction
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Morrison Construction
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Champion Poultry Showmanship, Junior
 Champion Poultry Showmanship, Intermediate
 Champion Poultry Showmanship, Senior
 Grand Champion Rabbit
 Champion Rabbit Meat Pen
 Champion Rabbit Showmanship, Junior
 Champion Rabbit Showmanship, Intermediate
 Champion Rabbit Showmanship, Senior
 Champion Sheep Rate of Gain
 Champion Sheep Showman, Junior
 Champion Sheep Showman, Intermediate
 Champion Sheep Showman, Senior
 Champion Swine Rate of Gain
 Champion Senior Swine Showman
 Champion Intermediate Swine Showman
 Champion Junior Swine Showman

Allen Community College
 Jeremy and Regan Jacobs Family
 Adam and Staci Slater family
 Joe and Karen Grisier
 Joe and Karen Grisier
 K & L Cattle
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 Woodson County Sheep Auction
 Bank of Commerce
 Riverton Homes
 Johnson Harvesting
 Sandstone Farms, LLC
 C&H Hay & Cattle
 C&H Hay & Cattle
 C&H Hay & Cattle

Plaques

Champion Aerospace/Rocketry
 Champion Ag Mechanics
 Champion Agronomy
 Champion Building Block Engineering
 Champion Fiber Arts
 Champion Food Preparation
 Reserve Champion Food Preparation
 Champion Foods Preparation, Junior
 Champion Foods Preparation, Intermediate
 Champion Foods Preparation, Senior
 Champion Food and Nutrition - Preservation
 Champion Electricity & Renewable Energy
 Champion Horticulture and Landscape Design
 Reserve Champion Horticulture and Landscape Design
 Champion Photography
 Reserve Champion Photography
 Champion Photography, Junior
 Champion Photography, Intermediate
 Champion Photography, Senior
 Champion Reading
 Champion Robotics
 Champion Shooting Sports
 Champion Self-Determined
 Grand Champion Shopping in Style - Boys
 Grand Champion Shopping in Style - Girls
 Champion Shopping in Style Fashion Revue, Jr. Girls
 Champion Shopping in Style Fashion Revue, Int. Girls
 Champion Shopping in Style Fashion Revue, Sr. Girls
 Champion Shopping in Style Fashion Revue, Jr. Boys
 Champion Shopping in Style Fashion Revue, Int. Boys
 Champion Shopping in Style Fashion Revue, Sr. Boys
 Champion Sewing & Textile Design
 Reserve Champion Sewing & Textile Design
 Grand Champion Visual Arts

PrairieLand Partners
 PrairieLand Partners
 Cody and Kayla Taylor
 Morrison Construction
 Prairie Pickins
 In Memory of Doreene Pringle
 Frosted Joy
 Casey Diver
 Casey Diver
 Casey Diver
 Green Cover
 KJ Electric
 Cody and Kayla Taylor
 Cody and Kayla Taylor
 Gordon and Marcia McNitt
 In Memory of Floyd & Betty Patterson
 Mike and Kelli Kramer
 Mike and Kelli Kramer
 Green Cover
 Yates Center Library
 John and Linda Weseloh
 Hay Capitol Outdoors
 Casey Diver
 Golden Rod Chapter #163 OES
 Market 54 + 75
 Hairbenders
 Wacey and Laura Douglas
 Wacey and Laura Douglas
 Gary and Tasha Steele
 Ryan, Jessica and Ellenor Boyd
 Justin, Addison, and baby Rossillon
 Mrs. Mary Lee Edwards
 Tom and Linda Wille
 Adams Agency

Reserve Grand Champion Visual Arts
Champion Visual Arts , Junior
Champion Visual Arts, Intermediate
Champion Visual Arts, Senior
Champion Wildlife
Champion Woodworking
Reserve Champion Woodworking

Woodson County-Bred Steer Award

Jeff and Jill Pierpoint
The Ron Solomon Family
Green Cover
Green Cover
Hay Capitol Outdoors
Toronto Lumber Company
Superior Building Supply

1st Place \$100 – Woodson County Cattlewomen
2nd Place \$ 50 - Gerald Lauber Family
3rd Place \$25 – Gerald Lauber Family

OPEN CLASS

Champion Baked Product, Junior
Champion Baked Product, Senior
Champion Bucket Calf
Reserve Champion Bucket Calf
Champion Canned Product
Champion Clothing, Junior
Champion Clothing, Senior
Champion Floriculture, Junior
Champion Floriculture, Senior
Champion Field Crop
Champion Market Goat
Reserve Champion Market Goat
Champion Handcrafted Art, Junior
Champion Handcrafted Art, Senior
Champion Horticulture
Champion Needlework
Champion Painting or Drawing, Junior
Champion Painting or Drawing, Senior
Champion Photography, Junior
Champion Photography, Senior
Champion Quilt or Rug
Champion Market Sheep
Reserve Champion Market Sheep
Champion Market Swine
Reserve Champion Market Swine

Pete and Gwen Martin
G&W Foods, Yates Center
John and Bridget Kramer
John and Bridget Kramer
Sandstone Farms, LLC
In memory of Lois Ann Cope
In memory of Lois Ann Cope
LeaAnn and Brian Smith
John and Haley Pringle
Golden Harvest / Brian Smith
Pete and Gwen Martin
Pete and Gwen Martin
Shepard Farm and Construction
Teena Tracy
Henry and Sandi Eggers
Mark and Cindy Raaf
Janice Sorenson
Playscape Recreation, LLC
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Woodson County Farm Bureau
4 Golden Stitches
Teena Lutz
Teena Lutz
John and Bridget Kramer
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