FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- **Q:** What happens if I put my entry in my mailbox on Monday, July 7, 2025
- A: No paper copies will be accepted, all entries must be done online and are due on July 7, 2025 by midnight.
- **Q:** How do I know if the office received my entry on time?
- **A:** The online entry system will send you an email confirmation once your entry is submitted. It is highly recommended that you print that confirmation and any paperwork associated with it.
- **Q:** When and where do I bring my 4-H Youth Development Building entry to be evaluated?
- A: In the July 4-H News there will be a schedule of evaluation times and also online at www.cce.cornell.edu/erie. ALL YDB entries are to be brought to the 4-H Youth Development Building on The Fairgrounds on Saturday, August 2, 2025 unless otherwise specified in the fair book.
- Q: What should I do if I cannot bring my 4-H Youth Development Building entry to be evaluated?
- A: You can have another person bring your entries if absolutely necessary. The 4-H Office strongly urges you to bring in your own entries because evaluators are able to offer constructive comments on the quality of your work. As noted, if not present, the exhibitor MUST have an accompanying 3x5 index card per exhibit that states the youth's answers to required questions per exhibit section.
- Q: Is it okay to put information on notebook paper or on a 4" x 6" index card instead of a 3" x 5" index card?
- A: Yes, another sized paper can be substituted for the 3"x5" index card. The answers should be in the child's own words and provided in the child's handwriting when possible.
- **Q:** What happens if I enter an item in the wrong class?
- A: The evaluator will ask you to have it corrected through the person in charge of entries and the entry will then be evaluated but the premium will be reduced. If you have questions concerning the proper section/class, contact the 4-H office to arrange a time to bring the item to the office for help in answering your question, or you can send pictures of the project via email to Caitlin Riley, erie4h@cornell.edu
- **Q:** When and where do I pick up my premium check?
- A: All premium checks (livestock & 4-H Youth Development Building exhibits) will be available for pick-up between 5-7 pm on Sunday, August 17 at the Showplex Livestock office and on Monday, August 18 at the Youth Development Building from 3:00 6:00 p.m. All checks must be cashed within 60 days of the check's date or they will be forfeited to the Erie County Agricultural Society. Please pick up post-fair envelopes the last Sunday of the Fair, August 18th, from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM in the Showplex Office, or on Monday, August 18th, the day after the Fair in the Youth Development Building from 3:00 PM until 6:00 PM. Post-fair envelopes may contain items such as pictures, ribbons, and 2025 enrollment packets. These envelopes cannot be mailed, so please pick them up on Sunday or Monday.
- Q: When do I pick up my 4-H Youth Development Building Entry and what happens if I am unable to be there?
- A: Entries MUST be picked up on Monday, August 18th the day after the Fair from 3:00 PM until 6:00 PM. You MUST make arrangements to have your item(s) picked up by someone on Monday, August 18th if you are not available that day. If not, projects will be left in an unsecured building, and neither the Erie County 4-H nor the Fairgrounds will claim responsibility for them. Thank you for your cooperation.
- **Q:** What happens if my project has been selected for State Fair?
- **A:** Projects going to the New York State Fair will be packaged on Monday, August 18th and transported to the State Fair on Tuesday, August 19th.

STILL UNSURE???? CALL 716-652-5400

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