

“I figured if a girl wants to be a legend, she might as well go make herself one”
~ unknown

Ava Wright is a senior in high school and resides in Erie, Colorado on her family's farm. The eighteen-year-old is excited to serve as an ambassador for the Boulder County Fair, Livestock Show & Rodeo as the 2023 Queen.

Ava has had a passion for Agriculture and anything western since she was little. Having been homeschooled with her sister for the past 12 years by her mom has given Ava more time to read anything she could get her hands on and ride her horses. Over the years, Shakespeare, science, history, mock trial, and debate have been this homeschooler's favorite classes. She also enjoys hunting, building and designing things, and helping in the children's church on Sundays.

This is Ava's ninth year in Boulder County 4-H. She has shown chickens, market and breeding lambs, horses, dabbled in cake decorating and competed in both livestock and horse judging. The All-In-Stride 4H club has become her 2nd family and Ava has been honored to hold the position of Vice President and President several times.

In 2019, the then fourteen-year-old was accepted into the American Quarter Horse Association Ranching Heritage Youth Development program. Ava was one of 35 applicants who received a weanling from a Ranching Heritage Breeder. She is extremely proud of her currently 4-year-old and plans to put the mare on poles, and barrels and do ranching versatility with her.

One of Ava's passions is barrel racing. She has competed in the Colorado Junior Rodeo Association and the Little Britches Youth Association in poles, barrels, and a year of breakaway roping. The young horsewoman is currently competing in the Colorado State High School Rodeo Association on her 5-year-old and will be working to fill her Women's Professional Rodeo Circuit Association permit. Additionally, she is learning ranch roping and values that history.

Ava cannot wait to see what the year of the 154th Boulder County Fair, Livestock Show & Rodeo has to offer. The 2023 Queen is eager to share her knowledge and commitment to the rodeo and livestock industries and follow the 4-H motto to “Make the Best Better” in Boulder County.