

## Warren County Extension and Outreach Staff & Members

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## 4-H / FFA EXHIBIT BUILDING

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This department is open to youth who are participating in 4-H / FFA Youth Development Programs conducted by Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

**All exhibitors are responsible to READ and COMPLY with the Warren County Fair 4-H General Exhibit Rules, 4-H General Rules and Regulations, and all 4-H department exhibit class rules and regulations.**

**General Exhibit Rules**

1. 4-H members who have completed 4th grade through 12th grade (*or that equivalent*) in 2024 are eligible to exhibit at the Warren County Fair.
2. 4-H Clover Kids (*Kindergarten-3rd grade*) are eligible to exhibit in the 4-H Building. Clover Kids will "share" their exhibits and receive participation ribbons for their exhibits in the 4-H Building. Their exhibits may be a school project, simple craft, hobby, collection, etc. Clover Kids may also participate in the Pet Show on Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am.
3. Exhibitors in 4-H classes are not eligible to exhibit in a similar department of the FFA division or vice-versa. See also "*4-H Department General Rules and Regulations.*"
4. Eligible exhibits are an outgrowth of work done as a planned part of the 4-H'ers participation in 4-H projects or programs during the current 4-H year (*since the 2023 Warren County Fair*). If a school project, please make the necessary changes to form it into a 4-H Exhibit. Exhibits can be completed by an individual or group and may represent all or part of the learning in the project or program.
5. Exhibits selected at the county level to advance to the Iowa State Fair should not be part of a local auction or sold to another individual before the Iowa State Fair.
6. Exhibits previously entered in an FFA Ag Science Fair or any other FFA event or competition may not be entered in any 4-H exhibit class.

7. Exhibits that do not comply with the class description, size guidelines, copyright restrictions, safety and approved methods will be disqualified and not put on public display.

8. If the exhibitor chooses a display to illustrate what was learned:

- Posters may not exceed 24" x 36" in size.
- Chart boards, graph boards, project presentation boards, model displays, etc., may not exceed 48" x 48" in size. Maximum size is determined by measuring the flat (*unfolded*) dimensions. Display boxes may not exceed 28" x 22" in height or width and 12" in depth.

9. Endangered, threatened, and "special concern" plants and animals (including insects), or songbird feathers and nests may NOT be used in any exhibit. Game animals legally taken are acceptable, with the exception of any hogs (*Sus* species) - per State Law. Live specimens of noxious weeds or invasive species are NOT permitted in any exhibit. Dried specimens are acceptable to use in exhibits, however viable noxious/invasive plant seeds shall not be included.

(Links to specific information below)

- State-listed animals: <https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/ACO/rule/571.77.2.pdf>
- State-listed plants: <https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/ACO/rule/571.77.3.pdf>
- Iowa Noxious weed list: [Iowa Code Section 317.1A \(2022\) - Noxious weeds. :: 2022 Iowa Code :: US Codes and Statutes :: US Law :: Justia](#)

10. **Copyrighted materials and designs** may not be used in an exhibit that is presented as original work by the exhibitor. Exhibitors must include permission from the copyright holder/owner when using copyrighted materials. Exhibitors must give proper credit to the original source of all materials / designs used in exhibits. (*See special rules for Visual Arts and general copyright information for 4-H'ers.*)

If you find your idea from Pinterest, you will need to find the original site to source. It can be found by double clicking on the image.

11. The 4-H member's goal and application of exhibit standards will form the basis of the evaluation process. Evaluation criteria will include demonstrated learning, workmanship, techniques, and general appearance and design. Exhibitors will receive evaluation comments and a blue, red or white Warren County Fair ribbon.

Refer to exhibit class evaluation rules/guidelines for detailed evaluation criteria in each class.

Rubrics are located at [State Fair Evaluations Forms Labels](#) (<https://iastate.app.box.com/folder/165781615545?s=fuo1u44a07g0psi8w7swcerz6dpziqrn>).

12. Each exhibitor at the Warren County Fair should be prepared (*in writing or orally*) to answer the following questions during their conference judging. 4-H'ers are strongly encouraged to write out their answers to be ready to discuss them with the judge. **The Iowa State Fair requires a written explanation, an audio recording, or video recording answering the questions with each exhibit. Audio or video should be uploaded to an online viewing platform.**

**The 4-H exhibitor should respond to the following questions about the exhibit:**

**What** did you plan to learn or do? (What was your exhibit goal(s)?)

**What** steps did you take to learn or do this?

What were the most important things you learned?

**Check for additional requirements in exhibit classes for food and nutrition, photography, and visual art classes.**

**13. All judges' decisions are final. This is a learning experience. Not every participant and every project can be selected to advance to the State Fair. All judges have completed the proper training and their decisions are final.**

**14. Each item in an exhibit must be securely labeled, including:**

- **Class Number**
- **4-H Exhibitor's Name and 4-H Club**
- **Grade Completed and Age**
- **Description and Years in Project**

15. If a 4-H'er is unable to attend conference judging, they may send their exhibits (limit of 2) with their leader or parent to be dropped off for judging. These exhibits will need to be checked in where a Superintendent will take them for judging. Parents or leaders will not be allowed in the judging area to present these exhibits. These projects will not be considered for: Iowa State Fair, Outstanding Exhibits, Top 4<sup>th</sup> Grade, or Creative Arts Tour.

16. At no time will a parent or leader partake in the judging process. This is the 4-H'ers time to share their information with the judge. If a 4-H'er needs assistance from a parent or leader in moving their exhibit to the judging table that is fine, but please then leave the judging area immediately.

17. The total amount of projects to be judged in one class area is limited to three projects. However, there is an exception for the area of photography where an exhibitor can enter four total photos. (Example: only three Food and Nutrition projects will be permitted to be judged.) If an exhibitor brings more than three projects for a given project area they will be asked to choose which three projects will be judged and the rest will be removed from the premise.

### **Other Exhibit Information**

Due to security, 4-H'ers are discouraged from sending items that have special meaning and historical value as their exhibit or part of an exhibit. The Warren County Fair and Iowa State University Extension and Outreach – Warren County will use diligence to ensure the safety of articles entered for exhibition after their arrival and placement. However, they will not be responsible for damage or loss by accident, fire, theft, etc.

### **Judging Day Procedures and Release of Exhibits**

**Pre-entry via FairEntry is required for all Static Exhibits by Wednesday, July 17<sup>th</sup>. No late entries will be accepted.**

**Pre-Entry is required for the following by Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup>.**

- \$20 Challenge
- Clothing Selection
- Fashion Revue
- Innovative Design
- Extemporaneous Speaking

- Presentations
- Share-the-Fun
- Working Exhibits

**Entries in these areas need to be made online via FairEntry by June 15<sup>th</sup> 2024.**

**All exhibits entered in the 4-H Building will be conference judged. (*Exception: Clover Kids will have their own special sharing time.*)** The purpose of conference judging is to let each member have a personal interview with the judge to discuss what the member planned to do in the project, how the item displayed fits into the goals the member hoped to reach, and how the member feels about the final results of his/her efforts for the year.

Conference judging provides an opportunity for the 4-H member to express his/her thoughts to an adult. It is an opportunity for the adult to listen to the youth and converse together; the result being a mutually satisfying experience. Each club is assigned a time for judging on Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup>. At the scheduled time, all members in that club are to bring their exhibits to the 4-H & Youth Exhibit Building to participate in conference judging. If a member is not able to participate in conference judging, they need to contact their club leader to make arrangements to have their exhibit (up to two) taken to the 4-H & Youth Exhibit Building before 12:00 p.m. on the day of judging, July 20<sup>th</sup>. The judging schedule is as follows:

**8 am**

Indianola Goal Achievers  
Lucky Charms  
Carlisle Trail Blazers  
Liberty Bells

**9 am**

Panthers  
Virginia Boosters  
Belmont Peppers  
Whitebreast  
Waymakers

**10 am**

Carlisle Ridge Riders  
Jackson Hilltoppers  
Warren County Wranglers  
Shooting Stars

**11 am**

Belmont Badgers  
White Oak Climbers  
North River Limelighters  
Be-Square  
FFA

**Noon** Everyone must be in line to be judged

**1:30 pm** Building will be locked until the conclusion of the Pre-Fair Picnic where doors will be open for one hour following the picnic. Doors will be locked again until Wednesday, July 24th at 9:00 am.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Clover Kids will have their own special time to share their projects on **Friday, July 19<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 7:00pm at the 4-H Exhibit Building.**

**Each 4-Her will need to enter projects online in the FairEntry program. Entry forms are generated from FairEntry and will be available at the Warren County Extension Office prior to the Warren County Fair. They will also be available Saturday, July 20th at Static Judging. This form needs to be signed by the 4-Her and turned in at the completion of the day at the check-out table. The entry tags will also be generated by FairEntry and will be available at the Warren County Extension Office prior to judging day. They will also be available Saturday, July 20th at Static Judging.**

### **JUDGING DAY PROCESS...WHEN YOU ARRIVE AT THE EXHIBIT BUILDING**

- Check in at the check-in table
- Proceed to the waiting area for each individual judge
- After talking with a judge, exhibits are to be taken to the club's booth (or the area designated for those projects) to be displayed
- Parents are NOT allowed in the judging area.
- Exhibits considered for the Iowa State Fair will be retained to be displayed in a special area.
- Proceed to the check-out table in the exhibit building
- Please sign and turn in the entry form to receive your ribbons
- Please attach your ribbon securely to your exhibit/project
- Exhibits will be awarded premiums on the basis of blue, red, and white ribbon quality
- Exhibits not placed in one of the above groups by a judge will not be awarded premium money
- Any exhibit that does not meet the class description may be moved to a more appropriate class with the permission of the 4-H member
- All premiums will be paid to the club of the respective 4-H member
- Fourth grade 4-H members will be eligible to earn a Top 4<sup>th</sup> Grade ribbon for their projects and their club will receive their premium money
- The Warren County Fair Exhibit Building opens up for initial viewing on Sunday, July 21st following the Pre-Fair Picnic for one hour and then officially re-opens on Wednesday, July 24<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Baked and garden items will be held for the **4-H Bake/Garden Sale**. 4-H'ers should include a picture of their baked item attached to their project. The booth will be set up at the 4-H Exhibit Building and the sale will take place Saturday, July 20th during judging time and continue after the Pre-Fair Picnic. Proceeds will go to the Warren County 4-H Trip Scholarship Fund.

**Exhibits are to remain on display in the 4-H & FFA Building until 9 p.m., Sunday, July 28th at which time they will be released by the General Superintendent or Extension staff.**

The 4-H/FFA building will be closed at 6:00p.m. on Sunday, July 28th it will reopen at 9:00 pm until 10:00 p.m. for removal of exhibits. The building will be open again on Monday, July 29th from 9:00 -10:00 a.m. for those unable to remove their exhibits on Sunday evening.

**Superintendents or Extension staff will not be responsible for exhibits left after that time. We will hold remaining projects at the Extension Office until October 1<sup>st</sup>, then they will be disposed of.**

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Any exhibit removed prior to 9 p.m., Sunday, July 28th, will automatically disqualify the 4-H member from entering the Warren County 4-H competition the following year, and all premiums due that member in any 4-H division for the current year will be forfeited. An exception to this rule are live plants (please see Horticulture under Agriculture guidelines).\*

### **State Fair Note**

4-H'ers completing 5th - 12th grades are eligible to exhibit at the 2024 Iowa State Fair. Exhibits at the Iowa State Fair are NOT conference judged.

4-H'ers with exhibits chosen for the Iowa State Fair will be given additional instructions on when and where to take their exhibits. **A picture will be taken in the 4-H Exhibit Building on Friday, July 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm** of all 4-Hers with exhibits selected for the Iowa State Fair and those selected for the Creative Arts Tour.

ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY: If you are unable to participate in the Friday afternoon photo shoot, another opportunity is scheduled for **Saturday, July 27th at 11:00 am.**

Exhibits that do not comply with size guidelines, copyright, and safety procedures will not be accepted for entry, evaluation or display at the Iowa State Fair. The Iowa State Fair requires a written explanation, an audio recording or video recording answering three questions about each exhibit.

**The 4-H exhibitor should respond briefly to the following questions about the exhibit:**

**What** did you plan to learn or do? (What was your exhibit goal(s)?)

**What** steps did you take to learn or do this?

**What** were the most important things you learned?

### **Club Booths and Hosting**

#### **THEME FOR THE 2024 WARREN COUNTY FAIR:**

**SHOWTIME!**

This theme will be used in decorating 4-H Club booths.

Clubs will be able to decorate their booths on Thursday, July 18th from 6:00 – 8:00p.m.

**The “Club Pride” award** is judged and will be given by Warren County Extension Council to the 4-H club whose booth best displays the theme for the year, is nicely decorated, has strong member participation, and highlights the club and its members.

Booth assignments will be posted in an upcoming *Extension Newsletter*.

### **4-H & Youth Building Hosting Schedule**

**Guidelines for 4-H Clubs Hosting the Exhibit Building:**

- Must have one adult present with any 4-H members that are hosting.
- Hosts are expected to GREET VISITORS with a smile; ask visitors if they have questions.
- Provide information about 4-H. Flyers and information will be at the hosting table
- Encourage children to complete the *interest* form to join 4-H and place in collection box on table
- Work with the kids to do the daily activity
- First Shift of the day - Make sure hosting table and areas are clean and neat.
- Others hosts are to sweep the floor as needed and pick up trash.
- The next shift should arrive before you leave the Exhibit Building.
- Final shift of day –
  - Sweep the floor and pick up any trash.
  - Do not turn off Master Breaker... do turn off the individual breaker
  - To lock the building, place the bolts and nuts in the east and west doors

**ADDITIONAL NOTES:** Hosts are not to eat, play cards or other games, or engage in private conversations (or use technological instruments) with other friends; 4-H hosts are ambassadors for the 4-H program; the host table should be neat and clean for visitors to the 4-H Exhibit Building, and you should be welcoming guests.

<b>Wednesday, July 24</b>	
9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Carlisle Ridge Riders
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	North River Limelighters
1 p.m. - 3 p.m.	Carlisle Clover Kids
3 p.m. - 5 p.m.	Warren County Wranglers
5 p.m. - 7p.m.	Belmont Peppers
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Carlisle Trail Blazers
<b>Thursday, July 25</b>	
9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Indianola Clover Kids
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	Warren County Clover Kids
1 p.m. - 3 p.m.	Panthers
3 p.m. - 5 p.m.	Be-Square
5 p.m. - 7p.m.	Waymakers
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Lucky Charms
<b>Friday, July 26</b>	
9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Liberty Bells
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	Norwalk Clover Kids
1 p.m. - 3 p.m.	White Oak Climbers Clover Kids
3 p.m. - 5 p.m.	Jackson Hilltoppers



5 p.m. - 7p.m.	Belmont Badgers
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Virginia Boosters

<b>Saturday, July 27</b>	
9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Indianola Goal Achievers
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	Jackson Hilltoppers Clover Kids
1 p.m. - 3 p.m.	Whitebreast Clover Kids
3 p.m. - 5 p.m.	Shooting Stars
5 p.m. - 7p.m.	Intermediate Leadership Team
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.	Senior 4-H
<b>Sunday, July 28</b>	
9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	White Oak Climbers
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	Whitebreast
1 p.m. - 3 p.m.	Belmont Badgers Clover Kids
3 p.m. - 5 p.m.	New Virginia Clover Kids
5 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Extension Staff
6:00 p.m.	<b>Building Closes (for Family Night)</b>
9 p.m. - 10 p.m.	<b>Building Re-Opens</b>

*Building will re-open for Exhibit Release at 9:00 pm on Sunday, July 28, 2024.*

### **Class Descriptions**

Most exhibit classes have specific guidelines and requirements which will be included in the judging process. Members are highly encouraged to access <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects> to find information about the judging criteria for projects and exhibits they created from their 4-H learning experience.

There are six areas or divisions in which to exhibit projects at the Warren County Fair. Each area or division has class numbers listed below. All projects entered at the Warren County Fair will enter under a specific area or division and then identify the class that is most appropriate for their project on Judging Day.

Class descriptions for the Communication Events such as a 4-H Presentations, Extemporaneous Speaking, Working Exhibits, or Share-The-Fun Activities along with the Clothing Events such as Clothing Selection, \$20 Challenge, Innovative Design, Fashion Revue or the Pet Show will be found in the fair book following the class descriptions for the Exhibit Building.

### **ANIMALS**

**10110 Animal Science** - An exhibit (other than the animal itself) that shows the learning about a large or small animal including beef, dairy cattle, dairy goats, dogs, horse and pony, meat goats, pets, poultry, rabbits, sheep and swine. Ownership of any animal is not required.

**10120 Veterinary Science** - An exhibit that shows learning about keeping animals healthy, animal diseases, animal/human health interaction, or other learning related to Veterinary Science.

## **AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

**10210 Crop Production and Plant Science**- An exhibit that shows learning about the growth, use, and value of field crops, plant growth, soils and soil fertility, or any other learning related to Crop Production and Plant Science.

**10220 Conservation, Environment, and Sustainability** - An exhibit that shows the connections between humans and their environment including energy, energy conservation, stewardship, conservation, creating habitat, etc.

**10222 Entomology** – Any exhibit that shows learning from an entomology or bee project (excluding live specimens) that is an outgrowth or an entomology or bee project learning experience. Includes specimen collections and may include products (for example honey) or equipment as part of the display.

**10224 Fish and Wildlife** – Any exhibit that shows learning about a fish and/or wildlife project or program such as identification, habitats, harvest, taxidermy, etc. Any specimens must have been legally taken and must include information about date and location of harvest, and who the specimen was acquired from if not self-harvested. Feral pigs (including Russian/European Boar) are NOT permitted in taxidermy exhibits.

**10226 Forestry** – Any exhibit, including collections, that show learning from participation in a forestry project or program.

**10230 Horticulture and Plant Science** - An exhibit that shows learning about the growth, use, and value of plants, soils, small fruit production, vegetable and flower gardens, plant nutrition, careers, etc. (Garden crops and herbs are exhibited in classes in the 4-H Horticulture Department under 4-H Livestock and Horticulture.)

\*If using live plants within your exhibit please contact the Extension Office to make arrangements for you to take them home after being judged on Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup> since the building is locked until Wednesday, July 24<sup>th</sup> at 9 am.

**10235 Home Grounds Improvement** – An exhibit that shows learning about landscape plans, selection of landscape plants, ornamental garden features, home yard improvement, storage sheds, careers, etc.

\*If using live plants within your exhibit please contact the Extension Office to make arrangements for you to take them home after being judged on Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup> since the building is locked until Wednesday, July 24<sup>th</sup> at 9 am.

### **550A – Vegetable Plates – County Fair Only Class**

This is to be an exhibit of vegetables raised as the results of work done by the 4-Her.

Please refer to: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4hfiles/agriculture/LHHortClass.pdf>  
For the number of specimen to put on a plate for your exhibit.

The vegetables should be prepared for exhibit as instructed in 4H-462, "Harvesting and Preparing Vegetables for Exhibit".

Please note only one variety per plate. Exhibitor must enter each plate of vegetables separately. White paper plates are recommended. Exhibits will not be selected from this class for State Fair exhibition.

Judging will be based on the quality of produce. Each exhibit tag MUST show the variety name.

**Members wishing to exhibit similar produce at Iowa State Fair must enter them via Fair Entry June 1<sup>st</sup>-July 1<sup>st</sup>.**

After judging, produce will be sold at the 4-H Bake/Garden Sale with the exception of one specimen per plate, which will remain on exhibition.

**550B – Vegetable Collection Plates – County Fair Only Class**

This is to be a collection of vegetables with 8-10 different vegetables raised as the results of work done by the 4-H'er.

The vegetables should be prepared for exhibit as instructed in 4H-462, "Harvesting and Preparing Vegetables for Exhibit".

White paper plates are recommended. Exhibits will not be selected from this class for State Fair exhibition.

Judging will be based on the quality of produce. Each exhibit tag **MUST** show the variety name.

**Members wishing to exhibit similar produce at Iowa State Fair must enter them via Fair Entry June 1<sup>st</sup>-July 1<sup>st</sup>.**

After judging, the vegetables will stay on display.

**Class 550C - JUMBO OR MOST UNUSUAL – County Fair Only Class**

Vegetables (one specimen).

White paper plates are recommended. Exhibits will not be selected from this class for State Fair exhibition.

Each exhibit tag **MUST** show the variety name. After judging, the vegetables will stay on display.

**Class 550D – Herbs – County Fair Only Class**

Herb species (three sprigs for exhibit) to be displayed in a bottle provided by the 4-H'er. Sprigs should be of adequate length to reach the water level. Herb species must be properly labeled on the entry tag.

Exhibits will not be selected from this class for State Fair exhibition.

**Class 550E– Flower Display – County Fair Only Class**

**Two blooms** displayed in a bottle provided by the 4-H'er. Flower variety must be properly labeled on the entry tag. Each flower display will be a separate exhibit. **Floral arrangements are not accepted, only two blooms per entry.**

The flowers should be prepared for exhibit as instructed in 4H-464, "Preparing Cut Flowers and House Plants for Exhibit."

**Members wishing to exhibit similar produce at Iowa State Fair must enter them via Fair Entry June 1<sup>st</sup>-July 1<sup>st</sup>.**

- 10240 Outdoor Adventures** - An exhibit that shows learning about backpacking, biking, camping, canoeing, fishing, hiking or other outdoor activities.
- 10250 Safety and Education in Shooting Sports** - An exhibit that shows learning about safe and responsible use of firearms and archery equipment or wildlife management. (The exhibit may not include actual firearms; archery equipment allowed if tips are removed from arrows).
- 10260 Other Agriculture and Natural Resources** - An exhibit that shows learning about agriculture or natural resources and does not fit in any of the classes listed above.

## CREATIVE ARTS

- 10310 Music** - An exhibit that shows learning about musical performance, composition and arrangements, instruments, musical styles or history. If submitting a video or musical arrangement, it must be uploaded to YouTube.
- 10320 Photography** - An exhibit, either photo(s) or an educational display, that shows learning about photography from choosing a camera to modifying your photo. Still photos only, not video.

### **Photography Special Rules:**

1. *Photographs may be either black and white or color. They may be processed from negatives, slides, or digital cameras and computer manipulation programs. Photographs must have been taken since your county fair of the previous year.*
2. *Photographs should be a minimum of 5" x 7". Finished size (including mounting/matting) of single photographs may not exceed 11" x 14". Exception: Panoramic photos must not exceed 11" x 24" in length.*
3. *All photographs must be printed on photographic paper and must be mounted and/or matted.*
4. *Mounted photos can be (a) flush-mounted [no board showing] on mounting board, or (b) with mount borders [window mat or flat mount directly on board]. Exhibitors may cut their own mounting boards, use ready-cut window mats or have matting done professionally.*
  - *4-Hers are responsible for design decisions such as border, color and size. **Framed photographs (including floating frames) will not be judged.***
5. *Maximum thickness of finished project must not exceed 1/2" thick.*
6. *A series is a group of photographs [3 to 5] that are related to or tell a step-by-step story. Photographs must be mounted together and numbered in story order or sequence. Finished size of individual photographs in a series must be a minimum of 5" x 7" and should not exceed 6" x 8".*
7. *Edited photos should include a copy of the photo before edits.*
8. *Subject matter of photographs must be in good taste and be appropriate for public display in a 4-H setting.*
9. *Photographs depicting unsafe practices or illegal activities will **not** be displayed.*
10. *Iowa State Fair 4-H photography exhibitors must use the Photo Exhibit Label to provide required information for photo exhibits.*
11. *Exhibitors entered in 4-H Photography are not eligible to exhibit in the FFA Photography Show and vice-versa.*

**10340 Creative Photography** - A photographic image that was creatively edited or modified beyond reality in a creative, imaginative, and experimental way to make it more interesting and visually engaging. Could be a composite of multiple photographs.

**Creative Photography Special Rules:**

1. *Photograph/image may be mounted/matted or submitted (uploaded) as a digital image.*
2. *If mounted, photograph/image must be mounted on foam core no smaller than 5" in length or larger than 14" in length.*
3. *Photograph/Image can be digitally created or from a film negative.*
4. *Exhibit must have the most current Photo Exhibit Label on back with required information for photo exhibits. Exhibit write up should include additional information about the processes and decisions used to develop the exhibit.*
5. *Subject matter must be in good taste and be appropriate for public display in a 4-H setting, photographs depicting unsafe practices or illegal activities will not be displayed.*
6. *Photographs depicting unsafe practices or illegal activities will not be displayed.*

**10345 Photography Idea/Educational Display** - An exhibit that demonstrates learning about photography that does not fit into any previous photography class. This class includes photos printed on canvas, fabric, ceramic, etc. as part of an educational display showing learning about printing techniques, display, merchandising, etc. Display board size may not exceed 48" x 48".

**10350 Visual Arts Original Art-** An exhibit that shows learning through creation of original art. Original art is a one of a kind, non replicable design of your creation. By using one medium or a combination, an individual creates an authentic work of art that is not recognizable as another's work. You must explain the application of the most relevant design element(s) and art principle(s) featured in this exhibit. Describe your inspirations, reasons, feelings, and/or motives for creating this work of art .

**10355 Visual Arts -Design , Process, or Technique Exploration** — This class emphasizes process and provides the opportunity to explore a medium, practice a skill, or study and apply elements and principles of art and design. An explanation of the application of design elements or art principles used when making the exhibit must be included. This exhibit may be an object, portfolio, display, poster, or organized sketchbook. If a non-original design source is used, its origin (where the idea was found, any pictures, sketches, etc.) must be credited, acknowledged or have copyright permission obtained. See visual arts special rule #5 and #6.

**10360 Visual Arts - Other Visual Art Ideas/Topics** — Exhibits might include the study and research about an individual artist, style, craft, business or marketing process, planning group tour, career options, etc

**Visual Arts Special Rules:**

1. Items entered must be ready for display in the home, gallery, or intended final display location: pictures framed, wall hangings and pictures ready to hang, etc. Make sure hangers are strong enough to support the item. Command Strips or other quick attach products are usually not adequate hangers. Items not ready for display will be dropped one ribbon placing.
2. Exhibits made from kits or preformed molds will not be accepted. Exception: Preformed molds (greenware, whiteware) may be used to provide the appropriate surface for a process technique or application of original design.
3. If the exhibit is a finished art object, the source or inspiration of the design, design sketches, or other process for creating the object and design must be included. For additional

information see the Visual Arts and Design Elements & Art principles Exhibit Tip Sheets at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/exhibit-tip-sheets> .

4. If the exhibit is a finished art object information must be included explaining the application of design elements and art principles used in creation of the work.
5. Original works of art must be a creative expression of a design unique to the artist, or represent a significant modification to an existing design to make a new and original statement by the artist.
6. Exhibition of derivative works created by a 4-H'er is prohibited without the written permission of the original copyright holder/owner. Use of copyrighted or trademarked designs, images, logos, or materials in 4-H visual arts exhibits is prohibited unless written permission has been obtained from the copyright or trademark holder/owner. For additional information, see 4-H Exhibit Copyright Information at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/visual-art>.

### **630C – Warren County Kit Class**

This means: A pre-packaged (*kit*) or pre-determined patterns (*not eligible for State Fair*)

This is a project where a 4-H'er has limited choices or decisions in the design of the article. Examples are latch hook kits, counted cross stitch patterns, paint by number, etc., (*When you purchase a kit or pattern, you are paying for the privilege of using copyrighted material.*)

### **FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES**

**10410 Child Development** -An exhibit could include careers in child development, caring for children with special needs, childcare, growth and development, or safety and health. An exhibit that includes items intended for use with children, such as babysitting kits, books, learning games, or toys, must include information about what you have learned about children while creating and using the exhibit OR what the child/children learned from their use of the item(s) in the exhibit.

**10420 Clothing and Fashion – Constructed/Sewn Garments & Accessories** - A constructed garment or accessory (sewn, knitted, crocheted, or other process) that shows learning about style, fashion, design, thrifty spending, wardrobe planning, types of fabrics, and/or clothing care. Exhibits must be intended to be worn by humans.

**10422 Clothing and Fashion – Purchased Garments & Accessories** - Purchased garments or accessories that shows learning about style, fashion, design, thrifty spending, wardrobe planning, types of fabrics, and/or clothing care. Exhibits must be intended to be worn by humans.

**10424 Clothing and Fashion – Other Ideas/Educational Exhibits** - Any other educational exhibit that shows learning about clothing and fashion including but not limited to design illustrations, exploration of clothing styles, careers, clothing care, etc.

#### ***Clothing and Fashion Special Rule:***

1. *Outfits or accessories which will be worn during the Awardrobe Clothing Event may not be entered as a 4-H Iowa State Fair exhibit.*
2. *Exhibits in classes 10420 and 10422 must include information about application of design elements and art principles. Exhibits in class 10424 should include information about application of design elements and art principles if appropriate for the exhibit.*



- 10430 Consumer Management** - An exhibit that shows learning through savvy budgeting, comparison shopping, money management, or consumer rights and responsibilities.
- 10440 Food & Nutrition – Prepared Product** - An exhibit of a prepared or preserved food product that shows skills or learning about cooking, baking, eating and choosing healthy foods, or safety practices through the making of a prepared food product. See *Food & Nutrition Special Rules below and HS 76 “Foods for Iowa 4-H Fairs – Quick Reference Guide”* at <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/6434> for additional information regarding prepared and preserved food products. **Display boxes are not allowed for prepared products at the Iowa State Fair.**
- 10442 Food & Nutrition – Preserved Product** - An exhibit of a preserved food product that shows skills or learning about food preservation through the making of a prepared or preserved food product. Processed honey may be exhibited in this class. See *Food & Nutrition Special Rules below and HS 76 “Foods for Iowa 4-H Fairs – Quick Reference Guide”* at <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/6434> for additional information regarding preserved food products
- 10445 Food & Nutrition – Educational Display** - An educational exhibit (poster, report, display) that shows skills or learning about cooking, baking, eating and choosing healthy foods, meal planning/preparation & service, safety practices, or food preservation. See *Food & Nutrition Special Rules below and HS 76 “Foods for Iowa 4-H Fairs – Quick Reference Guide”* for additional information regarding prepared and preserved food products. Exhibits showing learning about meal planning & service must include a menu.

**Food & Nutrition  
Special Rules:**

1. Any exhibit considered to be a food safety risk or portray a food safety risk will not be accepted, judged or displayed.
2. All food products/exhibits should be appropriate for human consumption.
3. Food product exhibits must be prepared, baked or cooked using only food grade utensils and containers.
4. Products that require refrigeration will not be accepted, judged or displayed.
5. Meat jerky products are prohibited.
6. The recipe must be included for any prepared or preserved food exhibit; credit the source of the recipe.
7. Preserved foods must include the Food Preservation Exhibit Label. Only food processed after August 1, 2023 is acceptable. Current USDA and/or Iowa State University guidelines for home food preservation must be used. Processed honey must include the Honey Exhibit Label.
8. Preserved food exhibits **must** include two product samples. One will be opened for evaluation and discarded; the second will be placed on display and returned to the exhibitor. All perishable food products will be discarded when removed from display.
9. Prepared foods should be placed on a firm disposable plate or flat cardboard. Place food product exhibit in a reclosable plastic bag with entry tag fastened outside the bag. Recommended number of items to include with the exhibit:  
  - Cookies, cupcakes, bars, muffins, rolls, etc. – four (4) to six (6) items
  - Cakes, loafs, pies, etc. – one (1) whole product.
10. The use of alcoholic beverages in the preparation or production of 4-H food exhibits is NOT permitted.
11. We ask that all 4-H'ers submit a photo of their baked good to their exhibit for display

purposes during the Warren County Fair.

**10450 Health** - An exhibit that shows learning through food choices, physical activity, safe activities and skills such as first aid and CPR, careers, and/or healthy lifestyle choices.

**10460 Home Improvement** - An exhibit that shows learning in planning, improving and caring for your home living space, including extended personal living areas immediately adjacent to the home. Exhibits may include new or refinished/reclaimed/restored items. Exhibits showing learning about home design, furniture, home accessories, and fabrics must include information about how design elements and art principles were applied.

Please refer to:

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4hfiles/projects/hotsheets/DesignElementsArtPrinciplesTipSheet.pdf> for your Design Elements and Art Principles. They judges might ask you to explain these within your exhibit.

**Home Improvement Special Rule:**

1. Items entered must be ready for display in the home: pictures framed, wall hangings and pictures ready to hang, etc. Make sure hangers are strong enough to support the item. Command Strips or other quick attach products are usually not adequate hangers. Items not ready for display will be dropped one ribbon placing.
2. Exhibit write-up/information must include source of inspiration and/or references indicating where the idea or information was obtained, giving credit to original author(s)/designer(s)/artist(s).

**10470 Sewing and Needle Arts** – A constructed item (sewn, knitted, crocheted, or other process) that shows learning and skill in sewing, knitting, crocheting, or other needle arts. May include the construction of household items such as pillowcases, curtains, table runners, quilts, wall hangings, etc. Exhibits in this class are not intended to be worn by humans.

Please refer to:

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4hfiles/projects/hotsheets/DesignElementsArtPrinciplesTipSheet.pdf> for your Design Elements and Art Principles. The judge may ask you to explain these within your exhibit.

**10472 Sewing and Needle Arts – Other Ideas/Educational Exhibits** - Any other educational exhibit that shows learning about sewing and needle arts including construction techniques, use and care of fabrics and fibers, design illustrations, decorative processes, careers, etc.

*Note: Exhibits in classes 10470 and 10472 should include information about application of design elements and art principles if appropriate for the exhibit.*

Please refer to:

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4hfiles/projects/hotsheets/DesignElementsArtPrinciplesTipSheet.pdf> for your Design Elements and Art Principles. The judge may ask you to explain these within your exhibit.

**10480 Other Family and Consumer Science** - An exhibit that demonstrates learning about a family and consumer science topic that does not fit any other Family & Consumer Science class listed.

Please refer to:

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4hfiles/projects/hotsheets/DesignElementsArtPrinciplesTipSheet.pdf> for your Design Elements and Art Principles. The judge may ask you to explain these within your exhibit.

**Special Exhibition – Thrifty Meal Challenge**



**10490 – Thrifty Meal Challenge**– Create a balanced, nutritious meal for family of four (4) that includes a serving from each of the five good groups with a budget of \$11.

*Special Rules:*

1. Each county may advance one (1) exhibit in this class to the Iowa State Fair.
2. All entries will receive an evaluation and ribbon.
3. Exhibit may be from an individual or group effort
4. The total expense on receipt(s) must not exceed \$11.
5. The meal must serve four (4) people, with a serving for each person from each of the five (5) food groups: Fruit, Vegetable, Protein, Grain, and Dairy.
  - a. Recommended portion sizes per person: ½ cup fruit, ½ cup vegetable, 3 ounces protein, 1-2 ounces grain, 1 cup equivalent dairy.
  - b. If there is a dairy allergy, you may substitute it with a calcium-rich item, but you will need to indicate the allergy and identify how the item substituted provides enough calcium.
6. The exhibit will be a poster (maximum size 20" x 30") that includes:
  - a. A copy of the Thrifty Meal Challenge Worksheet attached to the back of the poster.
  - b. The menu, the outline of food items, and appropriate portion sizes for each food item.
  - c. Meal type (breakfast, lunch, or dinner)
  - d. Copy of grocery receipts (up to 2)
  - e. Photos of participant experience: grocery shopping, food preparation, and prepared meal.

For more information about this special challenge, please go to <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/meal-challenge>.

## **PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**10510 Citizenship and Civic Engagement** - An exhibit that shows learning about or contributing to your community, your country or your world.

**10520 Communication** - An exhibit that shows learning about written, oral, and visual communication skills. Includes learning from participation in Theatre Arts projects or programs such as puppets, stage design, etc. May include original creative writing, poetry, fiction and non-fiction, etc. If finished exhibit includes audio or visual, it must be uploaded to YouTube.

**10530 4-H Poster Communication Exhibit** - Special poster exhibit to visually tell a story or idea about 4-H to the general public. Exhibitors must use one of the following themes:

- 4-H is . . . (open to 4-H'er's interpretation)
- Join 4-H
- I <3 4-H (2023 National 4-H Week theme)
- Explore the Jungle of Opportunities in 4-H (variation of 2024 Iowa 4-H Youth Conference Theme)
- 4-H Fever (variation of 2024 Iowa State Fair theme)

### **Poster Communication Special Rules:**

1. Only one (1) poster per 4-H member may be entered. Limit of two posters per county to advance to State Fair.
2. All posters must be designed on, or affixed to, standard poster board or foam core board - size minimum of 14" x 20" or maximum of 15" x 22".
3. Posters may be vertical or horizontal. Posters may be any medium: watercolor, ink, crayon, acrylic, charcoal, oils, collage, etc.

4. Posters **cannot** be 3-dimensional. Materials used to make the poster may **not** extend more than 1/8 inch above the poster or foam core board.
5. Each poster **must** have the completed Poster Exhibit Entry Form attached to the back.
6. Posters **cannot** use copyrighted material or exact copies of other promotional designs, such as the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference theme logo.
7. 4-H members may include the 4-H clover in the poster.
8. All 4-H Communication Posters will receive Certificates of Recognition and written evaluation comments. Outstanding posters will receive Seals of Merit. Superior posters will receive Seals of Excellence.

**10540 Digital Storytelling** - An exhibit that demonstrates the application of technology to produce a creative film/movie/video. Exhibits may include a finished movie or video, creation of a detailed storyboard, editing techniques using digital video software, production techniques, or other display to share what was learned. Copyright permission must be obtained for any non-original material included as part of a film/movie/video. Finished film/movie/video must be uploaded to YouTube.

**10550 Leadership** - An exhibit that shows learning about leadership skills and influencing others in a positive way.

**10560 Self-Determined** - An exhibit that shows learning as part of your 4-H adventure and does not fit any other class.

**Personal Development Special Rule:**

1. Exhibits entered in the Personal Development classes should include reflection by the 4-H member stating how they personally grew or benefited from the exhibit. Why was this exhibit important to them as a person?

## SCIENCE, ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY

\*If using live plants within your exhibit please contact the Extension Office to make arrangements for you to take them home after being judged on Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup> since the building is locked until Wednesday at 9 am.

**10610 Mechanics** - An exhibit that shows skills or learning about general mechanics or engineering solutions or that involve a combination of skills.

**10612 Automotive** - Repaired or restored vehicle.

**10613 Automotive**- Educational display showing learning about an automotive idea including automotive maintenance, auto operations, auto safety, or automotive systems.

**10614 Electric** - Constructed or repaired article or educational display that shows skills or learning about electric wiring, appliances, lighting, electrical energy sources, safety, etc.

**10615 Small Engine** - Repaired or restored operating engine or educational display or other type exhibit that shows skills or learning about small engines. This class includes repaired or restored lawn tractors, small motorcycles, go-karts, etc.

**10616 Tractor** - Repaired or restored tractor.

**10617 Tractor: Educational display**- showing learning related to tractors, tractor mechanics, tractor operations, or tractor safety.

**10618 Welding** - Constructed item or educational display that shows skills or learning about welding.

**10620 Woodworking** - An exhibit that shows learning about wood, woodworking techniques, and safe uses of woodworking tools and machines.

Exhibits may include newly constructed or refinished/reclaimed/restored wood items.

**10630 Science, Engineering & Technology** - An exhibit that shows learning about or helps explain how science and technology help us interact with the world. Topics include, biological and chemical sciences, computers & networking, earth & climate, geospatial mapping (GPS/GIS), or any other application of Science, Engineering, or Technology.

**10632 Aerospace** – Educational display or other exhibit (including flyable models) showing learning about an aerospace idea or topic.

**10634 Robotics** – Educational display or other exhibit (including working robots) that shows learning about robotics and robotic systems.

***Science, Engineering & Technology Special Rule:***

1. *Exhibitors entered in the 4-H Science, Engineering & Technology classes may not enter in similar FFA Ag Mechanics classes and vice-versa*

**Clover Kids Pet Show - Sunday, July 28th, 9:00-10:00a.m.**

- Open to all Clover Kids in Warren County. Pre-entry is required via FairEntry.
- Clover Kids will have the opportunity to show the audience their pet and tell a caring adult/Senior 4-H member about their pet.
- Clover Kids Pet Show animals are only allowed on the fairground during the entry and show time. Entry of pets will need to be entered in FairEntry by July 17<sup>th</sup>.
- All pets must come properly restrained or contained. Appropriate examples include on a leash or in a box, cage, or bowl.
- Livestock animals such as swine, horses, cattle (beef and dairy), sheep and goats are not to be shown in the Clover Kids Pet Show. All other animals must be less than 100 pounds in order to be shown.
- Pet show animals are not allowed in any livestock barns or show rings on the fairgrounds.
- Any animal being shown in Open Class or a 4-H Class is not permitted to show in the Pet Show.
- Clover Kids and pets must be supervised by an adult at all times. The adult is responsible for both the Clover Kid and pet. Only a few Clover Kids and pets will be allowed in the showcase area at a time, along with a responsible adult, to ensure the safety of the pet, the Clover Kid, and the audience.
- Cats and dogs must have a current rabies certificate. (Use the same health requirements as for the 4-H Dog, Cat, and Pet Shows.)
- Any female animal in season cannot be shown.
- Participants will receive a participation ribbon; no premium money will be given.

**Clover Kids Bucket of Junk Class**

Clover Kids can enter in the Bucket of Junk Class by attending the Bucket of Junk Workshop. Clover Kids will create a project out of different art supplies to display in the 4-H Building during the Warren County Fair. Pre-entry and attendance to the workshop is required. Registration will be sent out via email and on social media. The Bucket of Junk project will not go towards your minimum number of projects being entered.

### **Clover Kids Fashion Show**

Clover Kids can participate in the Fashion Show on Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm at the Friends of 4H Stage. Pre-entry is required via FairEntry by Wednesday, July 17<sup>th</sup>. The \$20 Clothing Challenge is the only class that will be available for Clover Kids.

1. This class is designed to expand the Clover Kids member's shopping experience to shopping venues emphasizing recycling, reducing and reusing. Outfits must be purchased at a garage sale, consignment store, thrift store, secondhand store, or similar place.
2. Twenty dollars is the purchase price limit including tax. However, some secondhand stores and venues do not typically charge sales tax.
3. Receipt(s) for every item included as a part of the calculated total must be submitted with the entry. A garage sale receipt can be a piece of paper with the name of the location such as "Jane Doe garage sale", date, amount paid, and signature of person selling at the garage sale. If the outfit was free at a garage sale, "free" can be listed on the report form and on the receipt. Failure to provide receipts will be reflected in the evaluation.
4. An outfit consists of major clothing pieces such as a shirt and pants or a dress. Shoes, undergarments and accessories are not included in the \$20 purchase price limit.

## **CLOTHING EVENTS**

**Please Note: For Clothing Events the Senior 4-H age category is defined as 9-12<sup>th</sup> grades per State Fair rules.**

### **4-H AWARDBOBE CLOTHING EVENT**

#### General Overview

1. Each youth may only participate in the 4-H Awardrobe Clothing Event with one entry in one class per year. Participants may be selected to participate in any one of the four classes, even if they participated in that class in previous years.
2. Each county may send the following number of participants in each class to represent their county, selected from each of the county's events:
  - a. Fashion Revue Class: Four participants total with no more than two (2) participants with an entry in any given category (athletic wear, formal wear, everyday wear, costume).
  - b. \$20 Challenge Class: Four participants total with no more than two (2) participant with an entry in any given category (athletic wear, formal wear, everyday wear, costume).
  - c. Clothing Selection Class: Four participants total with no more than two (2) participant with an entry in any given category (athletic wear, formal wear,

- everyday wear, costume).
- d. Innovative Design Class: Four participants total with no more than two (2) participants with an entry in any given category (athletic wear, formal wear, everyday wear, costume).
3. The categories in each class are simply for entry limit purposes. All entries in each class will be judged together.
  4. Participants must be in the senior 4-H designated level (completed grades 9 – 12 the same year as the event).
  5. Outfits or accessories which will be worn during the State 4-H Awardrobe Clothing Event may not be entered as another 4-H Iowa State Fair exhibit.
  6. Participants must bring the garment or outfit they purchased or created, and accessories, to the State 4-H Awardrobe Clothing Event.
  7. Participants should submit only the materials requested for each class (report form and photo – for ALL classes - plus a receipt for \$15 challenge). If additional materials are sent with the entry or brought to the conference judging, they will not be considered. Pages added to the report form will not be considered.
  8. Participant report forms must be uploaded by county staff no later than July 31. Participants should abide by county deadlines for submitting paperwork for entry. Report form responses may be written in an alternate format or handwritten if preferred by the participant. Requests for class or group time changes will be honored as availability allows through July 31. Requests made after July 31 cannot be accommodated due to our printing deadlines.
  9. A \$30 registration fee is required for each participant entry. Counties will be billed following the Iowa State Fair.
  10. All participants must participate in all Awardrobe Clothing Event activities at the times scheduled for their county unless the 4-H member is involved in another Iowa State Fair 4-H activity at the same time with a non-flexible schedule, with pre-approval is required prior to July 31.

### Special Criteria Related to Event Participation

#### Fashion Revue

1. The purpose of this category is to encourage the sewing of a personal garment or outfit.
2. Consideration is given to fit, color, style, suitability, attractiveness, quality of construction, stage presentation, and required care.
3. Youth participants will model a garment or outfit they constructed, hand-knitted, machine-knitted, or crocheted during the current 4-H year.
4. A garment or outfit consists of one to three pieces such as, but not limited to, party clothes, tailored suits, vest, slacks, shirt, skirt, active sportswear and/or coats.
5. Blouses, shirts, and sweaters are usually considered as garments. If they are used to complete an outfit, they may be constructed or selected.
6. All other accessories and undergarments may be constructed or selected.
  - Each entrant must fill out the Clothing Events Report Form and the Fashion Revue Commentary Form available at the Extension Office or on our website and bring it on judging day, Monday, June 24, 2024 at the Warren County Extension Office. Judging will be from 8:00 am - 2:00pm.
  - Entrants will be expected to be dressed and ready to model their garments at their assigned times. **4-H members must sign up for Fashion Revue online via FairEntry by June 15<sup>th</sup> 2024.**

- Ribbons will be given and State Fair winners will be announced at the Clothing Event Fashion Show on Thursday, July 25th at 5:00 pm at The Friends of 4-H Stage.

### **Clothing Selection**

1. The purpose of this category is to select and/or purchase an outfit that represents the 4-H member's goal or intended use for the selected outfit.
2. Judging is based on fit, color, style, suitability, attractiveness, quality and construction features, stage presentation, required care, and cost comparison.
3. There is no consideration in the judging on the amount spent, only in the process of recordkeeping and reflection on the cost of the individual items as a part of the process.
4. Outfits may be purchased at a department store, boutique, online store, sidewalk sales, retail shops or mall stores. Outfits may also be purchased at garage sales or other second hand venues with a total price of over \$15. Outfits may be gifts, hand-me-downs, relative or friend's modern or vintage clothing, or existing personal clothing, as long as the 4-Her actually selected the item as part of this specific outfit for the stated purpose.
5. Home-sewn clothing that was not sewn specifically for the participant are acceptable, such as purchases from a used clothing store.
  - Each entrant must fill out the Clothing Events Report Form and the Clothing Selection Commentary Form available at the Extension Office or on our website and bring it on judging day, Monday, June 24, 2024 at the Warren County Extension Office. Judging will be from 8:00 am - 2:00pm.
  - Entrants will be expected to be dressed and ready to model their garments at their assigned times. **4-H members must sign up for Clothing Selection online via FairEntry by June 15<sup>th</sup> 2024.**
  - Ribbons will be given and State Fair winners will be announced at the Clothing Event Fashion Show on Thursday, July 25th at 5:00 pm at The Friends of 4-H Stage.

### **The \$20 Challenge**

5. This class is designed to expand the 4-H member's shopping experience to shopping venues emphasizing recycling, reducing and reusing. Outfits must be purchased at a garage sale, consignment store, thrift store, secondhand store, or similar place.
6. Online venues are allowed and must be second-hand in nature. Shipping and handling are not included in the total calculations.
7. Traditional shopping venues may not be used, regardless of a low regular or sale price. Hand-me-downs or clothing as gifts do not qualify but may be entered in Clothing Selection if 4-H member selected the items to meet a specific purpose/goal.
8. Twenty dollars is the purchase price limit including tax. However, some secondhand stores and venues do not typically charge sales tax.
9. Receipt(s) for every item included as a part of the calculated total must be submitted with the entry. A garage sale receipt can be a piece of paper with the name of the location such as "Jane Doe garage sale", date, amount paid, and signature of person selling at the garage sale. If the outfit was free at a garage sale, "free" can be listed on the report



- form and on the receipt. Failure to provide receipts will be reflected in the evaluation.
10. An outfit consists of major clothing pieces such as a shirt and pants or a dress. Shoes, undergarments and accessories are not included in the \$20 purchase price limit.
  11. Alterations are permitted to achieve a desired look or fit.
  12. There are no additional considerations for an outfit that cost less than \$20.
  13. The outfit pieces should be purchased to meet the 4-H member's goal or intended use for the purchased outfit, and the 4-H member should have had an experience in choosing shopping alternatives, evaluating fit, quality and construction features, price, and cost comparison.
    - Each entrant must fill out the Clothing Events Report Form and the \$20 Challenge Commentary Form available at the Extension Office or on our website and bring it on judging day, Monday, June 24, 2024 at the Warren County Extension Office. Judging will be from 8:00 am - 2:00pm.
    - Entrants will be expected to be dressed and ready to model their garments at their assigned times. **4-H members must sign up for \$20 Challenge online via FairEntry by June 15<sup>th</sup> 2024.**
    - Ribbons will be given and State Fair winners will be announced at the Clothing Event Fashion Show on Thursday, July 25th at 5:00 pm at The Friends of 4-H Stage.

### **Innovative Design**

1. The purpose of this class is to encourage creativity and out-of-the-box thinking when creating an outfit.
2. These designs can be theatrical costumes, cosplay, wearable technology, sustainable/upcycled fashion, accessible fashion, and/or outfits that use unconventional materials.
3. The outfit must be showcased as a worn garment modeled by the exhibitor or by the individual that it was designed for.
4. Exhibitors may make their garment entirely, or permanently alter the silhouette of pre-existing materials through some method of permanent alteration or addition.
5. Consideration is given to originality and innovation.
  - Each entrant must fill out the Clothing Events Report Form and the Innovative Design Commentary Form available at the Extension Office or on our website and bring it on judging day, Monday, June 24, 2024 at the Warren County Extension Office. Judging will be from 8:00 am - 2:00pm.
  - Entrants will be expected to be dressed and ready to model their garments at their assigned times. **4-H members must sign up for Innovative Design online via FairEntry by June 15<sup>th</sup> 2024.**
  - Ribbons will be given and State Fair winners will be announced at the Clothing Event Fashion Show on Thursday, July 25th at 5:00 pm at The Friends of 4-H Stage.

**Clothing Selection NOTE:** Outfits may be selected and/or purchased from any source, including consignment shops, used clothing stores, etc. Clothing items which are home-sewn are NOT eligible unless the completed garment was purchased from a used clothing source. Clothing items which are custom-sewn specifically for the participant are not eligible.

### **4-H COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAMS**

This department is open to youth who are participating in the 4-H Youth Development programs conducted by Iowa State University Extension.

All participants are responsible to read and comply with the Warren County Fair Communication Event program rules, 4-H General Rules and Regulations, and specific program event rules and regulations.

#### **PURPOSE**

The Communication Event program provides opportunities for 4-H youth to develop their personal communication skills by sharing talents, knowledge, or information with others. The events provide a series of developmental experiences for different age levels.

#### **GENERAL COMMUNICATION EVENT PROGRAM RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- a) Educational Presentations and Working Exhibit may be given by one or more 4-H'ers. Teams consisting of youth of mixed grades will be entered in the class of the member in the highest grade level (i.e. a team with a 5th grader and an 8th grader must be entered in the intermediate/senior class).
- b) Stickers may not be used in any Communication Event for any reason.
- c) Topics selected by the 4-H'er(s) should be an outgrowth of his/her 4-H experience(s). Topics should be appropriate for presentation to a general audience.
- d) Participants in the 4-H Communication Programs are expected to wear appropriate clothing representative of the 4-H Youth Program and/or the topic of the presentation.
- e) 4-H'ers must use sanitary and safe procedures and methods at all times. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibits involving food must follow established food safety guidelines.
- f) If live animals will be used as part of a Communication Event, the exhibitor must comply with the 2024 Health Requirements for the Exhibition of Livestock, Poultry and Birds at State Fair, District Shows and Exhibitions. This can be found at <https://iowaagriculture.gov/animal-industry-bureau/animal-admission-health-requirements>. Animals that do not comply will not be allowed in the 4-H Exhibits Building or on the Iowa State Fairgrounds.
- g) All participants are expected to comply with all copyright/trademark regulations. Copyrighted material may not be distributed without permission.
- h) Each 4-H'er may only participate in one Educational Presentation for judging at the Warren County Fair.



## State Fair Participant Guidelines:

4-H'ers who have completed 5th grade through 12th grade (*or that equivalent*) in 2024 are eligible to participate at the Iowa State Fair. Exception: Share the Fun and Extemporaneous Speaking - See event rules for age guidelines.

**11100 Educational Presentation-** Provide an opportunity for 4-H members to demonstrate communication skills by presenting knowledge, information, or a process to an audience.

### Educational Presentation Rules

1. Time limit: Junior Presentations (5th and 6th grade) must not exceed 15 minutes. Intermediate/Senior Presentations (7th - 12th grade) must not exceed 20 minutes. Presenters will be verbally told to "STOP" when they exceed the time limit.
2. Participants must turn in a completed Educational Presentation Report form during event check-in.
3. 4-H members may participate in one Educational Presentation per year at the Iowa State Fair.
4. Presentation content must be the original work of the presenter(s). Extensive paraphrasing from other sources is prohibited. Use of brief quotations or excerpts of from other work(s) is permitted provided the source is identified.

- **Participants must sign-up online via FairEntry by June 15<sup>th</sup> 2024.**
- **Educational Presentation judging will be on Monday, June 24th from 8 am - 2 pm. at Warren County Extension Office.**
- **Awards will be given for Educational Presentation during the Communications Awards on Sunday, July 28th starting at 3 pm on the Free Stage.**

**11200 Working Exhibit-** Provide an opportunity for 4-H members to communicate, interact with, and teach an audience in an informal and experiential way.

### Working Exhibit Rules

1. Time limit: All participants/teams will be scheduled for a 30-minute period.
  2. Participants must turn in a completed Working Exhibit Report form during event check-in.
  3. 4-H members may participate in one Working Exhibit per year at the Iowa State Fair.
  4. Working Exhibit judging will be on Monday, June 24th at the Warren County Extension Office.
  5. 4-H members will then exhibit their working exhibits on Friday, July 26, 2024 at 2pm in the 4-H Exhibit Building.
- Awards will be given for Educational Presentation during the Communications Awards on Sunday, July 28th starting at 3 pm on the Free Stage.

**11300 Share-The-Fun Program-** Provide an opportunity for 4-H members to share their skills and talents before an audience purely for the sake of enjoyment.

### **Share-The-Fun Rules**

- Eligibility: 4-H members who have completed 5th grade through 12th grade (or that equivalent) in 2024. Exception: If the Share-The-Fun act involves a whole club, the following criteria must be applied to determine if the club can be entered in the Share-The-Fun Program at the Iowa State Fair:
  - At least 80 percent of the performing group must have completed 5th through 12th grade in 2024.
- **Share-The-Fun performances must not exceed six minutes in length.**
- Skits, songs, stunts, short one-act plays, dance, and other entertainment are acceptable. All performances must be appropriate for presentation to a general audience.
- All acts must turn in a completed 4-H Share-The-Fun Report form at event check-in to confirm stage setup, cue music, etc.
- **Participants must sign-up online via FairEntry by June 15<sup>th</sup> 2024.**
- Share-The-Fun judging will be on Monday, June 24th from 8am-2pm at the Warren County Extension Office.
  - Awards will be given for Share the Fun during the Communications Awards on Sunday, July 28th starting at 3 pm on the Free Stage.

**11400 Extemporaneous Speaking Program-** Encourage the development of communication skills by providing an opportunity to think, organize thoughts, prepare a speech, and respond to questions when given a limited amount of preparation time.

### **Extemporaneous Speaking Rules**

1. Participants must be senior 4-H members - completed 9th through 12th grade (or that equivalent) in 2024.
2. Each county may enter a maximum of two entries; individuals may participate once per year at the Iowa State Fair.
3. Program format:
  - a. Thirty minutes before the program, each participant will draw three of the available topics, selecting one to speak on.
    - The selected topic will not be available to the other participants in the speaker's assigned room. The general nature of the topics will relate to 4-H. The other two topics drawn but not chosen will be returned to the available topics for the other participants.
  - b. A preparation room is to be used with one participant per speaking site admitted initially and one additional participant per speaking site admitted each 15 minutes as the program progresses. A participant may not leave the preparation room until it is time to speak, nor may a participant receive help from a parent, leader, other adult or any other youth. A program official will assist participants with the time requirements.
  - c. All reference material will be screened by a program official on the following basis:
    - Participant may bring their own books, magazines or newspaper clippings for reference during the thirty minutes of preparation.
    - Reference material must be printed material such as books or magazines (cannot be notes, outlines or speeches prepared by the participant or by another person for use in this program).

- Some relevant reference material will be available in the preparation room. This material will consist of historical material related to the 4-H program.
- d. Each speech shall be the result of the 4-H members own efforts using approved reference material that a participant may bring to the preparation room. No other assistance may be provided. Plain note cards will be provided for each participant in the preparation room. If notes are used, the note cards provided must be used in delivering the speech.
  - e. Only notes made during the preparation period may be used.
  - f. Each speech shall be not less than four but no more than six minutes with five minutes additional time allowed for related questions, which shall be asked by the judge. The participant will be shown time cards in an ascending order (1, 2, 3, 4, 5) by the timekeeper. "Stop" will be said at six minutes.
  - g. The program timekeeper will introduce each participant by name, the county they represent, and read the selected question.
  - h. Participants are not permitted to use any props, gadgets, posters or audiovisuals of any sort. A podium will not be available.
4. Speeches will be evaluated using the following criteria:
    - a. Content related to topic.
    - b. Knowledge of the subject.
    - c. Organization of material.
    - d. Power of expression.
    - e. Voice.
    - f. Stage presence.
    - g. General effect.
    - h. Response to questions.
  5. A judge's critique/conference with each participant will be included as a part of the program.
  6. **Participants must sign-up online via FairEntry by June 15<sup>th</sup> 2024.**
  7. Extemporaneous judging will be on Monday, June 24th at the Warren County Extension Office.
    - Awards will be given for Extemporaneous Speaking during the Communications Awards on Sunday, July 28th starting at 3 pm on the Free Stage.