

Completing Your 4-H Project

4-H 201 – Intro to Fair!



DOUGLAS COUNTY
COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY
EXTENSION

2021 Douglas County Fair: July 31-August 8

Extension Programs are available to all without discrimination.

The Plan Tonight

1. Steps to complete a 4-H Project
2. What youth will be judged on
3. Expectations for County Fair
4. How to have a successful 1st Fair and summer with Douglas County 4-H
5. Understanding the paperwork
6. ONLINE ENTRIES
7. Fair – What to Expect



One question???

- What is one question are you hoping we answer tonight?
- Please write it down.



Completing a Project

Required Steps to Complete a 4-H Project

- 1. Must be a 4-H member in good standing**
 - ▶ **Demonstration, Community Service, Attend 2/3 club meetings, Adhere to Code of Conduct**
- 2. Submit a completed record book & project by deadline for each project enrolled**
 - 1. General Projects/Animal Projects have specific deadlines.**
- 3. For animal projects, must have demonstrated showmanship skills**
 - ▶ **Can be done with a Leader, County Show, or Fair**

Livestock Record Books

- ▶ Record Books for Livestock project are due to your 4-H Club Leader no later than **July 3**
- ▶ Record Books for Livestock are available at:
http://www.colorado4h.org/project_resources/erecords/index.php
- ▶ Youth **must complete Livestock Record Books to at least 50%** or they will not be allowed to show at fair and complete their project.
- ▶ Douglas County 4-H office will provide youth with information to estimate their completion of their project (selling price, market price, etc.)
Look for these details in the Thursday Blast!



Non-Livestock Record Books

- Record Books for non-livestock projects (General Projects, Consumer Science Projects, Shooting Sports Projects, County Projects) are turned in on **Exhibit Day, July 24, 2021**
 - **They must be turned in WITH project exhibit or project board** (will discuss this in a few slides)
- One Record Book required for each general project taken (*except* shooting sports – 1 book for all disciplines – however, you must document all expenses for every project in SS.)
- General Projects, Consumer Science Projects, Shooting Sports Projects & County Projects e-records can be found on the Douglas County Extension Website.
 - • **Information on Shooting Sports Projects:**
<https://douglas.extension.colostate.edu/4-h/programs-2/shooting-sports/>
 - • **Information on Family & Consumer Science Projects:**
<https://douglas.extension.colostate.edu/4-h/programs-2/family-consumer-sciencegeneral-projectscontests/>
 - • **Information on General & Natural Resource Projects:**
<https://douglas.extension.colostate.edu/4-h/programs-2/generalnatural-resources/>
 - • **Information on County Projects:**
<https://douglas.extension.colostate.edu/county-projects/>



► **Record Books & Projects must be COMPLETE!**

Exhibiting a Non-Livestock Project

► Non-Livestock Project Exhibit Details

- Complete Fair Entry Registration for Douglas County Fair ONLINE – **Due June 16, 2021**
 - **Rocket Fly Day – Friday, July 16**
 - **County Shoot – July 15 – July 18**
 - **Exhibit Day – Saturday, July 24**
 - **Fashion Revue – Friday, August 6**

- Must do a display board or stand alone project **and** record book for **each** project taken (exception is Shooting Sports, discussed later)

- Must get a red or blue ribbon (Quality ribbon) to attend State Fair



Exhibiting a Livestock Project

► Livestock Project Exhibit Details:

- Complete Fair Entry Registration for Douglas County Fair ONLINE – **Due June 16, 2021**
- Show Day is during Douglas County Fair (July 31 – August 8, 2021)
- Your animal(s) count as your “exhibit”. Your child *must* be entered in “Showmanship” class for each species!
- Market class entry is optional
- Must get a red or blue ribbon (Quality ribbon) on Project Book to compete at State Fair



Judging the Projects

What will they be judged on?

- ▶ **4-H Project Non-Livestock Score Sheets:**
<http://co4h.colostate.edu/program-areas/state-fair-information/score-sheets/>
 - ▶ **Douglas County Fair follows the same requirements/uses the same score sheets as the Colorado State Fair**
- ▶ **4-H Record Book Livestock Score Sheets:**

Douglas County Fair Information

- ▶ **Douglas County Fair Website:**
<https://www.douglascountyfairandrodeo.com/p/exhibitors/junior-division>
- ▶ **All Fair Rules and Information for 4-H** – Will be sent out as we get closer to June
- ▶ **All Fair Classes and Divisions listed** – Will be sent out as we get closer to June
- ▶ **Fair Schedule** – Will be sent out as we get closer to June



Next up... State Fair!



- ▶ If your non-livestock project qualifies for State Fair:
- ▶ **CONGRATULATIONS!!!**
- ▶ Pick up your project(s) from the Events Center on Sunday (Aug 8, 2021) during release time and take to Extension Office
 - ▶Or fix items and bring to office the following week
- ▶ You must sign a release form for us to take to State Fair and enter for you
- ▶ You must make a new cake, breads, etc. if these items are ***perishable***
- ▶ Very large items cannot be transported by our staff
 - ▶ Talk with Nicole if you think your project might be too large

Expectations for Douglas County Fair



Exhibit Day – July 24, 2021 at Events Center, Douglas County Fairgrounds

- Aside from County Shoot & Rocket Fly Day, Exhibit Day is considered the “start” of Fair for General Project members.
- Exhibit Day is 8 am – 5 pm
- Exhibitors will interview with a judge and present their project - for each project
 - You are not required to interview with a judge to have your project “completed” for the year, however many 4-H members find tremendous value from this opportunity!
 - Interviewing also helps your project come to life & could help with the judging process.
- Time slots are assigned for each interview – Nicole will email Interview Times as we get closer
- Project Books and Project Exhibits (Poster Board or Stand Alone) are brought to Exhibit Day at 8 am and turned in ahead of the interview time

Exhibit Day – Continued (General, Consumer Science, Shooting Sports & County Projects)

- ▶ What to Expect on Interview Day/Exhibit Day – July 24, 2021
- ▶ Check in procedures
- ▶ Waiting for the judge
- ▶ Project Only Drop Off



Entry on Fairgrounds

- ▶ Free Family Parking Passes
 - ▶ One per family
 - ▶ Available at Extension Office
- ▶ Fair IDs for 4-H Youth
 - ▶ Complete form located on our website, take a photo of the 4-H member (shoulders & above), then email both the form and picture to 4HID@dcsheriff.net . Cloverbuds are welcome to get a Fair ID Badge as well, but children ages 7 or under get into the fair for free

Entry on Fairgrounds

- ▶ Wristbands for sale for family members
 - ▶ Starting???
 - ▶ No wristbands sold after???
- ▶ If you don't have a Fair ID or Wristband, you pay at the gate.

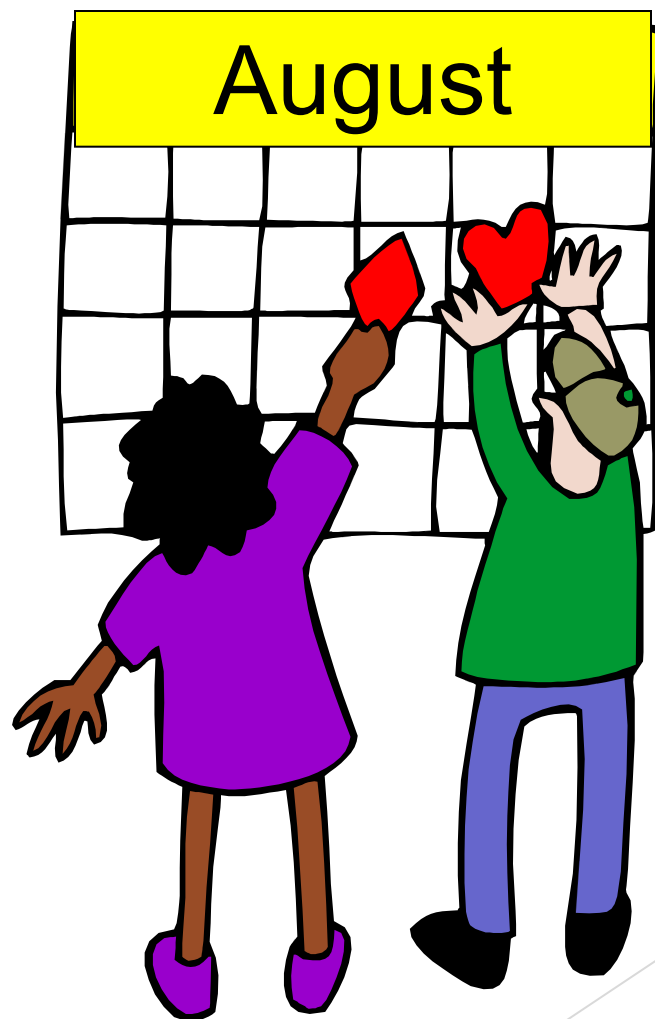
Club Duties at Fair

- ▶ Event Center Duties
- ▶ 4-H Promotional Booth Activities (Discovery Ranch)
- ▶ 4-H Dress Code
- ▶ 4-H Code of Conduct
- ▶ Clean up after yourselves
- ▶ Clean up after shows
- ▶ Setup Day
- ▶ Tear Down Day (Aug 8th)



Fair – Where to
Start?!

Fair Week Schedule



Forms

- ▶ Important forms and deadlines to watch for:
 - ▶ Animal Care and Housing Forms (if anything changes- youth need to update at our office.)
 - ▶ Horse level testing – due July 1st
 - ▶ Thursday Blasts



Entry For Fair- 100% ONLINE!!

- ALL Entries including:
Cloverbuds Primary Fair, Exhibit Day, County Shoot, Fashion Revue, Rocket Fly Day & Livestock/Horse/Dog/Cat/Llama
 - **DUE: June 16, 2021**
- **Fashion Revue**
 - Commentary due to Nicole Speeding
(nicole.speeding@colostate.edu)
by July 2nd, 2021.

Online Entries

- ▶ <http://www.douglascountyfairandrodeo.com/junior-division/>
 - ▶ Details, Directions, Checklists, etc.
 - ▶ Fair Entry Link will be sent out to 4-H community as we get closer to June.
- ▶ “Junior” Division means YOUTH
- ▶ **Registering for Fair is as easy as Shopping online**
 - ▶ Pick what you want
 - ▶ Review your “cart”
 - ▶ Submit!
 - ▶ If problems with cart – Contact Douglas County Extension Office at 720-733-6940

Surviving & Thriving
at Fair – Project
Entries that need
extra attention 😊

Cloverbuds Primary Fair – July 24, 2021

- Must Register online by **June 16, 2021**
- Can have a project interview and that is also an online registration by June 16, 2021
- Fun activities around a theme
- Fashion Revue
- Etc.

FUN • FOOD
AND GAMES



Fashion Revue – August 6, 2021

- Online registration deadline is **June 16, 2021**
- Educational workshops – May & June!
- Private judging (first)
- Public show (second)

► *Any clothing item made for the 4-Her, by the 4-Her (no accessories) will be able to be modeled.*

Must be enrolled in: Clothing Construction, Heritage Arts, Leathercraft, Artistic Clothing or Buymanship Projects. Enroll by May 1!



Shooting Sports (2 Entries in Fair Entry)

▶ 1st Entry – Exhibiting the project (required)

- ▶ Complete Entry ONLINE- **Due June 16, 2021**
- ▶ Choose Project Board or Stand Alone or Decorative Item
- ▶ 1 Entry for all shooting sport projects, regardless of how many disciplines are taken
- ▶ Must choose which discipline to exhibit

Shooting Sports (2 Entries in Fair Entry)

▶ 2nd Entry - County Shoot

(not required to participate for your project to be “complete”)

- ▶ Complete Fair Entry ONLINE- **Due June 16, 2021**
- ▶ **July 15** (Thursday) – Archery (4pm start)
- ▶ **July 16** (Friday) – Air Rifle and Air Pistol (4pm start)
- ▶ **July 17** (Saturday) - .22 rifle, .22 pistol, Muzzle loading, Western Heritage (ALL DAY EVENT @ Highlands Ranch Law Enforcement Range)
- ▶ July 18 (Sunday)- Shotgun Events (ALL DAY EVENT @ Pikes Peak Gun Club)
- ▶ Day of shoot: Arrive at registration time with equipment
 - ▶ Two lines- one for targets and the other for equipment check
 - ▶ Bring release form for Saturday events
- ▶ Awards at end of each day's event – tentative this year
- ▶ Youth should know if they would like to attend the State Competition (they must tell us that day) – tentative this year

Horse

- ▶ **July 1st** – All level tests must be in the office to count for this year. Youth MUST BE Level 1 to show at Fair.
- ▶ **July 17th** – Horse test night and BBQ – 6PM
 - ▶ Youth must attend and take a test
 - ▶ Youth and adults must attend and review their entries for fair. (only chance to verify classes)
- ▶ Test is required to compete for High Point

Poultry/Rabbits –ONLINE this year

AFTERID DAY!

- ▶ The classes you enter will be identified at Poultry and Rabbit ID Day on Sunday, June 10th
- ▶ Then a copy of the form is provided to you and you do them ONLINE (Deadline June 13th)
 - ▶ Don't do entries before



June 10th



Livestock –Supreme Contest

- ▶ The livestock supreme test will be given on July 18th this year.
- ▶ Market goats, market lambs, market swine, market beef.
- ▶ Test, live placing, showmanship and record book placings all go into the calculations.
- ▶ If kids want to do this they need to RSVP at the Extension office so we have a test ready for them.

Livestock Sale

- ▶ **How do I qualify for the sale?**
 - ▶ Register for Livestock Market classes
 - ▶ All Grand and Reserve Champions must sell
- ▶ **Mandatory Sale Meeting For ALL Kids, held just before the sale during fair**
 - ▶ If they do not attend, they do not sell.
- ▶ **Substituting State Animals?**
 - ▶ Must have class placing top 3 of species, must notify Superintendent in writing before Sale Committee Meeting, Grand and Reserve not eligible.

Livestock Sale

► **Thank You Cards to Buyers**

- Members must write a thank you card/note to the buyer(s), add-on(s) and buy backs.
- Copy of thank you cards/notes must be sent to the FAIR OFFICE (500 Fairgrounds Rd. Castle Rock, CO 80104) before checks will be released to the member.

Douglas County Fair Chain of Command

- ▶ **ALWAYS** start with show/event superintendent
 - ▶ Don't know who they are? They will have superintendent t-shirt on, a name tag, or just ask someone.
- ▶ 4-H Agent (Nicole Speeding or Kirsten Cowan)
- ▶ Fair Coordinator – Michelle Bartlett
- ▶ Fair Board Member – (Ex: Hayden Schmidt)

- ▶ All three parties work together, so we can help get you to the appropriate person! 😊

Opportunities to Serve at Fair



Exhibit Day – July 24, 2021 @ Events Center

- **Runners - 4-H Youth Volunteers needed**
- **Judges Assistants - 4-H Parent Volunteers needed**



Fair Club Duties

- ▶ Events Center Duties – Volunteers!
- ▶ 4-H Promotional Booth Activities (Discovery Ranch)
- ▶ Clean up after yourselves
- ▶ Clean up after shows
- ▶ Setup Day (August 5th for Events Center AND July 30th for Barns)
- ▶ Tear Down Day (Aug 8th, 2021)



Wrapping Up

Questions you had!!

► From the Beginning



Support

- ▶ Who to ask???
- ▶ Your Club Leader
- ▶ Other members in your club
- ▶ 4-H Agents
 - ▶ Nicole Speeding: nicole.speeding@colostate.edu
 - ▶ Kirsten Cowan: kirsten.cowan@colostate.edu
- ▶ Fair Office: 720-733-6900
- ▶ Website: Douglas County
www.douglascountyextension.org



Communication and Support

- ▶ **EMAIL**
- ▶ Thursday Blasts – email updates each week.
- ▶ Project Specific Emails
 - ▶ Nicole's General Project Biweekly Updates
 - ▶ Kirsten's Livestock Updates
- ▶ Facebook Pages:
 - ▶ Douglas County, Colorado, 4-H
 - ▶ CSU Extension, Douglas County
 - ▶ Douglas County Fair & Rodeo
- ▶ Phone calls



Staff

Douglas County 4-H Staff & Fair Staff are here to help you!

- ▶ **Nicole Speeding:** 4-H Agent (General, Consumer, Shooting Sports & County Projects)
- ▶ **Kirsten Cowan:** 4-H Agent (Livestock)
- ▶ **Madelyn Granos:** 4-H Program Associate
- ▶ **Kyle Christensen:** County Director
- ▶ **Sylvia Worcester** (4-H Administrative Assistant) – general projects, Exhibit Day
- ▶ **Hayden Schmidt:** Fair Board, Co-Chair Show Management
- ▶ **Dean Elliot:** Fair Board, Chair
- ▶ **Michelle Bartlett:** Fair Staff/Coordinator

Questions and Evaluation

- ▶ More questions?
- ▶ Please help us improve by completing the evaluation!

THANK YOU!!!