



# Lawrence County 4-H Council, Inc.

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## General Information

1. Anyone who feels ill or has recently been in contact with someone who is ill or who has tested positive for COVID-19 should not attend.
2. All 4-H members and volunteers will carry a face mask on their person for instances when social distancing of at least 6 feet is not an option.
3. Respect and follow traffic flow signs, building entrance and exit signs, and social distancing.
4. All 4-H events are closed to the public. Vehicles entering the fairgrounds must have the appropriate parking pass for that day.

## Project Procedures

### Exhibit Hall (including Foods, Crops, Garden, & Flowers) Procedures

Sewing Exhibit Drop off 8:00-9:00 am Expo Hall

Fashion Revue/Consumer Clothing Check in 8:30 am and Judging 9:00 am Expo Hall

1. Members should come dressed, ready for judging. Changing will only be permitted if they need to change into an outfit for another category or to leave clothing for sewing judging. Be sure to bring an outfit if you need to change to leave your exhibit.
2. There will not be interviews conducted for consumer clothing entries.

Public Speaking/Demonstrations 9:00 am Community Building

1. Members should let us know they have arrived, but remain in their car until it is their turn.
2. Judging will be closed to the public with only the member and up to two guests will be permitted in the building during judging.

Exhibit Check in: Thursday July 9th 4:00 -8:00 pm

Foods: Friday July 10th 8:30-10:00 am Community Building

Garden, Flowers, & Crops: Friday July 10th 10:00-11:00 am Exhibit Hall

1. 4-H families sign up for time slots using Signup Genius to select their drop-time time.
2. Projects will be dropped off using a drive thru method where all family members will remain in their vehicle.
3. A 4-H volunteer (wearing PPE) will retrieve projects from the vehicle and take them to the assigned project area in the Exhibit Hall.
4. Judges will be scheduled at staggered times, following social distancing guidelines along with helpers.
5. Exhibit Hall will not be open for viewing.

\*Project pick-up will utilize the above method in reverse. Foods entries will be disposed of after judging.

Judges will be provided hand sanitizer and gloves if desired.

Record sheets will be uploaded into FairEntry before project check-in. NO papers will be collected at check-in.

### Livestock Procedures

1. Each 4-H livestock family will receive two 4-H parking passes good only for that specific species via mail (around July 1) to enter the grounds before 4:00 pm.
2. When the fairgrounds opens in the morning, designated 4-H Council members and their named 4-H volunteers will monitor these passes when vehicles arrive.



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3. During check-in, each 4-H family will receive one wristband per 4-H member that is exhibiting in that event plus three additional wristbands. A person must have a wristband to enter the show arena or horse barn.
4. Livestock Check in
  - a. One person with RFID reader and one person with data entry tablet wear face masks while checking in livestock; these two people remain a team and do not switch roles
  - b. All equipment sanitized after each family and volunteers use hand sanitizer
  - c. Record sheets will be uploaded into FairEntry before project check-in. NO papers will be collected at check-in.
5. Weigh-in
  - a. Scales sanitized with Chlorhexidine after each family
  - b. Only one scale manager at a time. He/she will wear a mask if social distancing is not possible.
  - c. Any other people assisting with the scales will wear a face covering.
  - d. Data entry person spaced 6 ft away from scales.
6. Animals penned
  - a. Swine, goats, and sheep that require pens in a barn will be spaced 6 ft apart in the swine barn per family.
  - b. Horses stalled in the Horse barn will be spaced 6 ft apart per family.
  - c. Cattle that require stalling will be spaced 6 ft apart per family.
  - d. Social distancing will be followed in the barns with one-way aisles, marked by signs.
7. Wash racks
  - a. Each 4-H family will provide their own hose and wash equipment.
  - b. Each water spigot will be sanitized by the wash rack monitor after each family. This person will ensure social distancing.
8. Do not share supplies (halters, brushes, show sticks, grooming supplies etc.) with other families without sanitizing.
9. No paper show bills will be distributed. Show bills emailed via 4-HOnline to all members in that species. One copy will be with the spectator monitor (the person counting the number of spectators in the show arena) to answer questions.
10. Ribbons will be handed out by one person wearing gloves and a mask. This person is the only one to handle them, and we are not awarding trophies or banners.
11. The arena fence, gates, and spectator area will be sanitized at the conclusion of each show.
12. Trailers and animals need to be off the grounds within an hour of that species' show ending.
13. In the event of 4-H shows lasting past 4:00 pm, the 4-H Council Safety Committee and volunteers will set up caution tape to separate 4-H traffic from the public.

## **Livestock Show Protocol**

- All exhibitors and spectators will remain at their trailer/pen until their class is called to the arena.
- Exhibitors will line up for class maintaining social distancing and follow the instructions of the show manager.
- Exhibitors should allow the previous class to completely exit the show ring before entering.
- Only 50 spectators are allowed in the show arena. Please only bring chairs if medically necessary and exit once your 4-Her's class is completed.
- Judges have been instructed that we are not allowing hand shaking this year. Exhibitors will not be penalized for this.



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- It is the 4-H Council's recommendation that all members wear a mask while in the show ring (aside from horses), because you cannot guarantee six foot social distancing, and it will allow the judge to speak with you and better evaluate your animal with touch.
- Refusing to follow guidelines will follow the behavioral criteria on page 8 of the Lawrence County 4-H Handbook.

## Sheep and Goats

- If stalled in swine barn- use attached entrance to show arena
- If showing from trailer- enter from between show arena and swine barn
- Enter the show ring from northeast corner
- Exit the show ring from southeast corner and the building from the large door

## Beef & Dairy

- Class line up takes place near restrooms, outside of show arena
- Exiting class stays to the left and returns to the cattle barn
- The arena gate remains open, so no sanitation is necessary
- Pitchfork used to remove manure will be used by one person only

## Swine

- Two ringmen with sorting boards (which will be sanitized between classes)
- One person will open the gates to allow exhibitors to enter and exit the ring
- Exhibitors will enter and exit the ring via the doors between the swine barn and arena (one class out, before the next class comes in)
- Exhibitors in the next class will be placed in a holding pen by a committee member using every other pen. Pens will be sanitized between classes. Overflow will be in the swine wash rack, sanitized after each animal leaves
- No more than 5 per class to enforce social distancing

## Rabbits

- Coops set up on two separate show tables more than 6 ft apart
- Exhibitor brings rabbit up to coop one at a time and then backs away
- Coops and show tables will be sanitized between classes
- Scales to be used at judges' discretion; sanitized after each use

## Poultry

- Birds will be placed in pens in Poultry Barn by each 4-H family following social distancing
- All exhibitors and families will exit; Judge and select committee members will record judge's comments (this is called a closed show format used at larger shows)
- Showmanship participants will be able to enter the building one at a time to speak with the judge 6 ft apart
- Hand sanitizer will be available and gloves upon request

## Horse & Pony

- Announcer booth will only contain the announcer and show recorder
- Other data entry people will be stationed under tents (socially distancing) near the booth
- Exhibitors will check in at the gate one at a time then spread out 6 ft apart up the hill
- Class entry numbers will allow for 6 ft between each contestant
- Ribbons picked up from a masked and gloved volunteer at the announcer booth



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## Cat

- Exhibitors and families will bring their own chairs if they wish to sit
- One 4-Her will approach the judge's table at a time
- Table will be sanitized after each cat is judged
- Social distancing will be followed at all times