

Hamilton County 4-H Clover Chatter

July 2020



I am starting this Clover Chatter out with a HUGE Thank You! It is not easy to do something new. We are all learning together on how to conduct a limited in-person Fair Exhibit in a Phase 4.5 Back on Track Plan. The dedication our 4-H volunteers and staff have made to the 4-H program is very evident in of the effort around this event.



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Highlights

DID YOU KNOW?

Project Check-In Chart & Maps - We have charts and maps to assist you in knowing where to check-in your projects.

[Project List](#)

[Exhibition Center Check-in Flow](#)

[Annex Check-in Flow](#)

[Winks Check-in Flow](#)

[Livestock Trailer Parking Map](#)



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4-H Exhibit Set-Up Day

Help us prepare the 4-H Fairgrounds for your exhibits! Join us at 8 a.m. Saturday, July 11, 2020. Wear your old clothes and be ready for painting, setting up tables & chairs, etc. Set up will not take very long due to our limited building usage this year. Thank you in advance!

4-H Exhibit Information

Judging

- This year all static, indoor exhibits are **closed judging**. These projects are judged without the 4-H member present. We request and expect judges to make many written comments on the score sheet.

Project Reminders

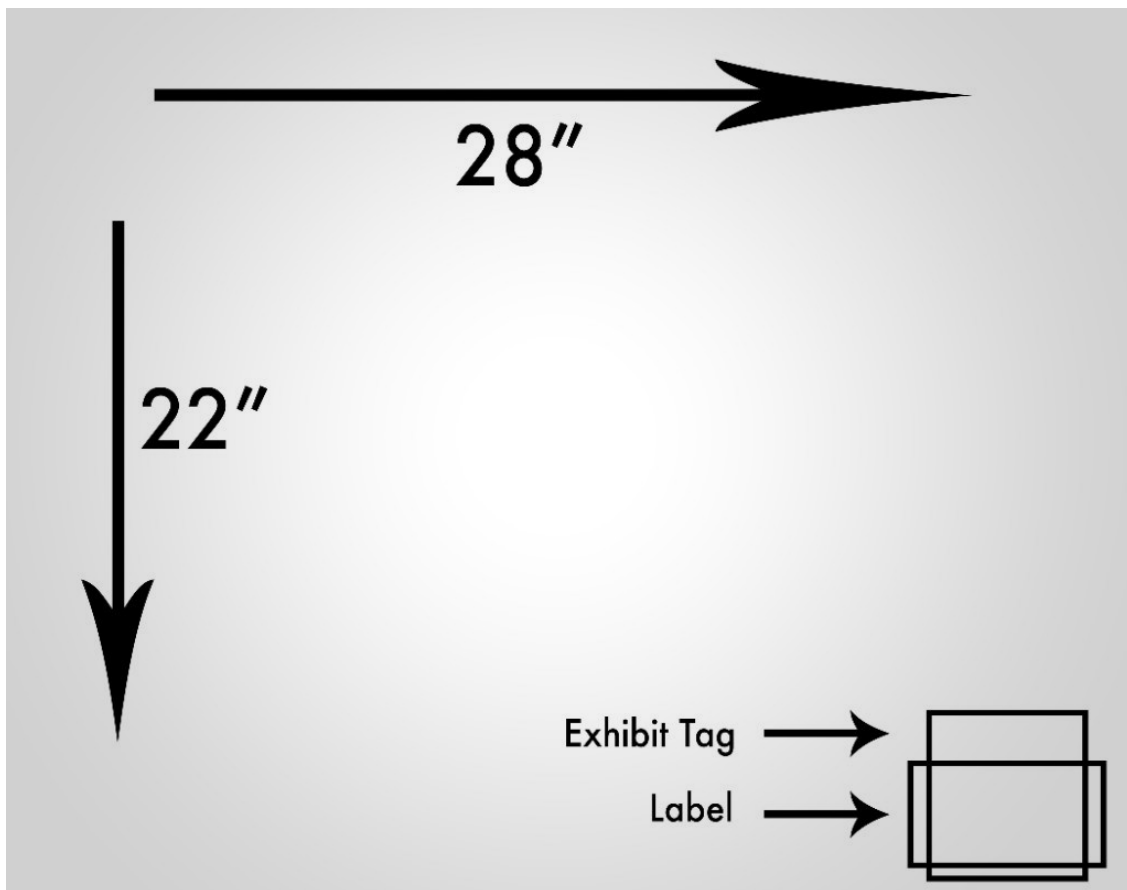
- Be sure to review the General Rules located on pages 30-31 of your 2020 4-H Handbook. These rules apply to ALL 4-H Exhibitors in all projects.

- **Foods & Microwave Recipe Cards** - All 4-H members exhibiting Foods or Microwave projects must submit a recipe on a 5" x 8" recipe card with the exhibit. Be sure your name and club name are listed on the recipe card. [Recipe Cards](#)
- **Arts & Crafts** - Any Arts & Crafts project that is framed should use a screw eye and wire OR ONE-HOLE STRAP HANGER and wire to ensure secure hanging.
- **Craft Cards** - 4-H members enrolled in Arts & Crafts projects must complete and attach a Craft Card to their exhibit (one per each craft exhibit). Cards are available in the Extension Office or on our Projects Web page. bit.ly/4hcraftcards
- **Cards/Information Sheets/Manuals** - There are many projects (for example cake decorating, child development, and vet science) that require a card, information sheet, or project manual to be turned in with the exhibit. Please read the requirements in the 2020 Hamilton County 4-H Handbook for each project you are completing.

Exhibit Tags

Exhibit tags are available in the Extension Office. Remember you must have tags on all non-animal projects. Sewing requires one (1) tag per garment. Be sure to write in your name, club, project, years in the project, and your grade.

On posters, please place the exhibit tag in the lower right corner of the poster, on TOP of the plastic. Exhibit Tags can be found [here](#).



Posters and Supplies

- All projects exhibiting a poster at the 4-H Fair should be 22" x 28" displayed horizontally and must have a stiff backing (such as foam board, paneling, plywood, etc.). Poster must be covered with clear plastic to protect it from dirt, etc. **Please note:** Foam board bought commercially may be pre-cut in the wrong size, please measure to ensure accuracy.
- A small label (approximately 2" x 3") should be attached to your poster in the lower right hand corner underneath the plastic. The label should list your name and club unless otherwise specified in your project manual. This is in addition to your exhibit tag, which should be in the **lower** right corner of the poster on **top** of the plastic.
- If your project requires your manual to be attached to the back of the poster be sure your name is on your manual.
- The Extension Office sells clear plastic poster sleeves (22" x 28") and salon print size that simply pull over your poster, seal on the back, and are reusable! Also available: Foam Board, Electrical Kits, Bug Boxes, and more.

4-H Fairgrounds Hours

The 4-H Fairgrounds is closed from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. every night. **NO ONE** is

allowed on the fairgrounds between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m.

Parking for the 4-H Exhibit

- There will be parking in the 14 acres south of the 4-H Fairgrounds (between Fairgrounds and Wal-Mart).
- Parking is restricted around the barns.
- Thank you for your patience and understanding.
- The speed limit on the 4-H Fairgrounds is 10 mph. No underage drivers will be allowed to move vehicles on the 4-H Fairgrounds.
- **Handicapped Parking:** Please respect our handicapped visitors by not parking in handicapped spaces. There will be a shuttle service available for elderly or disabled visitors from the parking lot to the main grounds by calling the Extension Office (317 776-0854). If you know of someone needing assistance, encourage them to call.

Project Release

You must pick up your 4-H projects on **Sunday, July 19 from 4-7 p.m.** Projects will not be released prior to this date. If you are unable to pick up your project(s), make arrangements NOW with a friend or 4-H leader so you can receive your exhibit as soon as possible. Refer to your 2020 4-H Fairbook for the schedule and check-out procedures. **Please note: State fair information and plaques will be available in Exhibition Center Hall B at this time as well.**

State Fair Information

State Fair Entries

All 4-H entries for State Fair projects except animals, crops, and garden will be selected by the judges and automatically entered by the Extension Office. **Be sure to collect your exhibitor packet in Exhibition Center Hall B during project check-out on Sunday, July 19 from 4-7 p.m. for specific instructions.**

4-H Fair Livestock Information

Recommended Show Ring Attire

Livestock exhibitors are strongly encouraged to dress in a manner appropriate to show livestock. Examples of such appropriate dress would include button down shirts, golf shirts with collar, jeans, or long pants, and if possible, work boots or work shoes to protect feet. It is suggested exhibitors **NOT** wear tank tops, t-shirts (other than those approved by the club), mid-riff tops, halter tops, baggy pants, shorts, cut-offs, sandals, or tennis shoes. **No clothing may be worn by an exhibitor that identifies farm name and/or breed during judging competition. This includes face coverings.**

Animals and Extreme Heat

Here are some items to consider in dealing with extreme heat. Many of these have been successfully employed at other county fairs.

- Drinking water should be available at all times.
- Keep animal movement to a minimum.
- Watering cans can be used to individually wet down animals without having to move them.
- Bottles of ice can be placed in cages of small animals.
- Refrigerated ceramic tiles can be used for small animals to lay on.

Livestock Check-In & Check-Out

- Swine: ALL purebred gilts and purebred barrows must present registration papers at check-in on Saturday, July 18 from 6 a.m. - 9 a.m.
- ALL animal shows are "show and go" format. Please see the [2020 4-H Fair Schedule](#) for check-in details.

Livestock Auction

- The 2020 4-H Livestock Auction will be online.
- **Auction entry forms are online [here](#). Entry deadline is Midnight (12 a.m.) Wednesday, July 8. No late entries will be accepted.**
- All guidelines for the Livestock Auction are available [here](#)..
- Sale will be open from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. on Tuesday, July 21.

Activities & Opportunities

Plaque Sponsorship

The Hamilton County 4-H Fair is just around the corner! Each year plaques are awarded to outstanding 4-H members who receive Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, and Champion honors in their respective project areas. As a sponsor, your name would be listed in the 2021 Hamilton County 4-H Fairbook. If you are interested in sponsorship, please click [here](#) for the form.

Important Dates

July

- Incomplete Records Due to Office - July 7 by 4 p.m.
 - FairEntry Deadline - July 7
 - Consumer Clothing & Fashion Revue Judging - July 7
 - Consumer Clothing Notebooks due in Extension Office by Noon
 - Consumer Clothing & Fashion Revue Judging by appointment.
 - 10 Year Member Parade - July 16 at 6:30 p.m.
 - Fair Set Up - July 11
 - Hamilton County 4-H Exhibit - July 16-20
 - 4-H Livestock Auction - July 21
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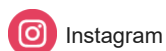
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