



# 4-H Express

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July/August 2022

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Hello All Volunteers, 4-H Youth, and Extension,

Signing up to exhibit at the Lincoln County Fair is different than enrolling in 4-H and your 4-H projects which you did through the 4-H Online program early this year. Because you are a 4-H member, you can now enter exhibits in the Junior division of the Lincoln County Fair!

As you are completing your Fair entry form, consider how many exhibits you can realistically finish in time to bring them to the county fair in July. You should also review all the rules for exhibiting that are included in the Fair Exhibitor Handbook. If you have questions about rules or as you are completing your fair entry, contact the Fair Superintendent for that specific Department. Their contact information is listed on page 4 of the Fair Exhibitor Handbook available at [www.lincolncofair.com](http://www.lincolncofair.com).

Exhibiting at the Lincoln County Fair is one of many learning experiences that contribute to the positive development of a young person in 4-H and Extension youth programs. Through the fair judging experience youth learn, recognize their accomplishments (effort and successes), evaluate their efforts, and are guided through a process to consider what they might learn next. Participation in the fair helps youth build important life skills they can use the rest of their lives. Some of these skills include: getting along with others, communication skills, decision-making, feeling valued by the community and taking an active role in their community.

**Lincoln County  
4-H'ers have been  
exhibiting their  
projects at the fair  
since 1920!**

We look forward to seeing you this summer at various 4-H educational opportunities including the Lincoln County Fair.

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*"We teach, learn, lead and serve, connecting people with the University of Wisconsin, and engaging with them in transforming lives and communities."*



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4-H Summer

This year's summer camp was held June 13–15, at the Northern Lakes Impact Camp near Rhinelander. This multi-county 4-H camp had 120 campers from 8 different counties: Lincoln, Shawano, Oneida, Langlade, Price, Wood and Marathon.

During these four days, campers enjoyed rock climbing, swimming, boating, and night hiking; they learned about outdoor safety and water ecology; explored their creativity with arts and crafts; made new friends from across the area; and grew in social and leadership skills!



Lincoln County had the largest attendance of all the counties with 36 campers, along with six youth counselors, and 3 adult advisors!

# Camp Fun!

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4-H Trip to

Lincoln County 4-H FINALLY got to take their trip to Washington DC! Check out how much fun it was!



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THIS **AWESOME**  
TRIP IN THE NEXT 4-H  
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# Fair Entry Deadline!

Fair entries need to be completed ONLINE by July 15! See page 13 for more information!

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## Help at the fair!

If you would like to help out at the fair, we would love to have you! You can –

- ❖ **Be a 4-H Fair Ambassador** Help out with the judges and entries by running water, bringing supplies, etc. – Contact Becky at the 4-H office 715-539-1072
- ❖ **Work at the Dairyland Stand (and earn funds for 4-H activities)!** Sign up at <https://signup.com/go/uUqPsSL> See Page 11 for more info!
- ❖ **Be a Cloverbud Judge!** Talk with young 4-H'ers about their projects! Spend an hour inspiring new members. Wednesday, Aug 17, 6:30– 7:30. Call Becky at the 4-H office 715-539-1072
- ❖ **Work in the fair office!** Call Cindi at 715-218-7649 and leave a message

# HELP

# AT THE FAIR

# State Project Opportunities

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## WISCONSIN STATE FAIR AUGUST 5-15, 2021

Did you  
KNOW?

★ YOU can enter your projects into the state fair!

Under the Wisconsin State Fair's updated guidelines for 2022 entries, exhibitors are encouraged to self-nominate their own project exhibits for judging. For more information on what you can enter into the State Fair, visit [wistatefair.com/competitions/](http://wistatefair.com/competitions/)

### State 4-H Dog Agility Show

The 2022 State 4-H Dog Agility Show is being hosted by Jefferson County at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds on September 30, 2022. Please visit <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/state-4-h-dog-agility-show/> for more information.

### State 4-H Dog Obedience & Showmanship Show

The State 4-H Dog Obedience and Showmanship Show is being hosted by: Dane County, Portage County on Sept. 30-Oct. 2, 2022 at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds. Please visit: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/state-4-h-dog-obedience-and-showmanship-show/> for more information.

### State 4-H Gymkhana

35th Annual WI State 4-H Gymkhana is set for Sept. 10-11 at the State Fair Park in West Allis.

Entries must be postmarked no later than August 15th. Please visit: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/state-4-h-gymkhana> for more information.

### State 4-H Horse Expo

The 57th WI State 4-H Horse Expo is set for Sept. 16-18 at the WI State Fair Park in West Allis. Please visit: <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/statewide-events-and-opportunities/>





## Let's Make Our Own Cheese

### Supplies Needed

Saucepan	Plastic wrap or container
A food thermometer that reads to at least 190 degrees	1 quart of whole milk
Spoon	Kosher salt
Bowl	½ teaspoon of citric acid (4 tablespoons of lemon juice or white vinegar can act as a substitute for citric acid)
Colander	
Cheesecloth or dish towel	

Preparation is key when making any recipe! Collect all your supplies and ingredients, make sure your materials and workspace are clean, and then start to measure out your ingredients.

1. In your saucepan, warm the milk to 190 degrees. It is important to slowly warm the milk so that you don't burn the bottom of the pan.
2. Once the milk has reached 190 degrees, turn off the heat, sprinkle citric acid in and stir briefly. Let this mixture sit untouched for five minutes.
3. Next, place your colander over a bowl, then drape either a cheesecloth or a damp dish towel over the bowl. You are preparing for the fun part of cheesemaking!
4. Now it's time to revisit your milk and citric acid mixture, which after five minutes should have transformed into curds. Slowly pour the curds into the cheesecloth. Next, lift the cheesecloth allowing the extra liquid to drip out. Be extra careful so that you don't burn yourself while squeezing the extra liquid.

Milk is made of two proteins: casein and whey. When we add the citric acid to the milk and heat it, some milk proteins coagulate and form lumps in the milk. As a result, you are left with curds floating around in a liquid, which is the whey protein. You could use the leftover whey for baking or as a snack for your animal!

5. Leave the cheese in the cloth and wrap it in a ball. Cover the ball in plastic wrap or a container and refrigerate for one hour.

You can easily customize your homemade farmer cheese with your favorite flavors! For example, you could mix in fresh herbs with the curds or sprinkle them on the finished cheese, along with olive oil and red pepper flakes. You could also use this cheese as a spread, as you would cream cheese. Or maybe you would like to sweeten your snack by adding honey, jam, or fresh fruit to eat like cottage cheese. It's up to you!



# Older Youth Opportunities!

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## National 4-H Congress Registration

Registration for National 4-H Congress opens July 1, 2022 and will run until August 1, 2022. This educational experience will be held from November 25-29, 2022. National 4-H Congress is a five-day Educational Experience held in Atlanta, GA. Congress is the premiere nation-wide event for 4-Hers to network with others from around the United States, Canada, and Puerto Rico. While at Congress, 4-Hers engage in leadership, citizenship, global awareness, & inclusion.

Registration will be done in 4HOnline and is open to youth currently in grades 9-12 at the time of registration. You can find all the information about National Congress here: <https://go.wisc.edu/727h67>

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## 2023 Wisconsin 4-H Advanced Space Academy

Advanced Space Academy explores college and career preparation through an immersive experience in science, technology, engineering, and math. Trainees undergo a variety of astronaut training exercises, engineering challenges, and team-building activities, all culminating in an extended duration simulated space mission.

The cost will be \$1650. You can use Dairyland Stand funds for this trip!

Camp will take place January 21-27, 2023. There are only 32 spots available for the state.

Registration through 4-H online.



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## 4-H Youth Talent Wanted!

The National Association of 4-H Youth Development Professionals is proud to extend this invitation to youth members across Wisconsin. The NAE4-HYDP is an association of 4-H Youth Development Professional across the nation. Our national conference, hosting approximately 1,000 participants, will take place this October 11-13, 2022 in Madison, WI at the Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center.

We are seeking nominations of youth performers of various skills and talents including vocal, instrumental, speaking, interpretive reading, and more. From these nominations a committee of 4-H Educators will be selecting approximately 10 performances to be shared.

For more information:

[4h.extension.wisc.edu/2022/06/23/4-h-youth-talent-solicited/](https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/2022/06/23/4-h-youth-talent-solicited/)





## July

- 4 Independence Day—Lincoln County Extension Office Closed  
4-H Dog Project Training Workshop—6:30 pm (p. 6)
- 6 4-H Robotics Group—LCSC, 6:30 pm
- 11 4-H Sewing Project—LCSC, 6:00 pm  
4-H Dog Project Training Workshop—6:30 pm
- 15 **Deadline:** Project entry for Lincoln County Fair  
**Deadline:** All MASS paperwork due to Extension Office
- 18 4-H Dog Project Training Workshop—6:30 pm
- 20 4-H Robotics Group—LCSC, 6:30 pm
- 21 4-H Horse Project—LCSC, 6:30 pm
- 25 4-H Dog Project Training Workshop—6:30 pm (p. 6)

## August

- 6 4-H Dog Project Training Workshop—6:30 pm
- 13 Lincoln County Dog Show-8:00 am
- 16 YQCA certification must be completed before the fair
- 17-21 Lincoln County Fair

**NOTE:** LCSC = Lincoln County Service Center, 801 N. Sales St, Merrill

## Fair Date/Time Reminders:

### Wednesday, Aug 17 — Fair Entry Day

**Animal Exhibitors :** Please double check you drop off times and places!

**All other exhibits.** Noon—7 pm: Be sure to check if your entries are being judged face-to-face. Face-to-face judging will take more time!

**Cloverbud Judging** 6:30—7:30: . Please see page 14 for information.

### Friday, Aug 19 — Market Animal Show and Sale

**6:30 pm, Rotunda :** Come and see the amazing animals these 4-H'ers have raised and help support them!

### Sunday, Aug 21 — Exhibit Release

**Livestock Barn Animals and Exhibits:** Anytime after 5:30

**All other exhibits.** 6:30—8 pm

# Earn Money for 4-H!

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Lincoln County 4-H provides many opportunities for youth to participate in educational trips, travel experiences and leadership programs. An important aspect of taking part in these opportunities is helping the youth learn about the financial cost of these programs — and how they can help fund them.

Individual fundraising is a daunting task for many youth (and parents)! Working at the Dairyland Stand during the fair is a great way for youth to earn funds toward 4-H activities and to learn the basics of entrepreneurship.

**Last year, worker's  
at the Dairyland  
Stand earned  
\$25.59 fundraising  
credit per 2-hour**

When you sign up for a shift at the Dairyland Stand you will be credited with part of the profits earned, based on the number of hours you work. Those funds can then be used for any future 4-H activity: camp, trips, conferences or even club activities!

**It gets even better:** ADULTS who volunteer for shifts earn the

same credit and they can earmark those funds for 4-H activities they want to support: a specific youth's activities, general scholarships for specific programs, funds for a specific club or county-wide project group, or towards a 4-H led community service project!



**Sign up for the Dairyland stand  
is now open! Sign up today~**

**<https://signup.com/go/tEXajic>**

**It's a win-win!**

Not only do Dairyland workers get to earn funds toward 4-H activities, they do it at the **FAIR**.

**Also: Ice Cream.**



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Fair News!



## **Make Your Fair Plans Today!**

The theme is "Moov'in on with Tradition".  
Colors to decorate are black, white and red!

### Fair Entry Deadline: July 15

**There will be no exceptions to this deadline.** Also, remember it's your responsibility to review the handbook to be sure you follow all the guidelines and enter your exhibits at the correct time and day of the fair. If you have questions about a particular department, please contact the Department Superintendent for that department. The Department Superintendent and their phone number is listed in the front of the Fair Exhibitor Handbook and at the beginning of each department. These are the best individuals to answer your questions.

**The Fair handbook and the link to the ONLINE project entry:**

**[www.lincolncofair.com](http://www.lincolncofair.com).**

### Entry Notes

**When you fill out your entry , make sure you put down all the classes you want to enter.** If you want to participate in showmanship, you must enroll in that. The same goes for any carcass contests. It needs to be on your entry in order for you to participate.

Make sure you check the animal health requirements and bring any necessary papers because this will be checked at the fair before you can unload your animals. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to read and follow these requirements.

The Fair Board is required by the State of Wisconsin to maintain records of cattle exhibitors and identification of animals shown for five years. Acceptable forms of animal identification for breeding animals are (1) an official metal ear tag, (2) a breed registration number, or a breed registration tattoo. These numbers will be recorded at the fair. For steers, either an official ear tag or the metal ear tag applied at weigh-in may be used.

# Fair Entry Process

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1. The 2022 Fair Exhibitor's Handbook will be available online at the Lincoln County Fair website ([www.lincolncofair.com](http://www.lincolncofair.com)) by clicking on the Exhibitor tab. The handbook is in PDF format and can be printed off entirely or just the sections you are interested in. **Watch our facebook to learn when the book is out!**

Each year, as with every handbook, there are always changes to the departments, general information, judging times, etc. Please be sure to review these sections to keep current on what's happening at the fair this year.

2. Fair entries should be done online. Go to **www.lincolncofair.com** and click on the Exhibitors tab and then Entries. **Deadline for entering is July 15, 2022, until midnight online or postmarked.**

*If you don't get two emails, you are NOT signed up! If you have completed your online fair entry properly, you will receive two emails—one indicating that you have an account followed by a second one that lists all of the entries you have made. Please be sure to double check this second email and keep for your records. If you do not receive this second email, you have not completed the entry process properly and need to go back into your account to complete the entry process. In most cases, you have not completed the final step where you agree to abide by the fair rules and hit submit.*

**Remember:** Junior Division exhibitors must enter Junior Department if one exists for their projects. They may only enter Open Division if there is no Jr. Department (i.e. Open Antiques) or they were not enrolled as a 4-H member by the 4-H enrollment deadlines.

3. If you need to do a paper entry form, they are available at the Extension Office. You will need to make a copy of the entry form before submitting. You will not get a copy back with your entry tags.
4. **2022 Entry fees:** 1-40 entries are free; more than 40 entries are \$10. You are responsible to pay for the number of entries you enter even if you do not bring them to the fair.
5. All fees need to be mailed to the Lincoln County Fair office at P O Box 921, Merrill, WI 54452. Checks should be made payable to the "Lincoln County Fair Association". No credit/debit cards. **Exhibitor tags will not be given out if the fees are not paid.** The UW-Extension office cannot and will not accept any fees. Any paper entries should also be mailed to the Lincoln County Fair office along with any applicable fees. If you have questions on the entry process or any questions on the handbook, please contact Cindi Christiansen at (715) 218-7649.

The Lincoln County Fair thanks you for your continued support and looks forward to a great Fair!

Submitted by Cindi Christiansen, Lincoln County Fair Association



## ANIMAL EXHIBITORS:

**Parking limitations by the Livestock Barn will be strictly enforced.** Vehicles

may be parked by the barn for a 15-minute period to load or unload animals or supplies. On Sunday

afternoon, no vehicles will be allowed to park by the

Livestock barn prior to 5:30 p.m. in anticipation of release time except with written permission of the Fair Association.



## Cloverbuds: Exploring the Fair!

**4-H'ers in grade K—2 are encouraged to enter their projects in the fair!**

This is a perfect opportunity to introduce young 4-H members to the fair process. They can enter up to three projects. At the fair, they will show their projects to an older youth 4-H member, talk about their project and answer a few simple questions. Cloverbud projects are not judged and do not receive a placing or a premium.

- Enter online in Department J17 by the **deadline date of July 15.**
- **Members are limited to three non-animal entries.**
- Carefully read the information on page 58 in the fair book. Cloverbud exhibitors **will** get exhibitor labels so all exhibits need to be brought with entry tags.
- All judging is done on Wednesday, August 17 in the Judging will be done first-come, first-served from 6:30 – 7:00 pm for exhibitors with last names beginning with A – M and from 7 – 7:30 pm for exhibitors with last names beginning with N – Z
- Remember to bring a recent wallet size photo of your Cloverbud! These photos will be placed with the exhibits at the fair and returned on the last day of the fair at project pick up!.

# You the Fair!

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## Entry Day, Wednesday 8/11, Drop off Times

**Livestock Barn Animals:** 8 am - 3 pm - All Animal exhibitors will be receiving information in their exhibitor packet regarding entry day procedures and the time of arrival for their animals.

**Dairy:** 8 am - 12 Noon

**MASS Livestock:** 8 am - 12 Noon

**Lokemoen Building**—12 Noon - 3:00 pm all junior poultry and rabbits, 3-5:00 pm all open poultry and rabbits.

**All Other Exhibits:** 12 noon – 7 p.m. Note that some departments have face-to-face judging.

### Dairy Exhibitors!

Don't forget you need to have completed YQCA! Be sure to print off your certificate and bring it with you.

### Department Setup Times

Departments in the Bierman Building, Steckling Building, Livestock Pavilion, Lokemoen Building will set up on **Sunday, August 13**, from 1 to 6 p.m. and **Tuesday, August 16**, from 2 to 8 p.m.

Booths and school exhibits located in the Steckling Building can be set up on **Sunday, August 13**, from 1 to 6 p.m., **Tuesday, August 16**, from 2 to 8 p.m. or on Wednesday, **August 17 (Entry Day)** from 12 noon– 7 pm.

**Booths and school exhibits must be in place by 7 p.m. Wednesday, August 17.**

### Poultry & Rabbit Projects



**All Poultry and Rabbit** exhibitors must have completed YQCA to exhibit!

**All Poultry** exhibitors must have a Premise ID in order to show at the fair! Please submit the ID number on the entry (due July 15th) **AND** bring a copy on entry day!





## 4-H Projects vs. County Fair Exhibits

What's the difference between 4-H projects and fair exhibits? A **4-H "Project"** is an area of interest you want to learn more about (like a hobby). This is what you sign-up for during enrollment in 4-HOnline (i.e. horse, electricity, dogs, photography, etc.). A project is intended to help you explore, learn, and practice skills in your areas of interest. Youth must choose their projects at the time of enrollment so they have plenty of time to learn about or practice with their project area before the fair.

A **County Fair "Exhibit"** is what you actually take to the fair – like the cabbage you grew, the animal you trained, or the rocket you built while exploring and learning about your projects. There are always things you do while exploring your project area that you do not take to the fair as exhibits and that is ok. Remember: the point of the project is to learn how to do something new and better and an exhibit will help you do that!



## Why Exhibit?

- ♦ The 4-H project is designed to help young people learn practical skills, develop abilities and acquire knowledge on topics of interest to them.
- ♦ The county fair is just "one part" of the total learning experience for youth involved with 4-H youth development programs. An exhibit is "one part" of participation in a project area.
- ♦ Exhibit judging in a fair gives 4-H'ers an opportunity to know where their exhibit stands in relation to other exhibits and how well they did compared to an ideal. The award given recognizes the completion of a task.





## Fair Judging – What to Expect

The fair is a great opportunity for youth to get feedback and evaluation on the projects on which they have chosen to work during the year. This experience can be both motivating and educational for 4-Hers. Critiques from judges can serve as a guide to further improvement. The judging process is probably more valuable than the award or recognition. To plan, practice, and present a finished product is to “learn by doing.”

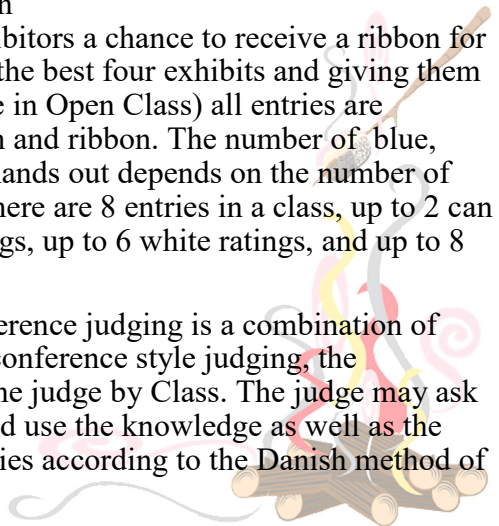
## Types of Fair Judging

**What is Face-to-Face judging?** Face-to-face judging of certain fair projects is performed to help exhibitors learn the strengths and weaknesses of their project directly from the judge. Exhibitors report to the judge with their projects at the designated time. They meet face-to-face with the judge, who learns more about the work the exhibitor put into the entry while the judge evaluates it. Exhibitors then receive a ribbon for the quality of the exhibit & knowledge of their project, as well as new information they can use to do better next year.



**What is Danish judging?** The Danish system of judging provides more exhibitors a chance to receive a ribbon for their entries. Instead of placing only the best four exhibits and giving them a blue, red, white, or pink ribbon (like in Open Class) all entries are placed. All entries receive a premium and ribbon. The number of blue, red, white, and pink ribbons a judge hands out depends on the number of entries in the class. For example, if there are 8 entries in a class, up to 2 can receive a blue rating, up to 4 red ratings, up to 6 white ratings, and up to 8 pink ratings.

**What is Conference Judging?** Conference judging is a combination of face-to-face and Danish judging. In conference style judging, the exhibitors and exhibits come before the judge by Class. The judge may ask youth questions about their project and use the knowledge as well as the quality of the exhibit to place the entries according to the Danish method of placing.





If you've done your best work on your project, it's disappointing not to get the rating you were expecting. Just remember – the judge's opinion is simply one person's opinion. A different judge might have given you a different placing. But even if you don't agree with the judge, it's worth paying attention to what he or she has to say about your project. You could get some great ideas for how to do even better next time.

### Here are some tips about feedback:

- Pay attention to what the judge **liked** instead of getting upset about what he or she didn't like. Even if there were some negative comments, there were probably just as many positive ones!
- Don't be nervous about face-to-face judging. The judge is truly interested in youth, otherwise he or she wouldn't be there. Relax so you can be your friendly, natural self when the judge meets with you. And if you don't understand something he or she says, be sure to say so.
- Think about how you can use the judge's feedback. What can you do differently if you intend to keep working on this kind of project? What will you want to do the same way?

**What if you were the judge?** What kind of rating would you give your project if you were judging it? *Be honest!*

**Your outlook matters.** Being able to have fun and learn how to do something worthwhile is just as important as whatever the judge thought about your work.

## Be A Blue Ribbon Youth

It is important to recognize that judging is a personal opinion and that evaluation will vary among judges. Graciously accepting constructive criticism of one's work is a life skill. Let's strive to recognize that 4-H YOUTH are more important than 4-H projects.

A blue ribbon 4-H member with a red ribbon  
chicken  
is more desirable than a red ribbon member  
with a blue ribbon chicken!



It's sometimes tricky to be a 4-H parent at the fair. Here are some "Do's and Don'ts" to help you navigate the tricky process of letting your child show at the fair.

- ☺ **DO** advise your son or daughter in selecting 4-H projects. Help them select a project they are interested in, have the ability to accomplish, and one for which you can help furnish needed materials, facilities, financing, and guidance.
- ☹ **DON'T** view your child as an extension of yourself. Don't view his/her success or failure as a reflection of your ability or worth. Don't discourage them from exploring interests and passions that are different from your own.
- ☺ **DO** help youth by guiding and supporting them, so they can develop their own life skills. This may include some bumps and bruises along the way, but in the end the 4-H member will be better off if they know that the 4-H project was their own work!
- ☹ **DON'T** do your child's projects for them, even though you may be able to do it faster, better, simpler, and with much less mess. Remember 4-H is Learning By Doing.
- ☺ **DO** keep in mind that the most important goal of 4-H is personal growth of the individual. Not the color of the ribbon or the amount of praise they get.
- ☹ **DON'T** let the desire to win overpower your child's ability to learn. Do keep in mind that the 4-H and fair experience should be an educational one.
- ☺ **DO** provide all the guidance and support that your child needs in order to be able to take part in showing and being judged. Let them know that you are there for them.
- ☹ **DON'T** show the item or answer the judges questions for your child. Judging — especially face-to-face judging — is more about what the youth learned while doing the project than how the project turned out.
- ☺ **DO** give your child the space to learn how to be independent. Allow them to participate in judging with a minimum amount of guidance and direction.
- ☹ **DON'T** hover when your child is being judged. Don't crowd them or the judge. Don't make them feel like you are also judging them.
- ☺ **DO** help your youth see the progress they have made and knowledge they have gained. Give them encouragement when they succeed and even more when they fail. Judging events are all about learning, not the awards. Whatever ratings are given or scores received, help your child to see progress made, things learned, goals that have been reached and areas to focus on in the future.
- ☹ **DON'T** be disrespectful to the judges when your child didn't get the award or color of ribbon you thought they should have received. Remember, the judge's opinion is just one person's opinion.
- ☺ **DO** be proud of your child's compliments and growth.
- ☹ **DON'T** make the event about how you are feeling. Part of showing at the fair is youth learning how to handle their own feelings of success and failure.
- ☺ **DO** listen to your child if they are upset or feel something is wrong. Be a safe person to share their feelings with.
- ☹ **DON'T** assume your child is always right. Always get the facts of the situation and understand both sides.

**4-H'ers are...**

**4X**

**more likely to  
give back to their  
communities**

**2X**

**more likely to  
make healthier  
choices**

**2X**

**more likely to  
participate in  
STEM activities**



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