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2026 Allen County 4-H Calendar

Remember that dates can change. For an up-to-date Calendar, visit www.allen.osu.edu

January

- January 13 4-H Council Meeting-6PM
- January 14 Camp Counselor Training
- January 15 Achievement Record Due to Office
- January 19 Office Closed – MLK Day
- January 28 Jr. Fair Board Meeting – 7:00 pm YAB
- January 26 Annual Volunteer Recognition/Update

February

- February 1 Ag. Society, Ruth Adgate, & Horse Council Scholarship Application Due
- February 1 Cattleman's Scholarship Application Due
- February 1 Beef Royalty Application Due
- February 4 Camp Counselor Training- 6 PM
- February 15 Ruth Adgate, Horse Council, Ag. Society Scholarship Interviews
- February 25 Jr. Fair Board Meeting- 7:00 YAB

March

- March 4 Camp Counselor Training- 6 PM
- March 15-21 Ohio 4-H Week
- March 22 County Wide Quality Assurance- Allen County Fairgrounds
- March 25 Jr. Fair Board Meeting/Superintendents- YAB 6:30 PM

April

*Quality Assurance Test-Out Month- Call to schedule a time to come into the office to take the test. You must be 14-year-old or older to take the test.

- April 1 Camp Counselor Training- 6 PM
- April 6 Make-up Advisor Training- Virtual
- April 14 4-H Council Meeting-6:30 PM
- April 15 **ALLEN COUNTY 4-H ENROLLMENT DEADLINE**
- April 15 Club Programs, Charter's, Constitution, & EIN Due
- April 22 Jr. Fair Board Meeting- 7:00 YAB

May

- May 1 Horse Department Royalty Applications Due
- May 13 Camp Counselor Training- 6PM
- May 15 Project Change Deadline
- May 15 PAS Registration Deadline
- May 25 Extension Office Closed- Memorial Day
- May 27 Jr. Fair Board Meeting- 7:00 YAB
- May 29 Sheep & Goat Tag-In- 6PM- 7:30PM
- May 29 Cloverbud Day Camp Registration Deadline

June

June 1	Horse Lease & Cards Dues
June 1	Special Interest & Rabbit Department Royalty Applications Due
June 1	Deadline for Livestock Ownership (except market chickens and market rabbits)
June 10	Camp Counselor Training- 10 AM
June 12	4-H Camp Registration Deadline
June 14	County Wide Quality Assurance Training
June 14	Special Interest Project Clinic
June 16	Cloverbud Camp
June 17	Jr. Fair Board Meeting – 7:00 pm YAB
June 19	Office Closed- Juneteeth
June 20	PAS Show- Schmidthorst Pavilion - TBD
June 22	Camp Counselor Training- 10 AM- 3 PM
June 24-June 28	Allen County 4-H Camp

July

July 1	ALLEN COUNTY JR. FAIR ENTRY DUE
July 1	Royalty Applications Due (Jr. Fair, Dairy, Dairy Beef, Goat, Lamb & Wool, Canine, Pork, Poultry, Alpaca & Llama)
July 3	Office Closed- 4 th of July
July 7	EMERGENCY QUALITY ASSURANCE- 6 PM – 7PM <u>COST \$20</u>
July 7	Deadline for Quality Assurance- NO QA will be accepted after this date!
July 9	Jr. Fair Board Workday- 10 am to 2 pm
July 10	Corrected Fair Entries Due Back to Office
July 14	4-H Council Meeting- 6:30 PM
July 20	4-H Special Interest Judging –1 PM -6 PM
July 20	Demonstrations – 1:00 pm
July 21	Allen County Junior Fair King & Queen Interviews (not department royalty)
July 22	Jr. Fair Board Meeting- 7:00 YAB
July 29-August 9	Ohio State Fair

August

August 10	Junior Fair Board Workday- 10 am – 2 pm
August 11	Junior Fair Board Workday- 10 am – 2 pm
August 13	Fair Kick-off Dinner
August 13	Superintendent's Meeting- 8:00 YAB
August 14	Junior Fair Board Workday- 10 am- 2 pm
August 15	Livestock Interviews- 9 AM- 12 PM
August 16	Allen County Fair Parade- 2 PM
August 16	Booth Decorating- 4 PM- 9PM, YEB
August 17	County Rabbit Meeting- 6 PM Rabbit Barn
August 17	Booth Decorating- 9 AM- 6PM, YEB
August 18	Booth Decorating- 9 AM- 9PM, YEB
August 18	Cloverbud Show-n-Tell- 1 PM- 6PM, YAB
August 18	4-H Gardening/Woodworking/Welding (County Placing) Judging – 1 PM – 6 PM
August 18	Make-Up Special Interest (Non-Livestock) Judging –1 PM – 6 PM, YAB
August 18	4-H Style Review- 6:30 pm, YAB

August 21-29 ALLEN COUNTY FAIR**September**

September 1-6 Extension Office Closed- Max's
September 3 Jr. Fair Carcass Show- Closed to the Public
September 7 Extension Office Closed- Labor Day
September 23 Jr. Fair Board & Sr. Fair Board Review Dinner/Meeting – 6 PM YAB

October

October 13 4-H Council Meeting- 6 PM
October 15 Junior Fair Board Application Deadline
October 15 Junior Leaders Application Deadline
October 15 4-H Camp Counselor Application Deadline
October 15 Honor Club Forms Deadline
October 28 Junior Fair Board Meeting- 7:00 YAB

November

November 4 Allen County Agricultural Society Annual Meeting – 6:30 PM - YAB
November 11 Extension Office Closed- Veteran's Day
November 15 Junior Fair Board, Camp Counselor, Junior Leaders Interviews
November 26-27 Extension Office Closed- Thanksgiving

December

December 6 Junior Fair Board Christmas Party
December 19 Steer Weigh-in- Fairgrounds 8-10 AM
December 24-25 Extension Office Closed- Christmas

Early Bird Price for 4-H Camp January 1st-May 15th

Full Price for 4-H Camp May 16th-June 12th

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WELCOME TO ALLEN COUNTY 4-H!

We would like to welcome you and your family to Allen County 4-H! By belonging to 4-H you are joining over 1,000 other Allen County boys and girls in one of the largest youth organizations in the world.

This 4-H Family Handbook has been prepared for the benefit of you and your family. Please read it carefully. If you have any questions or concerns at any time about 4-H, please call our Allen County office. Our address, phone numbers, and e-mail address are listed above.

We hope you have an enjoyable year in 4-H and that you can take part in the many 4-H activities planned for your education and enjoyment!

Be sure to check out our 4-H web pages and get the latest and greatest in Allen County 4-H! The web page offers 4-Hers, volunteers, and parents a new way to get information about the 4-H program in Allen County. The web page contains our newsletters, forms, and applications for a variety of activities including Junior Fair Board, Junior Leadership, Camp Counselors, and Junior Fair Entries. The 4-H Handbook and the 2024 Calendar of Events are also posted. The web page can be a valuable tool for everyone! If you have suggestions on how to improve the site, please give us a call. Feedback is always welcome.

<http://allen.osu.edu>

4-H.....What is it All About?

4-H is a voluntary, educational program designed to meet the needs and interest of boys and girls. Membership to the 4-H club program begins when a child is at least age 8 and enrolled in 3rd grade as of January 1 of current year or any youth age 9 and above is eligible for project membership, regardless of grade level. Ohio 4-H membership ends December 31 of the year in which an individual attains the age of 19. Cloverbud membership begins when a child has reached age 5 and is enrolled in kindergarten as of January 1 of current year. Participation and membership are open to all such youth without regard to race, color, national origin, ethnic background, social-economic situation, or place of residence.

The purpose of 4-H is to provide learning experiences and opportunities for boys and girls which will help them grow and develop to the fullest of their potential. Projects, programs, and activities are tools used to help members in this regard. They should be adapted to fit the needs and interest of each person or group of persons. Although competition is a necessary part of 4-H, we must all be careful to remember that the real benefit comes from learning and not winning. Skills learned and friendships made in 4-H will long outlast any ribbons and awards won!

Although it is not mandatory, most 4-H members exhibit their 4-H projects at the Allen County Fair. All 4-H members exhibiting at the fair must abide by all rules established by the Allen County Agricultural Society.

**While we try to inform all our 4-H members about county fair rules, we cannot adequately cover all rules and regulations of the Allen County Fair Book in this handbook. It is the responsibility of members to obtain a copy of the Allen County Fair Book when it is published in early spring to become better informed, the Fair Book is also available at allencofair.com.



Thinking about what to do for your 4-H project? Ohio 4-H Project Central is an easy way for members to preview Ohio 4-H project books and resources. Take a closer look at a book, find out what others have to say, and share your experiences! Check it out at www.ohio4h.org/projectcentral

4-H Membership

Project Completion:

1. Members must meet all requirements set forth by their club(s) as explained in individual project guidelines.
2. Project record books must be completed as outline in project guidelines and signed upon completion by the 4-H Advisor.
3. Members must complete project judging.
4. Members must complete Quality Assurance by **July 7, 2026** if applicable.
5. Members must complete EQuiSTEP, horse safety and nutrition, by **June 1, 2026 or before youth can start riding.**

Junior Fair Participation – Members need to be in good standing with Allen County 4-H and meet all 4-H club and county requirements as detailed in the current year's project guidelines to be eligible to participate in the Junior Fair portion of the Allen County Fair.

Project Completion Details

Review the *Ohio 4-H Family Guide* for a better understanding of available 4-H projects and select a project after considering interests, background and resources available. Once a project is selected, begin by reading the front section of the book for step-by-step instructions for completing the project. Speak with a club advisor and project helpers to provide guidance with a project. Have fun!

County owned educational materials are available for check out by club advisors based on availability from the Extension Office. Clubs will be held responsible for any damage to or missing parts of these items.

Attend project area specific clinics and events for information and instruction if available.

Attend Special Interest and/or Livestock Project Judging to complete project at the county level and be eligible for County and State Fair participation. Be sure to review the County calendar and newsletter for times and locations.

- ✓ Bring a completed project/record book with the advisor's signature.
- ✓ Check-in and wait for your turn to be judged. Review your project book, bring a book to read or plan to be there with a friend to spend some time talking about your 4-H experiences while waiting your turn.
- ✓ Participate in a one-on-one interview with a judge to answer questions about your 4-H and project experience.
- ✓ Animal projects: Participate in three to four skill stations. To prepare, use your project book, Resource Handbooks, Skillathon Kits and Quality Assurance training experiences.
- ✓ General Projects: Bring items made, created, produced, grown, or designed and/or educational display as required for your specific project(s). See Allen County Fair Jr. Fair Premium Book for details.

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For Fair

- Participate in booth setup before fair and tear down after the fair if your club has its own booth.
- The Senior Fair Board provides a photo fair pass to 4-H members in good standing. Members participating in Fair will receive one pass good for each day of the fair. Check the Jr. Fair Premium book for office times and availability.
- Every 4-H member must make a Fair entry for each project that will be exhibited at the Allen County Fair. Entries must be entered online by July 1st at **www.allencofair.com**
- Help with the planning and work needed for your club to have a great fair.
- Bring 4-H projects required by exhibition times to the Fair. Review the Junior Fair General Rules and Department Rules in the Fair book annually.
- Care for your animal projects throughout fair week. Keep stalls and animals clean, fed, watered, and presentable to the public at all times.
- Check with the barn superintendents to see if you have barn duty during the fair. Lists are usually posted if applicable.
- Show good sportsmanship before, during and after the fair.
- If your club does not have a booth, you must display projects in the Allen County Booth. County booth projects drop off times at the Junior Fair Office starting Monday August 17th thru Tuesday August 18th. No projects will be accepted after 9:00 pm Tuesday.

4-H Costs and Fees

Club Fees – Some clubs charge per member fee and/or family fee based on their clubs activities. The amount is based on what the club covers with the fee. Club fees may be used towards refreshments, project book cost, booth decorations, club t-shirts, supplemental insurance, etc. Please ask your club advisor about their club fee structure. Many clubs also participate in fundraising opportunities to off-set these costs.

Project Books – Most project books cost \$12 - \$21 and are generously **sponsored by Allen County Farm Bureau for 2026**. Some projects require an additional Resource Handbook (\$12-\$28) that is purchased once by the family and used for all the projects within an area by all members in the family. Check with your 4-H advisor for Resource Book costs or look at the *Ohio 4 -H Family Guide* at <http://allen.osu.edu> or www.ohio4h.org

Project Items – Every project has some cost beyond the 4-H book. For some projects, this may be supplies and materials that you already have at home. For other projects, it may be required to invest in an animal and supplies for its care, specialized equipment and/or other items. Please keep this in mind when selecting projects.

Fair – If members plan to participate in the Allen County Junior Fair, there may be some additional costs associated with their experience.

- Some animal projects will need to be tagged, Vet checked, and/or have Scrapie Tag. Review the Allen County Fair Jr. Fair Premium Book for dates and details.
- Fair passes for parents – check Fair website for current prices at www.allencofair.com
- Fair Entries. All Jr. Fair and/or Open Class Entry info is found in the Fair Premium book available from your club advisor and found online at www.allencofair.com

What is Expected of 4-H Parents?

1. Help youth attend club meetings, activities, and events. Notify the club advisor if the child can't attend a meeting/activity. Transport your child to all club meetings and activities. Youth must attend a minimum number of their club meetings to participate in fair with that club.
2. Participate in club and/or county fundraising events and pay the club dues.
3. Attend special events planned by the 4-H club and/or County 4-H program.
4. Encourage and guide your youth's project work. Don't do their work.
5. Read the 4-H newsletter, mailings, project requirements, Junior Fair rules and other information. Use the county 4-H website to print off forms, find projects and fair requirements and find answers to questions.
6. Encourage youth to participate in county project judging, clinics/workshops, 4-H camp(s), public speaking opportunities, Jr. Fair events and much more.
7. Encourage youth to keep up-to-date records and complete projects.
(<https://ohio4h.org/awardsandscholarships>)
8. Model a positive attitude, good sportsmanship, respect and cooperation.
9. Assist with 4-H club activities in areas of interest and expertise...teach a project skill, help with a community service project, plan a field trip, assist with fundraising, etc.
10. Help out the club...host a meeting, provide refreshments, and sponsor a county award.
11. Support the club by cooperating with club advisors and exhibiting a positive attitude toward youth's personal and club 4-H goals.
12. Support youth at county events and programs including the County Fair and provide supervision at such events.

What is Expected of 4-H Volunteers?

1. Advance notice of 4-H club meetings and/or a printed schedule of club meetings for the year.
2. Provide the following information at one of the first meetings:
 - 4-H Family Guide
 - Allen County Handbook
 - 4-H club attendance expectations/Code of Conduct.
 - Project selections help and information on project guidelines.
3. Provide at all meetings:
 - Review the 4-H Calendar, 4-H Newsletter or Recent Mailings from the 4-H Office.
 - Reminders of upcoming deadlines, requirements, etc.
 - What's coming up in the Club/County and how to get involved.
4. Help in selecting, ordering, and receiving 4-H Project Books.
5. Provide hands-on and mind-on learning experiences for the 4-H youth through project work, demonstrations, practice project judging, livestock quality assurance and/or field trips/tours, etc.
6. Provide the opportunity for youth to give back to the community through at least one community service project...flower gardens at the fairgrounds, adopt a family, picking up trash, supporting the 4-H Silent Auction, etc.
7. Provide the opportunity for youth to build leadership skills through serving as a club officer, on a committee, leading the American or 4-H pledges, participating in a business meeting, etc.
8. Provide the opportunity for youth to have FUN with friends (new and old) through recreational, social, educational and/or competitive activities.
9. Provide a safe and welcoming environment for youth to learn and grow through the 4-H program and work together to "Make the Best Better".

4-H Lingo

- **Achievement Awards.** 4-H members, age 14-18 as of January 1st, may apply for one of twenty State Achievement Project Awards as well as the opportunity to serve on State Junior Fair Board and/or attend a variety of Stand and National Conferences.
- **Camp.** Members enjoy outdoor fun and adventure while learning and making new friends at 4-H Camp. Camping opportunities are available for Cloverbuds (day camp only), members and teens with some focused on a particular project area.
- **Cloverbuds.** 4-H members age 5 and in Kindergarten through 2nd grade or until they reach the age and grade requirements for 4-H project membership. Cloverbuds may not enroll in competitive 4-H Projects. 4-H Cloverbuds may create a project to be judged prior to fair about their 4-H experience or topic of choice. The project is then displayed in the Youth Activities Building during the fair.
- **Cloverbud Show-N-Tell.** Show and Tell is basically a mock judging for your Cloverbud. We want to get them used to the judging process as much as we can before they become “big” 4-H kids! This year we will be having the kids judged by some of the Jr. Fair Royalty. They will have a “score” sheet just like the older kids have for their judging. They will be asked the 4-H pledge, 4-H Colors, the 4-H motto and to tell a little bit about their project.
- **County Placings.** County placings will be posted close to the start of the Allen County Fair. This list included the 1st placing through outstanding placings. These are different from the State Fair Delegates and Alternates.
- **DUNF – Drug Use Notification Form.** This form indicates your project animal has met all drug withdrawal periods at time of exhibition. Ohio Department of Agriculture requires this form for exhibition of market beef, market hogs, market lambs, market goats, meat chickens, lactating dairy goats or dairy cows. One per animal/pen of chickens. These forms are available online one week before the fair starts. You may complete them before you arrive at the fair for all market animals except swine. Swine must be completed at time of weigh-in, DUNF's must be completed correctly for the animal to show.
- **Project Guide.** Resource that lists all the 200+ 4-H projects including a brief description, age guidelines, skill level and State Fair eligibility.
- **Junior Fair Premium Book.** Resource with all the rules and guidelines for participating in the Allen County Fair. This resource is useful when making online fair entries. This book is currently provided to all families by a generous donation by Nutrien but in the future will only be available online at allencofair.com. Books are available in April – May.
- **Livestock Auction Check.** Paid by the Allen County Fair for animals sold through the Jr. Fair Livestock Sale. Checks will be available after the buyer has paid. All exhibitors must turn in a thank you card for each buyer to the Jr. Fair Office after the auction. The cards should be in an unsealed, addressed, and stamped envelope. The administration office will need the exhibitors SS# if the premium money is over \$600. You will need to keep your fair ID to pick up checks.
- **Livestock Ownership.** All animals must be owned and cared for by the exhibitor as of June 1st, unless otherwise stated in the department rules of the Jr. Fair Premium Book.
- **Member Opportunities.** Teens may serve as leaders within a club as officers and peer mentors and at the county level as members of the Jr. Fairboard, Camp Counselors, and Jr. Leaders.
- **PAS.** Horse project members may choose to participate in Performance Against Standards (PAS) Show(s) to qualify to participate in the State Fair Horse Show. A member may show in a maximum of four classes and must qualify in two classes to show at the State Fair. Members that qualify in more than two classes must select the two classes they intend to show in at the State Fair.

- **Photo ID.** All 4-H youth who participate in the Allen County Fair will receive a new photo ID each year. The ID must be presented each time the exhibitors enter the gate at the fair, it is needed to pick up your fair premium voucher from the Jr. Fair Office, to cash our premium voucher at the premium window at the Administration Window, and to pick up your Livestock Auction Check after the fair. Keep your fair photo ID safe. There is a fee to replace your ID.
- **Project.** A 4-H project is made up of hands-on activities, organized activities such as demonstrations and workshops and leadership/citizenship activities.
- **Project Judging.** Evaluation of a project member's knowledge through interview with a judge, review of project book records and exhibit of project item and/or educational display.
- **Quality Assurance – Assuring Quality Care for Animals.** Annual program required for members exhibiting market and lactating project animals by the Ohio Department of Agriculture. Members can meet this requirement by attending the quality assurance program focusing on the 10 Good Production Practices. Youth, age 15 to 18 may test out of QA attendance.
- **Online or Fair Entry.** An online entry made by the exhibitor for every project they wish to exhibit at the Allen County Fair. The entries must be made before July 1st of the current year. Entries must be completed at the Allen County Fair Website under the Jr. Fair section. Please refer to the Allen Co. Fair Premium book for department and class selection.
- **Senior Fair Board (Allen County Ag. Society).** Manages the Allen County Fair.
- **State Fair Delegates and Alternates.** Members selected to represent the county at the Ohio State Fair for a given project or project area. The list will be posted on the county 4-H website after judging. Please remember that this doesn't necessarily mean that you placed at the County Fair. The State Fair has different class ages and number of delegates than the Allen County Fair.
- **Weigh-In and Tagging Day.** Important event for selected Market Animals projects in December/January and June.
- **4-H Volunteer or Club Advisor.** Dedicated, enthusiastic, caring adults that have completed a selection, screening, and orientation process by OSU Extension. The current Ohio 4-H Volunteer Selection includes a written application, reference checks, BCI background check, interview with Extension Educator and volunteer orientation.

Resources and Information

Club Advisors. Start with your local club advisor(s) first. Make sure you have a phone number and/or email address to communicate with them regularly. Your project leader is your primary resource.

County Publications. Visit our website and click on 4-H Youth Development for forms and information, newsletters and much more. Visit our Facebook page: Allen County OSU Extension and 4-H.

Committee Members and Meetings. 4-H Council meetings are listed in the County 4-H Calendar and the members are listed below.

Ohio 4-H. www.ohio4h.org

- Visit for the latest information about Ohio 4-H programs, events, activities, policies, etc.

Ohio State Fair. www.ohiostatefair.com

- Fair book and entry forms
- Fair Schedule for all Ohio State Fair Events
- Fair Results from 4-H and Open Class Shows
- State Fair Selection Results will be posted on the County website by close of business July 21, 2026.

4-H Advisor Information

Allen County 4-H Council – Members of the 4-H Council serve to give suggestions and evaluate the Allen County 4-H Program. If you have questions or suggestions for improving the county program, feel free to contact one of these individuals.

District 1: (Amanda, Marion, Spencer Townships)	District 4: (Auglaize, Jackson, Richland Townships)
Jodi Vaske-Schuette 2026	Andrew Rowe 2026
Sheena Eickholt 2027	Jen Shaffer 2027
Dist. 2: (America, Shawnee, Sugarcreek Townships)	District 5: (City & Out of County)
Stacy Brenneman 2026	Jodi Croft 2026
Kiesha Larimore 2027	Emily Orwick 2027
District 3: (Bath, Monroe, Perry Townships)	At Large:
Payton Halker 2026	Dawn Arbeit 2026
Michelle Graham 2027	Nathan Richard 2026
	Brigette Hoff 2027
	Kevin Wildermuth 2027
	Andrea Schwartz 2027

The election of new council members will take place at the 4-H Annual Advisor Recognition and Kick-Off Dinner. Contact Kelly for more information about 4-H Council. If you are interested in running for a position on 4-H Council, please let Kelly know.

4-H Annual Advisor Recognition and Kick-Off Dinner - Each advisor is invited to attend the 4-H Annual Advisor Recognition and Kick-Off Dinner. Date, place, and program are determined by the 4-H Extension Office. Information on the coming 4-H year will be distributed at this Kick-off, along with any updates for that year. All advisors will also be invited to attend an Ohio Volunteer Conference including a luncheon to recognize advisors completing 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 & over years of service. This will be held in Columbus.

4-H Youth Information

4-H Camp Counselors- 4-H Youth that are at least current freshman in high school can apply to be a camp counselor. Individuals need to be able to display leadership abilities, cooperate in a group, and assist in planning the camp program. Due to the planning involved, counselors must be committed to attending all meetings. (Counselors selected will be responsible for paying a portion of the camp fee.) See application for more information.

Junior Fair Board- Individuals will work cooperatively with fellow Junior Fair Board members in developing and implementing a quality Junior Fair. All members will receive an opportunity to develop additional leadership skills while working under the direction of the Junior Fair Board Advisors and Senior Fair Board members. Approximately 100 hours that will include regular meetings, workdays, Fair set-up and tear-down, Fair week and evaluation of the Junior Fair. See application for more information.

Junior Leaders Member- This is a county-wide 4-H youth organization whose basic goal is to develop leadership and provide community service. These youths are in turn expected to provide assistance to advisors and younger members in their local club. Members must be in age 12-15 and have successfully completed one year of 4-H Club work in order to join Junior Leaders. See application for more information.

Allen County 4-H Project Judging Schedule

Please note that this is the 2025 4-H Project Judging Schedule. Project enrollment could force us to make minor changes in which days projects are judged. All 4-H Members and Advisors are notified of changes and a complete judging schedule at allen.osu.edu will be available during May. Please be sure to check with your club advisor before coming to judging.

Judging	Date	Projects to be Judge
Shooting Sport Judging	Monday, July 20 th Youth Exhibits Building Time: 1-6 pm	All Shooting Sports Projects
Special Interest Judging Demonstrations	Monday, July 20 th Youth Exhibits Building Time: 1-6 pm Monday, July 20 th	All non-livestock projects.
Gardening, Welding & Woodworking State Fair Judging	Monday, July 20 th Youth Exhibits Building Time: 1-6 pm	Gardening, Welding & Woodworking Projects wanting to attend State Fair.
Livestock Interviews	Saturday, August 15 th Fairgrounds Time: 9 am- 11:30m	Livestock projects only!
Cloverbud Show-n-Tell	Tuesday, August 18 th Fairgrounds Time: 1-6 pm	All Cloverbud projects
Woodworking, Welding, & Gardening Judging (County Placing)	Tuesday, August 18 th Youth Activities Building Time: 1-6 pm	Woodworking, Welding, & Gardening
Make-up Special Interest Judging	Tuesday, August 18 th Youth Activities Building Time: 1-6 pm	All non-livestock projects.

This year **ALL** 4-H members with Special Interest (Non-Livestock) projects are being encouraged to make the Special Interest Judging on July 20th. We will be offering a make-up judging for those 4-Her's that have other commitments on July 20th, the make-up judging will be held August 18th.