

Happy Friday 4-H Families,

Please see the announcements below. Email blasts have been moved to the [4-H Newsletter & Updates](#) page on the El Paso County, CSU Extension Website. Scroll down and find them by date.

Announcements

Reminder: State Dog Show Payments

The **\$25.00 fee for all State Dog Contest exhibitors is due today August 21**, to the El Paso County extension office. If you have not already mailed your check please call Brenda Perdue at 719.520.7690 to set up an appointment to drop off your payment.

August 22-23: State Dog Show information from Connie Cecil

- **Saturday** –Obedience Classes, Rally Intermediate, Advanced, Excellent, Excellent/Advanced, Masters
- **Sunday** –Showmanship and Rally B.

Attached to this email are arm band numbers and the 4-H Youth Informed consent form (**all families must complete the 4-H youth informed consent form and take it with them to the show**).

The schedule for both days can be found at this link:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Qr67KQ3tJth5g4dCfWZGVXDFYgXQmeLmA8hWffFEnfs/edit?usp=sharing>

- Remember that times can either run early or late so please arrive 30 minutes before your slot
- There is no charge to come into the fairgrounds on Saturday or Sunday
- There will be no awards program for the show
- Judges may ask that 4-H members to wear their mask while showing, please prepare to do so

Below are additional details regarding show details:

1. You will enter through Gate 6 and park on the north side of the Event Center.
2. Only one parent will be allowed to enter the building with the 4-H member.
3. Everyone in the car will need to be wearing a mask when entering the gate and your temperatures will be taken there. If the family comes, they will need to stay in the car or leave the grounds and come back to pick. I am not allowed to have any extra people on the grounds.
4. You will need to bring your own water, snacks and lunch. There will be no place on the fairgrounds to get lunch so you will either need to bring your lunch or go get lunch and come back.
5. You will enter the building on the east side of the event center. There will be one door designated for entering and one for leaving.
6. You will be crating your dog along the interior side of the Event Center –Places will be designated for 4-H members in order to keep the social distancing as required.
7. Once you have completed your class and you are not required to stay for a run-off, you will need to gather up all your items and leave as we are not allowed to have extra people in the building.
8. Ribbons and awards will be mailed to participants.

August 24-25: 4-H Exhibit Pick Up

4-H families that dropped off non-perishable items for the Colorado State Fair may pick up their projects on the following days:

- **Monday, 8/24 from 9am – 4:30pm** at the El Paso County CSU Extension Office (the office closes from 12pm – 1pm)

- **Tuesday, 8/25 from 9am – 4pm** at the El Paso County CSU Extension Office (the office closes from 12pm – 1pm)
- Families who used Tupperware for food items may also come to pick those items up

To keep our families safe, we are working to make the pick-up process as contact-less as possible. Families will be able pick their projects up from the conference/classroom and sign them out without needing to interact with staff. There will be a staff member present in the office, however, to address any questions that families may have.

We will share state fair 4-H exhibit results as soon as they become available.

August 25: Youth County Council: Recap Meeting

Youth County Council is open to all 4-H members in El Paso County. This is the only Youth Advisory Council in the county. It provides opportunities for leadership, and the ability to have a voice in county programming. Plus, we have a lot of fun!

On August 25, we'll have a (virtual) meeting to recap our year; what went well, what we could improve on, and what ideas we have for the upcoming year. There will also be a brief presentation about what leadership opportunities are available through YCC.

For those wanting to bring issues before the council this is the format we will take:

Each person (youth member or parent of youth member is eligible to speak)

- 1 minute for sharing wins and what you liked from the 19-20 year
- 1 minute for challenges, complaints, improvements
- 1 minute for sharing plan or program you'd like to see in the 20-21 year

To attend this meeting, just click the link below to register. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. Come check us out! Your voice is needed and important for our 4-H program in El Paso County!

August 29 & September 12-13: 2020 State 4-H Shooting Sports Championships

Please see the attached 2020 Official State Competition Schedule or follow this link:

<https://elpaso.extension.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/44/2020/08/2020-Official-State-Shooting-Competition-Schedule-Revised.xls>

State Competition is upon us now. Please remember to drink plenty of water, wear sunscreen, and dress appropriately. Just because we are moving forward and getting together for this event, we are not out of the woods yet. Remember to wear your mask and maintain social distancing. We all still have a responsibility to keep our community safe. All events will follow the correct course of fire as stated in the State Rulebook with the exception of Shotgun and Archery. Shotgun Shooters both Juniors and Seniors will shoot 3 rounds of 25 each for a total of 75 shots total. Senior Archery shooters will shoot their FITA course twice for a total of 400 points. Junior Archery shooters will shoot 5 arrows at each range through the FITA course once for a total of 200 points. There are no 3D targets this year. Look forward to seeing all of you. Remember the most important part, "Have Fun".

-James Irsik, 2020 El Paso County Shooting Sports Superintendent

Have a great weekend,

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