

2021

El Paso County Fair

4-H Member's Guide to 4-H Tabletop Project Exhibits and Contests

General, FCS, Environmental, STEM and Creative Arts,
& non-living animal exhibits



July 9 – 18, 2021

El Paso County Fair
Fairgrounds Complex
366 10th Street, Calhan, CO 80808
2021 El Paso County Fair

4-H Tabletop Exhibits and Contests
Schedule, Exhibit Guidelines, and Contest Requirements

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, May 24

Fair Entry Online Registration Opens for 4-H entries

Sunday June 6

Shooting Sports County Competition –
Shotgun.....Hanover Frontier Range

Friday, June 11

Fair Entry Deadline - Online 4-H Entry Closes at Midnight

Saturday, June 12

Shooting Sports County Competition –
22 Rifle, .177 Air Pistol, .177 Air Rifle.....Hanover Frontier Range

Sunday June 13

Shooting Sports County Competition –
Archery, 22 Pistol, Muzzleloader.....Hanover Frontier Range

Monday, June 28

Fashion Revue Entry Deadline, hardcopy entry form

Thursday, July 1

Fashion Revue Commentary Deadline, e-mail to karla.wiesner@colostate.edu AND georgiamaehock@gmail.com

Thursday, July 8

General Exhibit Drop Off

Friday, July 9

Tabletop Exhibit Day (exhibit and interview judging) Whittmore Building

Saturday, July 10, to Sunday, July 17

El Paso County Fair Fairgrounds in Calhan, CO

Tuesday, July 13

5:00 PM – Robotics Contest Swink Building

Thursday, July 15

Fashion Revue Contest Swink Building

Sunday, July 18

9:00 AM-Noon, Tabletop Pick-up Whittmore Building

4-H EXHIBITS

(General, Environmental, FCS, STEM, or Creative Arts Non-Living Animal Exhibits)

Tabletop Advisory Committee Co-Chairs: David McIntosh (sahwatch54@gmail.com) & Maureen Bergenfeld (maureen.bergenfeld@gmail.com)

Project Superintendents: Catherine Pearson, Christine Mack, David McIntosh, Donie Miller, Gabby Cantu, Georgia Hock, Maureen Bergenfeld, Pat Kuhlman, Stacy Cantu, Susan Benson, Tara Cantu, Tera Taylor-
See Contact List [Here](#)

Definitions:

Entry Deadline: *The last date for exhibit entry in EPC Fair; 4-H member indicates intent to exhibit something at the County Fair by pre-entering information into an online system call Fair Entry by the "Entry Deadline" in June.*

Exhibit Day: *The Friday before the County Fair opens to the public. The 4-H member delivers the project exhibit item(s) that have been pre-entered into the Fair Entry online system to the County Fairgrounds (Whittemore Building). Only those entries that have been pre-entered will be eligible for judging and exhibit. On Exhibit Day 4-H members are assigned an interview time with the judge who is evaluating the project exhibit(s). Interviewing is highly encouraged.*

Requirements

COUNTY ONLY QUALIFYING EXHIBITS – SELF-DETERMINED

CLASS 1001: Self-determined – Jr.

CLASS 1002: Self-determined – Int.

CLASS 1003: Self-determined – Sr.

1. Exhibits will consist of the following:
2. The completed self-determined e-record (do not download from the state website as the county is using a different one) presented in a pronged folder cover.
3. **ONE** of the following:
 - a. A display board illustrating a topic investigated during the project year. The standardized display board size of 4 ft. x 3 ft. is to be used with 4-H projects. **OR**
 - b. An item that was created, built, designed, etc. by the 4-H member during the project year.

NOTE: Members may register for and submit more than one self-determined to fair. However, all projects must follow the above requirements, including an e-record for each.

Please use the e-record supplement on the county

website, not the one on the state website. This is a county project only. Self-determined projects are not eligible to progress to State Fair.

CLOVERBUDS

CLASS CLV: Cloverbuds (Ages 5-7 as of 12/31/18)
Each cloverbud is encouraged to submit an exhibit showing what he/she learned in the program this year. Participation ribbons only will be awarded.

Exhibit will consist of the following:

1. Story of learning experiences
2. Pictures of project activities (pictures may be in a scrapbook) or binder of activity sheets completed.
3. **ONE** of the following:
 - a. A display of subject area studied. Please **DO NOT** use a tri-fold board.
 - b. Up to three items made in Cloverbud project (not to exceed 2' x 2' display space).

STATE QUALIFYING EXHIBITS

El Paso County uses the exact **same rules and class numbers** as the State Fair for our Tabletop/Static State Qualifying Exhibits. Please use the State Exhibit Requirements and class numbers for these projects which can be found online at:

<http://co4h.colostate.edu/statefair/StateFairExhibitReq.pdf>

1. **PLEASE NOTE: Deadline for Exhibit Entry is Friday, June 11, 2021** A member who misses the June online Fair Entry deadline must notify the CSU Extension Office immediately. The exhibitor must submit in writing to explain the extenuating circumstances **Late entries will be considered on a case by case basis and late fee applied**

2. **No refunds** will be given after the June online Fair Entry payment deadline. Extenuating circumstances may be considered by the CSU Extension Office.

3. **4-H Club Member Eligibility:** Youth must be officially enrolled El Paso County 4-H club members (as indicated by registration in 4HOnline) whose project work/records are certified, up-to-date and signed by the club leader/project leader (via signature in the e-record) and enrolled as of 5/1/21, to exhibit a 4-H club member static exhibit at the El Paso County Fair. Youth ages 8-18 as of 12/31/20, will exhibit for competition and possible state fair qualification. Cloverbuds (4-H youth ages 5-7 as of 12/31/20) will exhibit for participation ribbons only.

4. **Exhibit Day and Interviews:** Exhibitors will be provided an opportunity to interview with a judge on Exhibit Day (the Friday before County Fair opening day). Interview participation is highly encouraged. Interview times will be shared at drop off.

In the event an exhibitor is not able attend Exhibit Day in person, arrangements MUST be made to have the member's project(s) delivered on behalf of the 4-H member by 10 AM on Exhibit Day at the County Fairgrounds. The CSU Extension Office and the County Fair Office are not able to accept early exhibit items due to storage limitations.

- **EXHIBIT DAY:** Scheduled for **Friday, July 9, 2021**, at the Whittemore building on the fairgrounds in Calhan, Colorado. Exhibitors are judged on project exhibit article(s), e-record & applicable manual completion. All exhibits require an up-to-date e-record (record book).

For 4-H Exhibit Requirements visit:

<http://co4h.colostate.edu/statefair/StateFairExhibitReq.pdf>

5. **4-H Age divisions** (Youth age, current 4-H year as of 12/31/20):

Cloverbud, 5 to 7 years old
Junior, 8 to 10 years old
Intermediate, 11 to 13 years old
Senior, 14 to 18 years old.

6. **Each item exhibited should have member's name, age, project name and class (fair class entered), club name, and county. All display boards should be labeled on the back-left hand side.**

7. All clothing or stitched articles must have **SEWN IN LABELS** with the same information listed above (see #6). Clothing projects must be brought in on hangers. Hangers will not be returned.

8. Exhibitor's record books may be completed in pencil or ink, by typewriter or computer--but be consistent throughout. Member's choice will not affect judging. However, neatness is considered in the judging. Use a pronged folder for record books, *unless project specified (i.e. photography)*. A prong folder is the preferred method for submitting an e-record. The green "4-H Member Record Book" (can be purchased from the CSU Extension Office or online via 4-H National Supply) is highly recommended.

9. Exhibitors shall exhibit in the unit they are enrolled in & entered in for the fair. Project unit enrollment errors must be brought to the attention of the CSU Extension staff person on duty immediately after the error is found.

10. No 4-H exhibitor may enter more than one exhibit in the same class or enter the same item in more than one class.

11. Exhibits of unusual size or shape may not be on public display. Check size requirements carefully. If project is not displayed, exhibitor cards and ribbons will be displayed in project areas. All other projects will be displayed unless there is a safety, health, or space issue. Projects deemed unsuitable for public viewing due to opposition of 4-H code of conduct or policies will not be displayed. Make sure to check the [State Exhibit Guidelines](#) for sizing limits.

12. Display boards (show boards) for fair must be tri-fold boards that measure 4 ft. wide x 3 ft. tall. Incorrect board sizes are not eligible to move onto State Fair. Cloverbuds classes have separate size requirements.

13. Projects (with the exception of Cloverbud Projects) will be judged by the Danish Ribbon System. All participants will receive an award ribbon based on the quality of performance/exhibit and how well standards are met.

Blue, Red & White Ribbons will be awarded. There is no set number of blue, red or white ribbons awarded in the Danish System.

- Blue – Exhibit meets standards; is of high quality (well done).
- Red – Exhibit meets standards and is of good quality or is of high quality and missing a minor requirement.
- White – Exhibit does not meet all standards/requirements; needs improvement.

14. All exhibits will receive awards they merit, and blues or champions are not guaranteed. Even in the case of no competition, a blue or champion should not be assumed. An exhibit shall receive an award no greater than its merit justifies.

15. Champion, reserve champion, and third place (premium winners) will be selected only from the blue-ribbon winners in each unit or project. [State recognized](#) 4-H project unit champions will be eligible to compete at the State Fair in Pueblo.

16. Self-Determined project unit champions are *not* eligible to compete at State Fair as county-level projects do not have a state level competition.

17. Premiums paid as follows: Unit Champion \$5.00; Unit Reserve Champion - \$3.00; Third Premium - \$2.00.

18. Record books will be released for viewing at the end of fair and are not open to the public.

19. All exhibits, including record books, regardless of their placing, will remain in the display area for the duration of the fair. In the event that any exhibit item or display is required for participation in another event, a request must be submitted in writing to the CSU Extension Office prior to Fair Exhibit Day. The request must be for a valid reason and is subject to the CSU Extension Office's approval.

20. Tabletop exhibits will be available for pick up until noon on Sunday, the day after the close of the County Fair. No exhibits will be released early. Members, or another designated party, are responsible for picking up their respective exhibits. There will be a sign out sheet for all projects. Instructions for pick up will be provided at drop-off.

23. Exhibiting a 4-H project item at the County Fair that is open to the general public is not without risk. Staff and volunteers extend care to protect the exhibits. And while most exhibits are returned without damage, CSU Extension and the Tabletop Committee cannot be responsible for loss or damage to exhibits.



4-H CONTESTS

CONTEST EVENTS: Contests are separate events from exhibits. Exhibits showcase a 4-H members' work, Contests showcase applicable skills learned. See "State Qualifying Contest" below for dates, times, places, rules & appropriate entry forms/fees. Participation in a contest does not constitute as an exhibit or demonstration; therefore, state qualifying contests (Fashion Revue & Shooting Sports) cannot be substituted for public speaking county project completion requirements.

STATE QUALIFYING CONTESTS

FASHION REVUE

Pre-registration required. Complete the **HARDCOPY** Fashion Revue Entry (sent via e-mail blast) and mail the \$5 entry fee to the Extension Office by **Monday, June 28, 2021**. Contest check-in will begin at 2 PM, judging to begin at 3 PM on Thursday, July 15, 2021.

Location: El Paso County Fairgrounds

Contest Date: Thursday, July 15, 2021

Time: 3PM

Pre-Registration Deadline: Monday, June 28, 2021

Participation in this contest is optional and is not a substitute for any project completion requirement.

Eligibility: Contestants must be enrolled in any of the following 4-H projects: Clothing Construction STEAM 1 – STEAM 3, Recycled Clothing, Upcycle Your Style (Decorate Your Duds), Creative Clothing, Buymanship Project, Heritage Arts, Leathercraft or Western Heritage (Western Heritage is county-level participation only). The Sewing for Others project is not eligible for Fashion Revue. Participants are to model wearable garments they have made for themselves in these projects. The section and class numbers can be found in the category descriptions in the [state contest requirements](#).

Requirements:

1. Register by entry form and submit payment by June 28.
2. Submit a half page, double spaced TYPED commentary for each item to be modeled with the entry form or email to **Georgia Hock** NO LATER THAN **July 1, 2021**. For questions – call Georgia at 719 231-4150.
3. NOTE: Commentaries WILL be edited for content and length.

4. Clothing items must be carried in on hangers (hangers will NOT be returned) and EACH ARTICLE of clothing must have a SEWN-IN label PRIOR to check-in. Labels will consist of the competitor's name, age, project name and class entered (fair entry class) club name, and county. Labels must be attached at the neckline or at the waistband of skirts and pants.
Please Note: Fashion Revue items are not judged for County Fair exhibit placing at the contest. All modeled clothing articles need to be brought to Exhibit Day for construction judging and ribbon placing as a static exhibit.

Modeling Workshops: See the Fashion Revue Information and Entry Form document for workshop location, date, and times. Competitors who have not previously participated in Fashion Revue should attend the workshop.

Judging Guide for Fashion Revue:

1. Preparation: Design and style; choice of fabric and color; overall appearance of garment; accessories; grooming.
2. Presentation: Appropriate for garment style; movement: walking, standing and turns; poise & posture; variety of movement: use of space and creativity; attitude and enthusiasm.

SHOOTING SPORTS

The rules for the 4-H Shooting Sports Contest (marksmanship is measured) can be found at: <http://www.colorado4h.org/ss/forms/ss-rulebook.pdf>

In addition to participating in the El Paso County 4-H Shooting Sports County Contest (marksmanship skills contest), 4-H members enrolled in the shooting sports project are invited and encouraged to exhibit a static shooting sports exhibit during the El Paso County Fair. To learn more about exhibiting a shooting sports display board or "stand-alone" exhibit item please review the [State 4-H Exhibit Guidelines](#)

4-H ROBOTICS COMPETITION

Youth teams will design, build and program a robot to face a themed challenge. We use the same rules as the State Fair for this contest. Please use the State Contest requirements for this competition which can be found online at

<https://routt.extension.colostate.edu/2021-state-4-h-robotics-competition/#h-general-rules>

APPLICABLE RESOURCES

El Paso County Extension

<https://elpaso.extension.colostate.edu/>



For specific questions related to General, Environmental, FCS, STEM, or Creative Arts or other Non-Living Animal Exhibits please contact Charity Cagle, *4-H Youth Development and Leadership Agent*, charity.cagle@colostate.edu

CO 4-H State Fair Info

<http://co4h.colostate.edu/program-areas/state-fair-information/>



Colorado 4-H Project Info

<http://co4h.colostate.edu/program-areas/colorado-4-h-project-information/>



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