

GENERAL 4-H/FFA POLICIES

1. A fair exhibit may not be exhibited in both 4-H & FFA competition. FFA & 4-H classes will be held at the same time.
2. When you enter an exhibit or contest at Fair, you are asking a judge to evaluate your exhibit or performance. This means you must gracefully accept the judges' decision.
3. All 4-H/FFA exhibit entry and release times are included in the Fair Book schedule.
4. Any 4-H/FFA exhibit class not listed in this book may be added upon request and permission of 4-H/FFA Fair Management.
5. Class sections listed may be consolidated with others at the discretion of 4-H/FFA Fair Management.
6. Any change, interpretation or addition in any Fair rules will be handled by 4-H/FFA Fair Management.
7. It is the responsibility of all participants to have adequate accident insurance. The Linn County Fair Board, Linn County Extension Service, Linn County 4-H Leaders Association or FFA will not accept liability for accidents.
8. Participants will not use tobacco, alcohol or drugs (except those directed by doctor).
9. Unsafe or improper conduct by any 4-H/FFA member, parent, or leader will be subject to disciplinary action and or removal from fairgrounds.
10. All 4-H/FFA members will dress appropriately during the Linn County Fair and 4-H activities. Clothing items that should not be worn during Fair include; items with offensive language or that advertises alcohol, drugs or tobacco; shirts or tops that have low necklines; shirts or tops that reveal the midriff area; halter tops; muscle shirts; strapless shirts or tank tops with less than a 1 1/2" strap; shorts that do not cover the mid-thigh; and undergarments that can be seen under clothing. Also, when in Livestock barn closed toe shoes with stable heels must be worn at all times; no flip flops or clogs. Boots must be worn in Horse area at all times.
11. No dogs are allowed on grounds except as a project animal at time of dog shows or service dogs.
12. Accept the responsibility of keeping the grounds clean at all times.
13. Check June and July issues of the *UPDATE* for any last minute additions or corrections to the Fair Book.
14. All exhibitors will abide by the International Code of Ethics as well as any other stated rules listed in the Fair Book.
15. Grievance procedure for 4-H: Disagreements in project areas should be solved by involved parties, the fair project superintendents and the 4-H Extension agent. If they cannot come to a mutually satisfactory agreement, the 4-H Extension agent will make a final decision on the appropriate action.
16. Participation in contests, exhibits and activities at this fair is open to all currently enrolled Linn County 4-H/FFA members.
17. All 4-H/FFA participants must be officially enrolled in the project areas in which they are exhibiting by June 1st or April 15th for the horse project.
18. Pre-registration for participation in the Linn County 4-H/FFA Fair must be in the Linn County Extension Office by June 5, 2009. Camping fees must be included. Members who miss this deadline due to extenuating circumstances may submit their entries, with a written explanation detailing why they couldn't meet the deadline, no later than June 12, 2009.
19. Exhibits and contestants to represent Linn County 4-H at Oregon State Fair will be chosen from blue ribbon quality. Selection will be based on: placing in class, State Fair quota system and/or sign-up or interview. Please let us know which exhibits you plan to enter for state fair. This decision needs to be made by the end of the county fair, and information about the exhibits given to the 4-H office.
20. 4-H members who exhibit animals or enter contests which require attendance at the State Fair must be intermediates or seniors (grades 7 through 12, 2008-09 school year).
21. Several classes do not require enrollment in a particular project. Any 4-Her may participate in these classes, i.e. special exhibits in Displays, Presentations, Computer, etc
22. Divisions for entering exhibits and contests will be as follows:
 - a. Novice - optional for exhibitors of horses
 - b. Junior - 4th, 5th, 6th grades
 - c. Intermediate - 7th, 8th, 9th grades
 - d. Senior - 10th, 11th, 12th grades

23. Exhibits for all contestants and exhibitors must be the work of the member during the current 4-H/FFA year.
24. The same exhibit may not be entered in more than one class.
25. ***New for 2009- All 4-H members in grades 4-12 must submit their Record Books by June 5, 2009 for a pre-fair records check to be eligible to participate in the Linn County Fair.**

4-H AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

Exhibits and contests judged will receive blue, red, or white ribbons.

Blue is considered excellent: attainable by most contestants.

Red is good quality, with room for improvement.

White means considerable improvement is needed, and it is below the ability level of most participants.

In certain contests or exhibits, other systems of awarding ribbons may be used. These will be noted in specific sections.

1. Judges will rank the exhibits in 1, 2, 3 order and divide the exhibits into blue, red, and white award groups according to quality. Market animals will be ranked in 1, 2, 3 order within quality groups.
2. All champions and reserve champions in each division must have won a blue award and be of championship quality determined by the judge.

CAMPING

Superintendents:

Horse	Sherrie Belcher	541-327-7893
Animal/Static	Kathy Growcock	541-258-8809

In each camped vehicle, there should be contact information. The contact information card is printed in the fairbook following the Camping Reservation form.

Two designated camping areas will be roped off on the fairgrounds. One will be designated for horse exhibitors and chaperones and the second area for animal and static exhibitors and chaperones. **EACH CAMPER MUST HAVE ADULT SUPERVISION WHILE CAMPING ON THE GROUNDS.** An adult must be housed in the camper, trailer, or tent unless given written consent by the camping superintendent. Camping space requests and fees are due with Fair Registration Forms. **No dogs are allowed on the fairgrounds, except for the dog show or service animals.**

4-H ADVENTURES CLUB

Enrolled K-3 youth may enter a static exhibit made during the 4-H year. They may also participate in Pre 4-H Showmanship in rabbit, cavy and poultry and all small animal knowledge tests. Pre-registration is required. Use the same class number as 4-H but clearly mark after the number (K-3) K-3 exhibitors will be awarded participation ribbons only.