

Kansas State Fair Guidelines

SEPTEMBER 10-19, 2021

The Kansas State Fair has made several changes for the 2021 event. This will affect 4-H. Please read this document carefully, as exhibit drop-off is different this year due to these changes.

Eligibility

If you received a purple ribbon on your project at the county level, are 9 years old or older (before January 1, 2021), and if your class is offered at the state level, then you have met the requirements for being a state fair exhibitor!

Transportation of Exhibits

If you have small exhibits (and they are not alive!), they will be taken to Hutchinson for you.

Liability

Exhibits at the Kansas State Fair are entered and displayed at the risk of the exhibitor. The Kansas State Fair or 4-H Youth Development accepts exhibits and will exercise due care to protect them. 4-H or FFA members who have exhibits of great sentimental and/or monetary value should carefully consider whether such exhibits should be exposed to the hazards of the fair.

All 4-H Members- As you prepare to bring items to the Salina or Minneapolis office, please note the following:

- You will come to the Salina office for CKD-Salina members and Minneapolis office for CKD-Minneapolis members and we will have your entry cards and labels, if needed, for your exhibit. Be sure and bring the necessary packing stuff with you.
- Please package your exhibits for travel, as the Extension Offices cannot be responsible for damage.
- Please check-in with front desk after you have finished preparing and before you finish packing the item(s) for the state fair.
- ***Note: Rabbit, Dog, and Dairy entry cards will be available at the state fair.***

Please note that entry cards will be available at the Minneapolis or Salina offices. Salina area State Fair exhibits can be brought into the Salina office August 31, September 1 & 2. You will need to plan on extra time when you come to the office because you will need to attach the necessary items to the exhibit (i.e., entry card, score sheet, food label, etc.). **You are responsible for attaching the items.** Office staff will check-in the items after the entry is prepared. Entry cards and other necessary items for the exhibits **will not** be allowed to leave the Extension Office unless you are taking your own exhibits down to the state fair.

NOTE: If you take your own exhibits down to the State Fair, you will need to pick them up after 6 p.m. on the last Sunday of the fair. You will also need to come into the Extension office to pick up your entry card(s).

Please read the Kansas State Fair Guidelines posted on the website under 4-H Youth Development, Upcoming Events and online registration, on how to prepare your exhibits and bring them to the Extension office ready to go to Hutchinson.

All 4-H members must have their non-perishable items, such as wood science, photography, geology, entomology, space tech, etc., to their respective offices by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 2.

All exhibits (includes food) for:

****Salina area 4-H members may bring exhibits to the Salina office on August 31, September 1, 2 & 7, during office hours 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. If coming on September 7, please arrive no later than 4:00 p.m.**

****Minneapolis area 4-H members food exhibits must be at the Minneapolis office no later than 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 7.**

All exhibits will return from the fair on Monday, September 20, and Salina area exhibits may be picked up beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 21. Minneapolis area exhibits may be picked up beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 22. For more information, please contact your respective local Extension Office.

2021 STATE FAIR EXHIBITS PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE PACKED FOR HAULING TO FAIR!!!!

Don't close box until it is checked-in after entry card is attached!

ENTRY CARDS: 8-1/2X11-inch 2-PART PERFORATED CARD

"DO NOT SEPARATE THE 2 ENTRY CARDS"

IF NEEDED, PUNCH HOLE IN FIRST ENTRY CARD IN UPPER LEFT HAND CORNER TO ATTACH TO EXHIBIT - DO NOT FOLD THE 2 CARDS TOGETHER AND HOLE PUNCH.

Members qualify for State Fair if their age before January 1 of current year is 9 years and older. List the number of years in the project. The exhibitor is encouraged to attach a 3"X5" index card with the entry card to give the judge any information which the exhibitor thinks would be helpful for the judge to know.

The entry card will be attached to the exhibit at the Extension Office. ALWAYS USE MASKING TAPE AND PLACE ENTRY CARD FIRST (WITH RECIPE CARD, EVALUATION CARD, ETC ON BACK. MARK YEARS IN PROJECT ON BOTH ENTRY CARDS AND PHOTO LABEL WHERE NEEDED.

FOR MORE DETAILS ON INDIVIDUAL PROJECT RULES PLEASE REFER TO THE KANSAS STATE FAIR EXHIBITOR HANDBOOK - LOCATED ON THE COUNTY FAIRS PAGE ON OUR WEBSITE.

CLOTHING: Maximum 2 exhibits; one article per class

No exhibits will be released for any other use, cannot be used in Fashion Revue.

1. Type or print on 3"x 2½" piece of cloth: Class Number, District, Exhibitor Name
2. Sew the above label on inside of garment (back of neck, center back of waistband, or left end of apron band). Label each piece.
3. Items should be hung on swivel or wire hanger.
4. Place entry form and scorecard on front left shoulder seam of garment or to the left side of waistband with hanger opening facing to the left, as if you were wearing the garment, so that the hanger opening faces the attached entry form.
5. The exhibitor is encouraged to attach an index card or photo, no larger than 4"x6" with the entry form to give the judge any information which the exhibitor thinks would be helpful for the judge to know.

ENERGY MANAGEMENT: Maximum 3 exhibits; one article per class

1. Attach entry card and scorecard securely to exhibit with string.
2. A sheet of operating instructions must be furnished for any exhibit not self-explanatory.

ENTOMOLOGY

1. Tape entry card to outside of the top end of one box.

FIBER ARTS: Maximum 3 exhibits; one article per class

(crocheting, knitting, patchwork or quilted article, rug-making, spinning, weaving, macramé, ethnic art, needlepoint)

1. ID label: Type or print on 3"x 2½" piece of cloth: Class Number, District, Exhibitor Name.
2. Sew or safety pin this ID label on the corner of flat articles.
3. For garments, attach ID label to the front left shoulder seam, or left side of waistband, as if you were wearing the garment.
4. The exhibitor is encouraged to attach an index card or photo, no larger than 4"x6" with the entry form to give the judge any information which the exhibitor thinks would be helpful for the judge to know.
5. All exhibits which need to be hung, MUST have the appropriate saw tooth hanger, rod, wire or other mechanism attached in order to be properly displayed.
6. For all items, please indicate if item was made from a kit.
7. For all items, please indicate fiber content and specifically if they are made of at least 90% wool.

FOODS AND NUTRITION: Maximum: 1 Non-Perishable; 1 Educational Exhibit

1. In this order secure the 1.) Entry form, 2.) Evaluation form, 3.) Recipe, 4.) 3x5 index card with any additional information helpful to judge with masking tape to the top and outside of the wrapped exhibit.
2. Attached a gummed label to bottom of disposable plate or cardboard with this information: Class Number, Food Product Name, 4-H member's Name, and District Name.
3. Exhibits should be in food grade plastic bags, disposable plastic containers or boxes of appropriate size for the exhibit.
4. All baked goods must be left whole and uncut. Ex. 3 cookies, 3 muffins, 1 loaf bread.

FOOD PRESERVATION: Maximum: 2 Exhibits; 1 entry per class

1. Each exhibitor must have the complete recipe and instructions attached with the entry card, or it will be disqualified.
2. Recipe must include exhibitor name, recipe source, date of publication, altitude, and where food was processed.
3. If using Mrs. Wage's or Ball mixes, indicate the date the mix was purchased.
4. Each jar must be labeled. The label must not cover brand name of jar. The label must give: Class number, Product, Altitude where processed, Canning method, Process time, Pressure, Date processed including month and year, Name and District.
5. Hole punch the entry card and use a rubber band to attach the entry card and recipe around the top of the jar.

GEOLOGY & LAPIDARY

1. Each exhibitor is required to identify each display box by placing an identification label bearing name, district, and number of specimens in the upper left hand corner of the Plexiglas cover and by attaching a label with same information on the lower right corner of the box (outside).
2. Geology specimens should be labeled with the number of the specimen, date collected, specimen name or description, and locality (county only) where collected.
3. Exhibitors may have a consultation review of their work 3:00 -6:00 p.m. on the first Friday of the fair in the geology exhibit area.

HOME ENVIRONMENT: Only 1 entry in this division

1. Attach entry card to exhibit with safety pin(s), tape or string.

HORTICULTURE: May enter up to a total of 4 produce items

Exhibits on Plates - Attach string to the entry card and comment card then tape or staple string to plate.

Collection - Tape entry card and comment card securely to container with masking tape.

Potatoes - Fasten entry card and comment card around one potato with rubber band.

Other Large Single Exhibits - If possible, tie entry card and comment card with string or tape to exhibit.

PHOTOGRAPHY: Exhibitors 1-7 years in project = 1 entry; Exhibitors 8+ years = 2 entries, as long as they are in different classes (4802, 4805, 4806)

1. Kansas State Fair 4-H Photography ID form must be used and mounted correctly on the bottom front of the matte board.
2. On the back of the mount, attach a label with: the exhibitors name, photo class, and Extension Unit. If in a district, please use full district name and add county name. Ex. Central Kansas District-Minneapolis
3. Place photo in protective plastic bag, DON'T SEAL.

VISUAL ARTS: Each county is limited to number of exhibits. Those receiving a "Kansas State Fair" ribbon will be allowed to exhibit. A member may display only one visual arts item.

1. Attach entry card and exhibit release form to exhibit with tape or string.
2. All exhibits which need to be hung must have a wire or saw tooth hanger attached.

WOOD SCIENCE: Only 1 entry in this division

1. The entry card, plans and all other paperwork should be secured to the project in some manner. It is recommended to use a zip top plastic bag with a hole punched through it and use string to tie this to the exhibit.
2. Projects with missing or insufficient plans will be lowered one ribbon placing.