

# VINTON COUNTY JUNIOR FAIR GUIDELINES

## 4-H EXHIBITING GUIDELINES

### 4-H ELIGIBILITY

- Eligibility for 4-H membership begins when a child has reached age 5 and is enrolled in kindergarten as of January 1 of the current year (Cloverbuds).
- Membership to the 4-H club program begins when a child is at least age 8 and enrolled in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade as of January 1 of current year.
- Ohio 4-H membership ends December 31 of the year in which an individual attains the age of 19.
- Membership begins when an eligible individual is enrolled in a club or group that is under the direction of a trained adult and within the scope of Ohio State University Extension.

### EXHIBITS

- Exhibits will be based on requirements for projects as outlined in the member project manuals, or experience in the project. Ideas for exhibits are noted in most project books.
- 4-H members should plan exhibits in consultation with their advisors and should seek information from the Extension Educator when necessary.
- Exhibits should tell the public something about the project, be interesting, creative, and educational.
- Project books alone will not constitute a credible exhibit.

### PREMIUMS

4-H exhibitors will be eligible to receive the following premiums:

4-H members with non-livestock projects who participate in pre-fair interviews will be eligible to receive a grade ribbon (A, B or C) and a premium of \$2.00 for a credible exhibit.

- 4-H members who exhibit poultry or rabbits at the fair will be eligible to receive a premium of \$2.00 for a credible exhibit. Project grade ribbons will be awarded based on participation in pre-fair interviews.
- 4-H members who exhibit turkeys at the fair will be eligible to receive a premium of \$4.00 for a credible exhibit. Project grade ribbons will be awarded based on participation in pre-fair interviews.
- 4-H members who exhibit cattle, sheep, swine, horses or goats at the fair will be eligible to receive a premium of \$6.00 for a credible exhibit. Project grade ribbons will be awarded based on participation in pre-fair interviews.
- 4-H exhibitors may receive premiums on no more than 2 exhibits regardless of the number of exhibits shown.
- Premium money may be picked up by the Advisor on Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from 9:00am - 12:00pm at the fair office.

### 4-H STYLE REVIEW

- All 4-H members with clothing construction projects may take part in the 4-H Style Review.
- To enter the Style Review, 4-H members must take part in pre-fair judging and interviews..
- 4-H members eligible to receive clothing project trophies must participate in Style Review to receive these trophies.

### GENERAL RULES

- The purpose of the Vinton County Junior Fair is the furtherance of the Junior Agricultural and Home economics activities within the county by the 4-H clubs, Future Farmers of America, Students of Vocational Home Economics, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and Juvenile Granges.
- The Vinton County Agricultural Society will use every possible means to insure the safe preservation of articles, livestock and poultry entered for exhibition following their arrival and arrangement.

- However, the Society will NOT be responsible for damage to livestock by fire, water, windstorm or any act of God, nor does the Society assume any liability for the loss by thefts or accidents to persons or property, nor for any errors or omissions in Premium Book.

**Dress Code:**

- Exhibitors of any livestock animal being exhibited at the Vinton County Fair must follow the dress code while showing their animal:
  - **Wear proper footwear. NO open toe shoes, sandals or clogs are to be permitted.**
  - **NO holes in jeans, NO baggy pants and NO shorts.**
  - **NO sleeveless shirts or camisoles. NO cleavage or bare midriff.**

**LIVESTOCK SALE CHECKS**

- Checks will be paid to exhibitors as soon as possible after the fair. Exact date of distribution will be announced to club advisors. Checks will be distributed at the Exhibit Building at the Fairgrounds. **ONLY EXHIBITORS WILL BE PERMITTED TO PICK UP LIVESTOCK CHECKS. NO EXCEPTIONS.** If checks are not cashed by October 31, 2017 they will be voided and a new check will NOT be issued.

**Thank You Cards**

- In accordance with the rules set forth by the Vinton County Agricultural Society, all youth who sell livestock at the Vinton Co. Fair shall submit in person a signed, stamped "Thank You" card addressed to their livestock buyer before they will receive their livestock check. It's strongly recommended that Thank You cards also be sent to any trophy or banner sponsor received by the exhibitor. The "Thank You" card must be submitted to the Vinton County Fairboard on the date of receiving their check.