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Dear 4-H Family,

It's almost 4-H Fair time....and do you know what that means? It's time to register your project exhibits for the 2022 Edgar County 4-H Fair! We're excited and we hope you are too.

Fair registrations are done online at www.fairentry.com. This website is linked to your 4-H Online family profile. All of the 4-H projects that you enrolled in are linked to the fair entry system too! We have included step by step instructions for you to register each of your 4-H member's exhibits for the fair. There are just a few items in which we need to remind you.

- Deadlines are important and keep us on track. ***Fair entry registration will open on MAY 15 and close on JUNE 15.*** The site will close at midnight on June 15. We know it's a busy time of year, but if you plan to exhibit at the fair you **must** get your entries done by the June 15 deadline. If you have questions, please call us at 217-465-8585.
- When you go to fair entry to sign up for your projects, there will be a list of questions for you to answer before it will allow you to go on to the entry pages. Pen/Stall request questions will be in this area.
- A 2022 4-H Fair schedule is enclosed. Many project evaluation times have changed! Please be sure to read your fair schedule carefully. You are responsible to know when your project(s) are evaluated. If you have questions, or can't find your project on the schedule please call us! We are happy to help you.
- Be sure to check the Edgar County 4-H Handbook for your project exhibit guidelines. Updates and changes have been posted to our website and can be found at go.illinois.edu/4hhandbook.
- Remember the 4-H Attendance Policy! All 4-H'ers must attend two club meetings/events to be eligible to take part in 4-H exhibits at the fair, the 4-H auction(s) or to receive 4-H premiums and awards.
- Don't forget that swine, beef, sheep and goat exhibitors must take the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) training. An in-person training will be held on Tuesday, May 24 at 6 p.m. at the 4-H Fairgrounds. You may also take the training online. The deadline to complete the training is July 1. You must register for either type of training at yqcaprogram.org. This is the first year for the new YQCA platform and your login from your previous YQCA account will not transfer over to the new platform. You will need to make a new login on the new platform. Cost of online training is \$12 and in-person training is \$3. Failure to complete the training will result in the inability to exhibit these projects at the 4-H Fair.
- First time exhibitors of horses, rabbits, poultry, dogs, cats and veterinary and animal science projects are required to take the one-time Quality Assurance and Ethics Certification (QAEC) training before July 1. The online training is done at your own pace at web.extension.illinois.edu/qaec.

Please note that Cloverbuds do not have to register in faireentry.com. They will bring their projects to the 4-H Fair on Saturday, July 23 at 2:30 p.m. for evaluation.

We look forward to seeing your project work and visiting with you at the fair! See you then.

Sincerely,

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