1. Exhibitors must be bonafide members of FFA, 4-H Clubs or other youth organizations in the county. All youth participants must be at least seven years of age before January 1 of the current year. Exhibitors should not have reached 19 before January 1 of the current year to be eligible to participate. Exception: Cloverbuds, ages 5-6.

2. Pre-entry for all exhibits is due online by 11:59 p.m., Wednesday, July 1, 2020. ALL ENTRIES MUST BE MADE ONLINE WITH THE OFFICIAL ENTRY LINK THAT WAS PROVIDED FOR EACH EXHIBITOR. For late entries to be accepted, they must be submitted within 72 hours of the published deadline and accompanied with a $30 fee/exhibitor. Late entries will not be processed without late fee included. Entries received after the 72-hour grace period will not be accepted. Entries may be deleted at fair check-in, but additional entries will not be accepted.

3. Sheep and Goats will weigh and check-in Wednesday from 7:00-9:00 p.m. All other species will check in Thursday. Cattle must weigh from 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. Swine may begin weighing at 8:00 a.m. and must be weighed and in place by 12:00 p.m. they arrive. Breeding Heifers must check in with the superintendent and be in place by 12:00 p.m. All livestock entries must be on grounds and in place by 5:30 p.m. Thursday, July 30.

4. Non-livestock entries must be checked in and in place by 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 30, unless specified otherwise. Non-livestock exhibits received after 7:00 p.m. Thursday will not be accepted.

5. All exhibits will be placed by the judges into the purple, blue, red, and white ribbon groups. Exhibits may be disqualified (oversized, overweight, displayed wrong, etc.) and will receive a participation ribbon, but will not be judged.

6. Members can exhibit only in the classes or projects in which they are enrolled.

7. Every exhibit entered in competition for prizes must be produced by the Exhibitor during the current (2019-20) 4-H year.

8. Champions and Reserve Champions may be awarded only to purple ribbon quality exhibits in Barn 4, if quality merits. Livestock awards will be blue ribbon quality.

9. Pre-printed entry cards will be available at check-in and must be attached to the exhibit at that time. An entry card must be completed for each exhibit and attached directly to the article. Contact the Extension Office for Entomology labels.

10. All exhibits are entered at the individual’s risk. The Cowley County Fair Board or Cowley County Extension Council will not be responsible for damage, loss or theft of exhibits.

11. Extension Agents and Superintendents have discretion over the display of exhibits; i.e., Firearms and knives will not be on display.

12. EXHIBIT QUALIFICATION FOR KANSAS STATE FAIR: Only superior purple award exhibits are eligible for further competition at the Kansas State Fair, unless specified otherwise. Participants must have competed at the Cowley County Fair within the respective division to be eligible to compete at the Kansas State Fair. Age qualification for State Fair participation: 4-H members must be at least 9 and not have turned 19 before January 1st of the current 4-H year.

13. Exhibitors must sign up for Conference Judging appointments during the sign-up period on Thursday, July 30 between 4:00 p.m. — 7:00 p.m. in Barn 4.
Exhibitors who do not participate in Conference Judging will be docked one ribbon placing and the corresponding premium. They will be ineligible for Champion or Reserve Champion in that division.

14. Non-Livestock Champions and Reserve Champions will be chosen only from purple ribbon exhibits.

15. Any exhibitor who is found to have tampered with or entered any exhibit that is not eligible or does not abide by the fair rules, will forfeit any awards, premiums and the right to sell in the Market Livestock Sale.

16. All livestock and large items going to Kansas State Fair will be the responsibility of the individual.

17. An exhibit made in school or during the course of a class may be exhibited only if the 4-H’er is enrolled in that project area.

18. Removal of exhibits prior to published exhibit release times will result in forfeiture of ALL premium monies.

19. Grievance Procedure: All grievances must be made in writing and must be signed and dated. Such grievances must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal, and must be submitted to any of the County Extension Agents within 24 hours following the occasion for the grievance, accompanied by a $25 cash deposit. The deposit will be forfeited if the grievance is overruled.
   • Upon receipt of a qualified grievance, the Extension Agent(s) will promptly notify the person against whom the grievance was made, the Superintendent of the department for the class or event, appropriate Fair Board Representatives, and other parties who may have relevant information. The notice will give a time and place for a hearing to address the grievance.
   • The hearing committee, authorized to act upon any protest, may consist of, but not limited to the following: Extension Agent(s), Fair Board Representative, Superintendent of Department in question, Project Leader or 4-H Club Leader of the involved parties, appropriate FFA Advisors (if necessary), a 4-H PDC Member, 4-H Council President, and an Extension Council Executive Board Member.
   • When a protest is either allowed or denied, the course of action shall be entered in writing, and a copy delivered to the protestant and the person against whom the grievance was made. Premiums and awards will be properly distributed when final decision on the grievance is made. The hearing committee reserves the right to institute further restrictions upon the person/persons upon whom the protest was made.

20. Beginning with the 2011 Cowley County Fair, for the safety of fair exhibitors, livestock and fair attendees, the Cowley County Fair Association has adopted the NEC Code of 2002. Therefore, all electrical equipment must have a cord with a three wire ground or be double insulated.

RULES FOR FAIR CLEAN-UP
Tuesday, August 4, 2020

1. Non-livestock Exhibits will be released from 7:30-8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, August 4 unless otherwise specified. If an exhibitor cannot be present, please make arrangements for another club member to pick up the exhibit. The Cowley County Fair Board, Cowley County Extension Council, County Agents or superintendents will not be responsible for exhibits not claimed.

2. Each livestock exhibitor must clean-up their exhibit area or areas (INCLUDING TIE-OUT AREAS) by 8:30 a.m. or within 2 hours after the loading of the animal.
3. All equipment used for livestock sale and picnic tables shall be put in storage.
4. All bedding shall be removed from buildings and placed in manure pits.
5. All outside livestock tie-up areas (4-H campgrounds) shall be cleaned to a sanitary condition.
6. All trash shall be picked up around all barns, in 4-H campgrounds, 4-H livestock trailer area and sale picnic area.
7. All equipment used for livestock shall be returned to storage areas (sheep, hog, and goat pens, poultry cages, rabbit cages and stands).
8. All barn floors shall be rinsed.
9. Exhibitors are responsible for returning all borrowed panels.
10. Wash racks shall be cleaned to sanitary conditions.
11. All livestock exhibitors, including Rabbits and Poultry, who fail to clean their area will be suspended from exhibiting an animal in that area the next year.
12. Cleaning the roof under the grandstand is NOT a 4-H responsibility.
13. Exhibit display items in Barn 4 shall be returned to storage. Barn 4 shall be swept.