

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Erie County Publication



# Attention 4-Hers - 4-H Fair Entries Due July 7 @ 11:59 pm Step by Step Guide:

June 2025

Go to ecfair.org (for Fairbook) – Select Competitions

**This is for both 4-H animal and 4-H youth development projects.** Please review the fair book pages first, before entering your project online, to make sure you are following all of the guidelines and entering it in the correct category

1. On the Competitions page scroll down to where you see either, 4-H Livestock or 4-H Youth Development – select the fair book category that you are interested in.

### It looks like this:



Here are direct links to the fair book pages:

Youth Development Fair Book: <u>https://www.ecfair.org/p/competitions/4-h-youth-development</u>

Livestock Fair Book: https://www.ecfair.org/p/competitions/4h--ffa

# Time To Register & Submit Your Entries On line!!!!!!

Once you have looked at the **Entry/Fairbook** Information you are ready to go to the 4-H Online Entry Site. You may either do that by going directly <u>ecfaircce.fairwire.com</u> or from the link posted on the Fair site (listed as *To enter 4-H or FFA -<u>https://ecfaircce.fairwire.com/</u>)*or CCE/4-H Website.

## The 4-H On-Line registration page looks like this:

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Powered by ShoWorks		<b>4-H Exhibitor Registration 2024</b> You MUST be a currently registered Erie County 4-H Member to participate in the Erie County 4-H Program at the Fair. Please refer to the Fairbook posted on line at ecfair.org for specific Department/Class information.			
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- 4. Add these items to your cart.
- 5. Remember to **CHECK OUT** when you have completed your entries.

Please note: There is no charge for 4-H entries....if you go to check out and there is a charge listed...you may not be on the 4-H On-Line Entry site.

#### If you have any questions, please contact the 4-H Office @ erie4h@cornell.edu

Fair ???s	Got questions? We can help!
ZOOM MEETING	EDICATOR
JUNE 29, 2025	Ask questions about your non-livestock
10:30 a.m	projects!

Registration link: https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/AskAnEducator NonLivestock 214



For those who cannot use the QR code easily, here is the URL: https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/2025AcrylicWatercolorPainting\_214



Reserve your spot for a workshop that is more than good,... It's grape!

### Fall Fruits Workshops: Grape Juicing and Jelly Making



A two-part workshop where we juice our own grapes, and then proceed to can grape jelly. Master Food Preserver Kate Rose will guide us on how to make a delicious batch and can our jellies.



September 27 and October 4, 2025 @ TBA

# Save the Dates for YDB Fair Work Nights 2025!

We need your help! Come join us in getting the 4-H Youth Development Building ready for the Erie County Fair! Tasks include painting, cleaning, organizing supplies, moving display cases, and decorating. There's a task for everyone!

All helpers should be wearing closed-toed shoes for safety purposes. We are looking for individuals to bring cleaning supplies to use. There are limited supplies available. Donations of supplies that can be used in the building are always appreciated. 4-Hers of all ages are welcome to attend as well as 4-H volunteers

#### 6/18/25 - 6:00 pm-8 pm

### 7/16/25- In conjunction an Alumni Meeting 6:30pm-8:30pm

7/18/25- 6:00pm-8:00pm 7/22/25- 6:00pm-8:00pm

7/24/25- 6:00pm-8:00pm

7/30/25- 4:00pm- 7:00pm

7/31/25- 6:00pm-8:00pm

#### 8/3/25- Set up & display items in the building 9:30am- 4:00pm

#### We have a wish list of supplies to help decorate the 4-H Youth Development Building

#### TOOLS

16oz hammers, 8-12oz hammer, Socket Sets- SAE & Metric 3/8 drive, Screwdriver Sets flat & Phillips, Socket Sets- SAE & Metric 3/8 drive, Wire Cutters, Tape Measures 8', 12',25' Cordless Drill with flat& Phillips bits, Crescent wrenches 6",8",10", Rubber Mallet 10" Pull Saw Hacksaw, Needle nose plyers, Standard Pliers, Vice grips small, medium, & large Socket Sets- SAE & Metric 3/8 drive

#### PAINT AND PAINTING SUPPLIES

White semi- gloss interior paint- 5 gallons, Black semi-gloss interior paint- 1 gallon
1" paint brushes, 2" paint brushes, 3" paint brushes
9" paint rollers, extra rollers and trays, 3" paint rollers, extra rollers and trays
Plastic drop cloths
White spray paint, Black spray paint, Silver spray paint
CLEANING & MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES

Spray bottles of glass cleaner, All purpose liquid cleaner (Pine Sol), Cleaning buckets Rolls of paper towels Rolls of plastic table cover- white, Rolls of plastic table cover- green Duct Tape, Clear Plastic Packing Tape



# Participating in these activities is a two-step process:

- 1. Register your entry into your desired competition(s) at <a href="https://ecfaircce.fairwire.com/">https://ecfaircce.fairwire.com/</a> by July 7, 2025. This will be considered a fair entry and will earn you a premium!
- 2. If it is required, register for a time slot on the links posted below the name of your desired competition by August 2, 2025.



## Cake Decorating:

Junior pastry artists, come show off your skills at the fair! Our challenge this year will involve decorating gingerbread houses. Please note there is a hard cap of 20 participants. To participate, please register here:

https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/CakeDecoratingChallenge2025 214

# <u>Chef Challenge, Fashion and Talent Show, and the STEM</u> <u>Challenge- *Now a two-day event*!</u>

Please register for these challenges on <u>https://ecfaircce.fairwire.com/</u> under the appropriate class in Public Interaction.

The Talent and Fashion Show will again be held inside the 4-H Youth Development Building. It's also more of a "showcase," as there are no judges/winners.

The theme for the Chef Challenge this year is 'Southwest Cuisine'. All participants will be in teams, and younger participants will be allowed to make food-just no hot or sharp tools (in accordance with NYS 4-H guidelines).

The STEM Challenge this year is a bridge-building contest. Participants 9 and older will be building bridges to test how much weight it can handle. Those 8 and younger will make a bridge that can hold at least 1 matchbox car. Part 1 will focus on building the bridge, and Part 2 will be on testing the bridges. The STEM Challenge projects will be shown in the building until Part 2.

## Public Presentations at the Fair:

Share your public presentations again for additional prizes at the Erie County Fair! Offering slots from 11 AM-7 PM from August 7th to the 17th.

Register here: https://signup.com/go/XmdnJhA

\*\*\*\*\*Note- **posters for public presentations are under Achievement Class 2A**, and the public presentation award requirements are under Public Interaction class 3. If you have a great poster that is eligible to go to State Fair, please write a summary for the State Fair Judges about your presentation and attach to your poster.

# <u>4-H Alive:</u>

Show the public what you do as a 4-H member! Work on a project in front of fairgoers, and answer questions about your process. Available as one- or two-hour time slots from 11 AM-7 PM, August 7 to August 17.

Please refer to the Public Interaction section of the Fair Book for award eligibility requirements under class 1 and 7.

One-Hour Demonstrations: <a href="https://signup.com/go/tEFnHVf">https://signup.com/go/tEFnHVf</a>

Two-Hour Demonstrations: <a href="https://signup.com/go/OUrftxE">https://signup.com/go/OUrftxE</a>

## **4-H Mannequin Modeling:**

Model your favorite garment or non-wearable textile item for fairgoers in the YDB! 4-H members 12 and under will model for 30 minutes, and those 13 and over will model for 1 hour. Time slots are available from 11 AM-7 PM starting August 7 and ending on the last day of fair, August 17.

Award requirements in Public Interaction class 6.

Registration: <a href="https://signup.com/go/JrbkXYR">https://signup.com/go/JrbkXYR</a>

## 4-H Hands- On Activity:

Lead a public activity and give fairgoers a taste of the 4-H experience! Members 8 and older are eligible for this activity. Time slots are available from 11 AM-7 PM, August 7 to August 17.

Please refer to Public Interaction class 9 for award eligibility.

Registration: <a href="https://signup.com/go/ZopHTyW">https://signup.com/go/ZopHTyW</a>

## **4-H Ambassador:**

Show your passion and knowledge about 4-H programs, clubs, and projects to the public as they visit the YDB! Answer questions and monitor exhibits. All 4-H members 8 and up are eligible to register for this. Spots are available from August 7 to August 17.

Registration: <u>https://signup.com/go/xNAXHEh</u>

Award guidelines are listed under Public Interaction class 8.

## Info Booth (for Adult volunteers):-

Share information about 4-H with fairgoers! Registration: <u>https://signup.com/go/ZFqKhSk</u>



## Don't Forget...Youth and adults, sign up for the 4-H Café shifts!

We appreciate the help, and depending on your scholarship or program involvement, you may be required to work at the Café!

Register here: https://signup.com/go/WuUSUDX

100% of the funds raised at the Café are used for the 4-H Program. (Events sponsored by Alumni Café include; the 4-H Youth Development Building, 4-H Chef Challenge, ECTA, Public Presentations, Textile Revue, STARR and more.)

\*\* If you have any questions or issues with registration, please contact cmr348@cornell.edu.\*\*

If you would like any of the 4-H fair information that was provided in this newsletter printed out, please contact the 4-H office. Note: We will not be able to print out the fair book itself for you.



### Dairy Ag In the Classroom

## "Udderly" Gourmet

#### **Orchard Park Middle Schoolers Make Homemade Butter**

In May, your 4-H educator Caitlin visited Orchard Park Middle School, and over the course of three days, almost 300 students in sixth grade, seventh grade, and eighth grade learned how to make homemade butter. This butter was then used in their classes to make delicious desserts. Pictured in the newsletter are the eighth grader's cupcakes with buttercream frosting, from their 'Cupcake Wars' contest. The sixth grade students made chocolate chip cookies, and the seventh grade students made sugar cookies.







## 4-H Virtual Pen Pals

Are you a teenager in 4-H? Do you want to get to know 4-H members from a different community? You will be partnered with another teen from a different area of 4-H to exchange photos and information about yourself and your community. We'll use Instagram group chat to exchange messages and get to know each other.

The program will start in July and lead up to the Erie County Fair. On Thursday, August 7th, all the partners will meet at the fair, where you will be able to get to know each other in real life!

If you're interested, please e-mail Tammi, <u>tlk6@cornell.edu</u> or Sara, <u>sej57@cornell.edu</u> to sign up!



## June 2025 – Livestock Notes

The school year is almost over, and I know many of you have been busy getting your animals out to pre-season shows. I am sure you are all learning what you need to do with your projects to be in top notch condition for both yourself and your project come fair time. For our members, who have not participated in any shows, remember that you can be just as successful if you put the time into working with your projects at home. Get them out of the barn to experience different types of footing (grass, blacktop, driveways, etc.) work to gain their trust in you and your animal will do what you ask come fair time, but you have to put the work in now – don't wait until a week before the fair. Exercise is not the only thing to work on, pay attention to hooves, and hair coat along with the skin of your animal. Keeping the pen clean along with good ventilation is key to a successful project. Lastly, soon the weather will be hot, access to clean, cold, fresh water is a must for all of your animals.

**Livestock Pre-season Shows:** Have you participated in a livestock show that has not been published in the 4-H News? If you said yes, as long as you send a short report about what you learned, you will earn a meeting credit for that species. All reports are due within 5 business days of the event to be eligible for the credit.

WNY Preview Shows – Beef, Lambs, Hogs and Goats: Youth that entered and showed at the Preview Shows at the Erie County Fairgrounds will automatically receive credit for a species meeting for

#### Livestock Dates at a Glance

#### June:

2<sup>nd</sup> week - Chicken Delivery

- 9 Sheep Fitting and Showing, 6:30 p.m. at Sacilowski's
- 11 Beef Fitting and Showing, 6:30 p.m. at Gerhardt's
- 17 Poultry Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Power House
- 23 Registration closes for Livestock Interviews
- 23 Pullorum Testing, 4-6 p.m., Power House
- 25 Dairy Fitting & Showing, 6:30 pm at Richmonds
- 26 Goat Fitting & Showing, Saraceni/Hayne

#### July:

- 1, 17, 23, 28 Livestock Interviews Power House 5:30 p.m.
- 7 Erie County Fair 4-H Entries due online
- 8 Platter making
- 12 Jam Workshop
- 15 Meat Rabbit meeting at 7 pm

27 – 4-H Market Poultry Show 4:00 p.m. CCE Pavillion,

- Burton and Powers Road, Orchard Park.
- July 29 Pie making
- July 31 Cookie making

each of the shows you were entered in. Members that did not take an animal to receive credit please submit a short report about what you learned from "watching and listening". Reports for these shows are due by June 20 to receive credit.

**Livestock Interviews:** Mark your calendar to attend one of the livestock interview dates to fulfil your animal show requirement. Dates they will be offered are Tuesday, July 1, Thursday, July 17, Wednesday, July 23 and Monday, July 28. Register by June 23, 2025 at

https://pub.cce.cornell.edu/event\_registration/main/events\_landing.cfm?event=LivestockInterview-25-2-2\_214 by

**Fair Entries** will close on Monday, July 7, 2025. Fair entries are now open at <u>https://www.ecfair.org/p/competitions/4-h--</u><u>ffa/4h--ffa</u>

**Livestock t-shirt Design:** Do you like to design t-shirts? Take the fair theme and create a t-shirt logo for our livestock t-shirts for the fair. Designs must be submitted no later than Friday, July 11 for consideration. Please be sure they are 8  $\frac{1}{2}$  x 11 and in black and white. They can be hand drawn (but must be very dark) or computer generated.

**Beef** - Beef Fitting and Showing meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 11 at 6:30 p.m. at Gerhardt's, 2525 Eldridge Road, East Aurora at 6:30 p.m. Chase Gerhardt will give a fitting demonstration, and we will then work with some cattle on showmanship. Please be sure to dress for the weather, wear closed toe shoes.

**Sheep** – We will be holding our Sheep Fitting and Showing meeting on Monday, June 9 at 6:30 p.m. at the Sacilowski Farm, 8930 Mayo Rd, Springville, NY 14141. Please come dressed for the weather, wear close toe shoes. Our meeting will focus on getting your sheep ready for the showring and tips on how to be successful. Do not bring any animals with you. Please be sure to wear clothing that you have not worn in your barn the day of and be sure your shoes are clean.

**Swine** – We held our Swine Fitting and Showing meeting on Wednesday, May 28 at the Hayes. It was a cool and damp evening but we all learned a lot. Thank you to the Hayes Family for sharing your knowledge with our members.

**Dairy Cattle** - We will be holding our Dairy Fitting & Showing meeting at Richmond's on Wednesday, June 25 at 6:30 p.m. We will be at Richmond's heifer barn located at 9739 Jennings Rd Eden, NY 14057. Please be sure to come dressed for the weather with close toe shoes. We will be focusing on toplines and the new showmanship score card and a dairy challenge contest (that will earn points for project champion).

**NYS Junior Dairy Leader Program:** Are you interested in learning more about the dairy field and careers options, personal and professional growth, and building leadership skills while networking with other like minded people.

Follow the link below for more information about eligibility and how to apply. Applicants need to be 16 and or entering at least 11th grade this fall and not older than 19 years. Applicants are generally going to be a junior or senior in high school for the fall of 2025. Applications are due June 30th and can be submitted online at the link below also. Letter of recommendation can be uploaded at the site or sent directly to Deborah Grusenmeyer at djc27@cornell.edu Please email me (tlk6@cornell.edu)if you have any questions about the program or application process and if you apply. Here is the link: <a href="https://cals.cornell.edu/pro-dairy/our-expertise/youth/junior-dairy-leader-program">https://cals.cornell.edu/pro-dairy/our-expertise/youth/junior-dairy-leader-program</a>

**Goat** – We will be holding our Dairy, Working and Meat Goat Fitting and Showing meeting at 6:30 pm on Thursday, June 26 at the Saraceni/Hayne Farm, 2407 Broadway, Darien Center, NY 14040. We will also be holding the Goat Knowledge Contest (which will earn points for Project Champion). We will be focusing on showmanship, handling and fitting of the goats. Please be sure to wear clean clothing (that you did not wear in your barn the day of) along with clean close toe shoes.

**Poultry** – Our market chicken projects should be arriving the morning of Thursday, June 12, possibly Wednesday 6/11, please watch for a text message and be prompt in getting to the 4-H office to pick up your chicks as they will need a drink after their journey to get here. **Be sure to have someone on standby** to come pick them up.

Our May Poultry Meeting was held on **Tuesday, May 13 at 6:30 pm.** with Amy Barkley, our Cornell poultry specialist, as our guest speaker. Mrs. Barkley did a wonderful job explaining how Avian Bird Flu has impacted the poultry industry and the time it will take for recovery. It was very informative and for some eye opening.

We will hold **our last poultry meeting on Tuesday, June 17 at 6:30 p.m.** at the Power House. We will be reviewing the program year and focus on poultry showmanship with guest speaker Rick Hare.

**Rabbit** – Flopper Hopper Rabbit club participants, please watch your email for the June meeting information.

**Market Rabbit participants:** We will be holding a meeting where we will focus on showmanship and proper handling of the meat rabbits on Tuesday, July 15 at 7:00 p.m. We will tentatively meet at the Power House or outside. Please bring at least 1 rabbit with you so you can learn proper handling, or bring your entire pen.

**Dog** - Do you have a family dog? Make it a 4-H project. The Erie County 4-H program has 2 dog clubs that are accepting new members between the ages of 5-18. The Ridge Rovers meet in Orchard Park and the Buffalo Barkers meet in Tonawanda. Our leaders do an exceptional job in offering education around grooming and handling, agility, obedience and community service projects. Contact Tammi for more information.

**Dog Fair Requirements**: Are you planning to show your dog at the fair? If you said yes – have you submitted your current license and rabies paperwork to the 4-H office? Yes – you are all set. No – it MUST be at the office no later than Friday, June 13, or you will not be able to show at the fair as the NYS Veterinarian will be reviewing our paperwork. Please get your paperwork to the office if you plan to show.

**Shooting Sports** – The NYS 4-H Shooting Sports project fosters responsibility and helps youth acquire knowledge, skills, abilities and the opportunity to develop social skills, leadership techniques and community service opportunities. New York State 4-H certified volunteer instructors supervise each 4-H Shooting Sports program. Safety is a primary concern. Youth and adults are trained to know, practice and adhere to the tenets of firearm safety and handling. Are you at least 12 years old and interested in learning more? Contact Tammi Kron to be connected to our club leaders. The Erie County Sharp Shooters meet at the Tonawanda Sportsman Club the first Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m.

The Sharp Shooters May meeting which was held on Tuesday, 6/3, had a demonstration by the North American Versatile Hunting Dog Association and of the youth during our meeting/shooting.



#### Horse

Congratulations to all our horse participants that participated in the County Hippology contest. The following youth moved on to the Regional Contest: Lucas Leitzan, Samantha Parsons, Charlotte Parsons, Charlotte Saraceni, Analise Hayne, Emma Hixon, Sarina Pinheiro, Colin Singleton, Alaina Lippassaar and Erin Shanahan. Moving on to the State event in August at the NY State Fair will be: Senior Division: Charlotte Parsons, Lucas Leitzan, Charlotte Saraceni and Samantha Parsons. Junior Division: Emma Hixon, Sarina Pinheiro, Analise Hayne and Colin Singleton. Congratulations to our members for representing Erie County.

Horse Certificates, Rabies and Coggins: I am hopeful that everyone planning to show at the fair has submitted their current rabies and

#### Horse Opportunities at a Glance

#### June:

14 – Sardinia Saddlers Show, Blakestone

23 – Mandatory Fair Meeting for horse participantszoom

28 – TriColor Equestrian Show, Stagecoach July:

July 7 – Erie County Fair Entries due

July 19 – Hillside Riders Show, Stagecoach

July 26 – Wild Wind Riders Show, Stagecoach August:

10-13 - Erie County Fair

- 23 NYS Hippology and Horse Judging contests at
- NYS Fair (note this is a Saturday)

coggins paperwork along with a horse certificate. The NYS Veterinarian will be at our office soon to review everything. Please contact me ASAP if you have questions or concerns.

**Rider Evaluations** – Do you still need a rider evaluation? If yes, contact Tammi Kron as soon as possible. We are not headed into show season, and we believe all the evaluations have been completed.

The **training show** was held on Saturday, May 31 at Stagecoach. I hear it was a cold, wet, windy day, but everyone walked away ready to get in the show ring for the coming season. Thank you to Christina Hacker for taking the lead on coordinating the day and to Joanne Campbell for being a great support and making things happen. Thank You!

Thank you to Jen Barber, Blakestone Stables for holding our first horse clinic. It was an event that was full of learning and fun and helped to prepare everyone for the upcoming show season.

Thank you to Farrel's Hilltop Farm, LLC for hosting a fundraising event to benefit our horse program. The event raised a lot of funds to help support the horse program. Thank you to all the leaders, parents and members for helping to make the event a success.

**Horse Fair T-shirt design**: We are currently accepting T-shirt logo designs for fair T-shirts. Please submit your idea by Friday, July 11 for consideration. Please try to use the fair theme, be creative and have fun with it. All designs should be 8 ½ x 11 and black and white. They can be hand drawn but must be dark or they can be computer generated.

Platter Making Workshop
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Register Now
https://apps.cce.cornell.edu/event_registration/main/events_landing.cfm?event=platter2025-2_214
All supplies will be provided.

### Schedule:

Registration 7:00 am—7:45 am Shotgun Start—8:00 am Scramble Format Lunch at the Turn Steak Dinner Theme Basket Raffles 50/50

### **Entry Fees:**

\$110.00/Person \$400/foursome

#### Includes:

Greens Fee & Cart All golfers tee off and play best ball to the hole Must use at least three (3) drives from each golfer Longest drive Closest to the Pin Electronic Scoring Available



support!



Fundraiser for the Jim Smith Memorial Youth Scholarships



Extension Foundation 13th Annual

**Erie County** 

Chestnut Hill Country Club 1330 Broadway Darien Center, NY 14040

ournament



8:00 AM Shotgun Start!

Annual CCE Golf Tournament—Saturday, July 26, 2025 Proceeds To Benefit - JIM SMITH MEMORIAL YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP FUND PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: NFS and mail to: 3 Springbrook Shores,

Elma, NY 14059 - Attn: Martha Filadora

NAME:

COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_

OTHER PLAYERS IN FOURSOME (IF APPLICABLE):

4. \_\_\_\_

2.

Non-golfers attending Dinner:

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$\_\_\_\_\_

RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN SATURDAY, JULY 12, 2025

NAME AS IT SHOULD APPEAR ON SIGN:

You may register: -Online at our website: www.eriecoef.org -Email to eriecountyextfoundation@gmail.com OR -Mail this form with your check



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