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2017

**Grant County 4-H Rules & Classes
General Rules (All Projects)**

A. Eligibility:

1. Grant County 4-H members who are enrolled as of March 15th, 2017 Market Projects, June 1, 2017 all other projects and who submit a completed Fair Entry Form are eligible to participate. **A 4-H exhibit must be the work of the 4-H member and completed as part of the current year's project. Work done after county fair but prior to Oct. 1 and not previously exhibited may be included in the next year project. Record Books are required to be up to date and submitted before 4-H member participates in Fair.**

2. Exhibitors must be enrolled in 4-H during the current 4-H year. Age classifications (as of Sept. 1).

- Junior 9-11 years old
 - Intermediates 12-14 years old
 - Seniors 15-19
- (not graduated from high school)

3. Completed Record Books are due Sept. 1, 2017

B. Entries:

1. The exhibitor must follow all project guidelines and requirements for the division in which the exhibit is entered. **If these are not followed, the award will be LOWERED ONE PLACING.**

2. All exhibits must be complete to be eligible for judging. A complete exhibit includes all the items listed for that class.

3. The exhibitors are responsible for getting their exhibits to and from the fair. All members are encouraged to work with their 4-H club leader to determine which class to exhibit and to make all arrangements for exhibits. Parents are reminded that all work is to be the responsibility of the participating member.

4. All entries for contests, including Horse Show, Ranch Horse Contest, and Fair exhibits (including static exhibits) **MUST BE REGISTERED BY July 14th by 4:00 P.M.**

C. Exhibits:

1. 4-H members may exhibit only what is carried in 4-H projects they are **currently enrolled in AS OF MARCH 15th, or JUNE 1st, 2017 Exhibits must be completed in this 4-H year.**

2. A 4-H member may enter only one (1) exhibit in any project, except where noted. If more than one phase of a project is carried, the exhibit must be from the upper division.

3. 4-H exhibits at the Grant County Fair are

entered and displayed at the risk of the exhibitor. The Grant County 4-H program in cooperation with the Grant County Fair accepts exhibits and will exercise due care to protect them. 4-H members who have exhibits of sentimental and/or monetary value, should carefully consider whether such exhibits should be exposed to the hazards of the Fair.

4. INTERVIEW JUDGING is for all projects **except horse and livestock**; however, the livestock and/or horse judge reserves the right to ask participants questions. Interview Judging is an opportunity for the judge to talk to the exhibitor on a one-to-one basis. THIS IS FOR THE MEMBER. Parents are not allowed in the area where the interview judging is taking place. Leaders may be present and listen if so desired. The best education takes place when the members feel free to talk about their project without other adults hovering. Parents and leaders may consult with the judge after all the judging has been completed (if appropriate and if time permits). Members who are unable to participate in interview judging may have their exhibits (except animals) brought to the Judging area by leaders, parents or friends. The exhibits will be judged after all interviewing has been completed. Written comments will be given.

5. All exhibits are released in accordance with the General Fair Rules.

6. Unless otherwise stated, exhibits are judged and placed into one of three categories: Blue, Red, or White. Judging is done by the Danish system. Ribbons throughout the program will be uniform in size.

7. Premium value for 2016: **Blue = \$2.00, Red = \$1.00, White = \$0.**

8. In case of shortage of funds at the close of the fair (or causes beyond the control of the management) funds available will be distributed to all 4-H exhibits on a proportionate basis. 4-H exhibitor premiums, if any, are paid at the Pavilion by the Fair office for 4-H and FFA members on Sunday, August 13th, from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon.

9. All classes (including showmanship), phases and skill levels receive Champion and Reserve Champion ribbons if the quality is so warranted by the judge. There is only ONE CHAMPION PER CLASS. The Champion/Reserve Champion **MUST** be selected from "blue quality" exhibits. Grand Champion/Outstanding exhibit will be selected if such quality is determined by the judge. Grand Champion/outstanding exhibit will be selected from the Champions. (In the class from which the Grand Champion was selected, the Reserve Champion will then be eligible to compete for the Grand Reserve Champion.) Age divisions **do not** compete against each other in Fashion Revue.

D. Fair Admission:

1. All 4-H/FFA members pay \$10.00 for the Fair admission season pass, 5 and under are free. 4-H and FFA members have the option of working at the fairgrounds for up to 5 hours at \$1 per hour to reduce their fair entries fees from \$10 to \$5. Leaders make arrangements with the fair grounds to identify projects available. Members and leaders are responsible for obtaining their own passes at the Grant County Extension Office.

E. State Fair Entries:

1. The judge designates exhibits of State Fair quality after exhibits are judged. Grant County is allowed three entries per class.

2. Only intermediates and seniors are eligible for State Fair participation which requires their attendance at the Fair. Livestock and horse exhibitors at the

State Fair must have completed the 7th grade.

3. A member may enter up to five different contests, but only one presentation, one food preparation contest, one mini-meal contest and one class in the fashion revue.

4. Qualified exhibitors may request a State Fair book at the Grant County Extension office.

5. 4-H members with qualified State Fair exhibits will receive specific instructions.

F. All rules, classes and contests dealing with 4-H exhibits, livestock and the Auction are **subject to change by the 4-H Association Executive Committee.**

G. 4-H Resolution Process:

The purpose of the 4-H Resolution Process is to provide an opportunity for 4-H members who feel they have been wronged during the fair to air their issue. No issue will be accepted that deals with a fair judge's decision. The judge's decision is final and not open for discussion. The 4-H Resolution Committee will be appointed by the Extension agents and will include two senior 4-H members, two 4-H leaders and the Extension agents. The procedure for presenting the issue is:

1. Talk to the 4-H superintendent in charge of the exhibit area to resolve the issue.

2. If the issue cannot be resolved, the 4-H member submits (in writing) a letter about the issue to the Extension staff. The letter will be shared with the 4-H Resolution Committee.

3. The 4-H Resolution Committee will meet as soon as possible with the 4-H member, 4-H member's parent/guardian, the superintendent, a member of the fair board and other involved parties

H. Dress Code:

When participating in 4-H activities, you are representing yourself, club and the county 4-H program. Clothing is to be neat, clean and appropriate for the activity. At no time are low-cut tops, t-shirts with offensive language, or short skirts, short-shorts, or short tops appropriate. Appropriate footwear. No open toed shoes will be allowed around the livestock barn or fitting areas.

Project areas marked with "*" are exhibited at Grant County only; there is no State Fair division.

THE CLASSES AND CONTESTS THAT ARE OPEN TO ALL 4-H MEMBERS REGARDLESS OF PROJECT ENROLLMENT ARE CONSERVATION, COMPUTER, FAVORITE ENSEMBLE, PRESENTATIONS AND READY TO WEAR

**Fashion Revue - Ready to Wear
Favorite Ensemble Contest - County Only
(Judged during the fair)**

1. Open to all 4-H members. Only exhibitors are allowed in the room during set up.
2. 4-H members display and assemble their favorite ensemble by attaching their ensemble complete with accessories to a 4' X 4' pressboard (will be provided).
3. 4-H members specify the event to which they would wear this ensemble (theme).
4. 4-H member does not have to have sewn, crocheted or knitted the ensemble.
5. Shoes may be omitted from the ensemble. 4-H members only need to describe the type of shoes they would wear.