



Are You Ready for Fair? Checklist



Check out our website at <https://www.montana.edu/extension/gallatin/4hfair.html> to find all Fair information!

- Read the **2024 Fairbook** – this publication contains **ALL** the 4-H/FFA exhibitor rules, divisions and classes you can enter, and the schedules for the 2024 4-H/FFA Fair. This document is CRUCIAL to navigating the next few months. You MUST utilize the Fairbook when registering your exhibits and animal projects to ensure you register correctly!
- 2024 Fair Theme is: “THIS is 4-H Country”**. Use this theme to decorate any animal stalls/posters/club or project displays. This is a fun way to unite 4-H across the fairgrounds!
- Use the online **ShoWorks** Fair Registration website to enter your project(s) exhibits/animals in the fair by **June 17, 2024 by 5:00 pm.**
 - Fair Registration Website: <https://gallatin4h.fairwire.com/>
- Pay any fair fees owed (fees/invoice are housed in your fair registration account) by **June 26th**.
- Record Books: ALL** Livestock, Horse, Small Animal and Indoor Project Record Books are due to the Extension Office by **June 26, 2024 by 5:00 pm.** You will get all your records back prior to your project interview so you can take those records with you to your interview.
 - **“My 4-H Year” document** will need to be signed by your Club Leader. At-Large members need 4-H helper or parent signature.
 - **“Animal and/or Non-Animal Project Journal & Financial Records”** and **Project Curriculum Workbook(s)** will need to be signed by Project leader(s).
 - **Project Curriculum Book: 7** activities must be completed each year.
 - Check with your project leaders on what those 7 activities should be!
 - Need Help? Record book training video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ckS9VZnI5bU>
- Livestock/Small Animal (*includes Dog & Cat) and Horse Project Interviews:**
 - Sign up for your 15–20-minute timeslot(s) for a Project Interview on either **Thursday, July 11th or Friday, July 12th from 4:00-8:00pm.** Every youth in any Livestock/Small Animal and Horse project(s) must sign up for an interview in the project(s) that they plan to exhibit in at the fair.
 - *If you are planning to exhibit multiple **Livestock** species (ex. sheep, beef, swine) you will only need to sign up for one interview slot and you will talk about all your livestock projects with one judge.
 - If you are in the **Horse** project, you will need to sign up for an additional and separate interview slot from your livestock interview.
 - If you are in the **Dog or Cat** Project, you will need to sign up for an additional and separate interview slot from any Horse and Livestock interviews you may have. If you will be submitting a Dog or Cat Educational Poster, please bring the poster to this interview.
 - Livestock/Small Animal Interview SignUp: **(link coming soon)**
 - Dog Interview SignUp: **(link coming soon)**
 - Horse Interview SignUp: **(link coming soon)**

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- Indoor Project Interviews:**
 - Sign up for your 15–20-minute timeslot(s) for a Project Interview on **Monday, July 15th from 9:00am-3:00pm**. Every youth planning to exhibit an Indoor Project must sign up for an interview in each of the project(s) that they plan to exhibit in at the fair.
 - Indoor Project Interview SignUp: [\(link coming soon\)](#)
 - Bring your project exhibit to your interview as it will be evaluated during your interview with a judge.
 - If you are entering projects in different divisions, you will need to complete an interview in each project division (Ex. if you are submitting exhibits in the cooking, baking, and photography divisions, you would need to complete 3 separate interviews).
 - Be prepared to talk about your project exhibit, what you learned, and your overall 4-H experience. Upon completion of your project interview, you will leave your exhibit to be displayed in the Indoor Exhibit Building for the duration of the fair.

- Attend your Project Interview(s).** Please have your completed record book and project books in your possession and dress neat and clean.

- Purchase and pick up Fair Passes and Parking Permits at Extension Office**
 - Typically in late June/early July, the office will send out an email when they are available.
 - Youth Exhibiting projects at Fair will get a **FREE** week pass.
 - 4-H Parents/Guardians and siblings **ONLY** are able to purchase week passes at the 4-H office.
 - Parking Passes are limited to **one** per family due to limited parking space.

- BRING** your animals/Indoor exhibits to Fair (see schedule in Fairbook for check-in times)

- Sign up to help** during Fair Week:
 - 4-H Café: [\(link coming soon\)](#)
 - 4-H Promotional Booth: [\(link coming soon\)](#)

- Follow established guidelines, refer to the **2024 Exhibitor Fairbook** and schedules, and HAVE FUN at 4-H events **July 12-21, 2024!**
 - **4-H/FFA Market Livestock Sale: Friday, July 19th at 4pm**
 - Buyer Check-In opens at 2pm and Buyer's BBQ starts at 3pm (***4-H/FFA families may eat at the BBQ after 5:00pm**)
 - Live, in-person bidding **ONLY**
 - **4-H Dance w/ 4-H Camp Counselors** (all 4-H youth and parents welcome): Saturday, July 20th 6pm-10pm (AgWest Tent)

Contact the office with any questions!