



K-State Research and Extension is committed to the health and wellbeing of the public and the participants in our Extension programs. 4-H exhibits and shows will be hosted in the following formats based on guidance from the Ellis County Health Department, Cottonwood Extension Board and Kansas State Research and Extension.

As we move forward in planning the Ellis County Fair, we are working to put plans in place for 3 different possibilities. At home, partially open, near-normal. *In all cases, if you are feeling ill, or have tested positive for COVID-19, please stay home.*

### For all static exhibits. Cats, Dogs and Pets will follow this plan where applicable.

#### Stay at Home

- Fully virtual 4-H fair entries
- Use FlipGrid system to submit videos of each project entry
- Judge will respond with recorded video and/or written comments via FlipGrid. Only exhibitor and Extension staff will have access to the judge feedback.
- Ribbons, champions and special awards will be awarded.
- Exhibitor videos shared with the public.

#### Partially Open

- Projects judged and displayed in the exhibit hall, following the regular check in and judging schedule.
- All project areas will be scheduled in advance. Participants encouraged to not arrive more than 10 minutes ahead of their scheduled judging times.
- All exhibitors will enter through the Unrein building doors, check in and go to their project areas.
- Families are encouraged not to bring extra people to the check in or judging sessions. And if not volunteering, leave as soon as appointments are completed.
- Wearing masks is required. Masks will be available if you do not have one.
- Conference judging participants, superintendents and judges will be encouraged to social distance.
- Handwashing and sanitizing stations and supplies will be available. Volunteers encouraged to sanitize their area at least once each hour or more frequently, as needed.
- Waiting areas will be provided to assist in social distancing.
- Participants will be able to participate "At Home" via FlipGrid if their health or that of a family member causes concern for them to participate face to face at the fair events.

#### Near Normal

- Projects judged and displayed in the exhibit hall, following the regular check in and judging schedule.
- All project areas will be scheduled in advance. Participants encouraged to not arrive more than 10 minutes ahead of their scheduled judging times. **(Scheduling will open after July 7 FairEntry.com system closes)**
- All exhibitors will enter through the Unrein building doors, check in and go to their project areas.
- Families are encouraged not to bring extra people to the check in or judging sessions. And if not volunteering, leave as soon as appointments are completed.
- Wearing masks is optional. Masks will be available if you do not have one.
- Conference judging participants, superintendents and judges will be encouraged to social distance.
- Handwashing and sanitizing stations and supplies will be available. Volunteers encouraged to sanitize their area at least once each hour or more frequently, as needed.

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- **4-H Foodstand** – open Tuesday – Friday – Breakfast – 10 p.m. – Limited menu with a daily special – limited number of workers (11 & older 4-Hers in the stand) – limited number of shifts - ½ the order windows open
- **4-H Exhibitor Breakfast** – Provide a coupon to each exhibitor & registered volunteer to use during the week for breakfast at the 4-H foodstand.
- **4-H Fashion Revue** – schedule for judging times, set up a series of stations to check in and go through the process. Livestream the fashion show so family can watch from home.
- **4-H Lifeskills Judging** – May be held in a virtual format.
- **4-H BBQ** – Will not be held in 2020.
- **4-H Food Challenge** – The 4-H Healthy Food Challenge will not be held during the Ellis Co. Fair. There may be an opportunity to hold it at a later time.
- **4-H Bake Sale** – will not be held this year. If you receive lower than a purple ribbon, you will take your remaining items home with you. Purples, other than champions can be picked up at the end of judging on Tuesday.
- **Livestreaming will be provided where possible to allow family members to experience the Fair without coming out to the grounds. *Kansas Dept. of Ag is recommending that spectators be limited at the shows.***

### For all livestock exhibits – Cattle, Horses, Goats, Sheep, Swine, Rabbits & Poultry

#### Stay at Home

- Entirely virtual shows. Exhibitors submit photos and videos of their projects. Judges will evaluate and provide confidential feedback.
- No Showmanship or Round Robin contest.
- Livestock judging and Animal Management contests may be offered in a virtual format.

#### Partially Open

- Animal exhibits will be hosted in a Spring Show type format, coming in for the day of the show only and animals will not be kept on the fairgrounds overnight.
- Weigh in time from prior to the show each morning – encourage families to spread out and not wait until the last minute to weigh-in. 1 family to come to the scales at a time.
- Show Times – A specie a day – Pigs one day, Sheep / Goats one day, Beef one day – morning shows
- 4-H Animal Management Skill-a-thon – may consider a virtual contest format.
- 4-H Round Robin – allow a little more time between rotations for sanitizing equipment. Each 4-H'er is responsible to take care of this themselves.

#### Near Normal

- Livestock Check in- Weigh-in – Extend the weigh in time from 4 – 9 p.m. – encourage families to spread out and not wait until the last minute to weigh-in. 1 family to come to the scales at a time.
- Showring – No changes
- Wash Racks – if need be, cap off every other spigot to promote 6' distancing
- Stalling – No changes – encourage personal responsibility – work together to maintain distancing
- 4-H Animal Management Skill-a-thon – may be held in a virtual format.
- 4-H Round Robin – allow a little more time between rotations for sanitizing equipment. Each 4-H'er is responsible to take care of this themselves.