

2025 CENTRAL WASHINGTON STATE FAIR 4-H DEPARTMENT

NEW – the 4-H Department has moved to the Ag Building (upstairs)

NEW Divisions/Classes for 4-H:

- 4-H Poultry Show (see separate entry guide)
- 4-H Rabbit Show (see separate guide)
- 4-H Horse Show Classes (see Horse Entry Guide)
- 4-H Dairylicious Baking Contest (see below)
- 4-H Dairy Container Creatures (see below)
- 4-H Dairy Poster Contest (see below)

All 4-H Divisions and Classes are now online. Please enter <https://fairfun.fairwire.com>

4-H DEPARTMENT

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ENTRY FORMS AND ITEMS DUE AS LISTED BELOW:

Saturday September 6, 2025, between 11am – 2pm the following entry forms and entries are due:

Cloverbud	Food Preservation
Creative Arts	Photography
Dried Foods and Herbs	Promotions and Educational Exhibits
Fabric and Yarn Art	

Pre-Registration September 6, 2025, between 11 am – 2 pm Required for the following:

Grilled Cheese Cookoff Contest	Table Setting
Food Preparation	Style Review
Performing Arts	Brown Paper Bag Contest
Public Presentations	

Enter Gate 5 Off South Fair Avenue

Note: You will be contacted on which day the contest will be held.

Saturday September 13, 2025 between 11 am – 2 pm the following entry forms and entries are due:

Flower Gardening/Arranging	
Food and Nutrition	Gourd & Pumpkin Animals
Valley Produce	

Enter through Gate 11 Off 18th Street and proceed to the Ag Building

JUDGING: Items will be judged and then displayed during the Fair.

SYSTEM OF JUDGING: Danish

ENTRY LIMIT: Exhibitors may enter as many exhibits as they wish.

RELEASING:

Tuesday, September 30th, 3:00pm to 6:00pm.

* Fair will not be responsible for exhibits after 6:00pm.

4-H DEPARTMENT RULES

Please also read the General Information, Rules and Regulations of the Fair.

- They apply to 4-H unless specifically replaced by rules listed below. Breaking of rules may result in forfeiture of premiums. Exhibitors must be 4-H members. All entries must be made during current club year as project work.

- Exhibits entered in the 4-H area, Modern Living Building, must stay in the department they were entered in. They will be displayed in the MLB for the entire 10 days of the Fair. Clothing for Style Review will be allowed to be modeled then returned to MLB for display until end of Fair. For State Fair participants, special entry arrangements may be made by contacting Superintendent.
- One entry form for 4-H must be submitted to Fair clerk, listing all articles to be exhibited.
- Example: Members entering exhibits in crafts and clothing will list their entries on Activities are on a separate form. And include the name of your 4-H Club on the provide line.
- 4-H age division for entries is age as of October 1, 2024.

Senior: Ages 14 to 18
Intermediate: Ages 11 to 13
Junior: Ages 8 to 10
Cloverbud: Ages 5 to 7

Age you were as of October 1st of the previous year.

Age must be entered on the entry form.

General Rules and Regulations apply.

4-H DIVISION CLASSES

CLASS #

- 1. Valley Produce: Vegetables, Fruits, Nuts, Giant Produce.** Must list specific type of fruit, vegetable, etc. entry form. Full 9" Plate Display. 4-H Member must grow and harvest their own product. May enter as many as desired however, each plate must be a different type. Entries may also include sunflowers and a garden display.
- 2. Flower Gardening/Arranging: Cut Flowers, Arrangements, Dish and Fairy/Gnome Garden.** Flowers must be grown by exhibitor. Fair management is not responsible for lost or broken containers. Exhibits may include cut, dried, annuals, perennials, or floral arrangements.
- 3. Food and Nutrition: Cookies (4 per plate), Cake, Cupcakes (4), Breads (1/2 loaf or 4 rolls), Candy (4 pieces), Decorated Cake, or Nutritious Snacks.)** You may enter as many exhibits as you wish. All entries must be a different recipe prepared and baked by exhibitor. All entries must include recipe on a "3 x 5" index card. Print or type each entry with your name on the back or you will be disqualified. Please state name of recipe on entry form and entry tag. Recipe cards will not be returned. Recipe boxes and educational displays may also be entered and are encouraged.

Washington Association of Wheat Growers Baking Awards
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To promote the use of wheat products, the Washington Association of Wheat Growers is offering the following awards for any flour baking category. Open to any entry using flour in the recipe quality. Recipe to be submitted at time of exhibit take in. American Judging System will be used.

4-H Division Awards:	1 st Place Cookbook and Rosette
	2 nd Place Cookbook

4. **NEW 4-H Dairylicious Baking Contest**

Rules: This year our baking challenge is going to highlight the DAIRY INDUSTRY. Make any baked good that does not have to be refrigerated. The sky is the limit on this with the exception that you must use a minimum of 2 dairy products in your recipe. For every item over 2 dairy products, you will receive an entry into a special drawing for a dairy industry themed prize.

For cakes and pies, please bring at least ½ of the dessert. For cupcakes, please submit five for judging. For cookies, candies and brownies, please submit five for judging.

The judging will be based on the use of dairy products, appearance and taste.

- 5. Food Preservation: Fruit, Jams/Jellies, Vegetables, Pickles, Other.** Open only to 4-H Members enrolled or who have been enrolled in the appropriate Food Preservation Project.

- All canned products must follow procedures and processing recommendations in current Extension Bulletins Canning Fruits, PNW 199; Canning Vegetables, PNW 172; Canning Tomatoes and Tomato Products, PNW 300; Salsa recipe canning PNW 395; pickling vegetables PNW 355 - all available at the Extension Office.
- May enter as many exhibits as you wish. Each entry must be from a different recipe or product. State on entry form exact type of exhibit. Food must be canned during current year.
- Enter only researched recipes, on a 3x5 card, for all pickles, relishes, and tomato-vegetable mixtures. Be sure to include your recipe source on entry form and label.
- All canned tomatoes must follow current recommendations. State on label if raw or hot packed and if processed in a weighted gauge or dial gauge pressure canner or in a boiling water canner.
- You must know your altitude to determine a safe processing time or canner pressure for canning foods.
- Directions for canning specify a 1/4" head space for jams & jellies; 1/2" for fruits & tomatoes processed in boiling water canner & 1 to 1-1/4" for low acid foods processed in a pressure canner.
- Process all jams & jellies 10 min. in a boiling water canner or sterilize jars and process 5 min. Label with the process used.
- All products are to be exhibited in Clean Clear Standard Canning Jars. No gallon jars are to be used.
- Make your own label and put as much information as possible on it. Include product name; date; packing method; processing method; processing time & altitude. Attach label to back of entry tag. Products with no label, incomplete information on label, unsealed jars, or unsafe processing methods, may be disqualified.
- All entries must include recipes on "3 x 5" index card for each entry with your name on it or will be disqualified or printout the "Food Preservation" label (see below).

EXAMPLE for "3x5" (not to scale):

FOOD PRESERVATION			
Circle all that apply.			
Class: 1 Fruit/Fruit Sauce 5 Vegetables	2 Fruit Juice/Syrups 6 Jams/Jelly	3 Tomatoes/Tomato Products 7 Meat / Fish	4 Pickles/Relishes
If yes, please describe:			
Pre-Treatment:	No	Yes	
Pack: Raw/Cold	Hot Pack		
Process: Dried In Dehydrator	Dried In Sun	Boiling Water Bath	Pressure
Elevation _____	Minutes _____	Lbs. Pressure _____	
According to:	Blue Book	USDA/WSU Bulletin	
EXHIBITOR NUMBER: _____			
EXHIBIT NUMBER: _____			

- Dried Foods and Herbs:** Entries should be 1/2 cup; fruit leather should be 2"x4" piece.
 - All dried food products must have a label indicating product name, pretreatment, drying method used (sun, oven, dehydrator) and date preserved. If no pretreatment is used, state "no pretreatment." Any inappropriate dehydrated food will be disqualified. List time for process.
 - All exhibits must be entered in plastic Ziploc-type bags.
 - All entries (vegetables, fruits, or herbs) must be different and must be appropriate for dehydration.
- Fabric and Yarn Art: Sewn Projects, Quilting, Macrame, Crochet & Knitting. Junior, Intermediate and Senior.** Open to 4-H Members enrolled in sewing projects. You may enter as many items as you wish but all entries must be different fabric and/or pattern. Members enrolled in projects Fun with Clothes will be entered under Primary. **Be sure to enter the "Style Review"**.
- Photography: People, Domesticated Animals, Wildlife, Landscape, Portrait, Candid, Action, Still Life, Editorial, Macro, Sequence of two or more photos telling a story, Photos manipulated or photoshopped.**
 - Entries are limited to no more than 20 photos taken during the current year.

- All photos must be 5x7 in size and no smaller, they can however be bigger if you choose.
- All photos must be firmly attached to white poster board with a 1” border. There must be a title labeled at the bottom of the photo. Photos will be hung with Velcro.
- **We will not accept any photographs with store-bought matting of any kind.**All pictures must have the 4-H photography label glued to the back and filled out.

9. Promotions and Educational Exhibits: Displays of a project or event, scrapbook/photo page, collage, poster, Record Books, Albums (Must be dated and captioned. Open to all 4-H Members and Clubs. Exhibitors may need to provide a table. Displays may be on any 4-H topic of educational nature. All entries must be made during current 4-H year. May be entered by the individual or by the club.

10. Creative Arts: Jewelry, Ceramics, Models, Painting, Needlework, Other Items. Open to all 4-H Members. Age of entrant must be marked on entry tag. All projects must be completed. As many items as you wish may be entered, but they must all be a different type or technique. Any craft is allowed; among them models, ceramics, painting, needlework, or jewelry. You make it- we enter it!

11. Cloverbud - Cloverbud 4-H Members will not be judged, however, their work will be displayed, and they will receive a participation ribbon and a recommendation sheet. Open to ages 5 to 7 (as of October 1, 2024).

12. Denim Upcycle Contest

The denim that we know and love today originated in 1860 when Levi Strauss and Co. debuted a new kind of work pant. Now we can use denim for so many applications other than protective leg wear. Just when you think you have worn out your favorite pair of jeans you can bring new life to them by upcycling.

Rules: Create a project from used denim jeans.

3. Categories to enter:

- a. Wearables – Convert used denim into a wearable piece of clothing that was not it’s original purpose (ie. Skirt, shorts, jacket, apron, etc)
- b. Accessories – An item that can be used with an outfit. Made from used denim (ie. Purse, hat, belt, backpack, etc)
- c. Crafts – Made from used denim. (Examples: coasters, garland, pillow, craft tote, ornaments)

13. Table Setting Contest

Pre-Registration: Saturday September 6, 2025

Event Date: **TBD**

Location: Modern Living Building

The Table Setting Contest is a fun way to learn how to properly set a table, plan a nutritional meal, and express originality and creativity. Open to all 4-H Youth Members.

The contestant will be required to fully set 1 table for an occasion selected by the contestant.

Card tables will be used for the contest. A table will need to be provided by the contestant.

The table should consist of a table cloth or covering, plates, utensils, glasses or cups, a centerpiece, and a menu for your occasion.

Your menu should include 3 items that are grown here in the Yakima Valley. Highlight those items in **BOLD** font on your menu.

There will be two (2) categories:

1. Casual-themed place settings could be planned for indoors or outdoors using any type of table cover (tablecloth, blanket or paper) and any type of table service. Theme/Occasion examples: birthday party, family dinner, friends get together, harvest party, picnic, football watch party, etc.
2. Formal-themed place settings would include more than three (3) Theme/Occasion examples: Tea Party, New Years Eve, Christmas Dinner, Formal Birthday, etc.

Judging: During judging you will present your table setting to the judge by telling them about your theme/occasion and why you chose it. You should view yourself as the host of the judge as your guest. Remember to extend a welcome to your judge and present your ideas behind your theme/occasion. ***Please do no prepare food as this is a presentation only.***

*See Yakima County 4-H Extension website for the 4-H Table Setting Activity Guidelines C1075E.

14. **NEW 4-H Dairy Container Creatures**

Using any dairy product container, create a creature of your choice. The container can be altered, and any dairy container(s) can be used. Decorate anyway you like. Be creative! Please make sure that all of your décor is securely attached to your project. Some ideas for containers are milk cartons, yogurt containers, cottage cheese containers, ice cream and cream cheese containers. Butter boxes and containers can also be used.

15. Gourd And Pumpkin Animals – Create a 3D animal face using a gourd or pumpkin as your base. Then using fabric, paper, or any other material to create a cute animal. Some ideas include dog, horse, cat, cow, pig or rabbit. Use your imagination to create a cute animal face. Please no painted only entries.

The Yakima County 4-H Extension Office will be hosting an event where members can come and create their animal. Open to all 4-H Youth Members.

16. Container Gardens – Get creative with the containers you select. Many old items that may appear as trash could be repurposed as a container for growing beautiful flowers or herbs.

There will be two (2) categories:

- 1. Ornamental Container Garden – contains ornamental flowers and plants.
- 2. Edible Container Garden – contains herbs, vegetables or edible plants.

17. STEM – Science, Engineering, and Technology. Woodworking, Welding, Models (Legos), Rockets, Entomology, Taxidermy, Rocks & Fossils, Open to all 4-H members.

18. 4-H Club Year in Review. Create a poster highlighting your club's 2024-2025 4-H year activities, community service, and accomplishments. Use pictures, brochures, and handouts to showcase your club's year.

4-H ACTIVITIES

Event Days may change in the following classes. **Pre-Registration required on September 6, 2025, between 11am – 2pm. Please check with the superintendents at pre-registration for information regarding date of activities.

Class

19. STYLE REVIEW – Dress for the Occasion

Pre-Registration: Saturday, September 6, 2025

Event Date: TBA

Location: Modern Living Building

Open to 4-H Members exhibiting clothing, and those wishing to enter Dress for the Occasion. All participants must check in one (1) hour prior to the show, in the Modern Living Building. Please bring your commentary with you. A one-day pass will be available for each contestant.

Points: 35 points – Participation ribbon for each participant. Contest may be cancelled if minimum entrants do not apply

20. 4-H PERFORMING ARTS

Pre-Registration: Saturday, September 6, 2025

Event Date: TBA

Location: Modern Living Building

Open to all 4-H Members. Limit one (1) entry per member. All participants must check in one (1) hour prior to the show, in the Modern Living Building. A one-day pass will be available for each contestant. This will be a judged event.

- a) Performing Art Contest – No Points
- b) Trophy Contest by invitation from County.

Points: 35 points - Contest may be cancelled if minimum number of entrants does not apply.

For the Trophy Contest you must qualify through 4-H Extension. Winners will be notified by mail.

21. 4-H PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS – Demonstrations and/or Illustrated Talk

Pre-Registration: Saturday, September 6, 2025

Event Date: TBA

Location: Modern Living Building

Regulations for Public Presentations:

Give a presentation related to a project in which you are enrolled. One (1) presentation per member. Livestock exhibitors may NOT give a demonstration in the barn and also in the Modern Living Building. Food demonstration may not be duplicated as food preparation. A one-day pass will be available for each contestant. Make sure all demonstration posters and materials are taken home the same day as your demonstration is given - we cannot store items. A table, easel and microphone are provided. An outlet is available for electric tools or appliances. Dates and times will be scheduled.

This will be a judged event.

- a) Demonstration and/or illustration talk
- b) Trophy Contest by invitation from County

Points: 35 points

For the Trophy Contest you must qualify through County Presentation Contest.

22. 4-H FOOD PREPARATION ACTIVITY

Pre-Registration: Saturday, September 06, 2025

Event Date: TBA**

Location: Modern Living Building

Regulations for 4-H Food Preparation: Open to all 4-H Members enrolled in Food Project, Adventures in Family Living. Juniors prepare a recipe using guidelines in Project Book. Intermediates & Seniors prepare bread or canned/frozen products as in the County food activity or prepare a favorite food. Time is limited to 1 hr. Contact Extension Service for Guidelines to these Kitchen Activities. Dates and times will be scheduled. Participants will be reimbursed up to \$7 for ingredients used (turn in an itemized list of ingredients to the Superintendent at time of activity). Food demonstration may not be duplicated as food preparation. Responsibility of equipment and posters is that of the contestant and must be taken home the day of activity. No storage available. A one-day pass will be available for contestant.

This will be a judged event. Judge will evaluate and award points according to the following:

Knowledge and Management skills	10 Points
Cleanliness, Poise, Courtesy	15 Points
<u>Suitable for Experience and Age</u>	<u>10 Points</u>
Possible Total Score	35 Points

Points: 1st - 35 Pts; 2nd - 25 Pts; 3rd - 10 Pts

Ribbons Will be awarded

23. Brown Bag Activity

Pre-Registration: Saturday, September 06, 2025

Event Date: TBA**

Location: Modern Living Building

Contestants will demonstrate the ability to pack an interesting, nutritious, and appealing lunch which can be safely stored at room temperature for at least 5 hours.

The contestants will be judged on creativity, sanitary, and safe practices, and nutritional value. 30 minute time limit.

24. Grilled Cheese Sandwich Cookoff

Say CHEESE!! This year's in person cookoff challenge will be a Grilled Cheese Sandwich Cookoff.

A grilled cheese sandwich is defined as a toasted hot cheese sandwich that is prepared by heating slices of cheese between slices of bread and using a cooking fat to make it toasted.

Rules: Create a grilled cheese masterpiece. Any type of bread, cheese, cooking fats, or alternatives and inclusions can be used.

Exhibitors will create their entry in the prep kitchen. Their sandwich will then be judged by the panel of judges and then present their entry for judging.

The contest will take place on Sunday, September 28th at time TBD.

25. **NEW Dairy Poster Contest**

Age Groups will be judged separately.

- Senior:** Ages 14 to 18
- Intermediate:** Ages 11 to 13
- Junior:** Ages 8 to 10
- Cloverbud:** Ages 5 to 7

- Create an educational poster that showcases the Dairy Industry. Be creative.
- Poster must be on standard poster board size: 14" x 22" (half of a poster board)
- Posters should be hand drawn. No computer or AI generated artwork.
- Include the 4-H Entry Form and your name on back of the poster. (it's ok to tape on the back)
- All posters due to the 4-H Office no later than Friday, September 5, 2025.
- All posters will be displayed in the Ag Building at the CWS Fair.
- Prizes for 1st – 3rd place in each age category.

Scoring Guidelines:

Originality – attracts attention, hold interest	40%
Follows Theme (Dairy)	20%
Conveys educational message (easily understood, well done design)	15%
General Appearance (colorful, easy to read, neat)	15%
Accurate Information	10%

PLEASE NOTE:

All 4-H members may also enter the youth department special contests that are offered.