

Clothing Project Activities at Fair

Registration Deadline August 15

4-H Members are eligible for the additional activities outlined below on Sunday of each fair if they are exhibiting projects in fiber arts categories such as Clothing, Sewing, Knitting, or Crocheting.

Pre-registration is required. Contact the 4-H Office directly to sign up for these activities at NCW Fair and/or Chelan County Fair at sarah.fitzgerald1@wsu.edu or 509-667-6540. Deadline August 15.

Creative Consumers of Fashion Activity

NCW Fair and Chelan County Fair: Sunday, Interviews at 2:00pm, Style Show at 3:00pm

The Creative Consumers of Fashion Activity is a fun learning experience for youth enrolled in 4-H Sewing to showcase their clothing and textile knowledge and their creative consumer skills. Participants select an outfit, model it for a judge, and discuss the consumer decisions made in the selection. The main purpose is to put together a total outfit and accessories that fits one's lifestyle, style, needs and budget. Garments and accessories can be purchased, remodeled, or part of an existing wardrobe. The activity is judged based on an interview with a judge and participation in the Style Show.

Interview: An important element of participating in Creative Consumers of Fashion is completing an interview with a judge. Some interview questions may include:

- What makes this outfit unique?
- What challenges did you face in completing this outfit?
- What is your evaluation of the quality of each garment in this outfit?
- What makes this outfit a good choice for an event?
- What small change could make it appropriate for other occasions?
- What care will be required over time?

Style Show: *(required)* The other element of participation is the Style Show. More details on the next page.

Evaluation: The judging is determined by 20% suitability to occasion (appropriate for use, design and fabric fit to use, can explain care required) 20% consumer decisions (in terms of personal needs, quality, anticipated use, values), 40% visual effectiveness (style, quality, fit, accessories, overall look), and 20% the individual (knowledge demonstrated in interview, stage presence, confidence, attitude, communication).



Sewing Activity Contest

NCW Fair and Chelan County Fair: Sunday, 10:00am-2:00pm

The Sewing Activity Contest provides an opportunity for 4-H Sewing Project Members to demonstrate clothing construction skills that they have learned in their project. Ideas for a project include a T-shirt, shorts, popover skirt or other simple project.

Bring a poster to display on an easel during the activity that includes the name of the contest, a picture of the garment you are making, your name and 4-H Club. Cut out and mark the pieces of your garment before you arrive.

Contestants will construct a complete sewn garment within a 2-hour time limit. Participants must bring a sewing machine, iron and ironing board, extension cords, and other equipment as needed; a table and chair will be provided. Participants should also bring a pattern envelope, and a picture or sketch of the garment they are constructing. During the sewing activity, the participant should answer any questions the judge asks, but no one else is allowed to interrupt or help. Contestants will model their completed garment for the judge. Other pieces of an outfit may be brought to wear with the garment during modeling.

Interview: Contestants should be prepared to give a verbal explanation concerning what they are making, various time-saving techniques, why the fabric was selected, or advantages of the fiber content for this garment.

Style Show: (*optional*) Participants are encouraged to participate in the Style Show to showcase the completed garment.

Evaluation: The judging is determined by 10% individual (poise, posture, attitude and grooming, communication), 30% management (has all necessary supplies, correct use of supplies and equipment, completes garment in allowed time, and cleans up area when finished), 30% workmanship (quality of construction and well-pressed) and 30% general appearance of garment on the individual.

Resources: The following are resources for this activity, available upon request:

- 4-H Clothing Activity Score Card
- C0677 4-H Sewing Skills Checklist
- PNW0197 Measuring Up: Quality Standards for Sewn Items/Projects



Style Show

NCW Fair and Chelan County Fair: Sunday, Interviews: 2:00pm, Style Show 3:00pm

The Style Show is on the final day of fair for 4-H members to showcase garments or accessories they are exhibiting as a 4-H Sewing, Crochet, or Knitting projects, completed garments from the Sewing Activity, and Creative Consumer participant outfits.



Use this opportunity to show others what you have made and to gain poise and confidence as you present yourself and your outfit. Judging is based on a pre-show interview as well as participation in the show.

A written commentary must be submitted prior to the fair which will be read by the MC during the Style Show.

Interview: An essential element of participating in the Style Show is completing a pre-show interview with a judge if not already completed as part of Creative Consumers or Sewing Activity Contests. Interview questions may include:

- What makes this garment/accessory/outfit unique?
- What special techniques were used in creating it?
- What did you learn while creating it?
- What challenges did you face in completing it?
- If you were going to make this item again, what would you do differently?

Evaluation: The judging is determined by 20% suitability to occasion (appropriate for use, design and fabric fit to use, can explain care), 20% consumer decisions (personal needs, quality, use, and values), 40% visual effectiveness (style, quality, fit, accessories, overall look), and 20% the individual (knowledge demonstrated in interview, stage presence, confidence, attitude, communication).

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Style Show Commentary Form:

Name: _____ Club: _____

Modeled Exhibit is from Category:

☐ Clothing/Sewing

☐ Crochet/Knitting☐ Sewing Activity Contest

☐ Creative Consumers of Fashion

This information will be shared with spectators during the style show by the announcer. Write what you want the announcer to say about you and your outfit as you model. Be informative and concise. Consider including your name, age, club, project, years in project, what guided your garment/item decisions, materials used, cost, challenges, when/where the garment/item will be worn/used, lessons learned etc. 200 words max

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