

2023 CUSTER COUNTY FAIR SCHEDULE

Exhibit Hall Open: TBD

ALL events are held in the Show Arena unless otherwise stated

Gates open at 7:00 am and close at 10:00 pm each day

***Events will not start before the stated time**

Friday, July 7th, 2023

7:00 am - 8:00 am: Check in for all OPEN projects - Exhibit Hall

8:30 am - 9:00 am: Indoor projects judges meeting - Exhibit Hall

EXHIBIT HALL CLOSED TO PUBLIC DURING JUDGING

9:00 am - 4:00 pm: Begin 4-H General and FCS project judges' interviews, exhibitors need to check in 15 minutes before their scheduled interview time - Exhibit Hall

5:00 pm: .22 Rifle Competition - Sheriff's Shooting Range

Saturday, July 8th, 2023

8:00 am: MANDATORY fair clean-up for all 4-H and FFA members

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm: Meal?

5:00 pm: 4-H Llama Show (OPEN participation following the show) - Saddle Club Arena

7:00 pm: 4-H Llama Races - Saddle Club Arena

Sunday, July 9th, 2023

8:00 am: Archery Competition - Sangre de Cristo Cowboy Church Range

5:00 pm: Shotgun Competition - Sheriff's Shooting Range

Monday, July 10th, 2023

9:00 am: 4-H Dog Show - Lamb Barn

10:00 am: 4-H and FFA Rabbit Classes - Lamb Barn

11:00 am: 4-H Cat Show - Lamb Barn

4:00 pm: Shooting Sports Awards Ceremony

5:00 pm: Small Animal Master Showmanship

Tuesday, July 11th, 2023

9:00 am: 4-H Horse Shows & Gymkhana - Saddle Club arena

4:00 pm : 6:00 pm: Meal?

6:00 pm: 4-H Speech Contest

Wednesday, July 12th, 2023

8:00 am - 12:00 pm: 4-H and FFA livestock weigh-in, small animal check in - Lamb/Goat Barn

12:00 pm: ALL animals in place

12:00 pm: Mandatory Livestock Meeting for all exhibitors and their parents

12:30 pm: Vet checks on all animals

5:00 pm: 4-H and FFA Night Out and Picnic (Closed to General Public)

Thursday, July 13th, 2023

9:00 am: 4-H and FFA Sheep Classes

12:00 pm: 4-H and FFA Goat Classes

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm: Custer County 4-H Leadership Council Pork Dinner

5:00 pm: 4-H and FFA Swine Classes

7:00 pm: Westcliffe Stampede Ranch Rodeo

Friday, July 14th, 2023

8:00 am - 9:00 am: Custer County Cattlewomen Beef Breakfast

9:00 am: 4-H and FFA Beef Classes

12:00 pm: Master Showmanship

7:00 pm: PRCA Westcliffe Stampede Rodeo

Saturday, July 15th, 2023

7:00 am - 10:00 am: Pancake Breakfast - Downtown

10:00 am: Rodeo Parade - Downtown

11:00 am: Sangre de Cristo Cowboy Church Steak Dinner

11:30 am: Buckle Awards Ceremony

12:00 pm: 4-H and FFA Livestock Auction

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm: Check out for all OPEN class projects - Exhibit Hall

7:00 pm: PRCA Westcliffe Stampede Rodeo

Sunday, July 16th, 2023

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm: MANDATORY fair clean-up for all 4-H and FFA members

3:00 pm - 4:00 pm: Check out for 4-H indoor projects - Exhibit Hall

CUSTER COUNTY FAIR CODE OF CONDUCT

Custer County 4-H, FFA, and Open Fair
Code of Conduct and Disciplinary Procedures

Prior to exhibiting, the Extension Office must have the following forms on file for all participants: Code of Conduct (signed by participant and parent/guardian, and all volunteers), Cyber Bullying Addendum (signed by participant and parent/guardian, and all volunteers. In addition, we must have proof of MQA Certifications, and Animal Care and Housing forms for all applicable participants.

By participating in the Custer County Fair as a participant, volunteer, or spectator you agree to the Code of Conduct.

1. Purpose and Application:

- a. The 4-H and FFA Code of Conduct is intended to foster a safe environment that is conducive to optimal learning and growth. Toward that end 4-H/FFA members, fair participants, leaders, parents, volunteers, and spectators are expected to behave in a way that respects the rights and property of others and that will not disrupt or interfere with the 4-H or FFA program goals.
- b. This 4-H and FFA Code of Conduct and Disciplinary Procedure is a condition of participation in the Custer County Fair.

2. Behaviors Prohibited at the County Fair that warrant Immediate removal from Fairgrounds.

- a. Possession, selling, and/or use of marijuana, alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, and illegal drugs OR being present where individuals are using alcohol, tobacco products and/or any illegal substances.
- b. Abuse (physical and/or verbal) and harassment (including verbal or physical altercations)
- c. Any kind of excessive public display of affection
- d. Possession of weapons or firearms (except while participating in a Shooting Sports Event)
- e. Behavior that violates state or local laws
- f. Damage to property of others
- g. Theft, misuse, or abuse of public or personal property
- h. Conduct that jeopardizes the safety of self or others.
- i. Conduct that disrupts or interferes with the 4-H or FFA programming.
- j. Tampering with ribbons or state fair qualifier stickers by anyone except for official fair staff.

3. Behaviors that will be subject to Disciplinary Procedures

- a. Contact by parents, exhibitors, leaders, spectators, or volunteers to county fair judges prior to or after Custer County Fair. Judges' decisions are final.

- b. Inappropriate dress - Clothing should meet the standards expected in public schools in Colorado. The following Colorado State 4-H dress code has been developed to prevent participants from becoming offended or uncomfortable during any 4-H events or activities. If you choose to dress inappropriately, you will be asked to change. Planning ahead and packing appropriately will save yourself the inconvenience of changing your attire during the 4-H event or activity and ensure that you contribute to a pleasant 4-H atmosphere. Please be advised that the following dress code will be enforced for all individuals attending 4-H events and activities, including chaperones.
- i. Clothing: All clothing shall be neat, clean, acceptable in repair and appearance, and shall be worn within the bounds of decency and good taste as appropriate for 4-H events and activities.
 - ii. Articles of clothing which display profanity, products, or slogans which promote tobacco, alcohol, drugs, sex or are in any other way distracting, are prohibited.
 - iii. Excessively baggy or tight clothing which advertises gang symbols or affiliation is prohibited.
 - iv. Items of clothing which expose bare midriffs, bare chests, undergarments, or that are transparent (see-through) are prohibited.
 - v. Tank tops with straps wider than one inch are permitted. Please be advised that spaghetti straps, shirts which expose a bare back, halter tops, and tube tops are prohibited.
 - vi. Shorts must be mid-thigh length. No cut-off shorts or shorts-shorts allowed.
 - vii. Swimming (For all water recreation): Swimsuits for men: swim trunks only (no shorts, cut-off pants or Speedos). Swimsuits for women: One-piece suits recommended; however, two-piece suits are allowed if they are modestly cut. No string, thong or crochet suits will be allowed. Swimsuits may only be worn while in the swimming pool area.
 - viii. Hats need to be removed for meetings, workshops, meals, and other times when asked to remove them.
 - ix. Shoes must be worn at all times deemed appropriate.
 - x. Note: The dress code will be relaxed slightly for female delegates opting to wear formal dresses. Dresses must still be within the bounds of decency appropriate for a 4-H event (covering cleavage, midriffs, no back expose lower than the shoulder blades, and not made of non-opaque fabric). All chaperones are asked to make sure that their county delegation is meeting the dress code. **Special Note – Party and prom dresses may be strapless but must be appropriate. However, backless, low-cut (front or back) outfits, outfits that expose midriff or navel, or dresses/skirts short in length (above the knees) are not appropriate. ***

4. Anti-Cyberbullying Policy

- a. Cyberbullying may be defined as: the use of electronic communication, particularly mobile phones and the internet, to bully a person, typically by sending or posting messages of an intimidating or threatening nature: children and adults may be reluctant to admit to being the victims of cyberbullying. It can take several different forms: threats and intimidation, harassment or 'cyberstalking' (e.g., repeatedly sending unwanted texts or instant messages), sexting (e.g., sending and receiving sexually explicit messages, primarily between mobile phones) vilification/defamation, exclusion/peer rejection, impersonation, unauthorized publication of private information/images and 'trolling' (abusing the internet to provoke or offend others online). It can be an extension of face-to-face bullying, with technology providing the bully with another route to harass their target.
 - b. As a 4-H/FFA member, fair participant, leader, parent, volunteer, and spectator, I agree to abstain from any activity or behavior that may be defined as cyberbullying, use curse language, derogatory language, or offensive language at the Custer County Fair. **I have reviewed this document and I understand that it is my duty to report such behavior to the Fair Board and/or Extension Office as Custer County 4-H/FFA and Extension have a zero-tolerance policy for such behavior.** Consequences for violating any part of this policy may include, but are not limited to; removal from participation in current 4-H/FFA events at my own expense, sanctions on participating in any future 4-H events, forfeiture of financial support for the event(s), removal from any office or position held, etc. It is the responsibility of all program participants to reinforce this policy, intervene appropriately when necessary to enforce the rules, and to report any violations.
5. Fair Board, 4-H Leaders, FFA Advisor and Advisory board members, Superintendents, County or State Extension personnel may impose discipline pursuant below in cases of misconduct by current, former, or prospective 4-H participants if, in the judgement of the personnel, the misconduct poses a potential risk to the 4-H or FFA program. This includes risks to the safety or well-being of others and risks to the effective functioning or integrity of 4-H and FFA.
6. **Disciplinary Procedures**
 - a. Discipline may be imposed by any 4-H, FFA, Fair Board, or Extension staff who has oversight responsibility at the Custer County Fair.
 - b. Unless immediate action is required, the following procedures must take place before there can be any finding or conclusion of guilt:
 - i. The accused participant shall be told the charge (which of the prohibited behaviors listed above) he or she is accused of violating, and
 - ii. The accused participant is told what factual evidence supports the charge, and
 - iii. The accused participant is given a chance to tell his/her side of the story.

- iv. The 4-H or FFA staff person/s must be satisfied that the participant, more likely than not, engaged in the prohibited behavior before imposing a sanction. Sanctions may include some or all the following:
 - 1. Verbal warning
 - 2. Notification to parents
 - 3. Immediate removal from the fair
 - 4. Being placed on a behavior contract
 - 5. Referral to local law enforcement
 - 6. Program suspension and/or
 - 7. Expulsion from the fair
 - 8. Other sanctions appropriate to the circumstances, as determined by the Fair Board, 4-H staff, FFA personnel.
- c. Protest and Appeals
 - i. A “protest” may be used by anyone to review rules, policies, and judging procedures. All protests shall be considered by the Superintendent or the entity responsible (i.e., the Fair Board), as appropriate.
 - ii. The protest must be in writing, on a Protest Form obtained from the Fair Board Office and accompanied by a fee of \$50 in cash or certified check. The protest shall plainly state the cause of the protest and shall be delivered to the Fair Office no later than 24 hours after the occurrence of the alleged incident. Judging will not be interrupted by a protest.
 - iii. In the event the protestor is not satisfied by the protest resolution, the protestor may appeal the protest resolution to the Fair Board Executive Panel.
 - iv. The appeal must be in writing, on an Appeal Form obtained from the Fair Office and accompanied by a fee of \$100 in cash or certified check. The appeal shall plainly state the matter being appealed and shall be delivered to the Fair Office no later than 8 (eight) hours after the protest resolution was announced. The decision of the Fair Board Executive Panel is final.
 - v. Compliance with this protest and appeal process is mandatory prior to seeking review in any other forum. The fee(s) imposed above shall be refunded if the matter is resolved in favor of the person bringing the protest or appeal.
- d. Immediate action situations:
 - i. 4-H, FFA, or Extension staff may take immediate action to remove a participant from the fairgrounds and other action as needed, where there is an emergency or significant risk of continuing misconduct. In those cases, the immediate action is temporary discipline and 4-H, FFA, or Extension staff must arrange for the procedures in part B above as soon as possible but in no event longer than seven days from the temporary discipline.

CUSTER COUNTY FAIR BOARD

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SUPERINTENDENTS

4-H and Open Divisions – Katlyn Wommack
FFA - Kyle Evans
Beef – Sara Shields and Kyle Evans
Swine – Shannon Byerly
Sheep & Goats – Sara Canterbury
Horse – Kelley Camper
Llama – Annie Hunt
Small Animal -
Small Animal Master Showmanship – Brianna Evert
Livestock Master Showmanship – Lynetta Gilmore
Shooting Sports – Janet Freeburg

FAIRGROUNDS CLEAN UP

1. Fairgrounds clean-up will be held immediately before the Fair Saturday, July 9th (Mandatory) and immediately after fair on Sunday, July 16th. It is expected that the grounds will be kept as clean as possible during the Fair.

COUNTY SHOOTING SPORTS CONTEST RULES & REGULATIONS

GENERAL RULES

1. All contest rules are found in the Colorado State 4-H Shooting Sports Championships Rule Book. Please refer to the most up to date version at <https://co4h.colostate.edu/ss/forms/ss-rulebook.pdf>
2. Custer County DOES NOT USE the Orion scorecards, the county scorecards will be provided on day of the contest.
3. All competitors must be in good standing with their club, county, and complete a record book and display for each discipline they compete in.
 - a. The competitor must score 75% on the record book and receive at least a red ribbon on their exhibit to be eligible for county and state contest.
4. The American Ribbon placings will be used in all shooting contests.

FIREARMS

Friday and Sunday, July 7 and 9, 2023

Competitor Check In: 4:30 PM

Competition Begins: 5:00 PM

Superintendent: Janet Freeburg

Location: Sheriff's Shooting Range

Grand and Reserve Grand Champions will be determined by the highest score percentage in each discipline (Air Pistol, Air Rifle, .22 Pistol, .22 Rifle, and Shotgun).

ARCHERY

Sunday, July 9, 2023

Competitor Check In: Will receive squad time.

Competition Begins: 8:00 AM

Superintendent: Janet Freeburg

Location: Cowboy Church Archery Range

Grand and Reserve Grand Champions will be determined by the highest score percentage in each age group and bow type (Compound and Recurve).

4-H FAMILY CONSUMER SCIENCE & GENERAL PROJECTS RULES AND REGULATIONS

Judging: Friday, July 7, 2023, 9:00 am

Check in 15 minutes before your scheduled interview time.

Superintendent: Katlyn Wommack

1. 4-H member eligibility: Exhibitors in the Divisions of this department must be bona fide members of Custer County, Colorado 4-H. The project work must be 4-H members' own work and sources must be sited, plagiarism will not be tolerated and will be subject to disqualification.
2. Exhibitors must be at least eight years of age and must not have reached their 19th birthday as of December 31 of the current enrollment year and must satisfy other eligibility requirements (if specified) for a class, to compete in that class.
3. The exhibit may not be shown at another county fair.
4. 4-H/FFA members must wear appropriate clothing while exhibiting their projects according to the 4-H Dress Code.
5. Judged interviews are required for all Consumer Science and General projects. Interviews will be 10 to 15 minutes long for each project being displayed.
6. JUDGES DECISION IS FINAL!
7. The Danish System will be used on the 4-H exhibits. See below about how the Danish System works.
8. 4-H projects that receive a Champion Ribbon in their class will qualify to go to the Colorado State Fair. These projects will be awarded State Fair Quality Stickers.
 - a. In the case that the Champion Ribbon project does not wish to display at the Colorado State Fair, the Reserve Champion Ribbon project will be given the opportunity to be displayed.
9. Exhibits, record books, and ribbons must remain on the grounds until exhibit check out during the after fair clean up. *Exceptions: Any exhibit, record book or ribbon may be released at the discretion of the Superintendent.*
10. 4-H e-record books and displays shall follow requirements set forth in the 4-H Consumer Science and General Project rules found at <http://co4h.colostate.edu/statefair/StateFairExhibitReq.pdf>
 - a. All project specific requirements can be found in this document.
11. All exhibits must have the provided display card attached to the project and record book. Members will receive these cards at check in on judging day.
12. Projects are divided into Junior, Intermediate, and Senior age groups. The ages are Juniors 8-10, Intermediates 11-13, and Seniors 14-18.
13. Cloverbud member 4-H projects will be awarded a Special Award ribbon.
14. All family consumer science and general project youth will be REQUIRED to work a shift in the exhibit building during the fair. The sign-up list will be available at the interviews. It is strongly suggested that parents also attend, especially for the junior 4-H members.

RIBBONS AND AWARDS

The Danish System will be used to evaluate exhibitor's projects against the standard set forth in each project's guidelines and requirements.

- a. White Ribbons are awarded for exhibits that are below average in quality or content.
 - b. Red Ribbons are awarded for exhibits that are average in quality or content.
 - c. Blue ribbons are awarded for exhibits that are above average in quality or content.
2. Champion ribbons are awarded to the highest quality blue ribbon exhibit in a single class, if there is a worthy exhibit.
 3. State Fair Stickers are awarded to the champion exhibit that meets state fair requirements in each class.
 4. Reserve Champions ribbons are awarded to the second highest quality blue ribbon exhibit in a single class, if there is a worthy exhibit.
 5. Grand Champion ribbons are awarded to the highest quality exhibit in one project area (if it's quality merits this award). The award is selected from all the Champion ribbons in the project.
 6. Reserve Grand Champion ribbons are awarded to the second highest quality exhibit in one project area (if it's quality merits this award). The award is selected from the remaining Champion ribbons in addition to the Reserve Champion from the Grand Champion class.

PREMIUMS

All 4-H Consumer Science, General, and Non-Sale animal projects are eligible for premiums. Premiums will be determined by available funds and the number of participants. Premiums will be given to the following placements:

1. Blue or 1st place premium
2. Red or 2nd place premiums
3. White or 3rd place premiums
4. Yellow or 4th place premiums

4-H & FFA MARKET ELIGIBLE LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY RULES AND REGULATIONS

GENERAL RULES

1. 4-H/FFA members eligibility: Exhibitors in the divisions of this department must be bona fide members of Colorado 4-H & FFA
2. Exhibitors must be at least eight years of age and must not have reached their 19th birthday as of December 31 of the current enrollment year and must satisfy other eligibility requirements (if specified) for a class, to compete in that class.
3. The exhibit may not be shown in another county fair.
4. 4-H & FFA members must wear appropriate clothing while exhibiting their projects and during the sale. (Long sleeve shirts/blouses, nice jeans or trousers, and closed toe shoes. No sandals. No Hats. No gum or tobacco.)
5. JUDGES DECISION IS FINAL!

6. A **MANDATORY** meeting for all market livestock exhibitors will be held immediately after weigh-in on Wednesday following the completion of weigh in.
7. The Fair Board reserves the right to declare the 2023 Custer County Swine Show an ALL-HARVEST SHOW if there is a confirmed case of PEDV in the county.
8. The barns will close at 10 pm with only exhibitors and family members allowed in the buildings to check on the exhibitor's animals.
9. Every animal must be a 4-H or FFA project and must be shown by its owner or another qualified Custer County 4-H or FFA member. Superintendents have the authority to deal with hardship cases.
10. All animals must remain on the fairgrounds until released by the superintendents.
11. All Large Animal Livestock Exhibitors must check with the Superintendent or designee before leaving the fairgrounds after cleaning their area. The area must be cleaned by Wednesday following fair at 5 pm. Arrangements must be made with the Superintendent or designee to check the area. Exhibitors failing to do so will forfeit twenty percent of their proceeds from the sale of their animal. The twenty percent will go into the capital improvements fund.
12. Breeding records will not be required for any of the breeding classes.
13. All beef, sheep, swine, and goat exhibitors should provide the majority of the care of the animal beginning with the Official Weigh-in and to continue through the duration of the Fair. Horse, small, and companion animal exhibitors should provide the majority of the care of the animal beginning October 1 of the previous year or when the exhibitor obtains ownership of the animal.
14. After weigh-in and/or placement of animals at the Fair, the member must do the major grooming and showing of the animal with minimum assistance from parents, leaders, or any other outside help.
15. Each exhibitor is responsible for cleaning up their own stall area and must be checked out by a Superintendent or the project leader at the end of the Fair. No straw or hay is allowed for bedding.
16. Space priority in the livestock and small animal barns will be given to 4-H and FFA members.
17. To be eligible to exhibit market animals, all 4-H and FFA members are required to attend a Meat Quality Assurance class. This is a requirement for all first-year livestock member and those who have turned 14 years old.
18. To be eligible to sell market animals, all exhibitors and parents are required to sign a copy of the Wholesome Meat Act Disclosure. This is to be turned into the fair office no later than one hour after the market goat show.
19. Showmanship is a required class for all 4-H and FFA market livestock, horse, companion, and small animal exhibitors.
20. The Champion in the Senior, Intermediate, and Junior age divisions of all market livestock & horse showmanship will compete in the Master Showmanship Contest.
21. A first and last call will be given for all small animals and livestock to be entered in the show ring.
22. All market animals weighed in must show in appropriate classes. This includes animals that do not meet the minimum weight requirements (feeder animals). Exhibitors of feeder

- animals, at the discretion of the superintendent, will have the option of having the animal released to go home following the feeder class show.
23. Classes will be divided at the discretion of the Superintendents.
 24. Animals shown in breeding classes cannot be shown in the market classes.
 25. All market livestock must be weighed at the time scheduled. This weight will be used as the sale weight. The official scale is the scale at the fairgrounds, which is calibrated yearly.
 26. Re-weigh policy: re-weigh for animals that either weigh under the minimum or over the maximum weight(s) for the species will be allowed under the following guidelines –
 - A. The animal will be removed from the scale.
 - B. Animal will not be allowed to leave the immediate area of the scale.
 - C. Scale will be re-zeroed.
 - D. Animal will be immediately re-weighed.
 - E. The second weight recorded will become the official weight.
 27. The tag number initially assigned to an animal must remain with that animal throughout the entire fair.
 28. All unmanageable livestock will be immediately removed from the fairgrounds.
 29. All exhibits are to display good health. Any animal showing evidence of poor health that renders the animal unfit for human consumption may be excused from the grounds immediately following a decision from the review committee. The review committee shall consist of the animal superintendent, a member of the Fair Board, the Extension Agent or FFA Advisor, and a licensed veterinarian.
 30. Each market livestock animal will be checked by a licensed veterinarian during the fair and again prior to the sale to determine if the animal is slaughter ready on the day of the sale.
 31. If a market livestock animal is barred from the sale, the exhibitor may sell a qualified alternate enrolled project if they have one (must meet weight requirements).
 32. No unethical practices will be allowed:
 - a. Doctoring, doping, or injections for body “fill in.”
 - b. Use of ice packs or other refrigerants to alter the quality of the finish of an animal.
 - c. No altering of color or structure of hair or wool, except for trimming and blocking.
 - d. Only acceptable product on swine is WATER!
 - e. All market animals may be subject to random drug testing.
 33. ALL LIVESTOCK EXHIBITS NOT BEING SOLD NEED TO BE REMOVED FROM THE FAIR GROUNDS BEFORE 9:00 A.M. ON SATURDAY.

AWARDS

1. The American System will be used on 4-H and FFA Livestock classes for presenting ribbons.
2. It is the judge’s responsibility to determine the merits of all classes. NO PLACES ARE PRE-DETERMINED simply because of the size of the class.
3. Cloverbud members (under age 8) will not be judged competitively. They will be recognized for their participation by receiving participation ribbons. Experience sharing is

encouraged. Cloverbud members will be able to exhibit at the County Fair and other events, but not at State Fair.

“OPEN” LIVESTOCK AND SMALL ANIMALS

1. A person eligible to participate in the Open Livestock and Small Animal classes will be:
 - a. Youth ages 5-18
 - i. Parent or legal guardian must be present and resident of Custer County.
 - ii. Youth must pre-enter a minimum of 1 hour prior to the appropriate show.
 - iii. Due to safety concerns - no bats, sticks, whips, canes, or other devices will be allowed in the open youth hog class.
 - b. Adult ages 18+
 - i. Adults must pre-enter a minimum of 1 hour prior to the appropriate show.
2. Open class large animals brought to the Custer County Fair expressly for the open shows will not have stalls. They will be brought in the day of the show and be taken back home after showing.
3. Open classes will follow the 4-H and FFA shows for that same animal class.
4. Small animal open entries will be allowed to remain on the grounds for the duration of the fair if desired by the owner and if there are enough pens, giving priority to 4-H/FFA participants. The Fair Board declines any liability for these animals.
5. All open livestock exhibits are NOT eligible for the Livestock Sale.

MARKET SWINE

Check in: Wednesday, July 12, 2023, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

In place: Wednesday, July 12, 2023, 12:00 pm

Judging: Thursday, July 13, 2023, 5:00 pm

Superintendent: Shannon Byerly

Project exhibit rules:

1. Classes will be broken by weights at the discretion of the Superintendent.
2. Hogs must weigh a minimum of 220 lbs. and a maximum of 290 lbs.
3. All market swine will be tagged and weighed at the beginning official weigh-in for the current year.
4. No feed pans may be left in the pens or stalls.
5. Self-waterers will be allowed to remain in the pig pens if made from PVC pipe and pig nipple. (Maximum size is 8" diameter x 48" high).

Classes:

1. Senior Showmanship (14 - 18 years of age)
2. Intermediate Showmanship (11 - 13 years of age)
3. Junior Showmanship (8 - 10 years of age)
4. Market Swine
5. Breeding Swine (See Non-Market Eligible Livestock section for Rules and Regulations)

MARKET BEEF

Check in: Wednesday, July 12, 2023, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

In place: Wednesday, July 12, 2023, 12:00 pm

Judging: Friday, July 14, 2023, 9:00 am

Superintendent: Sara Shields and Kyle Evans

Project exhibit rules:

1. Classes will be broken by weights at the discretion of the superintendents.
2. No breed competition will exist.
3. All market steers and heifers must be weighed and officially tattooed or tagged at official weigh-in of current year.
4. Steers and heifers will weigh a minimum of 1,000 lbs. in order to sell.
5. No feed pans or waterers may be left in the pens or stalls.
6. For the market heifer class in the market beef show, a veterinarian's certification of a pregnancy check, no earlier than 30 days prior to the county fair, to confirm she is "open" and not pregnant must be presented to the Superintendent or Fair Board member upon arrival at the Fair Grounds for Show. The maximum age remains at 20 months at fair time.
7. All market beef projects have a maximum age limit of 20 months at fair time (excludes Grass Fed Beef). A dental check will be performed to verify ages.
8. Grass fed beef class has a maximum age limit of 29 months at fair time. Grass fed beef shall be defined as beef whose only food source is grass or forage (milk prior to weaning): grass, forbs, browse or grain crops in their vegetative or pre-grain state.(i.e. Alfalfa pellets.)
9. Champion and Reserve Champion grass fed beef or market heifers will compete for overall Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Market Beef with other Market Beef Class Champions.

Classes:

1. Senior Showmanship (14-18 years of age)
2. Intermediate Showmanship (11-13 Years of age)
3. Junior Showmanship (8-10 years of age)
4. Market Beef
 - a. Market Steer
 - b. Market Heifer
 - c. Grass Fed Heifer or Steer
 - d. Jackpot "Pen of 3" Steer Class
5. Breeding Beef (See Non-Market Eligible Livestock section for Rules and Regulations)

MARKET SHEEP

Check in: Wednesday, July 12, 2023, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

In place: Wednesday, July 12, 2023, 12:00 pm

Judging: Thursday, July 13, 2023, 9:00 am
Superintendent: Sara Canterbury

Project exhibit rules:

1. Classes will be broken by weight at the discretion of the Superintendent.
2. Lambs must weigh a minimum of 105 lbs.
3. All market lambs must be officially tagged and weighed at the official weigh-in of the current year.
4. All market lambs must be rough shorn at the last official weigh-in of the current year.
5. No blankets, covers, or halters will be left on the animals for the weigh-in.
6. No breeding records will be required for breeding sheep projects.
7. Feet must remain on the ground while bracing. Superintendent will enforce this rule. Exhibitor will have one warning and after will be asked to leave the show ring.

Classes:

1. Senior Showmanship (14 - 18 years of age)
2. Intermediate Showmanship (11 - 13 years of age)
3. Junior Showmanship (8 - 10 years of age)
4. Market Sheep
5. Breeding Sheep (See Non-Market Eligible Livestock section for Rules and Regulations)

MARKET GOAT

Check in: Wednesday, July 12, 2023, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm
In place: Wednesday, July 12, 2023, 12:00 pm
Judging: Thursday, July 13, 2023, 12:00 pm
Superintendent: Sara Canterbury

Project exhibit rules:

1. Classes will be broken by weights at the discretion of the Superintendent.
2. Must weigh a minimum of 55 lbs.
3. All market goats must be officially tagged and weighed at the official weigh-in of the current year.
4. All market goat weights must increase at least 5 pounds from the beginning weigh-in weight to the end weight established at county fair.
5. All goats – market, dairy, and breeding projects must be tagged or tattooed.
6. Scrapie tags are required on all intact goats.
7. Wethers must be castrated before the FIRST weigh in.
8. Bracing will be allowed for showing market goats, feet must remain on the ground. Rule will be enforced by Superintendent. Exhibitor will have one warning and after will be asked to leave the show ring.
9. Wethers and does may be shown.
10. Horns must be blunt tipped prior to county fair weigh in.
11. Must be shorn to no more than 1/4 inch.

12. Must still have milk teeth.

Classes:

1. Senior Showmanship (14 - 18 years of age)
2. Intermediate Showmanship (11 - 13 years of age)
3. Junior Showmanship (8 - 10 years of age)
4. Market Goat
5. Breeding Goat (See Non-Market Eligible Livestock section for Rules and Regulations)
6. Dairy Goat (See Non-Market Eligible Livestock section for Rules and Regulations)

MARKET POULTRY

Includes chicken, waterfowl (ducks & geese), turkeys, and pigeons

Check in: NO LIVE BIRDS for 2023 Custer County Fair

Judging: NO LIVE BIRDS for 2023 Custer County Fair

Superintendent:

Project exhibit rules:

1. Meat production chickens need proof of order by May 1st with a delivery date between first week of May and first week of June (6 to 10 weeks prior to show check in)
2. A single market chicken entry will consist of three birds of the same breed, variety, age, and sex.
3. The combined weight of a pen of 3 fryers should be between 13.5 and 18 pounds. They should be less than 10 weeks old.
4. The combined weight of a pen of 3 roasters should be between 18 and 27 pounds and be between 8 and 12 weeks old.
5. Market turkeys should be at least 14 lbs. and no more than 40 lbs.
6. Market ducks must have been hatched after the first of the current year and should be between 7 to 10 weeks old and weigh between 5 to 8 pounds.
7. All fowl/poultry will compete in one set of showmanship classes. Exhibitors have the choice of what bird to use for their showmanship class.

Classes:

1. Senior Showmanship (14 - 18 years of age)
2. Intermediate Showmanship (11 - 13 years of age)
3. Junior Showmanship (8 - 10 years of age)
4. Chickens
 - a. Young Meat Trio of Roasters
 - b. Young Meat Trio of Fryers
 - c. *An Overall Grand Champion and Overall Reserve Grand Champion will be awarded.
5. Turkeys
 - a. Young Tom Turkey Single
 - b. Young Hen Turkey Single
 - c. *An Overall Grand Champion and Overall Reserve Grand Champion will be awarded.
6. Ducks
 - a. Young Drake Duck Single

- b. Young Hen Duck Single
- c. *An Overall Grand Champion and Overall Reserve Grand Champion will be awarded

EGG PRODUCTION

1. Birds must be at least 16 weeks old.
2. A copy of the egg production record is required if hens are laying.
3. Birds will be judged on health, vigor, uniformity in type, weight and production.

Classes:

1. Senior Showmanship (14 - 18 years of age)
2. Intermediate Showmanship (11 - 13 years of age)
3. Junior Showmanship (8 - 10 years of age)
4. Egg Production Trio
5. Eggs – Eggs exhibited must have been produced by hens owned by and cared for by the exhibitor. A single entry will consist of a dozen eggs with a limit of two entries per exhibitor per breed. Eggs cannot be sold at the Junior Livestock Sale.
 - a. White – one dozen
 - b. Brown – one dozen
 - c. Colored – one dozen
 - d. Any other – one dozen
6. Top Egg Layer Contest – The youth with the most eggs laid by check out time will receive the Top Egg Layer Award.

4-H & FFA HORSE RULES AND REGULATIONS

HORSE

Written test: Friday July 7, 2023, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Check In: Tuesday, July 10, 2023, 8:00 am

Judging: Tuesday, July 10, 2023, 9:00 am

Superintendent: Kelley Camper

Project exhibit rules:

1. The member must meet all requirements of the 4-H Horse Project to be eligible to participate in the 4-H Horse Show. These include submission of Animal Care and Housing Form, Lease Agreement, Animal ID, and all club and project requirements. Horse members must submit an e-record book a week after the Fair.
2. The member must have complete access to the horse at any time and must provide full care and management a majority of the time, whether the horse is owned or non-owned.
3. Base dates for computing the age of horses shall be January 1st.
4. Stallions are prohibited in all classes.
5. All contestants (showing at the county fair) must participate in the Showmanship and Horsemanship Classes and take the written test.
6. No horse may be shown in the same class by more than one contestant.
7. Rules for all classes will be from the Colorado 4-H Rule Book.
8. All Gymkhana contestants must wear riding ASTM/SEI approved helmets with harness.
9. Unsafe horses or participant(s) may be excused from their class for everyone's safety.
10. Disqualification/no time will be awarded no points earned in that contest.

11. Novice qualification is defined as a first-year competitor. Novice cannot compete in gymkhana events.
12. Point system is based on the number of participants in a class (weighted system).

Classes

1. Showmanship classes:
 - a. Junior Showmanship
 - b. Intermediate Showmanship
 - c. Senior Showmanship
2. Western classes:
 - a. Horsemanship – Novice, Junior & Senior Divisions
 - b. Western Pleasure – Novice, Junior & Senior Divisions
 - c. Reining - Novice, Junior & Senior
 - d. Trail – Novice, Junior & Senior Divisions
3. English classes:
 - a. Hunt seat equitation – Novice, Junior & Senior Divisions
 - b. Riding for control – Novice, Junior & Senior Divisions
 - c. Hunter under saddle – Novice, Junior & Senior Divisions
4. Gymkhana Classes:
 - a. Barrels
 - b. Poles
 - c. 75 Up and Back

Awards:

1. Champion and Reserve Champion awards will be given to Novice, Junior, and Senior Divisions for Western, English and Gymkhana classes. Showmanship will be added into the total Western score. If a tie exists, the showmanship placing will be used. In the event of a continued tie, the written test placement will be used.
2. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be presented to the Junior and Senior exhibitors in each level with the highest accumulation of points combined in Western, English and Gymkhana, and written test score.
3. The high point award for the buckle will be presented to the Junior, Intermediate, and Senior age groups. Novice members will be considered in their appropriate age group. The buckle will be awarded to the exhibitors with the highest accumulation of points combined in Western, English and Gymkhana, and written test score in each age group.

4-H & FFA NON-MARKET ELIGIBLE LIVESTOCK AND SMALL ANIMAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

GENERAL RULES

1. 4-H/FFA members eligibility: Exhibitors in the divisions of this department must be bona fide members of Colorado 4-H & FFA
2. Exhibitors must be at least eight years of age and must not have reached their 19th birthday as of December 31 of the current enrollment year and must satisfy other eligibility requirements (if specified) for a class, to compete in that class.
3. The exhibit may not be shown in another county fair.

4. 4-H & FFA members must wear appropriate clothing while exhibiting their projects and during the sale. (Long sleeve shirts/blouses, nice jeans or trousers, and closed toe shoes. No sandals. No Hats. No gum or tobacco.)
5. JUDGES DECISION IS FINAL!
6. The barns will close at 10 pm with only exhibitors and family members allowed in the buildings to check on the exhibitor's animals.
7. Every animal must be a 4-H or FFA project and must be shown by its owner or another qualified Custer County 4-H or FFA member. Superintendents have the authority to deal with hardship cases.
8. All animals must remain on the fairgrounds until released by the superintendents.
9. All Large Animal Livestock Exhibitors must check with the Superintendent or designee before leaving the fairgrounds after cleaning their area. The area must be cleaned by Wednesday following fair at 5 pm. Arrangements must be made with the Superintendent or designee to check the area. Exhibitors failing to do so will forfeit twenty percent of their proceeds from the sale of their animal. The twenty percent will go into the capital improvements fund.
10. Breeding records will not be required for any of the breeding classes.
11. All beef, sheep, swine, and goat exhibitors should provide the majority of the care of the animal beginning with the Official Weigh-in and to continue through the duration of the Fair. Horse, small, and companion animal exhibitors should provide the majority of the care of the animal beginning October 1 of the previous year or when the exhibitor obtains ownership of the animal.
12. After weigh-in and/or placement of animals at the Fair, the member must do the major grooming and showing of the animal with minimum assistance from parents, leaders, or any other outside help.
13. Each exhibitor is responsible for cleaning up their own stall area and must be checked out by a Superintendent or the project leader at the end of the Fair. No straw or hay is allowed for bedding.
14. Space priority in the livestock and small animal barns will be given to 4-H and FFA members.
15. Showmanship is a required class for all 4-H and FFA market livestock, horse, companion, and small animal exhibitors.
16. The Champion in the Senior, Intermediate, and Junior age divisions of all market livestock & horse showmanship will compete in the Master Showmanship Contest.
17. A first and last call will be given for all small animals and livestock to be entered in the show ring.
18. Animals shown in breeding classes cannot be shown in the market classes.
19. All unmanageable livestock will be immediately removed from the fairgrounds.
20. All exhibits are to display good health. Any animal showing evidence of poor health that renders the animal unfit for human consumption may be excused from the grounds immediately following a decision from the review committee. The review committee shall consist of the animal superintendent, a member of the Fair Board, the Extension Agent or FFA Advisor, and a licensed veterinarian.
21. No unethical practices will be allowed:

- f. Doctoring, doping, or injections for body “fill in.”
 - g. Use of ice packs or other refrigerants to alter the quality of the finish of an animal.
 - h. No altering of color or structure of hair or wool, except for trimming and blocking.
 - i. Only acceptable product on swine is WATER!
 - j. All market animals may be subject to random drug testing.
22. ALL ANIMAL EXHIBITS NOT BEING SOLD NEED TO BE REMOVED FROM THE FAIR GROUNDS BEFORE 9:00 A.M. ON SATURDAY.

AWARDS

- 4. The American System will be used on 4-H and FFA Livestock classes for presenting ribbons.
- 5. It is the judge’s responsibility to determine the merits of all classes. NO PLACES ARE PRE-DETERMINED simply because of the size of the class.
- 6. Cloverbud members (under age 8) will not be judged competitively. They will be recognized for their participation by receiving participation ribbons. Experience sharing is encouraged. Cloverbud members will be able to exhibit at the County Fair and other events, but not at State Fair.

“OPEN” LIVESTOCK AND SMALL ANIMALS

- 6. A person eligible to participate in the Open Livestock and Small Animal classes will be:
 - a. Youth ages 5-18
 - i. Parent or legal guardian must be present and resident of Custer County.
 - ii. Youth must pre-enter a minimum of 1 hour prior to the appropriate show.
 - iii. Due to safety concerns - no bats, sticks, whips, canes, or other devices will be allowed in the open youth hog class.
 - b. Adult ages 18+
 - i. Adults must pre-enter a minimum of 1 hour prior to the appropriate show.
- 7. Open class large animals brought to the Custer County Fair expressly for the open shows will not have stalls. They will be brought in the day of the show and be taken back home after showing.
- 8. Open classes will follow the 4-H and FFA shows for that same animal class.
- 9. Small animal open entries will be allowed to remain on the grounds for the duration of the fair if desired by the owner and if there are enough pens, giving priority to 4-H/FFA participants. The Fair Board declines any liability for these animals.
- 10. All open livestock exhibits are NOT eligible for the Livestock Sale.

LLAMA/ALPACA

Check in: Saturday, July 8, 2023, 4:00 pm

Judging: Saturday, July 8, 2023, 5:00 pm

Superintendent: Annie Hunt

Location: Wet Mountain Valley Saddle Club Arena

The educational 4-H llama program and related activities provide youth with a fun and hands-on learning experience which develops both project subject skills (such as nutrition, training, housing, and health care) and life skills (such as responsibility, decision-making, nurturing, and communications).

General Rules:

1. Contestants must be 4-H youth members enrolled in the Custer County llama project as of May 1st, of the current year.
2. Showmanship and Obstacle are required to complete the project for 4-H and the other classes are encouraged.
3. All performance classes will have a minimum of 8 obstacles per class.

Age Divisions as of December 31st, of current 4-H year:

Mini age 8 & under (no Pack class)

Junior age 8-10

Intermediate age 11-13

Senior age 14-18

Class 1: Costume

The exhibitor decides on a theme and dresses him/herself and the Llama to illustrate the chosen theme. The Llama or Alpaca can be presented with music or written script. The Llama must be taught to accept the costume. Class placement will be passed on originality, creativeness and the coverage of the costume on sensitive areas of the animals such as its head, back, legs, ears, etc. Member and animal are judged on originality, difficulty in training animal to accept and exhibit costume, and suitability to theme of the exhibitor's choice. At check in, exhibitors may submit a narrative to be read during their performance. Narratives to list the name of the exhibitor and the name of the Llama or Alpaca and description of what the costume represents. Costume classes are not divided by age classes and do not count toward Champion/Reserve Champion Performance. Ribbons will be awarded for 1st-6th place *all age groups will be in one class.*

Class 2: Pack

This class simulates the conditions and obstacles encountered when packing on the trail. All packs must have two straps and panniers must be filled out. Obstacles may include a bridge or ramp, step over and backing. Ribbons will be awarded for 1st-6th place.

Class 3: Obstacle

This class demonstrates the llama's obedience and willingness to complete the activities requested by the handler. Obstacles may include a bridge or ramp, jumps, change of pace, and backing. Ribbons will be awarded for 1st-6th place.

Class 4: Public Relations

This class tests a llama ability to participate in community events. PR obstacles may include stairs or ramps, petting, loading in a vehicle, backing and picking up a foot or showing teeth. Ribbons will be awarded for 1st-6th place.

Obstacle and Public Relations classes will be ran back to back so the exhibitor will go through a total of 16 obstacles. Exhibitors should use this extra time to prepare for the Showmanship class.

Class 5: Showmanship is a demonstration of the handler's ability to show their animal to its best advantage at halter. Judging is based on the exhibitor's skills in fitting, grooming, animal knowledge, following directions, and showing style when presenting the animal to the Judge. The animal's conformation is not considered. Handler's attire should be neat, clean, and appropriate. Black pants or skirt, Western or white shirt or blouse and sturdy shoes or boots. Champion and Reserve Champion Rosettes will be awarded for all age groups as well as ribbons from 1st-6th.

Champion and Reserve Champion Rosettes will be awarded for Junior, Intermediate, and Senior age divisions based on ALSA points for combined scores in Showmanship, Obstacle, PR, and Pack.

After the awards presentation, community members will be invited to walk a llama through the obstacle course.

DOG

Check in: Monday, July 10, 2023, 8:30 am

Judging: Monday, July 10, 2023, 9:00 am

Superintendent:

Location: Custer County Fairgrounds Show Ring

Project exhibit rules:

1. The Custer County 4-H Dog show will follow the rules outlined in the Colorado State Fair Contest Requirements found at:
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2. Member must be enrolled in the 4-H Dog Project. Dogs must have been a part of the project since May 1 or earlier of the current 4-H year.
3. The member must own his/her project dog individually or in partnership with parent or guardian for duration of the project.
4. All dogs being used at the show must be registered in 4HOnline by May 1 of the current 4-H year. A complete vaccination record must accompany this registration.
5. All exhibitors are required to enter the Dog Showmanship Class in addition to the appropriate Obedience Class.
6. The progress the dog has made determines the Obedience Class it should be entered in. The member's years in 4-H have no bearing on which class to enter his/her dog, except sub-novice, which is open only to first-year dog project members.
7. Showmanship - Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Novice classes are open to first year members.

8. No bitch in heat will be allowed to compete in any dog class. A veterinarian's decision will be final.
9. Proof of approved effective vaccination for rabies must be available for inspection on show date.
10. All exercises will be judged following the latest A.K.C. obedience guidelines whenever possible. Registry to the dog with A.K.C. is not required. It should be noted that this is not an A.K.C. show, rather a 4-H show run by 4-H regulations.

Obedience Classes:

1. Puppy
2. Beginner Novice
3. Novice
4. Graduate Novice
5. Advanced
6. Veterans

Showmanship classes:

1. Junior Novice Showmanship (8-10 yr. of age)
2. Junior Open Showmanship (8-10 yr. of age)
3. Intermediate Novice Showmanship (11-13 yr. of age)
4. Intermediate Open Showmanship (11-13 yr. of age)
5. Senior Novice Showmanship (14-18 yr. of age)
6. Senior Open Showmanship (14-18 yr. of age)
7. Senior Advanced Showmanship (14-18 yr. of age)
8. Top Showman (Intermediate or Senior age who was a previous Grand or Reserve Grand Champion Winner at Colorado State Fair)

Awards:

1. Ribbons (Danish System) will be awarded to each exhibitor in the Sub-Novice Obedience class through the Graduate Obedience class on the following basis:
 - a. Blue: 170 or more points earned, provided each class exercise received 50 percent or more of the maximum point value of that exercise.
 - i. One Champion will be awarded from the hi point blue ribbon in each class
 - ii. One Reserve Champion will be awarded from the second hi point blue ribbon in each class
 - b. Red: 140 to 169 points or those who earned more but did not qualify for a blue ribbon.
 - c. White: 139 or fewer points earned.
2. Placement ribbons (1 through 6) will be awarded to each exhibitor in the Showmanship classes in addition to the Danish ribbons:
 - a. Blue: 90 or more points earned.
 - i. One Champion will be awarded from the hi point blue ribbon in each class
 - ii. One Reserve Champion will be awarded from the second hi point blue ribbon in each class
 - b. Red: 80 to 89 points earned.
 - c. White: 79 points and under.
3. Rally awards:
 - a. Blue: 70 or more points.
 - i. One Champion will be awarded from the hi point blue ribbon in each class
 - ii. One Reserve Champion will be awarded from the second hi point blue ribbon in each class

- b. Red: 40 to 69 points.
 - c. White: 39 and under points.
4. Grand Champion will be awarded to the overall high point across all age divisions
5. Reserve Grand Champion will be awarded to the second overall high point across all age divisions

CAT

Check in: Monday, July 10, 2023, 10:30 am

Judging: Monday, July 10, 2023, 11:00 am

Superintendent:

Location: Custer County Fairgrounds Show Ring

General contest rules:

1. All exhibitors and fair guests must comply with the fair rules and regulations.
2. The Custer County 4-H Cat show will follow the rules outlined in the Colorado State Fair Contest Requirements found at:
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3. Show management will have final decision authority. If needed, show management may request assistance with arbitration from a committee comprised of the show superintendents, the judge (if willing), and the leader and/or agent from county involved (if present).
4. Age is determined by the member's age as of December 31, 2020
5. All cats must be brought to the show in a travel carrier, and the carrier must stay near the showing area all the time. The carrier should have a towel or blanket in the bottom for traction for the cat.
6. All cats must be on a halter and leash when outside of the cage. The simple, thin, nylon harnesses tend to work best.
7. Each 4-H exhibitor is responsible for preparing and showing their own cat(s). Each exhibitor must bring their own cat to the judging table. Only 4-H members may show cats at the judging table. All exhibitors are expected to stay in the area with their cats during judging. If a 4-H cat is not on the judging table at the time the class is judged, it will not be judged.

Classes:

1. Senior Showmanship (14 - 18 years of age)
2. Intermediate Showmanship (11 - 13 years of age)
3. Junior Showmanship (8 - 10 years of age)
4. Conformation
 - a. Purebred
 - b. Domestic Short Hair
 - c. Domestic Long Hair
5. Costume Contest

Awards:

1. The American System will be used for all classes at the Cat Show
2. One overall high point Grand Champion will be awarded

3. One overall second high point Reserve Grand Champion will be awarded.

RABBIT

Check in: Monday, July 10, 2023, 9:30 am

Judging: Monday, July 10, 2023, 10:00 am

Superintendent:

Project exhibit rules:

1. All ARBA rules will apply.

Classes:

1. Senior Showmanship (14 - 18 years of age)
2. Intermediate Showmanship (11 - 13 years of age)
3. Junior Showmanship (8 - 10 years of age)
4. Companion Rabbit
5. Breeding Rabbit
 - a. Junior Doe - under 6 months of age
 - b. Junior Buck - under 6 months of age
 - c. Intermediate Doe - 6 months and under 12 months
 - d. Intermediate Buck - 6 months and under 12 months
 - e. Senior Doe - over 12 months of age
 - f. Senior Buck - over 12 months of age
6. Meat Pen – Exhibitor must own doe and buck prior to May 1st, 2019 to breed them to get 3 offspring that are 10 weeks old and weight between 2 to 5lbs. If any offspring is over or underweight the entire pen is disqualified from competition and will not sale.

Awards:

1. The American System will be used for all classes
2. Each class will have a champion and reserve champion
3. One Grand Champion and one Reserve Grand Champion will be awarded to each division
 - a. All champions will be eligible for Grand Champion
 - b. All remaining champions in addition to the reserve champion of the Grand Champion class will be eligible for Reserve Grand Champion.

NON-MARKET POULTRY

Includes chicken, waterfowl (ducks & geese), turkeys, and pigeons

Check in: NO LIVE BIRDS at 2023 Custer County Fair

Judging: NO LIVE BIRDS at 2023 Custer County Fair

Superintendent:

Project exhibit rules:

1. All entries must be recognized breeds according to their purpose i.e. meat breeds, egg production breeds, all-purpose breeds and fancy show breeds.
2. Cockerel (male) or Pullet (female) are birds less than one (1) year of age.
3. Cock (male) or Hen (female) are birds older than one (1) year of age.

4. For all divisions of chickens, turkeys, ducks, geese and pigeons, all birds must be identified by leg bands conforming to the entry form upon arrival.
5. Other class designations may be established by superintendent if entries warrant.

Classes:

Classes will be organized in order by large fowl type, breed type, sex and then age.

If there are 3 or more poultry of the same breed, sex and age, they will compete in one class together.

Large Fowl Breeds

1. American Class (Rhode Island Reds, Plymouth Rocks and etc.)
2. Asiatic Class (Cochins, Langshins and ect.)
3. English Class (Orpingtons, Australorps and etc.)
4. Mediterranean Class (Leghorns, Minorcas and etc.)
5. Continental Class (Hamburgs, Polish and etc.)
6. All other Standard Breeds (Ameaucanas, Old English and etc.)

Bantam Breeds

1. Game Bantams (Old English, BB Reds and etc.)
2. Clean Legged Bantams (Dutch, Japanese and etc.)
3. Feather Legged Bantams (Cochins, Silkies and etc.)

Waterfowl

1. Ducks - Lightweight drake
2. Ducks - Medium weight drake
3. Ducks - Heavy weight drake
4. Ducks - Lightweight hen
5. Ducks - Medium weight hen
6. Ducks - Heavy weight hen
7. Geese – Gander
8. Geese – Goose

Turkeys

1. Young breeding tom born in current year
2. Old breeding tom born prior to current year
3. Young breeding hen born in current year
4. Old breeding hen born prior to current year

Awards:

4. The American System will be used for all classes
5. Each class will have a champion and reserve champion
6. One Grand Champion and one Reserve Grand Champion will be awarded to each breed type
 - a. All champions will be eligible for Grand Champion
 - b. All remaining champions in addition to the reserve champion of the Grand Champion class will be eligible for Reserve Grand Champion.

BREEDING SWINE

BREEDING BEEF

BREEDING SHEEP

BREEDING/ DAIRY/FIBER GOAT

Check in: Wednesday, July 13, 2022, 8:30 am – 3:30 pm

In place: Wednesday, July 13, 2022, 3:30 pm

Judging: Friday, July 15, 2022, 12:00 pm

Superintendent: Sara Canterbury

Project exhibit rules:

1. All goats – market, dairy, and breeding projects must be tagged or tattooed.
2. Scrapie tags are required on all intact goats.
3. Wethers must be castrated before the FIRST weigh in.
4. Bracing will be allowed for showing market goats, feet must remain on the ground. Rule will be enforced by Superintendent. Exhibitor will have one warning and after will be asked to leave the show ring.
5. Wethers and does may be shown.
6. Horns must be blunt tipped prior to county fair weigh in.
7. Must be shorn to no more than 1/4 inch.
8. Dairy White apparel is optional for show.

Classes:

Dairy Goats:

1. Junior Kid, born May - June 2023
2. Intermediate Kid, born April 2023
3. Senior Kid, born March 2023
4. Junior Yearling, born September 2022 to January 2023
5. Senior Yearling (non-milker), born September 2022 to August 2021
6. Does 1 year & under 2 (milking), born September 2021 to August 2020
7. Does 2 years & under 3, born September 2020 to August 2019
8. Does 3 years & under 5, born September 2018 to August 2019
9. Does 5 years & over, born prior to September 2018

Breeding Goats:

1. Classes will be set by the Superintendent.

Fiber Goats:

1. Classes will be set by the Superintendent.

Awards:

1. Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Dairy
2. Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Breeding
3. Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Fiber

4-H & FFA SHOWMANSHIP AND MASTER SHOWMANSHIP RULES AND REGULATIONS

GENERAL SHOWMANSHIP RULES:

1. Showmanship is a required class for all 4-H and FFA livestock exhibitors.
2. Showmanship classes will be held immediately prior to the judging in each animal class.
3. Showmanship Classes in beef, horse, sheep, swine, and goats will be divided into Senior, Intermediate, and Junior age divisions.
4. Contestants must show their own animals in this contest and trade with other contestants at the direction of the judge.
5. Contestants will be judged on their skill as showmen and on the appearance their animals make before the judge. The breed or individual conformation of the animals shown will not be considered. The judge will consider the following items as the basis for awards in this contest:
 - a. Fitting of the animal for the show
 - b. Presentation of the animal in the show ring
 - c. Appearance of the showman
 - d. Sportsmanlike behavior of the showman
 - e. A grooming score will be determined and used in the Master Showmanship Contest

Awards:

1. Champion Junior Showman from each animal class
2. Champion Intermediate Showman from each animal class
3. Champion Senior Showman from each animal class

MASTER SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

Judging: Friday, July 14, 2023, 12:00 pm

Superintendent: Lynetta Gilmore

General rules:

1. The Champion Senior, Intermediate, and Junior Showmen from the Horse, Beef, Swine, Sheep, and Goat shows will compete in the Master Showmanship Contest.
2. Master Showmanship participants must compete in the first animal class they qualify in. If the Champion Showman of an animal class is unable to compete, the next highest qualifier may compete in their place. In the event there is not a Showman for an animal class, the animal class will be dropped from the competition.
3. Contestants must show their own animals in this contest and trade with other contestants at the direction of the judge.
4. Contestants will be judged on their skill as showmen and on the appearance their animals make before the judge. The breed or individual conformation of the animals shown will not be considered. The judge will consider the following items as the basis for awards in this contest:
 - a. Fitting of the animal for the show
 - b. Presentation of the animal in the show ring
 - c. Appearance of the showmen
 - d. Sportsmanlike behavior of the showmen
5. A grooming score will be determined during the initial animal class showmanship contest. This score will be used as a tie breaker, if needed.

Awards:

1. Grand Champion Junior Master Showman

2. Reserve Grand Champion Junior Master Showman
3. Grand Champion Intermediate Master Showman
4. Reserve Grand Champion Intermediate Master Showman
5. Grand Champion Senior Master Showman
6. Reserve Grand Champion Senior Master Showman

4-H & FFA LIVESTOCK SALE

Sale: Saturday, July 15, 2022, 12:00 pm

ALL LIVESTOCK EXHIBITS NOT BEING SOLD NEED TO BE REMOVED FROM THE FAIR GROUNDS BEFORE 9:00 am ON SATURDAY

General rules:

1. Market livestock sale rules will be reviewed on an annual basis with changes made as needed.
2. Exhibitors will be limited to selling only two animals of different animal classes (i.e.: 1 beef & 1 lamb; 1 beef & 1 swine; 1 lamb & 1 swine) and one meat pen of rabbits at the Market Livestock Sale. Exception: if the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion of any animal class are owned by the same exhibitor, all the Champions will sell.
3. All Grand and Reserve Grand Champions will sell.
4. The sale order will be determined by class placing, rotating from light weight to heavy weight. Exception: Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will sell first. Beef sale order will be determined by the judge.
5. In order to sell Market beef animals, each exhibitor must present a bill of sale to the brand inspector prior to the sale.
6. The sale weight will be the weight established at the weigh-in
7. Market goats will be allowed to sell provided:
 - a. Market goat (wethers or does) must weigh a minimum of 55 lbs. and must be milk-tooth goats
8. Market swine must weigh a minimum of 220 lbs. and a maximum of 290 lbs.
9. Market sheep must weigh a minimum of 105 lbs. and no maximum.
10. Market beef must weigh a minimum of 1,000 lbs. and no maximum.
11. All exhibitors must notify the Fair Office of the animals they will sell. Deadline for this notification will be one hour after the conclusion of the appropriate show. Failure to comply results in the lightest weight animal being sold.
12. Marketing: Open competitive marketing will prevail. Animals are sold to the highest bidder. **ONCE THE ANIMAL IS SOLD IN THE RING ALL SALES ARE FINAL.**
13. Market animals do not have to be sold. However, if sold, the project is terminated. Project is terminated is defined as the animal may not be exhibited in any other show or competition.
14. Animals cannot be withdrawn from the sale after they have entered the sale ring.
15. A sale commission fee of 3% for all market animals sold will be charged by the Market Livestock Sale Committee. This fee will be used to promote the livestock sale and for buyers' gifts for the next year.
16. Arrangements for the payment, trucking, slaughter, and processing of private sale animals must be taken care of by the exhibitor.
17. Only bona-fide 4-H age youth (no associate member 4-H youth) and FFA youth are eligible to sell at the Market Livestock Sale.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WHOLESOME MEAT ACT

All members participating in the Livestock Sale MUST sign and return the copy of this act to the Fair Office with their sale slip. Both are provided in your livestock folders.

The United States Department of Agriculture Wholesome Meat Act applies to the sale of market livestock sold during the Custer County Fair as follows:

1. Animals must be in good health and carcasses free of drug or chemical residues.
2. Antibiotics and sulfonamides have required withdrawal periods.
3. Drug label directions for use and withdrawal periods.
4. If drug or other chemical residues are found in the tissue of carcasses, the entire carcass may be condemned. If drug or other chemical residues are found in the tissue of carcasses of animals sold through sales connected with the Custer County Fair, said show will in no way be liable or responsible for the condition of carcass or sale price of animal. Exhibitor forfeits all rights to the sale price. Before administering antibiotics and/or sulfonamides, consult a licensed and practicing veterinarian, or label directions of the drug.

OPEN DIVISION

(Adult and Youth)

Check in: Friday, July 7, 2023, 7:00 am

In place: Friday, July 7, 2023, 8:00 am

Judging: Friday, July 7, 2023, 9:00 am

Superintendent: Katlyn Wommack

Check in will be held outside the white project building (weather permitting). Please come to the table with your entry. ALL exhibits must have an Identification Slip securely attached to it PRIOR to check in. These slips will be available at check in but must be filled out prior to checking in the exhibit. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure your entry is entered in the correct class. If you have any questions, please ask at check in.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The Custer County Fair Management will use all care possible to ensure the safety of the entries. However, under NO circumstances will they be responsible for loss, injury, or damage done to, occasioned by, or arising from any article on exhibition.
 - a. By signing in your project, you are releasing Custer County Fair from all liability and responsibility in the case of lost, stolen, or damaged exhibits.
2. All articles must be deemed to be suitable for exhibition or can be denied entry by the Superintendents or Judges. All exhibits must have been completed since August 1 of the previous year.
3. Articles that have been previously entered in the Custer County Fair are ineligible.
4. Exhibit must be the product of the exhibitor/group named on entry.
5. Entry must be made by the exhibitor. Exhibitors can reside in a county other than Custer, but entry can only be entered in one county fair in the state, this is excluding the Colorado State Fair.

6. For all Open classes the American system of judging will be used. Placings will go from 1st to 10th in each class and be judged competitively against other exhibitors in that same class.
7. Only exhibits in the 1st and 2nd placings are eligible for grand and reserve grand champion for the division.
8. Classes may be sub-divided or combined as determined by the number of entries entered and at the discretion of the judges and/or the superintendents.
9. An entry entered in the wrong class may be disqualified.
10. No marijuana or marijuana products may be used in any entry.
11. Entries are limited to 3 entries per class per exhibitor. Extra items and items not fitting in listed classes will not be accepted or displayed.
12. All protests must be made in writing and presented to the Superintendent of each department within 24 hours after the incident or judging. Protest forms are available from the Superintendents or Fair Board Members. Protests must accompany a \$50 fee, made payable to the Custer County Fair Board. Protests will be handled by the individual department's Superintendent and the Fair Board. Protests may be appealed to the Fair Board for a final decision. The Fair Board will review them at an officially called meeting. If the protest is upheld, the \$50 fee will be returned.
13. Entering County Fair does not qualify or disqualify you from Colorado State Fair Open Class. County Fair classes are not necessarily descriptive of or included as classes for entry at State Fair. You do not have to enter a county fair to go to the state fair and the same item can be entered in both contests independently.
14. Entry of items constitutes an agreement with this policy.
15. Exhibitors can sell their items entered in the fair if they choose. Purchasers may pay cash or make checks payable to the exhibitor in turn the exhibitor will give a 25% commission to the Custer County Fair Board for their Capital Improvement fund. Please notify us when you check in your entry if you plan on selling your item and include a card with price and your contact information that can be attached to your entry.

BAKED GOODS DIVISION 100

1. Entries prepared by conventional methods except where designated. Must be made from scratch (no mixes).
2. Place item(s) on a paper plate inside a plastic bag. Cool before wrapping.
3. Exhibits will consist of four (4) individual items (cookies, muffins, brownies, etc.) or one whole loaf/cake.
4. One item will be used for tasting while the remaining three will be used for display. Whole items will be cut for tasting. No items will be returned to the exhibitor.
5. A 3" x 5" recipe card must accompany the entry.
6. Due to food safety concerns, foods requiring refrigeration (i.e., cream cheese fillings, custards) will not be accepted.

Class 101: Cakes

Class 102: Cookies

Class 103: Donuts

- Class 104: Pastries
- Class 105: Quick Breads
- Class 106: Yeast Breads
- Class 107: Candies
- Class 108: Misc.

FOOD PRESERVATION DIVISION 200

1. Must submit TWO samples per class (one to be tasted, one to be displayed)
2. All preservation standards are based on Colorado State University Extension, University of Georgia Extension, and University of Utah fact sheets and opinions of food science specialists. Fact sheets are available at www.ext.colostate.edu, <http://www.uga.edu/nchfp/>, <http://extension.usu.edu/>
3. Any canned good that is not properly sealed and labeled will not be accepted for entry.
4. All canned goods must have labels stating:
 - a. Name of product; method of pack where applicable (hot pack or raw pack); method of processing (water bath or pressure canner); altitude, and process time; pounds of pressure where applicable; date canned; and recipe source. Pickles must be labeled with vinegar/water solution ratio.
5. All canned products shall be packed in clean, clear, standard brand name jars, sealed with new clean seals, processed since August 1 of the previous year. Label sizes should be no more than 1½ x 2½ for pints and half-pints; 2½ x 3½ for quart jars. Labeling of jars should occur at home.
6. A 3" x 5" recipe card must accompany the entry.
7. All soft spreads must be water bath processed. Soft spreads and pickles will be opened and tasted at the judge's discretion.
8. Canned fruit and vegetables will not be opened.

- Class 201: Canned Fruits
- Class 202: Canned Vegetables
- Class 203: Jellies
- Class 204: Jams
- Class 205: Butters
- Class 206: Marmalade & Conserves
- Class 207: Pickles
- Class 208: Dried foods
- Class 209: Honey
- Class 210: Misc.

DECORATED BAKED GOODS DIVISION 300

1. Exhibits are judged on decoration. Exhibits will NOT be tasted.
2. Place item(s) on a paper plate or disposable cake pan inside a plastic bag.
3. All entries will be judged on precision of decorations and neatness.
4. Entries will not be cut or tasted for judging. Cake forms may be used.

5. Due to food safety concerns, foods requiring refrigeration (i.e., cream cheese fillings, custards) will not be accepted.

Class 301: Cakes

Class 302: Cupcakes

Class 303: Cookies

FLORICULTURE DIVISION 400

1. Identify the variety of all flowers on the entry card.
2. Any entry left after 6 pm on release day will be disposed of. Prior to release day, any item that starts to mold will be disposed of by a Superintendent or Judge.
3. The exhibitor need not grow flowers that will be used in arrangements. All accessories are used at the exhibitor's risk. Silk, dried, or fresh flowers may be used to create all flower arrangements.

Class 401: Artistic Arrangements (Fresh or Silk)

Class 402: Gardens

Class 403: Cut Flowers

Class 404: Potted Plants

Class 405: Misc.

HORTICULTURE DIVISION 500

1. Identify the variety of all crops on entry card.
2. Place item(s) on a paper plate inside a plastic bag.
3. Any entry left after 6 pm on release day will be disposed of. Prior to release day, any item that starts to mold will be disposed of by a Superintendent or Judge.
4. Only home-grown produce raised by the exhibitor will be allowed to be exhibited.
5. Display Tips: Uniformity is a key in displaying more than one of any item. Do not deform fruits or vegetables by cutting off parts. Display consumer sized items, not too large or not too small, and free of damage, insects, and disease.
6. Two or more entries of the same crop are required to make a class; otherwise, those items will be judged together as one miscellaneous class.

Class 501: Vegetable

Class 502: Herb

Class 503: Vine Crops

Class 504: Roots, Bulb, and Tuberous Crops

Class 505: Fruit

Class 506: Misc.

HERITAGE ARTS DIVISION 600

1. All items of a set will be entered as one exhibit.
2. All entries must be worthy of entry. Used, worn, or soiled items will not be entered.
3. All items with three layers will constitute a quilt and will only be entered in quilt classes.

4. Quilts may be made by an individual or a group of two or more. If made by a group, all exhibitors' names must be listed on entry form. Quilts must have been completed within the previous two years.

Class 601: Knitting
Class 602: Crochet
Class 603: Quilt
Class 604: Embroidery
Class 605: Other Fiber Arts
Class 606: Non-Fiber Arts
Class 607: Misc.

SCRAPBOOKING DIVISION 700

1. All items of a set will be entered as one exhibit.
2. Exhibits must be displayed in a scrapbook or 3-ring binder (except for cards and tags).
3. Cards and Tags must be adhered to and displayed on a sturdy board.

Class 701: Scrapbooking Album
Class 702: Scrapbooking One/ Two-page layouts
Class 703: Card Making (set of 3)
Class 704: Tag Making (set of 3)
Class 705: Misc.

SEWING/CLOTHING DIVISION 800

4. All items of a set will be entered as one exhibit.
5. All entries must be worthy of entry. Used, worn, or soiled items will not be entered.

Class 801: Clothing Construction
Class 802: Artistic Clothing
Class 803: Misc.

JEWELRY DIVISION 900

1. Any items of a set will be entered as one exhibit (example: earrings).
2. Articles must be worthy of entry. Obviously used, worn, or soiled items will not be entered.
3. Exhibits must be entered "display ready", i.e.: necklace display bust, earring tree, bracelet bar, ring stand, earring stand, etc.

Class 901: Earrings
Class 902: Necklace
Class 903: Bracelet
Class 904: Ring
Class 905: Sets (Three (3) or more related items)
Class 906: Misc.

VISUAL ARTS DIVISION 1000

1. All exhibits must be the original work of the exhibitor.
2. Judging will be based on technical quality, composition, originality, and relevance to the category.
3. The Superintendent reserves the right to refuse any exhibit deemed unsuitable for competition, and all exhibits will be displayed at the discretion of the management of the Fair. Entries that do not meet requirements will not be accepted or displayed. Exhibits depicting nudity, violence, drug use, or other inappropriate content will not be accepted.
4. No exhibit over 24" x 36" will be accepted.

Class 1001: Painting

Class 1002: Drawing

Class 1003: Graphic Design

Class 1004: Misc.

PHOTOGRAPHY DIVISION 1100

5. Photos carrying identifying marks, copyrights, or watermarks will be refused.
6. All photos must be the original work of the exhibitor.
7. Judging will be based on technical quality, composition, originality, and relevance to the category.
8. The Superintendent reserves the right to refuse any photograph deemed unsuitable for competition, and all photographs will be displayed at the discretion of the management of the Fair. Entries that do not meet requirements will not be accepted or displayed. Photos depicting nudity, violence, drug use, or other inappropriate content will not be accepted.
9. No photo over 24" x 36" will be accepted.

Class 1101: People

Class 1102: Scenic

Class 1103: Nature

Class 1104: Computer Modified

Class 1105: Misc.

MISCELLANEOUS DIVISION 1200

We are still trying to better serve our community. If you have a handmade item, antique, or any other miscellaneous entry that you think would be a good fit for our fair we would love to see it!

1. All items of a set will be entered as one exhibit.
2. All entries must be worthy of entry. Used, worn, or soiled items will not be entered.

Class 1201: Leathercraft

Class 1202: Woodworking

Class 1203: Metalworking

Class 1204: Ceramics

Class 1205: Home Design
Class 1206: Trending Crafts
Class 1207: Misc.

ENTRY CARDS: One card must be attached to each exhibit before checking in.

<p>Custer County Fair Open Class Exhibits</p> <p>Exhibitor: _____</p> <p>Open Division Class: _____</p> <p>Class # _____</p>
