

# CALCASIEU PARISH 4-H



## CONTEST RULES

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## REGULATIONS

# PET SHOW

## Burton Coliseum Show Barn

### October 28, 2019



Registration .....6:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Show Begins..... 6:30 p.m.

#### **Each 4-H'er can only enter one pet.**

1. Categories of pets include: dogs, cats, rabbits, fowl, fish, reptiles, any other. It does **not** include cows, horses, sheep, pigs, or goats.
2. Elementary and junior members will compete separately in categories where 5 or more pets are registered. In categories where less than 5 pets are registered, elementary and junior 4-H'ers will compete together.
3. In each category, animals will be judged on characteristics such as: best groomed, largest (height), smallest (height), most unusual, longest hair, prettiest eyes, etc.
4. This is a "fun" pet show. It is not necessary to have a registered animal. Grooming and cleanliness are important. Participants and pets may dress in costume!
5. Each 4-H'er will receive a participation ribbon. 4-H'ers whose pet wins a given characteristic in their category will receive a rosette ribbon.

**Please Note:** Categories and characteristics to be judged in the Pet Show will vary. We may add or delete categories depending on the number of pets registered.

**Showmanship/Livestock Judging Clinic & Contest**  
*Open to any 4-H member interested in learning more about livestock!*

*November 11, 2019*  
*Burton Coliseum Horse Arena*



Registration..... 8:00 a.m.  
Showmanship Clinic..... 8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.  
Livestock Judging Clinic.....9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.  
Livestock Judging Contest.....10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
Lunch and Results.....12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m.

**Divisions:** Elementary (grades 4-5)  
Junior (grades 6-8)  
Senior (grades 9-12)

**Livestock Judging Contest Rules**

1. Open to any 4-H'er.
2. 4-H'ers will judge classes of beef, sheep and swine.
3. All 4-H'ers will be required to give at least one set of oral reasons (these will be scored). Elementary may give 1-2 sets of oral reasons. Juniors may give 2-3 sets of oral reasons. Seniors may give 3-4 sets of oral reasons.

Oral reasons simply consist of telling the judge why you placed that class of animals the way you did.

4. Ties in placing will be broken by the highest placing score on reasons.
5. First and second place winners in all divisions will receive \$10 and \$5 respectively to be presented at the end-of-the-year recognition program.

# Cookery & Sewing Contest

November 9, 2019

Ambassador Talks  
Clothing  
Cooking  
Cookery  
Ready-to-wear  
Consumer Foods  
Consumer Decision Making



Registration..... 9:00 a.m.

Contests ..... 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Awards..... 1:00 p.m. (subject to change)

These contests are open to ALL Calcasieu 4-H members.

**Divisions:** Elementary (grades 4-5)  
Junior (grades 6-8)  
Senior (grades 9-12)

**All cookery dishes must be prepared at home and brought to the contest chilled on ice in an ice chest.**

**No hot dishes will be accepted.**

**Only 2 servings of the dish need to be exhibited!**

# Egg, Beef & Rice Ambassador Contests (Illustrated Talk)

## 1. Division I – (Grades 4-6)

- Contestant:
- a. designs a standard poster 22" x 28" relating to one of the five topics concerning Egg, Beef, or Rice:
    - production
    - food preparation and nutritive value
    - food safety
    - processing
    - marketing
  - b. presents a 2-3 minute explanation of poster subject
  - c. responds to questions from judges.

## Division II – (Grades 7-9)

- Contestant:
- a. designs a standard poster 22" x 28" relating to one of the five topics concerning Egg, Beef or Rice:
    - production
    - food preparation and nutritive value
    - food safety
    - processing
    - marketing
  - b. prepares an essay not to exceed 500 words or 3 typed pages, double spaced, about the selected subject
  - c. presents a 2-3 minute explanation of subject
  - d. responds to questions from judges.

**Division III-**(Grades 10-12) Contestant will present a 5-8 minute illustrated talk concerning Egg, Beef or Rice. (Only egg illustrated talk requires a dish.) **Information for illustrated talks can be obtained from the 4-H Office.**

2. One table and one easel will be provided.
3. No dish is needed to compete in these contests with the exception of Division III Egg.
4. Scoring for all ambassador contests will be as follows:

	I	II	III
Appearance	5	5	5
Visuals	20	15	15
Content	35	30	30
Presentation	20	15	35
Length	5	5	5
Response to Judges' Questions	15	15	10
Essay		15	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

Division III Egg Ambassador- Add 10 points for dish score for a possible total of 110.

5. First and second place winners in all divisions will receive an award of \$10 and \$5 respectively to be presented at the end-of-the-year recognition program.
6. 1<sup>st</sup> place winners in each age category will represent Calcasieu at the State contest in April. The Rice Ambassador contest ends at District.

## Chicken, Turkey and Seafood Ambassador Contests (Illustrated Talk)

1. Division I – (Grades 4-6)

Contestant: a. designs a standard poster 22” x 28” relating to one of the five topics concerning Chicken, Turkey or Seafood:

- production
- food preparation and nutritive value
- food safety
- processing
- marketing

b. presents a 2-3 minute explanation of poster subject.

c. responds to questions from judges.

Division II – (Grades 7-9)

Contestant: a. designs a standard poster 22” x 28” relating to one of the five topics concerning Chicken, Turkey or Seafood:

- production
- food preparation and nutritive value
- food safety
- processing
- marketing

b. prepares an essay not to exceed 500 words or 3 typed pages, double spaced, about the selected subject

c. presents a 2-3 minute explanation of subject

d. responds to questions from judges.

Division III-(Grades 10-12) Contestant will present a 5-8 minute illustrated talk concerning Chicken, Turkey or Seafood. Information for illustrated talks can be obtained from the 4-H Office.

2. One table and one easel will be provided.
3. No dish is needed to compete in these contests.
4. Scoring for all ambassador contests will be as follows:

	I	II	III
Appearance	5	5	5
Visuals	20	15	15
Content	35	30	30
Presentation	20	15	35
Length	5	5	5
Response to Judges' Questions	15	15	10
Essay		15	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

5. First and second place winners in all divisions will receive an award of \$10 and \$5 respectively to be presented at the end-of-the-year recognition program.
6. 1st place winners in each age category will represent Calcasieu at the State Contest in April.

# Clothing Contests

## Elementary (grades 4-5)

1. Open to any 4-H member.
2. May enter one of the three categories: Apron, Skirt, Shorts & Pants
3. Contestants will be judged on construction and appearance. Garments need to be modeled with appropriate accessories.
4. First and second place winners in all divisions in each of these categories will receive an award of \$10 and \$5 respectively to be presented at the end-of-the-year recognition program.

## Junior (grades 6-8)

1. Open to any 6th grade member. Seventh & 8th grade contestants must be enrolled in clothing.
2. Categories include:  
Skirt and Blouse - any type skirt - no sleeves or collar required on blouse.  
School Dress - may be a one piece dress or a jumper and blouse.  
Sportswear - must make a complete outfit. Examples include: pants (or shorts) and blouse - pants (or skirt), blouse, and jacket - pantsuit - jumpsuit - culottes, etc.
3. Contestants will be judged on construction and appearance. Garments need to be modeled with appropriate accessories.
4. First and second place winners in all divisions in each of these categories will receive an award of \$10 and \$5 respectively to be presented at the end-of-the-year recognition program.

## Senior (grades 9-12)

1. Contestants must be enrolled in Clothing.
2. Contestants may enter all of the following categories but not more than one outfit per category:  
School or Casual Dress - includes one or two piece dresses suitable for school, sports activities or casual wear. It does not include floor length casual clothes, very dressy outfits or pants of any kind.  
  
Pants Outfit - includes complete outfits such as pants suits, jumpsuit, short sets, tennis outfits, western clothes, swimwear (must include a cover-up suitable for school), sports or casual wear.

Creative Choice - Garments must comprise a complete outfit - any type or number of pieces (but not more than can be worn at one time). Outfit must feature 5 or more construction techniques from the following list

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| a. Bound buttonholes   | lingerie, etc.  |
| b. Collar or other neckline treatment - other than plain, faced edge | m. Tailored collar  |
| c. Creative stitchery -  | n. Trim or decorative detail                                    |
| d. Cuffs   | o. Underlining  |
| e. Design that must be matched                                       | p. Use of unusual fabric  |
| f. Gathers, ruffles, flounces  | q. Waistband or waistline                                       |
| g. Handmade accessory  | r. Worked on 2 or more fabrics of different weights or textures |
| h. Lining  | s. Yoke   |
| i. Pleats or tucks   | t. Zipper   |
| j. Pockets   |   |
| k. Sleeves.  |   |
| l. Special seam - flat felled, French,                               |   |
3. Construction score will be worth 40 points, and appearance score will be worth 60 points, for a total of 100 possible points.
  4. Garments need to be modeled with appropriate accessories.
  5. First place winners in each of the categories are eligible to compete at State 4-H University. First and second place individuals will also receive \$10 and \$5 respectively to be presented at the end-of-the-year recognition program.

## **Ready-to-Wear Judging**

1. Open to any 4-H member.
2. Contestants will be required to select the best buy in clothing items and accessories and rank each item in order of best to worst according to the situation given. There will be 4 categories. Examples of possible categories include: jeans, socks, button down shirts, t shirts, gym clothes, etc.
3. Contestants will be looking for the following:
  1. Fiber content – Is it a natural fiber such as cotton, linen or wool or is it a blend or man-made fiber such as polyester, rayon, etc.?
  2. Care instructions – How is it cleaned - hand washed and hung to dry, washer and dryer, or dry cleaned?
  3. Cost of Garment – Does it fit the budget given in this situation? Is the cost per wearing too high?
  4. Construction of Garment – even or uneven stitching, hem, interfacing, seam stitching and finish, reinforced stitching on inner leg seams,
  5. Fabric – any defects?
4. Contestants will give written reasons for placings for at least 1 category to break ties.
5. First place winners in each of the categories are eligible to compete at State 4-H University. First and second place individuals will also receive \$10 and \$5 respectively to be presented at the end-of-the-year recognition program.



# Beef Cookery

1. Each dish must use a minimum of one pound ground beef.
2. Dishes must be prepared at home and brought to the contest ready for serving. Each dish must be chilled on ice and brought to the contest in an ice chest. No hot dishes will be allowed. Bring only the dish and ice chest to the contest -- no placemats, no serving utensils, no flower arrangements, etc.

## New!

3. **Only 2 servings need to be exhibited at the contest.**
4. Contestant must furnish a recipe with name, age, and 4-H club on the back. Recipes will not be returned.
5. Creativity and originality are encouraged. The use of previous winning recipes is discouraged.
6. Contestants may enter a total of 2 dishes. Contestant may not enter 2 dishes in the same category. Categories include:

**Low Calorie Main Dish** - a dish which has less than 300 calories per serving.

Calculations of calories must be stated on the recipe. List each ingredient on the recipe and write the number of calories beside each. Then total. Divide the total number of calories by the number of servings.

**One Dish Meal** - a dish that provides food from at least 3 of the 5 main food groups.

The amount is not specified, but it should be enough to provide some nutrients.

Use the "Food Guide Pyramid" (available from the 4-H Office) as a guide.

**Quick and Easy Main Dish** - a dish that takes less than one hour to prepare, including cooking or baking time. Estimation of preparation time must be included on the recipe. List each preparation step separately and write the preparation time beside each step. Total the preparation time.

7. The first place winners in each category will compete for "sweepstakes" winner of that category. The "sweepstakes" winner in each category will represent Calcasieu Parish at the area contest.
8. First and second place winners in all divisions (all categories of dishes) will receive an award of \$10 and \$5 respectively to be presented at the end-of-the-year recognition program.

# Rice Cookery Contest

1. Bring a prepared rice dish to the contest. The dish must contain at least one (1) cup of cooked rice. Wild rice is not a cultivated rice in Louisiana and does not meet the requirement of 1 cup of rice. Dishes containing rice products such as rice cereal, rice flour, etc., must also contain cooked rice. Example: Traditional rice krispie treats do not meet the contest requirements.
2. Dishes must be prepared at home and brought to the contest ready for serving. Each dish must be chilled on ice and brought to the contest in an ice chest. No hot dishes will be allowed. Bring only the dish and ice chest to the contest -- no placemats, no serving utensils, no flower arrangements, etc.
3. **Only 2 servings need to be displayed at the contest.**
4. Bring one copy of the recipe to the contest. The recipe must contain the name of the dish, how much rice it contains, and clear preparation instructions. Put the 4-H member's name, age, and 4-H Club on the back of the recipe.
5. Creativity and originality are encouraged. The use of previous winning recipes is discouraged.
6. The contest will be divided into three categories.

**Rice Main Dish** - contains significant amounts of beef, poultry or seafood.

**Rice Side Dish** - rice dressing would be considered a side dish.

**Rice Dessert**

7. The first place winners in each category will compete for "Sweepstakes" winner of that category. The "Sweepstakes" winner in each category will represent Calcasieu Parish at the area contest.
8. First and second place winners in all divisions (all categories of dishes) will receive an award of \$10 and \$5 respectively to be presented at the end-of-the-year recognition program.



# Seafood Cookery

1. Open to any 4-H member.
2. Dishes must be prepared at home and brought to the contest ready for serving. Each dish must be chilled on ice and brought to the contest in an ice chest. No hot dishes will be allowed. Bring only the dish and ice chest to the contest -- no placemats, no serving utensils, no flower arrangements, etc.
3. Contestants may enter only one category of the contest and may enter only one dish in that category. Seafood Cookery categories are:
  - Oyster
  - Crab
  - Shrimp
  - Crawfish
  - Fish and Other Seafood
4. Only 2 servings need to be exhibited.
5. Each dish must use a minimum of one cup of seafood. The seafood must be fresh, frozen, pasteurized or dried. Canned seafood will not be accepted.
6. Contestants must exhibit a different Seafood Cookery dish each year. Contestants may not use the same recipe twice.
7. All contestants must furnish a recipe with name, age, and 4-H club. Recipes will not be returned. Recipes may be used to publish a parish cookbook if they are neat, easy to read, and earn an acceptable score.
8. The first place winners in each age division in each category will compete for "Sweepstakes" winner of that category. The "Sweepstakes" winner in each category will compete in the area contest representing Calcasieu Parish.
9. First and second place winners in all divisions will receive an award of \$10 and \$5 respectively to be presented at the end-of-the-year recognition program.

# Sugar Cookery

1. The recipe must contain at least one cup of sugar.
2. Dishes must be prepared at home and brought to the contest ready for serving. Each dish must be chilled on ice and brought to the contest in an ice chest. No hot dishes will be allowed. Bring only the dish and ice chest to the contest -- no placemats, no serving utensils, no flower arrangements, etc.
3. The entire dish must be exhibited. This is the only cooking contest that needs to have the entire dish
4. Contestant must furnish a recipe with name, age, and 4-H club. Recipes will not be returned. Recipes may be used to publish a parish cookbook if they are neat, easy to read, and earn an acceptable score.
5. Creativity and originality are encouraged. Use of previous winning recipes is discouraged.
6. The contest will be divided into two categories:  
Baked Items (bread, cakes, pies, cookies, etc.) if any part of the recipe is baked, it goes in this category.  
Non Baked Items (candies, icebox pies, ice cream, etc.) This is not to include homemade jams, jellies preserves, etc. All parts need to be unbaked.
7. The first place winners in each category will compete for "sweepstakes" winner of that category. The "sweepstakes" winner in each category will represent Calcasieu Parish at the area contest.
8. First and second place winners in all divisions (all categories of dishes) will receive an award of \$10 and \$5 respectively to be presented at the end-of-the-year recognition program.

## **Consumer Decision Making**

1. Open to any 4-H member.
2. Contestant will be required to select the best buy from four like items and rank each item in order of preference. Example: They will be given a scenario (story) on each class. Categories to choose from include: electronics, household items and appliances. (no clothing)
3. Contestants will be required to justify their reasons for placings as a tie breaker.
4. First and second place winners in all divisions will receive an award of \$10 and \$5 respectively to be presented at the end-of-the-year recognition program.
5. Senior winners may be eligible to compete at State 4-H University in Consumer Decision Making.

## **Consumer Foods Judging**

1. Open to any 4-H member.
2. Contestants will be required to select the best buy from four like items and rank each item in order of preference. There will probably be four categories.  
Examples of possible categories:
  1. Fresh Produce - 4 sets of vegetables to judge for quality and variety
  2. Convenience Foods - Scratch biscuits, biscuit mix, canned biscuits, frozen biscuits for cost and convenience
  3. School Lunch - Bag lunch, snack bar, hot line, salad bar for nutrition
  4. Unit Pricing - Four sizes of same cereal for cost
  5. Food Forms - Fresh, frozen, canned, specialty frozen for cost and n nutrition
  6. Day's Menu's - Four menu's of breakfast, lunch, supper and two snacks for nutrition and health
  7. Meal Plan - Four lunches for convenience, cost and nutrition
  8. Party Foods - Labels of four different chips for nutrition and health
  9. Vending Machine - Four different snacks for nutrition and health
  10. Fast Foods - Four breakfasts for nutrition and health
3. Contestants will give written reasons for placing's on 1 or 2 categories.
4. First and second place winners in all divisions will receive an award of \$10 and \$5 respectively to be presented at the end-of-the-year recognition program.
5. Senior and possibly 8th grade winners will be eligible to compete at 4-H U.

# Winter Festival

## *December 14, 2019*

Demonstrations  
Personal Development  
Public Speaking  
Horticulture Identification  
Insect Identification

Registration .....9:00 a.m.

Contests .....9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Awards .....1:00 p.m. (subject to change)

These contests are open to all 4-H members.

Divisions: Elementary (grades 3 & 4)  
Junior (grades 6-8)  
Senior (grades 9-12)

## **General Demonstration Requirements:**

1. All contests will consist of three divisions: Elementary (grades 4-5)  
Junior (grades 6-8)  
Senior (grades 9-12 or 14 by January 1)
2. 4-H'ers may participate in any demonstration contest.
3. Contestants must present a method demonstration - not an illustrated talk.
4. There is a time limit of 15 minutes for all demonstrations.
5. There is no limit to the number of demonstration contestants from each club. No individual may enter more than one demonstration in each category. No individual or team may enter the same demonstration in more than one category.
6. Members of a team demonstration must be from the same club.
7. All demonstrations and speeches must be prepared and practiced prior to Demonstration Day.
8. A demonstration which was presented for area and/or state competition may not be presented by the same person or team on Demonstration Day.
9. There will be one easel and two tables in each contest room. 4-H'ers must furnish all other equipment and supplies. 4-H'ers are responsible for clean-up after each demonstration they give.
10. All demonstrations must be pre-registered. Registration coupons will be attached to the November and December Cloverleaves. Demonstrations that are not pre-registered will not be allowed to compete. There will be no exceptions.
11. All contestants must sign in between 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. on Demonstration Day.  
**No video-taped demonstrations will be accepted.**
12. An awards program will immediately follow the demonstration contests. The program will start at 12 noon.
13. First and second place winners in all divisions will receive an award of \$10 and \$5 respectively to be presented at the end-of-the-year recognition program.
14. First place senior winners will be eligible for State 4-H University (in contests indicated with \*).

# Demonstration Categories:

\* Indicates a 4-H University contest

## **Agriculture Individual or Team \***

1. Open to any 4-H member.
2. In the individual category only 1 person can compete. In the team category there must be 2 4-H'ers competing.
3. May include: livestock and crop production, conservation of natural resources, wildlife management, marine science, poultry science, agricultural engineering, forestry, horticulture, etc. Examples: Care of lawn equipment, cleaning a saddle, how to plant potatoes, grooming a dog, making an insect collection, etc.

## **Home Economics Individual or Team\***

1. Open to any 4-H member.
2. In the individual category only 1 person can compete. In the team category there must be 2 4-H'ers competing.
3. Subjects may include clothing, family life, family resource management, health, safety, housing, house furnishings, etc. This does not include foods demonstrations. Examples: Cleaning a sewing machine, making play dough, proper way to exercise, making a first aid kit, removing stains, etc.

## **General Individual or Team**

1. Open to any 4-H member.
2. In the individual category only 1 person can compete. In the team category there must be 2 4-H'ers competing.
3. Demonstrations may not be related to another category. Demonstrations that are not allowed in this category include: any foods demonstration, entomology, energy management, Horticulture topics, small engines, etc. Examples: How to chart a hurricane, using the computer, how to make a necklace, how to clean a camera, garnishing, how to make any craft, etc.



### **Foods Individual or Team**

1. Open to any 4-H member.
2. In the individual category only 1 person can compete. In the team category there must be 2 4-H'ers competing.
3. Contestants must give a method demonstration on the preparation of a food dish. This category includes demonstrations in rice cookery, fruits and vegetables, breads, dairy foods, etc.
4. Time limit - 15 minutes.

### **Horse Demonstration Individual or Team**

*Two Divisions:            Junior - 13 & under            Senior – 14 & over*

1. May be a demonstration or illustrated presentation.
2. May be individual or team. Team can be from different clubs.
3. Subject must pertain to the horse industry.
4. Twelve minutes will be allowed for each demonstration.
5. Notes will not be used when giving demonstrations.
6. Live animals may be used.
7. Judges may ask questions after demonstrations.
8. Winners qualify to compete in LSU State Horse Show in July

## **Identification Contests**

(Open to any 4-H Member)

### **Insect Identification**

1. 4-H members will be required to identify the common name and order for a minimum of 15 insects of economic importance to Calcasieu Parish and denote whether the insect is a pest or beneficial. Good guides for study are Golden Nature Guide of Insects and Guide to Insect Pests. A CD is available at office to study.

### **Horticulture Identification**

1. Judging will consist of 4 classes composed of all vegetables, all fruits, all flowers, all ornamental seeds and plants to be judged on the basis of quality and condition. Frozen, canned, or processed vegetables and fruits may be used. Each class will be placed from top to bottom, from first to fourth place. Cut flowers, potted plants, potted ornamentals, and balled and bur-lapped or bare root nursery stock may be used in the flower and ornamental classes. This entire part will be based on those items of quality and other characteristics that a consumer looks for in buying horticulture crops and products.
2. Written reasons will be given on one class of judging. These will be used to break a tie.
3. Identification – Twenty specimens of vegetables, fruits & nuts, flowers, and ornamentals. Plant parts, characteristic of the plant, may be used to represent specimen to be identified. All specimens will be plants easily found in southwest Louisiana.

# Personal Development

1. Open to all 4-H members.
2. Boys and girls will compete separately.
3. Contestants have a short interview with a judge. Contestants should be able to answer the following questions: What career you plan to follow? What kind of schooling or training is needed for this job? What kind of skills are needed? Why did you select this job? Why do you think you would be good at this job? Where could you get a job like this? General appearance, cleanliness, manners, and poise are also factors for consideration in judging the contestants.
4. Scoring will be as follows:

<i>Grooming</i>	50 percent
<i>Interview</i>	50 percent
<i>Total</i>	100 percent
5. First and second place winners in all divisions will receive an award of \$10 and \$5 respectively to be presented at the end-of-the-year recognition program.
6. First place senior contestants will be eligible to compete at State 4-H University.



# Public Speaking

Public Speaking contests are open to any 4-H member. First and second place winners in all divisions will receive an award of \$10 and \$5 respectively to be presented at the end-of-the-year recognition program. Senior winners will be eligible to compete at 4-H University.

## Public Speaking -General

1. Speeches may be on any topic, but must be original. Brief notes may be used, but dependency on notes is not encouraged.
2. A penalty will be assessed to those speeches that do not adhere to the time limit. The penalty will be 3 points for each 30 seconds or a portion thereof, above or below the limit. Time limit will be as follows:
  - Elementary and Junior (3-5 minutes)
  - Senior (5-7 minutes)
3. Visual aids or props are optional

## Public Speaking-Cooperatives

1. Speeches must be original and must be on and in favor of cooperatives. Brief notes may be used, but dependency on notes is not encouraged. Reference material is available from the 4-H Office.
2. A penalty will be assessed to those speeches that do not adhere to the time limit. The penalty will be 3 points for each 30 seconds or a portion thereof, above or below the limit. Time limit will be as follows:
  - Elementary and Junior (3-5 minutes)
  - Senior (5-7 minutes)
3. Visual aids or props are optional.

## Public Speaking - Soybean Production

1. A 5-8 minute illustrated talk will be given on some facet of soybean production, marketing, processing, utilization, nutritional value, etc.
2. The use of visual aids is encouraged.

## Public Speaking – Horse *Two divisions: Junior – 13 & under Senior – 14 & over*

1. Subject must pertain to the horse industry.
2. Ten minutes will be allowed for each speaker, with points subtracted for excessive time. One point will be deducted from each judge's score card for each minute over time.
3. Contestants may use notes. Excessive use of notes may be counted against the contestants at the discretion of the judges. Visual aids are not allowed.
4. Judges may ask questions concerning the material.
5. Winners qualify to compete in the LSU State Horse Show in July.

# 4-H Record Book Contest

Due to 4-H Office

March 20, 2020

**Elementary Discovering and Exploring 4-H** books will be judged on individual quality and will be awarded blue, red, or white ribbons. Blue award winners will receive \$10, to be presented at the end-of-the-year recognition program.

**Elementary, Junior and Senior** project books will be judged against each other in their prospective categories and will be awarded 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 3 honorable mentions. 1<sup>st</sup> Place books in each category will receive \$10 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place will receive \$5.

All record books must be submitted in some type of binder to the 4-H Club leader. Record books must be turned in on time and properly registered. Record books are due in the 4-H Office located at 7101 Gulf Highway, Lake Charles by 4:30 p.m. on the due date.

All 4-H Records **must** have the 4-H Portfolio form. This form is available from the 4-H Club leader or the 4-H Office. The forms are now available online to type and save your work. Go to: [www.lsuagcenter.com](http://www.lsuagcenter.com) and click on the “Kids & 4-H link, then teen & portfolio, then download to your computer to begin typing.

Your 4-H Portfolio should contain the following sections:

- Section 1 – Personal Data & 4-H and You
- Section 2 – 4-H Leadership
- Section 3 – Citizenship/Community Service
- Section 4 - 4-H Awards & Recognition
- Section 5 - Non-4-H Experiences – Leadership
- Section 6 - My 4-H Story
- Section 7 - 4-H Photos or Supporting Materials
- Section 8 - 4-H Project Focus and Above & Beyond



Guides to complete records are available from the 4-H Office or online at [www.LSUagcenter.com](http://www.LSUagcenter.com), click “4-H”.

The following are the **Blue Ribbon** Requirements for **Elementary** Books:

**Personal Data & 4-H and You**

Picture – this can be school picture, snap shot, digital picture, etc.

Projects listed

Signature

4-H and You – Looking back over the year section must be complete

**Leadership must be included**

It is not required that anything be on this page.

**Citizenship/Community Service**

A minimum of two activities should be included.

**4-H Awards and Recognition**

It is not required that anything be written on this page.

**Non-4-H Experiences – Leadership**

It is not required that anything be written on this page.

**My 4-H Story**

A minimum of 1-1/2 pages is required.

The story may be up to 6 pages.

Suggestions for writing your story are listed in the Portfolio

**Photos and Supporting Materials**

A minimum of one picture is required.

**4-H Project Focus/Above and Beyond**

Must be completed. This shows what you did in the project. You should have one “Project Focus” page for each project

**Project Books**

Discovering 4-H – A minimum of 4 sections must be completed.

Other Projects – A minimum of five activities must be completed.

Livestock Projects – A minimum of five activities must be completed.

## **SPECIAL RECORDS CONTESTS CLUB REPORTER AND SECRETARY BOOK**

Special Records contests are open to all age divisions – Elementary, Junior and Senior.

1. Club Reporter Book
  - A. Neat, but not decorative scrapbook should be used for mounting the clippings.
  - B. Typewritten articles are not to be considered as exhibits of newspaper publicity. The newspaper clippings and/or stories that appear in mimeographed publications such as school papers, church papers, etc. are what is wanted. Typewritten copy should be used to show material sent to, and used on radio or television. Such copy should have notation telling how and when the material was used.
  - C. Clippings and pictures that appear between March 1 and February 28 of the following year comprise the material judged.
  - D. The number of clippings does not form the basis for measuring the effectiveness of publicity. The reporter with limited facilities will not be penalized. Regularity of coverage, such as a story every week, and the variety of events covered, will be a big factor in grading scrapbooks.
  - E. Clippings must be stories written by the reporter, or from notes given to the editor or a representative of a paper by the reporter.
  - F. The reporter must put a notation on all stores, pictures or items shown in scrapbook, telling what part the reporter had in getting the item published. Some typical notations include: **written and submitted, gave information to editor, arranged for picture to be taken, etc. (VERY IMPORTANT!!)**
  - G. Club reporter's books are due in the 4-H Office by 4:30 p.m. on due date. The record sheet in the back of the 4-H Reporter's Handbooks., No. 1 or No. 2 is to be attached on the inside of the front cover of your scrapbook.
    - H. Scrapbooks will be judged on quality of writing in the news feature stories, variety of coverage as shown in clippings, regularity with which material is used by newspaper, general use of available facilities, number of illustrations reproduced in newspapers or other publications, editorials on 4-H Club work, and general appearance of scrapbook.
2. Club Secretary's Book
  - A. Open to any club secretary (elementary, junior or senior)
  - B. Neat, but not decorative binder should be used (a club member record cover is fine).
  - C. The "Record Book for Secretary of Organized 4-H Clubs" is a good guide to follow (available from the 4-H Office). Additional paper as needed may be inserted.
  - D. Neatness, accuracy of spelling, sentence structure, and completeness of minutes will be factors considered in judging.

# Spring Contest Day

## March 28, 2020

Wildlife ID

Fish ID

Dog ID

Registration.....8:30 a.m.

**Divisions:** Elementary (grades 4-5)  
Junior (grades 6-8)  
Senior (grades 9-12 or 14 by January 1)

# Achievement Day

## May 12, 2020

### More information will be sent at a later date.

Registration.....8:30 a.m.

**Divisions:** Elementary (grades 4-5)  
Junior (grades 6-8)  
Senior (grades 9-12 or 14 by January 1)

#### EXHIBITS OFFERED:

##### POSTER EXHIBIT

Categories: Livestock, 4-H Club Pride, Dairy, Rice, Sugar, Horse, Any 4-H project category

##### ARTS AND CRAFTS EXHIBIT

Categories: any arts and crafts item made by the 4-H member, for example woodworking project, fashion projects, drawings, paintings, collections, model cars, etc.

**POSTERS AND ARTS AND CRAFTS EXHIBITS WILL BE AWARDED A RIBBON ONLY, NO CASH PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED. PARTICIPANTS AT ACHIEVEMENT DAY WILL HAVE FREE TIME DURING LUNCH TO ENTER THE CHALKLEY ROOM AND LOOK AT EXHIBITS AND POSTERS TURNED IN.**

**Photographs are due to the 4-H office by April 6, 2020 to be considered. No LATE pictures will be accepted.**



# Photography Contest

**Photographs are due to the 4-H office by April 6, 2020 to be considered. No LATE pictures will be accepted.**

1. Open to any 4-H club member.

2. Categories are:

**People** - any age NO SELFIES

**Animals** - pets, farm animals, birds, zoo animals, fish

**Outdoor Shots** - can include buildings, landscapes, still life, flowers, plants, gardens, water, butterflies, and other insects.

3. Mount your picture on an 8 ½ x 11 sheet of BLACK construction or cardstock paper (one image per page). No decoration, etc. will be accepted. Put your category on upper right hand corner and name, grade, and school on back of paper. Pictures should be regular snap shot size pictures. They can be color or black and white. Only one picture per category. **MINIMUM EDITING ONLY**

4. Scoring Factors are:

**Composition** - arrangement of subject, foreground, background and 15 points supporting subjects in a picture.

**Sharpness** - focus, depth of field, clearness. 10 points

**Correct exposure** - film speed, lens opening, lightness or darkness of 5 points picture, shutter speed.

**Appealing Picture** - attracts attention, interesting, good subject. 20 points

**Total** 50 points

5. First and second place winners in all divisions will receive an award of \$10 and \$5 respectively to be presented at the end-of-the-year recognition program.

# Dog Care Contest

1. Open to any 4-H club member
2. Written test will be three parts
  - Identification of dog breeds by pictures
  - Proper care and nutrition of dogs and puppies
  - Diseases of dogs
3. A list of twenty-five dog breeds that the test may have will be available in the 4-H office.
4. Questions may come from the Discovering 4-H, Pet Care and Dog Care project books.
5. First and second place winners in all divisions will receive an award of \$10 and \$5 respectively to be presented at the end-of-the-year recognition program.
6. Senior winners will be eligible for State 4-H University.

# Wildlife Habitat Judging

1. 4-Hers may be required to identify the needs of wildlife in a particular kind of habitat and make recommendations on wildlife management practices that will improve the habitat for certain wildlife species.
2. Must be able to identify common wildlife foods and rank them as to their importance for certain wildlife species.
3. 4-H'ers may be required to identify wildlife animals and birds from photos. CD is available at 4-H office to study.
4. 4-H'ers may be required to identify the different habitats that wildlife live in from aerial photos and rank them as to their importance for wildlife.