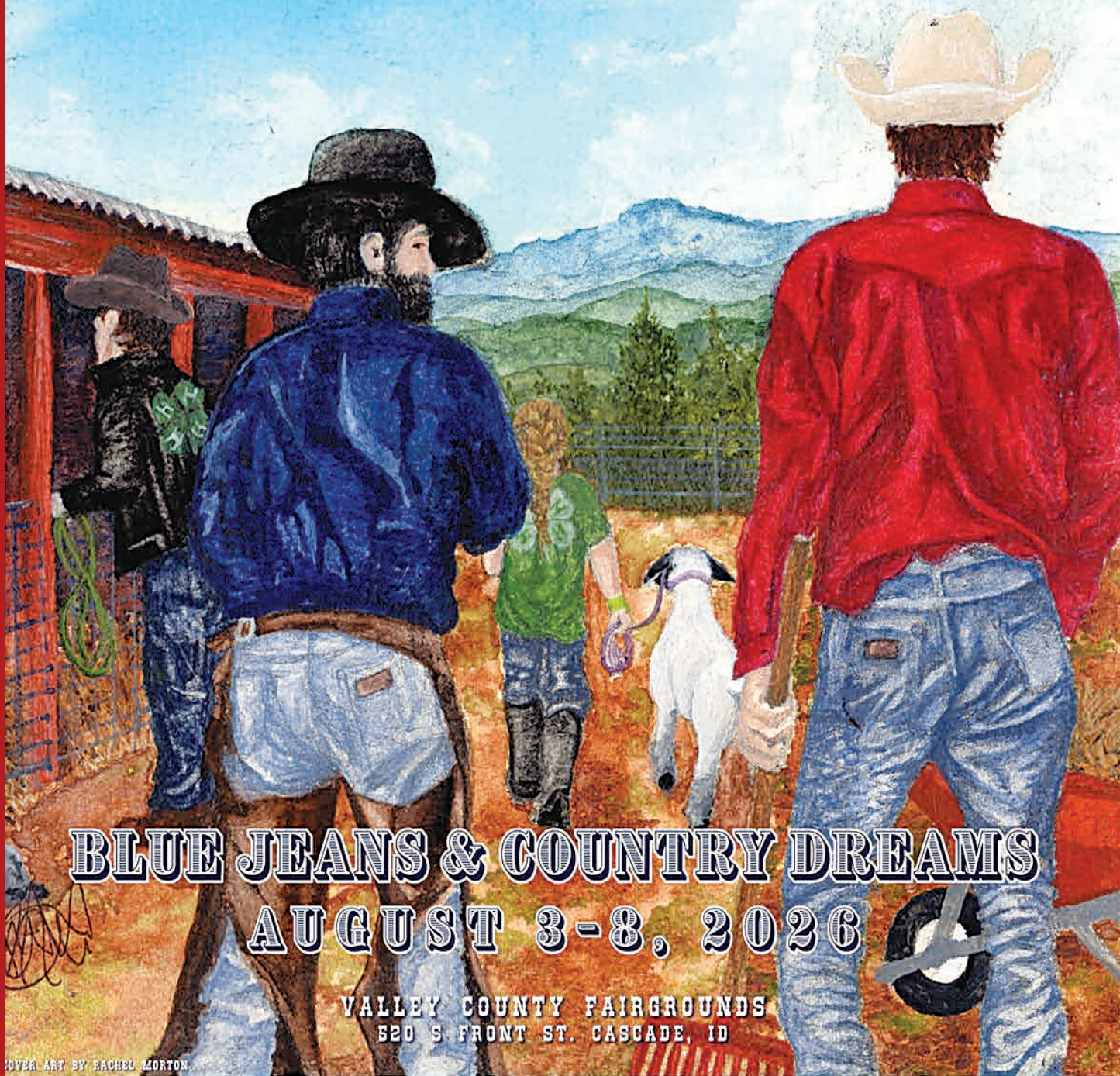


VALLEY COUNTY FAIR & RODEO 2026 + AMERICA 250



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AUGUST 3-8, 2026

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WELCOME TO THE 2026 VALLEY COUNTY FAIR & RODEOS

**AUGUST 3-AUGUST 8th
VALLEY COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS**

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The Valley County Fair Board wishes to express their appreciation to the many businesses and volunteers that have so generously shown their support for this year's fair and Rodeos, with several special Valley County events each evening. We hope you enjoy the Fair and Rodeo and also support the exhibitors taking part in the 2026 Valley County Fair & Rodeo.

We would like to thank all of our participants, sponsors and volunteers for their great support. We hope that you will all join us again for a fair that is going to be fun and exciting for the whole family!!!

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Open Class and Floral Check-In Times

ONE day ONLY for
Exhibit and Floral check in:
TUESDAY, AUGUST 4

Open Class Check in: 8 am to 8 pm
and "Display only" items

Floral Check in: 8 am to 1 pm
(Judging of floral) 1:30 pm

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5

Open Class Building closed until judging is completed.

1. Entering items into Open Class is open to everyone. All ages and residents of Valley County and surrounding counties are eligible, except livestock, which is for Valley County residents only. All exhibits must be made or owned by the exhibitor.
2. **Exhibitors must refer to the instructions listed with each Division regarding how many items may be entered for judging.**
3. Open Class Exhibit check-out will be on Sunday, Aug. 9th from 9 AM to 12 PM. (Saturday pick-up is between 8 PM and 9 PM)
4. Exhibitors must present their claim tickets to the superintendent or clerks in charge of various departments before removing exhibits.
5. **Entries previously shown at the Valley County Fair will not be judged but can be displayed and may win "viewers choice of the day."**
6. All exhibits are subject to the control of the superintendent.
7. Exhibits not claimed by 12 PM Sunday, August 9th will be considered abandoned.

SOMETHING NEW

Award of Ribbons

There will be **2 Overall Division Winners** separated by age.

Pre-school and Elementary in one group

Jr & Sr High and Adult in one group.

The winners will receive a Grand Prize Rosette in their Division

Each Section winner in the Division receives a 1st Place Rosette. All other exhibits in the Section will receive a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place ribbon.

2026 GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS

1. No water fights or balloons in barns, stalls or bathroom areas.
2. Any individual or group intending to solicit or demonstrate at the Valley County Fair for the purpose of raising money, recruiting membership, promoting ideas or ideals, or for any other purpose which initiates contact with the public on the fairgrounds, is required to have a solicitation permit for any such activity. Permits may be applied for with the Fair Board including any limitations deemed appropriate.
3. **NO DOGS OR BICYCLES** on the fairgrounds. The only exceptions to this would be:
 - Handicap assistance dogs; or service dogs
 - 4-H project dogs will be allowed on the fairgrounds **ONLY** for a Dog Show and/or the Small Animal Round Robin. These dogs must be on a leash or crated at all times except during "off leash" events in the Dog Show, and must be removed from the fairgrounds following the Small Animal Round Robin..
4. **NO OUTSIDE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES** allowed on the fair grounds.
5. **No smoking or vaping on fair grounds.**

DIVISION & AGE BREAK DOWN

DIVISIONS:

I-Vegetables and Fruits

II-Home Canning

III-Baking

IV-Needlework and Sewing

V-Fine Arts (Paintings, Drawings, Poetry & Writing)

VI-Photography

VII-Hobbies (Woodcraft, Leather, Clay, Jewelry, Ceramics, etc.)

VIII-Models and Building Sets (Legos, etc.)

IX-Textiles (Weaving, Spinning, Felting)

X-Floral

XI-Quilts

AGE/SKILL CLASS (see Floral for Ages)

A-Pre-School (5 and under)

B-Elementary (6-10)

C-Jr & Sr. High (11-17)

D-Adult (18 and over)

***VIEWERS' CHOICE WILL BE
VOTED ON EACH DAY***
(Exhibit can win only once)

**DO YOU HAVE A PHOTOGRAPH, CRAFT,
SEWING, ETC. THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO
SHARE AS "DISPLAY ONLY" AND NOT
JUDGED, IT COULD WIN THE "VIEWERS
CHOICE"**

CONTESTS

(see page 13 for rules)

Cookie and Pie Contest

4 - 7

8 - 17

18 and older



Fun things to do at Open Class Area throughout the week:
(Activities will be posted each day in front of building)

Rock Painting for Children and Adults



Scavenger Hunt



Spin Art



PLEASE NOTE:

The owner or custodian of property of any kind brought to the fairgrounds either for exhibit or for other purposes assumes, as a condition of its admission to the fairgrounds, all risk of and responsibility for loss, damages or theft. Exhibitors exempt the Valley County Fair; its officers, directors, employees and volunteers from liability of any loss or damage of their property and shall indemnify the said Valley County Fair against all claims or damages

AGE/SKILL CLASS

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DIVISION I: VEGETABLES AND FRUITS



1. All exhibits shown in this department must have been grown by the exhibitor.
2. All exhibits must be grown during the year prior to the current fair.
3. Exhibits must be same maturity, color, size, shape. Exhibitors may replace damaged produce at any time except when being judged. ***
4. The Superintendent shall have the right to refuse any entry which is found to contain insects or is otherwise unsuitable for display. If the produce becomes unsightly the superintendent has the right to remove it.
5. Display on white paper plates in Ziplock bags
6. No limit on entries per section/class

WHAT JUDGES LOOK FOR IN FRUITS & VEGETABLES:

QUALITY: In best & prime eating condition, not necessarily the biggest. **CONDITION:** Clean, free from blemish & disease. **UNIFORMITY:** All specimens uniform in size, ripeness, shape & color. **TYPICAL OF VARIETY:** Varieties should be identified.

SECTION A: VEGETABLES

Classes:

1. **Bulbous (grown from a bulb) Crops:**
 - Garlic, 3 specimens. Leave roots on and 1 inch tops.
 - Leeks, 3 specimens. Leave roots on and 1 inch tops. Remove peeling only to clean.
 - Onions, any variety, 3 specimens. Leave roots on and 1 inch tops. Remove peeling only to clean.
2. **Cabbage, Broccoli, Cauliflower, Kale Crops:**
 - Broccoli— 1 head.
 - Cabbage, any variety, 1 head. Cut close to bottom. Must be solid. Peel off outer leaves.
 - Cauliflower, any variety, 1 head, cut close to bottom.
 - Horseradish, 2 specimens.
 - Kale-1 bunch, may be washed.
 - Kohlrabi, 2 specimens. Leave 1 inch root and tops.
3. **Gourd, Squash, Melons:**
 - Cucumbers, any variety, must have stems, 3 specimens.
 - Melons, Cantaloupe, Watermelon. any variety, 1 inch stems, 1 specimen.
 - Pumpkin, any variety, 1 inch stems, 1 specimen.

- Squash, any variety, 1 inch stems, 1 specimen.
- Zucchini, 1 inch stems, 1 specimen

4. **Greens:**

- Herbs-1 bundle.
- Lettuce-1 head or bunch. May be washed.

5. **Leguminous Crops:**

- Beans, any variety, 5 specimens in pods.
- Peas, any variety, 3 specimens. May be washed or brushed with soft brush.

6. **Nightshade (Solanaceous) Crops:**

- Eggplant, any variety, must have stems, 2 specimens.
- Peppers, any variety, must have stems, 2 specimens.
- Potatoes, any variety, 3 specimens. May be washed or brushed with a soft brush.
- Tomatoes, any variety, 3 specimens for large varieties, 5 specimens for small varieties.

7. **Root Crops:**

- Beets, any table variety, 3 specimens, leave 1 inch of top and tails on. May be washed or brushed with soft brush.
- Carrots, any table variety, 3 specimens. Leave tails on, and 1 inch of tops. May be washed or brushed with soft brush.
- Parsnips, 2 specimens. Leave 1 inch top and tails on. May be washed or brushed with soft brush.
- Radishes, any variety, 4 specimens, leave 1 inch top and tails on. May be washed or brushed with soft brush.
- Turnips, 2 specimens, leave 1 inch top and tails on. May be washed or brushed with a soft brush.

SECTION B: FRUIT

Class: Apples

1. Any variety (Plate of 3)

Class: Stone Fruit (i.e. Apricots, Peaches, Cherries)

2. Any variety (Plate of 3)

Class: Pears

3. Any variety (Plate of 3)

Class: Grapes:

4. Any variety (Plate of 3 clusters)

Class: Berries:

5. Any variety (Plate of 6)

Class: Nuts

6. Any variety (Plate of 5)



AGE/SKILL CLASS

A-Pre-School	(5 and under)
B-Elementary	(6-10)
C-Jr & Sr. High	(11-17)
D-Adult	(18 and over)

1. Green Beans, Beets, Corn, Carrots
2. Dry beans
3. Tomatoes, whole
4. Tomato Paste, Sauce
5. Salsa
6. Juices
7. Other, not listed

DIVISION: II: HOME CANNING

All home canned products must be labeled and the label placed on the side of the jar BEFORE bringing it to the fair. Foods must have been processed within the last 12 months. The judge will look at appearance alone, attractive color, appropriate consistency, correct headspace, no bulging lid, clean jar and new lids. **JARS WILL NOT BE OPENED. PRODUCT IS JUDGED ON APPEARANCE. NO LIMIT ON ENTRIES.**

SECTION A: CANNED FRUIT (Display in standard pint or quart jars)

Classes:

1. Berries (Boysenberry, Huckleberry, Gooseberry, Blueberry, Raspberry, etc.)
2. Cherries, Plums, Peaches, Pears, Apples, Apricots
3. Sauces, (i.e. Applesauce, Peach, Rhubarb, etc.)
4. Other, not listed

SECTION B: JELLIES, JAMS, BUTTERS (Display in standard half pint or pint glasses or jars)

Classes:

1. Berries (Huckleberry, Strawberry, Raspberry, Blackberry, Elderberry, etc.)
2. Cherry, Apple, Peach, Grape, Currant, etc.)
3. Syrups
4. Other, not listed

SECTION C: VEGETABLE (Display in standard glass pint or quart jars)

Classes:

SECTION D: PICKLES & RELISHES (Display in standard glass pint or quart glass jars)

Classes:

1. Beet Pickles, whole/sliced, Sweet or Dill, Bread & Butter
2. Pickle Relish
3. Pickled Vegetables
4. Other

SECTION E: DRIED FRUITS, VEGETABLES **HERBS**

Classes:

1. Any fruit (5 per entry)
2. Vegetables (5 per entry)
3. Herbs (3 per entry)
4. Other

SECTION F: CANNED MEATS

Class: Any meat



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DIVISION III: BAKING

(2) ITEMS PER SECTION (1) PER CLASS

All entries are to be placed on a paper plate in a ziplock bag. No packaged mixes in any category.

Entry items should be similar in size and shape.

What do the judges look for with breads:

Bread should be completely baked, sounding hollow when tapped.

TEXTURE: The crumb should be slightly moist, tender, yet not crumble when sliced, fine grain, no large air holes.

CRUST: Wheat items should have a dark firm crust, white flour items should have a golden brown crust with a soft white center.

VOLUME: Should be a tall loaf with a round full roll to the top.

MOISTURE: There should be moisture in the feel and taste of the item, but not wet or soggy.

UNIFORMITY: Entries consisting of three of the same item, such as rolls, should all be equal size and shape.

What the judges look for with cookies and bars: Items on plate should be the same size and shape.

What the judges look for with cakes:

FLAVOR: Delicate, pleasing, not overwhelming.

VOLUME: Should be high and light (unless pound or bundt cake)

APPEARANCE: Even thickness & surface, frosted or unfrosted. Frosted cakes should have uniform icing.

TEXTURE/MOISTURE: Fine grain, moist, does not crumble when cut. Pound or bundt cakes should be firm.

No cheesecakes or refrigerated pies

SECTION A: BREAD

Quick Breads (not containing yeast)

Classes:

1. Biscuits, baking powder, 4
2. Flavored Quick Bread (i.e. Banana, Lemon, Orange, Pumpkin, Zucchini, Nut)
3. Corn Bread, 2 1/2" squares, 4
4. Muffins, plain, bran, fruit, nut 3
5. Other not listed

Yeast Breads (Breads containing yeast)

Classes:

6. Loaf of White or Wheat Bread
7. Bagels (2)
8. Sour Dough Bread
9. Artesian Bread
10. Dinner Rolls, White or Wheat 4
11. Rolls, Cinnamon with or without icing 4
12. Other not listed



SECTION B: CAKES

Rules & Regulations: Half cakes are permissible. Eight inch cakes are permissible. Plastic cake covers on decorator cake.

Classes:

1. Angel Food Cake, White or Chocolate (not iced)
2. Chiffon, any flavor (not iced)
3. Any flavor cake, (not iced)
4. Any flavor cake, (iced)
5. Fancy Decorated Cake
6. Fruit Cake
7. Bundt Cake (any flavor, no icing)
8. Cupcakes (3) (with or without icing)
9. Other not listed

SECTION C: COOKIES

Rules & Regulations: All cookies must be made from scratch, no mixes, 5 on a paper plate, seal in Ziplock bag

Classes:

1. Rolled Sugar Cookie (Iced and/or decorated)
2. Chocolate chip
3. Oatmeal
4. Dropped cookies, Ice Box, Pressed or Molded
5. Brownies
6. Other bar cookie
7. Filled, any kind
8. Any other not listed

SECTION D: CANDY (6 pieces)

Classes:

1. Fudge
2. Divinity
3. Nut brittle
4. Caramels
5. Peanut/Nut Cluster (Choc. or White Choc.)
6. Any other not listed



SECTION E: PIE

Rules & Regulations: Pies must be two crusted or crumb topping.

Classes:

1. Apple
2. Cherry
3. Berry (any kind)
4. Any other pie (no cream, custard base or one that requires refrigeration.)

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DIVISION IV:

SEWING, NEEDLE & FANCY WORK

(ENTRIES MUST BE CLEAN, NEAT AND READY FOR DISPLAY.)

What Judges look for in Needlework:

OVERALL APPEARANCE: All needlework will be judged with regard to beauty, degree of perfection, amount of work and suitability for the purpose for it's intended use.

WORKMANSHIP: Stitches, smooth, flat with even tension.

DESIGN, COLOR, THREAD AND YARN: Choice of thread or yarn, canvas or fabric type, appropriate pattern and function.

(Limit of 3 items per class for judging.)

SECTION A: NEEDLEWORK & SEWING

Classes:

1. Crocheting (except Afghans)
2. Knitting (except Afghans)
3. Afghans (Crochet, knit, hairpin)
4. Embroidery
5. Cross Stitch (Stamped)
6. Counted Cross Stitch
7. Sewing (i.e., Dresses, aprons, etc.)
8. Needlepoint
9. Other



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DIVISION V

FINE ARTS

(Paintings, Drawings, Poetry & Writing)

All art work **MUST** be framed or mounted and ready to hang or it cannot be accepted. Please use wire on back of artwork suitable to hang on peg board. The superintendent reserves the right to refuse any work of art not suitable for public display. All adult art must be original-no copies accepted. All elementary exhibits must be ready to hang on pegboard.

What the judges look for with fine arts:

GENERAL APPEARANCE: Neat, clean finishing techniques, suitable to subject and medium.

WORKMANSHIP: Techniques are correct and consistent, composition balanced.

CREATIVITY, SUITABILITY AND DETAIL OF PROJECT: Originality or presentation of subject, choice of color combinations, medium and techniques suitable to subject.

(3 ENTRIES PER SECTION, (but not same class) IF YOU HAVE MORE ITEMS TO ENTER CHOOSE WHICH 3 ARE TO BE JUDGED AND WHICH ARE TO BE DISPLAY ONLY)

SECTION A: Painting and Drawing

Classes:

1. Oil
2. Acrylic
3. Watercolor
4. Pen & Ink
5. Charcoal
6. Pencil
7. Colored Pencil
8. Computer Generated Art
9. Markers
10. Coloring, pre-printed, traced
11. Sculptures
12. Painted Ceramic Model
13. Paint by Number
14. Pastels
15. Any not listed



SECTION B: Poetry and Writing

Classes:

1. Poetry
2. Writing (letter, essay)
3. Short Story

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DIVISION VI

PHOTOGRAPHY

1. *Each exhibitor may enter 3 entries.*
2. Any print exhibited at this fair in previous years may be entered **for display only** and may receive "Viewer's Choice" but not judged.
3. All photos must be taken by the exhibitor.
4. Photos entered will be judged based on originality, composition, lighting and overall appearance. All photos must be mounted or framed. Mounting can be on cardstock or construction paper with 1/4 inch border. (The fair will not furnish any apparatus for hanging. If a picture has a special hanging requirement, it must be equipped for hanging by the exhibitor.)
5. "Amateur", in this department I, refers to those who are student and who have no financial gain from their work.
6. "Professional", in this department refers to those whose productions are priced or sold or earn their livelihood through art. **No judging will take place but the exhibitor may win "Viewer's Choice" for the day.** You may advertise with your display.

SECTION A: AMATEUR

Classes:

1. Wildlife
2. Portrait/People
3. Landscape
4. Other not listed (i.e. photo stretched on canvas)

SECTION B: PROFESSIONAL

Classes:

1. Wildlife
2. Portrait/People
3. Landscape
4. Other not listed (i.e. photo stretched on canvas)



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DIVISION VII

HOBBIES (WOODCRAFT, LEATHERCLAY, JEWELRY, CERAMICS)

Each exhibitor is entitled to 2 entries per section

Handcrafted Hobbies must be neat, clean, attention to detail (paint applied evenly and clean, with no visible glue, etc.) Workmanship appropriate to age of exhibitor.

SECTION A: WOOD PROJECTS

Classes:

1. Woodcarving
 2. Woodworking
 3. Woodworking
 4. Woodworking
 5. Woodworking
 6. Wood Painting
 7. Other
- Small
Large
Chain Saw
Scroll saw



SECTION B: LEATHER

Classes:

1. Leather Craft

SECTION C: METAL WORK

Classes:

1. Metal Work Cast Sculptured
2. Metal Work Yard Art



SECTION D: JEWELRY/BEADS

Classes:

1. Jewelry
2. Bead Work

SECTION E: MISC.

Classes:

1. Handmade cards/Gifts tags
2. Ornaments
3. Scrapbooks
4. Rock Painting
5. Collections Buttons, old jewelry, etc. (Please include history of collection)
6. Pottery/Ceramics (formed clay and fired)
7. Mini Garden/Mini Dollhouse, etc.
8. Other (Baskets, Wreaths, etc.)



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AGE/SKILL CLASS

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DIVISION VIII

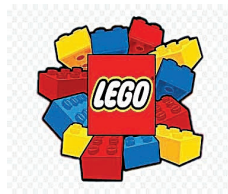
LEGOS, MODELS AND BUILDING SETS

(Limited to 2 per class,(i.e. 1 Original Lego, 1 Kit Lego, 1 Motorized Lego)

SECTION A: LEGOS

Classes:

1. Lego Original
2. Lego Kit
3. Lego Motorized



SECTION B: MODELS/ BUILDING SETS

Classes:

1. Model Cars
2. Ships
3. Lincoln Logs
4. Erector Sets
5. Any other item



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DIVISION IX

TEXTILES (WEAVING, SPINNING, FELTING) (2 entries per class)

Classes:

1. Handspun (all articles)
2. Woven articles
3. Felted articles
4. Any other not listed



DIVISION X– FLORAL

A-Child (10 & under)

D-Youth (11-18)

E-Adult (19 & over)

The Floral Show is presented by the Long Valley Garden Club. Arrange your entries and select your Section before coming to the check-in table. You may enter any section as many times as you like.

CHECK-IN WILL BE TUESDAY, AUGUST 4th
8:00 AM TO 1 PM (JUDGING AT 1:30)

PICK-UP WILL BE SUNDAY, AUGUST 9TH
9 am to 12 pm or Saturday 8 to 9 pm

Judging occurs at 1:30 pm immediately after check-in and is governed by the rules of the National Council of Garden Clubs. Awards will be Blue, Red, or White with Best in Show awarded in all three age divisions. There will be One (1) Best Overall Floral and (1) Honorable Mention Floral..

How to Score Higher with Floral Judges:

- 1) Remove all foliage from the underwater portion of stems.
- 2) Trim off damaged, disfigured, wilted, bug-bitten, and bent leaves.
- 3) Do not overstuff your vase.
- 4) Coordinate your container with your flowers and theme.

PLEASE NOTE:

1. Horticulture entries in Section J and K **must be in clear glass containers or they will be disqualified.**
2. Flowers must be grown in Valley or Adams County; cut flowers acquired from a commercial florist or other vendor will be disqualified.

SECTION A: “FAIR THEME” AT YOUR COUNTY FAIR

A dish garden no more than 16 inches diameter by 5 inches deep (such as planter saucer), utilizing natural materials, miniatures, and plantings to create a scene.

SECTION B: “BOUQUET” OF BEAUTY

Use flowers, foliage, implements and props in an arrangement celebrating the fair theme.

SECTION C: WILD THINGS

Use 3 or more kinds of wildflowers and native foliage in a container of your choice.

SECTION D: GREEN GLEN

Utilize all green native material in a vessel of your choice.

SECTION E: MIGHTY MINI

Is not to exceed 3 inches tall and 5 inches wide.

SECTION F: HOLIDAY THEME

An arrangement of your choice using flowers and materials to celebrate your favorite time of year (e.g. holiday, birthday, etc.).

SECTION G: SHADES OF ONE COLOR

An arrangement of flowers all in the same color.

SECTION H: UNUSUAL CONTAINER

Potted plants or cut flowers of your choice in a non-standard vessel up to 24 inches wide. (i.e. recycled, patio planter, etc.)

1. Plants
2. Bouquets

SECTION I: HOUSE PLANTS

Such as: vines, African violets, cacti, or other exotics grown indoors only.

1. Foliage
2. Flowers
3. Hanging Plants

SECTION J: HORTICULTURE 1 STEM

A single stem or spray with one or more flowers on it according to its natural growth, such as: columbine, hollyhock, rose, etc. displayed in clear glass container.

SECTION K: HORTICULTURE 3 STEM

3 separate stems of the same species of flower with foliage attached, such as: pansy, daisy, sweet pea, etc. displayed in a clear glass container.

1. Annual
2. Perennial
3. Shrub or tree

SECTION L: FAIRY GARDEN

Entry must be no bigger than 15”



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DIVISION XI

QUILTS

ONLY ONE ENTRY PER SECTION MAY BE ENTERED. NEW, NEVER SHOWN TO BE JUDGED FOR A RIBBON, OTHERWISE IT IS DISPLAYED ONLY AND MAY WIN "VIEWERS CHOICE"

WHAT JUDGES LOOK FOR WITH QUILTING:

All quilts and wall hangings must have a 6" sleeve to accommodate a cross pole for hanging. Sleeve must be continuous across the width of the piece. Fold a 9" strip fabric in half and sew across the width of the piece sew with a 1/2" seam, making a long tube. Place seam against the back of the piece and baste or blind stitch the sleeve in place 1" below the top and 1/2" from each side, taking care not to sew through the front.

GENERAL APPEARANCE: Total impact, neat and clean, square and flat.

DESIGN: Choice and use of color & pattern for top and borders, suitability of materials & design & function, originality or use of traditional patterns.

WORKMANSHIP: Precision of cutting, stitching & finishing, quality techniques, binding & edges. (Must specify if the item is from a **Kit** or an **Original** design.)



DUE TO OUR LIMITED SPACE FOR DISPLAYING QUILTS WE ARE REQUESTING YOU TO CALL AND REGISTER THE SIZE OF YOUR QUILT. PEOPLE LOVE SEEING THEM AND WE WANT TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE THE SPACE.
208-467-1672 LINDA

PROFESSIONAL QUILTS (i.e. for sale in store) or a quilt made by a group will not be judged for ribbons but may win "Viewer's Choice"

SECTION A: Hand Quilted (Kit or Original)

Classes:

1. King, Queen, Double, Twin, Lap, Baby
2. Wall Hanging
3. Other (i.e. Pot Holders, placemats runners, pillows)

SECTION B: Machine Quilted (Kit or Original)

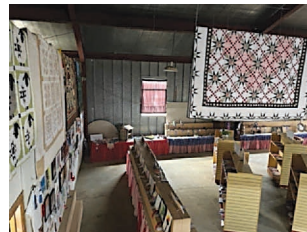
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4. King, Queen, Double, Twin, Lap Baby
5. Wall Hanging
6. Other (ie. Pot holders, placemats, runners, pillows)

SECTION C: Tied Quilt (Kit or Original)

Classes:

7. King, Queen, Double, Twin Lap, Baby
8. Wall Hanging
9. Other (i.e., Pot holders, place





NEW DAY AND TIME: THURSDAY AUGUST 7TH

(PLEASE READ AND FOLLOW RULES CAREFULLY)

All entries will belong to the fair for distribution following the contest.

PIE CONTEST

ONLY ONE ENTRY PER PERSON

Thursday, August 7th, at 3:00 we will host a
Pie contest.

Age brackets are:

4-7

8-17

18 and older

We will have **two categories** for pies:

1. **2 crusted fruit or crumble topping (non-refrigerated) OR**
2. **Refrigerated pie, i.e. cream, custard or meringue. NO CHEESECAKE**

Choose your category and on a 3x5 card write the name of pie and your age. **You must enter your pie between 1:00 and 2:30** in the Open Class building.. (We will judge the refrigerated pies first.) Plan to share your remaining pie with the audience. (From scratch)

Ribbons and cash for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

1st place	\$25.00
2nd place	15.00
3rd place	10.00

Recipe not required.

COOKIE CONTEST

ONLY ONE ENTRY PER PERSON

Thursday, August 7th, following the pie contest we will be hosting a Cookie Contest.

Age brackets are:

4 - 7

8 - 17

18 and older

Make that special batch (from scratch) and bring 1 dozen on a plate. (and extra to share with the audience.) On a 3x5 card, write the name of your cookie along with your age.

We will accept your entries from 10:00-1:30 in the Open Class building..

Ribbons and cash for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

1st place	\$25.00
2nd place	15.00
3rd place	10.00

Recipe not required.

Please pre-register if you plan to bring a pie. You may do this by calling "Linda" at 208-467-1672 or with any questions you may have.

WILDLIFE MOUNTS

We would love to display the results of your hunting expeditions. One mount per species per person. We prefer mounts taken from the state of Idaho but would welcome what you have. (All entries will be hung and taken down by owner.) The mounts will not be judged but may receive the Daily Viewer's Choice award. On a 3x5 card please write your name, species and location the game was taken which will be displayed with your mount.



HISTORICAL

Valley County is so rich with history. Do you have any pictures of what it used to look like in the early days? This area is display only, not to be judged but could win "Viewer's Choice." We are thinking household items, bottles, books, newspapers, old tools, you get the idea. We can display fragile items in a glass case for protection. A description of your treasures would be appreciated.



A GREAT BIG THANK YOU !!!



DJ MACH OF SQUIRREL OUTDOORS

We appreciate your generosity of donating ice cream certificates to
the Open Class Barn for participants and volunteers

2026 VALLEY COUNTY RODEO QUEEN

Hi! My name is Cassidy Jones, and I recently turned 19 years old. I graduated high school in 2025 and am excited to begin my career as a licensed pharmacy technician, with hopes of continuing my education to become a pharmacist. I have lived in Valley County for the past 9 years, and my family has owned Cabarton Ranch in Cascade, Idaho for three generations. I grew up moving cows and fixing fences before moving to McCall in 2019. Recently, my family moved back to the valley so I could pursue my goals in both my reining horse career and my pharmacy career path. I am currently training under a professional reining coach in New Plymouth, Idaho, and I am working with my 2-year-old horse as I prepare for upcoming competitions.



I will be competing in the Low Roller Reining Competition in Las Vegas next year while attending college. This will also be my final year competing and holding the title of Rodeo Queen as I transition into a new discipline in equine events. I have proudly served as a rodeo queen for over four years and have loved representing Valley County and District 3 Rodeo. This year, I am lightly retiring my 21-year-old barrel, breakaway, and pole horse as I advance further in reining. When I'm not riding, I enjoy swimming, reading, and paddleboarding. I am truly thankful for this chapter of my life, as it has given me the confidence to move forward as a successful member of society and face life's challenges head-on. Thank you for all of your support and for changing my life.

2026 VALLEY COUNTY RODEO JR. QUEEN

Hi, my name is Austyn Post. I am 13 years old and obsessed with horses! Ever since I can remember, I dreamed of riding in parades and arenas, and that dream came true when I was crowned the 2026 Valley County Fair and Rodeo Junior Queen.

This year, I had the opportunity to homeschool and travel the "Gulf of America" with my parents, George and Angie Post. I have now visited 49 states! Homeschooling also gave me the chance to hunt with my dad and harvest my first buck.



I enjoy raising goats for my 4-H Market Animal project, creating items with my 3D printer, and competing in 4-H Horse Bowl Competitions. In Horse Bowl, I recently placed first individually in the junior division, and my team earned second place. We will represent Valley County at the State competition in July.

I want to thank God for this opportunity, my parents for everything they have taught me, and I especially want to thank my friends, the Whitneys, for their countless hours of teaching me everything I know about horses. Also, thank you to all the soldiers who fight for our country; I'm truly honored to be an American!

2026 VALLEY COUNTY RODEO PRINCESS

Valley County Princess, Sadie Vance, is 12 years old and is from McCall, Idaho. Sadie has been riding her horse Fly for 8 years and enjoys competing in barrel racing and pole bending.



Some of Sadie's other interests include; music, exploring the outdoors, skiing, basketball, and mountain biking. Sadie also participates in 4-H, showing her horse and raising a pig for the Valley County Fair. She has also competed multiple years at State in Horse Bowl. One of her life goals include attending college in 6 years.

2026

VALLEY COUNTY RODEO JR. PRINCESS

Valley County Jr. Princess, Mira Jones, is 10 years old and lives in Donnelly, Idaho where she cares for and manages all her many critters on the family ranch. Mira loves competing and doing anything there is to do on horseback, especially with her horse Soula.



She also enjoys raising a 4-H pig every year for the Valley County Fair and participating in the 4-H horse show. For multiple years, Mira has competed on Horse Bowl and Horse Judging Teams at the state level. She loves trail riding, gathering cattle, camping, basketball, and running. Some of her life goals include becoming a horse trainer and running the family ranch.

2026 VALLEY COUNTY RODEO



10AM JULY 31
Valley County Fair & Rodeo Grounds

Applications Due July 24th

Contact Isabel Sweetwood: isabelbizz06@gmail.com | 208-315-2169
As of January 1*

Free to Enter – Free to Taste

Chili Cook Off



MONDAY, AUGUST 3rd

Entries must be in by 11am

Starts at 12pm at the arena

Chili Cook Off Competition will be held during the horse show on Monday. The Competition will be judged by the public!

***Make the Best Chili
to Win Prizes!***



For more information contact Valley@uidaho.edu

This event provides a meal for 4-H Horse Contestants, Judges, and the public following the conclusion of the morning shows.



Pie

AND



COOKIE

CONTEST



AUGUST - 6TH - 3PM

Hosted by Valley County Fair Open Class

Cash Prizes!!!

1ST - \$ 25

2ND - \$ 20

3RD \$10



For questions please email
Vcfairandrodeo@outlook.com



VALLEY COUNTY KINDERGARTEN

RODEO



AUGUST 8TH, 2026

REGISTRATION OPENS AT 9:45AM

STARTS AT 10:00AM



NO COWBOY OR COWGIRL TOO YOUNG

SADDLE UP YOUR BEST STEED AND COMPETE
IN THIS WILD STICK HORSE EVENT BROUGHT
TO YOU BY THE CUTEST COWBOYS AND
COWGIRLS AROUND



Horse Show Schedule



2026 4-H Horse Shows and Games
August 3rd & 4th

4-H Horse Member Project Goals:

Each member will present their horse project goals for the 2025/2026 4-H year. Member discussion on this year's project goals will be held during the lunch break in the grandstands at the large arena Monday and Tuesday.

Monday- Seniors/Intermediate

Tuesday- Juniors/Novice

Monday, August 3rd:

4-H Contestant meeting 8:30

Show starts 9:00

- Showmanship
- Equitation
- Trail
- Ranch Riding

Tuesday, August 4th: 4-H Contestant meeting 8:30 a.m.

Show starts 9:00

- Dressage
- Hunt Seat Equitation Over
Fences
- Western Games



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GENERAL 4-H INFORMATION

Age Requirements:

4-H age is based on the child's age as of January 1st of the 4-H year (2025/26 would be Jan. 1, 2026).

Cloverbuds—age 5 to 7

Regular Member—age 8 to 19 (if they turn 19 prior to Jan. 1 they are no longer eligible to participate unless they are still enrolled in high school).

GENERAL PROJECT AREAS:

- Citizenship & Civic Education
- Communications & Expressive Arts
(Performing Arts, Visual Arts, Public Speaking)
- Consumer & Family Sciences
(Child Development, Clothing & Textiles, Consumer Education)
- Environmental Education & Earth Sciences
(Earth, Water, & Air; Natural Resources, Forestry, Sport Fishing; Outdoor Education/Recreation)
- Healthy Lifestyles Education
(Foods & Nutrition; Food Science, Food Preservation, Keeping Fit & Healthy)
- Personal Development & Leadership
(Career Exploration & Employability; Leadership)
- Plants & Animals
(Beef, Poultry, Cats, Dogs, Guide Dogs, Dairy Cattle, Goats, Horse & Pony, Rabbits & Cavy, Sheep, Swine, Small Animal/ Pocket Pet, Crops & Weeds, Gardens, Fruits, Vegetables)
- Science & Technology
(Biological Sciences, Technology & Engineering)

•Self-Determined

The above list is very broad, there are many different sub-groups/projects to choose from. The number of clubs and kinds of projects open for enrollment are directly connected to the number and kind of organizational/project volunteer leaders available. For more information, please visit the Extension Office. Recordbooks are available to view at the Fairgrounds during fair in the 4-H Barn.

ENTRIES

1. All 4-H and FFA entries must be made on the Fair Entry website at fairentry.com (Livestock, Horse, Small Animal or Home Ec and Non-Animal)
2. Entries may be made in only those 4-H projects in which the 4-H member is enrolled in a club with a certified 4-H leader. All FFA rules apply
3. All 4-H and FFA entries must be entered by July 27th. All 4-H record books are due on July 17th by 5:00 p.m. and must be accompanied by a corresponding project book, record book and involvement report completed by the member, signed by the leader(s) and turned in to the Extension Office.

AWARDS

Awards are sponsored by private individuals, small businesses, and 4-H and FFA fundraising. All Awards are contingent upon sponsorship, donations, fairboard, and fundraising.

4-H RECORD BOOKS AND PORTFOLIOS

1. All 4-H projects must be accompanied by an up-to-date and complete project book, record book and involvement report in a portfolio.
2. All portfolios (project book, record book & involvement reports) are due July 17th by 5:00 p.m. to the Extension Office.
3. All 4-H animals shown must be included in a record book and carried as a project by the date specified for the 4-H project.
4. 4-H record books must be signed by the member and parent and approved and signed by a certified 4-H leader. If record books are not signed, the project will be deemed unacceptable and incomplete, it will not be judged, and neither ribbons, nor premiums or prizes awarded.

4-H CLUB RECORDS

The following 4-H club records may be submitted for evaluation. Records are due to the Extension Office inside portfolio/ record books no later than July 17th by 5:00 p.m.

- Club Secretary's Book
- Club Treasurer's Book
- Club Historian Scrapbook

4-H CLUB DISPLAYS

Club displays will be located in the 4-H building. Each 4-H club can display their club projects, depicting club activities and incorporating the fair theme. Any 4-H club may choose

to make an exhibit. The amount of space allotted to each club for a display will depend on the number of club displays to be included in the 4-H building. Displays have to be set-up on Saturday, August 1st and are to be taken down and removed on Sunday morning, August 9th. Club displays will be judged and ribbons awarded.

The following criteria will be used in judging:

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|------------------------------------|------------|
| 1. Selling the 4-H Story | 20% |
| 2. Overall appeal | 20% |
| 3. Club activities depicted | 20% |
| 4. Youth Involvement | 20% |
| 4. Fair theme displayed | 10% |
| 5. Upkeep | 10% |

ELIGIBILITY

- 4-H fair exhibitors must be enrolled in a Valley County 4-H club with a certified 4-H leader prior to 5:00 p.m. on the enrollment deadline February 28th.
- Failure to be enrolled in 4-H by the enrollment deadline date will result in the 4-H member being unable to exhibit/participate in the Valley County Fair 4-H classes.

CODE OF CONDUCT

1. All exhibitors will abide with the 4-H and FFA Policies, rules and regulations. All 4-H and FFA youth and adults have signed a code of conduct at the time of enrollment and/or at initial weigh-in.
2. An exhibitor who violates any rules in any department will not be allowed to exhibit for the current fair and possibly for next year's fair. The violator will forfeit all privileges and premiums.
3. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, fair and livestock show management, or other officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation, and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.

4-H and FFA Program participants are expected to:

1. Conduct themselves in a courteous, respectful manner, exhibit good sportsmanship, and provide positive role models for other youth.
2. Respect, adhere to, and enforce the Idaho 4-H and FFA rules, policies or guidelines for the 4-H and FFA programs.

4-H Volunteer Leaders are expected to:

1. Be courteous and respectful, encourage sportsmanship and participation, and be a positive role model.
2. Respect, demonstrate, adhere to, and enforce any policies and procedures or guidelines for the 4-H program.

PARENTS/GARDIANS/FAMILY

All are expected to:

- Be courteous and respectful, encourage sportsmanship and participation, and be a positive role model.
- Respect, demonstrate, adhere to, and enforce any policies or guidelines for the program.

- Refrain from consuming alcoholic beverages or using a controlled substance when chaperoning, teaching, directing, attending, or participating with youth in the program.
- Refrain from verbal or physical abuse of children.
- Comply with applicable law.
- Have permission for any photos taken at 4-H events and activities.

GENERAL 4-H RULES & REGULATIONS

4-H is meant to provide learning experiences for youth. Projects in all areas should be completed by the 4-H member with assistance from the parent or leader. 4-H members should do as much work on the project as is physically and safely possible.

Idaho 4-H Policies and Procedures for 2024-2026 apply to all 4-H members, leaders, and volunteers.

Members **MUST** attend a minimum of six (6) meetings. Community meetings, trainings, and workshops may count as a meeting if approved by a 4-H leader, and/or 4-H County Agent. All meetings must be signed by the leader in the 4-H youth's record book.

All leaders and members need to submit their enrollments for the new 4-H year 2025-2026, prior to participating in any 4-H activity. Both leaders and members are not covered with accident insurance or liability coverage, until their enrollment form and fees have been received by the Extension Office. To ensure that you are covered, we require that all leaders and members enroll prior to attending any club, county, or district activities. If you have any questions, please call the Extension Office at 208-382-7190.

Member, leader and club online enrollments must be kept up-to-date and accurate. All information can be found on 4h.Z-Suites.org. Member enrollments are due no later than February 28, 2026 to have a 4-H livestock project and/or horse entered in the Valley County Fair. The small animal project deadline is February, 28th 2026. The miscellaneous project deadline is July 9, 2026 in order to participate in the Valley County Fair. If the project is not on the online enrollment Z-Suite, the project is not eligible to be entered into fair. This includes all animal projects. All members, parents, and leaders signed a 4-H Code of Conduct when filling out the online enrollment form. Members and parents also signed the 4-H Horse Project Member Fair Contract and the Idaho Youth Livestock Program Commitment to Excellence. Copies of all of these documents are available at the Extension Office.

All member online enrollment forms must be turned in with \$30 enrollment fee per member, \$60 max per fam-

ily or they will not be considered enrolled. Scholarships are available and an application form can be turned into the Extension Office.

All 4-H clubs (i.e. Home Economics, Livestock, and Miscellaneous, etc.) are required to have a fair booth in the 4-H building for the display of record books, secretary book, and scrapbook. Individual project exhibits will need to be taken to the member's record book interview.

This is the responsibility of the member and points may be deducted, or project may be disqualified, at judge's discretion if the exhibit is not present. The exhibit may be taken back to the club's booth after judging. Booth set-up at the fair will be Saturday, August 1st after fairground set-up is complete. Booths and displays must be checked, cleaned, and maintained throughout the fair. Booths and stalls will be assigned by the Extension Office.

LEADER/VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS

Returning Leaders:

- A volunteer online enrollment through ZSuites must be submitted to the Extension Office and approved prior to contacting any member, holding a meeting or attending a 4-H event.
- Background screening (4-H State requirement)
- Complete the 4-H online training for protecting minors and Child Abuse Prevention Policy in ZSuites.
- Complete annual requirements of six 4-H Volunteer meetings and trainings before fair.
- Organizational Leaders must attend a separate County or District organizational leaders training upon their initial approved enrollment year.
- Rules in the 4-H State Policies and Procedures Manual apply.

New 4-H Leader Requirements:

- Application for a Volunteer Position in 4-H/Youth Development.
- Background Screening (4-H State requirement)
- Complete the 4-H online training for protecting minors and Child Abuse Prevention Policy in ZSuites.
- Volunteer interview and references.
- New leaders are required to complete new leader training prior to holding any club meetings, field days, etc. This can be accommodated to fit individual scheduling.
- Complete annual requirements that total six meetings and trainings before fair.
- Organizational Leaders must attend a separate County or District organizational leaders training upon their initial approved enrollment year.
- Rules in the 4-H State Policies and Procedures Manual apply.

Annual Requirements:

- No dues 2025-2026.
- Staff and volunteers working with 4-H programs need

to be trained in ages and stages of child development to guide them in recognizing and fostering age appropriate learning activities. VC 4-H uses National 4-H Targeting Life skill curriculum

- Submit online enrollment form with Job Description and Idaho 4-H Code of Conduct read and signed.
- Attend at least one leader training before beginning 4-H club meetings– Protecting Minors Training.
- Attend six leader association /council meetings. This can be distributed with a co-leader(s) and club members.
- Each club, and/or home project shall be represented at a minimum of six separate 4-H County Leaders Council meetings and have two certified screened adults at each club meeting.
- Complete six leader trainings per 4-H year (child abuse education, online training from 4-H state website, orientation meeting, and field days do apply).
- Club financial review submitted to the Extension Office (due November 1st).

HOME PROJECTS

Home projects are only allowed on the basis that there is no other club available to the youth and family applying for a project and/or activity in their area, or else with the purpose to allow youth to participate in a desired 4-H project. Clubs that have been established as home projects are subject to the same equal opportunity and state requirements. University of Idaho Extension, Valley County 4-H clubs are always open to 4-H enrolled youth.

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- 4-H age is the age of the individual on January 1st of the current 4-H year (which runs from October 1st to September 30th).
- Members **MUST** attend a minimum of six club and project meetings. Large animal projects must meet recommended training requirements provided by your 4-H leader for safety purposes. Community meetings, trainings, and workshops may count as a meeting if approved by a 4-H leader and/or 4-H Agent..
- **Not attending required meetings will disqualify members from exhibiting at fair.**
- **If a youth attends a club that does not currently have an additional project of their choice the enrolled 4-H youth can chose to attend another clubs' project meetings in order to complete the project. All youth must be enrolled in at least one club to attend enough club business meetings to fulfill overall project requirements. All project requirements must be completed.**
- Cloverbuds is a non-competitive educational program for youth ages 5 to 7 years designed to introduce young children to 4-H in a fun, non-competitive way. When working with Cloverbuds, approved Cloverbuds curriculum should be used, as it is developmentally appropriate for this age. Cloverbuds may not participate in large animal, ATV, or shooting sports projects.

- Cloverbud curriculum is activity oriented, involves cooperative learning, and is focused on life skills taught through a broad spectrum of subject areas. Cloverbud members may be involved in lap animal projects. These are defined as: rabbits, cavies, small dogs that weigh less than the member, chickens, and mini-goats. Fair exhibits by Cloverbuds are optional but must be non-competitive. A Cloverbuds Memory Book (63013) is available to be used with fair exhibits but is not required.
- 4-H members ages 8 to 19 years (through high school) are eligible to participate in all programs offered by 4-H, including competitive activities/events and must be enrolled online and fees paid.
- Youth must be at least 8 years of age as of Jan. 1st to participate in the competitive 4-H programs.
- 4-H membership is open to all eligible youth. Clubs should consist of at least 5 members. However, the maximum number of club members and type of projects offered will be established by individual club leaders.
- Enrollment in 4-H or any 4-H program is subject to approval by the University of Idaho.
- Marriage and/or parenthood shall not disqualify individuals from 4-H membership and participation, provided other requirements are met.
- In recognition of the educational and developmental needs of youth, members will be grouped from program management purposes (based on age as of January 1st) as follows:

Classification Age:

Cloverbud - 5 to 7 years old
 Junior -8 to 10 years old
 Intermediate -11 to 13 years old
 Senior -14 to 18 years old –or in high school

Novice - any member that is taking a project for the first year. **Novices may choose to compete in the novice category or they may choose to compete in their age division. This must be written on their 4-H fair entry forms.** Novice classes may not always be available depending on the number of exhibitors, but will be separately judged if combined to make a class. Novice is an elected opportunity for youth that have never shown in their animal species or in any other 4-H project. Novice is a non-competitive opportunity for youth to get a better understanding of how 4-H projects work and exhibit. Novice classes are not awarded buckles or ribbons other than premium fair ribbons. Horse Novice classes that will receive ribbons are determined each year by the VC 4-H horse advisory board.

- The 4-H enrollment fee is free for Cloverbuds, \$30.00 per 4-H member(Max \$60 per family). Enrollment fees must be paid in order to complete enrollment. The enrollment fee covers the cost of curriculum, \$15.00 state fee per youth, and member insurance for the 4-H year. Scholarships may be available and can be obtained through the Extension Office.

- **All Record Book Portfolios must be completed, checked, and signed by the leader prior to returning portfolios to the Extension Office.** Portfolios are **due no later than July 17, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.** at the University of Idaho Extension Office in Valley County. Members will not be allowed to show or sell, if books are late. You can contact the Extension Office **prior to July 17th** with any questions.
- **Projects are not considered complete without the signature of the member, leader, and parent. Incomplete record books or projects should not be signed by the leader. Leaders are responsible for checking project requirements and record books to be sure that the 4-H member has completed the project.** Incomplete record books or projects will be judged at the judges' discretion. Judges' decision is final.
- Only market animal members will have an opportunity to complete the final weight and average daily gain page of their record books after weigh-in is completed on August 5th. That page will then be collected on August 5th by 12:00 p.m.
- Project requirements are available on the UI 4-H State website. 4-H judging criteria for Recordbooks and Oral Presentations is available at the Extension Office, or by logging on to the following website **4h.Z-Suites.org** Oral presentations are required for each project. Oral presentations are given at club meetings and **prior to the fair.** This requirement can be fulfilled at the Valley County Oral Presentation Contest or any Valley County 4-H Community or Club Meeting. (Youth must call Extension Office to schedule an appointment). The project is not considered complete until a presentation is given regarding the project.
- In order to qualify for the 4-H 2026 All Around Grand and Reserve Championship it is required to complete an oral presentation at the county level. The oral presentation score, showmanship score, and record book score this will establish the 4-H 2026 All Around Grand and Reserve Champion.
- The Round Robin competition is made up of the 4-H and FFA members that placed 1st and 2nd in their showmanship classes. If either the Grand or Reserve Champion is unavailable or forfeits their position in the Round Robin then the 3rd place winner may chose to compete in the Round Robin Competition.
- **Completed** and **signed** record books must be turned in at the designated time in order to exhibit at the fair and be judged and to sell livestock animals.
- 4-H and FFA members are expected to clean their stalls, animals, and booths during the fair. Pens and animals must be cleaned by 9:00 a.m. daily and **maintained** throughout the day. If at any time the area is neglected your project can be dismissed and will not be judged or sold. Youth will receive a pink slip as a warning notifying them that their stall needs attention. Youth must check in with both the Barn Superintendent and their Club Leader after they have completed the task(s) on their pink slip. Awards will be given for good Herds-

manship/clean stalls.

- **4-H and FFA Members will be assigned barn watch during fair. Barn watch does not replace the individual members' responsibility for cleaning, caring for and maintaining their animal project. Barn watch is for safety and information for the guests at the fair. Youth must be present at their assigned times and place. If they are not at a scheduled barn watch this could disqualify or dismiss the exhibitor from showing and selling their projects.**
- **All youth selling in the livestock sale are required to be present at set-up for the sale, serve at the buyers' BBQ and clean up after sale.**
- **Exhibitors are responsible for the behavior of animals at all times while on the fairgrounds. If an animal cannot be controlled or could cause harm to itself or others, it should not be brought to the fair. Unmanageable animals will not be allowed in the arena and may be sent home by authority of the county Extension, FFA staff, Livestock superintendents, and/or a grievance committee.**
- Leaders and parents are not allowed in the show ring or the 4-H building during judging unless they have been asked by the Extension staff to assist.
- **Coaching from the sidelines of any 4-H/FFA competition is prohibited!!!** Extension and FFA staff has the right to ask anyone doing so to leave the area. Anyone doing so could cause the 4-H/FFA member to be disqualified.
- Parents, leaders or others are not allowed to converse with judges during judging. Extension staff has the right to ask anyone doing so to leave the area.
- Cloverbud members may exhibit projects in their club's booth at fair. Projects will not be judged but will be given a participation ribbon. Cloverbuds are encouraged to participate in record book interviews and oral presentation contests, but will only receive participation ribbons.
- Extension, FFA staff and/or a grievance committee may disqualify any exhibitor for bad language, violation of code of conduct or unnecessary roughness of an animal.
- **ALL JUDGES' DECISIONS ARE FINAL!!!**

2026 DATES AND DEADLINES

January 28th

Organizational Leader enrollment deadline. Background check, z suite training modules and volunteer application

February 28th

In order to participate in any large animal 4-H livestock project at the Valley County Fair, online enrollment forms and fees are due to the Extension Office no later than February 28th.

February 28th

In order to participate in any small livestock project at the Valley County Fair, online enrollment forms and fees are due to the Extension Office.

May 8th

Horse declarations are due before or on the 90 day deadline in order to meet the 90 day state horse project requirements. VC requires adopted horse skills and project requirements set by the VC Horse Advisory board.

June 17 and June 26th County Oral Presentations

July 9th

In order to participate in any 4-H Miscellaneous projects at the Valley County Fair, enrollment forms and fees are due to the Extension Office no later than July 9th.

July 17th

Record Book Portfolios are due no later than July 18th.

July 23rd and 24th Recordbook Interviews

July 27th

Fair entries for 4-H projects will be due no later than July 25, 2026 by 5:00 p.m. at the Extension Office. Please submit entries at <http://valley-county.fairentry.com/>

ANIMAL RULES

- All general rules apply. Please see 2024-2026 Idaho State Policies and Procedures.
- All male market animals must be castrated **before** initial weigh-in.
- Market animals must be weighed on the specified weigh-in date and designated location. Contact the Extension Office for dates and times of weigh-ins. **Minimum weight will be strictly adhered to at final weigh-in.** The Extension Office **must** be notified of a lost ear tag immediately. Failure to report a missing tag may result in project disqualification. Animals must have official ear tags at fair weigh-in to be eligible to participate in the Market Animal Sale. Animals that are sold and placed on trucks after the 4-H Auction are tracked and identified this way. A 4-H tagged animal is intended for the purpose of identification for the Market Animal Sale Committee, 4-H Extension Office, buyer, the harvest facility, and the buyer's choice for a cut and wrap facility.
- An underweight market animal is allowed to stay on the fairgrounds so that the member may participate in showmanship, the 4-H and FFA Fair classes, and to help complete their project. A feeder class may be added to any market animal class.

Animal rules continued ...

- **Market animals will be allowed only one (1) trip across the scales at fair weigh-in. If the member wants the animal re-weighed they must ask before the next animal in line is put on the scale and the animal in question must be immediately reweighed. Animal(s) for Market class must be declared at the scale after final weigh-in.**
- All 4-H and FFA members must show their animal(s) in the showmanship and quality class in order to sell their animal.
- The fitting and grooming of animals must be completed by the exhibitor. 4-H and FFA members may ask for assistance from parents, 4-H leader, FFA instructor, and/or another 4-H member.
- All animals must be cleaned, groomed, ready for competition, and fitted to the best of the showman's ability for all classes. An animal can be disqualified by Extension or FFA staff or judge. Disqualification from showmanship makes the animal ineligible for sale.
- All animals exhibited at the fair must have a stall card, with an emergency contact number displayed on the back.
- Only 4-H members, FFA members, primary family members, leaders, and superintendent may be in the fitting area while preparing the animals for show. **Other individuals not listed above are not allowed to touch the animals.**
- The 4-H/FFA member may choose which tagged 4-H/FFA animal to show in showmanship.
- **A member may weigh-in two animals of the same species at initial weigh-in and then choose which one animal to show and sell at fair immediately after final weigh-in. All 4-H and FFA animals are weighed-in at fair. The animal chosen must have complete and accurate records in the member's record books.**
- **All youth along with parents/guardians must sign and adhere to the Valley County 4-H Livestock Memorandum of Understanding. This declares that both youth and adults understand the 4-H and FFA livestock requirements in Valley County. The document is received and signed at all the initial weigh-ins. This agreement included the Idaho Youth Livestock Program Commitment to Excellence, Code of Conduct for Parents, Volunteers, and Youth within the Idaho 4-H Youth Development Program, and the 2026 4-H Market Animal Information sheet for Valley County. This document must be signed in order to participate in the 2026 Valley County Fair and Valley County 4-H and FFA livestock programs.**
- Only animals weighed in and tagged as a 4-H or FFA project are allowed on the truck. If it is a companion animal or an animal that did not make weight, there is a

\$30.00 fee required at final weigh-in. The member must complete the waiver, required paperwork and turn it in with check made payable to the Valley County Market Animal Sale at final weigh-in or your animal must be removed from the fairgrounds by the end of the day.

- A \$15 stall/repair fee for all animals will be collected at the time of the final weigh-in payment made to Valley County 4-H.
- 4-H and FFA clubs and members are responsible for keeping stalls/pens, animals and the area surrounding their stall/pens, and animals clean during fair. Animal stalls/pens that are habitually not kept clean may be considered for disqualification of animals and members by the grievance committee.
- 4-H/FFA youth may receive a pink slip as a warning notifying them that their stall needs attention. Youth must check in with both the Barn Superintendent and their Club Leader after they have completed the task (s) on their pink slip.
- A \$100 fee will be charged to the youth for stalls that are not cleaned out thoroughly on clean up day.
- All market animals need to be clean and dry at time of fair weigh-in. At the 4-H representative's discretion, animals in question may be sent back to be washed/dried before being weighed.
- Showing of animals in quality classes must be done by the 4-H or FFA member. Exceptions based on circumstance may be given if the member or member's parent/guardian or leader makes a request immediately to the 4-H Coordinator or FFA Advisor. A grievance committee will be formed to review the request and make a decision if needed. The member must show in showmanship as well in order to sell at the Market Animal Sale.
- Exhibitors are responsible for the behavior of animals at all times while on the fairgrounds. If an animal cannot be controlled or is known to be dangerous in unfamiliar surroundings, it should not be brought to the fair. Animals endangering the public or other exhibitors may be removed from the fairgrounds.
- No change of animals will be allowed except for medical reasons. Replacement animals must come from within the family and must have been weighed and tagged at initial weigh-in. The Extension Office must be contacted immediately and the member will be contacted on the outcome of the decision.
- **Boots/or strong closed toe shoes should be worn at all times when in the show ring or working with or near livestock and horses. Members not wearing appropriate foot attire will be asked to leave the area until they wear proper foot wear. No open toed or open heel (clogs) near animals. Exhibitors are not allowed to wear open shoes of any kind, canvas/running shoes are not considered strong closed toe shoes.**

- All exhibitors will show in their respective showmanship classes starting with senior class, then to intermediate and junior classes. If there are not at least three animals in an age group, groups may be combined. First and second place showman for each class will come back to compete in a final class for Grand and Reserve Champion Shows.
- Market classes will be determined by the market judge. The final market class will consist of the top market ready and quality animal projects. This will determine the sale order. The overall placings determine the sale order and is at the discretion of the market judge.
- Any animal under the influence of any type of stimulant, depressant, tranquilizer or local anesthetic will be disqualified from showing and selling.
- **If an animal has been treated with an antibiotic or other drug such that the slaughter-withholding period will not be completed prior to the date of the sale, the animal will be disqualified from the sale.**
- All animals must be fed ethically depending on their digestive system.
- The market judge will use his or her own trained method to determine and evaluate for back fat and rib eye area. Animals will be evaluated individually, and ranked accordingly. Judges may use their own discretion and the judge's decision is final.
- Record books will not be used as part of the live animal judging, but will be evaluated and judged individually.
- A Novice 4-H Horse Youth is any member that is taking a horse project and not ready for competitive horse classes. Novices may choose to compete in the novice category or they may choose to complete in their age division. This must be on their fair entry form. Novice classes may not always be available depending on the number of exhibitors, but will be separately judged if combined to make a class. Novice is an elected opportunity for youth to safely advance in the horse skills. Novice is also an opportunity for youth to get a better understating of how 4-H projects work and how to exhibit. Any VC 4-H horse youth rider may choose to either show novice or in their appropriate age division/level. **Members must meet the proper safety requirements for that division.** Again, your extension staff and horse leader must help youth make this decision to ensure that the requirements are met for safety reasons.
- **Cloverbuds do not ride or care for horses under the Cloverbud program.** They can complete a Cloverbud horseless project.
- 4-H members must designate a horse project borrowed or owned a minimum of 90 days prior to the fair. Horse(s) to be shown at the fair should **not have been shown, raced or trained by a professional during the 90 days prior to the fair.** (Receiving help from a professional, a leader, or a parent while **the member manages the horse(s)** is fine. Project animals may be a horse, pony, foal, mule, or donkey of any breed or age.
- Stallions over one year of age are not eligible for exhibit in a 4-H show or participation in a group activity.
- It is not required, but recommended that horses receive their 5-way or 4-way shots and a West Nile Virus vaccination. If their horse(s) are 5 years and under, it is recommended to give the strangles vaccination. These shots can be given by a veterinarian, qualified horse leader, parent, or member. Proof of vaccination records must be recorded in record book.
- A completed 4-H Animal Project Record Book, Permanent Individual Animal Record, current inserts, focus area forms, and the applicable 4-H Horse Curriculum will be **submitted to the Extension Office no later than July 17th by 5:00 p.m.** These materials will be incorporated in an all 4-H projects encompassing their Record Book.
- Members taking horse projects not requiring a horse (Horseless Project or Cloverbud) as a part of the exhibit will turn in the completed record book and/or project supplements to the club leader.

HORSE

HORSE PROJECT RULES

- 4-H horse members are to help and perform the following to the best of their ability and experience: provide adequate care and ethics while working with his or her horse, saddle, groom and work with their own or shared horse(s), and to improve on key 4-H horse life skills with 4-H horse leaders and 4-H horse trainings on safe riding, good horsemanship, and good herdsmanship. **Handle/groom/manage your horse (guardians/leaders are ok to assist but not others)**
- Horse Declaration forms for each animal that may be shown at fair must be declared on Z-Suites by May 8th. A detailed description of the animal must entered and a photo must accompany the form. If exhibitors are sharing a horse, that horse will need to be declared as well by May 8th to the Extension Office via Z-Suites.
- A family owned horse may be managed by two members of a family on a 50% basis. This includes feeding, grooming, exercising, training, and access to use.
- A non-family owned horse must be managed by the member 80% of the time (feeding, grooming, exercising, training, and access to use). A lease agreement if applicable **must** be kept in your records.
- Members must manage, care for, and keep records on their animal. In case of safety, injury or death, horse replacement must be approved by the 4-H Program Coordinator immedi-

- Animals exhibiting symptoms of disease or other medical conditions or abnormal conditions, including significant thriftiness or neglect, are not eligible for entry or exhibition in the 4-H/FFA show or sale.
- The Extension Office, Animal Superintendents, FFA Advisor, and the primary fair Veterinarian will make decisions regarding any animals showing these symptoms.
- Exhibitors are required to wear clean pants and long sleeved or short sleeved, collared shirts and/or a dress shirt. **NO sleeveless shirts, tank tops, shirts that show the midriff, or shorts are permitted as this is considered inappropriate dress when showing and selling animals.** 4-H members inappropriately attired will be asked to leave the ring.
- Receiving help from a professional, a leader, or a parent while **the member manages the horse(s)** is fine.
- The Horse Project Evaluation is an opportunity for 4-H youth to discuss their project work, their goals, successes, and their shortcomings, and to assess the progress they have made over the past year with the help of peers and leaders. Each 4-H member communicates knowledge and/or shortcomings according to his or her own merits on a county basis. The horse leaders and youth review goals and project material, and also review the horsemanship/knowledge skills. This provides the youth the opportunity to demonstrate his/her skills and/or demonstrates a verbal knowledge.
- **A certified ASTM/SEI helmet must be worn during all horse 4-H events and meetings in Valley County.**
- For safety reasons, the horse or pony should be appropriate for the abilities of the rider.
- For safety purposes, **lace-up boots and/or loose boots are not allowed.**
- **Exhibitors are responsible for the behavior of animals at all times while on the fairgrounds.** If an animal cannot be controlled or could cause harm to itself or others, it should not be brought to the fair. Unmanageable animals will not be allowed in the arena and may be sent home by authority of the Horse Superintendent and the Extension staff.
- All members must show in showmanship class and all members must show in their age division. **An exception may be made on the ability of the rider, dependent upon the 4-H member meeting requirements for their age division. This will be a decision made by their leader with the approval of the Horse Superintendent, and Extension staff.**
- The judges, and the Extension staff may disqualify any exhibitor using bad language, disrespectful behavior to judges and leaders, un-sportsman like behavior, and unnecessary roughness or abuse of any animals.
- **Coaching from the sidelines is prohibited!!!** (Includes giving any cues to animals). Anyone doing so could cause the 4-H member to be disquali-

fied. Extension staff, a 4-H Program Coordinator, the Horse Superintendent, and the Horse Judge will enforce this rule.

- If any horse requires medication, a veterinarian statement must accompany the show entry form. Disqualification will result if any horse is shown under the influence of any type of drug stimulant, depressant, tranquilizer or local anesthetic.
- A horse may be released due to unmanageable behavior or illness with a vet release and/or approval from the grievance committee. Any horse that is released from the fairgrounds **may not** compete in any remaining horse show activities.
- 4-H members are responsible for feeding their animals and cleaning their stall. All stalls may be checked daily by 9:00 a.m. by members of the fair board, superintendents, 4-H leaders and/or Extension staff. Availability of feed, fresh water and cleanliness of its bedding will be checked. Horse will have the option of staying on the fairgrounds if horse area is provided or trailering horses each event day. Horses are not required to stay at the fairgrounds during fair. **If youth have a horse at the fairgrounds they must attend the 8:00 morning meetings.** If a morning meeting cannot be attended, prior arrangements must be made with the 4-H coordinator.
- In the case of a cancellation of a class or if a class is not held at the county level, a 4-Her that would like to attend district may request permission from the Valley Extension Office. In this case, the 4-Her will have to prove his/her ability to perform the class requested.

4-H SHOWMANSHIP

Classes:

1. Senior
2. Intermediate
3. Junior
4. Novice

4-H TRAIL COURSE (A TRAIL CHALLENGE COURSE MAY BE ADDED FOR QUALIFYING SENIORS AND INTERMEDIATES)

Classes:

1. Senior
2. Intermediate
3. Junior
4. Novice

4-H RANCH RIDING

Classes:

1. Senior
2. Intermediate
3. Junior
4. Novice

4-H WESTERN AND ENGLISH EQUITATION CLASSES

Classes:

1. Senior
2. Intermediate
3. Junior
4. Novice

WESTERN AND ENGLISH DRESSAGE

Classes:

1. Senior
2. Intermediate
3. Junior
4. Novice

HUNT SEAT EQUITATION OVER FENCES

Classes:

1. Senior
2. Intermediate
3. Junior
4. Novice

GREEN HORSE CLASS

THIS CLASS IS OFFERED WHEN YOUTH HAVE
COMPLETED THE PROJECT REQUIREMENTS

4-H Horse Classes offered for 2026 are in the PNW. The exception is Ranch Riding and those patterns as well as the other classes will be available ahead time.

We provide fun and educational opportunities for our youth by adding additional English and Western classes.

Three classes will count towards Top Senior, Top Intermediate, and Top Junior Award

Valley County changes and adaptations to the PNW contest guide:

pg. 11- Rein hand cannot be changed- but should be allowed when navigating an obstacle in a trail class.

pg. 14- This uses the Danish ribbon system blue red white, Valley County uses gold silver bronze

pg. 20- Trail course will be determined on a year to year basis to provide opportunities and educational advancement determined by the Valley County Horse Board

pg. 34- Western games events. The Valley County 4-H to be determined by the horse advisory board

Under Reins, it states that roping reins are required for West-

ern Games.- This does not apply to Valley County 4-H . *In Valley County mecate reins are allowed*

PNW Contest Guide, the trail portion states: "The course should be designed to be completed in less than 5 minutes". **It does not say MUST or WILL BE. It stands AS IS**

VC 4-H Horse Program allows for horses to keep their whiskers untrimmed if youth/families see it as a benefit to both the horse and rider. Whiskers provide sensory feedback to the horse on their surroundings.

VC 4-H Horse program allows a snaffle or bridle for any aged horse. This is by the leaders and families discretion to ensure safety for the rider.

VC 4-H Horse program may have a Colt project from year to year and horses for this program must be age 5 and under, and be ridden in a snaffle bit or a hackamore. **Age Exceptions on a green horse can be considered by the Valley County Horse Council prior to the start of fair.**

Idaho 4-H Classification Age

Cloverbud - 5 to 7 years old

Junior -8 to 10 years old

Intermediate -11 to 13 years old

Senior -14 to 18 years old

TEAM PENNING, TEAM SORTING, & GYMKHANA GAMES (FOR EXTRA FUN)

Classes:

1. Senior
2. Intermediate
3. Junior
4. Novice

BEEF

BEEF PROJECT RULES

- All general, animal, 4-H/FFA Policies and Procedures, and market animal sale rules apply.
- Choose one steer or heifers for your market beef project. Each exhibitor will be allowed one market beef to sell at the Market Animal Sale auction. Youth can bring two steers to exhibit at fair choosing either one for market or showmanship. Youth may choose to use the same steers for both and bring a companion. Youth must declare which steer will be their market animal at the final fair

weigh-in.

- Animals must be weighed in at the initial weigh-in date of March 14th. Suggested minimum weight range at initial weigh-in: 800-850 lbs.
- Target Average Daily Gain: 3.2 lbs. This will be a consideration in the judge's final decision.
- The animal will be on a 144 day feeding period. This should be the figure used to calculate Average Daily Gain. Members own animals for a minimum of 144 days.
- Animals must be tagged with appropriate Valley County 4-H/FFA tags by final weigh-in.
- Brand Inspection: 4-H/FFA members exhibiting market beef must have a Bill of Sale form. A Bill of Sale will be copied, uploaded and/or collected by the 4-H Program Coordinator at initial weigh-in to give the brand inspector upon arrival at the fair. These forms should be uploaded by the 4-H member on ZSuites.org in their recordbook. Brand inspection may take place at any time during the fair and Bills of Sale forms must be available. This form is available at ZSuites.org. Only beef weighed in as 4-H/FFA beef projects will show. Only animals weighing over 1,100 lbs will be allowed to sell in the Market Animal Sale.

MARKET BEEF CARCASS CONTEST

- All beef carcasses will be scored based on Quality Grade Point scale and Yield Grade point scale. Penalties possible in Hot Carcass Weight and Dressing Percentage. Carcass Tie Breakers: primary-marbling score, secondary-yield grade score. Full details are available from the Extension Office. Grading is possible if an Extension Agent or a qualified grading expert is available to grade carcasses.

BREEDING BEEF PROJECT RULES

- Beef shown in a market class cannot be shown in a breeding class.
- Breeding animals must be owned by member (or in partnership).
- Depending on the number of breeding animals to be shown, separate classes may be formed for different breeds, or all breeds may show together. The superintendent and/or Extension Office will determine how classes are formed.
- 4-H/FFA members may exhibit bulls under 1 year of age. 4-H members may exhibit bulls over 1 year of age if they have permission of the Extension Office, and they have approval of their club leader. Approval must be given before the fair begins. Bulls may be exhibited with nose rings or tongs.
- The Extension Office, depending on numbers and ages of cattle present, will determine all breeding classes. All efforts will be made to make the classes as fair as possible.

BEEF SHOWMANSHIP

Classes:

1. Senior
2. Intermediate

3. Junior
4. Novice

MARKET BEEF

Minimum sale weight: 1,100

Classes:

- Classes will be determined by weight after final fair weigh-in and by the judges discretion. The Judge will determine size of classes. The judge will rank all market 4-H projects by quality and market readiness to determine the sale order.
- A feeder class maybe added to aid youth in the education of their animal project.

BREEDING CATTLE

Each breed and crossbreed will show separately unless class superintendent makes exception.

Classes:

1. Junior Heifer calves, up to 6 months.
2. Senior Heifer calves, 7-12 months of age.
3. Junior Yearling Heifer, 13 -18 months of age.
4. Senior Yearling Heifer, 19 – 24 months of age.
5. Cow, over 24 months of age.

IDAHO ANGUS AUXILIARY AWARD

These awards are available to qualifying Angus projects and will be awarded where applicable and upon availability.

DAIRY DAIRY SHOWMANSHIP

Classes:

1. Senior
2. Intermediate
3. Junior
4. Novice

HOLSTEINS

Classes:

1. Bull Calf—4-12 months
2. Jr. Heifer Calf born on or after March 1st (must be 4months old at time of show)
3. Intermediate Heifer Calf (Born Dec. 1—Feb. 2)
4. Sr. Heifer Calf (Born Sept 1—Nov 30)
5. Jr. Yearling (12 to 17 months)
6. Sr. Yearling (18 to 24 months)
7. Cows (2 and 3 years old)
8. Cows (4 years and older)
9. Dry Cows (any age)
10. Best Uddered Cow
11. Produce of Dam—two animals, both to be the progeny of one cow owned by the exhibitor. The Dam of the calves does not have to be owned by the exhibitor.
12. Dam—Daughter
13. Club Group—a club may select 3 animals of one or more breeds, any age, but not more than one animal per exhibitor.

GUERNSEYS
(SAME CLASS AS ABOVE)

JERSEYS
(SAME CLASS AS ABOVE)

OTHERS
(SAME CLASS AS ABOVE)

GOAT

MEAT GOAT PROJECT RULES

- All general, animal, 4-H/FFA Policies and Procedures, and market animal sale rules apply.
- Animal must be weighed in at the initial weigh-in date of May 14th. Please call to set up an appointment.
- A Valley County Producer Affidavit & Market Goat Health Record is a combined form that should be uploaded to the ZSuites.org after initial weigh-in. Directions will be provided at initial weigh-in.
- Choose one or more goats for your market goat project. Each exhibitor will be allowed one market goat to exhibit at fair.
- Goats must not be over one year of age and must still be showing milk teeth.
- The animal will be on a 83 day feeding period. This should be the figure used to calculate Average Daily Gain. Members own animals for a minimum of 83 days.
- Animals must be tagged with appropriate Valley County 4-H tag.
- All female goats will be checked for Scrapies tags at initial weigh-in, and that tag number will be recorded. Those without a Scrapies tag will be allowed to weigh-in initially; however, these animals **MUST** have a Scrapies tag at final weigh-in or they will not be allowed to participate in the show and sale.
- Record books will not be used as part of the live animal judging, but will be evaluated and judged individually.
- All market goats weighed in as 4-H market goat projects will show. Only animals weighing a minimum of 65 lbs. will be allowed to sell in the Market Animal Sale.

Valley County 4-H/FFA is following the ADGA American Dairy Goat Association guidelines regarding horns as follows:

Dairy Goats -All dairy goats must be dehorned.

Meat Goats- All meat goats may be shown with or without horns, but it is recommended that breed standard be followed for breeding does.

Pack Goats (*this rule is remaining the same as previous years*)
Pack goats are allowed to have horns. Pack goats also showing as dairy goats must be dehorned.

Pygmy Goats- Horns acceptable. Breed standards will apply in all quality classes.

BREEDING GOAT PROJECT RULES

- Breeding animals must be owned by member, (or in partnership).
- Depending on the number of breeding animals to be shown, separate classes may be formed for different breeds, or all breeds may show together. The superintendent or judge will determine how classes are formed.
- Breeding projects should be fitted and shown for quality as for fitting and showing classes.
- Breeding goats may not need to be dehorned or tipped depending on breed standards.

Please Note: *Classes will be determined by number of participants; less than 2 does does not qualify as a class. Goat education will take the place of judging.*

GOAT SHOWMANSHIP

Classes:

1. Senior
2. Intermediate
3. Junior
4. Novice

MARKET GOAT

Classes:

- Classes to be determined after final weigh-in at fair.
- A feeder class maybe added to aid youth in the education of their animals.

JUNIOR DOES

Classes:

1. Birth to 3 months
2. 3 months to 6 months
3. 6 months to 12 months
4. 12 months to 24 months, not in milk

SENIOR DOES

Classes:

1. Under 2 years, in milk
2. 2 years to 3 years, in milk
3. 3 years to 5 years, in milk
4. 5 years & over, in milk
5. Dam and Daughter

Each recognized breed and cross breed will show separately in quality classes (*Exception: Some breeds may be combined due to lack of entries*).

SHEEP

SHEEP PROJECT RULES

- All general, animal, 4-H/FFA Policies and Procedures and market animal sale rules pertain to sheep project rules.
- Choose one or two wethers or ewes for your market lamb project. Each exhibitor will be allowed one market lamb to sell and exhibit at fair.
- Youth can bring up to two sheep to exhibit at fair, choosing one for market or showmanship. Youth may choose to use the same sheep for both market or showmanship or bring a companion. Youth must declare which sheep will be their market animal at the final fair weigh-in.
- Valley County Producer Affidavit & Market Swine Health Record, the combined form is due it needs to be uploaded in each individual participating youths ZSuites.org account. Directions will be provided at initial weigh-in.
- Animal must be weighed in at the initial weigh-in date of May 14th. Please call to schedule an appointment.
- Suggested minimum weight range at initial weigh-in: 75-90 lbs
- Target Average Daily Gain: 0.6 lbs
- The animal will be on a 83 day feeding period. This should be the figure used to calculate Average Daily Gain. Members own animals for a minimum of 83 days.
- Animals must be tagged with appropriate Valley County tag.
- All female sheep will be checked for Scrapies tags at initial weigh-in and that tag number will be recorded. Those without a Scrapies tag will be allowed to weigh in initially; however, these animals **MUST** have a Scrapies tag at final weigh-in or they will not be allowed to participate in the show and sale.
- All market sheep must be dehorned or horns tipped to 2 inches and completely healed.
- All sheep weighed in as 4-H/FFA market sheep projects will show. Only animals weighing **at least** 110 lbs and placing in a quality class will be allowed to sell in the Market Animal Sale. Sheep must be slick sheared to within 1/2 inch of wool length. This should be done before the fair.

BREEDING SHEEP PROJECT RULES

- Sheep shown in a market class cannot be shown in a breeding class.
- Breeding animals must be owned by member, (or in partnership).
- Depending on the number of breeding animals to be shown, separate classes may be formed for different breeds, or all breeds may show together. The Extension Staff will determine how classes are formed.
- Breeding projects should be fitted and shown for quality as for fitting and showing classes.
- Breeding sheep may not need to be dehorned or tipped depending on breed standards.

VALLEY COUNTY SHEEP TAIL DOCKING REQUIREMENTS

- Market sheep must be docked such that the tail (dock) is healed.
- Animal Management. The University of Idaho 4-H youth Development Program strongly endorses the American Veterinary Medical Association recommendation that all lambs that are docked should be docked at the distal end of the caudal fold.
- Please see Idaho 4-H Policies and Procedures periodically for all Valley County 4-H and FFA shows, animal welfare, and ethics.
- In order to achieve an appropriate tail length, it is recommended the tail be docked at the distal end of the caudal fold in accordance with AVMA guidelines (http://www.avma.org/issures/policy/animal_welfare/sheep.asp).
- **If the animal prolapses at fair, the animal will be immediately dismissed from all competitions and must be removed from the fairgrounds immediately. The animal will not be allowed to return.**

SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP

Classes:

1. Senior
2. Intermediate
3. Junior

MARKET LAMBS

- Classes to be determined after final fair weigh-in.
- A feeder class maybe added to aid youth in the education of their animals.

BREEDING SHEEP

Classes:

1. Ewe lamb under 1 year
2. Ewe lamb over 1 year, and under 2 years
3. Aged ewe over 2 years

SWINE

SWINE PROJECT RULES

- All general, animal, 4-H/FFA Policies and Procedures, and market animal sale rules apply.
- Choose one or more barrows or gilts for your market swine project. Each exhibitor will be allowed one market swine to exhibit and sell at fair.
- Valley County Livestock Bill of Sale/Health Affidavit Form, the combined form is due at initial weigh-in.
- Animal must be weighed in at the initial weigh-in date of April 23rd. Please call to set up an appointment.
- Suggested minimum weight range at initial weigh-in: 85-100 lbs
- Target Average Daily Gain: 2.0 lbs
- The animal will be on a 104 day feeding period. This should be the figure used to calculate Average Daily Gain. Members own animals for a minimum of 104 days.
- Animals must be tagged with appropriate Valley County 4-H/FFA tags. Lost tags need to be reported to the 4-H/FFA Agent and retagged by final weigh-in.
- Record books will not be used as part of the live animal judging, but will be evaluated and judged individually.
- All market swine weighed in as 4-H/FFA market swine will show. Only animals weighing over 225 lbs and placing in a quality class will be allowed to sell in the Market Animal Sale.

BREEDING SWINE PROJECT RULES

- Breeding animals must be owned by member, (or in partnership).
- Depending on the number of breeding animals to be shown, separate classes may be formed for different breeds, or all breeds may show together. The Extension Office will determine how classes are formed.
- Breeding projects should be fitted and shown for quality as for fitting and showing classes.

SWINE SHOWMANSHIP

Classes:

1. Senior
2. Intermediate
3. Junior

MARKET HOGS

- Classes will be determined after final fair weigh-in.
- A feeder class maybe added to aid youth in the education of their animals.

BREEDING HOGS

Classes:

1. Gilt under 6 months of age.
2. Sow, 6 months to 1 year.
3. Sow, 1 year and over.

RABBIT

RABBIT PROJECT RULES

- All animals entering the fair must be disease and mite free. The veterinarian may disqualify any animal due to injury or disease and the animal must immediately leave the fairgrounds.
- Each exhibitor is responsible for the feeding, watering, and cleaning of their rabbit exhibit and the entire rabbit area in the small animal barn. Under the cages will require the complete changing of soiled sawdust once a day. Cleaning is to begin no later than 8:00 a.m. Each club is to have an adult present between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. Home projects need to have an adult supervisor present also. All cleaning is to be finished by 9:00 a.m. Refer to general rules for proper show ring dress.
- Member cannot exhibit more than 15 rabbits. Members cannot exhibit more than two pens of three for quality classes.
- Members may only submit one entry per class.
- Any recognized breed may be exhibited. A separate pet class will be judged as well for non-recognized breeds.
- Minimum care and/or ownership of a rabbit for a youth project is 90 days.
- Footpads should be clean.
- Rabbits not entered in the correct class will be eliminated from the class. Rabbits may be exhibited in the proper class if it has not already been judged.
- Members must be present to have rabbits judged. Exhibitors are responsible for getting animals to the judging table at the correct time. Rabbits not brought to the table will not be judged.
- Rabbits exhibited and/or shown must be in the member's record book. Breed and variety of rabbit, ear tattoo number, birth date, and sex should be indicated on 4-H fair entry form.

- Exhibitor must provide water and water containers for rabbits. If the weather is hot, please provide two frozen water bottles to cool rabbits.
- All cages are to be left clean and ready for use. Members need to assist with after fair clean-up to be eligible for stall deposits and fair premiums.

MARKET RABBIT PROJECT RULES

- Raise 1 litter per doe during the year.
- Provide proper housing, food, and primary care for your rabbits.
- Market the young alive or processed for eating.
- Keep performance production records on all rabbits in the herd.
- Compete in Quality for the rabbit(s) - a pen of three fryers produced from the 4-H member mating the does, this needs to be the 4-H member's own doe, that will be sold in the Market Animal Sale.
- Members cannot exhibit more than two pens of three for quality. Please note: Each rabbit may be entered into only one class. A pen of three (i.e. fryer/roaster/stewer) are considered one complete exhibit or entry, and are shown as a pen and CANNOT then be entered or shown as individual rabbits in any class.
- Each rabbit may not weigh over 6 lbs. Rabbits need not be the same sex. Each animal will be weighed at judging time.
- Compete in showmanship class.
- A market pen shall consist of three rabbits (any breed, variety, or cross-bred). Age will be 8-12 weeks. Each rabbit may not weigh over 6 lbs. Rabbits need not be same sex. Each animal will be weighed at judging time.

MARKET CLASSES

- One fryer (any breed, variety, or cross-bred). Age will be 8-12 weeks (not over 69 days of age). They may not weigh over 6 lbs, either sex. Each animal will be weighed at judging time.
- Roaster – Must be younger than 6 months of age, minimum weight over 4 lbs, and maximum weight of 8 lbs.
- Stewer – Must be 6 months of age and older and minimum weight over 8 lbs.

BREEDING RABBIT PROJECT RULES

- Own one or more does for at least 90 days and have access to the appropriate number of bucks.
- Raise at least 1 litter per doe and keep or market the young.

- Provide proper housing, food, and primary care for your rabbits.
- Keep breeding pedigree, performance and production records on your rabbits.
- Exhibit one of your project animals in a Rabbit Fitting and Showing class (showmanship).
- Small Breeds
- Seniors-Six months of age or older
- Juniors-Under six months of age
- Large Breeds
- Seniors-eight months of age and older
- Intermediate-Between six and eight months
- Junior-Under six months of age

PET RABBIT PROJECT RULES

- Animal must be in the member's possession by May 8th. Youth must enroll by February 28th on ZSuites.org.
- Rabbits must be in the member's possession by May 5th.
- Provide proper housing, food, and primary care for your rabbits for at least 90 days.
- Exhibit one of your project animals in a Rabbit Fitting and Showing class (showmanship).

RABBIT FITTING AND SHOWING

Classes:

1. Senior
2. Intermediate
3. Junior
4. Novice
5. Cloverbud

BUCKS & DOES

(10 lbs or over Standard Weight)

Classes:

1. Pre-Junior: Under 3 months of age
2. Junior: 3-5 months of age
3. Intermediate: 6-8 months of age
4. Senior: Over 8 months of age
5. Breed Class
6. Pet Class

BUCKS & DOES

(Under 10 lbs or Standard Weight)

Classes:

1. Pre-Junior: Under 3 months of age
2. Junior: 3-5 months of age
3. Intermediate: 6-8 months of age
4. Senior: Over 8 months of age
5. Breed Class
6. Pet Class

- **Classes may be added based on breeds or types. The breed must be included on the entry form. A Pet Class is an example of an added class.**

Record books must include all rabbits shown.

Open Class entries are not eligible for 4-H ribbons and awards.

Cloverbuds: Please see cloverbud page for participation rules and guidelines.

All general and livestock rules apply to this department.

CAVY & POCKET PETS

CAVY AND MISCELLANEOUS PET PROJECT RULES

- Animal must be in the member's possession by May 8th. Youth must enroll by February 28th on ZSuites.org.
- All cavies and miscellaneous small pets need to be sound, in good health, and free of communicable diseases. All animals are subject to inspection at the fairgrounds. Unsightly or unthrifty specimens are not acceptable and will be removed at the discretion of the 4-H superintendent, 4-H Program Coordinator, or veterinarian.
- Breed and variety of cavy, birth date, ear tag or tattoo number (if available), and sex of the cavy should be indicated on entry form.
- All cavies and miscellaneous small pets exhibited must be part of the member's project and recorded in the member's record book.
- All cavies and small pets used for showmanship must be exhibited at the fair and owned by the member.
- All entries must be made on an entry form.
- Showmanship for Pocket Pets is the ability to handle the animal correctly and knowledge of the pocket pet.

CAVY FITTING AND SHOWING

Classes:

1. Senior
2. Intermediate
3. Junior
4. Novice
5. Cloverbud

BUCKS & DOES (10 lbs. or over Standard Weight)

Classes:

1. Pre-Junior: Under 3 months of age
2. Junior: 3-5 months of age
3. Intermediate: 6-8 months of age
4. Senior: Over 8 months of age
5. Breed Class
6. Pet Class

BUCKS & DOES (under 10 lbs. or Standard Weight)

Classes:

1. Pre-Junior: Under 3 months of age
2. Junior: 3-6 months of age
3. Senior: Over 6 months of age
4. Senior: Over 8 months of age
5. Breed Class
6. Pet Class

- Classes may be added based on breeds or types. The breed must be included on the entry form.

Record books must include all cavies shown.

Open Class entries are not eligible for 4-H ribbons and awards.

Cloverbuds: Please see cloverbud page for participation rules and guidelines.

All general and livestock rules apply to this department.

POULTRY

POULTRY PROJECT RULES

- Youth must be registered for poultry projects by February 28th 2026 on Zsuites.
- All poultry should be dusted prior to fair entry. Presence of lice or mites on fowl is reason for disqualification.
- Feet and legs should be washed clean prior to fair entry.
- Members must be present to have poultry judged.
- Exhibitors shall not enter any bird, which shows any evidence of any contagious disease. Any bird showing evidence of disease, lice, or mange must immediately be removed from the fairgrounds by the exhibitor.
- It is recommended that all poultry shall have a numbered leg band. The number must be listed on the fair entry form.
- Members cannot exhibit more than a pen of three. Please note: Each bird may be entered into only one class. A pen of three (broiler/fryer, layer/etc.) are considered one completed exhibit or entry, and are shown as a pen and CANNOT be entered or shown as individual birds in any class.
- Members may have one entry per class.
- Exhibitors are responsible for getting animals to the judging table at the correct time. Poultry not brought to the table will not be judged.
- Poultry exhibited and/or shown must be in the member's record book. Breed and variety of animal, leg band number, birth date, and sex should be indicated on 4-H fair entry form.
- Age Division—Birds hatched prior to January 1 of the current year will be classified as cocks and hens. Birds

hatched after January 1 of the current year will be qualified as cockerels and pullets. Fryers that are no more than four weeks in age and roasters are recommended in between four to twelve weeks.

Open Class entries are not eligible for 4-H ribbons and awards.

Cloverbuds: Please see cloverbud page for participation rules and guidelines.

All general and livestock rules apply to this department.

POULTRY FITTING AND SHOWING

Classes:

1. Senior
2. Intermediate
3. Junior
4. Novice
5. Cloverbud

CHICKENS

Classes:

1. Old Roosters
2. Cockerel
3. Hen
4. Pullet
5. Pen, three Hens and one Cockerel
6. Breed Class
7. Pet Class

TURKEYS

Classes:

1. Old Tom
2. Young Tom
3. Hen
4. Pullet
5. Pen, three Hens and one Tom
6. Breed Class
7. Pet Class

WATER FOWL

Classes:

1. Ducks
 - a. Old Drake
 - b. Young Drake
 - c. Hen
 - d. Pen, three Hens and one Drake
 - e. Pet Class
2. Geese
 - a. Old Gander
 - b. Young Gander
 - c. Goose
 - d. Pen, three Geese and one Gander
 - e. Pet Class

- Classes may be added based on breeds or types. The breed must be included on the entry form.

Record books must include all poultry shown.

CAT

CAT PROJECT RULES

- All cats are to be crated and/or leashed at all times.
- Cats must be in the member's possession by May 8th
- Cats are to be clean, free of diseases, well-groomed with front and back nails clipped for ease of handling.
- All cats must have proof of current vaccinations and must be available if requested. Please show proof of vaccinations to your 4-H leader. Cats not vaccinated will not be allowed to compete.
- All cats are to be four months of age or older.
- All cats will be brought in and taken home the day of the cat show. Check in with the Superintendent in the Small Animal Barn.
- All cats exhibited must be part of the member's project and recorded in the member's record book.
- Showmanship will be judged on the ability of the member to handle his/her cat skillfully and to control the cat at all times.
- If the showman cannot control the cat or if the cat becomes agitated or stressed, the showman will be asked to remove the animal from the ring.
- General health, cleanliness and grooming of the cat will be judged. Member's knowledge of basic cat anatomy, health, breed, and care will be judged.
- Cats must be shown in proper handling equipment, which is a properly fitted harness and leash.
- Members should be neat and clean, and dressed appropriately for showmanship. A long sleeve shirt/blouse and pants or skirt are recommended.

BREEDING CAT

- Breeding animals must be owned by member, (or in partnership).
- Breeding—Depending on the number of breeding animals to be shown, separate classes may be formed. The superintendent will determine how classes are formed.
- Breeding projects should be fitted and shown for quality as for fitting and showing classes.

CAT FITTING AND SHOWING

Classes:

1. Senior
2. Intermediate
3. Junior
4. Novice
5. Cloverbud

ADDITIONAL CAT CLASSES

- Additional classes may be added.

RULES:

1. Cats should be clean, free of diseases, well groomed, with front and back nails clipped for ease of handling.
2. All cats will be brought in and taken home the day of the cat show.
3. No cat under four months of age is allowed in the show.
4. All cats should be brought and kept in adequate carry cages that they cannot easily jump out of.
5. All general and livestock rules apply to this department.

Record books must include all cats shown.

Open Class entries are not eligible for 4-H or FFA ribbons and awards.

Cloverbuds: Please see cloverbud page for participation rules and guidelines.

All general and livestock rules apply to this department.

DOG

DOG PROJECT RULES

- Youth must be registered for Dog projects by February 28th 2026 on [ZSuites.org](https://zsuites.org)
- As a general rule, dogs are not allowed at the fairgrounds, except for special events and 4-H project shows.
- All dogs must be caged or on lead at all times, and kept in the exhibit area. **NO DOGS ARE TO BE LEFT UNATTENDED.**
- All general 4-H and livestock rules apply to this department.
- Females in season must be reported to 4-H leader(s) prior to showing. Accommodations may be made in showmanship at the leaders discretion and would be placed at the end of the show.
- The judge must remove from competition any dog that cannot be kept under control, any handler who willfully interferes with another competitor or their dog, and any handler who abuses their dog in the ring. If a dog or handler is removed from competition, the reason

must be stated in the judge's notebook.

- A collar used in the "choke" manner is permitted in showmanship class. A show lead and collar is preferred. Soft material leashes only. Choke chains used properly are permitted in obedience classes.
- All dogs must have proof of current vaccinations. Please show proof of vaccinations to your 4-H leader. Dogs not vaccinated will not be allowed to compete.

DOG SHOWMANSHIP

Classes:

1. Senior
2. Intermediate
3. Junior

DOG OBEDIENCE*

Classes:

1. Beginner Pre-novice A (first year)
2. Beginner Pre-novice B
3. Pre-Novice A (first year)
4. Pre-Novice B
5. Novice
6. Graduate novice

**Additional classes may be offered*

** Classes shall be divided by age groups, if number of entries warrants.*

** A 4-H leader(s) with the 4-h member determines when dogs are ready to move up in class*

Rules:

1. All dogs will be brought in and taken home the day of the show.
2. All dogs exhibited must be crated or on a leash at all times, and kept in the dog exhibit area. No dogs are to be left unattended.
3. All general and livestock rules apply to this department.
4. Youth must exhibit dog in fitting and showing (showmanship).
5. Youth must have ownership and care for dog 120 days prior to fair.
6. Dogs Shows may occur on a different date prior to fair in order to insure all animals safety and allow time for a dog showmanship and obedience show. (continued)

Record books must include all dogs shown.

Youth need to help set-up Saturday prior to Fair and return on the following Sunday to help clean up their booth and receive their premiums.

All general 4-H rules apply to this department.

Awards, Trophies, and Ribbons will be awarded for Showmanship and Obedience Classes

HOME ECONOMICS

- All general rules apply.
- Food exhibits **MUST** be displayed on a heavy paper plate in a self-sealing plastic bag at the fair.
- Clothing exhibits **MUST** be displayed on a hanger. It is recommended that the garments are also placed in a clear plastic garment bag.
- Members must take their exhibit with them to their record book interview unless items like food need to be judged at the fair.

FOOD & NUTRITION

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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Foods should be placed on a paper plate and covered with plastic wrap or in un-sealed plastic bags. Place an exhibitor label (3"x 5" index card) for each exhibit on the inside of the package with the Exhibitor's name, Project name (Cooking 101, Baking 1, etc.), and name of 4-H club. Exhibit card should also state the kind of cookie, fruit bread, etc., being exhibited, for example- "Ginger Cookies," "Banana Bread". Attach the exhibit recipe, neatly written or typed on a 3" x 5" or 4" x 6" index card to the back of the paper plate.

If entering a project poster, it should be 14" x 22" and illustrate what was learned in the project this year. Label the front side of posters with Exhibitor's name, Project name and name of 4-H club.

PLEASE NOTE: All Family and Consumer Science and Miscellaneous exhibits MUST be in the 4-H Building. All entries need to be display before 1:00pm on Thursday August 6th.

Classes:

Cooking and Nutrition

Baking
Cake Decorating
Cooking
Dutch Oven Cooking

Food Preservation

Drying
Boiling Water Canning
Freezing
Pressure Canning

Food Science

Science Fun with Dairy Foods
What's On Your Plate?

CLOTHING

4-H Clothing

Project requirements are listed on the 4-H Projects page of the Idaho 4-H website: (<http://www.uidaho.edu/extension/4h/project>)

Special Instructions:

All Clothing articles must be labeled with an exhibitor label approximately 1-1/2" X 2-1/2 inches. Print member's name, project, and club name on label and attach to inside of project. Labels should be placed so they can be easily seen. Sweaters, Quilts, etc. and other articles stored in plastic bags should have a label on the outside of the bag.

4-Hers are responsible for having hanger for their garments. Articles that have been worn or have become soiled should be laundered before exhibiting. Press all clothing exhibits and cover with a clear garment bag. No accessories are to be exhibited in any division of the clothing.

All Projects will be judged using a modified Danish System of awards.

Class and Project Name:

Under Construction
Fashion Forward
Redefine Design
You Can Quilt!
Quilting the Best Better
Knitting and Crocheting

Categories for Clothing may be grouped by age divisions which is dependent on fair entries.

Senior
Intermediate
Junior
Novice
Cloverbuds

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

Oral presentations includes any 4-H member:

- **Dramatic Reading:** Up to 5 minutes for all ages.
- **Speech:** (8-10 years old) 5-8 minutes; (11-13 years old) 6-10 minutes; (14-18 years old) 7-10 minutes (*Age as of January 1, 2026)
- **Demonstration/Illustrated Talk:** (8-10yearsold) 5-8 minutes; (11-13 years old) 8-12 minutes; (14-18 years old) 10-12 minutes (*Age as of January 1, 2026)

All regularly enrolled members of an Valley County 4-H club may enter a demonstration, speech, dramatic reading, or illustrated talk in the county contest. Oral presentations will be classed in blue, red and white ribbon groups and receive ribbon awards. Eligibility to compete at the West-

ern Idaho Fair 4-H Oral Presentation Contest will be announced for details.

In order to be the 2026 4-H All Around Champion it is required to complete an oral presentation at the county level. The Round Robin competition, is a combination of Grand and Reserve Showman, the County Oral presentation score, and the overall record book score. This will establish our 2026 Large Livestock All Around Champion.

CLOVERBUDS

CLOVERBUD PROGRAM GUIDELINES AND POLICIES

The Idaho 4-H Cloverbud Program is offered for boys and girls who are 5 years old by January of the current 4-H year.

Cloverbud members may be involved in lap animal activities. These are defined as: rabbits, cavies, cats, small dogs that weigh less than the member, chickens and mini-goats.

Fair exhibits by Cloverbuds are non-competitive and are optional. Exhibits are an opportunity to show what they have accomplished. A Cloverbuds Memory Book is available to be used with fair exhibits, but is not required. A participation ribbon or similar recognition will be awarded.

Cloverbuds may not be involved in large animal projects, competitive situations, and projects involving firearms or motorized vehicles. 4-H insurance policies, including the University of Idaho liability coverage for volunteers, will not cover youth or adults working with youth under the age of 8, involved in these projects.

Cloverbuds cannot take large animal projects: horse, sheep, pig, dairy goat, dairy cattle, or beef. The mature weight of the project animal can not be more than the weight of the child. They can take pocket pets, cats, dogs, poultry, pygmy goats, and rabbits.

MISCELLANEOUS

Miscellaneous exhibits must accompany the contestant to the member's record book interview for evaluation and judging. Following judging, the exhibit must be returned to the 4-H building for the fair.

MISCELLANEOUS PROJECT EXHIBITS DISPLAYS

1. Miscellaneous exhibits may be brought to the 4-H building on Saturday August 1st Projects will be judged on August 6th.
2. **Members must exhibit the required exhibit as**

stated in the project requirements. In addition, up to three optional entries may be made for each enrolled project.

3. Exhibitor display labels serve to identify each project to the owner and to the public. Every article entered in the fair should be marked with a label. Fill out display labels in black felt tip pens or pre-typed. Securely attach the display labels to the outside of the article. The exhibitor display label contains the member's name, project and club.

FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES

Classes:

1. Child Development
2. Babysitting

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AND EARTH SCIENCE

Classes:

1. Geology, weather and climate
2. Adventure/Life Sports
3. Survival
4. Shooting Sports
5. Waste Management
6. Recycling

HEALTHY LIFESTYLE EDUCATION

Classes:

1. Fitness and Sports
2. Growth, Development and Disease
3. Safety

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AND LEADERSHIP

Classes:

1. Career Exploration and Employability
2. Economics
3. Personal Development

PLANTS

Classes:

1. Non-animal projects
2. Crops/Weeds
3. Gardens

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Classes:

1. Entomology and Bees
2. Poultry Science and Embryology
3. Veterinary Science
4. Drones
5. Bicycle
6. Computer Technology
7. Electricity
8. Engines, Tractors, Field Equip

9. Wood Science
10. Welding

CITIZENSHIP AND CIVIC EDUCATION

Classes:

1. Exploring Citizenship, My Government
2. Power of the Press
3. My America
4. Understanding Physical and Mental Limitations
5. Volunteerism

COMMUNICATION AND EXPRESSIVE ARTS

Classes:

1. Drama/Theater
2. Leather Crafts
3. Ceramics
4. A Palette of Fun with Arts and Crafts
5. Handwork from Our Heritage
6. Photography

HERDSMANSHIP

Herdsmanship will be judged Monday through Friday. Species judged will be beef, goats, sheep and swine, small animals and horses.

Judging will be based upon cleanliness, neatness, educational displays, decoration, and exhibitor attendance at stalls. Judges may be anyone asked by the superintendents and/or extension staff.

Purpose: To encourage exhibitors to care for their animals and equipment properly, to keep pens and stalls clean, and to present a pleasing and educational exhibit to the general public.

GUIDELINES

1. Animals and pens are to be kept clean. Animals are to have fresh water and feed whenever needed.
2. Beef and Dairy animals should be tied correctly with a halter and a neck rope.
3. Wheelbarrows, brooms, rakes, shovels, and other equipment should be stored safely in equipment boxes and designated areas. Equipment and trash should be kept out of walkway. Blocking chute and surrounding areas are considered as part of herdsman area.
4. Small clubs (4 members or less) may join together for barn duty with other clubs in the same barn. Clubs need to inform barn superintendent of combinations.
5. Educational material must be displayed. It is important as representatives of the livestock industry to help educate the general public to the importance and value of the livestock industry.
6. Decorations are to be neat and attractive but need not

be fancy or expensive.

7. Exhibitors should be friendly and courteous to public. They should be ready and willing to answer questions or discuss their projects.
8. Herdsmanship hours will be from 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. each day. **At least one exhibitor** from each club/chapter should be on duty at all times during these hours. When on duty exhibitor should present a clean, neat appearance.
9. **NO** water fights in barn, stalls, or bathroom area.
10. **Stall cards are REQUIRED.** Members are excused from herdsman area during their species' show times.

Please Note:

All projects and decoration are to be maintained and remain in place until 10 p.m. on Saturday unless animal is sent home. Exhibitors still need to be present for barn duty.

VC Market Animal Sale Rules

IMPORTANT: All youth selling animals must help set up the sale ring, serve at the buyer's BBQ, and tear down after sale. Failure to do so may disqualify your sale of animal or a withhold fee of \$50 dollars from the sale of your animal.

Any Animal exhibiting symptoms of disease or other medical conditions, including inappropriate medicine withdrawal from feed or prescriptions or neglect are not eligible for entry or exhibition in a 4-H or FFA sanctioned program. Make sure withdrawal times are followed when treating animals.

The Valley County Market Animal Sale Committee is an independent committee established for the sole purpose of promoting and conducting the Market Animal Sale. The sale committee is not responsible for the selection of the animals presented for sale. Valley County Organizational and Animal Project Leaders in partnership with the University of Idaho Extension Office in Valley County under the recommendations of the University of Idaho Cooperative Extension System establishes the quality standard for the animals offered for sale.

All 4-H and FFA members of Valley County who exhibit their market animal projects, compete in the fair's showmanship class for their respective market animal, and meet the quality standards designed in each species, and who have COMPLETED their record books are eligible to sell.

Proof of purchase on ZSuites, gift, or donation receipt and/or bill of sale with buyer/seller information must be entered or turned into the Extension Office by final weigh-in time. All Beef will be Inspected by a State brand inspector. Youth are required to have turned in a bill of sale to the Extension by weigh-in. Signatures must be included in record books, in order to sell at fair.

Valley County 4-H and FFA youth may only sell one market project in a given year. Only one animal per species per member (sheep, beef, swine, or goat) may be sold at the sale. The exception to this is rabbits and poultry. Members may sell 1 set of rabbits (pen of 3), one rabbit (as a single fryer), 1 set of poultry (pen of 3), or as a poultry (single fryer) in their respective species. Small animal market projects constitute as a market project.

Sale order rotates each year. The 2026 sale order for this year is sheep, beef, goat, swine, poultry, and rabbits. The grand champion and reserve grand champion will have priority in the order at the auction. The remaining animals will be placed in ascending order according to their numerical score in the live judging of the animal the judge places the sale order. Judge's decision is final. The sale will list animal and youth in ascending order.

A \$50 dollar fee will be deducted from all 4-Hers and FFA market animal sale checks. These fees will be determined each year by the Sale Committee.

The Sale Committee is responsible for coordinating the transportation of the animals after the sale only if the animal is sold in the Market Animal Sale. Animals sold privately are the responsibility of the buyer and/or seller to make arrangements for transport and slaughter.

4-H and FFA members must take their own animal through the sale ring. Anyone asking for exception to this must do so immediately to the Extension Office. Anyone not in line and ready to sell their animal will not be allowed to sell.

NO EXTRA ANIMALS WILL BE SOLD - only 4-H and FFA animals going through the Market Animal Sale will be sold by the Committee. Under weight and/or deceased animals will not be entered into the sale program. Any donations for these individuals need to be made directly to the youth.

Appropriate Showmanship clothing will be worn to sell animal(s), including footwear. No shorts, tank tops, sleeveless shirts, or open shoes of any kind. **No soft or canvas type material shoes.**

No decorations may be put on the animal. No decorations on the showman with the exception of ribbons won during the fair.

It is the responsibility of the member to turn in and/or have approval on all of their buyer's thank you notes by the Extension Office. Envelops must be stamped, but unsealed until note is checked and approved. The buyer and add-on information will be sent to the member once it is available to the Extension Office. Checks will be available to the member after their thank you letters have been approved by the Extension Office and their check is released from the Market Animal Sale Committee. Award sponsors will also be on the thank you list. The

Please do not expect to get your livestock check until at least October 1st. If checks are available earlier, then you will receive it when all is complied, paid, and completed. Checks will not be available until all monies from all buyers for all animals sold are paid to the Market Animal Sale Committee.

It is the responsibility of the 4-H and FFA leaders to educate members and parents in proper solicitation and appropriate sale ring etiquette. Instructions are found on the state 4-H website additional materials also available at the Extension Office. 4-H and FFA members or anyone representing such member are prohibited from contacting a buyer before or after sale of the animal for future use of such animal. The Sale Committee, prior to the sale, must approve all other announcements.

All feeding practices must be humane and ethical according to all USDA and UI Extension Policies and regulations.

Failure to comply with the above rules can result in the consignor forfeiting the opportunity to participate in the future.

VC 4-H and FFA LARGE ANIMAL ROUND ROBIN Saturday, August 8th, 2026 9:00 a.m.

Judging for the 4-H and FFA Round Robin will be done using a point system of one to ten at each station.

Grand and Reserve Champion Showmanship winners of beef, dairy cattle, sheep, swine, horse and goats are eligible to participate in the Round Robin contest.

SMALL ANIMAL ROUND ROBIN— This is dependent on number of member participation for the year. There is no Small Animal Competition this year.

Grand champion showmanship winners of dog, rabbit, poultry, cat, pygmy goat, and pocket pets are eligible to participate in this contest.

In both Large and Small Round Robin, if the Grand Champion or Reserve Showman does not wish to participate they must decide immediately after their competition. The third place winner will be notified and can compete if they wish.

VC 4-H All Around Champion

The scores from Round Robin combined with their county oral presentation score, and the recordbook score is tallied and determines the VC 4-H All Around Champion.

The Valley County 4-H All-Around Champion will be announced during the 4-H Market Animal Sale and Auction. Buckles will be awarded at this time.

Western Idaho and District II Competitions 4-H/FFA

WESTERN IDAHO SUPER ROUND ROBIN SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST (Large Animal) Saturday, August 29, 2026 at 7:30pm

The Grand and Reserve Champion of the Valley County Large Round Robin contest is eligible to enter the District II Large Animal Super Round Robin Showmanship Contest. This is held at the Western Idaho Fair. Each county in District II (Ada, Canyon, Owyhee, Elmore, Gem/Boise, Valley, Payette, Washington, and Adams) is invited to enter their highest ranking Senior 4-H Round Robin winners age 13 or older (as of January 1 of the current year). If the Grand Champion is unable (or ineligible) to attend, the Reserve Champion may be sent if requirements are met. The Grand Champion must let the Extension Office know if they plan to take advantage of this opportunity. Common courtesy dictates that the Grand Champion will let the Extension Office and the Reserve Champion know in plenty of time of their intentions to participate in this opportunity. Further information regarding this contest is in the Western Idaho Fair Junior Exhibitors' Handbook.

WESTERN IDAHO FAIR INVITATIONAL SUPER ROUND ROBIN SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST (Small Animal) Saturday, August 29, 2026 at 6:00pm

The Grand Champion of the Valley County Small Round Robin contest is eligible to enter the District II Small Animal Super Round Robin Showmanship Contest. This is held at the Western Idaho Fair. Each county in District II (Ada, Canyon, Owyhee, Elmore, Gem/Boise, Valley, Payette, Washington, and Adams) is invited to enter their highest ranking Senior 4-H or FFA Round Robin winners age 13 or older (as of January 1 of the current year). If the Grand Champion is unable (or ineligible) to attend, the Reserve Champion may be sent if requirements are met. The Grand Champion must let the Extension Office know if they plan to take advantage of this opportunity. Common courtesy dictates that the Grand Champion will let the Extension Office and the Reserve Champion know in plenty of time of their intentions to participate in this opportunity. Further information regarding this contest is in the Western Idaho Fair Junior Exhibitors' Handbook.

DISTRICT II 4-H ORAL PRESENTATION CONTEST

Saturday August 21st & 22nd 2026

Any Valley County 4-Her who received a blue ribbon for a demonstration, illustrated talk, dramatic reading, or TV commercial may participate at the District II Demonstration and Illustrated Talk contest at the Western Idaho Fair. The categories for demonstrations are: Ag/Livestock, Horse, Home Ec/SAM, 4-H Citizenship & Civic Education, Communications & Expressive Arts, Service Learning, Consumer & Family Services, Environmental Education & Earth Sciences, Healthy Lifestyles Education, Personal Development & Leadership, Plant, and Science & Technology Projects. Please contact the Extension Office for more information. Free tickets are available for participants that qualify.



4-H Grievance Policy

Grievances must be addressed with your leader and/or extension staff to seek a resolution first. If the issue is unresolved a letter and/or voiced concern can be presented to the 4-H grievance committee. For a livestock grievance the committee may consist of but not limited to: a veterinarian, livestock superintendent, 4-H Leader knowledgeable in the subject matter of the concern, a Fair board member, Market animal sale member, a judge, and/ or a 4-H Extension professional. The committee will consist of no less than 5 members and will be settled on a 2/3 vote. All decisions are final. Non-Animal grievances will be handled in similar manner. The committee for a non-animal grievance may consist of but not limited to 5 individuals that are knowledgeable in the subject matter of concern. For example, a fair board member, an extension professional, a judge, 4-H leader, and/or an outside Extension professional.

Before filing an official grievance complaint, UI Extension in Valley County asks that all members, parents/guardians, or 4-H volunteers review the policy that directly impacts their complaint. We encourage members, parents/guardians, or 4-H volunteers to resolve minor disputes with the help of their 4-H Volunteer Leader, Large Animal Superintendent, and/or UI Extension Staff.

The grievance procedures outlined in this document are utilized as part of an internal process of the Valley County 4-H Youth Development program when grievances of 4-H members, their parents/guardians, or 4-H volunteers cannot be resolved. This policy affords the opportunity in those unique situations to allow voice or opinion to be heard when there is a dispute regarding 4-H participation, activities, or programs. This is not a mechanism for complaints against individual 4-H members (or their families), 4-H volunteers, judging officials for competitive events, or Valley County Extension staff. All resulting decisions will be made in accordance with the University of Idaho's Policies and Procedures to be an inclusive organization designed to encourage and maximize youth participation. Individual County 4-H policies and procedures should be created and reviewed to assure they do not contradict established statewide 4-H policies and procedures. If a contradiction is discovered during the grievance process, the Idaho 4-H Program policy and procedures shall be followed in determining the grievance outcome. However, counties are allowed to make rules more stringent based on the rules put in place by the state.

Submitting A Grievance

1. Issue has been brought to local extension staff's attention and has not been able to seek a resolution that the "claimant" deems as resolved.
2. Submit a written statement to the Extension office stating the grievance. A committee will be formed based on the issue.
3. Claimants present their letter to the committee via email or in person. The committee will then convene to discuss the issue and will document and inform the claimant of the final resolution.

While there is no doubt some overlap in who serves on this committee, the intent is to assure different individuals have the opportunity to hear and act on the grievance. ALL individuals involved in the grievance procedure are reminded of the importance of keeping discussions regarding grievances confidential.

Grievances pertaining to county fair related issues are often time-sensitive and must be filed within 24 hours of the incident. If it's not a time sensitive issue a grievance can be filed at a later date. To maintain the confidentiality of the parties involved, the grievance hearings will be closed to the public. Only the individuals who have filed the grievance, the members of the grievance committee, and the Valley County Extension Staff will be present during the grievance process. The final outcome is determined by the committee alone.

NO grievance will be accepted unless it:

- Is filed or received in writing and signed;
- Clearly states which rule(s) has been violated
- States when the exhibitor or representative first became aware of the facts and rule violation;
- States the facts relied upon for the basis of the grievance;
- States that the exhibitor or representative will be cooperative with the investigation of the grievance and that the exhibitor or representative will be available and agrees to attend any hearing held to resolve the grievance at the time and place directed by the Grievance Committee;
- Includes the names of the supporting witnesses, with accessible contact information and phone numbers
- Describes or attaches any documents relating to the grievance.

Once the Grievance Committee has ruled on a decision; no additional grievances will be considered relating to that incident. The decision made by the grievance committee is final

2026 EVENT SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, JULY 31

10:AM Valley County Royalty Tryouts

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

8AM 4-H/FFA Set-up & Decoration, Fair Clean-up

11AM 4-H /FFAMANDATORY Safety Meeting/
Potluck

1PM-5PM 4-H/FFA Booth Set-Up

MONDAY, AUGUST 3

8:30AM 4-H Horse Contestants Meeting

12PM Chili Cook-Off (Entries must be in by
11AM @ the fairgrounds arena)

9:00AM 4-H HORSE Mon-Wed
ARE AS FOLLOWS:
Showmanship Class
Equitation Classes
Trail Classes
Green Horse Colt Class
Ranch Riding

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4

8AM-8PM Open Class-Check-in, of all Open
Class and Display Only Items

8AM-1PM Floral check in.

1:30PM Floral judging at 1:30

8:30AM 4-H Horse Contestants Meeting

9:00AM 4-H Horse Shows Continue
Dressage

Hunt Seat Equitation Over Fence

4H Horse Western Games-Large Arena

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5

8:00 AM Open Class Judging

8:00 -12PM 4-H/FFA Livestock
Weigh-In & Vet Check
(By Appointment)

12:00 PM 4-H Record Page Market Animal
Production Due at Check-In table

1:00 PM 4-H Small Animal Check-In

2:00PM Small Animal Clinic and Show

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6

8:00AM 4-H/FFA Morning Meeting

9AM- 3PM 4-H/FFA Goat Shows and Swine
to follow

3PM-5PM Cookie & Pie Contest-Open Class

5PM 4-H Misc. and FCS Judging completed

TBD Rodeo Event TBD*

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

8:00AM 4-H/FFA Morning Meeting

9AM-4PM 4-H/FFA Livestock Shows -
Sheep, and Beef to follow

1PM-5PM Rock Painting - Open Class

6:30PM Mutton Busting

Valley County Rodeo

8- 11PM MUSIC- Dave Nudo "Winner of the Josie
Music Award"

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

8:00AM 4-H/FFA Morning Meeting

9:00AM 4-H/FFA Large Animal Round Robin

10:00AM Kindergarten Rodeo-Stage

10:00AM MANDATORY Set-Up for Sale 4-H
4-H Livestock Sale—Small Arena
4-H Livestock Buyers BBQ –Buyer
Sign-in

1:00PM 4-H Livestock Auction, Round Robin
Winner Announced- Small Arena

6:30PM Mutton Busting

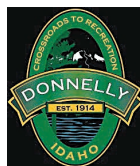
Valley County Rodeo

8-11PM MUSIC- Dave Nudo
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SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

8:00AM 4-H/FFA MANDATORY Fair Clean-Up

9AM-12PM Open Class Check- Out
12PM 4-H/FFA Premium Payout



*Please Note: All events may not be listed and updates can be found during fair on the display boards and/or on The Official Valley County Website under Departments/ Fair & Rodeo