



July 7, 2023

Hello 4-H Families:

July 7th (TODAY) is Animal ID Deadline for Horses, Beef Feeders and Dairy Feeders

The mandatory ID deadline for showing at the Delaware County Fair is July 7th. Details were in letters sent to members in mid-May. Be sure to read the letter or go to <https://delaware.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/fair> for details. You are not fair eligible if you do not properly identify your animal.

Summer Judging and State Fair Selections – July 20 and 21

Details for Summer Judging for non-livestock projects are available at <https://delaware.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/summer-judging>. Sign up for specific judging times will open July 1st.

If you are interested in competition for awards, you should attend Summer Judging. Ohio State Fair representatives are determined that day. It is also the county fair competitive judging for all clothing and foods projects. The link above has more details.

Delaware County Junior Fair Royalty Contest Applications

Information and applications for the contest was sent to club organizational advisors from the recently formed Delaware County Jr. Fair Royalty Contest Committee. Applications are now online and due by Monday, July 24. Organizational advisors will provide the online application link to the club's nominees. A 4-H club or FFA chapter may enter one nominee each for Junior Princess, Junior Prince (13-15 years old), Queen, and King (16-18 years old). **These ages are 4-H age as of January 1st.**

The committee has created a new process this year for the contest. The contest will consist of three parts: an application, an interview, and for the King and Queen finalist, a speaking portion during the Coronation Ceremony. The new court will be announced and crowned on September 16th at 4:00 pm in the Ag Center.

Applications will be reviewed using a standardized score sheet to select the top 10-15 candidates from each division. These candidates will be invited to attend an in-person interview with a panel of judges. Judges will consist of supporters of 4-H and/or FFA, community leaders, and 4-H and/or FFA alumni. Following the interview, scoring will be done on the following basis:

50% - Application (participation, leadership, etc.)

50% - Interview (appearance, response to questions, personality, etc.)

The Royalty Court will be determined from these interviews resulting in two junior princes, two junior princesses, three king candidates, and three queen candidates. At the Coronation Ceremony, the queen and king candidates will answer questions in front of a panel of judges. These scores will be combined with their application and interview scores to determine two senior princes, two senior princesses, the King, and the Queen. The entire court should attend the Coronation Ceremony to be formally announced and crowned.

Delaware County Junior Fair Exhibitors Guide and Schedule is Posted

See the exhibitor rule book at <https://go.osu.edu/dcfbook> and the schedule at <https://go.osu.edu/jrfairschedule>

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