

FFA AGRICULTURE EDUCATION

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ENTRY FORMS DUE: Day of judging

JUDGES: TBA

2023 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS		
All activities listed will be in the FFA Barn area unless otherwise noted.		
Friday, July 28	8am-6pm Noon	Static Display Entries accepted Fair opens to the public
Saturday, July 29	8am-6pm	Entries accepted
Sunday, July 30	11am	Agriculture Education Static Display Judging
Tuesday, August 1	10am (Subject to change) 10am (Subject to change) Noon-1pm Noon-3pm 1-4pm 3:45pm 4-7pm	FFA Contest Day State Fair Project Show Nursery/Landscape Event Soils Judging Registration Livestock Judging Registration Soils Judging Livestock Judging Instructions 4-H & FFA Livestock Judging, Livestock Pavilion
Wednesday, August 2	8:30am 11am 1:30pm	FFA Contest Day Range Judging New Horizons Expo Judging Judging Contest AWARDS
Friday, August 4	2-5pm	Livestock Entries Released
Saturday, August 5	6-8pm	Entries released
Every effort will be made to follow the above schedule but due to unforeseen circumstances the schedule is subject to change.		

PREMIUMS

ATTENTION EXHIBITORS

You must fill out and return a current W-9 form in order to receive your premium check.

The Entry office will process judging results as quickly as possible after completion of judging. Please allow 3 to 5 days. Notice will be posted in departments when premium checks are processed and ready in the Entry Office. The **Entry Office** will be open from **July 28th through August 5th (8am to 6pm) and August 6th through 10th (9am to 4pm)**. Every effort should be made to collect your Premium Checks between these times. Premium Checks of \$399.99 or less may be cashed during these times in the Entry Office. All remaining Premium Checks will be mailed to you in the name and at the address provided by you on the entry form. The Montana State Fair will only mail premium awards.

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. All participants at Montana State Fair events are responsible for reading the Montana State Fair GENERAL INFORMATION Section and complying with policies listed therein. This section is located at goexpopark.com under the Montana State Fair tab.
2. AGREEMENT TO ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS HEREIN STATED IS UNDERSTOOD WHEN THE EXHIBITOR SUBMITS THE ENTRY FORM.
3. All entrants must complete a W9 form at time of entry to receive any premiums.
4. No entry fees.
5. Advisors of FFA chapters and FFA members will be admitted to the Fair without charge on days when the livestock, soils and range judging contests are held prior to Fair opening. Those attending contests beginning after fair opening will require tickets.
6. This department is exclusively for regularly enrolled students in recognized Agriculture Education Departments in Montana. The members exhibiting or judging must be in good standing in their schools.
7. Exhibitors in this department will be able to exhibit in other departments if eligible; however, a separate exhibit must be entered.

DIVISIONS/CLASSES

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| 1 | STATIC DISPLAYS | 3 | JUDGING CONTEST SWEEPSTAKES |
| 2 | JUDGING CONTESTS | 4 | FFA NEW HORIZONS EXPO |
| | | 5 | LIVESTOCK EXHIBITION |

DIVISION 1: STATIC DISPLAYS

REGULATIONS:

1. Any Montana FFA Chapter is eligible to enter.
2. Superior exhibits or projects are to be displayed. These exhibits should reflect the quality of the FFA/Ag-Ed program.
3. Exhibits for this division may be from the areas of mechanics, plant science, animal science, Ag management, Ag leadership, or an FFA chapter educational display. Each project will be judged. Each project should have a tag indicating name of builder, class or years of construction, and chapter.
4. Exhibits made by graduated seniors are eligible for Division 1.
5. Exhibits will be displayed in the FFA Barn.
6. Each Chapter that enters a minimum of 7 exhibits is eligible for a \$60 travel stipend. On your entry form, please indicate your eligibility for this stipend by entering class 2. Projects must remain on display through the duration of the Fair. Removing items prior to the conclusion of the Fair may result in forfeiture of premium money. Exceptions may be granted by the Superintendents.

ENTRY FEE: None

PREMIUMS: 1st - \$200 & Plaque; 2nd - \$175 & Plaque; 3rd - \$150 & Plaque; 4th - \$125; 5th - \$100; 6th-\$75 (all payable to chapters); Rosettes 1st - 10th place. Up to five (5) individual projects may be selected for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Rosettes.

CLASSES:

- AE-1-1 Static Display
AE-1-2 Travel Stipend (*see rule 6*). **Must provide complete school street address and contact information on entry form.**

DIVISION 2: JUDGING CONTESTS

Sponsored by *Montana State Fair* REGULATIONS:

1. Each Ag Education Department of Montana may enter one judging team to consist of as many members as desired. The top three scores will count for the team score.
2. All contestants will be eligible for individual awards.
3. Graduated seniors are not eligible.
4. All contests will follow the rules and guidelines set down in the Montana FFA Activities and Awards Bulletin for livestock, range and soils judging. Chapters may register on judgingcard.com.
5. LIVESTOCK—Contest registration is from Noon-3 pm at the FFA Barn. Judging begins at 3:45 pm.
6. SOILS—Contestants will meet at the FFA Barn from Noon-1 pm for registration. Judging will begin at 1 pm. Transportation to the judging site will be by private vehicle provided by each team's supervisor.
7. RANGE—Contestants will meet at the FFA Barn at 8:30 am for registration. Transportation to the judging will be by private vehicle provided by each team's supervisor.

ENTRY FEE: None

PREMIUMS: 1st - \$150 plus plaque; 2nd - \$125; 3rd - \$100; 4th - \$75; 5th - \$50.
6th - 10th - \$25 each place (payable to chapters); Rosettes 1st - 10th place.

CLASSES:

- AE-2-1 LIVESTOCK JUDGING-This contest is conducted for educational purposes to increase knowledge of animal science and livestock selection and to give recognition to those who have shown evidence of material progress.

- AE-2-2 SOIL JUDGING-This contest is conducted for educational purposes to increase knowledge about, and appreciation of, soil resources and to give recognition to those who have shown evidence of material progress.
- AE-2-3 RANGE JUDGING-This contest is conducted for educational purposes as a means of increasing knowledge about, and appreciation of, range resources and to give recognition to those who have shown evidence of material progress.
- AE-2-4 NURSERY /LANDSCAPE-This contest tests student's skill in horticultural principles from landscape design to nursery propagation.

Thanks to Forde Nursery and Landscaping for sponsorship of this contest.

DIVISION 3: JUDGING CONTEST SWEEPSTAKES

Cash awards are courtesy of the Cascade County Farm Bureau.

REGULATIONS:

1. Chapters must have an official team that has participated in Division 2 classes 1, 2 and 3 judging contests.
2. Team members may vary in each contest.
3. Team scores will be determined from each team's overall placing in each contest.
4. Individuals must compete in all three contests (Livestock, Range, & Soils) to be eligible for sweepstakes awards.
5. Advisors must designate individuals eligible for sweepstakes at the time of contest registration.

ENTRY FEE: None

AWARDS: 1st - Plaque; 2nd -5th – Rosette for each place.

Top three sweepstakes individuals will be awarded: 1st - \$100; 2nd - \$50; 3rd = \$25.

CLASSES:

- AE-3-1 Team Sweepstakes
- AE-3-2 Individual Sweepstakes

DIVISION 4: FFA NEW HORIZONS EXPO

This contest is an opportunity for FFA members to showcase and exhibit any project relating to Ag leadership, Agri-science or technology. Displays may include, but are not limited to, Agri-science projects, telecommunication in agriculture, marketing, or any other area that promotes agriculture on the cutting edge of technology.

REGULATIONS:

1. Chapters may enter an unlimited number of exhibitors.
2. New Horizons Expo will begin at Noon.
3. Exhibitors should be prepared to answer questions about their project or speech.
4. Graduated seniors are not eligible.

ENTRY FEE: None

PREMIUMS: 1st - \$15; 2nd - \$12; 3rd - \$10; 4th - \$7.50; 5th - \$5. Ribbons will be presented to five places.

CLASSES:

- AE-4-1 Agri Science Projects
- AE-4-2 Prepared Public Speeches
- AE 4-3 Group Presentations
- AE-4-4 Other

DIVISION 5: FFA LIVESTOCK EXHIBITION

This is an opportunity for people to showcase their livestock and educate the public. Complimentary items may be available.

REGULATIONS:

1. This is an exhibition class only. No prizes are available.
2. Livestock need to stay for the duration of the fair, **Friday to Friday**.
3. Located in the North end of the FFA Barn.
4. Superintendents should be notified by July 15th to plan for appropriate panels and other setup.
5. Each livestock exhibit must include a poster with identification of the owners, breed, and other pertinent information.

STATE FAIR PROJECT SHOW

ALL JUNIOR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL

SHOP PROGRAMS WELCOME!

Project Categories with Descriptions

◇ Functional Design

- These projects are used for indoor furniture or decoration. They may be wood, metal, or a combination.
- Examples: Coffee tables, Chairs, cabinets, etc.



◇ Outdoor & Recreation

- Projects will be used for outdoor recreational activities, storage, patios, and/or picnic areas.
- Examples: Metal Boats/ docks, bikes and bike storage,



◇ Ag Machinery, Implements, & Trailers

- These projects will be used in industry for a variety of tasks and can be stand alone pieces, attachments, or implements used for a variety of things.
- Examples: 3 point box scraper, trailers, attachments for equipment, etc.



◇ Livestock Equipment & Tools

- These projects will be anything that is used in the livestock industry.
- Examples: Livestock Handling Equipment, Feeders, metal fence panels, etc.



◇ Shop Equipment & Tools

- Any project that will be utilized within or around the confines of a shop or garage setting.
- Examples: Storage equipment, Work benches, tables, etc.



