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## 2023 Elbert County Fair 4-H Schedule

### SATURDAY, JULY 29

#### 8:00 AM 4-H Dog Show; Exhibit Building

*Small Fry Dog Class, Exhibit Building (this will precede the 4-H Dog Showmanship class)*

10:00 AM Mountain States Highland Cattle Show, Horse Pavilion

Noon Ranch Rodeo, Main Arena (open to the public, no charge)

3:30 PM Kiddie Style Show, Fellowship Hall (arrive at 3:30, show will start right before the 4-H Revue)

4:00 PM Cutting Horse Exposition, Main Arena

#### 4:00 PM 4-H Fashion Revue and Judging, Fellowship Hall

#### 4-7 PM 4-H FIRST General Project Drop-Off, Ag Building

8:00 PM Kickoff Dance/Concert featuring Brett Hendrix, Horse Pavilion  
 (open to the public, no charge)

### SUNDAY, JULY 30 BREEDING SHOWCASE DAY

#### 7:00 AM 4-H Rocketry Fly Day; Far East Fairgrounds pasture

#### 8:00 AM 4-H Horse Showmanship, Halter, Performance, and Trail Classes both arenas all day

*Small Fry Pony Class*

8:00 AM *Check-in begins for 4-H Breeding Beef, Beef Barn*

10:00 AM 4-H Swine Breeding Show, Open Pavilion

11:00 AM 4-H Sheep Breeding Show, Open Pavilion

12 NOON 4-H Breeding Goat Show (includes meat does, dairy does) Open Pavilion

2:00 PM 4-H Breeding Beef Show, Horse Pavilion

3:00 PM Utility Goat Show, Open Pavilion

#### 4 - 7 PM 4-H LAST General Project Drop-Off, Ag Building

*All 4-H General Projects Must Be Dropped Off and Pre-Checked Before 7 PM, July 30.*

4 - 7 PM *Optional 4-H Tack check-in for Beef, Swine, Sheep and Goat Barns (no security provided) drive carefully!*

### MONDAY, JULY 31

10:00 AM 4-H General Project INTERVIEW JUDGING, Ag Building at appointed times

10:30 AM 4-H Cloverbud Exhibit Interviews, Ag Building, first come, first to "show and tell."

1 - 7 PM *Optional 4-H Tack check-in for Beef, Swine, Sheep and Goat Barns (no security provided) drive carefully!*

4 - 6 PM 4-H Lamb & Goats, MANDATORY Vet Health Check-in and Weigh-in Market Lambs & Market Goats, Lambs and Goats must be in stalls by 6 PM

5:00 PM 4-H Gymkhana, Main Arena

#### **ATTN: 4-H LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS:**

**DESIGNATIONS Need to be Made at the Fair Office as soon as possible. Don't wait for deadline.**

**Please designate Market Sale Animals as soon as possible.**

**4-H Showmanship Champions – Designate for Round Robin.**

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 1

7-11 AM 4-H Hogs, Beef and Dairy Cattle, MANDATORY Vet Health Check-in of all 4-H Market Swine, Market Beef, and Dairy Cattle, all must be in stalls by 11 AM.

7-11 AM *Weigh-In Market Swine (during check-in process)*

12 NOON 4-H Livestock Exhibitor Meeting, MANDATORY FOR ALL EXHIBITORS-Grandstands

*Immediately following Meeting: Premiere Market Exhibitor Test for Beef, Lambs, Swine, Goats and Rabbits.*

1-2 PM *Weigh-In Market Beef, must provide brand inspection at beef weigh-in.*

2-4 PM *Open Class Final Set-up with Fair Board*

5:00 PM 4-H Goat Showmanship followed by 4-H Market Goat Show, Open Pavilion

7:00 PM 4-H Market Lamb Showmanship followed by 4-H Market Lamb Show, Open Pavilion

*Small Fry Goat Class and Small Fry Lamb Class, Open Pavilion (these will precede the 4-H Showmanship classes for each species)*

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### **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2**

8AM-11:30AM Check-in and entry for Open Class Exhibits, Ag Building

**8AM – 6 PM Ag Building Open for viewing: General 4-H Project Exhibits**  
(Enter east garage doors during open class check-in & judging day)

Afternoon CSU Extension - Master Gardeners set up in the conference room.

2 PM Pop-Up Farm Olympics, Warm-Up Arena (sponsored by 4-H Youth Council)

**3-7 PM 4-H Birds & Rabbits MANDATORY Check-in for ALL 4-H Poultry and Rabbits.**

(All birds & rabbits submit to health check before caging and must be in place by 7 PM)

**Vehicles enter from the North, Unload by scale house, and U-turn between open barn and fair office returning on the tract to exit north. No vehicles allowed past the fair office! Hand carry cages or wagon carry cages to **appropriate barn line to await health check.** (Those who have swine will be given priority and parents may wait in the check in line if necessary.)**

**5:00 PM 4-H Market Swine Show, Open Pavilion**

### **THURSDAY, AUGUST 3**

**8AM – 6 PM Ag Building Open for viewing: Open Class & General 4-H Project Exhibits**  
Master Gardeners' Education and Silent Auction, Ag Building Meeting Room

**8:00 AM 4-H Rabbit Show, Rabbit Barns 9:00 AM 4-H Poultry Showmanship**  
Small Fry Poultry Class, Poultry Barn (small fry poultry will precede the 4-H Poultry Showmanship)

**8:30 AM – 12:30 PM**

**4-H Market Sale pictures taken, Small Pavilion**

All Market Sale pictures, *except Market Beef*, are taken during this time.

Swine will have preference. All swine pictures must be taken by 11:00 AM

9:30 AM Master Gardeners' Education Presentation "Weeds", Ag Building

10:30 AM Senior Citizens'/Veterans' Events, Fellowship Hall

**12:30 PM Deadline for Market Sale pictures (except market beef)**

**3 -6 PM 4-H Market Sale Beef pictures taken, Beef Barn**

**3:00 PM 4-H Dairy Cattle Showmanship followed by 4-H Dairy Cattle Show, Horse Pavilion**

**4:00 PM 4-H Market Beef Showmanship followed by 4-H Market Beef Show, Horse Pavilion**

Small Fry Beef (Bucket Calf Class) Horse Pavilion (this class will precede the 4-H Beef Showmanship)

5:00 PM Open Gymkhana, Main Arena (sponsored by Elbert County Royalty Program)

### **FRIDAY, AUGUST 4**

**8AM – 6 PM Ag Building Open for viewing: Open Class & General 4-H Project Exhibits**  
Master Gardeners' Education and Silent Auction, Ag Building Meeting Room

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM *Save the Cowboy Pancake Breakfast, behind Main Arena grandstands – Free but donations taken.*

**8:00 AM 4-H Poultry Show**

**8:00 AM 4-H Hog Showmanship, Open Pavilion**

Small Fry Hog Class, Open Pavilion (this will precede the Showmanship class for 4-H Hogs)

9:00 AM – 8:00 PM The Mercantile Open, Exhibit Building

**8:00 AM 4-H Poultry Show**

9:30 AM Master Gardeners' Education Presentation "Native Plants", Ag Building

**10:30 AM 4-H Dog Agility Show, Large Pavilion, enclosed ring.**

**12 Noon Designation for Round Robin Showmanship Due, Fair Office, can designate earlier in the week.**

**4:00 PM 4-H Round Robin Showmanship Contest, Warm Up Arena**

**5:00 PM 4-H Beef Fitting Contest, Track Area**

6:00 PM Pet Animal Contest, Open to All Ages, Not required to be in 4-H, Horse Pavilion

7:00 PM Horseshoe Tournament, Main Arena (registration begins on-site at 6:00 PM)

**8:30 - 11:30 PM Youth Fair Dance, Fellowship Hall parking lot – \$5 per person.**

**Sponsored by the 4-H Youth Council.** This dance is open to anyone.

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### **SATURDAY, AUGUST 5**

- 8AM – 6 PM Ag Building Open for viewing: Open Class & General 4-H Project Exhibits**  
Master Gardeners' Education and Silent Auction, Ag Building Meeting Room
- 9AM-8PM The Mercantile Open, Exhibit Building
- 9:30 AM Master Gardeners' Education Presentation "Special Bees/Pollinators", Ag Building
- 11:00 AM EDCLA Barbecue, Horse Pavilion, \$10 charge
- 11AM – 1PM JR MARKET SALE INFORMATION TABLE – How to be a buyer: *Want to buy at the Junior Market Sale? Need more information? Do you need a buyer number? Come visit the Jr. Market Sale information table located between the sale ring and the Exhibit Hall.*
- 11AM – 2PM Touch a Truck for Kids, East of Warm-Up Arena
- 10AM – 8PM **Kiddie Corral Open** featuring Small Rides, Petting Zoo, Bouncy House, Giant Slide, Trackless Train, Face Painting – All FREE of charge. Carnival Area
- 12:00 Noon Crowning Contest, Poultry Barn
- 1:00 PM JUNIOR MARKET SALE, HORSE PAVILION**
- 4:00 PM Master Graders' Silent Auction Closes- pick up and pay in Ag Building**
- 5:00 PM Horse Pull, Warm-up Arena
- 5:00 PM Mini Bull Riding, Main Arena (open entry for kids age 3-17)
- 6:00 PM 4-H Awards Night, Pavilion**
- 7:00 PM Bulls, Broncs & Buckaroos Rodeo, Main Arena (Free of Charge)
- 7:00 PM **(Mutton Busters must pre-register and fill out waiver at [elbertcountyfair.com](http://elbertcountyfair.com);**  
limited number of walk-up slots available if someone who is pre-registered doesn't show up.)  
Mutton busters must be between the ages of 4-7, must be 70 lbs or less and must have on proper attire to ride. Vest and helmet provided.
- 9:00 PM Concert- Matt Stell, Main Arena after conclusion of Rodeo (Free of Charge, arena floor access wrist bands required)

### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 6**

- 8AM – 3 PM Ag Building Open for viewing: Open Class & General 4-H Project Exhibits**  
**NO Check out or NO Removal of exhibits or animals until 3PM**
- 8:00 AM Cowboy Church, Horse Pavilion
- 9:00 AM Elbert County Barrel Race, Main Arena
- 9AM – 4PM The Mercantile Open, Exhibit Building
- 10:00 AM Garden Tractor Pull, Warm Up Arena
- 11:00 AM High Plains Fiddle Fest, Open Pavilion
- 11:00 AM **Parade** (Parade begins downtown at the Courthouse, ends in Main Arena)
- 12:00 Noon – 3 PM Kiddie Corral Open** featuring Small Rides, Bouncy House, Giant Slide, Trackless Train – All FREE of charge. Carnival Area
- 12:00 Noon Queen's Barrel Race and Royalty Presentation (following end of parade) Arena
- FAIR OFFICE 4-H Market Animal Members should get all forms from the fair office in preparation for check-out. Get your sales information sheet with a list of your buyers, a market comparison worksheet, and a clean stall form. Start working on your paperwork now.**
- 12:30PM **Mutton Bustin', Kid's Races and Egg Toss, Main Arena**  
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- 12:30-3PM Parker/Elizabeth Cruisers Car Show, Fellowship Hall Parking Lot
- 1:30 PM Back Seat Drivers Contest, Track Area
- 2:00 PM Ice Cream Eating Contest, Rose Creamery Trailer
- 3:00 PM RELEASE ALL EXHIBITS AND CLEAN UP**
- 3-5PM Premium pay out, Fair Office
- 4PM Trade Show closes: vendors clean up and check-out.
- 5:30PM BUILDINGS LOCKED. Exhibits left are NOT the responsibility of the Fair Board or Extension Office.**

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## **ELBERT COUNTY 4-H POST-FAIR DATES:**

### **MONDAY, AUGUST 7<sup>TH</sup> - CLEAN UP**

8AM Clean-up and tear-down day – Entire Fairgrounds - ALL HELP WELCOME!

### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 13<sup>TH</sup> – THANK YOU NOTES TO MARKET SALE BUYERS**

Thank you notes must be turned in on Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup> from 2- 4 PM in Kiowa, at the Exhibit Building OR from 2:30–4 PM at the Simla School. Thank you notes must be properly written, addressed, stamped, and unsealed for review. Thank you notes must be written to the primary buyer and all add-on buyers. Market Sale checks will be disseminated when thank you notes are reviewed.

### **TUESDAY, AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup> - STATE FAIR PROJECTS LOADED**

4PM **ALL** General 4-H Project Exhibits Headed to State Fair need to be at the Extension office and will be loaded by 4PM, Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>. (*Perishable Foods or Cake Decorating, must arrive securely boxed for transport, we will store in office overnight and load in vehicle before leaving early AM.*)

**COLORADO STATE FAIR Dates: AUGUST 25 - SEPTEMBER 4, 2023**

<https://coloradostatefair.com/>

### **SEPTEMBER 1<sup>st</sup> – Records and Forms Due**

4-H Completed Livestock Record Books final check by Main Leaders  
4-H Achievement Form Due to the Extension Office

### **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6<sup>th</sup> - Come Get State 4-H Projects at Extension Office**

General Projects back from State Fair – Please arrange to pick up your projects between 8am-4:30pm. Projects not picked up by Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 5pm may be dispersed to club leaders or disposed.

**SEPTEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>** – 4-H Lembke Scholarship Applications Due to Extension office

### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8<sup>th</sup> - 4-H Annual Achievement Awards, Exhibit Hall**

**Elbert County 4-H Enrollment Opens Mid-October** <https://v2.4honline.com/>