

## ELBERT COUNTY 4-H PRE-FAIR DATES:

### NOTES OF INTEREST:

- **County Shooters Early Fair Entry** <https://fairentry.com> deadline of **JUNE 12, 2025**
- FAIR ENTRY for County Shoot: All shooting sports members all COUNTY fair entries will need to be completed, and fees paid to ECEF **by June 12th!** Due To the County Shoot Schedule, **You Only Have Between June 1 -June 12th to Complete All Your County Fair Entries and Pay the Fees to The Extension Office!**
- **ALL OTHER 4-H Exhibitors** must complete Fair Entry <https://fairentry.com> and pay ECEF **BEFORE JULY 1.**
- **ALL 4-H Exhibitors** should always plan to check-in with superintendent  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour prior to show start time.
- FAIR SCHEDULE for Elbert County Fair 2025 is *subject to change* and included on the following pages.
- UPDATES to the Fair Schedule will be posted on the fair board website: <https://www.elbertcountyfair.com/>

### IMPORTANT 4-H PRE-FAIR DATES:

#### MONDAY, JUNE 2

- **4-H Fair Entry online OPENS:** <https://fairentry.com>
- Club leaders submit members in "question" to Extension office by June 2, with substitutions to be in good standing.
- Member in Good Standing requirements must be fulfilled by the end of June.

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 12

- **County Shooters Early Fair Entry** <https://fairentry.com> deadline of **JUNE 12, 2025**

#### MONDAY, JULY 1:

- **4-H Fair Entry online CLOSES** – All 4-H Exhibitors must be entered and paid to ECEF, **BEFORE JULY 1.**

#### TUESDAY, JULY 15: (LAST day to do the following, but can always DO EARLIER.)

- Nomination Letters for Citizen of the Year and Making the Best Better to Extension before JUNE 15
- DUE Livestock record book pre-checked by 4-H Leaders
- **DUE 4-H Fashion Revue Commentaries** emailed to [lore.denson@colostate.edu](mailto:lore.denson@colostate.edu)
- DUE Leaders' Council Scholarship Applications

#### TUESDAY, JULY 15

**6:30PM** Fair Superintendent's Meeting, all set-up sheets to be completed.

#### MONDAY, JULY 21

**7PM** Fair Board Meeting

#### 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS PRE-FAIR 4-H COUNTY SHOOTS (Check-In is 30-Minutes Prior to Start Time):

**JUNE 28:** ARCHERY – JUNIORS only shoot, Fairgrounds Archery Range, 8AM  
**JUNE 29:** ARCHERY – SENIORS shoot, Fairgrounds Archery Range, 8AM  
**JUNE 28:** .22 RIFLE – SENIORS only, 8AM, Morgan Range  
**JUNE 29:** .22 RIFLE – JUNIORS only, 8AM, Morgan Range  
**JULY 12:** .22 PISTOL, 10APM, Morgan Range  
**JULY 12:** AIR RIFLE, 8AM, Exhibit Hall  
**JULY 13:** AIR PISTOL, 8AM, Exhibit Hall  
**JULY 19:** ADVANCED SHOTGUN TOURNAMENT 8AM, *Clays and Skeet, Pikes Peak Gun Club – Isaak Walton Range*  
**JULY 20:** SHOTGUN TRAP TOURNAMENT 9AM, *Ben Lomond Gun Club*  
**JULY 22:** MUZZLELOADING TOURNAMENT 5pm, Ben Lomond Gun Club  
**AUG 9:** WESTERN HERITAGE COUNTY TOURNAMENT, Ben Lomond, 9AM-3PM

#### FRIDAY, JULY 25

**8AM** **4-H & FB** Volunteers fairgrounds final touch-ups and set-up for 4-H Dog Show

#### SATURDAY JULY 26<sup>TH</sup> – AUGUST 3<sup>RD</sup> 2025 ELBERT COUNTY FAIR

#### 4-H SCHEDULE ON THE FOLLOING PAGES.

**ALWAYS DRIVE CAREFULLY!** Know your drop-off / check-in locations and driving instructions beforehand!  
**All dates have multiple events and foot traffic, watch for pedestrians, know the enter/exit instructions.**

# 2025 ELBERT COUNTY FAIR SCHEDULE

"ALWAYS FREE PARKING AND FREE ADMISSION"

**\*GREEN PRINT INDICATES 4-H EVENTS\*** \*All events are free unless designated as ticket required\*

DAILY FAIRBOARD MEETINGS (as needed) Ag Building Conference Room Reserved for 7AM, 12 noon, and 7PM daily.

**Official Fair Dates: Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025**

## **SATURDAY, JULY 26**

- 8:00 AM** **4-H Dog Show; Ag Building**  
*Small Fry Dog Class, Ag Building (this will precede the 4-H Dog Showmanship class)*
- 9:00 AM** **4-H Fashion Review Judging, Fellowship Hall (closed to the public)**
- 10AM - 1PM** **4-H General Project Check-in, Ag Building**
- 10:00 AM** Mountain States Highland Cattle Show, Horse Pavilion
- 5:00 PM** Kiddie Style Show, Fellowship Hall  
*(arrive at 4:30, show will start right before the 4-H Fashion Revue)*
- 5:00 PM** **4-H Fashion Revue Public Showcase and Awards; Fellowship Hall**
- 6:00 PM** Centennial Farm and Ranches Banquet; Exhibit Building  
*\*Doors open at 6:00 PM, program begins at 6:30 PM  
(open to the public, \$50 pre-purchased tickets required, visit elbertcountyfair.com to purchase)*
- 6:30 PM** **4-H & FB Volunteers move & set-up exhibit items – after Dog Show Concludes**  
*(4-H & OPEN Class), Ladders, grating Z, tables, etc. – Cleaning.*
- 7:00 PM** Young Guns Rodeo, Main Arena  
*(Brought to you by Elbert County Fair in partnership with Cowboy Up)  
\*FREE EVENT featuring Mutton Busting, Mini Broncs, Mini Bulls, Youth Barrel Racing*
- 8:00 PM** Opening Night Concert/Dance featuring The Walker Williams Band; Horse Pavilion
- 9:00 PM** Town of Kiowa Fireworks Show (approximate start time, at dark)  
*(come for the free Young Guns Rodeo, stay for the live music then catch the fireworks that will be booming at dark on the North end of the Elbert County Fair Grounds- all events free)*

## **SUNDAY, JULY 27 BREEDING SHOWCASE DAY**

- 7:00 AM** **4-H Rocketry Fly Day; East of Ag Building pasture**
- 8:00 AM** **4-H Horse Showmanship, Halter, Performance, and Trail; Both Arenas**  
*Small Fry Pony Class will precede the 4-H Showmanship classes.*
- 8:00 AM** **CHECK-IN begins for 4-H Breeding Beef, Beef Barn**
- 10AM-1 PM** **4-H General Project CHECK-IN, Ag Building**  
***ALL 4-H General Projects Must Be Dropped Off and Pre-Checked BEFORE 1PM, July 27.***
- 10:00 AM** **4-H Swine Breeding Show; South Pavilion**
- 11:00 AM** **4-H Sheep Breeding Show; South Pavilion**
- Noon** **4-H Breeding Goat Show; South Pavilion**
- 2:00 PM** **4-H Breeding Beef Show; Horse Pavilion**
- 3:00 PM** **Utility Goat Show; South Pavilion (please check-in at 2:30 PM)**
- 4 - 7 PM** **Optional 4-H Tack check-in for MARKET Beef, Swine, Sheep and Goat Barns**  
*(no security provided) drive carefully!*

## **MONDAY, JULY 28**

DARK DAY FOR VENDORS

- 10AM - 2PM** **4-H General Project Judging- By Appointment; Ag Building**
- 4PM - 6PM** **4-H Market Goat and Market Lamb CHECK-IN/WEIGH-IN; enter from South**
- 5:00 PM** **4-H Gymkhana, Main Arena**
- 5 - 7 PM** **Optional 4-H Tack check-in for MARKET Swine, Sheep, Goat and Poultry Barns**  
*(no security provided) drive carefully!*

## **TUESDAY, JULY 29**

- 7AM - 11:AM** **4-H Market Swine, 4-H Market Beef, Dairy CHECK-IN; enter from South entrance**
- Noon** **Livestock Exhibitors Meeting, Grandstands (Premier Exhibitor testing after meeting)**  
***\*\*\*Please designate Market Sale Animals as soon as possible\*\*\****
- 1PM - 2PM** **Market Beef Weigh-in; Large Animal Scale (brand papers required)**

**TBD** **Ranch Raised Ultrasound with Carcass Tech**  
 5PM - 7PM Open Class Check-in; Ag Building (optional evening check-in being offered)  
**6:00 PM** **4-H Market Lamb Showmanship followed by 4-H Market Lamb Show, South Pavilion**  
*(Small Fry Lamb Class will precede the 4-H Showmanship classes for each species)*  
**7:00 PM** **4-H General Project Exhibits Awards, Ag Building**  
 7PM Fair Board Meeting

### **WEDNESDAY, JULY 30**

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

**8 -10:30AM** **4-H Poultry and Rabbit CHECK-IN; enter from South entrance**  
 8-9:30AM Open Class Quilts Check-in; Ag Building  
 8 –11:30AM Open Class Check-in; Ag Building (final check-in offered before judging)  
 12PM Fair Board Meeting  
 1:00 PM Open Class Judging; Ag Building and Fellowship Hall (silent observation allowed)  
**2:00 PM** **4-H Goat Showmanship followed by 4-H Market Goat Show; South Pavilion**  
*(Small Fry Goat Class will precede the 4-H Showmanship classes for each species)*  
**6:00 PM** **4-H Market Swine Show; South Pavilion**  
*8PM or IMMEDIATELY following Market Swine Show. Small Fry Swine Showmanship*  
 6:30 PM 5 Flat Productions Team Roping, Main Arena  
 Entries open at 5:30 PM (Contact Gary Rodarmel for more information 970-846-7825)

### **THURSDAY, JULY 31**

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

**8:00 AM** **4-H Rabbit Show, Rabbit Barn**  
*(Small Fry Rabbit Class will precede the 4-H Showmanship classes for each species)*  
**8AM – 6PM** **4-H General Exhibits & Open Class; Ag Building**  
**8:30 AM-12:30 PM, South Pavilion, ALL MARKET SALE PHOTOS other than beef**  
**9:00 AM** **4-H Market Swine Showmanship; South Pavilion**  
*(Small Fry Swine Class will be held on Wednesday night following Market Swine Show, NO Small Fry after showmanship)*  
**11:30AM** **4-H Poultry Showmanship; South Pavilion**  
*(Small Fry Poultry Class, Poultry Barn (small fry poultry will precede the 4-H Poultry Showmanship)*  
 9AM – 4PM Master Gardeners available to General Public:  
 Silent Auction, Demonstration Garden, Weed Wall, Seminars, Ag Building  
 10:30 AM Senior Citizens' / Veterans' Events and luncheon; Fellowship Hall  
**1:30 PM** **Master Gardeners' Education Presentation:**  
**Jan Herbel, MG, RAISED BEDS, Ag Building Conference Room**  
**2:30 PM** **4-H Rabbit Agility and Dress a Bunny contests, Rabbit Barn**  
**3:00 PM** **4-H Dairy Cattle Showmanship followed by 4-H Dairy Cattle Show,**  
 (Horse) Large Pavilion  
**Beef Market Sale Photos during the beef show**  
**4:00 PM** **4-H Market Beef Showmanship followed by 4-H Market Beef Show,**  
 (Horse) Large Pavilion  
*Small Fry Beef/Dairy (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)  
**7:00 PM** **final cut-off - Designation of all MARKET Sale Animals due to Office**  
 Market Sale Designation, including Champions from Beef, Lambs, Goats, Swine, and Rabbits must be done by this time!

### **FRIDAY, AUGUST 1**

**8:00 AM** **4-H Poultry Show, South Pavilion**  
**10 AM** **4-H Ranch Raised Beef Show, Horse Pavilion**  
**8AM – 6PM** **4-H General Exhibits & Open Class; Ag Building**  
 9AM – 3PM Vendor Check-in for The Mercantile, Exhibit Building  
 9AM – 4PM Master Gardeners available to General Public:  
 Silent Auction, Demonstration Garden, Weed Wall, Seminars, Ag Building  
**10:30 AM** **Master Gardeners' Education Presentation:**  
**Chris Hilgert, CSU Specialist, SEASON EXTENSION, Ag Building Conference Room**  
**10:30 AM** **4-H Dog Agility Show; off-site location "The Agile Canine"**  
**1:30 PM** **Master Gardeners' Education Presentation:**

**Raylene Owen, MG, WILDFLOWERS of ELBERT COUNTY, Ag Building Conference**

- 4:00 PM** **4-H Round Robin Showmanship Contest, Main Arena**  
4PM-8PM Kiddie Corral OPEN; Carnival Area (free for all)  
4PM-9PM The Mercantile Shopping OPEN; Exhibit Building
- 5:00 PM** **4-H Beef Fitting Contest, Track Area**  
6:00 PM Pet Animal Contest; Horse Pavilion  
6:00 PM Horse Pull; Main Arena  
7:00 PM Horseshoe Tournament; Warm-Up Arena (registration begins on-site at 6:00 PM or pre-register via website at [www.elbertcountyfair.com](http://www.elbertcountyfair.com))
- 7:00 PM** **4-H Shooting Sports Awards, South Pavilion**  
8:00 PM Friday night concert featuring WMW Band, Horse Pavilion
- 8:30 PM - 11:30 PM Family Friendly Fair Dance; South Pavilion**  
– \$5 per person (Sponsored by the 4-H Youth Council)  
*This dance is open to all youth and their families, whether enrolled in 4-H or not.*

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 2**

- 8AM – 4PM Elbert County Health Fair, Health Dept North End of Fairgrounds  
(free and low-cost health screenings and physicals)
- 8AM - 6PM** **4-H General Exhibits & Open Class; Ag Building**  
9:00 AM Road Grader Rodeo, Warm-Up Arena  
9AM – 9PM The Mercantile Shopping Open, Exhibit Building  
9AM – 4PM Master Gardeners available to General Public:  
**Silent Auction Ends Today (closes at 3pm),** Demonstration Garden, Weed Wall, Seminars, Ag Building
- 10:30 AM** **Master Gardner's Special Presentation:**  
**Don Hajar with Pawnee Buttes Seed, NATIVE GRASSES, Ag Building Conference Room**
- 10AM – 8:00 PM Kiddie Corral Open featuring *Small Rides, Petting Zoo, Bouncy House, Giant Slide, Trackless Train, Face Painting - FREE of charge. Kiddie Corral Area/Carnival Area*
- 11:00 AM EDCLA Barbecue, Horse Pavilion  
11AM-1PM Market Sale Office OPEN  
*Want to buy at the Junior Market Sale? Get your bidder number, get more information, etc.  
Located under the tent near the Exhibit Building*
- 11AM – 2PM Touch a Truck for Kids, Kiddie Corral Area  
*Climb on the big equipment, North of Kiddie Area*
- 12PM Fair Board Meeting
- 1:00 PM** **Junior Market Sale, Horse Pavilion**  
**1:30 PM** **Master Gardner's Special Presentation:**  
**Currie Nowell, Forest Service, TREES, Ag Building Conference Room**
- 3:00 PM** **Master Gardener's Silent Auction Ends – Final Bids Close at 3PM – Pay & Pick up items 4PM**  
5:00 PM Bulls, Broncs & Buckaroos Rodeo, Main Arena Free event featuring Mini Bull Riding, Mutton Busting, Bronc and Bull Riding (*Mutton Busters must pre-register, pay and fill out waiver at [elbertcountyfair.com](http://elbertcountyfair.com)) 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. Mini Bull Riders must contact the stock contractor directly to register; Cory Hazen 719-367-5057*)
- 6:30 PM** **4-H Plaques & Beef Fitting & Round Robin & Special Awards Night, South Pavilion**  
8:00 PM Concert- BLACKHAWK, Main Arena stage General Admission tickets, purchase online [elbertcountyfair.com](http://elbertcountyfair.com) prior to show for \$10 pre-sale tickets. Tickets sold on the day of the show at fairgrounds box office or online will be \$20. NO charge for grandstand seating.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 3**

- 8:00 AM Cowboy Church, Horse Pavilion
- 8AM – 2PM** **4- H General Exhibits & Open Class; Ag Building**  
9AM – 4PM The Mercantile Open, Exhibit Building
- 10:00 AM** **4-H Graduating Seniors Brunch, Horse Pavilion**  
11:00 AM High Plains Fiddle Fest, South Pavilion  
11:00 AM Elbert County Fair Parade  
*Parade begins downtown Kiowa, will end in front of the Main Arena Grandstands (pre-entry required) Parade is free to spectators along the route.*
- 12:00– 3 PM Kiddie Corral Open featuring Small Rides, Bouncy House, Giant Slide, Trackless Train - FREE of charge.  
Carnival Area
- 12:00 Noon Garden Tractor Pull, Warm-up Arena  
12:00 Noon Queen's Barrel Race and Royalty Presentation (Following end of parade) Main Arena

12:30PM Mutton Bustin', Kid's Races and Egg Toss, Main Arena (*Mutton Busters must pre-register, pay 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 proper attire to ride. Vest and helmet provided.

12:30 PM-3:00 PM Elbert County Fair 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

2:00 PM Calcutta for the Ranch Rodeo, Main Arena

3:00 PM Ranch Rodeo, Main Arena A don't miss event to end the fair featuring wild cow milking, team doctoring, trailer loading, etc -Registration for Ranch Rodeo at 1:00 PM, pre-registration encouraged; contact Stephen Heitmann at 719-285-3924

*4-H Barn Stall Cleaning / Early Release and Premium Payout will begin at 2PM*

**2:00 PM 4-H Poultry / 4-H Rabbit release & 4-H General Project Check out**

**2PM-5PM 4-H ONLY Premium Payout at the Fair Office**

2:00 PM OPEN CLASS Check out & Premium Payout, Ag Building

**3:00 PM 4-H Large Animal Release (beef, swine, goat, sheep) and Final Clean**

**5:00 PM All Buildings Closed and locked**

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

**MONDAY AUGUST 4** Clean-up and tear-down day – Entire Fairgrounds - ALL HELP WELCOME!

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 12 – DUE – ALL State Fair Bound general projects** INCLUDING CAKES & FOODS must be at the Extension office **before close of business 4PM** - All projects will be loaded by 5PM.

### **COLORADO STATE FAIR**

**August 22 - September 1, 2025**

<https://coloradostatefair.com/>

### **SEPTEMBER 1 - DUE**

4-H Completed Livestock Record Books to Main Leaders

4-H Achievement Form Due to the Extension Office

4-H Lembke Scholarship Applications Due to Extension office

**SEPTEMBER 3 – Projects back from State Fair – pickup BEFORE 5PM, Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup>.**

### **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 at 7PM in the Ag Building**

**PREMIER FAIR AWARDS PROGRAM**, County Fair Candid Slide Show, **Market Livestock** Rate-of-Gain and Premier Exhibitor buckles awarded, . Lembke Scholars announced. General Projects State fair patches and achievement pins awarded. General projects back from the State Fair must be picked up by the end of the evening of Sept. 17, 2025. Extension will NOT house projects after this date.

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