

DIVISION X - SPECIAL 4-H PROGRAMS

Division Rules & Regulations:

1. Only 4-H Members may exhibit in this division, except for Sections IX and XI - FFA Members may also exhibit in these sections.
2. Exhibitors and exhibits must comply with "General State Fair Rules & Regulations", "General 4-H and FFA Rules & Regulations", these "Division Rules & Regulations" and the applicable "Section Rules & Regulations" and other rules and regulations where noted in section.

SECTION 16 - 4-H CLOVERS EXHIBIT

Superintendent: Maryland 4-H State Council

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4-H Clovers Exhibit: Clover Project Box - For 4-H Clovers, ages 5-7

Section Rules & Regulations:

1. **Eligibility:** Currently enrolled Clover 4-H members may enter projects in this class that must fit and be contained within a Clover Box.
2. **Registration: Pre-entry is required. YOU MUST USE THE INTERNET ENTRY SYSTEMS FOUND AT www.marylandstatefair.com. Internet entries are due July 15th. Exhibitors without internet access should contact their County Extension Educator for assistance. All exhibitors must complete and submit a release form during the entry process.**
3. Entries for this division will be received Tuesday, August 25th from 2pm to 8pm in the 4-H/FFA Home Arts Building and released Monday, September 14th from 9am to 7pm. An early-bird release period will be made available on Sunday, September 13th from 8pm to 10pm AFTER the building is closed to the public.
We encourage the Clover 4-H member to be present to talk about their entry with our youth State Council members.
4. **Exhibit Criteria:** Projects that can be included in the box can be from any of the following categories:
 - Photography
 - Art
 - Crafts
 - Sewing (Clothing accessory from the following: tote bag, purse, apron, belt, scarf, necktie, hat, etc.)
 - Woodworking (From the following: birdhouse, birdfeeder, or wooden toy)
 - Natural Resources (A 5 sample minimum from the following: shell collection, rock collection, leaf collection, mature tree bark collection, wildflower collection, or fossil collection)
 - Knitted or crocheted item
 - Silk or dried flower arrangement or wreath(Items that should not be included: any perishable food, garden or flower projects.)
5. **Clover Box requirements:**
 - Exhibitors may register and enter only ONE (1) Clover Box.
 - The Clover Box must be no larger than an average shoe box (15" length x 10" wide x 5" high).
 - The Clover Box may be decorated to the liking of the individual and should include a 4-H Clover and the exhibitor's name.
 - Items in the Clover Box should be made at Clover club activities, club meetings or from Clover curriculum. These items must be age-related and will be displayed in the 4-H/FFA Indoor Building.
6. Exhibits will be reviewed on their own merit for participation, but not judged.
7. All entries must be the work of the Exhibitor and completed between September 2025 and August 2026.

CLASS

X0100 4-H Clovers – Clover Project Box

SECTION 2 - FASHION REVUE

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Date: Saturday August 29, 2026 Runway Show – 2-3pm in the 4-H Building

Section Rules & Regulations:

1. There is a \$5.00 participant fee required for this event, open only to all 4-Hers (ages 8-18 as of 1/1/2026)
2. Participants must model project work since the last Maryland State Fair. Participants may only compete in one class. Class descriptions and Judging Criteria are available from a 4-H Extension Educator.
3. **Pre-entry is required for all age divisions. Entries will be made by the 4-H member in 4-HOnline at <https://v2.4honline.com> by July 31st or following your county 4-H contest and verified by the 4-H Extension Educator. Exhibitors without internet access should contact their county Extension Educator for assistance. Constructed Garment entries are also encouraged to enter in the 4-H Indoor Building in the Clothing Division.**
4. Participants will be required to participate in all Fashion Revue activities to receive Awards.
5. Awards: Participants will receive a Participation Ribbon and Premium of \$10. Grand Champions will receive a Rosette and \$20 premium.
6. All entries may have single or multiple garments (Ex. Casual Wear could be a sundress & jacket. Sports/Lounge Wear could be shorts & a top or a pajama set.)
7. **Exhibitors must submit a narrative and photograph. Use the forms on pages 8-9 at the end of this section of the Fair book. All narrations need to be emailed to Chris Rein at crein@umd.edu by August 15, 2026. Narrations for all show participants should be 100 words maximum.**
 - a. **Example of a good narration:** Spring is here, and Becky Clover strolls down the runway in her floral, three-piece outfit. This pattern looked so perfect in the store that she had to make a top with it. The fabric for the pants was not an easy find. Many stores later, Becky found the perfect match. The jacket blends easily with the rest of the colors. Currently, Becky is President of her Poplar 4-H Club. She enjoys cooking, crafts, leadership, and – of course – sewing. Some of her favorite 4-H activities are 4-H camp and the Maryland State Fair. No matter what you do, Becky, you will always be styling in this outfit.
8. Class Descriptions

CONSTRUCTED GARMENT MODELED BY 4-H MEMBER -

All entries must be the work of the Exhibitor and completed between September 2025 and August 2026.

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| 1001 | 2001 | 3001 | Athletic Wear- Outfits include jogging outfits, beach wear, tennis wear, riding habits, ski outfits, skating, or other sports outfits. |
| 1002 | 2002 | 3002 | Costumes - Costumes which are historic, ethnic, or created for theatrical or special events. |
| 1004 | 2004 | 3004 | Recycled Design – member designs and sews a wearable garment from previously used materials. The completed garment is its original use. The original garment is not yardage like a bedspread or sheet, but an actual garment (or two or more garments fabric and trim may be added to complete the new garment. The new garment must show at least 50% change in construction. include before and after pictures. |
| 1005 | 2005 | 3005 | Formal Wear - Outfit suitable for evening or semi-formal events, including men's wear, long or short dress, skirt, or evening pant |
| 1006 | 2006 | 3006 | Business/Professional – Outfits appropriate for job interviews or professional settings. |
| 1007 | 2007 | 3007 | Outer Wear - Pull-over jackets, short and long coats, rain wear, capes, blazers, and other garments to be worn outdoors but no designed for a particular sport. |
| 1008 | 2008 | 3008 | Dresses – could include a sundress or other non-formal dress. |
| 1009 | 2009 | 3009 | Separates – Jacket, vest, slacks, skirt, blouse, shorts - an outfit appropriate for school or casual affair. (2 or more pieces.) |
| 1010 | 2010 | 3010 | Lounge Wear – Outfits include casual, comfortable clothing suitable for wearing at home, includes appropriate sleep wear, |

READY-TO-WEAR FASHION MODELED BY 4-H MEMBER

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| 1015 | 2015 | 3015 | Athletic Wear - Outfits include jogging outfits, beach wear, tennis wear, riding habits, ski outfits, skating, or other sports outfits. |
| 1016 | 2016 | 3016 | Costumes - Costumes which are historic, ethnic, or created for theatrical or special events. |
| 1017 | 2017 | 3017 | Formal Wear - Outfit suitable for evening or semi-formal events, including men's wear, long or short dress, skirt or evening pant |
| 1018 | 2018 | 3018 | Business/Professional – Outfits appropriate for job interviews or professional settings. |
| 1019 | 2019 | 3019 | Outer Wear - Pull-over jackets, short and long coats, rain wear, capes, blazers, and other garments to be worn outdoors but no designed for a particular sport. |
| 1020 | 2020 | 3020 | Dresses – could include a sundress or other non-formal dress. |
| 1021 | 2021 | 3021 | Separates - Jacket, vest, slacks, skirt, blouse, shorts - an outfit appropriate for school or casual affair. (2 or more pieces.) |
| 1022 | 2022 | 3022 | Wearable Art – decorate a garment(s) using arts and crafts techniques, embellish to taste. Member must include before and aft |
| 1023 | 2023 | 3023 | Lounge Wear – Outfits include casual, comfortable clothing suitable for wearing at home, includes appropriate sleep wear |

X4011 Award Class (Fair Use Only) - Grand Champion Constructed - Rosette & Special Awards

X4024 Award Class (Fair Use Only) - Grand Champion Ready to Wear - Rosette & Special Awards

SECTION 3 - ENTREPRENEURSHIP PRODUCT DISPLAY

Superintendent: Albert Lewis Phone: 410-856-1850 ext. 124 Email: alewis17@umd.edu

4-H members enrolled in a 4-H Entrepreneurship Project for the current year as an Individual or Group may display and sell their projects during the State Fair in the Cow Palace. **Participants must pre-register with their 4-H office by July 31, 2026, and then contact the Superintendent to schedule a date and time.** Participants may have only one show during the State Fair. Products displayed/sold must be the results of a 4-H Entrepreneurship Project. An adult leader must be present at all times during the set-up, sale and tear-down. 2 tables and 2 chairs will be provided. Participants must provide any additional decorations or equipment that they need. Participants are encouraged to promote 4-H and the Entrepreneurship project to the public during the period of their show. *Participants in this section are not judged and do not receive ribbons or premiums.*

SECTION 4 – 4-H PRESENTS! PROGRAM

Superintendent: Navonne Torbert Phone: (410) 479-4030 E-mail: nowen@umd.edu

Section Rules & Regulations:

1. **Activities:** The 4-H Presents! Program is designed to allow 4-Hers to showcase their communication skills through presentations.
2. **Registration: Pre-entry is required. Entries will be made by the 4-H member in 4-HOnline at <https://v2.4honline.com> by July 31st and verified by the 4-H Extension Educator.**
3. **Schedule:** Presentations will be scheduled on **Saturday, August 29th, 10am- 2pm** and **Saturday, September 5th, 10am-1pm**. Participants may indicate preferred presentation dates when completing the 4-HOnline Entry Form. Presentations will be scheduled as they are received, on a first-come/first-served basis. The FINAL Presentations schedule and details will be sent to participants prior to the Maryland State Fair.
4. **4-H Member PRESENTATIONS:** 4-Hers are invited to perform public speaking, dramatic arts, and talents. Presentations may be given by individual 4-Hers, teams, or groups. Presentations must have been given at least once in the past year by the 4-Her(s) at a local/county 4-H, school, community, or extracurricular event. Presentations may be one of the following:
 - a. Demonstration
 - b. Visual Presentation
 - c. Prepared Speech
 - d. Radio PSA
 - e. Interpretation – Dramatic, Humorous, or Poetry
 - f. Talent

All presentations will be performed once.

- Demonstrations, Visual Presentations, Prepared Speeches, and Talent performances must be 3-15 minutes in length. Interpretations must be 1½ -5 minutes in length. Radio PSAs must be 30 seconds in length.
 - Performances will take place on a stage in the 4-H/Home Arts Building. Microphones, an easel, and a table or work surface will be provided. Space may be limited for talent performances. If kitchen use is requested please note on the entry form. Participants may not offer any food products to judges or the general public.
 - 4-H Presents is open to **ALL** project areas. Any 4-Hers who would like to do a Demonstration using their animal that is already being exhibited at the State Fair, may request accommodations for outside presentation space on your entry form.
5. **Awards:** Participants will receive a ribbon and a premium based on the following pay scale:
 - a. Demonstrations(4050): Blue - \$15, Red - \$10, White - \$7
 - b. Visual Presentation(4051): Blue - \$10, Red - \$7, White - \$5
 - c. Prepared Speech(4052): Blue - \$10, Red - \$7, White - \$5
 - d. Radio PSA(4053): Blue - \$10, Red - \$7, White - \$5
 - e. Interpretation(4054): Blue - \$10, Red - \$7, White - \$5
 - f. Talent(4055): Blue - \$10, Red - \$7, White - \$5

SECTION 5 – TOP CHEF! CONTEST

Superintendent: Anita Thomas and Lynne Rexroad E-mail: EMS1391@AOL.COM

Section Rules & Regulations:

1. **Activities:** The Top Chef! Contest allows 4-Hers to compete simultaneously to prepare a meal or dish in front of a live audience.
2. **Registration: Pre-entry is required. Entries will be made by the 4-H member in 4-HOnline at <https://v2.4honline.com> by July 31st and verified by the 4-H Extension Educator.**
3. **Schedule:** Contestants may choose one (1) Top Chef! Contest date when completing the 4-HOnline Entry Form. Top Chef! Contest details will be sent to participants prior to the Maryland State Fair.
4. **TOP CHEF! COMPETITIONS:**
 - Contestants will prepare a meal or dish in front of a live audience, demonstrating creativity and 4-H “food smarts.” The recipe should be prepared at home several times before the contest.
 - Contestants will compete simultaneously in their own designated workspaces.
 - A kitchen (stove/oven, microwave, refrigerator) is available, but will be shared by all contestants.. Bringing your own hot plate or electric skillet and extension cord is highly recommended.
 - 4-H'ers must provide their own ingredients, tools/materials, and presentation supplies.
 - Arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the contest start time.
 - All ingredients must be prepared and measured during the contest.
 - The complete dish must be prepared at the contest (i.e. nothing can be pre-baked, etc.)
 - Kitchen and food safety guidelines must be followed:
 - a. Contestants must use the steps/ramps to get on the stage.
 - b. Practice good personal hygiene – **wear a clean apron**; if you have long hair, tie it back; wash hands after touching your hair or face.
 - c. Wash your hands with warm water and soap for at least 20 seconds before, during, and after preparing food; this includes after handling uncooked eggs or raw meat, poultry or seafood (or their juices.)
 - d. Do not lick your fingers or food preparation utensils.
 - e. Keep food preparation surfaces clean at all times. Sanitize the table before starting your dish.
 - f. Rinse fresh fruits and vegetables under running water just before eating or adding to dishes/recipes, even if you plan to cut or peel them because bacteria can spread from the outside to the inside during cutting or peeling.
 - g. Rub firm-skinned fruits and vegetables under running tap water or scrub with a clean vegetable brush while rinsing with running tap water.
 - h. Use one cutting board for fresh produce and a separate one for raw meat, poultry, or seafood.
 - i. Wash food packaging, such as the top of cans and the lids on jars, before you open them.
 - j. Make sure perishable ingredients are kept cold during transport and at the contest.
 - k. Never place cooked food on a plate that previously held raw meat, poultry, seafood, or eggs.
 - l. Use a food thermometer which measures the internal temperature of cooked meat, poultry, and egg dishes, to make sure that the food is cooked to a safe internal temperature. See “Safe Cooking Guidelines” at <https://www.foodsafety.gov/food-safety-charts/safe-minimum-internal-temperatures>

For more information about kitchen and food safety, go to www.fightbac.org or https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/food_kitchen_safety_fact_sheet.pdf

Your dish will not be tasted if food safety procedures are not followed.
5. 4-Hers may enter **only one** Top Chef! competition. Top Chef! Events are open to individual contestants; teams are not permitted. For each competition 4-Hers will be given a maximum of 2 hours to create and present a finished dish. Contestants will be judged throughout the preparation phase and the final product will be evaluated. Contestants will also be evaluated on creativity of presentation. Awards will be presented at the conclusion of each competition.
 - **Top Chef Challenge – Celebrate Maryland’s Bounty of Fruits and Vegetables! (4056)** – Sunday, August 30, 1:30pm-3:30pm (Please Arrive by 1:15 p.m.)

Fresh fruits or vegetables that are grown in Maryland must be the star of your prepared food item. Examples of locally grown fruits and vegetables include corn, tomatoes, squash, peppers, peaches, watermelon, etc. Produce can be purchased at a grocery store, but locally grown produce may be fresher and more flavorful. **No canned or frozen fruits or vegetables may be used.** Contestants will develop a nutritionally balanced menu and prepare a menu item that features fresh fruits and/or vegetables during the competition. The prepared dish and a printed description of the full menu will be presented on a table space creatively decorated by the 4-Her.
 - **Top Chef Challenge – Celebrate Maryland’s Bounty of Fruits and Vegetables! (4057)** – Sunday, September 6 5:00pm-7:00pm (Please Arrive by 4:45 p.m.)

Fresh fruits or vegetables that are grown in Maryland must be the star of your prepared food item. Examples of locally grown fruits and vegetables include corn, tomatoes, squash, peppers, peaches, watermelon, etc. Produce can be purchased at a grocery store, but locally grown produce may be fresher and more flavorful. **No canned or frozen fruits or vegetables may be used.** Contestants will develop a nutritionally balanced menu and prepare a menu item that features fresh fruits and/or vegetables during the competition. The prepared dish and a printed description of the full menu will be presented on a table space creatively decorated by the 4-Her.
6. **Awards:** Junior, Intermediate, and Senior participants will receive a ribbon and a premium: Blue - \$15, Red - \$13, White - \$10

SECTION 6 - HORTICULTURE COMMUNICATION EVENT

Superintendent: Amanda Wahle

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Section Rules & Regulations:

1. There is a \$5.00 participant fee required for this event.
2. Participants will participate according to their 4-H Age (as of 1/1/26): Junior (ages 8-10); Intermediate (ages 11-13), Senior (ages 14-18) unless noted.
3. Participants must be enrolled in a 4-H Horticulture Project or related project for the current year. The Rules & Regulations for Visual Presentations apply in this section also.
4. **Registration: Pre-entry is required. Entries will be made by the 4-H member in 4-HOnline at <https://v2.4honline.com> by July 31st and verified by the 4-H Extension Educator.**
5. Participants may present in only one of the following categories and must follow the NJHA guidelines found through the links provided:
 - Demonstration in Horticulture: <https://www.njha.org/officer-requirements-obligations-708823.html>
 - Speaking of Horticulture (prepared speech): <https://www.njha.org/officer-requirements-obligations-708823-236853-785410.html>
 - Speaking of Horticulture (extemporaneous): <https://www.njha.org/officer-requirements-obligations-708823-236853-785410.html>
6. **Judging:** Contestants will be scored by a panel of three judges according to the National Junior Horticulture Score Sheet (appropriate for their presentation; accessible through the links above) with the emphasis on presentation and content.
7. **Awards:** Participants will receive a ribbon and a \$10 participation premium.
8. **One** overall Senior State Winner will be selected and will have the opportunity to represent Maryland 4-H as the Horticulture Communicator on the State Horticulture Team at the National Junior Horticulture Contest held in October. This person is selected by the judges following all presentations and announced at the awards ceremony.
9. This event will take place on Saturday, September 5, 2026 at 1 pm in the 4H/Home Arts Building

SECTION 7 – PRETTY ANIMAL CONTEST

Superintendent: Maryland State Fair Junior Fair Board

Email: JrFairBoard@marylandstatefair.com

Section Rules & Regulations:

1. This event is for the education of spectators and the enjoyment of exhibitors. 4-H/FFA Members and their animals will dress in coordinating or complimentary homemade costumes. Contestants may only enter one entry in this section.
2. **Registration: Pre-entry is required. YOU MUST USE THE INTERNET ENTRY SYSTEMS FOUND AT www.marylandstatefair.com. Internet entries are due July 15th. Exhibitors without internet access should contact their County Extension Educator for assistance. All exhibitors must complete and submit a release form during the entry process.**
3. Contestants animals may be from among the following: Beef Cattle, Dairy Cattle, Goat, Sheep, Horse, Poultry, Rabbit, Cavy, Dog or from an enrollment in a 4- H Small Pets project. All animals must meet health regulations.
4. Each Contestant must write a narration in story or poem form (100-150 words) which will be read while Entry is on display. One part should describe the theme of the costume while a second part should tell about the Contestant (name, age, name of 4 -H club or FFA chapter, exhibitor's 4-H/FFA community projects, etc.). **Narrations must be received by 5pm, Wednesday, August 26th via email at JrFairBoard@marylandstatefair.com**
5. Animals entered in this event may be currently entered in a division in the State Fair. However, conformation of animal is not considered in judging.
6. **Judging:** Participants scored on: Educational Value-promotes 4-H/FFA and/or animal species, breed, use or product (25%); Originality-clever use of materials, creativity, uniqueness (25%); Workmanship-attractive, neat, effectively put together (25%), Audience Appeal-overall impression, message effectiveness (25%)
7. **Awards:** Ribbons and a \$20 participation premium will be awarded to each contestant. Overall winner will receive a trophy(X5080).
8. **This event will be held on Friday, August 28, 2026 at 7:00 pm in the COW PALACE.**

CLASSES

X4080	Horses
X4081	Livestock (Goats, Sheep)
X4082	Cattle (Beef, Dairy)
X4083	Small Animal (Cavy, Dog, Rabbit, Cavy, Poultry, Small Pet project animal)
X4084	CHAMPION (first place from each CATEGORY)

SECTION 8 - 4-H/FFA SHEPHERD'S LEAD EVENT

Superintendent: Breanne Lippy Phone: (443) 536-6388

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Section Rules & Regulations:

1. 4-H and FFA Members may exhibit in this division. Exhibitors may only enter 1 exhibit per class.
2. **Registration: Pre-entry is required. YOU MUST USE THE INTERNET ENTRY SYSTEMS FOUND AT www.marylandstatefair.com. Internet entries are due July 15th. Exhibitors without internet access should contact their County Extension Educator for assistance. All exhibitors must complete and submit a release form during the entry process.**
3. Exhibitors and exhibits must comply with the applicable "Animal Rules & Regulations" and "Health Regulations for Livestock Exhibited in Maryland".
4. Sheep used in this event should be market lambs (whether lamb or ewe lamb) or breeding animals that are conditioned, fitted, and trained to show at halter.
5. A Narrative is required and include the following information: a) a description of the outfit; b) information about animal being led (name, breed, etc.); c) other activities and interests of the exhibitor. Narrations should be typed and handed in at 9am to the Superintendent when they come to get their show number.
6. **Judging:** Participants will be judged on mode of dress selected. The outfit must be attractive and lend elegance to the event. The garment must be made of at least 60% wool. Participants must furnish their own garment. Previously entered garments are not acceptable. The Judging Criteria will be as follows with a possible total score of 100pts: Outfit (40pts), Presentation and Control (30pts) and the Animal (30pts).
7. **Awards:** Ribbons and \$10 participation premium awarded to 1st – 10th Place contestants. A trophy is awarded to 1st Place Winners in each Age Division.
8. This event will take place Sunday, August 24, 2025 at 9:00am in the Cow Palace South Show ring. **Participants must check in with the Superintendent at 8:00 am in order to obtain a show number.**

CLASSES

X1100 Junior Shepherd's Lead

X2100 Intermediate Shepherd's Lead

X3100 Senior Shepherd's Lead

SECTION 15 - YOUTH LIVESTOCK SALE

Co-chairs: Maryland State Fair, Kathy Gordon and Karen Holloway

Questions: Maryland State Fair, David Gordon

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Rules & Regulations:

1. The sale will take place on Monday, August 31, 2026 at 7 P.M. in the Cow Palace.
2. To be eligible for the Maryland State Fair Youth Livestock Sale, you must be a Maryland 4-H or FFA member in good standing and deemed eligible by the appropriate organization.
3. A 4-H/FFA member may nominate only one (1) animal for the sale selection process for each species and may sell a maximum of ONE animal that they have exhibited from the following categories: Beef Steer, Dairy Steer, Lamb, Hog, and Goat. **Note: Each 4-H/FFA member will be limited to selling only ONE species.**
4. The Grand Champion Market Beef Steer, Dairy Steer, Market Goat, Market Lamb and Market Hog must be sold through the Sale. Exhibitors of the Reserve Champions in these divisions may sell their animals if they choose. If an exhibitor has both Grand and Reserve Champion of the same species, only the Grand Champion will sell.
5. A Grading Committee or the Specie Official Judge will review all animals nominated for the Sale and determine which animals are to be sold. The committee's decision is final. **The market beef steers and the market dairy steer will be selected at the conclusion of the steer shows.** The maximum number of each species to be sold is set by the Sale Committee and is shown below along with other requirements.

Species	Max. Number Sold	Minimum Weights	Sale Unit
Market Goats	10 goats	50 lbs.	by head
Market Beef Steers	11 steers total	1,100 – no maximum weight	by head
Market Dairy Steer*	1 steer total	1,100 – no maximum weight	by head
Market Lambs	20 lambs	100 lbs.	by head
Market Hogs	25 hogs	235 - 300 lbs.	by head

*Only the Grand Champion Dairy Steer will sell.

- The top five (5) animals in each of the market species shows will be eligible for the MD State Fair Livestock Sale. Only the Grand Champion will be required to sell.
 - If nominated by the exhibitors, the Champion Rate of Gain (of all 4 species) and the Champion Bred and Owned Steer may be included in the overall selection process by the respective species judges, but do not have automatic sale slots.
 - Market Steer Eligibility: Grand (must sell), Reserve Grand, 3rd through 5th overall and any remaining Breed Champions that opt to sell. Steers to fill any remaining slots will be selected by the Beef Show Judge.
 - Market Hog Eligibility: Grand (must sell), Reserve Grand, 3rd through 5th Overall and Breed Champions (Breed Reserve Champion ONLY if Champion is not selling), Crossbred Champions, Crossbred Reserve Champions, Lottery Picks from First Place of Crossbred Classes.
 - Market Lamb and Market Goat Eligibility: Grand (must sell), Reserve Grand, 3rd through 5th Overall. Remaining slots to be determined by respective species judge.
6. All sale animals are subject to blood, tissue, urine, and other bodily fluid testing.
 7. **No resales are allowed through the ring.** All sale animals identified for **resale** are sold as a group to a packer at current market price.
 8. Refer to the respective Division for additional information pertaining to sale animal requirements.
 9. The 4-H/FFA member is expected to present their animal in the sale ring. A request for an exception must be in writing and given to the Chair by 12:00 noon on the Sunday prior to the sale. Decisions by the Maryland State Fair Management are final. 4-H/FFA Members must wear proper show attire while presenting their animals in the sale ring (see General Rules and Regulations). Sellers are responsible for delivering their animals to designated holding pens before the auction and immediately after the animal is sold. Feed and feeding implements, if needed, will need to be left with the animals, if so deemed by the appropriate department superintendents.
 10. 4-H/FFA Members are expected to recruit potential buyers for the sale.
 11. **Sellers or any agent thereof are not allowed to approach buyers before, during or after the Sale to acquire a sale animal. Sellers found to be in violation of this rule will forfeit all income from the sale of the animal and will be referred to the 4-H and FFA State Fair Review Board where additional sanctions may be imposed.**
 12. In the event that a carcass of a sale animal is condemned by USDA inspectors, the buyer is given a choice of a full refund of the sale price or replacement of an equal quality and weight animal of the respective species, BY THE SELLER.
 13. Sales Checks will be released to the seller upon receipt of a Thank You note from the seller to the buyer. Buyer addresses will be sent to members by mid-September. Mail completed Thank You notes to the Maryland State Fair. Lost checks or checks not cashed within 60 days of check date will be subject to a \$40 reprocessing fee.
 14. A 6% commission fee will be deducted from each sale to cover costs of the Sale - i.e. promotion, pictures. Appropriate beef, pork, lamb check-off fees will also be deducted.
 15. All Sales Are Final. Terms are Net Cash at the Close of the Sale. Payments may be made by cash, Visa, MasterCard, Discover, American Express or personal check.
 16. Ownership and title passes to the buyer or their representative at the time of purchase. The buyer assumes ownership and responsibility for the animal at this time. Maryland State Fair, 4-H/FFA, and/or the seller is not responsible for any injury, sickness or death of the animal beyond the point of sale.
 17. The sale committee will make every effort to deliver purchased animals to their processor of choice within reason. The buyer is responsible for arranging the removal of purchased animals designated as "Haul by Buyer" from the fairgrounds. Animals must be removed by 10 am on the day following the Sale, unless made with the Sale Chairs in advance.

4-H/FFA ALL-STAR SHOWMANSHIP CONTESTS
Superintendents: Ashley Travis, Chris Anderson, and Becky Ridgeway

Section Rules & Regulations:

1. Entries will be limited to the current year's Grand Champion Showmanship winner in the following species: Beef, Camelids, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Steers, Dairy Goats, Meat Goats, Sheep, and Swine.
2. **Two events will be held:**
 - a. **4-H/FFA All-Star Showmanship for Market Livestock – Sunday, August 30, 2026, 5:00pm or at the conclusion of the last species show - includes: Beef, Dairy Steers, Meat Goats, Sheep, and Swine.**
 - b. **4-H/FFA All-Star Showmanship for Camelids & Dairy – Sunday, September 13, 2026, 5:00pm or at the conclusion of the last species show - includes: Camelids, Dairy Cattle, and Dairy Goats.**
3. If the Grand Champion winner from a species chooses not to compete, the exhibitor must notify the superintendent immediately so the Reserve Grand Champion Showmanship winner from that species can participate.
4. The Dress Code will be 4-H or FFA dress attire.
5. **Each contestant will show each species for a 3-minute time period**, beginning with the species for which they were named Grand Champion winner. At the end of the time limit, the contestant will rotate onto the next species. The competition will conclude when each contestant has shown each species.
6. Contestants must provide the animal with which they won their respective showmanship division. This animal will be used by all contestants through the rotation sequence. Animal substitutions are allowed at the discretion of the superintendents.
7. Judges will be provided with a score card and judging criteria.
8. The scores from each species will be added and the contestant with the highest combined score will win. In the event that two contestants have the same combined score, a tie will be broken in this order:
 - a. The contestant with the highest score on the species that qualified him or her for All-Star Showmanship wins.
 - b. The contestant with the most consistent set of scores across all species wins.
9. Awards: Sponsored by Maryland State Fair Livestock Fund. Overall Winner of the two All-Star Showmanship Contests will receive \$500. Each of the other contestants will receive \$200.
10. Criteria for the contest will be:
 - a. Showmanship Characteristics– 15 points
 - b. Handling of Animal – 50 points
 - c. Knowledge of Species– 25 points
 - d. Cooperation with Judge – 10 points

Fashion Revue: Narrative Form

Pre-Entry in Fashion Revue is required (see Division X, Section 1 for more)

Send Narrative Form and Photograph electronically to Chris Rein at crein@umd.edu two weeks in advance of event.

Name: _____ County/City: _____

NARRATION: Write a 150-175 word script. Please attach your narration. Remember that it's much easier to model your garment on stage **while** the narrator has interesting things to say!!! Do a good job of describing your garment and your work creating the garment. You may also add what clubs you are enrolled in and the 4-H projects you carry. This will be read during the State 4-H Fashion Show. (You may submit the script used in your county/city Fashion Revue electronically. If you are at a loss for words, check out some help sheets, at: <https://extension.umd.edu/programs/4-h-youth-development/program-areas/healthy-living>)

Fashion Revue: Photograph

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Name: _____ County/City: _____

Photograph: Attach a COLOR full-length photograph of you wearing the outfit and accessories you will model at Fashion Revue. The photo must be at least 3" x 5" in size and no larger than 5" x 7".

Special Note: Recycle Design & Wearable Art class entrants must attach a **BEFORE** and an **AFTER** photo of their outfit.

Attach photo here using a glue stick or tape. Please do not staple photo. Make sure your name and county/city are printed on the back of the photo. Photos will not be returned.