



Atlantic County 4-H News

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“HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA!”

2026 Atlantic County 4-H Fair – August 7 & 8

MYTHS & FACTS

WHY WE REALLY NEED YOUR HELP FOR THE 4-H FAIR

MYTH	FACT
 The Atlantic County government gets the Fairgrounds and main building all spruced up for the annual 4-H Fair.	The Atlantic County 4-H Fair is strictly a 4-H Fair. Unlike some other county 4-H programs that are part of a larger county fair, we are not combined with any other county event. County government does help by mowing the back parking lots, trimming any trees, and grading the main dirt road through the grounds prior to the Fair. All other clean-up and preparations (raking, painting booths, setting up tables, skirting and decorations, getting electric to all the areas and working, etc.) are done by volunteers and members.
4-H Fair Association members are paid to do what they do or can pay for others to do the job, so they don't need me to volunteer my time.	Of the 25 voting members on Fair Association, only a few are not also 4-H club leaders, and no member of Fair Association is paid—they all volunteer their time! There is never enough money to pay any outside person to do the work or many of the preparation jobs would be gladly contracted out! The cost of materials alone prohibits this.
I belong (or my child belongs) to a 4-H club, not 4-H Fair Association.	Being part of a 4-H club means you are part of the larger Atlantic County 4-H Youth Development Program. 4-H Fair Association is a part of the total 4-H program, too—it serves as a volunteer advisory group that exists to keep the 4-H Center open and operational and to plan and organize the annual 4-H Fair and other public events to help promote the 4-H program.
If the 4-H Fair is unsuccessful, it won't matter to my 4-H club. 	If the 4-H Fair is not successful, the monies for running and maintaining the 4-H Center for the project year will not be there. Not being able to make repairs or keep the heat, electric, or water running or being able to afford the insurance means clubs would not be able to meet at the Center anymore. It was the hard work and fundraising efforts of 4-H Fair Association that provided our program with a 4-H Center and Fairgrounds. If it were not for this group, 4-H clubs would need to meet in leaders' homes or other places that might allow them to meet there and possibly at a cost.
The workdays are too long. I can't possibly give that much time.	The schedule for the pre-Fair work days is to show the times that a 4-H office staff person will be on the grounds to be responsible for any/all members and be

	on hand to help direct volunteers on what jobs need to be done and where they can find supplies. We only ask you to give us an hour or so on at least one of those days!
<u>Goals of the Atlantic Co. 4-H Fair</u> 1. To allow 4-H members to demonstrate what they have learned in their projects over the past year. 2. To demonstrate learned skills and measure skill levels through competition; judging against a standard and not against each other. Competition/judging is meant to be educational and serve as a basis for further education. 3. To develop self-confidence through public presentation. 4. To develop leadership skills through responsibility. 5. To promote 4-H to the public and to increase enrollment. 6. To provide a chance to meet others, developing a county 4-H spirit and camaraderie. 	<u>4-H Competition Statement</u> To our participants, volunteers, families, and spectators, we remind you that 4-H works to create a welcoming and inclusive environment for all youth. To that end, we ask you to follow these principles:  When I participate: • I have a performance goal to do my personal best and compete with myself first and foremost. • I respect and learn from other competitors, presenters, and judges. • I will not criticize other competitors, officials, or judges. • I will not make negative comments about any participant, but will be encouraging to all. • I will do my best today and try to enjoy this opportunity. • I will step away and seek support if I cannot follow these guidelines. With these principles in mind, have fun and enjoy the Fair!
~ MEMBERS', PARENTS', & LEADERS' RESPONSIBILITIES ~	
<u>Members' Responsibilities</u> • Complete projects and record books as required. Some projects are judged before Fair, check the Exhibit Catalog section. • Animal project members must complete all required health paperwork and turn in prior to entering projects (horse and livestock have required meetings scheduled to turn in paperwork). • Complete exhibit tags neatly and completely for all projects entering in Fair. It is strongly recommended that you complete exhibit tags at home prior to entering. Tags can be picked up from your club leader after July 18 or during pre-Fair work week beginning Aug. 1 • Design and set up a Club Booth exhibit. • Assist with cleaning, set up, and decorating of the area for your 4-H projects. • Sign up to volunteer for the Chicken Barbecue as a server, runner, or clean up. Complete and turn in Event Permission Form to the 4-H Fair Office if you have an animal project and plan to sleep overnight. • Follow and abide by the NJ 4-H Code of Conduct.	<u>Parents' Responsibilities</u> • Support the efforts of your child(ren). • Help child(ren) complete Event Permission Forms and sign them. • Assist club leaders with Fair responsibilities – ▪ Offer to help with Club Booth exhibit. ▪ Offer to help with paperwork or other preparations. • Come as a family to work a few hours during pre-Fair work week to help get our grounds and building ready. • Sign up for a shift at the Funnel Cake or Ice Cream stands, or both! • Help out at the annual 4-H Fair chicken barbecue. 



CURFEW!

Curfew for all animal project members sleeping over is ½ hour after the Fair closes for the night to the public.

➡ **Breakfast will be on-you-own for members sleeping over. No breakfast will be provided.**

4-H Leaders' Responsibilities

- Discuss Exhibit Catalog with members and parents.
- Organize a club effort to help during pre-Fair work week.
- Sign up for Booster Gate duty with your club.
- Sign up for a shift at Funnel Cake, Ice Cream, or the Chicken Barbecue.
- Work with members to design and set up a Club Booth exhibit.
- Assist members in completing necessary paperwork (as applicable): exhibit tags, Event Permission Forms, animal health requirements.

~ EXHIBITING AT THE 4-H FAIR ~

4-H Requirements

All 4-H members, **grades K-13**, will

1. Be officially registered in a standard Atlantic County 4-H Club by January 1 of the current year.
2. Have attended 70% of meetings of their 4-H Club.
3. Jr. and Sr. members have given a formal or informal presentation at the county, or state level. Favorite Foods Show also counts towards this requirement. Cloverbud members can participate in a county, club, or Favorite Foods Show.
4. Have registered 4-H horse projects by April 1 of the current year.
5. Have registered livestock/poultry projects by May 1 of current year.
6. Sold \$50 in 4-H Fair Association fundraisers or contribute \$50 in lieu of fundraising.

Boys and girls, **grades K-3**, enrolled in 4-H Cloverbud clubs or participate as a Cloverbud member have the opportunity to exhibit articles they have made or grown as part of their Cloverbud program.

- Cloverbud entries will be on display only and are not judged.
- Participation ribbons only will be awarded to all Cloverbud entries.
- Cloverbud members may not exhibit animal projects for the entire 2 days of Fair – only during designated activities for those projects.
- Cloverbud members are not permitted to sleep over during Fair (unless child of barn manager or chaperone).



Booster Gate

All clubs need to sign up for a two-hour shift at the Booster Gate (Fair Entrance). While at the entrance you will greet our Fair visitors, answer any questions they may have, hand out schedules, and ask for donations. We encourage all clubs to wear t-shirts with their club names to help promote their 4-H activities.

This is a nice way for visitors to see our club members while answering questions about the Fair. It's also a great way to help Fair Association in their fundraising efforts!

PLEASE NOTE: Club leaders will need to sign up at least **ONE ADULT** along with the club for **Booster Duty**. This is to provide better guidance for our members as they approach visitors.

If all clubs sign up, shifts can be decreased to one hour – but that can only happen if each club does their part. Leaders, please sign up your club during the Eat & Meet on Saturday, July 18.

4-H MISSION STATEMENT

The Rutgers Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development Program uses a learn-by-doing approach to enable youth to develop the knowledge, attitudes, and skills they need to become competent, caring, and contributing citizens of the world.



Pre-Fair Work Week

Saturday, August 1 – Thursday, August 6

Fair set up will begin on Saturday, August 1, and will continue each day until Thursday, August 7. We need as many people to help out as possible. The better the turnout, the more we'll get done and the less will not get done! As hard as we try, some things just can't be finished when we don't get enough help!

Work Week Schedule of Hours

Saturday, August 1 -- 9 AM to 5 PM
 Sunday, August 2 -- 10 AM to 4 PM
 Monday, August 3 -- 9 AM to 9 PM

Tuesday, August 4 -- 9 AM to 9 PM
 Wednesday, August 5 -- 9 AM to 9 PM
 Thursday, August 6 -- 9 AM to 10 PM

EACH 4-H PROJECT CLUB SHOULD TAKE ON THE KEY RESPONSIBILITY FOR HELPING GET READY FOR THE AREA/SECTION OF THE FAIRGROUNDS OR CENTER WHERE THEIR PROJECT WORK IS DISPLAYED. THOSE AREAS INCLUDE:

MAIN BUILDING

Jobs that need to be done prior to Thursday, August 6, include sweeping floors, setting up tables, putting on table skirting, and raking leaves around building. The main building is where our cooking, sewing, and arts & crafts, model railroad project clubs can help.

RABBIT/CLUB EXHIBIT BARN

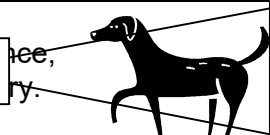
Sweeping, setting up cages, hanging skirting, cleaning around the barn, painting club booth wooden triangles white and setting out trash barrels.



DOG SHOW RING

Raking the ring, sweeping, and making repairs.

No Dog Club



HORSE BARN & RING

Clean barn, rake leaves around barn, paint fence between barn and bathrooms and prepare stalls. Make necessary repairs in barn and riding arena.

LIVESTOCK/POULTRY BARN

General cleaning, raking around the barn and show ring, painting fence between the livestock and horse barns & hanging skirting.

PAINT THE BARRELS

We want to try to get our trash barrels painted green and white with the 4-H clover to help promote our county's 4-H program. We'd also like to get "RECYCLING" barrels clearly labeled, too.

~ PRE-FAIR JUDGING & SIGN-UPS ~

Talent Show



All 4-H members are allowed to enter the annual talent/variety show, which takes place on Saturday, August 8 starting at 9 p.m. Cloverbud members, grades K-3, may participate, but will not be judged. All Cloverbud members will receive participation

ribbons. Any group act with Cloverbud members will also NOT be judged.

To sign up, participants must have attended the mandatory practice on June 15 and attend the mandatory rehearsal on July 23.

Photography

All photography entries will be judged on Saturday, August 1. Entries must have exhibit tags and score sheets filled out prior to drop off on the following dates and locations:

Drop Off:

July 13-17: 4-H Office, Mays Landing
 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

July 18: 4-H Center

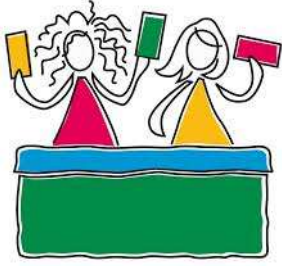
10 a.m. to 12 p.m. (no entries accepted after 12 p.m.)



Judging: Saturday, August 1 – no photos will be accepted for judging. Winners will not be announced until Friday, August 7, after all main building judging is complete.

Cloverbud photography entries should be entered on August 6.

~ 4-H CLUB BOOTH EXHIBITS ~



This is a great way to show off the activities of your club! All clubs are strongly encouraged to put up a club booth exhibit for the two days of Fair! Fair Association will provide tri-fold display boards. The themes for this year are:

1. Fair Theme – “Happy Birthday Americal!”
2. Open Theme – anything that helps promote your club and its activities or the 4-H program.

See the 2026 Exhibit Catalog – Division AB for complete details on how to set up a club booth exhibit.

Clubs may start setting up and working on their club booth exhibits starting Saturday, August 1, and must be completed by 9 p.m. Thursday, August 6. No clubs will be allowed to set up after 10 p.m. Parental and/or volunteer assistance is allowed with setting up, but are not allowed to set up the entire display! No booth may be removed before the end of the Awards Ceremonies on Saturday night.

Leaders of clubs planning to have a Club Booth Exhibit need to let the 4-H Fair Association know by Saturday, July 18. Clubs registering a booth by Saturday, July 18 will receive a \$25 premium. Clubs that do not pre-register by the deadline are not eligible to receive the premium, but may still win award monies.

~ 4-H FAIR ENTRIES ~

Fair Entries

All exhibits must be entered on Thursday, August 6, between 6 and 9 p.m. at the 4-H Center. No entries will be accepted after 9 p.m. unless otherwise specified. Please check exhibit catalog to determine if record books are required.

Projects of members who do not meet the 4-H requirements will be placed in the noncompetitive division. (See page 3 & 4 for exhibit requirements.)



Food Projects -- Judging

- ◆ Drop off for Preserved Foods will take place on Saturday, July 18, at the 4-H Center, 9 -11:30 a.m. Judging beings at 12 p.m. No entries accepted after 12 p.m. Members can pick up their judged entries on August 1-3; entries not picked up during this time will be disposed.
- ◆ Baked goods will be judged on Friday, August 7, at the 4-H Center. Drop off baked good entries Thursday, August 6, 6-9 p.m. No refrigerated foods.



Clothing Projects -- Judging



All clothing project entries will be judged Saturday, July 18, at the 4-H Center for Junior, Senior, and First served basis. **No Clothing Division in 2026** The first served basis. Cloverbud members who want to be included in the Fashion Revue must drop off clothing items on July 19. Otherwise, items should be entered on Thursday, August 7, 6-9 p.m.

Fashion Revue



All members that enter a clothing project must participate in the Fashion Revue scheduled for Friday, August 7, 6-9 p.m. **No Fashion Revue in 2026** The Fashion Revue will be announced at a later date. **MANDATORY rehearsal will be held on Thursday, August 6, 6-9 p.m. Participants; this is for ALL clothing project members. We are asking all parents to stay and help with the main building set-up while the members practice. Please plan accordingly.**

~ AWARDS ~

The judging of projects and awarding of scores and ribbons are to help our members know how they have performed and progressed towards mastering skills in their project area.

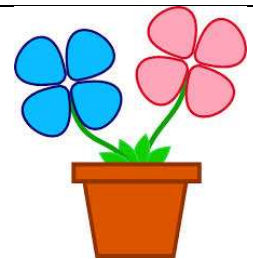


The **Danish System** is used for most project areas during the Fair. In this system, everyone receives a ribbon in recognition of the work they do. It also helps young people understand the need to improve their skills and make their best efforts better. Members are not judged against each other, but each member competes against a set of standards. A member must be in grades 4-13 to be judged.

Rosette Awards represent a level of recognition involving peer competition. Members compete against each other for awards, such as "Grand Champion" or "Best in Show". In order for a rosette, a member must be in grades 4-13 and their project must have received an excellent rating. The number and categories of rosette awards are determined by the leaders of clubs in cooperation with the 4-H Office.

~ EXHIBIT REMOVAL ~ (Except Animals)

Exhibits may be removed **ONLY** after the closing of the Talent Show on Saturday, August 8, or on Sunday, August 9. We ask that **EVERYONE** respect the efforts of our members who will be on stage for the contest and **DO NOT** crowd around the building entry doors until the completion of the show!!! Exhibits may be removed up until a half hour (30 minutes) after the closing event on Saturday. Exhibits may also be picked up on Sunday, August 9, between 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Any exhibits not picked up will be disposed of.



~ HELP NEEDED ~

Project Entries

Thursday, August 6; 6-9 p.m.

We could use help by teen members and adults on Thursday night when all the project entries are brought in. We need help making sure all entries have the right judging sheet and exhibit tag, as well as setting up the entry displays for judging and Fair displaying.

After Main Building Judging

On Friday, August 7, main building entries for baked goods, fine arts, creative crafts, fruits, vegetables, and flowers will get judged. When judging is complete, all the entries need to get ribbons and the judging sheets need to be collected. If you can help, please call the 4-H Office and let us know.

Chicken Barbecue



Volunteers needed Saturday, August 8, to help prepare and serve the annual chicken barbecue. Sign up for a shift of your choice by contacting Tammy Schaab at (609) 226-5410 or the 4-H Office at 625-0056.

(SEE ENCLOSED FLYER)

Funnel Cake Booth

Sign up for a shift in the Funnel Cake Booth. Proceeds benefit the Fair Association. No experience necessary – we supply the apron! Call the 4-H Office if interested, (609) 625-0056.

4-H Fair Office

Adult help is needed in the 4-H Fair Office on Friday from 4:30 p.m. until closing and Saturday, 11 a.m. until closing. Time slots available!

Ice Cream Booth



Take a shift in the Leaders' Ice Cream Booth. Make every fairgoer happy with a milkshake or glass of iced tea. Call Barbara Mortillite at (609) 703-1549.



Trash Removal



Definitely no one's favorite job – but it has to be done! Trash is picked up first thing in the morning each day of Fair. Members that help are given incentives – usually ride tickets.

We're also looking for any volunteers that might be able to help with emptying trash barrels and putting in new plastic bags in the evenings when the crowds are there and trash barrels start overflowing. Most of our Fair Association volunteers are either working or getting the stage ready for nightly performances. Anyone interested can contact George Mathis or the 4-H Office.

Fair Take Down

Sunday, August 9, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



Take down main building displays, return food stand equipment to storage, put refrigerators in Kiwanis Booth, put picnic tables back in horse barn, clean kitchen, Fair office, and more!

Post Fair Clean-Up

Wednesday, August 19, 6:30 p.m.



Tired of seeing 4-H Fair display tables and exhibit supplies in the main building all year long? Then join Youth Council for a night set aside to get it all put away! Join us on Wednesday, August 19, at the fairgrounds starting at 6:30 p.m.

~ GENERAL INFORMATION ~

Overnight Sleeping & Chaperones

4-H Members. Only 4-H members with animal projects staying in the barns may sleep overnight in their respective barn. Members must have permission from the club leader, the Barn Manager(s), and parent/guardian and turn in a completed *4-H Event Permission Form* **PRIOR** to sleeping over.



4-H Volunteers. All 4-H volunteers/adults serving as overnight chaperones must be up-to-date on their Rutgers Protection of Minors certification. Adult chaperones must complete an *Adult Overnight Form* **PRIOR** to sleeping over. Adults cannot share accommodations with 4-H members unless they are that child(ren)'s parent. Parents that are not appointed volunteers may serve as chaperones for their own children, but cannot be responsible for other children.

Wristbands. 4-H members, adult chaperones, and parents that are staying on the grounds overnight will receive a wristband to wear once they turn in a permission form. This is so 4-H staff and Fair Association members know who has been given permission to sleep over.

Parking Passes



4-H leaders may pick up their free parking passes at the 4-H

Fair Office on August 6 between 6 and 9 p.m. 4-H parents may purchase a two-day unlimited parking pass for \$5 at the 4-H Fair Office on August 6, available 6 - 9 p.m. or during Fair hours. **NO PASSES WILL BE AVAILABLE BEFORE THURSDAY NIGHT.**

Parking for leaders and families is located in the field on the opposite side of the fairgrounds in designated areas. Handicap parking is available on the fairgrounds entrance side.

Tickets



Tickets for the Chicken BBQ held on Saturday, August 8, can be purchased in advance at the 4-H Fair Office starting Thursday, August 6, from 6-9 p.m.

Ticket price is \$18 (sorry, no discounts):

Germ Busting - Animal Barns



All divisions with animals need to instruct Fair visitors to clean their hands before and after touching/petting any animals. Each animal barn is given hand sanitizing stations and posters.

All members exhibiting animals need to disinfect equipment & trailers prior to coming to fair.

Injuries or Illness



Any health emergency – whether for a 4-H member, volunteer, or someone from the public – should be reported immediately to the 4-H Fair Office, County 4-H staff, and/or Fair Association member.

All injuries or illnesses must be reported on an Incident Report Form available at the 4-H Fair Office.



4-H Promotion Booth

A variety of 4-H t-shirts and items will be available for purchase at the 4-H Promotion Booth located in the main building. Stop by and check it out!

Whose job is it?

This is a story about four people named **Everybody**, **Somebody**, **Anybody**, and **Nobody**. There was an important job to be done, and **Everybody** was asked to do it. **Everybody** was sure **Somebody** would do it. **Anybody** could have done it, but **Nobody** did it. **Somebody** got angry about that because it was **Everybody's** job. **Everybody** thought **Anybody** could do it, but **Nobody** realized that **Everybody** wouldn't do it. It ended up that **Everybody** blamed **Somebody** when **Nobody** did what **Anybody** could have done.



Congratulations to all our members of the Atlantic County 4-H Youth Development Program. You've done a great job this year in your project work, presentations, community service, and service to the 4-H program. 4-H is a family affair, and in 4-H, you're part of the family!

Thanks to all club leaders and other volunteers that make this program work. Our youth and communities have benefited because of the time and effort you put into 4-H. We are extremely grateful to you for your continued hard work and dedication.

Kendrin Dyitt
County 4-H Agent

Dana Wramage
4-H Program Associate

Pat Goldberg
Secretarial Assistant



LEADERS, PARENTS, FAMILY, & FRIENDS

YOUR HELP IS VERY MUCH NEEDED CHICKEN BARBECUE SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

PLEASE email Tammy at tjsskier58@aol.com or call (609) 226-5410 if you can help at any of the following times.

CLEANING CHICKEN

10 am – 12 pm: 4 to 5 people needed at barbecue pit in parking area

SETTING UP PIT WITH FOIL, CHARCOAL, STARTING THE FIRE, ETC.

10 am – 12 pm: 3 to 4 people needed at the barbecue pit in parking area

HUSKING CORN

12 - 2 pm: Lots of hands needed (good job for youth) behind the pizza booth

COOKING CHICKEN

11 am – 5 pm: 10 to 12 ADULTS needed; can't start cooking until we have enough help. No need to help the entire time; just a couple of hours would be great!

KITCHEN HELP

12 – 2 pm: 2 people needed; washing tomatoes, gathering supplies

SET UP

2 – 3 pm: 3 or 4 people needed; setting up tables, putting tablecloths on serving tables, setting up ticket sales table, gathering all picnic tables, making sure recycling cans are scattered in area, making sure trash cans are scattered in area and have trash can liners. Bringing all supplies out of building to serving area and setting up

CLEAN UP OF THE BARBECUE PIT AREA

4 – 6 pm: 2 or 3 people needed; breaking down the canopy, tables, cleaning up the area, returning everything to the kitchen, washing/rinsing out items, etc.

SERVING LINE

3:30 – 7:30 pm: 10 people needed; serving on the line of the chicken barbecue. Don't need to serve the whole time. We seem to have help from 3:30 pm until 5:30 – 6 pm and then we are scrambling for help.

CLEANING UP SERVING LINE/KITCHEN

7 – 9 pm: 4 or 5 people needed; bringing all supplies back to the building and putting away, breaking down serving tables, wrapping any extra chicken, corn, washing used kitchen utensils, etc.

4-H Club Booth Exhibits

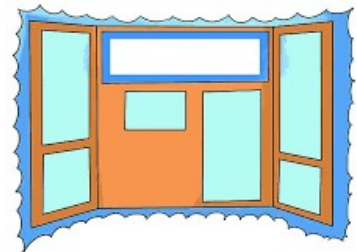


Let visitors to the 4-H Fair know about YOUR club! Create and display a club booth for exhibit and awards! Your club may use the 4-H Fair theme—"Happy Birthday America" **OR** any theme of your choice based on your club's activities!

Fair Association will provide tri-fold display boards. **ALL CLUBS SHOULD ENTER A TRI-FOLD EXHIBIT!**

RULES

- Clubs may start setting up and working on their club booth exhibits starting Saturday, August 1, and must be completed by 9 p.m. on Thursday, August 6.
- All clubs that register by the deadline of **Saturday, July 18**, will receive a \$25 premium. Clubs that do not pre-register by the deadline are not eligible to receive the premium, but may still win award monies.
- The space to be filled is at table height. Fair Association will provide a tri-fold display board. Skirting and exhibit cards will be supplied by the 4-H Fair Association.
- No product in the display will be eligible for individual awards.
- Members will plan and set up their own booth displays with guidance and help from their local leader. Leaders may only assist with set-up of the tri-fold; members must do the rest of the set-up.
- Club booths are entered either in the Fair theme category or open category. Clubs must inform the office which category they plan to enter.
- Clubs removing exhibits before 11 p.m. Saturday evening will forfeit all awards. All clubs will receive premiums. In addition, the top two exhibits in each category will be awarded additional premiums as indicated below.



JUDGING

Displays will be judged on the following areas:

Power to attract and hold a person's attention

Well-organized educational lesson or brief

promotional message clearly presented

General appearance and quality of work

Originality and effort

AWARDS

Registered by July 18	Registered AFTER July 18
\$25 and Rosette	Rosette

FIRST PLACE theme/open	SECOND PLACE theme/open	THIRD PLACE theme/open
\$25 & Rosette	\$15 & Rosette	\$10 & Rosette

Your club must let the Fair Association know which category your booth will be in by July 18
Note: Valuable items should not be included in the display; insurance will not cover any loss.

ATLANTIC COUNTY 4-H CITIZENSHIP AWARD

Sponsored by Atlantic County 4-H Youth Council in memory of Rita Natale Saathoff

Leader Recommendation Form

This form is to be used by leaders in order to recommend 4-H members for the Citizenship Award given annually at the 4-H Fair. Candidates must be senior members (grades 8-13); the best candidates are those who are finishing their 4-H careers as this award is based on achievements throughout a 4-H career. Each leader may recommend as many members as s/he wishes. Additional forms are available by calling the 4-H Office. This form must be returned to the 4-H Office no later than Wednesday, August 5, 2026.



Member's Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Birthdate _____ Grade Just Completed _____

School _____

Club Name(s) _____

Date Started in 4-H _____ Years in 4-H _____



1. List the general projects this 4-H'er completed as a member of your 4-H club. If you know of projects s/he has completed as a member of another club, list them also.

2. List the citizenship activities in which this 4-H'er participated as a member of your club.

3. Is this 4-H'er involved in non-4-H community service projects? Yes _____ No _____

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2026 ATLANTIC COUNTY 4-H FAIR – AUGUST 7 & 8

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“HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA!”



FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

12:00 PM	Market Animal & Poultry Auction (<i>livestock barn</i>)
1:00 PM	Fun & Games on Horseback (<i>horse arena</i>)
2:00 PM	Exhibit Area Open to Public
3:00 PM	Hog Showmanship Demonstration (<i>livestock barn</i>)
3:00-4:00 PM	Crafts for Kids (<i>main building meeting room</i>)
4:00 PM	Pool Noodle Pony Craft (<i>horse arena</i>)
4:00 PM	Singing by Alexis Mathis (<i>stage</i>)
4:30 PM	Bench Dedication (<i>stage</i>)
5:00-9:00 PM	4-H Open Car Show
5:00 PM	STEM activity (<i>main building</i>)
5:30-6:15 PM	4-H Clover Cloggers (<i>stage</i>)
6:00 PM	Goat Showmanship (<i>livestock barn</i>)
6:00 PM	4-H Alumni Gathering (<i>Pavilion 1</i>)
6:30-7:15 PM	Tae Kwon Do Demonstration (<i>stage</i>)
7:00 PM	Seeing Eye Dogs (<i>dog ring</i>)
7:00 PM	Whistles, Whiskers, & Wabbits Awards (<i>pole barn</i>)
7:00 PM	Speed Event/Western Games (<i>horse show arena</i>)
7:30-8:15 PM	4-H Twirlybirds Baton Twirling (<i>stage</i>)
8:30-10:00 PM	Devin Lyn & Whiskey, Tango Foxtrot Live Band (<i>stage</i>)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

10:00 AM	Round Robin (<i>livestock barn</i>)
11:00 AM	Exhibit Area Open to Public
11:30 AM-12:15 PM	Baby Parade Registration (<i>Pavilion 1</i>)
12:15 PM	Baby Parade Line-Up (<i>Pavilion 1</i>)
12:30 PM	4-H Baby Parade ~ appearance by Tiny Miss Atlantic County
1:00 PM	Teddy Bear Tea (<i>main building meeting room</i>)
1:15 PM	Antique Tractor Parade line up
1:30 PM	Antique Tractor Parade (<i>travels across fairgrounds to front of stage</i>)
1:30-2:30 PM	Crafts for Kids (<i>main building meeting room</i>)
2:00 PM	Equestrian Disciplines Demonstration (<i>horse show arena</i>)
2:00 PM	Pie Eating Contest (<i>outdoor stage</i>)
2:00-2:30 PM	Pet Parade Registration (<i>Pavilion 1</i>)
2:30 PM	Watermelon Eating Contest (<i>outdoor stage</i>)
2:45 PM	Pet Parade Line Up (<i>Pavilion 1</i>)
3:00 PM	Pet Parade (<i>Pavilion 1</i>)
4:00 PM	Singing by Alexis Mathis (<i>stage</i>)
4:00 PM	4-H Chicken Barbecue (<i>food booth area</i>)
4:30 PM	Hamilton Twp. Summer Band by the Community Ed Dept. (<i>stage</i>)
5:30-6:15 PM	4-H Clover Cloggers (<i>stage</i>)
6:00 PM	4-H Equine Event (<i>horse arena</i>)
6:30-7:15 PM	Tae Kwon Do Demonstration (<i>stage</i>)
7:00 PM	Equestrian Vaulting Performance (<i>horse arena</i>)
7:00 PM	Whistles, Whiskers, & Wabbits Poster Contest (<i>pole barn</i>)
7:30-8:15 PM	4-H Twirlybirds Baton Twirling (<i>stage</i>)
8:15-8:30 PM	4-H Livestock Awards (<i>stage</i>)
8:30-8:45 PM	4-H Equine Project Awards (<i>stage</i>)
8:45-9:15 PM	4-H Awards and Ambassador Contest (<i>stage</i>)
9:15 PM	4-H Talent/Variety Show (<i>stage</i>)

- ◆ **Model Railroad Demonstrations** will be performed daily in the main building – be sure to visit their presentations!!
- ◆ **Old Engine Demonstrations** will be conducted during Fair hours - check at the Old Engines Display Area for times!
- ◆ **4-H Robotics Exhibit/Demonstrations** will be set up in the main building – check out the exhibit for demonstration times!
- ◆ **Atlantic County Firefighters' Association Apparatus Display and Demonstration** during the afternoon and evening of Saturday, August 8
- ◆ **Free Kids' Games ~ All Day Friday, August 7 & Saturday, August 8** (located behind main food booth)

WRISTBANDS—RIDE ALL RIDES

Cost—\$25

Friday, August 7—2 to 6 PM

Saturday, August 8—12 to 4 PM

RIDE OPERATING TIMES

Friday, August 7—2 to 10 PM

Saturday, August 8—12 to 10 PM

UPCOMING 4-H EVENTS

Fall Yard Sale

Sept. 12 – 8 AM to 1 PM

Trunk or Treat/Open House

Oct. 17 – 2 PM to 4 PM

Craft Fair

Dec. 5 & 6 – 9 AM to 4 PM

For information about joining 4-H
or becoming a valued 4-H
volunteer call (609) 625-0056 ext.
6120 or visit

<https://atlantic.njaes.rutgers.edu/>

◆ Some events and times are not confirmed and/or subject to change.

As of 5/18/2026



2026 ATLANTIC COUNTY 4-H FAIR COMMITTEE CHAIRS/MANAGERS

(TENTATIVE – 5/18/2026)

<u>FAIR COMMITTEE</u>	George Mathis, Mark Assink, Joni Grunow, Tammy Schaab, Kendrin Dyitt, Dana Wramage
<u>RIDES MANAGERS AND MONEY RUNNERS</u>	Fair Committee
<u>ELECTRICAL WORK MANAGER</u>	Steve Foster & Joe Morgan
<u>SAFETY MANAGER</u>	Tammy Schaab
<u>GENERAL MAINTENANCE MANAGER</u>	Fair Association Members, 4-H Staff
<u>SOUND MANAGERS</u>	George Mathis
<u>COMMERCIAL EXHIBIT MANAGERS</u>	Norman Ruf
<u>4-H BUILDING MANAGERS</u>	Joni Grunow, Steve Foster
<u>LEADERS' ICE CREAM</u>	Barb Mortillite
<u>FUNNEL CAKE</u>	Christopher & Jenny Papandrea
<u>PROMOTION BOOTH</u>	Kathy Einwechter
<u>BOOSTER GATE</u>	Stacy Billiard
<u>PIZZA/PRETZEL BOOTH</u>	Youth Council
<u>ITALIAN WATER ICE BOOTH</u>	Youth Council
<u>CHICKEN BARBECUE</u>	Tammy Schaab, Joni Grunow
<u>FASHION REVUE</u>	Cologne Busy Bees
<u>PET PARADE</u>	Erin Sharpe
<u>BABY PARADE</u>	Kathy Einwechter & Rachel Einwechter
<u>TALENT SHOW</u>	Howard & Donna Berchtold
<u>AMBASSADOR TEAM</u>	
<u>STAGE DESIGN</u>	Youth Council

BARN:

POULTRY/LIVESTOCK

Erin Sharpe, Dr. Suzanna Vaino

HORSE

Horse Council

RABBIT

Jessica Foster, Tammy Schroer

JERSEY FRESH PRODUCE

Master Gardeners

FOOD CONCESSION

Shawn Billiard

RIDES

Johnson Family Fun Factory

PARKING ATTENDANTS

Elwood Volunteer Fire Department