

County Fair Events Kick-off!

Butler County 4-H members are hard at work around the county making preparation for the 2022 fair that will be held at



the county fairgrounds in El Dorado July 14-18, 2022. While the livestock entries are a crowd favorite, there are many great projects that will be on display! The county fair is an opportunity for our youth to share with the community what they have learned and how they have grown within this past year. Photography, arts and crafts, rocketry, foods, horticulture and woodworking are all skills that will be on display.

The first two events for the 2022 fair take place on Saturday, July 9. The Fashion Revue demonstrates two different projects and skills that the 4-Her has learned throughout the year in meetings with their local project leader and volunteers in our community. Clothing Construction is one project judged. Participants design and construct an article of clothing and the garment is judged based on the basics of clothing construction.

The second project that is judged is Buymanship. This event allows the participants to select an outfit of their liking to model for the judges. In selecting this outfit, the participant considers where they would wear the outfit, what the cost per wear is, and accessories that might make the outfit pop! They also are given the opportunity to display their public speaking skills as they explain to the judges why they selected the outfit.

4-H'ers also have the opportunity to participate in one of two versatility classes. The recycled garment class allows youth to use their creative minds to design an outfit out of recycled material. 75% of the outfit must be made from recycled or reused materials that otherwise would be thrown away. The senior wardrobe challenge allows youth to show their skills by taking 3 basic pieces of clothing and creating 5 different outfits from those 3 pieces.

The public is invited to the public Fashion Revue on Saturday, July 9th at 1:30 PM where our youth will walk the stage and model their outfits for the community! Be watching our Facebook page *Butler County KS Fair* (@bucoksfair) for the location announcement. We would love for you to come out and see these wonderful selections and confident young people walking the stage!

The second event will be held at Three Wooden Crosses Arena on Sunday evening, July 11th, starting at 6:00 PM! Come out to the horse show to watch our horse project members demonstrate their skills with their horses. Our 4-Hers will show in a variety of classes such as showmanship, western pleasure, trail, and speed events. It will be a great night to watch our hard working youth show off their talents!

After these first two events the rest of the Butler County Fair will kick-off on Saturday, July 14th at the Butler County Community Building and Fairgrounds. There will be many displays of the projects that the youth have worked on during the past year. Come take a stroll through our barns and community building to see all these young people have accomplished and learned! Ask a 4-Her about his/her animal, photograph, woodworking, rocket or horticulture exhibit and see their face light up as they explain all the work that went into their accomplishments! The full fair schedule can be found on the Fair Facebook page listed above! You don't want to miss out on the fun!

See you at the Fair!