

2008 NORTH DAKOTA 4-H Showcase Guidelines

The 4-H Showcase is an event to display project work by 4-H youth. **Included in the 4-H Showcase is the Clothing Revue (Buy & Show, Sew & Show, and Decorate your Duds) and Project Expo.** The Showcase will be held through Monday, July 21, in the State Fair Center. Participants may unload exhibits and enter on the northwest gate (Gate F) of the fairgrounds. Parking is **not** available at this gate. State Fair security will require proper credentials. Bags will be checked and vehicles towed if left for more than the designated unloading time.

Project Expo

Counties may enter a **total of six participants** in any combination in the following two divisions: **Preteen and Teen.**

Participants report to the registration table in the upper atrium of the State Fair Center between 9:00 am and 9:30 am on Monday, July 21. By 9:45 am, all display setup will be completed, with the exception of individual hot or chilled items for food displays. Participants will be assigned a time for judging at registration. At the scheduled time, each participant will have final preparation completed, stand at their exhibit, and be prepared for interview by the judges. Schedule revision will be posted at the registration table. Participants are asked to remain with their exhibit for 30 minutes after their assigned judging time is completed.

Exhibits of 4-H members participating in the Project Expo must relate to a project the participant is enrolled in. Live animals are not permitted as part of the display. Participants with food exhibits can do only a minimum of food preparation in the kitchen adjacent to the theater. A range/oven and refrigeration will be available. **Participants will be provided table space for their exhibits. Be aware that the table space may not be the exact size of a card table. All other needed equipment is the responsibility of the exhibitor.** Displays may be taken down at 2:30 pm following the entire event. Awards will be presented at 3:45 pm.

Clothing Revue

Counties may enter a **total of six participants in any combination** in the following divisions: **Preteen Sew & Show, Teen Sew & Show, Preteen Buy and Show, Teen Buy and Show, Preteen Decorate Your Duds, or Teen Decorate Your Duds.**

Participants report to the registration table (located in the hallway by the conference room near the theater) between 9:00 am and 9:30 am. Clothing revue is held at 3:00 pm and Showcase awards will follow. **Clothing Revue participants must send a color photograph of the 4-H member in his/her garment with the registration form and fact/narration sheet.**

Participants in the Clothing Revue **Sew & Show** category must be enrolled in a 4-H project relating to a clothing and textiles project. The exhibit must relate to their clothing projects.

Participants in the Teen Clothing Revue are required to construct the entire outfit.

Participants in the Preteen Clothing Revue must construct half or more of their outfit.

4-H'ers must bring the printed pattern guide for their project.

For Teens: Clothing Revue **Buy & Show** category participants **must** be enrolled in a Clothing Decisions (Discovering Choice/Managing Choice or Consumer Savvy) project. All accessories must be brought to Showcase the morning of the event.

For Preteens: Clothing Revue **Buy & Show** category participants **must** be enrolled during the year in Learnabout, Consumer Savvy, Discovering Choices or any other clothing related project.

Showcase

Information/Evaluation forms are available only on the 4-H website at:
<http://www.ext.nodak.edu/4h/about/formList.htm> .

- BCC546 – Project Expo Information Sheet and Evaluation Form
- CB506 – Clothing Revue (Sew & Show) Narration Sheet
- CB507 – Preteen Buy & Show Clothing Consumer Revue Fact Sheet
- CB508 – Teen Buy & Show Clothing Consumer Revue Fact Sheet
- CB509 – Sew & Show Constructed Clothing Revue Information/Evaluation Form
- CB510 – Preteen Buy & Show 4-H Consumer Clothing Revue Information/Evaluation form
- CB511 – Teen Buy & Show 4-H Consumer Clothing Revue Information/Evaluation form
- CB512 – Decorate Your Duds 4-H Clothing Consumer Revue Fact Sheet

Selection of participants for Showcase may be made when and as the county 4-H Council determines. Expenses for county participants at the State Fair are paid by the county or individual.

Pre-registration: Pre-registration forms also available on the 4-H website listed above. Make additional copies as needed. Completed narration sheets (CB506) and Buy & Show sheets (CB507 or CB508) and/or Decorate Your Duds sheet (CB512) must be returned with the completed registrations to the Center for 4-H Youth Development by **July 7, 2008**. See list below:

- 1) Clothing Revue, Pre-Registration Form
- 2) Clothing Revue (Sew & Show) Narration Sheet (CB506)
- 3) Preteen Buy & Show Clothing Consumer Revue Fact Sheet (CB507)
- 4) Teen Buy & Show Clothing Consumer Revue Fact Sheet (CB508)
- 5) Decorate Your Duds Clothing Revue Fact Sheet (CB512)

Narration and pre-registration forms must be sent in for all participants before the fair!

If your county event is held after July 6th, please notify Holly Halvorson of the division in which you think your county will participate to reserve a spot. Contact Holly at 231-9218 or email holly.halvorson@ndsu.edu with specific information no later than 12:00 noon on Monday, July 14th. Information received after that time may not be included in the program.

Note: An individual 4-H member may enter in only one Showcase division: Project Expo or Clothing Revue. **Individuals may not enter exhibits already on display as a static exhibit.**

Awards: All entries in Clothing Revue and Project Expo will receive a participation ribbon. An award of excellence will be presented for outstanding exhibits in each division. No champions or reserve champions will be named.

Dress Code: All members participating in North Dakota State 4-H competitive events except Clothing Revue will be neatly dressed and must wear a solid colored white, yellow, gray or green shirt/blouse with the 4-H emblem prominently displayed and securely fastened on the front.

Additional Information: The emblem can be sewn, silk-screened, fused or securely fastened using Velcro type fastener or spray adhesive. 4-H members should not wear short shorts or short skirts, shorts/tops that are low/cut or allow the mid-riff to show or are sleeveless. Shirts should be of sufficient length to be tucked into the pants/shirts.