



2026 MADISON COUNTY 4-H FAIR SCHEDULE

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Friday, July 10

All projects must be entered into FairEntry
Set-up for Dog Show, Beef Barn

Sunday, July 12

Madison County Fair Queen Program, 4-H Building, Exhibit Hall

Monday, July 13

9:00 AM

Dog Show, Beef Barn

Friday, July 17

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM

All events in the 4-H Building, Exhibit Hall

9:00 AM

Check-in for Sewing and Wearable Arts Construction

10:30 AM

Sewing and Wearable Arts Construction Judging (bring narration forms)

11:00 AM

Check-in for Consumer Clothing (judge arrives at 9 for notebook)

After Judging

Consumer Clothing Judging

6:00 PM

Modeling Practice (optional for any fashion revue participants)

6:30 PM

Fashion Revue Check-in

Fashion Revue: Wearable Arts, Consumer Clothing Awards, Jr. Sewing, Sr. Sewing

Saturday, July 18

9:00 AM

Rabbit Set-up, Rabbit Barn

Sunday, July 19

9:30 AM

4-H Tractor Operator Contest Registration

10:00 AM

4-H Tractor Operator Skills Contest, East Parking Lot

2:00 PM

Aerospace (Rocketry) Launch, 4-H Fairgrounds

Monday, July 20

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM

Check-in for Mini 4-H Presentation (Non-Livestock), 4-H Building, Exhibit Hall

9:00 AM

Mini 4-H Presentation (Non-Livestock), 4-H Building, Exhibit Hall

Tuesday, July 21

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM Check-in

9:00 AM Exhibit Hall Judging

Projects:

Animal Education	Health
Beekeeping	Reading
Child Development	Shooting Sports
Collections	Soil & Water Science
Computer Science	Sport Fishing
Entomology	Sports
Forestry	Veterinary Science
Genealogy	Weather & Climate Science
Geology	Wildlife

****PLEASE NOTE** ALL Exhibit Hall Projects checked in after noted check in time will not be considered for anything higher than a blue ribbon**

Wednesday, July 22

9:00 AM Exhibit Hall Judging – Rolling Judging – Exhibitors will Sign Up for Judging Time

Projects:

Aerospace	Needlecraft (Handwork)
Basic & Miscellaneous Crafts	Photography
Fine Arts	Recycling
Gift Wrapping	Scrapbooking
Llama/Alpaca Fiber Craft & Posters	Self-Determined
Model Craft	

5:00 PM

Fairgrounds Set-up, everyone is encouraged to help
Tents may be set at the conclusion of Fairgrounds Set-up

Thursday, July 23

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM Check-in

9:00 AM Exhibit Hall Judging

Projects:

Construction Toys (Legos) & Architectural Replica (Farm Scenes, etc.)	Home Environment
Crops (Corn, Hay and Forages, Small Grains, Soybeans)	Welding
Electric	Woodworking

12:30 – 1:00 PM Check-in

1:00 PM Exhibit Hall Judging

Projects: Foods (Baked, Preserved, Microwave Foods)

1:30 PM- 2:00 PM Check-in

2:00 PM Exhibit Hall Judging

Projects:

Cake Decorating	Floriculture
Cupcake Decorating	Garden

Friday, July 24

All Day

6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Livestock tack may arrive and be set-up

Beef Admitted

Dairy Admitted

Goat Admitted

Sheep Admitted

6:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Swine Admitted

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Saturday, July 25

6:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Beef Admitted Dairy Admitted
6:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Goats Admitted Sheep Admitted
6:00 AM – 9:30 AM	Swine Admitted
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Swine Check-in
9:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Poultry Check-in Rabbit Check-in
9:00 AM	Pocket Pets, Check-in time, 4-H Building, Exhibit Hall
9:30 AM	Pocket Pets Judging, 4-H Building, Exhibit Hall - Released after Show
10:30 AM	4-H Cat Show Registration, 4-H Building, Exhibit Hall
11:00 AM	4-H Cat Show Judging, 4-H Building, Exhibit Hall
12:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Goat Check-in Sheep Check-in
3:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Beef Check-in Dairy Check-in
4:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Open to Public, 4-H Building
6:00 PM	Mini 4-H Livestock Show (Swine, Sheep, Goats, Beef, Dairy) 10-yr Member Recognition and Awards

Sunday, July 26

9:00 AM	Swine Show
9:00 AM	Poultry Mini 4-H Show, Commercial classes, Pigeon Show, Showmanship, Poster, Eggs and Crafts
2:00 PM	Madison County 4-H Parade Sponsored by Alexandria Kiwanis
2:00 PM – 5:00 PM	4-H Building, Exhibit Hall Open
3:30 PM	Swine Championship Drive (or later, at least 90 minutes after completion of showmanship heats)
4:00 PM	Rabbit Mini 4-H Show, and Rabbit Ambassador Contest/Showmanship, Rabbit Craft Judging
6:00 PM	Horse & Pony Jr/Sr Ambassador Awards, Horse & Pony Arena
7:00 PM	Corn Hole & Kickball Tournaments, Sign in at Show Arena
9:00 PM	All sale pigs must be moved to North Barn

Monday, July 27

9:00 AM	Poultry Show (Exhibition Classes) Swine tear-down for Beef Show
10:00 AM – 8:00 PM	4-H Building, Exhibit Hall Open
12:00 PM	Goat Olympics, Skill-a-thon, and Costume Class, Show Arena
3:30 PM	Beef Show

Tuesday, July 28

9:00 AM	Rabbit Show Sheep Show
10:00 AM – 8:00 PM	4-H Building, Exhibit Hall Open
11:00 AM – 9:00 PM	Animal Education Center Open, North Swine Barn
2:00 PM	Dairy Show
6:00 PM	Madison County Extension Homemakers Food Auction, Exhibit Hall
6:30 PM	Sheep Championship Drive

Wednesday, July 29

9:00 AM Dairy Goat Show
10:00 AM – 8:00 PM 4-H Building, Exhibit Hall Open
11:00 AM – 9:00 PM Animal Education Center Open, North Swine Barn
2:00 PM Meat Goat Show
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Poultry members Barn/Pen clean up beginning at 6:00 and tear down at 7:00 PM
7:00 PM Rabbit members Barn clean up and tear down

Thursday, July 30

8:00 AM Deadline for removal of all tents from the Horse and Pony Make-up Arena Area
10:00 AM – 8:00 PM 4-H Building, Exhibit Hall Open
11:00 AM – 9:00 PM Animal Education Center Open, North Swine Barn
1:00 PM 4-H Horse and Pony **BARN SET-UP ONLY (No animals or trailers)**
5:00 PM 4-H Supreme Showmanship Contest, Show Arena
6:00 PM 4-H Livestock Auction, Show Arena

Friday, July 31

8:00 AM Llamas/Alpacas Admitted
9:00 AM 4-H Horse and Pony Show, Horse Arena
10:00 AM – Noon 4-H Building, Exhibit Hall Open
10:00 AM 4-H Llama and Alpaca “Fun” Show, Show Arena
11:00 AM – 9:00 PM Animal Education Center Open, North Swine Barn
2:00 PM – 6:00 PM **EXHIBIT HALL PROJECT RELEASE**
Unclaimed projects **WILL BE DISCARDED**, please make arrangements for your project to be picked up.

Saturday, Aug 1

9:00 AM 4-H Horse and Pony Show Continues, Horse Arena
4-H Llama and Alpaca Show, Show Arena; Released following show