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## The 4-H Way

April 2025

Siskiyou County 4-H

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### Upcoming Events

#### April

12 County Fashion Review / Home Ec Day

14 Siskiyou County 4-H Scholarship Application Due

16 [YQCA—Tulelake Fairgrounds 5:30—6:30 pm](#)

24 Farm Robotics—Final Project Due

27 [YQCA— Montague Elementary Cafeteria 4:00—5:00 pm](#)

28 Registration Deadline - State Field Day

#### May

17 State Field Day—U.C. Davis

#### June

1 Siskiyou Golden Fair Entry Opens

#### July

18 Siskiyou Golden Fair Entry Deadline

22 Mandatory Treasurer Review

#### AUGUST

6-10 Siskiyou Golden Fair

#### SEPTEMBER

4-7 Tulelake Butte-Valley Fair

[Statewide Ban on Poultry and Dairy Cattle Exhibitions Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\) \(Poultry, Dairy, Other Livestock, and General\)](#)

### YQCA

If you are planning to take an animal to Siskiyou Golden Fair or the Tulelake Fair, you **MUST** complete the, Youth for the Quality Care of Animals. **YQCA. This is mandatory for Small and Large animal, whether you plan to sell at auction or not.**

**YQCA** is the result of a collaborative effort between states that have previously offered multi-species youth livestock quality assurance programs, the National Pork Board's Youth PQA Plus Program and representatives from other national livestock groups.

- Instructor-led trainings cost \$3 and web-based trainings cost \$12

• \$3 coupons may be used on a \$12 course  
You must **REGISTER and PAY online PRIOR** to attending an in-person YQCA Training. [CLICK HERE](#)

Frequently asked questions.

1. I am bringing my **cavy**, do I need the certification? **YES**

2. I am bringing my **chicken**, do I need the certification? **YES (Only IF the Poultry Ban is Lifted)**

3. I am bringing my companion **rabbit**, do I need the certification? **YES**

4. I am not old enough for market, I am just doing showmanship. Do I need my certification? **YES**

5. I am an independent competitor, Do I need my certification? **YES**

6. I am entering Peewee Showmanship do I need the certification? **Are you 8 years or older? Yes**

7. I am only entering still exhibits, do I need my certification? **No**

**Any other questions, Please call 530-842-2711 or email Christina Bradford at: [mrsbradford@ucanr.edu](mailto:mrsbradford@ucanr.edu)**

### Scholarship Applications

[Siskiyou County 4-H Scholarship](#)

Application Due **BEFORE April 14th 2025**

# Sprout into the 4-H'er you were meant to be

- Participate in State level contests,
- Connect with 4-H'ers from across the state,
- Learn new things at the interactive booths,
- Get inspired by other contest participants

Continue making the best better in your 4-H career.

## State level competitions

State Fashion Revue and State Presentation Events have qualifying requirements from County-level competitions. The State Plant Science contest is a qualifier for national competition.

Contests without qualifying requirements allow you to compete and learn from 4-H competitors from throughout California. This event strengthens a number of important [extended learning practices](#).

### COMPETITIONS

[Avian Bowl Contest](#)

[Insect Identification](#)

[Photography](#)

[Plant Science](#)

[Robotics](#)

[State Fashion Review](#)

[State Interview Contest](#)

[State Presentation Day](#)

[Forestry Contest](#)



**Learn**

**STATE  
FIELD DAY**

**Thrive**

**Grow**

# QUALITY ASSURANCE REQUIREMENT - ALL JR. LIVESTOCK

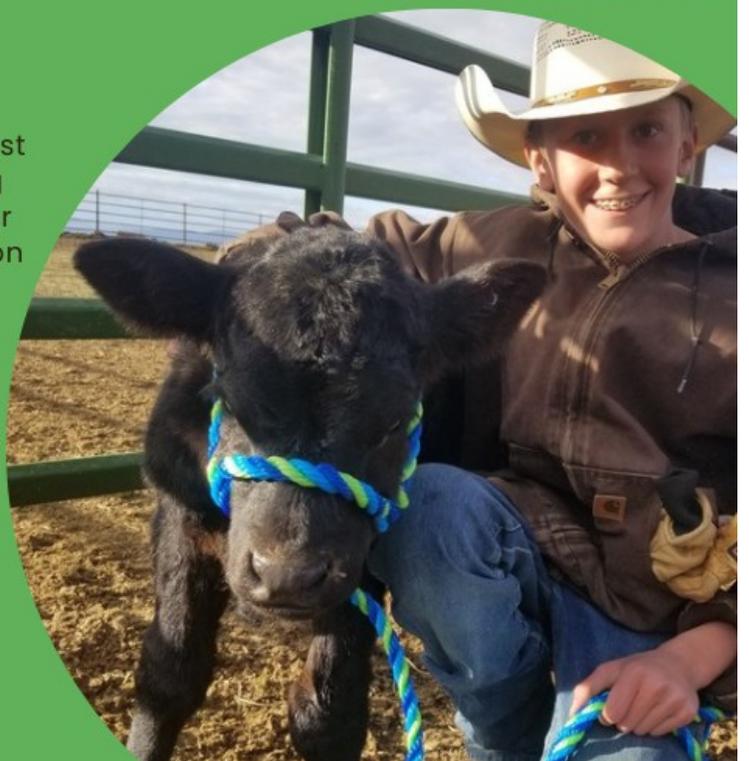
WE WILL BE HOSTING AN IN PERSON QA CLASS ON SUNDAY, APRIL 27TH AT 4:00 AT MONTAGUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. ALL Youth Livestock Exhibitors coming to the fair with a market animal MUST have Quality Assurance Training. Each exhibitor will NEED to turn in a copy of your online course completion certificate to the fair office prior to the closing of entries for their specific project. The Quality Assurance Class must be taken by the exhibitor every year. A copy of the certificate is required with your entry.

MONTAGUE Elementary School, IN-PERSON YQCA 4:00pm



**In-Person Training**  
**April 27, 2025, 4:00pm**  
**Montague Elementary**  
**School, Cafeteria**

Go to [yqcaprogram.org](http://yqcaprogram.org) to register for the training titled Siskiyou YQCA. To log in, use a past login or create an account. Select the training and make a \$3 purchase using a credit card or coupon code. Make sure the training registration is under the youth name.



# QUALITY ASSURANCE REQUIREMENT - ALL JR. LIVESTOCK

WE WILL BE HOSTING AN IN PERSON QA CLASS ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16TH AT 5:30 AT THE FAIRGROUNDS. ALL Youth Livestock Exhibitors coming to the fair with a market animal MUST have Quality Assurance Training. Each exhibitor will NEED to turn in a copy of your online course completion certificate to the fair office prior to the closing of entries for their specific project. The Quality Assurance Class must be taken by the exhibitor every year. If you did not attend the live class in April, you must take it online before your entries are due. A copy of the certificate is required with your entry.

Tulelake Fairgrounds, IN-PERSON YQCA 5:30 pm



**In-Person Training**  
**April 16, 2025, 5:30pm**  
**Tulelake Butte Valley Fair**

Go to [yqcaprogram.org](http://yqcaprogram.org) to register for the training titled Tulelake YQCA. To log in, use a past login or create an account. Select the training and make a \$3 purchase using a credit card or coupon code.



# 2025 STATE FASHION REVUE CATEGORIES

## TRADITIONAL

Participants in this category will construct a garment/s and assemble an outfit that showcases their sewing skills and ability to coordinate an outfit. The outfit must contain at least one constructed garment. Participants are encouraged to construct additional garments to complete the outfit but may wear clothing they purchased or already own. Accessories - such as shoes, hats, belts, jewelry, purses, backpacks, etc., - may be purchased, already owned, or made by the member. If items were sewn that cannot be worn - such as in a coordinating jacket, skirt, and pants set or in a pajama set with matching pillow or quilt - these additional items may be carried. Only garments sewn by the participant will be evaluated on construction, but all items worn will be evaluated on the outfit coordination.

You may enter a Make It With Wool outfit in the Traditional category. If you choose to enter the Make It With Wool competition that is supported by the American Sheep Industry, it is your responsibility to ensure that your entry meets the Make It With Wool requirements. (<https://makeitwithwool.com/welcome>)

The garment/s in this category must be sewn by the member as part of a 4-H Clothing & Textiles Project\* and modeled by the member at the Fashion Revue event.

## CONSUMER SCIENCE PURCHASED, \$50.00 LIMIT

Participants in this category will shop for an entire outfit with the total cost not to exceed \$50.00 not including sales tax. Receipts from the current 4-H year are required for any item that is visible. This includes but is not limited to shoes, stockings, jewelry, and hair accessories. Gifts, prior purchases, and items without receipts are not eligible for this category. Receipts from yard sales, etc. may be handwritten. The participant

should consider value vs. cost, versatility, the shopping experience, and coordination of the outfit within the cost limit.

This category has no 4-H project requirement and must be modeled by the member at the Fashion Revue event.

## UNIQUELY UPCYCLED

In the context of fashion, upcycling involves repurposing old clothing or textiles to create new and unique garments. This can include combining different pieces of a garment or other materials to create a fresh look. You can alter the items through sewing, embellishing, painting, dyeing, etc. An example would be combining sleeves from one garment to the bodice of another item to create your own, unique garment.

The garment/s in this category must be sewn by the member as part of a 4-H Clothing & Textiles Project\* and modeled by the member at the Fashion Revue event.



## FAVORITE DECADE CHALLENGE

Participants in this challenge will create an outfit that is inspired by your favorite decade. The entry must state the year or period of the design and include a drawing, photo, or description of the

classic design that is being reproduced or duplicated. Add accessories to complete the outfit that are reminiscent of that time period. The outfit must feature at least one handmade garment made by the member. Other pieces of the outfit must be representational and recognizable as belonging to the same era as the handmade

The garment/s in this category must be sewn by the member as part of a 4-H Clothing & Textiles Project\* and modeled by the member at the Fashion Revue event.



## SOFTIE CHALLENGE

What is a softie? A stuffed animal, cloth doll, plush toy, soft sculpture, or fabric toy. In this challenge, the participant will sew, felt, knit, or crochet a softie using a pattern or their own design. Any type of fabric and any embellishment techniques (trims, embroidery, yarn hair, removable clothing) may be used. Participant must present the entry themselves at the Fashion Revue event.

This category has no 4-H project requirement and must be shown by the member at the Fashion Revue event.



## LEATHER CREATIONS

Participants in the Leather Creations category will create any leather accessory – purse, wallet, belt, saddlebag, key fob, etc. – in any style. Any leather techniques may be used (tooling, carving, dying, painting, shaping, stitching, etc.) Materials used may be any leather, suede, or faux leather products.

This category has no 4-H project requirement and must be shown by the member at the Fashion Revue event.

### NEEDLEWORK

Participants in this category will create any type of needlework – embroidery, cross stitch, needlepoint, quilting, knitting, crochet, etc. You may use a kit.

The item/s in this category must be sewn by the member as part of a 4-H Clothing & Textiles Project\* and shown by the member at the Fashion Revue event.

*\*4-H Clothing and Textiles projects include Sewing, Fiber Arts, Crocheting, Knitting, and Quilting.*

### WHO CAN ENTER 2024 STATE FASHION REVUE?

Any 4-H Member

### WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW TO ENTER 2024 STATE FASHION REVUE?

Traditional, Consumer Science Purchased, \$50.00 Limit, and Uniquely Upcycled entries must have received County Winner at a County 4-H Fashion Revue or other qualifying event. Only one County Winner from each age division in these three categories may enter State Fashion Revue.

Favorite Decade Challenge, Softie Challenge, Leather Creations, and Needlework categories do not need to qualify at a County 4-H Fashion Revue or other qualifying event.

### Age Divisions (Age as of 12/31/23)

Junior, ages 9-10

Intermediate, ages 11-13

Senior, ages 14-18

Members may enter two categories at State Fashion Revue.

The two highest point score winners in Senior Traditional, Senior Consumer Science Purchased, and Senior Uniquely Upcycled will qualify for the FCS National Championship & Conference Fashion Revue categories.

All outfits must meet the 4-H Dress Guidelines: <https://4h.ucanr.edu/files/210170.pdf>

For more information, please email Stephanie Barrett at [sbarrett@ucanr.edu](mailto:sbarrett@ucanr.edu).

# 2025

# 4-H ACHIEVEMENT RECORD BOOKS and FORMS

## Record Book Achievement Program

Each county must align with these versions and eliminate all supplemental forms and/or other requirements.

[2023-24 Record Book Manual New Achievement Program \(PDF\)](#) - This manual is for all members, parents, volunteers, and staff. It outlines all parts of the Record Book and how to organize it. The Record Book Manual and Record Book Forms are separate documents. This manual applies to:

- Members who complete the Record Book and the Achievement Program.
- Members who only complete the Record Book.
- Use this format if you have not achieved the Bronze Star Rank at the end of LAST Year.

## Record Book with Star Rank Program

Each county must align with these versions and eliminate all supplemental forms and/or other requirements.

[Record Book Manual Star Ranks \(PDF\)](#) - This manual is for Intermediate and Senior 4-H members who have previously earned at least a Bronze Star in the Star Rank Program. It outlines all the parts of the Record Book and includes instructions for completing each form. All other members must use the Record Book Manual New Achievements Program. The Record Book Manual and Record Book Forms are separate documents.

If you have a Bronze Star or higher as of last year, you may continue or switch to the **Achievement Program** record book.



**OFFICER BOOKS DUE By: September 1st, 2025**

**Record Books Due By: September 15th, 2025**

Feel like you need a little extra help with your book, or just have questions? Feel free to set up a meeting.

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[The Farm Robotics Challenge](#) is exploring what it would look like to build an option for secondary school students to participate in the challenge. Our goal is to build out categories for participation that we can roll out for the 2025/26 academic year.

If you're a high school teacher or leader in organizations like FFA, 4-H, Grange, or other youth serving institution and have a passion for technology and project-based work, consider joining our pilot group.

Teams have the choice of participating in the [AIR](#) or [LAND](#) categories as outlined in the post secondary school level challenge.

January 24, 2025 – Registration for pilot group due

February 21, 2025 – Project Proposals due

April 24, 2025 – Final Projects Due

May, TBA – Awards

August 1, 2025 – Top 3 teams advance to a Championship Round

Learn more about us and sign up to join our Academy Pilot Group at

<https://www.farmroboticschallenge.ai/academy>



The Farm Robotics Challenge is an annual competition that invites student teams from universities and colleges across the world to tackle real-world ag challenges. Join our pilot program to expand the program to include secondary school aged competitors.

#### WHO CAN PARTICIPATE

- **Students:** Secondary school students from public and private high schools, FFA, 4-H, Grange, or other youth serving organizations.
- **Team Leaders:** High school teachers, academic staff, volunteer leaders, mentors.



#### WHY PARTICIPATE

- **Skill Development:** Gain hands-on experience in robotics, AI, and ag science. Work on real-world projects that challenge you to develop foundational skills.
- **Networking:** Connect with industry leaders, academic experts, and like-minded peers.
- **Real-world Impact:** Contribute to sustainable and efficient farming practices. Your innovations could spark innovations for our food system.
- **Prizes:** Awards and travel stipends to attend FIRA ag tech conference.



The Farm Robotics Challenge is organized by [UC Agriculture and Natural](#)

## County Fashion Review Registration is OPEN!

Click [HERE](#) to Register

- Traditional
- Consumer Science Purchased, \$50.00 Limit
- Uniquely Upcycled
- Favorite Decade Challenge
- Quilts\* (Any Size quilt or pattern, must have finished edges.)
- Softie Challenge (stuffed animal, cloth doll, plush toy, soft sculpture or fabric toy)
- Leather Creation ( Any leather accessory-purse, wallet, belt saddlebag, key fob, etc.)
- Needlework

## Home Economics Day

Click [HERE](#) to Register

- Paper Craft
- Home Décor
- Recycled / Upcycled
- Photography
- Lego Creation
- Made from Nature
- Sewn Non Clothing



## Treasurer Record Book

**Mandatory Peer Review and Sign Off**

We will be holding an end of year, MANDATORY Treasurer meeting and Peer Review.

This will be in July at the 4-H Office.

Siskiyou County 4-H

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