

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **2024 WA STATE 4-H FAIR BOARD**

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### **4-H FAIR STAFF AND PHONE NUMBERS**

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| <b>Website:</b>    | <a href="http://extension.wsu.edu.4h/fairs/state-4-h-fair/">http://extension.wsu.edu.4h/fairs/state-4-h-fair/</a>   |
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| <b>Fair Entry:</b> | <a href="http://Washington-state-4H.fairentry.com">http://Washington-state-4H.fairentry.com</a>   |

### **The following are fairgrounds numbers, active from Aug. 20 until September 30:**

|                         |                |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| 4-H Fair Office         | (253) 770-5410 |
| 4-H Fair Office FAX     | (253) 770-5412 |
| 4-H Still Life Building | (253) 841-5175 |

### **Off Season Contacts (October 1 to August 15):**

|                                       |  |
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| Fair Manager                          | E-mail: <a href="mailto:kellian.st4hfair@gmail.com">kellian.st4hfair@gmail.com</a> |
| Jennifer Leach, WSU Extension Liaison | E-mail: <a href="mailto:jleach@wsu.edu">jleach@wsu.edu</a>                         |
| Emily Killeen, WSU Extension Liaison  | E-mail: <a href="mailto:killeene@wsu.edu">killeene@wsu.edu</a>                     |

### **STATE 4-H FAIR MAILING ADDRESS:**

WA State 4-H Fair  
WSU Puyallup  
PO Box 1225  
Puyallup, WA 98371-4998

### **WASHINGTON STATE FAIR PHONE NUMBERS**

General Puyallup Fair Information (253) 841-5045  
Camper Reservations (253) 845-1771

If sending entries via UPS or Fed Ex (be sure to mark

“4-H” on any package sent to the fairgrounds):

Washington State 4-H Fair  
c/o Washington State Fair  
110 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW  
Puyallup, WA 98371

### **DAILY GATE SCHEDULE**

#### **Labor Day Weekend**

Friday 10:30 a.m.–10:30 p.m.  
Saturday 9:30 a.m.–10:30 p.m.  
Sunday 9:30 a.m.–10:30 p.m.  
Monday 9:30 a.m. –9:30 p.m.

#### **After Labor Day Weekend**

Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 10:30 a.m.–9:30 p.m.  
Fridays 10:30 a.m.–10:30 p.m.

Saturdays 9:30 a.m.–10:30 p.m.

Sundays 9:30 a.m.–9:30 p.m.

THE FAIR IS CLOSED ON ALL TUESDAYS AND ON WED, SEPT 4.

Gate Hours (for those with tickets or passes):

- Service Gate – open 24 hours; all vehicles entering the fairgrounds are subject to search.
- Green, Blue, Purple, Red, and Gold Gates – open at 6 a.m. Note: Tickets are not sold at any gate until opening. Only employees, exhibitors, and those attending 4-H events will be allowed on the fairgrounds prior to ticket sales at the gates. Advance purchase tickets are available for sale in the State 4-H Fair Office.

### **STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY**

1. 4-H exhibits at Washington State 4-H Fair are entered and displayed at the risk of the exhibitor. The State 4-H Fair Board, Washington State Fair, or Washington State University cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage due to the conditions imposed by large crowds, the arrangements of the buildings in which displays are housed, and the great number of exhibits. 4-Hers who have exhibits of great sentimental and/or monetary value should carefully consider whether such exhibits should be exposed to the possible hazards of the Fair.
2. 4-H members are responsible for any item they bring to the State 4-H Fair. All unclaimed items (three days following the close of the fair) will be donated to charity. Contact Kellian Whidden for information on exhibits.
3. The health and general welfare of all project animals are of concern to both the Washington State Fair Association and the State 4-H Fair Board of Trustees. Minimum veterinary requirements have been established by the WA State Department of Agriculture Veterinarian's Office. All animal exhibitors are strongly encouraged to take additional prophylactic measures to further safeguard their animal's health, as advised by their own veterinarian. The 4-H exhibitor assumes all responsibility for the health and welfare of his/her animal exhibit.
4. The management reserves the right to dismiss any animal showing signs of lameness, unsoundness, or stress from further participation at the State 4-H Fair, upon recommendation of the official fair veterinarian. Judges will be instructed to not consider dismissed animals in their evaluation.

### **PERSONALITY RIGHTS**

Exhibitor hereby grants to the Washington State Fair (WSF), Washington State University (WSU), and the Washington State 4-H Fair the irrevocable, assignable, worldwide right and license to use, alter and publish his/her image, alone or together with other images and text, for WSF, WSU, and WA State 4-H Fair publications and for all other purposes reasonably related to promotion of WSF, the Spring Fair in Puyallup and Puyallup Fair, WSU, and the WA State 4-H Fair, in any manner and in any medium now known or later developed, without the need for exhibitor's prior approval. This right and license will govern all images of exhibitor, whether created before or after the date of these Rules and Regulations, unless exhibitor notifies WSF, WSU, and the WA State 4-H Fair in writing that a desire to exclude specific images from this right and license. Exhibitor hereby releases the photographer and/or videographer and WSF, WSU, and the WA State 4-H Fair, its agents and assigns, from all claims and liability relating to the licenses that exhibitor has granted in this license and release. This license and release will not obligate WSF, WSU, or the WA State 4-H Fair to use or publish exhibitor's image or use the rights the exhibitor has granted.

### **CONCUSSION PROTOCOL**

A 4-H member who is suspected of sustaining a concussion or head injury during 4-H shows, activities, and events shall be removed from the event at that time. Any 4-H member who has been removed from an event as a result of a suspected head injury may not return to participation until the member is evaluated by a licensed health care provider trained in evaluation and management of concussions and received written clearance to return to participation. (RCW 28A.600.190)

This concussion protocol statement is directly from the current year WSU 4-H Policy and Procedure Handbook. The policy is in effect for the State 4-H Fair and will be followed.

## **ENTRY INSTRUCTIONS**

### **A. COUNTY OFFICE ENTRY DEADLINES**

1. County offices should order State 4-H Fair entry tags from: Bulletin Department, Publications Building, WSU, Pullman, WA 99164-5912. Items are available July 1. Please register all entries in Fair Entry at <http://washington-state-4H.fairentry.com> All exhibitor letters will be available on the State 4-H Fair website.
2. Please send to the State 4-H Fair Puyallup address:  
Postmark, by August 23 (Earlier if possible.) Notify Manager if date cannot be met. If mailing after Aug. 23, send as available; do not wait for a complete package of information.
  - County Activity Schedules (forms WS4HF/1.06m, WS4HF/1.07m, WS4HF/1.08m) (may e-mail or fax)
  - All Animal Entry Round Up Forms (packaged with the Round Up form for that animal species or equine section)
  - Only forms WS4HF/1.01m for all 4-H exhibitors who could not complete an entry in Fair Entry online.

## **B. GENERAL ENTRY COMPLETION**

1. It is the responsibility of County Extension Offices to certify the eligibility of their State 4-H Fair participants and exhibitors. If participants are not listed on appropriate report forms and those forms received at the State 4-H Fair office prior to participation, 4-H members may not be allowed to participate at the State 4-H Fair in those events.
2. Entries should be completed in Fair Entry at <http://Washington-State-4H.fairentry.com> See guide on how to enter at: [State 4-H Fair | 4-H Youth Development Program | Washington State University \(wsu.edu\)](#) under Resources. You must use your 4-H Online login and password to access Fair Entry. Look for the Green bar on the left side of the screen.
3. Exceptions to entry and removal times will only be given by permission of the State 4-H Fair management, in consultation with the department superintendent.
4. You must enter the lot for each class even if there is only one lot listed in Fair Entry.
5. Be sure that your current mailing address is correct in Fair Entry. Premium checks will be mailed to the exhibitor's address as stated in Fair Entry. Premiums will be forfeited if mailing address is missing or illegible.
6. Please provide your county number to your exhibitors for inclusion on their entry in Fair Entry.
7. If a WSU4HF/1.01m form is used please be sure the entry form is legible. Print clearly and firmly.
8. The Fair shares responsibility, for finding errors in entries, with County Extension Offices. Every attempt will be made to pay premiums on correct entries as quickly as possible. Problem entries will be paid after they are corrected.
9. For exhibitors with a disability: At the exhibitor's option, nature of the disability may be stated on the entry form if it affects their performance ability. (E.g.: Hearing impaired - cannot hear the judge's instructions.)
10. No exhibitor shall be entitled to an award that has been disallowed as the result of his/her own error.
11. The Fair management will withhold payment of premiums for exhibits that are ineligible under State 4-H Fair rules, and may recover premiums paid for ineligible entries disclosed during post audits of Fair records.

## **C. ACTIVITY ENTRIES (CLASSES 1-36)**

### **PLEASE DO NOT COMPLETE ENTRY FORM IN ADVANCE.**

1. Registration in Fair Entry or Exhibitor Primary Information form (WS4HF/1.01m) will be required of all participants at the State 4-H Fair. Form WS4HF/1.01m should be completed prior to arriving at the fair and turned in to the County Extension office, or mailed/faxed to State 4-H Fair as instructed by county office.
2. The entry form will be filled out at the State 4-H Fair at the time of the activity. **Please do not complete this form in advance.**
3. Activity exhibitors should notify their County Extension office or the State 4-H Fair office immediately if they cannot participate in the Fair. This will allow an opportunity for alternates to attend the Fair.

## **D. STILL LIFE ENTRIES (CLASSES 40-330)**

1. Still life entries will need to register in Fair Entry for all exhibits in Classes 40-330. Exhibitors may either (1) register in Fair Entry and bring their exhibits to the fair or (2) complete registration in Fair Entry when making entry. Registering in Fair Entry must be completed and printed before attaching to all exhibits mailed to the fair. If unable to access Fair Entry, then the Still Life/Activities Entry form will be required with each entry. Each class and lot must be attached to each exhibit, this can be a printed entry tag.
2. Each separate part of an exhibit must have a completed exhibit tag (C0673) attached securely to it. Indicate on both halves of C0673, when there is more than one piece to an exhibit, "1 of 3", "2 of 3", etc.
3. Check carefully the information preceding each class. Some classes require 3x5 cards with specific information. While these cards are not judged as part of the exhibit, the information they give judges helps the judge determine appropriate placing.
4. Team and group exhibits are encouraged. The exhibit will be entered using the group's title. Please provide the address of the adult group leader to whom premiums should be sent. Double premium points will be awarded to the

- group, in recognition of additional teamwork efforts. Each member of the group will receive the appropriate placing ribbon. Note the number of members in the group on the margin of the green entry card. Also note "group exhibit" on the exhibit title line in addition to the exhibit description, on the green entry card.
5. Non-perishable, non-breakable items may be shipped or mailed. A completed packing form (WS4HF/1.52b) must be enclosed in each box shipped to the State 4-H Fair. Entry forms and exhibit tags must be filled out and securely attached to each item. Sufficient return postage must be sent in a separate letter to the Fair manager with a copy of the packing form, if the entry is to be returned. US Postal Service will be used to ship all items back to the exhibitor.
  6. Refer to Class 70 for information regarding educational displays. All still life educational displays are to be brought in with still life exhibits (see pre-fair and late fair entry dates). If animal-related educational displays destined for animal stall/pen display are delivered prior to the animal show, they will be stored in the 4-H Exhibit Building. Exhibitors may pick them up at that location on animal check-in day. Educational exhibits remaining after other exhibits have been removed will be discarded, unless the exhibitor provides packaging and postage prior to the end of the fair.
  7. Still life entries from fairs with late show dates must reach 4-H State Fair no later than Sept. 18, to be judged.
  8. Each individual, club or county must make arrangements for the removal of their exhibits at the close of the Fair. The exhibit building is closed after Sept. 24; all still life exhibits must be out by that time.
  9. All exhibits **MUST** be checked out with the 4-H Fair clerks before removal from building, on Sept. 23 and 24. The bottom portion of the exhibit tag (C0673) must be presented to retrieve exhibits. Exhibits may be picked up on Sept. 23 from 1pm - 6pm, and on Sept. 24 from 10am - 5pm. Arrangements must be made with State 4-H Fair officials for later removal of exhibits.
  10. Fair management reserves the right to change classes as deemed appropriate.

**No exhibits will be released before 1pm on Monday, September 23.**

#### **E. ANIMAL ENTRIES (CLASSES 400-999)**

1. Use Fair Entry to enter all animal classes. The animal will need to be entered into Fair Entry or selected from the list if in 4-H Online. List all Classes 400-999 in your enter (herdsmanship, fit & show, type, obedience, performance, obstacle, etc.).
2. Livestock, rabbit, and cavy exhibitors are encouraged to list qualified alternate animals on their entry form. Very often, those animals will be invited to be exhibited as notice of other cancellations are received. **Please designate which animals are alternates.**
3. Youth simultaneously enrolled in 4-H and FFA programs must have separate projects or animals for each program during the same program year. The program year is October 1 – September 30, for both organizations. Members cannot exhibit the same product or individual animal in both FFA and 4-H divisions during one program year.
4. The 4-H Exhibitor Commitment to Quality Animal Care statement is presented elsewhere in this book. Choosing to participate as a 4-H exhibitor of animals in this Fair obligates the exhibitor to follow the Commitment.
5. Exhibitor Primary Information questions shall be completed on your Fair Entry enrollment. These questions will be required of all State 4-H Fair participants. If unable to complete enter in Fair Entry then a complete Livestock/Animal Entry Form should be completed and either returned to the County Extension office by date as requested by the county office, or mailed directly to the State 4-H Fair office so that it is received at the State 4-H Fair prior to participation at State 4-H Fair.
6. Animal exhibitors should notify their County Extension Office or State 4-H Fair Office immediately if they cannot participate at the State 4-H Fair. County Extension personnel are expected to relay all changes, immediately, to the State 4-H Fair. **Failing to notify State 4-H Fair of cancellations, following receipt by State 4-H Fair of entry forms, may result in reduction of allocations to the county in the following year in that section.** Unfilled pens and stalls revert to the State 4-H Fair for reassignment.

## **PARTICIPANT ELIGIBILITY**

1. There is a judging fee of \$8.00 per exhibitor for those entering items in judged classes. The entry fee will be deducted from the premium checks of each exhibitor. If the exhibitor has earned less than \$8.00 in premiums, no premium check will be issued to the exhibitor. The judging fee does not apply to non-judged activities (4-H in Action, Performing Arts, and Educational Posters).
2. All participants must be a part of the county quota. Quotas, based on each county's previous year's enrollment, past participation, and space availability, will be sent to each county. Requests for quota increases should be directed to the State 4-H Fair Office (WSU-Puyallup) by County Extension personnel. Cancellations without notification, following

receipt of entry forms at the State 4-H Fair office, may result in reduction of allocations to that county the following year.

3. Pre-qualifying at the county level is required for all projects except those specifically listed in the exhibitor guide.
4. To insure allocations are followed this year, all animal entry roundup forms must come from the WSU Extension Office in each county to the State 4-H Fair Office. We will not accept entry forms from individuals who are not listed on the county animal roundup forms.
5. Exhibitors are to be enrolled in the projects they exhibit. Exhibitors must be enrolled in the county that they represent at the State 4-H Fair.
6. 4-H members from all counties are eligible to participate in the State 4-H Fair. Age groups reflect the age as of October 1 of the current 4-H year. Please note we are at the end of the 4-H year so the age used will be as of Oct 1, 2023.
7. Only events for which there are classes and lots in the State 4-H Fair Exhibitor Guide may be entered.
8. Unless otherwise specified, exhibitors are allowed one entry per each class or lot, as appropriate.
9. The article or animal entered must represent project work completed in the current year (e.g., canned, grown, made, owned, or cared for by the 4-H member). Canned foods must have been prepared after the past year's county qualifying event. Each county is responsible to certify eligibility of exhibits and exhibitors.
10. 4-H'ers with disabilities are encouraged to participate in all classes. The nature of the disability may be considered by the judges in all activities and animal categories at the exhibitor's discretion. A policy of mainstreaming will be applied with positive encouragement for participation.
11. In all judged classes, all team members must be of the same age group.
12. All exhibits entered in accordance with the premium list will be judged. Some exhibits may not be displayed.
13. 4-H members planning to enter in a still life department of the Washington State Fair may do so, but no article may be entered in both fairs. Exhibitors of registered animals may make special arrangements with the department superintendent to show in both 4-H and open class when appropriate. All animals entered in the 4-H exhibit must be stalled and cared for in their assigned county 4-H location even if also being shown simultaneously in an open class show.
14. A Memorandum of Understanding, agreed upon by both the Washington State University Extension 4-H Youth Development Program and Agriculture Education - Washington FFA Association, defines cooperative participation in both youth programs, and will be followed by the Washington State 4-H Fair. The Memorandum is available from your county Extension office, the Washington State 4-H Fair, or your local Vo. Ag. Instructor.
15. See Classes 12-22, Judging Contests, for information on all judging contest eligibility. SEE INDIVIDUAL CLASS OR EXHIBIT SECTION FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON ELIGIBILITY AND PROCEDURES.
16. Eligibility is determined by the following:

|                            | Classes     | Classes       | Classes        |
|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|
| <u>AGE GROUPS</u>          | <u>1-36</u> | <u>40-780</u> | <u>900-999</u> |
| Cloverbuds (ages 5-7)      | No***       | No***         | No***          |
| Juniors (ages 8-10)        | Yes*        | Yes           | No             |
| Intermediates (ages 11-13) | Yes**       | Yes           | Yes            |
| Seniors (ages 14-19)       | Yes         | Yes           | Yes            |

\* Juniors are allowed to enter all Classes 1-36 except Class 2 (Public Speaking), Class 3 (Impromptu Speaking), Class 4 (National Equine Presentations), Class 10 (Groom Squad), Class 27 (Foods for All Occasions), and Class 36 (Creative Consumers of Fashion). There may be limitations for junior members in some classes – please refer to class rules.

\*\* Intermediates are allowed to enter all Classes 1-36 except Class 4 (National Equine Presentations) and Class 10 (Groom Squad).

\*\*\* Cloverbud members do not participate at, or exhibit in, the State 4-H Fair. Intermediate and Senior 4-H members may participate in: any or all of Classes 1-22, (note exceptions in \*\* paragraph above) as scheduling permits, and only three of Classes 23-30, and both classes 34 and 36.

## EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

### A. ADMISSION PASSES

1. Through the courtesy of the Washington State Fair, hosts of the State 4-H Fair, passes are available for all participants and adult chaperones or drivers as described in paragraphs #2 and #3. PASSES ARE NOT PROVIDED FOR OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS OR FRIENDS.

2. One youth pass and one adult pass will be distributed by county offices to exhibitors, prior to fair participation date. Additional family members planning to enter the gates before the daily opening, may purchase tickets in advance at the State 4-H Fair Office on the fairgrounds.
3. Exhibitors will obtain additional passes for themselves and one adult, based on the number of days of participation, at the State 4-H Fair Office upon arrival at the fairgrounds. Passes will be available for livestock, llama and rabbit/cavy exhibitors in their exhibit barns 6:30 -10 a.m. on the morning of entry. After that time, and for all other exhibitors, passes will be available at the State 4-H Fair Office. See daily gate schedule for important information about gate times and ticket purchase.

## **B. PARKING**

1. Parking is available adjacent to the fairgrounds. The color of the parking lot coincides with the color of the nearest admission gate. All admission gates, except the Service Gate, open at 7:00am. The Service Gate is open 24 hours for exhibitors. If you drive onto the fairgrounds, your vehicle may be subject to search. Expect delays. Tickets are sold at all admission gates starting at 10am daily.
2. There is no free or complimentary parking.
3. Livestock trailer storage lot permits are available at time of arrival in the parking lot, and are only valid for the duration of your show section.

## **C. SHUTTLES**

There is a tack shuttle for delivery of equine and livestock tack to and from the truck parking lot west of the fairgrounds. The Assistant Manager in charge of the show area must request its use. Use of the shuttle is limited on the weekends. A delivery tram is available at the Service Gate that can deliver heavy items to the 4-H barns and display areas or other areas on the fairgrounds. The delivery tram runs on a regular schedule; delivery may be delayed.

## **D. CAMPER AND MOTEL RESERVATIONS**

1. Space rental is available for trailers and campers on a first come reservation basis. **NO TENTS ARE ALLOWED.** No reservation is confirmed until full payment is made. Refunds will be made if WSF is notified three days in advance of reserved date. Phone Washington State Fair, (253) 845-1771, for reservation forms, cost and/or other details. Trailer space is limited, so early arrangements should be made. The camper reservations office opens July 10.
2. Accommodations in the camping lot and dormitories are limited. A list of area motels is available from your county extension office. It is recommended you make motel reservations early in the summer.

## **E. DRESS AND BEHAVIOR**

1. 4-H members are expected to present a clean, neat appearance at all times. Dress should be appropriate for the event, and should reflect the personal achievement of participants at the Washington State 4-H Fair.
2. Dress casually, but neatly and appropriately. If you choose to dress inappropriately, you will be asked to change.
3. Articles of clothing which display profanity, products, or slogans which promote tobacco, alcohol, drugs, sex, or advertise gang symbols or affiliation are prohibited.
4. Items of clothing which expose bare midriffs, bare chests, undergarments, or that are transparent (see-through) are prohibited. Halter tops, tube shirts, and spaghetti straps are not appropriate.
5. Super short or skirts, even with leggings are not acceptable.
6. Exhibitors found in violation of rules or in practices unethical or inimical to the 4-H program shall be penalized by forfeiture of all premiums, prizes, ribbons, awards and/or privileges as deemed appropriate to the circumstances by the Manager.
7. The Washington State 4-H Fair does not condone hazing, in any of its forms. Offenders will be immediately released and all premiums and awards will be forfeited.

# **PREMIUMS AND RECOGNITION**

## **A. AWARDS, PREMIUMS & RECOGNITION**

1. It is anticipated that all awards and recognition will be met in full. However, in the event that the financial position of the Fair warrants, those awards and recognition not provided by donors may be reduced at the discretion of the Washington State 4-H Fair Trustees.

2. All exhibit judging will be based on the group (Danish) system of judging, and will use scorecards approved by WSU Extension.
3. Ribbons will be awarded at the discretion of the judges or officials, to participants in each class. The group (Danish) system will be used to determine the ribbon received by each participant. Champion rosettes will be awarded to blue ribbon winners only. All ribbons will be awarded at completion of participation, when possible, or will be mailed to the county Extension office at the close of the Fair.
4. The Fair will not recover ribbons issued in error. Scoring corrections will be made in the show record; premiums will be paid on the higher placing. For exhibitors of canines, the correct score will be used for future obedience class placement. The appropriate assistant manager will be consulted prior to any changes.
5. See each class and lot for premium points.
6. The value of the points will be determined after the show, based on total points awarded and monies allocated for premiums.
7. An entry fee of \$8.00 for all participants in judged activities will be deducted from each exhibitor's premium check. This is a flat per person fee for all participants in judged classes. The following classes are not considered judged activities: 4-H in Action, Performing Arts, Educational Posters.
8. For all exhibitors earning special cash awards, the cash award will be added to the exhibitor's premium check and issued as one check.

#### **B. PREMIUM CHECK CASHING POLICY**

1. Premium checks will be mailed to individual exhibitors.
2. Checks damaged beyond acceptability by bank will be immediately re-issued upon return of the check to the WA State 4-H Fair Manager. Lost checks, or destroyed checks that cannot be presented in any form will be re-issued upon request, beginning 45 days following original issue date, for 90 days. Please contact the State 4-H Fair Manager – [kellian.st4hfair@gmail.com](mailto:kellian.st4hfair@gmail.com)
3. All premium checks are void 90 days after the date of issue. After the 90 days expires, all uncashed premiums will revert back to the fair.

#### **C. PROTESTS**

Each protest must be lodged, in writing, by at least two exhibitors. Each exhibitor lodging a protest must be from a separate county. In classes with a single exhibitor or participant, or with only one or two counties exhibiting, a single exhibitor may protest. The protest must be filed with the fair manager within 12 hours of the time of the cause of the protest, along with a fee of \$25.00, which is refundable only if the protest is upheld. The judge's decision is not protestable, unless a rule has been violated. A committee selected by the fair manager will act upon the protest. Exhibitors filing protests will be asked to give a verbal report to the committee in a private meeting, and answer any questions from the committee and manager. Show volunteers, judges, or staff will also be asked to give a verbal report and answer questions from the committee and manager. The committee's decision will be final, and the exhibitor making the protest will receive a written decision.

#### **D. POLICY FOR SPONSORED AWARDS**

1. Sponsored awards from individuals, corporations, associations, etc., are encouraged for exhibitors in any and all project areas. All sponsored awards must be approved by the State 4-H Fair Manager, based on policies developed by the State 4-H Fair Board. Proposed awards must be received by the manager prior to the affected show section and not be restrictive in nature. Restrictive criteria would include mandatory use of products, trade names, or breed association requirements such as registered animals only. It would also be considered restrictive to discriminate within an age group or breed. All 4-H exhibitors in a particular project area will be eligible and department superintendents will be notified of applicable sponsored awards prior to the opening of the Fair.
2. Donors are encouraged to provide awards of:
  - a. Project-related equipment
  - b. Cash awards or savings bonds
  - c. Trophies, bowls, special ribbons
  - d. Certificates
3. If an award is given to a group, such as a top judging team, an award should be given to each member of that team.
4. Recipients of sponsored awards will be determined by the judge's decision. Sponsors will not select any recipients for awards.
5. Sponsorships will be reviewed annually. A commitment of three years is encouraged. Awards to be reviewed for the 2024 State 4-H Fair should be submitted to the Fair manager by August 20. Acceptance or rejection of any proposed

sponsorship will be the responsibility of the Fair manager in consultation with the Awards and Recognition Committee of the State 4-H Fair Board of Trustees. Letters of proposal should be addressed to the Puyallup address of the Washington State 4-H Fair or calls made to the Fair Manager.

6. The Washington State 4-H Fair Board appreciates all gifts and donations to the State 4-H Fair. Sponsorships of awards to exhibitors are welcome in all areas.
7. Donations or sponsorships other than those awards made directly to exhibitors or for specific awards will be placed into the general fund of the State 4-H Fair, and managed by the Board of Trustees. All funds will be used to provide an equal opportunity for each participant and to showcase Washington 4-H to our citizens.

**E. ZONE PREMIUMS**

Exhibitors in activities and animal classes will receive additional premiums as shown; they are added only once for each exhibitor.

| <u>Zone:</u> | Activities 1-36 | Cats 400-449<br>Dogs 450-499<br>Cavies 500-549<br>Rabbits 550-599 | Sheep 600-629<br>Swine 630-649<br>Goats 800-899 | Beef 650-669<br>Dairy 670-699<br>Llamas 700-725<br>Equine 900-999 |
|--------------|-----------------|---|---|---|
| A            | 0               | 0   | 0   | 0   |
| B            | 5               | 5   | 8   | 10  |
| C            | 10              | 10  | 15  | 20  |
| D            | 20              | 20  | 30  | 40  |
| E            | 30              | 30  | 45  | 60  |

Zones are defined by county as follows:

- A – King, Kitsap, Pierce, Thurston
- B – Cowlitz, Grays Harbor/Mason, Jefferson, Lewis, Pacific, Skagit, Snohomish
- C – Clallam, Clark, Island, Kittitas, Skamania, Wahkiakum, Whatcom, Yakima
- D – Adams/Lincoln, Benton/Franklin, Chelan/Douglas, Grant, Klickitat, Okanogan
- E – Asotin, Columbia, Ferry, Garfield, Pend Oreille, San Juan, Spokane, Stevens, Walla Walla, Whitman