

Douglas County Fair 4-H Exhibitor Code of Conduct

The Douglas County Fair 4-H Exhibitor Code of Conduct is intended to foster a safe environment that encourages optimal learning and growth. The opportunity to participate in the Douglas County Fair is a privilege and not a right. All participants, parents/guardians and volunteers are expected to uphold the values of the Douglas County 4-H Youth Development Program and conduct themselves according to the following standards listed below. The following Douglas County Fair 4-H Exhibitor Code of Conduct is a condition of participation in the 4-H division of the Douglas County Fair. **When I participate in the Douglas County Fair, I agree to:**

1. Be present, attentive and engaged in the 4-H activities. Practice good sportsmanship, be helpful to others, uphold ethical practices in 4-H projects and events, and never cheat or falsely represent efforts related to 4-H project activities.
2. Know and follow federal, state, and local laws that apply to minors (e.g., no use of alcohol, illicit (non-prescribed) drugs, and tobacco in any form) even when I am 18 or 19 years old and still a program participant.
3. Use language and actions that do not substantially interfere with others' participation in the program. (Swearing, harassment, and bullying are not allowed).
4. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or show management or other exhibitors before, during or after a competitive event is prohibited. In furtherance of their official duty, all judges, volunteers, fair board members and Extension staff shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation, and respect. No person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward anyone.
5. Obey all rules and directives that apply to the county fair 4-H division where I am involved.
6. Apply these conduct standards to online 4-H activity, including social media and internet presence.

I acknowledge and agree to abide by the Douglas County Fair 4-H Exhibitor Code of Conduct. I agree to conduct myself in an honest, ethical and upstanding manner. I understand disciplinary actions up to disqualification and forfeit of premiums will result if these rules are violated.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

4-H Member Signature: _____ Date: _____