Delaware 4-H
4-H Virtual Exhibit Showcase at the Delaware State Fair

As communicated in our letter emailed to all 4-H families on July 1, 2020, due to the current in-person restriction for 4-H programming that is in place through July 31st, we will not be able to have actual 4-H exhibits brought to the 4-H building this year to be judged and on display. This decision was made out of an abundance of care and with the priority of protecting the health and safety of the participants, families, volunteers and staff.

As we also shared in our correspondence, the Delaware State Fair has a virtual exhibit software that will allow us to have our youth continue to be able to share and exhibit their 4-H project work, and have the ability to participate in the exhibit premium system. Even though it will be different for us to do, we are very fortunate to have the ability and opportunity to use this system for our youth.

We have attached guidelines on how our 4-H members can upload and present their exhibits through their Delaware State Fair exhibit account. It is a very user friendly system and one that I feel all families will be able to use to share their exhibit information. Staff at the Delaware State Fair as well as with the Delaware 4-H Program are prepared to assist with this process as help is needed. Please review these guidelines in order to begin to prepare information to be able to provide it in the virtual exhibit showcase.

Date Uploaded Information is Due for Virtual Exhibit Showcase

Monday, July 20th (12 midnight)

Suggested File System to use in Saving Exhibit Photographs to use to Upload

We encourage you to use the exhibit class number as your file name when saving photos to upload in the DSF virtual system.

For example, if you are exhibiting in Class 98, take a photograph(s) of your exhibit, and save as follows:

C98 P1 (Class 98 Picture 1)
C98 P2 (Class 98 Picture 2)
C98 P3 (Class 98 Picture 3)

Photography Tips to Remember / Use in Taking Photographs of Exhibits

Consider the following photography tips to use when taking photographs of your exhibits:

- Be sure to focus in on your exhibit
- Be sure to have the proper lighting so your pictures are not dark
- Remember these types of composition to use: Rule of Thirds, Lighting, Simplicity and Balance
- Photos can be edited to crop out unnecessary items in the photo.
- More information about composition and editing photographs can be found in the 4-H Photography Judging Guide:
    https://www.udel.edu/content/dam/udelImages/canr/pdfs/extension/4H/judging-competitions/Photography-Judging-Guide-2019.pdf

Please contact your County 4-H Educator or the State 4-H Program Leader / Administrative Assistant with any questions you have related to this process. Contact information is provided below.

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