



4-H CLOVERBUD GUIDELINES FOR FAIR

Guidelines:

- Cloverbuds can participate in 4-H Cloverbud Classes (listed on form) OR in Youth Division Fair Classes (listed in the Fair book). They CANNOT participate in both. Choose ONE: Youth or Cloverbud Classes.
- Youth must be enrolled at the MSU Extension office as a 4-H Cloverbud by May 1, 2024 and be between the ages of 5 to 7 years old as of January 1st, of the current year.
- A Cloverbud Fair Entry form needs to be turned into or postmarked the MSU Extension office by Sunday, June 23rd to participate in the 4-H Cloverbud Classes at the Clare County Fair.
- Youth must have adult or teen supervision while exhibiting or handling their animal project(s).
- Youth will be recognized in a non-competitive fashion. No premiums will be given.
- Animals must be housed and cared for at fair all week (Sunday thru Saturday) or can be borrowed from siblings or other exhibitors that are already participating at fair. Exceptions: cats and dogs can be hauled in for the show only; swine can only be borrowed from another sibling or exhibitor. All animals to be used for Cloverbud Classes must follow Fair book entry and release rules and have proper identification and movement paperwork (Coggins test for horse and scrapie tags for goat/sheep)
- Cloverbud Horse members must wear ASTM-or SEI-approved helmets for all 4-H Cloverbud horse experiences.
- Cloverbud Home Arts projects will be shown during the Youth Home Arts Judging on Friday, July 31. Cloverbuds must be present to show their projects. Showing will take place at under the Grandstands at the Fairgrounds. Cloverbud projects need to be displayed in the youth's 4-H club's booth throughout the duration of Fair.
- Cloverbud Animals will show on Thursday, August 6th, starting at 4 pm. The show will begin with small animals at the Small Animal Tent, horses at the Horse Arena, and livestock in the T-Barn.
- Cloverbud's participating in Record Keeping need to have their books turned in to the MSU Extension Building by noon on Tuesday of the Fair. The MSU Extension Building is located next to the Small Animal Barn. Record Books can be on any Cloverbud Project (regardless if the animal is owned by borrowed). Record Books can be found online at https://www.canr.msu.edu/clare/clare_county_4_h/record-books
- ALL Cloverbuds participating in this 4-H Cloverbud experience should plan to be at the Cloverbud Award Ceremony in the Livestock T-Barn Arena beginning at approximately 6:30pm on Thursday, August 6th, after the Cloverbud Animal Show is finished.

Have questions? Contact Renee Sanders, Clare County 4-H Program Coordinator, at the Clare County MSU Extension Office at 989-539-7805 or biselr@msu.edu.



2026 4-H CLOVERBUD SHOW ENTRY FORM

Due Sunday, June 28

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, and Zip Code: _____

4-H Age (as of January 1st of current year): _____ Birth date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Phone: _____ 4-H Club: _____

T-Shirt Size (Youth or Adult): _____

<u>Project Area</u>	<u>Type of Project (circle)</u>	<u>Source (circle)</u>	<u>Name of Person Borrowing From</u>
Small Animal	Cat	Haul-In /Borrow	_____
	Dog	Haul-In /Borrow	_____
	Rabbit/Cavy	Housed /Borrow	_____
	Poultry	Housed/Borrow	_____
	Goat	Housed /Borrow	_____
	Pocket Pet	Housed/Borrow	_____
Large Animal	Dairy Feeder	Housed / Borrow	_____
	Swine	----- / Borrow	_____
	Sheep	Housed / Borrow	_____
	Dairy Heifer	Housed / Borrow	_____
Horse	Showmanship	Housed / Borrow	_____
	Horsemanship	Housed / Borrow	_____
	Trail	Housed / Borrow	_____
	Home Arts		
	Record Keeping		

Forms are due Sunday, June 28, to the Clare County MSU Extension Office. Must be post marked by this date, hand delivered or scanned to biselr@msu.edu.

Return to:

4-H Program Coordinator
MSU Extension
225 W. Main Street
Harrison, MI 48625

