

WHAT SHOULD I WEAR?

Wear cool, comfortable clothes and shoes! There may be a lot of walking from where you have parked to the Orr Building and many of the walkways get dusty/share space with livestock.

WHAT SHOULD I BRING?

Your project, exhibitor tag, and your drop off pass (if needed for a large project), along with anything you need to help your project travel well!

WHAT AWARDS CAN I WIN?

- **Champion**
- **Reserve Champion**
- **Inspire Award** (this judge's choice award is for projects that inspired the judges in some way!)

If you've received an award, you'll see an envelope and medal on your project at pickup.

WHAT HAPPENS AT JUDGING?

A great educational experience! Judges are project experts who are there to help you learn and grow in your project area. To review your scoresheet prior to judging, visit go.illinois.edu/SFIL4H22

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**ILLINOIS 4-H
FIRST TIME
FAIRGOER
GUIDE**

WHAT IF ...?

We are here to support you! If you need help or support the day of the Fair, Illinois 4-H staff will be available to answer questions or help you troubleshoot. Find us at the Information Booth in the middle of the Orr Building!

PLAN YOUR TRIP

ENJOYING SPRINGFIELD

Head to the Springfield Visitor's Center site at <https://visitspringfieldillinois.com> for hotel information and more!

ENJOYING THE FAIR

Head to the State Fair website for info on the event:

<https://www2.illinois.gov/statefair>

GET READY TO EXHIBIT

Review your Exhibitor Info that your unit provides prior to the Fair. This has lots of great info on the details of what you need to know like how to download our event app! You can also find that information here: go.illinois.edu/SFIL4H22

WHAT ELSE SHOULD I KNOW?

Have fun and enjoy the experience! The 4-H staff is here to help and support you!



AT THE ORR BUILDING

WHO'S WHO?

- **Superintendents** - are State 4-H staff who serve as supervisors of project areas. These staff members are a great first stop for questions -- look for the 4-H polo!
- **Judges** - these are the project area experts! Their goal is to provide a high-quality educational experience so you can keep growing in your project area expertise.
- **Project Assistants** - are 4-H staff, volunteers, and leadership team youth that help keep things running smoothly for judging!

BOOTHS AT THE CENTER OF THE ORR BUILDING

- **Information Booth** - your one-stop-shop for exhibitor questions and general assistance
- **PR Booth** - stop by here for fun activities for you and your family
- **Alumni Booth** - register as a 4-H alum!

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AT THE FAIR

FINDING THE ORR BUILDING

Traffic around the State Fair runs in a one-way loop during Fair time. Use the State Fair map in the app or on the State Fair site to scope out parking lots and plan your walking path to the Orr Building.

DROPPING OFF/PICKING UP

Leave your exhibitor ticket with your project on the table labeled for your project area. There is no need to check in with a person, but before you leave:

1. **Tear off the bottom half** of your exhibitor ticket and take it with you to use as a "claim ticket" for pickup at the end of the day.
2. **Consult the judging schedule** that is in a plastic stand on your project table. Find your name on the list and identify the time you are scheduled to meet with your judge. Plan to arrive back in your project area a few minutes early.
3. **Projects can be picked up** as your project area judging is completed until 4:30 pm. Download the event app to get updates on when your project area is ready for pick up.

