

K-State Research & Extension

Greenwood County 4-H News

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Kansas State University Agricultural Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service ✦ July 2025



2025 Fair Schedule

July

- 1** FairEntry Closes!
- 3** Sign up Genius links go out to Horse, Beef, and Poultry Exhibitors for consultation judging
- 4** Extension Office Closed - 4th of July Holiday
- 5** Sign up Genius links sent to remaining exhibitors
- 12** Entomology Project Meeting, Iola, KS @ 1 pm
- 13** Consultation judging signups due by 11:59pm
- 14** Buyer's Meal money due from clubs
- 14** Fairgrounds Clean-up @ 6pm, followed by the 4-H Council meeting
- 15** KSF Livestock Entries Due
- 19** GW Co Fair 4-H Consultation Judging @ 8 am
- 19** GW Co Fair 4-H Horse Show @ 5pm
- 18** Club Boosters list due to Ext. Office by 4:30pm
- 21** Clothing Set-up & Practice Walk Through 5-6 pm
- 23** Clothing & Fiber Arts Judging & Public Style Revue
- 25-28** Greenwood County Fair

August

- 1** Deadline for State Fair Horse Entries
- 4** Kansas State Fair Entries Due to office by 4:30 pm
- 15** KJLS Entries due
- 15** KSF Static Entries due
- 29** KSF static exhibits due to Ext. office by 4:30 pm (except foods—9/4 from 7:30—8 am)

September

- 2** 4-H Ambassador applications due
- 4** Bring KSF foods exhibits between 7:30—8 am
- 5-14** Kansas State Fair
- 24** Carcass Contest Results Meeting—Hamilton

Weigh-in Schedule

No animals on the fair grounds before 5pm. Water will not be turned on until weigh-in time Thursday evening.

Thursday:

Beef only; 7 to 8pm (There will be no unloading of any other livestock during this time)

Friday:

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| 8 to 9am | Hogs |
| 9 to 10am | Goats |
| 10 to 11am | Sheep |
| 11 to 11:30am | Bucket Calves |
| 11:30am | Scales Close |
| 11:30 to Noon | Meeting for all Livestock Exhibitors |

- June 21** GW Co Fair Archery Competition @ 9am
- June 29** GW Co Fair Shotgun Competition @ 4pm
- July 1** **4-H & Open Class Fair Entries due in FairEntry**
- July 19** GW Co Consultation Judging - 8am to Noon
- July 19** GW Co 4-H Horse Show @ 5pm
- July 23** Clothing & Fiber Arts Judging & Public Style Revue

Friday, July 25

- 8:30am 4-H Foods & Visual Arts Consultation Judging
- 8:30-11:30am Acceptance of Non-Livestock Exhibits
- 8:30-11:30am Acceptance of 4-H/FFA Livestock Exhibits
- **Beef ONLY Weigh-in Thursday night, 7-8pm**
- 11:30-12pm Livestock Exhibitor Meeting - Showbarn Arena
- 12-4pm Exhibit areas closed to the public for judging
- 12-7pm 4-H Council Bake Sale - Braden Room
- 4pm 4-H/FFA Poultry Show - Poultry/Rabbit Barn
- 7pm 4-H/FFA Beef Show - Showbarn

Saturday, July 26

- 8am 4-H/FFA Swine Show - Showbarn
- 9a-noon Community Health & Wellness Safety Fair (sponsored by GWCH Foundation)
- 10am-4pm Youth Water Inflatables - Free to all
- 11:30am 4-H/FFA Sheep Show - Showbarn
- 1pm 4-H/FFA Rabbit Show - Poultry/Rabbit Barn
- 2pm 4-H Tractor Operator Contest
- 4pm 4-H/FFA Dairy Goat Show - Showbarn
- 5pm 4-H/FFA Meat Goat Show - Showbarn
- 7-8:30pm Free Watermelon (sponsored by G&W Foods)
- 7:30pm Barnyard Olympics (sponsored by FFA Boosters)
- 8:30pm(at dusk) FREE Family Movie—"Blank Check"
- 9-11pm Youth Dance (ages 12-18) Outdoors, cost: \$5 per person (sponsored by Kind Like Kenlee)

Sunday, July 27

- 7:30-10:30am Shriners Pancake Breakfast, Concourse Bldg
- 8:30-9:30am Sunday Worship Service
- 10am-noon GW Co 4-H Whiffle Ball Game
- 12:30pm Pedal Power Tractor Pull
- 2pm Cornhole Tournament (sponsored by Madison FFA & Boosters)
- 2-4pm Sundaes on Sunday (sponsored by Reece Christian Church)
- 3pm Fish Casting Contest
- 4:30pm 4-H Bucket Calf Show
- 6pm Lamb Lead-In Contest
- 6:30pm Parade of Pre-Fair Champions, followed by 4-H/FFA "Round Robin" Showmanship Finals

Monday, July 28

- 9:30am Youth Livestock Judging Contest - Showbarn
- 11-12pm Release of 4-H/FFA & Open Class Exhibits
- 12pm Fairgrounds Clean-up; Followed by Livestock Sale Set-up
- 2-3pm Challenge of Champions
- 5:30pm Livestock Buyer Appreciation Dinner, followed by Friend of Fair Presentation
- 7pm 4-H/FFA Livestock Sale

Fair Buildings Set-up & Take-down 2025

Lots of help is needed for set up and take down of display spaces. Tables, racks, and shelves must be set up and arranged. Adults and older 4-H'ers and some pickup trucks are needed.

Clubs assigned to help with set up Thursday, July 24th, at 6pm are:

- ⇒ Racing Wranglers
- ⇒ Willow Valley Go-Getters
- ⇒ Fancy Mustangs

On Monday, July 28th at 12:00pm, the process is reversed and we take all the display spaces apart and store them.

We cannot start this until 12:00pm.

The clubs to help with this are:

- ⇒ Madison Pacesetters
- ⇒ Harmony Sunflowers
- ⇒ Fall River 55'ers

We appreciate your help with all of this. It doesn't take long when everyone pitches in.

Building Watch Times

Each club has assigned times for watching the Concourse Building. Please have 1 adult and 1 youth for each floor of the building. "Watch" responsibilities are:

- * Keep a watchful eye on exhibits and fair goers
- * Visitors should not handle exhibits. (Especially watch the Arts & Crafts area)
- * Responsible for 4-H Food Sale items
- * Kansas State Fair entry sheets
- * Straighten exhibits, posters, etc., if needed
- * Do not let children run or scuffle through the buildings

Assigned times are:

Friday

- * 3-6pm Fall River 55'ers
- * 6-9pm Willow Valley Go-Getters

Saturday

- * 9am-12pm Madison Pacesetters
- * 12-3pm Willow Valley Go-Getters
- * 3-6pm Harmony Sunflowers
- * 6-9pm Fancy Mustangs

Sunday

- * 7:30-9am Racing Wranglers
- * 9am-12pm Madison Pacesetters
- * 12-3pm Racing Wranglers
- * 3-6pm Fancy Mustangs
- * 6-9pm Harmony Sunflowers

Monday

- * 9-11am Fall River 55'ers

Trash Duty During the Fair

Friday:

- 9am-3pm Fall River 55'ers
- 3-9pm Madison Pacesetters

Saturday

- 9am-3pm Harmony Sunflowers
- 3-9pm Fancy Mustangs

Sunday

- 9am-3pm Willow Valley Go-Getters
- 3-9pm Racing Wranglers

Monday

- 9am All clubs

Concessions

Friday

- 9am-2pm EJSBS Cheerleaders
- 2-9pm Hamilton STUCO

Saturday

- 9a-9pm Lacey Breech Cancer Fund Fundraiser

Sunday

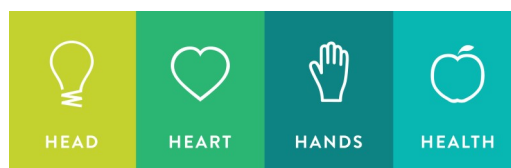
- 11am-3pm Kind Like Kinlee
- 3-9pm GW Co Shooting Sports

With Fair time quickly approaching please remember that we need all sheep and goats to be sheered slick by weigh in time on Friday, July 25th. As stated in the Fair Book, animals that are not sheered will not be weighed!

Remember to show and sell livestock, participants MUST wear a collared shirt or a current Greenwood County Fair t-shirt.

Bedding Livestock at the Fair

Please feed hay when you have the animal out of the barn. Tie-out time is 8:30pm. Please have your animal on display until this time. We work hard at keeping our barn area clean, try to keep your "tie-out" area clean as well. The last day of the fair, clean up extra hay and any spilled grain. Beef, lambs, goats, and swine are bedded in wood shavings. It's the exhibitor's responsibility to clean up after their livestock. Bedding will be provided for Beef animals. There will be bedding available for Sheep and Goat entries should you want to use it. Bedding is mulch type. There is no cost for bedding. A picture of available bedding will be posted on the Greenwood County Fair FB page. The use of straw is not allowed.



Fair Horse Show - July 19th at 5pm

The 4-H Horse show rule book will be followed. Show management and/or the judge may modify class execution as appropriate to run the show as efficiently as possible and allow you to exhibit their project to the best of their abilities. Please remember to wear long sleeves, collar shirts/blouses, unless advised differently at the horse show.

- Original Horse ID papers & negative Coggins test
- Bring buckets to water horses as the weather most likely will be very warm
- Listen to announcements before Trail, Working Ranch Horse, and timed events

Reining Class

The reining pattern this year will be **pattern 2** for all ages.

The Working Ranch Horse (pattern 3)

Horse Show participants are strongly encouraged to familiarize themselves with the scoring portion of the Kansas 4-H Horse Show rule Rulebook. That can be found [HERE](#).

Check in by 4:45 pm

See the page 5 of this newsletter for patterns!

Challenge of Champions

This is an agriculture skill-a-thon competition for 4-H & FFA youth ages 16-18 as of January 1st of this year. The competition will be held on Monday, July 28th from 2-3 pm in the Concourse Building. Those wishing to compete must complete an entry form and submit it to either 4-H Foundation President, Jamie Nelson or Ag Agent, Ben Sims by **Noon** on Sunday, July 27th. Entry forms and competition rules can be found at the end of this newsletter. The winner will have the opportunity to go on to compete for one of two \$2,250 scholarships at the Challenge of Champions hosted by the Kansas Fairs & Festivals Association at the Kansas State Fair on September 7th. In order to compete at the State Fair, youth must be planning to attend a Kansas school.

Buyer's Meal Responsibilities

Each club needs to have 2 to 3 youth and 1 adult representative to help with the Buyer's Meal. The total amount each club owes will be shared shortly and is due by Monday, July 14th, at the 4-H Council Meeting.

Food's Consultation Sign-Ups

If you entered more than 3 foods items, please sign up for 2 slots back to back to ensure there is enough time to get all entries judged. Make sure you sign up quickly to make sure this is happening.

Greenwood County Fair Photography Special Category Award

1. Photography judging will be on Saturday, July 19th starting at 8am.
2. Do **not** label your exhibit. Superintendent will place label on exhibits when they are brought in for judging. Keep your bags unsealed.
3. Kim Gaines will be sponsoring a photo category "4-H Spirit Photography Special Category Award." One (1) color entry per 4-H member (needs to be enrolled in the photography project) that depicts the spirit and promotion of the 4-H organization. A \$20.00 cash prize will be awarded.

Guidelines are:

- ◆ Photos could be selected to go to the state fair under the color category.
- ◆ If entering your color photo in the special award there will be a sticker to apply to your entry.
- ◆ This is a one winner category.
- ◆ All members would acknowledge that the GWCO Extension and Research office and/or ambassadors would use these photos for publication and promotion.
- ◆ Upon being selected for these possible projects, a digital file will need to be submitted to the extension office at a later date.
- ◆ The photo would not be eligible for open class.
- ◆ This would not increase the number of photos a 4-H member could enter at the county level.

4-H Foods & Nutrition Rule for Frostings & Fillings at the GW Co Fair & KSF

⇒ For food safety purposes, any entries with frostings & fillings must calculate the amount of sugar in the frosting/filling recipe only. Calculation must be attached to entry, or the placing will be lowered one ribbon when judged. Frosting & fillings need to contain more than 65% sugar for safety. Examples on how to calculate this percentage are included in the publication located at: <https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/MF3544.pdf>



Fair Clothing Judging Wednesday, July 23rd in Madison

Good luck on judging **Wednesday, July 23rd at the Madison High School!** Please enter through the Commons Area of the school, where registration will be held (south doors). The Public Fashion Revue is scheduled to begin at 7pm that evening.

4-Her's will sign up for judging times via Sign-up Genius. The schedule will be posted that day in the Commons Area.

ALL CLUBS are asked to provide 4 dozen cookies for refreshments after the public fashion revue in the evening. Please drop off your cookies between 8am and noon at the Madison High School Area.

Schedule Order

- ◇ 8:30 –9:30 m Fiber Arts Consultation Judging
- ◇ 8:30am Shopping in Style & Fashion Revue
- ◇ 9:30 am Sewing & Textile Design

Practice Walk Through:

This will be July 21st from 5-6 pm, and is a time for younger members to come and ask questions about judging day and public style revue.

Here's some reminders for the day:

- Arrive early - get everything you might need together the evening prior to the event.
- Smile, Smile, Smile! Prepare ahead and relax to have a positive day.
- Plan ahead – press and iron your clothes, fix your hair prior to coming to save time.
- You will need one time slot for Shopping In Style and multiple for Style Revue to coincide with the number of outfits to be modeled.

Public Fashion Revue Reminders:

- Clothing information sheet, with public revue script, should have been left with judge that morning.
- Model only 2 outfits total (see fair paper)
- Call back outfits should be modeled (prioritize these outfits for the revue)
- Wear call backs as your last outfit to model (if possible)
- Line-up begins at 6:45pm near dressing rooms from judging
- Sewing & Textile Design Fashion Revue winners will also be announced at the Public Fashion Revue.
- There will be a reserved seating area for 4-H'ers when they finish their fashion revue
- Modeling can be done in groups no larger than 4 exhibitors

Submitting Clothing at the Fair:

- Submit Clothing entries at the Fair on wire hangers with static entry card and cost per wear form attached.

4-H/FFA Fair Premium Sale Policy Reminders

This policy is regarding eligibility for the Livestock Sale from the Greenwood County 4-H Foundation:

- Livestock sale participants are required to attend a minimum of 4 monthly meetings.
- The livestock sale is terminal for all animals. Grand and Reserve Grand in each species are required to sell. Fair participants will be limited to one animal in the sale **with the exception that in the event that a participant has more than one Grand and/or Reserve Champion, the participant will be required to sell ALL Grand and/or Reserve Champions.**
- Requiring all Grand and Reserve Champions to sell ensures the quality and integrity of the program.
- Each fair participant has the right to withdraw their animal from the grand drive if they wish not to sell it.

For questions, contact Jamie Nelson, President of Greenwood County 4-H Foundation. Other members include Mike Mallek, Natalie Boone, Kim Gaines, Doris Decker, and Luke Westerman.

Each 4-H member who wishes to sell an animal in Greenwood County 4-H Premium sale must:

1. Attend at least four monthly meetings of the club in which they are enrolled. Attendance will be counted from October 1st - June 30th; with the official record being the 4-H club Secretary.
2. Have a signed copy (both 4-H'er and guardian must sign) of the GW Co Fair Livestock Premium Sale Rules on file with the Extension Office by **May 30th!**

Greenwood County 4-H Carcass Contest

The 4-H Carcass Contest involving market beef, market swine, market goats, and market lambs is planned for this year's fair. Ideally, animals that place 1st and 2nd in market animal classes will be included in this contest. The date to view the carcasses at Woodson County Prime Meats in Yates Center and Olpe Locker will be emailed out at a later date. The Carcass Contest Results Meeting will be Wednesday, September 24th at 7pm in the Hamilton Community Building. Exhibitors are encouraged to attend the viewing for their carcass animals. Exhibitors are **required** to attend the results meeting in order to receive results data and award. 4-H members and families who have questions about the 4-H Carcass Contest can contact Greg Davis at (620) 340-9534.

Flint Hills Carcass Clash

This is contest between Lyon, Butler, Cowley, and Greenwood County Beef carcasses. Participation in our local Carcass Contest is an automatic entry. See the flyer on page 8 for more information.

Save the Date for 48 Hours of 4-H

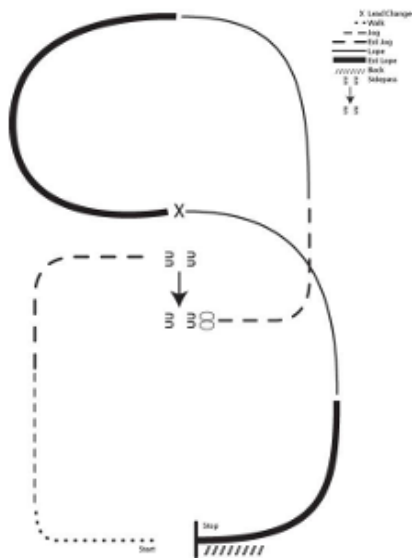


Oct. 11-12, 2025: Now is the time to save the date for 2025 48 Hours of the 4-H Service Challenge by starting to discuss and plan now. You can find the perfect project for your group and engage important partners. Find more information [HERE](#).

Entomology Project Meeting

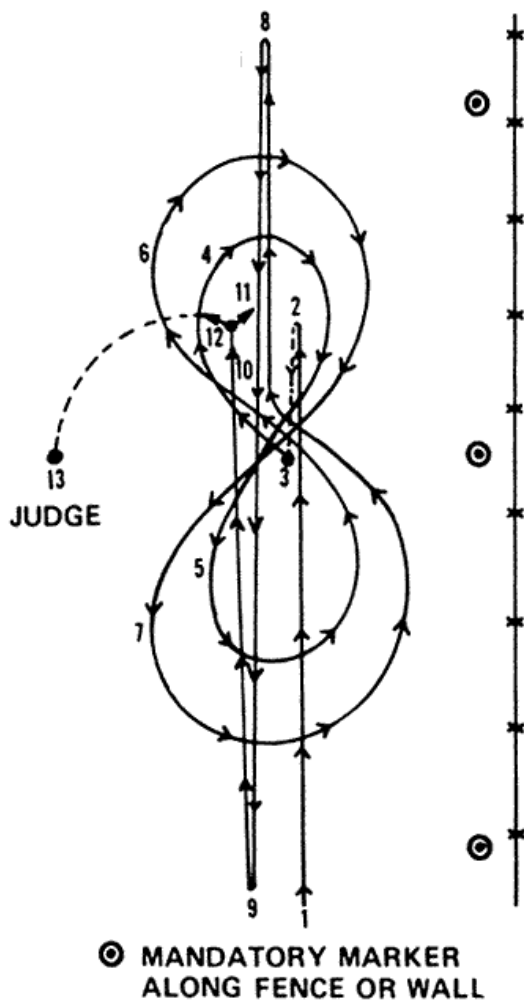
It is almost Fair time! Vicky will be concentrating on getting ready for the Fair at our July Entomology meeting. They will meet July 12th beginning at 1:00 p.m. at the Allen County Extension Office. Bring insects you need identified. If you need help deciding how to arrange insects in your box, bring the insects and your box. If you need suggestions on your educational exhibit or photo notebook, bring them to the meeting to be looked at. If you need help getting labels on insects, bring the insects and labels.

Working Ranch Pattern 3



1. Walk to the left around corner of the arena
2. Jog
3. Extend along the side of the arena and around the corner to the center
4. Stop, side pass right
5. 360° turn each direction (either way first)
6. Extend the jog
7. Lope left lead
8. Extend the lope
9. Change leads (simple or flying)
10. Collect to the lope
11. Extend the lope
12. Stop and back

Reining Pattern 2



1. to 2. Run with speed, past center marker.
2. Stop and back up to center of pattern. Turn 90° to the left.
3. Settle horse for approximately 10 seconds. Start lope. Circles should be made inside the end markers.
4. Ride two circles to the right, first circle small – should be slow – and second circle larger and faster.
5. Ride two circles to the left, first circle small slow, second circle larger and faster. Change leads and run to far end of arena.
6. Left roll back over hocks (should be made past far end marker). Run to opposite end of arena.
7. Right roll back over hocks (should be made past near end marker).
8. Run past center marker and stop. Let horse settle, then in approximate area of stop, do the pivots.

County Fair Thank You Notes



The best time to get your thank you letters out is directly after the fair before you forget. There are many 4-H Club Boosters, Premium Sale Buyers, and Friends of the Fair that make substantial contributions to the county fair to both reward you for your hard work and also make the county fair a memorable experience for you. We ask that you please take the time to thank a county fair donor by thanking them personally or writing a letter.

SignUp Genius Release Schedule

July 19th Consultation Judging:

Emailed to Horse Show Exhibitors: July 3 @ 7 am

Emailed to All Other Exhibitors: July 5 @ 8 am

July 23rd Clothing & Fiber Arts Judging:

Emailed to All Exhibitors: July 5 @ 8 am

July 25th Foods & Visual Arts Consultation Judging:

Emailed to Poultry & Beef Exhibitors: July 3 @ 7am

Emailed to All Other Exhibitors: July 5 @ 8 am

Links CLOSE on July 13 @ 11:59 pm.

Links will be emailed to the email you have on 4-H Online. Please check those and plan accordingly.

Static Entry Cards

All indoor projects are considered static entries. Each static entry (except Fashion Revue and Photography) must have a static entry card with your exhibit information. The Extension office prints these cards after July 1, and will notify families when they are ready to be picked up from the office.



Come be a 4-H Ambassador!

We invite you to apply to be a 4-H Ambassador! Ambassadors are highly respected youth leadership positions who have demonstrated leadership skills and have a strong desire to further develop leadership and promotional skills. A 4-H Member in grades 9-12 who has a sincere desire and ability to promote the Greenwood County 4-H Program will make an excellent 4-H Ambassador. For more information, go [HERE](#). If you have questions, don't be afraid to talk to one of our current 4-H Ambassadors at the county fair. They'd love to chat with you about it! The deadline to apply is September 2nd.

4-H Council Corner



4-H Council will meet on Monday, July 14th at the fairgrounds after Fairgrounds Clean-up!



Indoor Exhibits and when they are judged:

July 19:

Ag Mechanics
Astronomy
Building Block Eng.
Computer Sci.
Educational Projs.
Electric & Renew. En.
Entomology
Forestry
Geology
Interior Design & Arch.
Photography
Robotics
Rocketry
Uncrewed Aerial Syst.
Wildlife
Woodworking

July 23:

Shopping in Style
Fashion Revue
Sewing & Textile Design
Fiber Arts

July 25:

Foods
Food Preservation
Visual Arts
Agronomy
Horticulture & Landscape Des.

Items that are judged on July 19 may stay at the concourse building if you choose.

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Greenwood County Fair
Challenge of Champions
Monday July 28, 2025 (2 pm – 3 pm)
Concourse Building

Entry Form – must be submitted by Sunday at Noon of the Greenwood County Fair

Submit forms to either 4-H Foundation President, Jamie Nelson, or Ag Agent, Ben Sims.

***Required Fields**

***First Name:** _____ ***Last Name:** _____ ***Age:** _____

***Phone:** _____ ***Email:** _____

***Youth Signature:** _____

(The above signature verifies that you agree to abide by the General Rules of the Greenwood County Fair Challenge of Champions competition.)

***Parent/Guardian Signature:** _____

General Rules

- 1.) Contestants must be at least 16 years of age but not over 18 years of age as of January 1, current year.
- 2.) There will be a Champion and Reserve Champion of the competition. The Champion will have the opportunity to compete at the Kansas State Fair Challenge of Champions in September that is hosted by the Kansas Fairs & Festivals Association. That Champion has until August 5th to decide if they will compete. Should they choose not to, then the Reserve Champion will serve as an alternate and have the opportunity to go on and compete.
- 3.) The Superintendent of the contest, in cooperation with the contest committee, will be in charge of the contest. They shall have the authority for the interpretation of the policies.
- 4.) The contestants will be furnished with placing cards and any other necessary forms. No contestant will be allowed to have books, notes, pamphlets, phones, or electric devices out during the contest.
- 5.) While contest is in session there shall be **no communication** among contestants or anyone other than the facilitator of the competition.



**CONTACT GREG DAVIS TO JUDGE YOUR COUNTY
BEEF CARCASS CONTEST. CATTLE JUDGED AT A
COUNTY LEVEL WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE
ENTERED IN THE FLINT HILL CARCASS CLASH**

Top 5 youth awarded and traveling perpetual
trophy to the county with the top trio!

1st and 2nd place banners, buckles & displays

3rd, 4th & 5th banners, cowhide chairs



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